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Students stand up to bullying



► Family Resources Centre staff. L-r: Julianne Fewless-Thompson, Edwin Pellot-Rosa, Anne-Marie Diaz, Renee Ebanks, Charmaine Miller and Miles Ruby

By Lindsey Turnbull

Demonstrating a real understanding of the issue of bullying in all its forms, students from primary and high schools across Cayman got together last Saturday for the third annual Stood Up Fair,

organised by the Department of Counselling Services' Family Resource Centre. Housed in John Gray High School's new gym, the fair showcased posters and presentations by young people on just what constituted bullying and also their proposals for combatting the problem.

Charmaine Miller, Programme Coordinator at the Family Resource Centre, gave some background to the event: "We started this fair three years ago with the objective of getting students

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GOVERNOR CELEBRATES ONE YEAR IN POST

PREMIER RESPONDS TO LEGAL OPINION ISSUED BY CPR

The Cayman Port Referendum (CPR) group on Saturday issued a legal opinion to the media.

Responding to this Legal Opinion Premier Hon. Alden McLaughlin said "The Government has taken legal ad-

vice on the conduct of this matter from our customary noted constitutional counsel in London and we are more than satisfied that the process being

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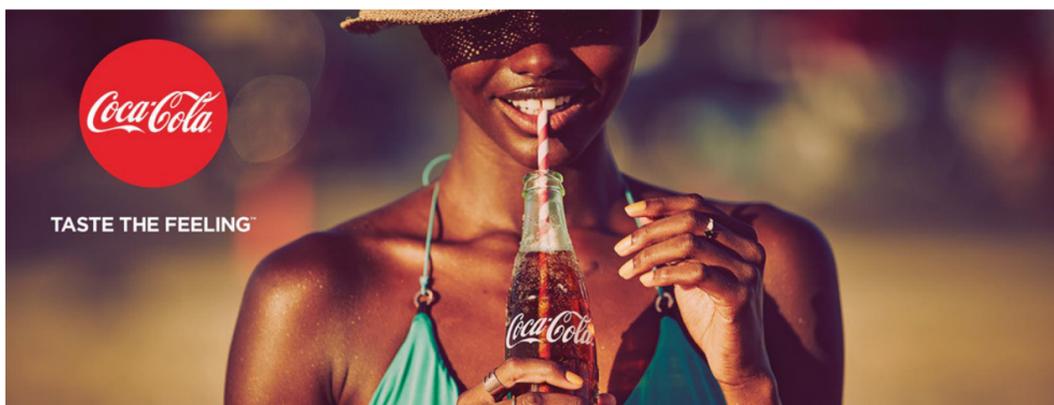
► Premier Hon. Alden McLaughlin

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The Elections Office will be ready to service customers from its new offices at Bay Town Office Suites when the business day starts on Monday, 28 October 2019.

No disruption to service is anticipated during the relocation, which was planned to take place between the end of the verification process and the Referendum so as to not impact either process.

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Single Family Offices Asked to Participate in AML Consultation

Single family offices in the Cayman Islands are asked to give input – either via their trust and corporate services providers (TCSPs), or directly through the Ministry of Financial Services – into the Ministry’s consultation on additional anti-money laundering regulations.

The consultation, on the Anti-Money Laundering (Single Family Office) Regulations, 2019, will be open from Monday, 28 October to Monday, 4 November.

For TCSPs, the Ministry has requested that they share the draft regulations with clients who meet the Securities Investment Business Law’s definition of “single family office,” and then ask

for the clients’ views. Single family offices can also contact their TCSPs regarding the consultation.

For single family offices that want to give input directly to the Ministry, please email dfslegislation@gov.ky to request the consultation document.

Single family offices already are subject to current anti-money laundering regulations. These additional regulations will facilitate their supervision by the Cayman Islands Monetary Authority (CIMA) for anti-money laundering and counter terrorist financing purposes. The regulations also will give CIMA data regarding single family offices in Cayman.

Public Health Department and MRCU offer tips to help fight dengue

Preventing dengue is as simple as preventing bites from the Aedes aegypti mosquito.

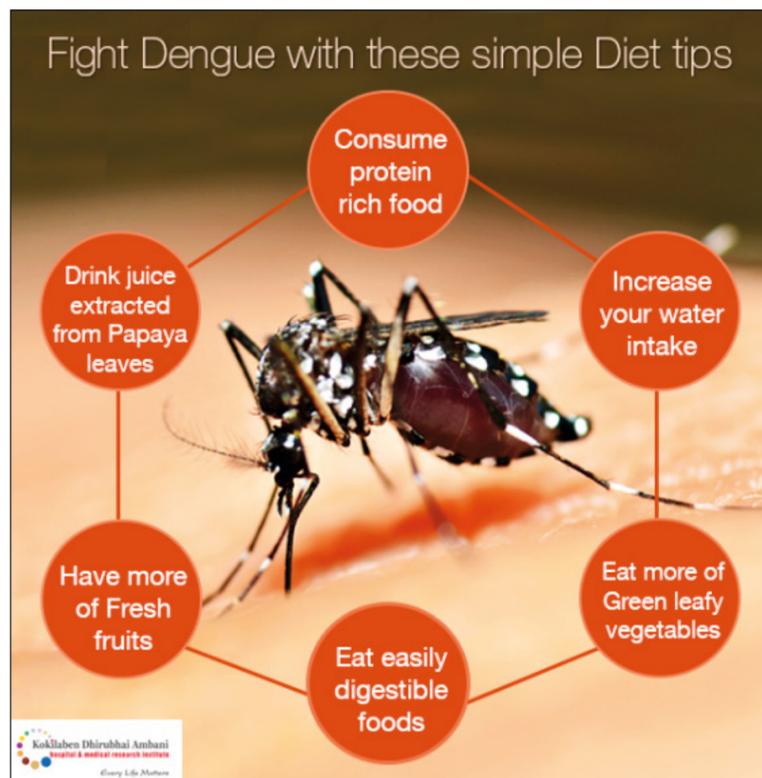
The Public Health Department of the Cayman Islands and the Mosquito Research & Control Unit (MRCU) suggests the public continue to follow these tips to protect themselves from dengue:

- Get rid of standing water in containers around your residence
- Try to avoid going outside at times of Aedes aegypti activity

- Wear long-sleeve shirts and long pants when possible
- Wear EPA-registered mosquito repellent

- Make sure to keep doors/windows closed or screened when possible
- Avoid areas with standing water. Especially at times of high mosquito activity like dawn and dusk

For more information visit: <https://www.cdc.gov/zika/prevention/prevent-mosquito-bites.html>



FREE Bully-Proof Your Child Workshop

The Family Resource Centre (FRC) is facilitating a FREE Bully-Proof Your Child workshop this Wednesday (30th October 2019).

The interactive parenting workshop is being held at FRC, 87 Mary Street, Apollo House West, 2nd Floor, 6-7 p.m. Learn hand tips and tools:

- to pick up red flags when your child is the target of bullying
- tools to talk to your child about bullying
- to help build your child’s resilience, and
- to support your child if they are being bullied or is the bully.

ROTARACT BLUE RAISES OVER US\$5,000 TO HELP END POLIO

On 24 October, World Polio Day, Rotaract Blue held their 3rd End Polio Games Bingo Fundraiser at the Attic Sports Bar.

The community service club for 18-30 year olds collaborated with Rotary Central Cayman Islands to raise a whopping US\$5,403 dollars that will be donated to the End Polio Fund to support the Global Eradication Effort to End Polio.

“Due to the generosity of the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, who have pledged their commitment to this glob-

al effort by tripling all Polio Plus donations, our raised amount of US\$1,801 was tripled to US\$5,403.” explained Rotaract Blue Vice President Alanna Warwick-Smith. “The overwhelming support we have received will result in over 36,000 children receiving vaccinations against Polio.”

The funds raised were due to the vast contributions of the community through the donation of raffle prizes. The bingo night boasted 50 raffle prizes from the donation of club members and the support of corporate sponsors such as, Locale Hotel, Laura Watler Life Coaching Services, F45, Ristorante Papagallo, Foster’s, Touch of Thai, Jacques Scott Wines & Spirits, Island Cleaners, Captain Marvin’s Watersports, Edoardos, Cayman Yoga Club, Cayman Turtle Centre, Strike Zone Laser Tag, Cathy Church’s Photo Centre, Cayman Crystal Caves, Subway, Book Nook, Quintessential Movement, and Peach Wave.

There is no cure for Polio, however the disease is preventable through vaccination.



► It was standing room only at The Attic Sports Bar for Rotaract Blue’s End Polio Game (Photos by Chris Hadome)



► Chris Hadome

There are currently only two countries left in the world, Pakistan and Afghanistan, where the Wild Polio virus is found.

Rotaract Blue meet bi-weekly at Royal Palms Beach Club in the PRIMA restaurant space at 6 P.M., with the next meeting on 13 November.

About Rotaract Blue

Rotaract Blue is a non-profit, community service-based program which is

a part of a global effort to bring peace and international understanding to the world. As members, it is an honorable duty to address the physical and social needs of the community while promoting international understanding and peace through a framework of friendship and service.

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Monocle Weekend Edition: Deep dive

Three sun-soaked landmasses in the western Caribbean comprise the Cayman Islands, a UK overseas territory that maintains a reputation as the go-to financial haven for big business; the booming tourism market is important too. A banker and financial consultant by profession, Ralph Lewis found his clients asking him how they could find jobs in the area so he decided to launch his own employment sheet in 2013. The *Caymanian Times* has since become a full-blown periodical, with 20,000 issues published three times a week and distributed across the islands. A full-time team of three cover all aspects of the news but, says Lewis, "The front page is always a happy story."

What's the big story making the news this week?

From time to time we publish articles on the history of the Cayman Islands. This year we're celebrating 60 years since the first constitution so our front page is "The Life of Captain Willy", who served as a member of parliament for 55 years.

What's your favourite image?

We ran a picture of four young men who had been chosen for the international scuba diving hall of fame. We always want to champion the good work of the Caymanian people so it's important that we're sharing the achievements of our youth.

What's your down-page treat?

The Cayman Islands don't do particularly well in football: we've got a small population and limited talent. That is until we beat a Barbados team in the Concacaf Champions League last week; now we've got something to cheer about.

What's the next big event?

On 19 December we're holding our first voter-initiated referendum on the development of a new port on Grand Cayman. It's the biggest project in the history of the Cayman Islands but a lot of people don't want it to go ahead; they say that the port risks spoiling the environment and the island's natural beauty.

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From its headquarters in London, UK, Monocle covers global affairs, business, culture, design and other topics for a readership it describes as "a globally minded audience of readers who were hungry for opportunities and experiences beyond their national borders."

It also publishes several special editions on a variety of subjects including: The Monocle Guide to Good Business, The Monocle Guide to Cosy Homes, How to Make a Nation: A Monocle Guide, The Monocle Guide to Drinking & Dining, The Monocle Guide to Hotels, Inns and Hideaways and The Monocle Guide to Building Better Cities. In 2019 it published a

new volume focused retail titled The Monocle Guide to Shops, Kiosks and Markets.

Monocle also operates its own radio station.

Caymanian Times is proud to have been chosen by Monocle and its publishers for this feature and exposure.

It bears testament to our work ethic, media professionalism, business acumen and our positive outlook.

It also speaks volumes for the continuing interest in the Cayman Islands as a global brand not only in finance but also tourism and culture.

Here's the link to the feature with Caymanian Times: https://monocle.com/minute/2019/10/19/deep-dive/?fbclid=IwAR1pqbFHKY-wVDec3U-rdZbIrBlvgS_i086Kx8hhF-wjZvWDbR7kYYAVo0uc#8

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Cayman beats Barbados in tight game

A Passport to Success



Catalina Hernandez received a "Most Resourceful" award from Hon. Audin Harris and Jeremy Scott

By Christopher Tobutt
It was a historic landmark in PassportSuccess' history. Cohort 27, a group of nine special needs clients graduated side-by-side with Cohort 28, ten young people who are all young people between the ages of 15 and 17. After speeches from the course facilitators, and many positive reflections too on what the course, which is designed to prepare young adults with the skills they will need to be successful in the workplace, had meant to each participant, the graduation certificates were presented. In addition, special awards and prizes were presented to those participants who had excelled in a particular area.

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Walkers celebrates training milestone

By Christopher Tobutt
Walkers recently celebrated a major milestone, "50 and Counting", that is 50 articles of clients who have passed through the law firm's legal training programme to the Cayman Islands Bar. The gathering on the second floor of the Elgin Avenue office building was full of distinguished people who have passed through the programme including politicians, senior civil servants, alongside judges, and business leaders. There were, of course some ... Continued story on page A6



"50 and counting" just some of the faces of people who have gone through Walkers' training programme

RCIPS Helicopter Continues Deployment in The Bahamas



The RCIPS helicopter will continue its deployment in The Bahamas in support of the relief effort following Hurricane Dorian. The extension request has come from the Bahamian Government who have been very appreciative of Cayman's support. The extension has been approved by His Excellency the Governor Martyn Roper and the Honourable Premier Alden McLaughlin. The aircraft deployed last week with two crews (two pilots - Nigel Pitt and Richard Morcombe and four tactical ... Continued story on page A4

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CPR seeks legal clarification on Referendum Bill

CPR Cayman as a non-profit organisation and grass roots initiative made up of a diverse group of Caymanian Concerned Citizens has taken legal advice on the Referendum Bill to be debated in the Legislative Assembly on 28 October 2019.

Broadhurst Attorneys-at-Law representing CPR Cayman have today sent a letter to Government expressing concerns, along with the legal opinion of constitutional law specialists Helen Mountfield, QC of Matrix Chambers, in advance of the Referendum Bill debate on Monday.

Following widespread concern from the community on aspects of the Referendum Bill, which many have perceived to be unfair and undemocratic, CPR Cayman sought advice on the lawfulness of areas of key concern:

- (a) the referendum question – lack of neutrality and inclusion of cargo
- (b) the date of the referendum, and exclusion of 220 newly registered voters
- (c) the exclusion of campaign financing
- (d) the exclusion of section 91(1) of the Elections Law, 2017 which would otherwise ban the sale of intoxicating liquor on referendum day.

(e) The Premier's comments suggesting that abstaining from voting indicates support for the port project

The legal opinion confirms that certain aspects of the Bill are incompatible with section 70 of the Constitution, the International Convention of Civil and Political Rights, and the Code of Good Practice on Referendums promulgated by the Venice Commission, and if the Bill is enacted in its current form the resulting legislation could be amenable to challenge by way of judicial review.

We feel it is in the public interests to share this information as we are guided by the principles of accountability, transparency and good governance. The attached legal opinion has been shared with the Cayman Islands Government and the general public because we all deserve to have accurate information on the referendum process before going to the polls to vote on this matter of national importance in Cayman's first People's Initiated Referendum.

CPR are committed to representing the views of the public and have sought answers and information from CIG and the preferred bidder VIPP over several months with no acknowledgement or



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updated information and full details provided to date.

As an NPO we will continue to advocate and question the referendum process despite the efforts made to deprive persons their rights. It is our opinion that the process has been unfair from the outset and neglects to provide the highest standards of international best

practice, fairness and equality which is crucial in the democratic process.

Please visit CPR Cayman's website to read the legal opinion and letter in full: <https://cprcayman.com/Latest-news.php>

For more information the public can contact cprcayman@gmail.com or call 938-5876

Referendum (People-Initiated Referendum Regarding the Port) Bill, 2019

1. We act for CPR Cayman, which is an unincorporated non-profit organization registered and filed as No. 506 on the 2nd of August 2019 ("CPR Cayman").

2. CPR Cayman was established for the purpose of promoting and partnering with organizations concerned with community awareness and constitutional rights in the Cayman Islands. On the 12th of June 2019, CPR Cayman submitted a petition to Cabinet, signed by more than 25% of registered voters in the Cayman Islands, calling for a referendum on whether the Cayman Islands Government ("CIG") should proceed with the planned cruise berthing project in George Town (the "Cruise Berthing Project"). This triggered the requirement for the CIG to conduct a people-initiated referendum on the Cruise Berthing Project (the "Referendum"), pursuant to section 70 of The Cayman Islands Constitution Order 2009 (the "Constitution").

3. On 3 October 2019, the Cayman Islands Government ("CIG") laid the Referendum (People-Initiated Referendum Regarding the Port) Bill, 2019 (the "Bill") before the Legislative Assembly. The Bill sets out a proposed procedure for the holding of the Referendum.

4. Enclosed is a copy of a legal opinion prepared by Helen Mountfield QC and Chris Buttler of Matrix Chambers, being specialist public law counsel, addressing certain concerns our client has in respect to the Bill (the "Opinion"). In light of the Opinion, CPR Cayman considers certain aspects of the Bill to be incompatible with section 70 of the Constitution. That being the case, if the Bill is enacted on its current terms, the resulting legislation could be amenable to challenge by way of judicial review (The Legislative Assembly derives its legislative powers from

the section 59 of the Constitution and may only legislate "subject to" the Constitution).

5. The aspects of the Bill that are of particular concern and which we consider to be amenable to judicial review if passed into law, include the following:

- a. The setting of the Referendum question without first enacting a law that prescribes the manner in which the referendum question is to be set;
- b. The setting of the Referendum date without first enacting a law that prescribes the manner in which the referendum date is to be scheduled;
- c. The exclusion of the application of Part V of the Elections Law, 2017, which addresses campaign financing limits, without any separate campaign financing provisions being included in the Bill; and
- d. The exclusion of the application of section 91(1) of the Elections Law, 2017 which would otherwise ban the sale of intoxicating liquor on referendum day.

6. The adverse consequences of setting the Referendum question and date before enacting legislation that prescribes the procedure for doing so, are already apparent. In particular, we note the following:

- a. The proposed wording of the question is not neutral as the words "move forward" and "enhanced" both suggest that a yes vote is a step towards progress;
- b. The inclusion of the cargo port, together with the Cruise Berthing Project, conflates two separate questions and makes the question confusing;
- c. The proposed date of the Referendum, being 19 December 2019, unnecessarily disenfranchises approximately 220 people who registered as electors between July and October 2019 and who would be able to vote if the Referendum

were held in 2020, being less than two weeks after the proposed date;

d. The extremely short period between the setting of the Referendum question and the proposed Referendum date means CPR Cayman will not have enough time to find and properly train Referendum observers;

e. The close proximity of the proposed Referendum date to Christmas is likely to discourage voter participation in the Referendum as it is one of the busiest times of year for many people and a much higher percentage of the population will be abroad or in transit than at any other time of year.

For these reasons, the proposed wording of the question and the selection of 19 December 2019 as the Referendum date, could be actionable in their own right as they tend to frustrate the intention of section 70 of the Constitution and Article 25 of the International Convention of Civil and Political Rights, which has been extended to the Cayman Island and which gives every citizen the right to participate in public affairs.

7. The consequences of failing to establish campaign financing limits are also apparent. The CIG has engaged in excessive, one sided campaigning intended to influence the outcome of the vote and has used public funds to do so. This is a clear breach of the Code of Good Practice on Referendums promulgated by the Venice Commission) and may also be unconstitutional. (All public bodies are bound by the Padfield principle (Padfield v Minister of Agriculture [1968] AC 997) which requires the executive arm of Government, including Cabinet, not to act in a way that tends to frustrate the object and purpose of primary legislation, in this case, the Constitution. The campaigning by

CIG to date and use of public funds for same is a breach of the Padfield principle in contrary to the Code of Good Practice on Referendums, promulgated by the Venice Commission. See Guideline I.3.1(d.)

8. We understand that the Bill will be debated in the Legislative Assembly on 28 October 2019. We ask that the content of this letter be brought to the attention of the Legislative Assembly in advance of that debate, together with our request that the Bill not be enacted as currently drafted. As an alternative, we request that the CIG consult with our client with a view to finding an accommodation that would:

- a. Mitigate the consequences of the manner in which the executive branch of the CIG has managed its Referendum campaign to date, which we say has been incompatible with its obligations under the Constitution; and
- b. Agree a procedure for the holding of the Referendum that would be compatible with the Constitution.

9. As set out in the Opinion, it seems likely that any legislation enacted in accordance with the Bill would be inconsistent with or serve to frustrate the purpose of the Constitution. The result of this is that the legislation could be successfully challenged through the Courts. If a judicial review application becomes necessary, our client will seek a stay preventing the Referendum going ahead until that application has been determined. This would cause delay and unnecessary expense. This can be avoided if the Bill is suitably amended.

10. We invite you to consult with our client to ensure any such amendments achieve the intended result, being a fair and transparent people-initiated referendum, carried out expeditiously and without undue expense.

PREMIER RESPONDS TO LEGAL OPINION ISSUED BY CPR

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followed is fair and proper in every respect. What is becoming increasingly clear, however, is that CPR is not really interested in holding a referendum, presumably because they think they will likely lose, but are simply intent on derailing the cruise port and cargo port project by any means possible, including frustrating it by delay. The Government will not allow that to occur - we intend to provide the country with a referendum that is fair to all sides. If CPR really believes it has a legitimate challenge to the process being followed by the Government, it should immediately apply to the court for leave for judicial review and have the matter adjudicated by the court rather than debated in the media."

In his statement on October 3rd 2019 the Premier provided a summary as to the process followed by Cabinet in determining the question. This is worth noting again.

Specifically, whilst no guidance is given in the Constitution on how Cabinet

should go about settling the wording of the referendum, the Cabinet as far as possible had followed several common sense and natural justice principles. These were that the question should be:

- clear and simple, easy to understand and written in plain language;
- to the point, that is directed at the core issue in contention;
- definitive and not ambiguous or open to a variety of interpretations; and
- neutral, which means the wording should not create any encouragement for voters to consider one response more favourably than another and should not mislead voters.

Again Cabinet did follow the above principles. Cabinet also had regard to the Council of Europe's Commission for Democracy Through Law (the Venice Commission) in its Code of Good Practice on Referendums.

In addition, Cabinet sought to ensure that the referendum question reflected the intention of the petitioners, specifically Cruise Port Referendum Cayman (CPR). The wording of the CPR referen-

dum petition did not readily assist in helping determine a question that met the criteria above as it is not written in plain language, nor does it set out any definitive proposition. Rather it simply asks that "the proposed cruise berthing facility.....be decided solely by referendum".

However, CPR's initial referendum website (<https://cprcayman9.wixsite.com/website>) offered two rationales for the petition that people were being asked to sign.

First, it states: "The purpose of the Petition is...to bring about a people-initiated referendum in which registered voters can vote through ballot 'Yes' or 'No' on whether the country should proceed with the proposed Cruise Berthing Facility."

Secondly, it states "The aim of this petition is...to start a people-initiated referendum...on whether the country should move forward with the proposed Cruise Berthing Facility."

These statements make clear the underpinning the rationale for the CPR

petition and can be relied upon to represent what it was people were signing up for. Taken together, therefore, they provided a starting point for the Cabinet in drafting an appropriate question, including the question requiring a clear yes or no response and whether the country should proceed or move forward with the project.

Whilst the petitioners have focused solely on cruise berthing, an enhanced cargo port has always been an intrinsic part of the Government's plans to provide for a long-needed, modern port facility that includes cruise berthing and an enhanced cargo port.

The Government has at all times acted in good faith and will ensure that the referendum process is completed timely and in a manner that is fair to all sides.

The Referendum (People-Initiated Referendum Regarding the Port) Bill, 2019 will be debated in the Legislative Assembly tomorrow (Monday 28th October). The debate will be aired live on CIGTV or on the CIGTV YouTube channel.



▶ Entrant Ava Brown



▶ Eleven year old Azariah Burton

Students stand up to bullying

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more involved, with projects showcased like a science-fair, but with an anti-bullying theme. The objective was getting them to really think about anti-bullying strategies that can help promote a culture of inclusivity and acceptance for individual's differences. So, students were expected to create projects with an anti-bullying theme."

Ms Miller said that each presentation would be judged and were split into two age categories: 10 to 12 and 13 to 15 years.

Projects featured a wide range of strategies to educate others on the types of bullying, and appropriate responses to bullying behaviour, resulting, it was hoped, in the exhibits inspiring greater awareness and more robust preventative measures in schools and in the workplace. Participants were encouraged to use a variety of display mediums for their projects, including short videos, posters, board games, 3D display boards, photography, animated

formats, PowerPoint presentations and poetry.

"Through this initiative, children have the opportunity to do their own research around how they can create more of an anti-bullying a culture in their schools," Ms Miller said. "Last year and this year we have had two judges from the Department of Education. This was really meaningful to us because they can really see how students are thinking, and as a result, the direction in which their policies can be shaped can be based on students' understanding of what bullying is and how we can prevent it."

The overall objective was to hear from the children themselves and hear their own ideas of how bullying could be stopped, she advised.

Ms Miller said the programme's outreach work in schools had reaped welcome results so they were expecting more entries to the fair than ever this year. The anti-bullying message was definitely gaining greater traction, she said. The Stood Up Fair provided a focal point for students who have been



▶ Sonia Kimball with mum Jessica

inspired to work on assignments to prevent and stop cyber bullying, physical bullying and verbal assault.

One entrant in the younger category was Sonia Kimball, a student at Sir John A Cumber Primary School, who had put together a poster entitled 'Don't be a fool, bullying's not cool', and encouraged young people to stop and think about their actions if they were intent on bullying.

Eleven-year-old Ava Brown attends St Ignatius School. She gave some background to her project:

"This is talking about the four main types of bullying, with a description of what it is, such as what is verbal bullying, what cyber bullying is, what physical bullying is and what isolation would be."

Ava said the project gave her more information so when she undertook the project next year, she would already have so much information.

"I think projects like this help young people or even older people understand what the main four types of bullying are and how to deal with them," she said.

Eleven-year-old Azariah Burton attends Clifton Hunter High School. She said: "My project shows what I do when I get bullied. Dance is a coping strategy for me. When you get bullied there's so much pressure on your shoulders so that's what I have shown, and then it shows how you are unbreakable."

Ms Miller said she believed that Cayman was on the right path to dealing with bullying.

"As a country we are doing a better job with the anti-bullying legislation proposal and ensuring that there is more structure as to how to tackle these issues in the school system. We are definitely heading in the right direction," she confirmed.



▶ World Taekwondo put on a great display

The Change Project

On Friday night, at a red carpet premiere at Camana Bay theatres, Logic and Vagabond Media Group launched their new documentary video titled 'The Change Project' as an in depth look at cyberbullying in the Cayman Islands.

The 20 minute short documentary is the focal point of Logic's new Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) campaign on educating the public about cyberbullying and the effects it can have on people throughout their lives.

'As we grow into becoming the largest telecom provider of home internet, we felt a responsibility to educate the public on the impacts of their online behaviour' said

Rob McNabb, CEO of Logic. 'We believe the first step to solving a problem is to highlight the issue, which this documentary so clearly does, and we are proud to help be a part of the solution on cyberbullying in the Cayman Islands going forward.'

Monica Walton, owner and founder of Vagabond Media Group filmed the documentary over the last year attending numerous events, filming at John Gray High School, interviewing experts in mental health and following local teens around to get their perspective on how they are impacted by online bullying.

'It was truly an eye opening experience' said Walton. "These kids opened

up their lives to us and they are so brave to share their stories so that we can educate the public that online behaviour, social media bullying & people's words have real impact on mental health & the well-being of our young people.'

Some of the stories children shared touched upon their feelings of depression, isolation & anxiety stemming from social media bullying.

The film was attended by approximately 150 people including the Deputy Governor Franz Manderson & the principle of John Gray High School, Jon Clark. The film also quotes Health Minister Dwayne Seymour about how we need to

come together as a community to help in the cause "immediately".

Attendees at the event were asked to 'take the pledge' against cyberbullying and to promise to promote positive on-line behaviour.

Logic and Vagabond Media Group would like to give special thanks to the Alex Pantou foundation, John Gray High School, Taya Lounge, the National Drug Council, On course Cayman, and United Against Bullying for access to their organisations and for sharing their expertise in mental health and bullying.

The film can now be seen at 'TheChangeProject.com' or on Logic's facebook and youtube pages and Logic is asking that all 'take the pledge' on the website in the promotion of positive on-line behaviour.



AAIB extends training to local first responders

The Air Accidents Investigation Branch (AAIB), which investigates civil aircraft accidents and serious incidents within the UK, its overseas territories and crown dependencies, provided two days of training for our local first responders last week. The AAIB, in conjunction with the CAACI, co-hosted this training with three instructors from the AAIB in the United Kingdom, Mr. Mark Jarvis, Mr. Chris Scott and Ms. Emma Truswell. The training focused on what

to do in the initial 48-hours after an aircraft accident by the various agencies involved, until the AAIB can arrive on island to formally assume the investigative role. The topics covered included information on how to preserve evidence, how not to contaminate the investigation site, issues regarding flight operations and airworthiness that impact upon such investigations and the basics associated with the initial multi-agency response.

The Family Life Centre was the host to over 60 first responders or agencies that would be involved in the response to a serious incident or accident representing the Civil Aviation Authority of the Cayman Islands (CAACI), the Royal Cayman Islands Police Service, the Cayman Islands Fire Service, Cayman Airways, Hazard Management Cayman Islands (HMCI), Health Services Authority, the Cayman Islands Airports Authority, Cayman Islands Customs and

Border Control (CBC) and the Ministry of Health.

The two days were packed with presentations and breakout sessions for all attendees. Mr. Richard Smith, Director General of the CAACI said, 'We are very happy to have had such a wonderful turnout from all departments. We hope that we will never have to use such training, however, it is our responsibility to be prepared for such an incident, should it occur.'

The CAACI has full designation for safety oversight as a UK OT, and is one of only three OTs to enjoy such delegation. The CAACI is responsible for both technical and economic regulation of the Cayman Islands' aviation industry. In addition, the Cayman Islands is classified as Category 1 by the USA Federal Aviation Administration under their "International Aviation Safety Assessments" programme that evaluates a country's civil aviation authority's ability to effectively regulate its aviation industry. The requirement for such rating lies with the CAACI being assessed as having technically qualified and highly experienced staff to effectively oversee the aviation industry in accordance with established standards and recommended practices of the International Civil Aviation Organisation (ICAO).



▶ Attendees from public sector and AAIB trainers

Diversity, Business Negotiation and Technology to Be Discussed at International Women In Shipping Conference

A top hostage negotiator, the CEO of a company which supplies environmental products to ship owners and operators and the heads of two maritime technology firms are all part of an impressive line-up of speakers scheduled to speak at the 2019 Women's International Shipping & Trading Association (WISTA) AGM & Conference which takes place next week from Tuesday, 29 October to Friday, 1 November. The four-day event is being hosted by WISTA Cayman Islands and is expected to bring over 200 maritime experts from 30-plus countries.

This is the first time that Cayman is hosting the WISTA AGM and Conference. The conference theme this year is "Founded Upon the Seas", a nod to Cayman's maritime heritage. Despina Panayiotou Theodosiou, President of WISTA International, says the emphasis for this year's gathering will be on doing business differently as it relates to diversity, technology and environmental issues in the maritime industry. Ms. Theodosiou will be participating in two panels at the conference - one about how organisations such as Women In Maritime Association (WIMAs) and WISTA can work together to challenge gender bias and another called Technology / The Digital World / Autonomous Ships / Cyber Security. She is joint CEO

of Tototheo Maritime, a leading global maritime solutions provider, specialising in maritime satellite communications, bridge systems, digital technologies and fleet optimisation services. She was also chosen as one of the Top 100 Most Influential people in shipping and Top 10 Women in Shipping in both 2017 and 2018 by leading international shipping publication Lloyd's List.

"The focus will be on the need for diversity, whereby we see the skills and knowledge of a person regardless of their gender, ethnicity or any other distinguishing factor. Our industry has changed so much over the last five years, that we must look at it with open minds," said Ms. Theodosiou. "The relevance is that people and organisations with the right set of diverse skills, and a willingness to think afresh will be able to move forward in an industry where the old ways of doing things no longer apply."

Ms. Theodosiou will be joined on the technology panel by Cynthia Hudson, CEO and founder of HudsonAnalytix, Inc., a global maritime risk consultancy. A leader in her field, Ms. Hudson believes that the rapid advance of technology and digitalisation in the maritime transportation business has changed and will continue to change the very fabric of businesses like hers.

"These exciting changes mean new opportunities but also bring new risks and challenges; perhaps the most critical of those is cyber risk. Learning about what cyber risk means and how to implement cyber security is absolutely critical to protecting what is of value in our organisations," said Ms. Hudson.

Alexandra Anagnostis-Irons, founder and President of To-

tal Marine Solutions agrees. Anagnostis-Irons will tackle the important topic of doing business in a global environment. She started her shipping career in the cruise sector and enjoyed over 16 years serving in a number of executive roles within Marine & Technical Operations. She left the cruise industry as Royal Caribbean's Director, Technical Purchasing to launch Total Marine Solutions, an organisation with a focus on supplying maritime pollution (MARPOL) compliant solutions to ship owners and operators.

"Shipping has always been a global industry. With increased digitisation we are transforming into a real-time data driven industry, allowing the entire world to be accessible and visible," said Anagnostis-Irons. "This brings its own challenges, including cyber and physical security, IT standardisation and system integration. It also makes it essential to build a network of relationships around the globe. This panel will tackle those topics head on and share best practices."

Hostage negotiator Suzanne Williams will be speaking on the topic of Business Negotiation in A Global World and moderating a panel on the same subject. For the past 28 years Ms. Williams has been negotiating the release of hostages detained in very challenging parts of the world. Her negotiation skills were recognised by Said Business school at Oxford University, where she is now a regular lecturer on the Oxford Program of Negotiation (OPN). Using the techniques of hostage negotiation, she demonstrates how simple tactics and preparation can make attendees better negotiators within the kinder and easier world of business negotiation.

"Negotiation and good communication are both activities that are fundamental to every aspect of our daily lives both at home and work. They underpin



decision making, conflict resolution, management and leadership as well as the more obvious profit and bargaining functions," explained Ms. Williams. "Lessons learnt in this session will give attendees the skills to adapt their own negotiation style within different contexts in an ever-changing business environment. They will learn how to secure the 'buy in' of various stakeholders at so many levels. I believe this 30-minute session will change the way they do business forever."

The 2019 WISTA International AGM & Conference is sponsored by Maples Group, Port Authority of the Cayman Islands, Ministry of Health, Environment, Culture and Housing, NetClues, TotoTheo Maritime, Cayman Islands Shipping Registry, Fiorenti Holdings, Jones Walker LLP, Marshall Islands Registry, BlankRome Maritime, Cricket Square Ltd., Total Marine Solutions, Hyde Agencies Ltd., Cayman Management, MF Shipping Group, Cayman Armoured, Island Electronics Security & Monitoring, Cricket Square, Waterfront Shipping Company Limited and Seaboard Cayman, AL Thompson's, Methanex and Bina Motor Yacht.

For more information visit www.wistainternational2019.com or email Sherice.Arman@maples.com.



GOVERNOR CELEBRATES ONE YEAR IN POST

Tuesday 29 October marks one year since the arrival in Cayman of His Excellency the Governor Mr Martyn Roper and his wife Elisabeth.

Reflecting on his first year in Cayman, Mr Roper said:

"As I said when I arrived, it is a great honour and privilege to have been appointed Governor of the Cayman Islands by Her Majesty The Queen. I take great pride in doing my utmost to serve all the people of these wonderful islands and supporting our community in whatever way I can. Every day I learn something new about Cayman's unique culture, heritage and traditions, in which there is so much for Caymanians to feel so much pride. I regularly meet a diverse range of people with different nationalities from

across our Islands. That diversity is one of our great strengths.

My first year has certainly been busy. Last January I visited New York to support the Financial Services industry. In March, I had the honour to host Her Royal Highness The Prince of Wales and the Duchess of Cornwall at Government House and then there were Ministerial visits by Lord Ahmad, Overseas Territories Minister and earlier this month the Minister for the Armed Forces, the Rt Hon Mark Lancaster MP TD. These visits cemented the strong and enduring links between the UK and the Cayman Islands.

Working closely with the Premier and Ministers, my office has continued to support Cayman in many areas building on our strong local talent and experience while deploying UK technical expertise in areas where that is helpful. We seconded a UK Border Force official to CBC and have been actively supporting the transition of border security to an intelligence led approach. We are also planning to bring over UK experts to provide advice on the use of dogs at the border and within the RCIPS. On prisons, we worked on the establishment of the new Independent Monitoring Board for Cayman's Prison and recently funded a review of mental health services in the prison system.

Disaster management is a key area which affects us all. The UK part-funded our new RCIPS helicopter, which arrived in March. In addition to its disaster response role, the aircraft provides greater capability in law enforcement and search and rescue. We arranged for the deployment of the helicopter to the Bahamas and ensured it was tasked effectively by coordinating closely with the British High Commission in Nassau. Together with Hazard Management Cayman Islands we negotiated Cayman's membership of the Caribbean Disaster Emergency Management Agency (CDEMA), introduced a new casualty management tracking system and are now looking to fund improvements to our early warning systems.

My office has also worked with other international partners, supporting plans to establish a Cayman Office in Hong Kong, beginning negotiations on a law enforcement MOU with Jamaica and discussing bilateral issues with Cuba. Most recently we started the process for establishing a Cayman Defence Regiment for the Cayman Islands, which has received a positive welcome and will support our disaster preparedness and security. Over the last year I have also reinvigorated the monthly National Security Council to ensure a strong focus on law and order.

There were also many lighter moments. I've enjoyed a truly CaymanKind welcome everywhere and been fed



▶ Governor Mr Martyn Roper

many wonderful local dishes at regular intervals! I've been kidnapped as part of Pirates Week, learnt to play the steel pan, come face to face with Peter the Blue Iguana and learnt the intricacies of plaiting thatch!

In order to be accessible I've enjoyed using social media over the last 12 months including Instagram (@govcaymanislands), Facebook and Twitter (@martynroper). I would encourage anyone who hasn't done so to have a look at these sites.

In the coming months, I will continue to work hard to enhance the security and prosperity on these Islands, supporting the elected government, politicians, business, civil society and every member of our community. As we look around the world, we should be thankful, not only for our relative peace and security, but also for the freedoms, good governance and democracy that we all enjoy.



▶ Governor Martyn Roper with students and teachers at Cayman Prep's Cayman Day



Tennis Clinic for PE Teachers

On Friday October 19th, the Tennis Federation of the Cayman Islands hosted a tennis clinic for PE teachers from Government Schools in an introduction to tennis coaching.

The event was made possible with the help of PwC, who sponsored the clinic, Gloria Bell from the Department of Education and Mica Koll from Cayman Performance Tennis.

Mica Koll said it was a pleasure to instruct the PE teachers on the basics of the wonderful sport of tennis and that all of the teachers came with a great attitude and willingness to learn a new sport.

The PE teachers were coached on how to instruct a forehand and a backhand along with many hand eye coordination drills. The clinic progressed from easier to more challenging exercises to allow for the development of the strokes of tennis and overall feel for the game. Many of the drills and activities covered in the clinic are also transferrable to other sports, which is great for development of not just tennis, but for all sports in Government schools.

The Tennis Federation and Mica Koll were very pleased and encouraged to see the interest in which the Government schools are showing towards learning new sports, especially with the



introduction of tennis to the school curriculum.

Introducing a new sport like tennis to the children of Cayman is a great step to growing the game as a whole in the

community and the Cayman Islands in general.

Mica Koll said he hoped that we will see more tennis players from Cayman from this initiative and that the schools

can continue to give kids the ability to grow in sport as well as academics.

The Tennis Federation would like to thank PwC, Department of Education, Mica Koll and all the teachers who attended.



CARIBBEAN'S LARGEST TOURISM MARKETING EVENT ON TRACK FOR THE BAHAMAS

CHTA renews commitment to bring premier Caribbean travel and tourism marketing event to Baha Mar, Bahamas in 2020

Citing the new tourism offerings in The Bahamas and throughout the Caribbean and the opportunity to showcase the nation of islands to the travel world following Hurricane Dorian, the Caribbean Hotel and Tourism Association (CHTA) reaffirmed that all systems are go to bring the region's largest and longest-standing tourism marketing event to The Bahamas January 21 to 23, 2020.

The 38th Caribbean Travel Marketplace (CTM) will bring together hotel and destination representatives as well as other tourism providers; wholesalers and tour operators; online travel agencies; along with media representatives for two intensive days of business meetings, including thousands of prescheduled appointments.

This marquee event will be held at Baha Mar's Performing Arts and Convention Center, at one of the newest and most impressive resorts in the Caribbean region. The Bahamian government also recently announced that Baha Mar is pushing forward a \$300 million dollar expansion of the resort. This will not only bring exciting new features to the resort but create employment opportunities for Bahamians.

The CHTA meet-up is a collaboration with local partners Baha Mar, the Bahamas Hotel & Tourism Association (BHTA), the Bahamas Ministry of Tourism and Aviation, and the Nassau Paradise Island Promotion Board.

CHTA President Patricia Affonso-Dass asserted that the destination is ready for the event: "Our immediate assessment following Dorian revealed that most of The Bahamas was unaffected by this situation and without question we knew that The Bahamas and in particular the Baha Mar complex remain the ideal location for CTM 2020. The travel trade is interested in seeing one of the region's newest and largest resort complexes and supporting The Bahamas."

She also noted that attendees will have the opportunity to experience The Bahamas Out Islands before and after the conference thanks to a special initiative of The Bahamas Out Islands Promotion Board and the Ministry of Tourism and Aviation.

Bahamas Minister of Tourism Dionisio D'Aguilar encouraged attendees to register: "Prior to Dorian's impact, The Bahamas was trending towards its best tourism performance ever and expectations are that with the exception of Abaco and Grand Bahama, the rest of The Bahamas will continue on that trajectory for 2020. Hosting CTM will facilitate the remaining 14 destinations in The Bahamas to proudly showcase the resiliency of the destination, while tourism dollars will help to support the recovery of Abaco and its Cays and Grand Bahama."



► L-r: Bahamas Minister of Tourism and Aviation Dionisio D'Aguilar, CHTA CEO and Director General Frank Comito, and Bahamas Ministry of Tourism and Aviation Deputy Director Gen

"We are looking forward to an incredible travel event in The Bahamas, that brings together all stakeholders and business prospects to one location presenting the tourism industry with an opportunity to showcase the diverse products of the region, including many newly opened and upgraded properties," stated Frank Comito, CEO and Director General of CHTA.

"It's a one-stop gathering for hotels, attractions, airlines, tour operators and wholesalers, and destination DMOs to

meet with the world's key decision-makers who influence consumer travel. It also is the industry's key forum for attracting new decision-makers who otherwise would not be familiar with the region - thus opening up new markets to the Caribbean, both from different geographic areas around the world as well as with new niche markets," he added.

The meeting will build on the success of the previous Marketplace in Jamaica, which attracted 64 new buyers, including 18 new Chinese entrants.

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Caribbean Products Allowed Extended Duty-Free Access to United States Market

The World Trade Organization (WTO) has approved the extension of the Waiver of the Caribbean Basin Economic Recovery Act (CBERA), which allows for continued duty-free access to the United States market for eligible Caribbean products, up to September 30, 2025.

Through CBERA, 17 countries are beneficiaries of preferential tariff treatment intended to support the development of regional economies. The trade programme was set to expire at the end of the year.

In a statement to the WTO, the Caribbean Community (CARICOM) noted that the "region values its trading relationship with the United States and, through initiatives such as the CBERA, views it as a partner in pursuance of export diver-

sification, spurring foreign direct investment, building competitiveness, and the economic resilience of the region".

In 2018, CARICOM exports to the United States accounted for 32 per cent of its global exports while imports from the United States into CARICOM amounted to 36 per cent of CARICOM's imports from all sources.

Among products eligible under this act are textiles and apparel, energy-related products (e.g. petroleum and methanol), agricultural produce and processed foods.

The Caribbean Basin Initiative (CBI) was launched in 1983 through CBERA and further expanded in 2000 under the Caribbean Basin Trade Partnership Act. [🌐](#)



New Law in USVI Gives Hotel Developers Opportunity to Spend Revenue from Taxes to Expand and Build More

Legislation has been signed into law in the US Virgin Islands (USVI) to allow hotel developers to channel a percentage of room revenue to finance the renovation of existing properties and building new hotels.

The government said the expanded Hotel Development Bill was created to encourage and promote economic growth in the US territory and incentivize construction of new hotels and resorts including commercial and other related facilities.

"The signing of this bill is a game-changer for the Territory's hospitality industry. It will significantly benefit hotels, resorts, and small businesses impacted by increased tourism and accelerate opportunity for employment in the Territory," said Kamal Latham, CEO of the US Virgin Islands Economic Development Authority.

Under the new law, up to 100 per cent of revenues generated from the existing 12.5 per cent occupancy tax, plus 100 per cent of the gross revenue generated from the newly created Economic Recovery Fee, which is up to 7.5 per cent of the hotel guest bill, may be allocated to finance new hotel construction or a renovation project. Hotel developers would be able to utilize these funds to assist with debt service by leveraging financing for new development or property repairs and improvements.

"This is a very powerful hotel development and infrastructure financing mechanism that creates an environment for new development," said Stephen Evans-Freke, President of Water Island Development Company. "It opens the door for transformative projects like ours to



► USVI Governor Albert Bryan, Jr. signs the bill alongside Lt. Governor Tregenza A. Roach, as tourism and finance officials look on

strengthen the island's position as a top tourism destination."

It is anticipated that the bill will motivate developers to obtain financing by making the bonds issues more attractive to investors in the capital markets, and drive hotel and resort development

projects forward in the Territory. Bill Tennis, Executive Vice President, DiamondRock Hospitality Company, owners of Frenchman's Reef Marriott Resort and Noni Beach Resort believes the bill to be a positive and proactive approach to stimulating investment for the USVI.

"The bill demonstrates government commitment to hotel companies through upfront investment in new hotel supply and upgrades to existing tourism products as well as creating career opportunities for residents," he said. [🌐](#)

Kempinski Opens First Caribbean Hotel in Dominica, And Citizenship by Investment Shares Already Sold Out

Europe's oldest luxury hotel group has officially launched its first resort in the Eastern Caribbean region, with special guests expected to fly in the following weeks.

Cabrits Resort & Spa Kempinski Resort Dominica is the first internationally branded hotel to debut on Dominica and was partly funded via the island's Citizenship by Investment (CBI) Programme under which highly vetted investors have the chance to become economic citizens.

Cabrits Resort & Spa Kempinski Dominica will host 151 rooms, duplexes, suites and beach cabanas and luxury amenities including four distinct restaurants, fitness facilities and large event spaces. Impressively, the resort will launch its own air service for guests travelling from nearby Antigua or Guadeloupe, and private SUV transfer for a complete door-to-door experience. The resort sparked significant international buzz, with Forbes naming it one of the Caribbean's most anticipated hotelier openings this year.

Range Developments Managing Director, Mohammed Asaria, said the resort would transform the nearby area, "providing jobs to hundreds of people and bringing thousands of tourists every year to this beautiful country."



Prime Minister Roosevelt Skerrit noted that "this is the first time international hotel brands are making a debut in Dominica and there is a lot to come."

CBI shares into the new Kempinski resort are already sold out, but citizenship hopefuls still have time to buy into other worldwide hotel groups, with Marriott's Anichi and Hilton's Tranquility Beach expected to debut their resorts in Dominica

soon. Each of the hotels, along with other luxury boutique resorts like Jungle Bay, Secret Bay or Sanctuary Rainforest, will operate under Dominica's CBI Programme. The legislated initiative encourages wealthy individuals and their families to acquire second citizenship in exchange for an investment into Dominica's economy.

Investments worth at least US\$200,000 into pre-approved real

estate are one of the options applicants have under the Dominican CBI Programme. The second route asks for a US\$100,000 contribution for a single applicant directly to the government's Economic Diversification Fund. All applicants must first pass a series of due diligence checks, which a special FT report appreciated with top marks. [🌐](#)

Westbrook moves ahead of Magic

Russell Westbrook is one of the elite players in the NBA who sometimes makes headlines for the wrong reasons because of his volatile nature. But the 30-year-old Houston Rockets point guard is in the news for a positive reason having made history in just his second outing with the Rockets on Saturday, leading his team to a 126-123 victory over the New Orleans Pelicans.

Westbrook passed Magic Johnson for second-most triple-doubles in NBA history, registering his 139th, while leading a furious fourth-quarter run to seize the lead and the victory. He now has one more triple-double than Magic Johnson. Oscar Robertson remains the NBA's triple-double king with 181 career triple-doubles.

Westbrook poured in 28 points, 10 rebounds and 13 assists to log his first triple-double with the Rockets. He



► Shaquille O'Neal feels Morey's tweet was justified

scored 10 points in the fourth quarter as Houston, trailing by three at the start of the final frame, embarked on an 8-0 run while James Harden rested on the bench. "It's exciting," Harden said. "He took over that game in the fourth quarter."

With six seconds remaining and Houston clinging to a 124-123 lead, Westbrook knocked down a pair of clutch free throws to seal the win.

"It's something I never, ever take for granted," Westbrook said. "Nowadays, getting a triple-double seems normal. But I take pride, a lot of energy, a lot of sacrifice, a lot of the things I do off the floor to prepare myself to be able to compete every single night and play at a high level."

"For me, that's a great accomplishment, especially growing up and never even thinking I'd be playing in the NBA, and now being able to be in the history books is just a blessing for me. I never get a chance to kind of sit back and think about some of the things I've done. Tonight, will be one of those times I take a second to be thankful and grateful to be able to go out, compete, and do something like that."

Westbrook and Harden are close pals. They previously played together from 2009 for three years with the Oklahoma City Thunder. But the friendship between the pair and former NBA Most Valuable Player winners



► Russell Westbrook now wants the triple-doubles record

dates back to their childhood near Los Angeles, California. That bond was part of Houston's appeal to Westbrook this offseason, once it became clear that he could be traded.

Meanwhile, NBA legend Shaquille O'Neal has defended Houston Rockets general manager Daryl Morey, who sparked controversy a month ago when he tweeted in support of protestors in Hong Kong.

O'Neal, a 19-year veteran of the NBA, is now an analyst for TNT. He said: "One of our best values here in America is free speech. We're allowed to say what we want to say, and we are allowed to speak up about injustices and that's just how it goes. Morey was right. Whenever you see something wrong going on any-

where in the world, you should have the right to say, 'That's not right' and that's what he did."

While Morey's tweet, which included an image that said "Fight for Freedom. Stand with Hong Kong," was quickly deleted, the Chinese government interpreted it as a challenge to its sovereignty over Hong Kong. The controversy has put the NBA's business in China at risk, with Chinese stations halting broadcasts of pre-season NBA games and many Chinese companies cutting ties with the Houston Rockets.

The fallout has also affected NBA games back in the United States — fans have appeared at games wearing T-shirts in support of the Hong Kong protestors. 🌐

West Indies fixtures revealed for next three years

The West Indies men's team is set to play 11 Test matches - all part of the World Test Championship - 20 ODIs and 36 T20Is at home over the next three years. It all begins with Ireland's arrival in January and continues with tours by New Zealand and South Africa.

The women's team, meanwhile, will focus on one-day cricket next year, playing 15 matches at home and away to prepare for the next 50-over World Cup in 2021.

Cricket West Indies announced home fixtures will feature the return of Windward Park, the ground in Dominica that was damaged during Hurricane Maria. New Zealand are scheduled to play an ODI and a T20I there in July.

Pending ICC approval, the Brian Lara Cricket Academy in Trinidad is set to become the region's newest international venue having hosted several Caribbean Premier League matches including the final three weeks ago. Sri Lanka are set to play a T20I there in March 2021.

Amos Vale in St Vincent also gets a chance having last hosted West Indies in 2014. Australia are pencilled in to play back-to-back T20Is in June 2021 while the Trelawney multi-purpose facility in Jamaica is set to welcome Pakistan in July 2021.

The South Africa series next July features five T20Is in the lead up to the World Cup in Australia in October. Two of those matches will take place in Florida. 🌐



► West Indies have a busy international itinerary from January

Kupp helps Rams maul Bengals

Cooper Kupp lit up Wembley Stadium as the Los Angeles Rams defeated the winless Cincinnati Bengals 24-10 in the latest NFL London contest.

The speedy wide receiver - deservedly named as man of the match - tallied 220 yards and one touchdown on seven receptions to help the Rams clinch a second consecutive win as they enter their post-trip bye week at 5-3 in the highly-competitive NFC West division.

The Bengals were competitive for large stretches, but their execution was once again lacking in key moments on both sides of the ball and first-year head coach Zac Taylor was unable to utilise his inside knowledge as an ex-Sean McVay assistant in LA as AFC North basement-dwellers Cincinnati fell to 0-8 on the season.

Ultimately the Rams had little trouble in seeing out a victory that follows their 33-0 rout of the Arizona Cardinals at Twickenham on their last visit to London in 2017.

The 2019 NFL London series concludes this weekend with an AFC South showdown between familiar UK tourists the Jacksonville Jaguars and the Houston Texans. 🌐



► Cooper Kupp gained 220 yards for the LA Rams in Wembley

'England have peaked too early'

England's marvellous - and unexpected - win over the All Blacks in the Rugby World Cup semi-final makes them favourites in this weekend's final against South Africa. But there is a school of thought that Eddie Jones' side have peaked too early.

Coach Rassie Erasmus has promised South Africa will stick to their physical, confrontational style in Saturday's match in Yokohama, kick off 3am Cayman time.

In their dour semi-final win over Wales the Springboks had the minority share of possession (39 percent) and territory (38 percent), but Handre Pollard's boot and their powerful pack were key.

"We're in with a chance," said Erasmus. "I don't think the final will be won by a very expansive game plan and wonderful tries. We'll go and grind it out."

Wales coach Warren Gatland warned England they may have peaked too early after a superb semi-final performance proved too good for defending champions New Zealand in the other half of the draw.

"We have seen teams play their final in the semi-final and don't turn up for



► Faf de Klerk is confident South Africa can beat England

the final," he said. "We will see what England do."

Erasmus is anticipating a tactical battle against England with the two sides well

aware of each other's strengths and weaknesses following four meetings in 2018.

England lost a Test series in South Africa 2-1 in June 2018 before edging a

tight contest at Twickenham in November of the same year.

Those encounters began with the teams sharing 10 tries in Johannesburg and finished with only one in their autumn clash, as the trend moved towards lower-scoring contests.

"They're obviously much better than the last time we played them," said Erasmus of England.

"You could see that the way they dismantled New Zealand. We've played England four times in the last 18 months, it's 2-2... we're accustomed to the way they play."

Scrum-half Faf de Klerk echoed his coach's claim that South Africa would not stray far from the template they used against Wales in reaching the final.

"Pretty much the same as tonight, it's going to be a physical, kicking game, they don't like to play out of their half at all," he said.

"I think it's going to come down to little moments, if you get an opportunity to score you need to use it and, if not, you're probably going to end up losing that game." 🌐

CROSSWORD

By **THOMAS JOSEPH**

- ACROSS**
- 44 Peeved state
 - 1 Balkan people
 - 6 Ticket half
 - 10 Scout unit
 - 11 Vatican-based
 - 13 Strictness
 - 14 Make blank
 - 15 High card
 - 16 Cobbler's tool
 - 18 Entreat
 - 19 Cordial greeting
 - 22 Antique
 - 23 Kitchen fixture
 - 24 Gets together
 - 27 Pollster's find
 - 28 Storybook monster
 - 29 Big snake
 - 30 Tidy sum
 - 35 That guy's
 - 36 Peculiar
 - 37 Never, in Nuremberg
 - 38 Chinese or Korean
 - 40 Spoken tests
 - 42 Mall business
 - 43 Steak choice
- DOWN**
- 1 Sipping aid
 - 2 Writer Jong
 - 3 "Message received"
 - 4 Scary shout
 - 5 Stretches out
 - 6 Compete in a bee
 - 7 Road goo
 - 8 In the sky
 - 9 Some infielders
 - 12 Folk tale
 - 17 Tie the knot
 - 20 Tourist stop
 - 21 Reef material
 - 24 Coffee shop orders
 - 25 Selfish sorts
 - 26 Canyon creator
 - 27 Reprimanded
 - 29 Auction signal
 - 31 "Impression: Sunrise" painter
 - 32 Collectively
 - 33 Lubricated
 - 34 Bird homes
 - 39 "Entourage" agent
 - 41 2016 Olympics host

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Saturday's answer

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SUDOKU

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concepts Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

Conceptis Sudoku

By Dave Green

			8			1			5
				3					2
	1								7
				2			9	7	
4									8
	8	3				5			
3									9
	5					2			
2			1				6		

Difficulty Level ★★★★★

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Answer to previous puzzle

1	9	6	5	7	4	2	8	3
4	7	3	2	6	8	1	9	5
8	5	2	1	9	3	4	6	7
7	1	5	4	8	2	6	3	9
6	4	8	9	3	5	7	2	1
2	3	9	6	1	7	8	5	4
3	6	4	8	5	1	9	7	2
5	8	1	7	2	9	3	4	6
9	2	7	3	4	6	5	1	8

Difficulty Level ★★★★★

Word Search

C	P	Y	O	A	P	E	O	C	N	N	A	D	C	Q
C	B	S	D	L	R	B	Q	A	E	W	I	D	S	A
H	C	C	O	G	L	C	A	M	P	A	N	I	A	I
I	A	H	A	P	V	C	O	E	Y	W	O	X	R	B
N	P	I	Q	C	A	A	I	R	B	A	L	A	C	M
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- California
- Cambodia
- Cameroon
- Campania
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- Canaries
- Cantabria
- Capri
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- Celebes
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Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions – forward, back, up, down and diagonally.

CURTIS By Ray Billingsley

SAY, HEART-THROB, I NEVER GOT THE CHANCE TO ASK YOU HOW YOUR HALLOWEEN WAS!

GREAT, C-BREEZE! MY GRAMMA WAS OUT AT A CHURCH MEETING AND LEFT ME IN CHARGE OF HANDING OUT THE TREATS, SWEETS AND CANDIES TO THE TRICK-OR-TREATERS!

AND WHEN THE LITTLE TYKES CAME RAP-RAP-RAPPIN' ON THE DOOR...

I PRETENDED NO ONE WAS HOME AND ATE IT ALL MYSELF!

THE AMAZING SPIDER MAN By Stan Lee

IRON FIST HAS SOUGHT OUT COLLEEN WING...

THANK HEAVEN YOU BOTH LEAPED FREE OF THAT FALLING HELICOPTER!

I COULDN'T AGREE MORE!

BUT SOMEHOW, THE WALL-CRAWLER DOESN'T ACT LIKE HE'S FEELING ALL THAT LUCKY.

JUDGE PARKER By Woody Wilson & Mike Manley

ALAN COMES TO TELL RANDY ABOUT TONI'S BOOK, ONLY TO FIND OUT...

TONI ALREADY TOLD YOU?

YEAH. BEFORE SHE SUBMITTED THE PROPOSAL.

DID SHE TELL YOU, OR DID SHE ASK YOU IF IT WAS OKAY?

BOTH. SHE'S NOT A CRUEL PERSON AT ALL, DAD. BUT SHE DOES HAVE A STORY TO TELL.



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