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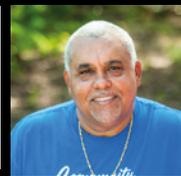
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▶ George Town North MP and Minister for Commerce, Planning and Infrastructure, Joey Hew and his challenger Johann Moxam

George Town North MP and Minister for Commerce, Planning and Infrastructure, Joey Hew and his challenger Johann Moxam went head-to-head on Friday evening when they met in the Chamber of Commerce's Candidate Forum series of interviews.

In what was an all-out bid by Hew to retain the seat and by Moxam to take it, the two candidates brought their individual solutions to a string of issues facing the constituency and the wider Cayman community.

Policy disagreements dominated the exchange as the two candidates viewed the scale of the issues differently with the in-

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HEAR THEIR PLANS.

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The importance of Manifestos

A manifesto is a promissory note from politicians to the voters.

It's more than mere promises and opinions.

Ever noticed how devoid they are of personal attacks that you hear on the campaign trail?

That's because manifestos are serious documents and points of reference against which performance in government - and election promises made - can be judged and rated.

A manifesto should be a well-thought-out, realistic and achievable statement of intent.

Serious political debate, indepth media probing and voters being lobbied for their support, especially by candidates seeking re-election, are all built around manifestos.

We the electorate should be able to refer to the manifesto from the last campaign compare its contents with what has been achieved and question what's left undone.

For new candidates, it's their sales pitch; what they will do for constituency and country detailed in black and white... and full colour generally.

It's is clear that what the main priorities are for Cayman; the high cost of living (which seems to impact working-class Caymanians most), jobs for nationals,

Political Manifesto

- A **manifesto** is a published verbal declaration of the intentions, motives, or views of the issuer, be it an individual, group, political party or government.
- A manifesto usually accepts a previously published ideas and uses them to promote a new idea with notions for carrying out the changes.

traffic congestion, preserving the environment, the dearth of affordable housing, the flood of high-end 'developments', when to re-open the borders, how to re-open the borders, what type of economy going forward, the education system, the pensions system, health insurance - and that's to name just a few.

What's really important is what the incumbents seeking re-election, the returning 2017 candidates, the pre-2017 candidates, and the 2021 aspirants proposing to do about these and other issues.

Cayman was already at the crossroads and the pandemic has added some more potholes.

Where do we go from here, how to get there and who is best to get us there are crucial questions that we need realistic answers to.

Cayman needs a plan. It starts with the manifestos of those with realistic answers and plans for solutions...not just opinions.

EDITORIAL

Easter In Cayman 2021

By Flynn Bush



As you probably know, I have been privileged to write an Easter article for this publication for some eight years now. It is a message of reflection upon our customs and traditions, here in Cayman, during this time of the year. It is also a call for us all to pause and consider how those same traditions have helped to shape us and mold us into the nation of law-abiding, God-fearing people that we are; as a whole. Of course, when I sat down to write this year's article, I couldn't help but think back to just twelve months ago when I was at my writing table.

March 2020 brought with it some things no one could have foreseen; a pandemic and total lockdown. We as a nation were in the midst of a frightening time; an uncertain time. We were confined to our homes, prohibited from visiting loved ones, and unable to attend school or work. And of course, we were unable to gather together for worship. That it happened during Easter time added insult to injury as well.

Those facts put a severe twist on our lives and upon our plans. Gone was the ability to carry out our traditions for the Easter. There were no tents set up on the shoreline; no large family dinners with tons of food; and no worshippers dressed in their Sunday-best filing into churches across the three islands. The whole situation felt alien. To put it succinctly, it was surreal.

Now, the earth has made another revolution of the sun and we are back to the Easter season once again. I, for one, am thankful that we are in a different reality than last year. Due to the grace of God, we are in a quite unique situation compared to other countries in the region

and even the world. We have a sense of normalcy and have had it for some time now. Even the restrictions that remain are only minimal hindrances to our way of life. So, in 2021, we can once again carry out our traditions and customs from years gone by.

The churches will be full, and so will the beaches. We will be turning our focus to things that are important to us like family, friends, and faith. Everywhere across these three islands, there will be a return, at least in some part, to the usual celebration of Easter for all of us. In a sense, we have gotten our "us" back. The piece of our lives, during this season, that had been missing has been restored; and we are whole again.

The saying goes, "You don't know what you have, until it's gone." Well, now is an apt time to heed that warning. We, as Caymanians, have been celebrating Easter for generations and generations, and our customs have been thoroughly honed and practiced. Yet, a mere twelve months ago, we lost that part of us. It behooves us to recall that the death and resurrection of our savior, Jesus Christ, is why we celebrate Easter in the first place. Furthermore, with what last year was like, and how it still is in other countries now, we should realize that God has blessed this country immensely. May we forever be grateful for our blessings.

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Plans Underway for Central Business District Enhancement Project

Plans are underway by the Ministry of Commerce, Planning and Infrastructure for the central business district enhancement project as part of the George Town Revitalisation Initiative.

A Request for Proposal was issued today, (Friday, March 26), for street paving upgrade, curbing and sidewalks, integrated concrete pedestrian systems, street lighting, addition of mature trees, seating and street furniture.

Phase 1 of the work will be to upgrade Cardinal Avenue, re-

placing the road from asphalt finish to concrete coloured pavers, addition of trees and other street furniture such as seating and garbage receptacles.

The second phase of the works will take place at the intersection adjacent to the post office at Edward Street, Cardinal Avenue and Main Street. This will involve replacing the road surface, adding a circular monument garden, mature trees, urban lamp poles, seating, underground utility chase, manholes and drainage.



► Rendering of proposed works on Cardinal Avenue and Main Street intersection



► Proposed works on Cardinal Avenue and Seafarers Way (Harbour Drive) intersection

Similar work is proposed to take place in the third phase of the project on Main Street.

George Town Manager Colin Lumsden noted that the main objectives of the proposed project are to improve the aesthetic and character of the downtown area through appropriate design and build environment. "This initiative is aimed at greater foot traffic by locals and tourists in George Town while increasing security and safety by adding adequate lighting and pedestrian friendly spaces as well as enhancing the surround-

ings by providing public open spaces adjacent to businesses," he said.

Mr. Lumsden further stated, "The cornerstone of any economic development weighs heavily on its downtown area and that is why this development will create a gathering area that is colourful, attractive and much cooler with added vegetation and trees for shading as well as lighter coloured finishes".

The design of the central district enhancement project is a collaborative effort by the Ministry of Commerce Planning

and Infrastructure core team, National Roads Authority, Caribbean Utilities Company and transportation civil engineers, Apec Consulting Engineers Limited.

The project was prepared in consultation with stakeholders and presented as part of the George Town Revitalisation Initiative plan to the public in 2016. The plan outlined a holistic approach towards revitalising George Town, in the spirit of new urbanism.

The project is expected to start in June and run for six months.

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DART / GOV'T IN HISTORIC GREEN DEAL

The landfill is one of the key issues on the campaign trail for next month's election and its unmistakable presence and blight on the Cayman landscape was made particularly evident this past week when part of it erupted in flames again.

It makes it then even more significant that this much-debated eyesore was also in the news this week for what it is hoped will be the ultimate resolution of this long-standing, long-drawn-out problem.

The Cayman Islands Government and the Dart Group have signed a contract, which Premier Alden McLaughlin said has been in negotiations for years, to complete the remediation of the dump including the installation of an 8.5 megawatt waste-to-energy conversion facility.

The contract valued at CI\$200 million and spans 25 years, will cover "design, finance, maintain and operate a new integrated solid waste management system, and complete the ongoing mediation of the George Town landfill", explained Premier McLaughlin who described.

The state of the landfill, referred to as Mount Trashmore, is one of the central issues of debate in the ongoing election campaign both as a single topic and also as a



► ReGen Facilities and GTLF Rendering

key element in the discourse about the environment and sustainable development.

Calling the signing of the contract historic, Premier McLaughlin said: "It is a national achievement for the Cayman Islands and the final step towards the delivery of a modern 21st century, solid waste solution that will have tremendous benefits for the environment, for the community and future sustainable growth."

"We cannot continue to handle waste in the man-

ner it has been done over these decades," he said.

Mr McLaughlin said the dump was nearing capacity with just another five years left.

The project called ReGen, is the first public/private partnership contract of its kind in Cayman, is expected to take three and half years to complete with the energy recovery and remediation - some elements of which are already being carried out - expected to be completed by 2024.

Speaking for the Dart Group, Cameron Graham, president of Development Delivery and Infrastructure, said the contract and the project represent "a defining moment in Cayman's history."

"Today kicks off a rigorous project timeline, including environmental impact assessment, engineering, design, permitting procurement and construction of the new facilities," he explained.

Mr Graham also stated: "After years of work in collaboration with government to finalise the details of this multimillion-dollar multi-decade project, we are proud to sign this contract to deliver on the government stated objectives for solid waste management."

He also said the construction phase will create 300 jobs and 60 for the operation of the completed facility.

There's also an education and community awareness component on solid waste management built into the contract.



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► New Cadets from No 2 Platoon stand at ease while on parade under the command of 2Lt Antanika Ebanks (front)



► New Cadets from No 3 Platoon stand at attention while on parade under the command of 2Lt Stevoid Spooner (in front)

Cayman Islands Cadet Corps Welcomes Record Number of New Members

The Truman Bodden Sports Centre was the scene of much pageantry and fanfare on Sunday afternoon (21 March) as the Cayman Islands Cadet Corps (CICC) welcomed 72 new members, the highest number of recruits in five years, during its annual Passing out Parade.

Reviewing Officer, Deputy Governor Honourable Franz Manderson commented on the record number of new cadets and lauded them for "coming together to be part of the solution for our country." "Thank you for standing up to be a part of the change that we wish to see in this country. As a new cadet, you have become a role model for many others, and you now have a responsibility to conduct yourself in a way that is representative of this outstanding organisation that helps to turn young Caymanians and residents into upstanding members of the community."

The 'Passing out Parade' marked the end of intense basic

cadet training that commenced October 2020 and allowed newly initiated Cadets to showcase what they have learned.

Describing the parade as "excellent", Commandant Lt. Col. Bobeth O'Garro, highlighted that nine schools were represented in the cohort, five private schools and four government schools, including the Light House School.

Lt. Col. O'Garro further congratulated the recruits, adding, "We were impressed with the new cadets' commitment to the three recruit camps and the training session on Ash Wednesday. Cadets completed training in drill, citizenship, community service, and other activities that they had to pass to be eligible to become a cadet."

She also thanked parents and volunteers for their support and Cadet Officers for their hard work.

"We are grateful for all your support. Through your collective

efforts, the recruits have performed well. We look forward to students continued success as they go throughout the programme," she continued.

The Passing out Parade also allowed the CICC to recognise the achievements of its most outstanding recruits. Rayne Harding was recognised as Best Recruit from the John Gray High School Detachment, Most Outstanding Recruit in Drill, and Most Outstanding Recruit. Cadet Jada-Kai Richmond was recognised as the Most Outstanding Recruit in Academics, while each new cadet received a half star badge and certificate.

Lt. Col O'Garro also used the opportunity to highlight the need for additional resources such as uniforms, equipment, financial support, adult volunteers and a training facility. She noted that these would accommodate the continued growth in the number of youth opting to become a part



► Cadet Harding Rayne receives the Commandant's award as the Most Outstanding Recruit 2020-2021 from the Deputy Governor Honourable Franz Manderson

of this essential youth leadership programme while welcoming the continued support of additional volunteers and members of the private sector.

For more information about the Cadet Corps and its services, contact the CICC by telephone at 946-9810 or by email at cadet-corps@gov.ky.



► Deputy Governor Hon Franz Manderson (r) reviews the Parade accompanied by 2Lt Wayne Forrester Platoon Commander (l), Lt Col Bobeth O'Garro Commandant Cayman Islands Cadet Corps (c), Lt Marlon Richards Parade Commander (2nd row left), along with Lt Col Errol Brathwaite (c) and Lt Barrington Griffiths (r)



► Cadet Ashley Gabriela salutes Commanding Officer of the Cayman Islands Regiment Lt. Col. Simon Watson as she prepares to receive her certificate for completing her basic recruits training



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HEW AND MOXAM PLAN FOR GEORGE TOWN NORTH

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Incumbent Hew accentuating the positive of the government's achievement and works in progress, while challenger Moxam focused on areas he felt the government has fallen short.

That was obvious when they were asked about their priorities for the constituency. Mr Hew highlighted the ongoing infrastructure works which fall directly under his portfolio.

"Creating safer roads a shared road philosophy so that residents can move around safely...dealing with the issues of flooding. One of the other issues we face in our, in our communities is that of the derelict vehicles and derelict homes and just the overall quality of living and we've been working very hard at that. It sometimes feels like a losing battle but we won't give up and just providing, again, a much better living environment for our citizens."

Mr Moxam took a different path on that issue.

"I plan to introduce something called the Community Assistance Programme call it CAPS," which he explained would streamline the welfare support provided by NAU.

"Also a feasibility study on public transport. Right now roads are congested, I understand Mr Hew spoke about developing more roads, but really and truly, that's just building roads to nowhere. We need a plan instead of just the politics side of building roads."

The need for an overarching national development plan and strategy was a focal point of the exchange.

Mr Hew also referred to the PlanCayman, national development plan being spearheaded by his ministry, which should be unveiled in the coming months, a policy proposal that he reverted to quite regularly in his presentation.

"This is where we will review things such as beach access, how we address them, what can developers do or cannot do when developing, and dealing with beach access these are all things that would be a part of that discussion surrounding Plan Cayman," he said.

However, Mr Moxam felt there is a growing urgency to move beyond conceptualising the national development plan.

"We can talk about Plan Cayman all we want, but unless you're getting the same stakeholders in a room to discuss how these things impact their life, Plan



Cayman is just nice words on a piece of paper."

The George Town North aspirant also raised concern about what he felt was the gentrification of certain areas being developed or otherwise and earmarked for development.

"When you look at what's happening, Georgetown is being killed off by the government...No Caymanian must be left behind and no Caymanian must be taken advantage of, and sadly, the current administration is doing that," he stated.

In addition to the issues which have been dominating the Chamber's Candidate Forums based on a survey conducted by the organisation, the Hew/Moxam meet also included several topics specific to the candidates and the George Town North constituency. One was access to public beaches.

Moxam: "We have to ensure that Caymanians do not feel that they are second class citizens in their own country when they're traversing the beach."

He blamed the government for failing to push through the relevant legislation.

"The current administration was due to bring amendments to the beach access legislation, towards the end of 2020. Without explanation they dropped that legislation altogether. I have some idea as to why they did that, but I will say that it was just unacceptable for them to kick the can down the road again for another number of years."

But the incumbent Mr Hew questioned his opponent's version of events.

"I'm unaware of any beach access legislation but this administration did pass the precise human rights law, and the prescriptive rights law is in place. We also created the Public Lands Commission under this administration."

Coming out of the exchange and ultimately the April 14th election Mr Hew said "whatever task they give me I'm happy to step up to do it", while looking at his prospects in government Mr Moxam stated, "I consider myself competent and capable in handling the Ministry of Financial Services, Ministry of Commerce and Economic Development."

EBANKS AND NICOLSON-COE WOO WEST BAY SOUTH

Sitting on the same side of the discussion table was just one of a handful of situations that saw two candidates competing for West Bay South on the same side when they met in the Chamber of Commerce's Candidate Forum series.

A raft of different approaches to how they would tackle the main challenges facing Cayman characterised the exchanges between Andre Ebanks and Raul Nicolson-Coe, who are vying to take over from former seat-holder and Minister of Financial Services and Community Affairs Tara Rivers who is not running.

Mr Ebanks sees himself as the better candidate for the job, especially at a critical juncture for Cayman as a whole.

"I believe that West Bay South and Cayman are at a crossroads. We've had long, complex problems that have existed for years but the COVID pandemic has ripped the band-aid off those problems," the former head of the Cayman Islands UK Office said.

Businessman and former CEO of Digicel Cayman, Mr Nicolson-Coe views himself as being more up to the task and sees the challenges facing Cayman in a different light.

"Cayman is not only at a crossroads, we are facing unprecedented problems," he said committing to implement a recovery plan within 100 days of being elected and bringing a business-oriented strategy to how government functions.

Both candidates are running as independents but have different perspectives on even what that means in this election.

Mr Nicolson-Coe: "I'm independent. I have nobody on my platform from any other parties on my platform. These are independent thinkers and independent minds and I think it would be interesting

when people say that they're independent they're truly independent because if not we're fooling the voters."

Mr Ebanks: "I find that a strange response to say that because you are currently working with people who may have been from other groups, but that somehow makes you are a dishonest or an unethical character. Nothing could be further from the truth."

Employment and education are at the top of Mr Nicolson-Coe's national agenda

THE WRANGLE FOR WEST BAY WEST

Another no-show on the Chamber of Commerce's Candidate Forums meant the sole candidate owned the whole show, and West Bay West challenger Mario Ebanks set out to make the most of the free unchallenged time in his bid to wrest the seat from McKeeva Bush.

"One of my reasons for running is that the track record of my opponent is such that I don't know how many times he expects to breach the public trust and to get re-elected."

In addition to his goal of unseating the incumbent, Mr Ebanks said his plans for West Bay West include setting up a district council, a purpose-built hurricane shelter and civic centre, and programmes for the youth and families.

Nationally, the former business executive and first Caymanian president of the Chamber of Commerce said he would pursue what he called a Vision 2050 development plan for the jurisdiction.

Mr Ebanks who is also a former director of Labour and Pensions, detailed his plan for overhauling those systems.

"I believe that pension reform requires looking at the regulations, the investment regulations, in particular, are woefully inadequate," he stated.

His plan entails collaboration across pensions, WORC, the Health Insurance Commission and the Department of Trade with an emphasis on enforcement.

The government's decision to allow early pensions withdrawal as a financial buffer from the pandemic is also a concern.

"We just recently took \$450 million out of pensions in this country. That's a short term gain but I think it'd be long term pain," he opined.

Specific to the WORC agency, the focus of much attention during this series, the West Bay West challenger said he would sort it out in two years.

"We are going to reform that. The current system is just a name change, but we need to have proper resources, laws and policies.... If I'm elected within two years we're going to have an authority working, and we're going to have a combined system that is fit for purpose and helping our people."

He also proposed a Labour Commissioner or a Judge to replace the current labour tribunal system.

The West Bay West contender was cautious about reopening the economy, saying it is best determined on expert medical advice. However, he would increase the tourism stipend to CI\$2,000 per month.

"We have a great plan for lockdown. You have to have a plan to exit lockdown, and I'm not hearing anything. That plan is secretive if anything is happening."

Promoting his Vision 2050 development plan, Mr Ebanks said it was intrinsically tied to his outlook for sustainable development with the environment at the heart of his agenda.

While warning about sacrificing the environment, including mangroves, in pursuit of development, the West Bay West candidate said he wasn't convinced that the government truly had abandoned its plans for the controversial cruise port.

"I believe if they are reelected, they are going to push through the cruise port in Hog Sty Bay," he stated.

Addressing the cost of living, "I don't have the silver bullet, I don't have the answer to everything," Mr Ebanks admitted,



committing to setting a task force to examine the issue.

However, he pointed to several areas that warrant attention among them the minimum wage.

"How can you on \$6 per hour? In our society, you can't do it at a minimum wage. We're gonna look at increasing that and working at that right away."

He also proposed reviewing the customs tariffs on essential items, and revived the idea of more direct imports from Latin America rather than coming via Miami where they incur additional costs.

He also advocates government purchasing more land for affordable housing.

Tackling Cayman's transportation system, Mr Ebanks suggested "carpooling, public transportation, staggered working hours,

flex time, restriction on the importation of vehicles"... including limiting the number of cars per household with a progressive import duty on each additional vehicle.

He puts families at the centre of addressing issues affecting the youth via a Family and Communities Empowerment law alongside education and job opportunities.

Looking at policing for West Bay West and nationwide he favours greater community outreach and more resources for the RCIPS.

Mr Ebanks who is a former vice-chairman of the Progressives proposes a 20-year term limit for MPs.

Now running as an independent candidate he said he is capable of assuming any ministerial position as part of a coalition, including that of Premier.

EBANKS AND NICOLSON-COE WOO WEST BAY SOUTH

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but he sees a huge array of issues and opportunities to be addressed to revive the economy.

Among them he lists medical and sports tourism, and using fibre optic technology across a range of sectors to reduce costs and maximise earnings.

"There are massive issues especially around opportunities and employment for

Caymanians," he said referring mainly to the hospitality industry and other sectors of the economy.

"I also see education has been a massive issue that has to be addressed because we cannot have a service-based economy and not have our people trained and have the skill sets to be able to deal with these issues."

Mr Nicolson-Coe said the solution lies in 100 days plan that underscores his campaign and was evident throughout his responses from the cost of living, pensions and insurance, traffic, education and youth affairs.

Mr Ebanks envisions the solution differently.

"I think a long list of issues is fine to outline, but I think we are lacking vision," he

said pointing to the recurring themes of "...cost of living, access to land, unemployment, enhance human services prioritise gender equality for purpose education, diversifying the economy, focusing on tourism and we reorganise our borders..."

Mr Ebanks stressed, "If we don't come in with a structured plan and a vision of where we are going to go, all the long list of issues but in a haphazard dysfunctional way we will not go anywhere forward."

The pace and scale of projects by private developers is also occupying the attention of the two West Bay West hopefuls and was cited in the discussion about affordable housing for Caymanians.

"Because we don't have the overarching vision or development plan, Mr Ebanks lamented, "developers are able to have an uncoordinated approach to development that is allowing people who've never ever set foot in Cayman to purchase property at extreme prices just pushing the values up."

Mr Nicolson-Coe has his own strategy of ensuring that the average Caymanian gets on the homeownership ladder.

"Within my first 100 days of being elected, I'm going to reduce the import duty," Mr Nicolson-Coe said, adding that he would immediately press for a review of the stamp duty "resulting in the cost of owning a home for first-time buyers 22 and a half per cent less."

While the two opponents walk the same road on the challenges facing Cayman, they are clearly not talking the same talk and hit a fork in the road on the best way forward.



► Andre Ebanks



► Raul Nicolson-Coe

Postal and Mobile Voting Update

With first round of mobile voting in 2021 General Election complete, turnout for early voting has so far been encouraging, according to Supervisor of Elections, Wesley Howell.

“We’re very pleased to see these voters taking advantage of the early voting options available to those voters who would have difficulty visiting the polls on General Election day. So far, the processes in place have been working exceptionally well. I sincerely thank the Elections team for their sustained efforts and dedication thus far,” said Mr. Howell.

Elections Office teams facilitated mobile voting throughout the electoral districts in Grand Cayman during the week of March

22 – 26, 2021. A total of 664 mobile voting applications have been approved and of those, 587 mobile voters voted. This number of votes represents 77% of the 765 voters who utilized mobile voting during the 2017 General Election, with just over a week left for voters to apply for mobile voting.

The second opportunity for electors to cast their mobile votes is scheduled to take place across all three islands on Thursday, 8 or Friday 9, April. Further details on this are available at www.elections.ky.

Postal ballots continue to be issued to overseas voters as applications are received. As of Friday, 26 March, a total of 268 postal ballots have been dispatched

to voters from all Electoral districts except Cayman Brac West and Little Cayman, as no voters from that electoral district have requested postal ballots.

Voters who are currently overseas and those with plans to travel back to the Cayman Islands over the next few weeks are encouraged to apply for postal ballots.

Mobile voting is scheduled for 10 and 11 April for those voters who will not be able to take advantage of postal voting and will not be able to vote at the polls on Election Day due to quarantine restrictions.

If a voter is off-island or otherwise unable to visit the polls on Election Day, there is still time to apply for postal or mobile



voting respectively. The deadline for applications is Tuesday, 6 April. Find more information about who can apply and how to submit an application by going to www.elections.ky, emailing

office@elections.ky or by calling the Elections Office at 1 345 949 8047.

In the attached tables is the latest data on mobile voting and postal ballots issued.

As of Friday, 26 March		Home Visits		Static Stations		
Electoral District	Total Applications	Voted	Not Voted	Total Applications	Voted	Not Voted
West Bay Central	70	65	5	24	12	12
West Bay North	43	41	2	8	8	0
West Bay South	25	24	1	3	3	0
West Bay West	11	11	0	8	6	2
Bodden Town East	20	14	6	30	26	4
Bodden Town West	7	5	2	36	29	7
Newlands	18	16	2	40	34	6
Savannah	22	20	2	26	21	5
George Town South	13	12	1	5	5	1
George Town North	6	6	0	4	3	1
Prospect	8	8	0	29	26	3
George Town East	4	4	0	10	10	0
George Town Central	25	24	1	10	10	0
George Town West	27	23	4	7	7	0
Red Bay	0	0	0	15	13	2
North Side	30	27	3	16	15	1
East End	43	40	3	21	19	2
Totals	372	340	32	292	247	42

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Bodden Town East	14
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East End	6
George Town Central	10
George Town East	16
George Town North	27
George Town South	20
George Town West	16
Newlands	24
North Side	13
Prospect	17
Red Bay	17
Savannah	17
West Bay Central	12
West Bay North	10
West Bay South	20
West Bay West	10
Totals	268



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Special needs kids need inclusive education

By Lindsey Turnbull

A handful of candidates for the upcoming election attended a presentation by Inclusion Cayman last week and heard that children with special needs were being denied an inclusive education, i.e. one which brought them into mainstream classrooms to be taught alongside their peers, regardless of ability.

Laura Young, the mother of a special needs child, detailed the likely prevalence of disability among the Cayman community and said that it was estimated that approximately 6,000 people living in the Cayman Islands had a disability of some kind. In 2020 there were 10,749 students enrolled in the Cayman Islands and it was estimated that at least 1,600 of those students had special education needs.

The Sen (Special Education Needs) Code of Practice, introduced in 2016, calls for all public schools in the Cayman Islands to offer an inclusive education for those with special needs, but private schools are not included in this. This caused obvious distress for one mother of a special needs child in attendance at the Inclusion Cayman presentation.

Mother of a daughter and son, Chelsea Flynn, said her young son had been diagnosed with special needs and that becoming involved with Inclusion Cayman had helped her realise that children with special needs had the right to an inclusive education and that they did not have to be forced into segregated schools.

"This was my lightbulb moment," she confirmed. "It gave me hope and put words to what I knew was right and what I had wanted."

As a mother, she said she simply wanted the same access to education for her son that her daughter had, i.e. the right to go to a mainstream school and have an inclusive education. It was a very important goal for her, as would be the case for any parent, to enroll her son in the same school as his sister. But the school she had chosen said that while they said they were an inclusive school, admitting him



► The Inclusion Cayman panel of parents

would depend basically on how disabled her son was.

"He was three years old at the time and basically was being denied access to education because of his label," she stated.

Ms Flynn said she had to eventually send her child to a preschool for children with disabilities, not what she wanted for her son.

"Inclusion is just a buzz word, it's not a reality," she said. "In order to make inclusion a reality here in the Cayman Islands, we need all children to be welcomed in all mainstream schools, both public and private. We are asking that the Government needs to define the law so that all students have access to inclusive education."

She went on to say that there were years of research which clearly demonstrated that inclusion was better for all children, and questioned why Cayman still segregated children with disabilities.

Ms Flynn called for the Government to extend the SEN code of practice to all schools, not just the public schools.

"In order for the Cayman Islands to be a better community, we need to ensure that all children feel like they belong," she said.

Ms Young, backed up Ms Flynn and said that there was overwhelming research that said children who received inclusive education did better than those in a segregated environment. Ms Young reached out to the candidates in the audience by saying she looked to them for support in addressing the issues as they related to inclusive education.

As well as extending the SEN Code of Practice to all private schools, Inclusion Cayman is also calling for the decentralisation of resources and sharing them with multiple environments, equating to roughly \$6,000 per child versus the \$35,000 currently spent per child at the

islands' only dedicated school for children with disabilities, the Lighthouse School. They also called for a definition of the law whereby all students should have access to an inclusive education.

The audience also heard that help for special needs children needed to be extended into adulthood to ensure that they received the assistance they needed in order to live a productive life after they left school.

Inclusion Cayman calls for a specially dedicated supportive services department that could assist with independent living, vocational support, citizens advice, legal and financial advice, supporting all citizens, not just those with disabilities. Funding was also needed to organisations within the community, such as Inclusion Cayman, which supported the vision of an all-inclusive life, which supported employment of adults with disabilities.



► Laura Young and Kesrene Ebanks Estrela at the Inclusion Cayman presentation

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► Badir Awe managing director Awesome Productions, receives his starter pack from Minister Hew



► Martin Richter, who has started and run many successful businesses, receiving his Incubator starter pack from Minister Hew

CICBC Incubator welcomes newborn baby businesses

By Christopher Tobutt

The Cayman Islands Centre for Business Development (CICBC) welcomed 16 fledgling businesses into their 'Incubator,' the name given to a large sub-divided office space. The 2 year Incubator programme aims at nurturing new businesses by providing them with basic office facilities such as internet connection and access to printers and photocopiers, as well as free advice from all the CICBD staff and mentors. The Incubator was originally slated to open a year ago, but the covid lockdown came along first, delaying it for a year, explained Hon Joey Hew, Hon. Joey Hew, Minister of Commerce Planning & Infrastructure who welcomed the Incubator's first cohort, and presented each of them with their starter package.

Outlining some of background to how the idea of the Incubator came about, Minister Hew said, "In 2013 when I was campaigning I found a lot of young people on stairwells or at the side of

buildings so they could get access to wifi and working on various businesses. The one thing I took away from that was that we were being too shortsighted. Here in the Cayman Islands there is such opportunity in financial services and hospitality that we tend to ask, 'why aren't you doing that?' But I came to see you can't fit a circle into a square hole. People have different ideas, and want to express their sense of accomplishment."

It was from there that the idea for a special new business incubator, where a wide variety of different kinds small and microbusinesses could gain much-needed support, began to hatch. Mr. Hew went on to explain that he saw the value in helping a variety of small and microbusinesses that might not fall into traditional categories, and that represent a processes of economic diversification which is a desirable attribute for any country's economy in an uncertain world, and that the opening of this incubator facility was one of the highlights of his



► The very first cohort of the exciting new CICBC Incubator

time as minister. The Incubator is part of a much more extensive government programme, focusing on small businesses, "I want

to thank my government because we were able to help small and micro businesses to the tune of 17 million dollars," Mr. Hew said.

Antoleen Williams, one of several CICBD business advisors said the incubator represented a "community workspace, enabling new businesses to launch and grow with the aim to identify, nurture and mentor innovative businesses and entrepreneurs, helping them become more locally and globally competitive."

Addressing the business owners who will be using the new facility, Althea West-Myers, Director CICBD said: "The incubator is just one arm of what we do "Your net-work tells the value of your net-worth," she said, "so it is very important for us to build your network, in order to build your net worth."

The Incubator is designed to help small and microbusinesses

develop healthy and extensive networks. The program progresses through several phases, with business advisors being assigned from early on from within CICBC. At the six-month stage, each business is introduced to experienced business mentors. After the first year, each of the businesses is prepared to meet bankers and investors.

Not all those who make up the new cohort are truly new businesses, however, with some of them up and running for several years.

Phillip Ebanks who started "Collective," a digital marketing services company in 2015, was glad of the opportunity he had been given to use the new facility, "this opportunity is good because it provides networking opportunities and the opportunities to bring products to market and eventually find investors," he said.



► Being shown around the Incubator

Mountain of plastic collected from East End beach

Ocean Conservation Month concluded with a huge beach clean-up event at Spotter Bay in East End, organised by Plastic Free Cayman, who were working with The Guy Harvey Foundation and Protect Our Future.

Taking place on Sunday 28th March, the event was attended by more than 50 environmentally-conscious volunteers who helped to remove more than 1,120 pounds of trash from Cayman's coastline. This specific part of the island had been hit hardest by marine debris, organisers stated.

Most of the trash collected was plastic and microplastics, with plastic forks, bottle caps, toothbrushes and bits of polystyrene (Styrofoam) littering the shores. Much of the plastic was now becoming micro-environments for various species and it was difficult to find an area not covered by plastic. In some regions, organisers said it was several layers thick.

Since 2021 began, in less than three short months, Plastic Free Cayman has removed more than 7,350 pounds of debris from Cayman's beaches. This is more than



3.6 tons. Unfortunately, when compared to past data, plastic pollution is getting worse rather than better, they stated.

Clean up coordinator, Sophie McBride, said the organisers were grateful for the volunteers who shared their time and energy to help clean up Cayman's East End.

"Spotter Bay was not only covered in washed up bottles and broken down plastic from various countries, but also areas of cans and waste from beach barbecues and gatherings," she confirmed. "It is devastating to see so much plastic in our oceans and on our beaches; the micro plastics and Styrofoam we see on our clean-ups is heartbreaking. People need to understand the negative impact this is having on wildlife and our health."

Ms McBride urged the Government to step up and make impactful changes and implement more sustainable practices.

"We hope the new government moves forward to ban plastic bags, straws and single use takeaway boxes and cutlery. They must invest in the recycling process and upcycling, as much of our waste can be turned into useful items," she said.

Everyone can make a difference in some way, she said, and encouraged people to make at least one small change, from not buying a plastic bottle, refusing the plastic bag/straw or making other positive changes to our daily lives.

"It is everyone's responsibility," she confirmed.

ENGLAND EASES OUT OF ITS THIRD LOCKDOWN

By Michael Jarvis

England on Monday started taking its first tentative steps out of its third COVID-19 lockdown.

Groups of up to six people or two households can now meet outdoors as the country has seen a steep drop in the number of cases and deaths while the rate of vaccinations continues to increase.

However, the government is still urging the population to exercise caution as Europe enters its third wave and new variants continue to emerge.

To date across the UK, over 30 million people have been vaccinated with more than 3.5 million adults have had both doses of either the Pfizer-BioNTech or the Oxford-Zeneca jab.

A third vaccine, Moderna, is expected to be approved shortly.

While the UK vaccination rate is the highest amongst the leading global economies, the country had also suffered one of the highest death rates - and the highest in Europe - with over 126,000 deaths.

The cautious approach to this latest relaxation of restrictions in England follows criticism of the government's han-

dling of the previous reopening scheme which encouraged people to 'eat out to help out' resulting in a spike in cases.

"We must remain cautious, with cases rising across Europe and new variants threatening our vaccine rollout. Despite today's easements, everyone must continue to stick to the rules," Prime Minister Boris Johnson said.

This new phased reopening comes after schools were allowed to return on March 8th.

The next step will see shops, gyms and outdoor hospitality reopening from April 12th.

From May 17th indoor meetings will be allowed for up to six people or two households and overnight stays, and from June 21st all remaining restrictions on social contact will be removed.

Scotland and Wales are following separate 'unlocking' schedules.

There are still restrictions on leaving the United Kingdom without a valid, approved reason with a fine of £5,000 for those found in breach.

Looking at the rising rate of cases in Europe, Mr Johnson said previous experience had shown that it could take up to three weeks for that outbreak to turn up in the UK.

The COVID virus currently sweeping through the continent is said to be mainly the UK variant.

The British Prime Minister said, "The question is - is it going to be, this time, as bad it has been in the past? Or have we sufficiently mitigated, muffled, blunted impact by the vaccine rollout? That's a question we still don't really know the answer to."

There have been a series of demonstrations in England calling for the lockdown to be lifted.



COMMUNITY EVENTS

Scholarship Opportunity

Ongoing until 30 April - The Ministry of Education, Youth, Sports, Agriculture and Lands (MEYSAL) is now accepting local scholarship applications for the 2021/2022 academic year. Eligible applicants must possess the right to be Caymanian and possess a letter of acceptance to the academic institution they wish to attend. Apply for the Cayman Islands Government's Education Council Local Scholarship online at www.education.gov.ky/scholarships. Supporting documentation including a cover letter, a copy of the applicant's birth/status certificate and one passport size photograph must be uploaded to the website by Friday, 30 April 2021.

Rundown 2021

1 April - By popular demand, Rundown will be on for a third and final week on April 1, 3 and 4. This year, the hilarious comedy features some of our favourite actors - Leroy Holness and Matt Brown in skits such as The Covid Press Briefing, La Zoom Meeting, The Vaccine Line and much

more. Shows continue until 28 March and tickets are on sale now at Eventpro.ky (online), Funky Tangs, Healthcare Pharmacy Grand Harbour, Fosters Camana Bay and the CNCF Office. Adults are CI\$25 and Senior (65+, Youth (16 and under) are CI\$20.

Good Friday

2 April - This is a religious and public holiday in the Cayman Islands. Most businesses including supermarkets will be closed. Restaurants are usually opened as usual.

Good Friday Service

2 April - The Church of God Full Gospel Hall invites everyone to their Good Friday Service on April 2nd at 1030am.

Good Friday All Day Fellowship

2 April - The Church of Gods at Breakers and West Bay are hosting a Good Friday All Day Fellowship in Breakers on April 2nd with Morning Worship at 11am, 2pm afternoon Service and evangelistic service at 5pm.

Services at St. Alban's Church of England

2 - 4 April - St. Alban's Church of England is having its Easter services on the following dates.
Friday 2nd April 12pm Good Friday Service of Readings and Devotions
Sunday 4th April 9:30am Easter Day Holy Communion

Scavenger Hunt

3 April - The Cayman Turtle Center is hosting an Easter Festival and Scavenger Hunt on April 3rd from 9am to 4pm. Adults are \$15 and children under 12 get in free when they bring 3 plastic type 1 or 2 pieces to recycle.

Easter Art Camp

3 April - The Queen Elizabeth II Botanic Park in collaboration with Joseph Betty ART and Jernat Transportation, is pleased to announce they will be partnering to host a fundraising Easter Art Camp. Funds raised from the camp will benefit the continued development of the attractions Children's Garden. Children interested in art that will highlight local and international botany can attend the camp on April 3rd, 6th, 7th. The Easter Art Camp will be held from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm and will cost CI\$50



per child, per workshop. To learn more or to book your space, kindly contact the Botanic Park via info@botanic-park.ky or call 947-9462.

Gigantic Garage Sale

10 April - St. Ignatius Church is having its annual GIGANTIC GARAGE SALE & CAR BOOT SALE on Saturday, April 10th from 6:00-11:00 am at the Loyola Hall and School Car Park. \$25 to book a selling spot! Lots of bargains! All kinds of items! Breakfast items on sale! Anyone wishing to donate items (in good condition) can drop them off anytime from mid-March onwards. Phone 949-6797 or e-mail Ignatius@candw.ky to book your selling spot, arrange for collection of larger items, or to volunteer to help out beforehand or on the day!

Reef Relief Beach Day

10 April - Join CCMI from 12 noon-3pm on Saturday 10th April at Kaibo for a fun, relaxing beach day in efforts to protect and restore coral reefs. Tickets start at CI \$75/person (CI \$30 for kids 12 and under) and include the photo scavenger hunt (which runs 5-10 April) and the beach day at @kaibobeach, including your lunch, a welcome drink, great music, and fun activities (for adults and kids) at one of North Side's favourite locations! For more information and to purchase tickets: <https://reefresearch.org/kaibo-beach-day2021/>

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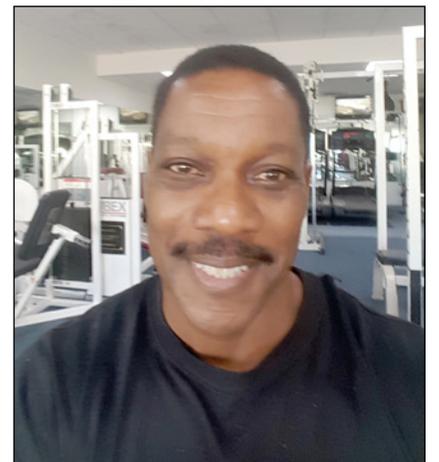
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Increasing Women's Political Representation Using Quotas

With women accounting for only ten of the fifty candidates in the upcoming elections, there is interest in understanding why this low number. A recent document by UNWomen, the United Nations Organization dedicated to gender equality and the empowerment of women, gives a good summary of the situation as it concerns the Anglophone Caribbean.

It reports that on average, 22% of ministerial portfolios/ cabinet positions in the Anglophone Caribbean are held by women and that across the region women generally do not hold more than 30% of elected positions except for Guyana which has a legislated quota of one-third of the number of political party nominees must be women.

The low number of women in political leadership across the region has not been viewed as an urgent matter that needs to be rectified. As the UNWomen Report says, economic and environmental vulnerabilities, high levels of indebtedness, diminishing foreign reserves and the impacts of the increasing intensity of natural hazards are matters taken to be urgent and weighty, not so much gender equality and the importance of women's leadership. However, as the report correctly notes, this can be short sighted and limiting in trying to achieve national development targets.

In addition to the fact that gender equality is an important and urgent matter for progressive governments, there are strong reasons for having much more women in political leadership. As the report says, 'women's leadership is positively associated with cooperative learning and participatory communication on larger and more geographically dispersed teams.' The report explains that in general, women bring a more participatory and democratic style to leadership and that the inclusion of higher proportions of women on boards and in negotiations is also associated with increased profitability, increased business performance, and success. Drawing from research data, the UNWomen report says that more women on company boards is linked to greater focus on long-term goals and improved governance.

According to the report, 'Caribbean society seems to have an ideal of what the perfect leader looks like; he's a married, grassroots, older Afro Caribbean man with a family. However, when it comes to the priorities and issues of greatest concern to them, one thing becomes very clear: they want to see more women in politics and as leaders. Across the Caribbean, 67 per cent of people perceived the national attitude in their country to be generally supportive of women's participation in politics and leadership.' Even though the top priorities of people across the region are employment, the economy and crime and violence, Caribbean society is broadly supportive of women in political leadership based on fairness and equity and perceive that women will focus on the core social development priorities that they themselves prioritise.

Despite the broad support for more women in political leadership, the current percentage is low. Even with significant

progress in gender relations in the Caribbean, 'in 2017 on average, around 22 per cent of ministerial portfolios/ cabinet positions were held by women in the Anglophone Caribbean. Across the region, women do not hold more than 30 per cent of elected positions, Guyana and Trinidad and Tobago being the exception with over 30% elected positions.'

The reasons for this low figure are well known. Gender role perceptions still present barriers to women. By gender roles we mean the attitudes, feelings, and behaviors that a culture associates with a person's biological sex and dictate what is socially acceptable for a male or female. As the report says, 'the gender roles and associated expectations for men and women are very different and can be delimiting for women candidates.'

In addition, 'family work and time constraints disproportionately affect women due to the uneven distribution of family care responsibilities. Women are generally expected to spend more time on home-care and childcare work than men.' Even with changing attitudes regarding males doing an equal share of housework, women still carry most of this responsibility. Childcare responsibilities are still mostly done by women who would find it challenging to balance a political position and family responsibilities, and the fact that women are expected to do most of this work means that women face an added disadvantage.

The UN report notes that global research shows that female politicians have more family responsibility, which takes up more of their time than their male counterparts, resulting in a situation where "only women with supportive families run for office, whereas men are more likely to run in spite of discouragement from their families".

Institutional barriers present yet another lawyer of challenge for women to be more represented in political leadership. As the report says, 'while there are no laws or policies prohibiting women candidates and politicians, established practices of recruitment and internal party selection can disadvantage potential women candidates. Particularly with regards to campaign funding, women do not typically have access to existing social networks of people who fund campaigns. When candidates run for elections, they do not receive pay, and so those who are not able to balance work and campaigning, simply cannot afford to campaign.'

It has also been observed that 'successful women politicians have historically accessed the political sphere through family networks, informal connections, civic groups, unions, and women's organisations.'

The above factors still give preference to male political leadership. Caribbean political spaces still present a complex and challenging environment for women who wish to run for election and for women in political office.

Political parties must lead the way in changing this situation. It is political parties that identify, train and support can-

didates for office. Political parties must support women who show the interest and determination to run for office is crucial. As the UNWomen report says, 'It is important that the perceptions of the viability of a political career for interested and qualified women are increased. Political parties should recognize and acknowledge the value of women in leadership in their platforms. As for the barriers women face, political parties have the scope to decrease barriers for women in campaigning, including funding, and support early exposure for women to political training and inclusion in networks.'

Very significant is the fact that globally, it is recognized that the most effective way to increase women's representation is using quotas. This 'temporary' facility has 'been resoundingly successful in countries such as Italy, Sweden, India, and Guyana.'

Curbing the overrepresentation of men in politics by expanding the talent pool can lead to increases in the quality and diversity of the politicians elected, and this translates into quality representation for all. The democratic project requires and demands no less.



► Dr. Livingston Smith is a Professor at the University College of the Cayman Islands. He is also Director of the CXC Education Volunteer programme

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► SOL Panthers with medals



► SOL Pumas - Regular Season Champs

Girls Softball – Game Reports

SOL Pumas 8, Sol Panthers 3

The Girls Softball Tournament continued on Wednesday, March 24th as the SOL Pumas advanced to the finals with an 8-3 victory over the SOL Panthers.

The contest was a defensive battle as each team only managed three hits on the night.

The SOL Panthers jumped out to a 2-0 first inning lead with great defense and a two run homer to right field by Stephanie Menko, which scored Eowyn Hawkins.

The SOL Pumas bounced back with three runs in the top of the second, with Jialy Archbold-McLaughlin, Tracey Campbell and Stefany Martinez scoring. They took advantage of two three walks and two errors, with Jialy's single being the only hit of the inning.

Meanwhile, SOL Pumas pitcher Aydis Rostran was in command during the second and third innings, allowing no runs and finishing the game with six strikeouts. Other than Stephanie's big homerun the SOL Panthers bats were quiet on this night.

The SOL Pumas added another run in the third inning and tallied four insurance runs in the fourth inning to put the game away.

Aleigha General, Lindsay Bodden and Stefany each earned two walks for the victors, while combining to score five runs.

Aydis was awarded the game ball for her complete game pitching performance.



► SOL Jaguars - Tournament Champs

Scoring by inning:

TEAM	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	TOTAL
SOL Pumas	0	3	1	4	—	8
SOL Panthers	2	0	0	1	—	3

SOL Jaguars 16, SOL Pumas 6

The Girls Softball Tournament ended on Saturday, March 27th, as the SOL Jaguars had an impressive team performance in clinching the championship, 16-6 over the SOL Pumas.

The game was tied at 3-3 after an inning, but it was all SOL Jaguars after that. The victors scored at least two runs in every inning, with sisters Shay and Rio Windsor combining for seven runs on the night. Madison Malice added three runs and

Janey Veilleux scored twice, following impressive hits. Zhanna McDonald pitched very well in her two innings of work and she had an excellent line drive hit down the right field line to cap off a six run second inning. Clara Ramos pitched a great second inning, allowing just one run to the normally potent SOL Pumas.

The regular season champions SOL Pumas were led by Aydis Rostran and Aleigha General, who each reached base all three times. Jialy Archbold-McLaughlin and Lindsay Bodden were on base twice, with Jialy scoring two runs. Shortstop Angelie Bodden made a good catch on a wicked line drive for one of the top defensive plays of the night.

SOL Jaguars Head Coach John Cridland was presented with the game ball to congratulate him on the tournament victory and to thank him for many years of service to Little League.

Lots of photos were taken prior to the game, including some with representatives from SOL Petroleum, and players and coaches got a chance to thank the sponsors for their generous support this season.

Medals, trophies and awards were handed out to the players following the game. Most improved players were awarded to Jahzara Barnes (SOL Panthers), Janey Veilleux (SOL Jaguars) and Tracey Campbell (SOL Pumas). Sportsmanship awards were presented to Stephanie Menko (SOL Panthers), Valentina Bustos (SOL Jaguars) and Aleigha General (SOL Pumas).

The twelve Girls Softball All-Stars are scheduled to play a two game series this week against the Young Women's Fast-pitch team on Tuesday and the parents/coaches team on Wednesday. Both games begin at 6:30 pm.

Scoring by inning:

TEAM	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	TOTAL
SOL Jaguars	3	6	2	5	—	16
SOL Pumas	3	1	2	0	—	6

Current Standings:

TEAM	Won	Lost	Tied	RF	RA	RD
SOL Jaguars	2	1	0	35	27	+8
SOL Pumas	2	1	0	24	26	-2
SOL Panthers	0	2	0	14	20	-6

CITA presents funds to two local charities

Following the successful Seaspice epicurean gala event, the Cayman Islands Tourism Association (CITA) is donating funds raised from the event to two local charities.

Both, The Ark Foundation (ARK) and Feed Our Future are assisting people and families and their support of the community is even more important during the border closures caused by the global pandemic.

President of the CITA, Mr. Marc Langevin, said "Both of these charities are doing fantastic work to assist people in need. Feed our Future provides low cost or free school meals to children in public and private schools and their services are needed even more during the downturn of the tourism economy."

ARK's programs help the underprivileged and those affected by illness, economic hardship, and personal misfortune. Treasurer of the CITA, Mr. Marcus Mueri, worked closely with the ARK during the early days of the lockdown. "It seems the demand for the services ARK provides doubled since the lockdown and most of those people are from the tourism in-

dustry. We are proud as an association to help and support our members whilst we collaborate with all Government agencies how we can return to prosperity. Tourism is the entertainment for the island and represents 20% of GDP"

CITA raised a total of 13,293.93 CI dollars from the Seaspice raffle. The CITA partnered with the R3 Cayman Foundation (R3) which is a charitable organisation that focuses on disaster Readiness, Relief, and Recovery in the Cayman Islands. R3 graciously agreed to match the CITA donation, so that each charity receives the full amount.

"Over the past year, organisations like Cayman's Acts of Random Kindness and Feed Our Future have been a vital support to those most severely impacted by the pandemic, endeavouring to help individuals and families put food on the table, and stay connected to water or electricity services. Although many of us are fortunate enough to have regained a sense of normalcy in our daily lives, there are individuals and families in our community who are still struggling from the economic impacts of the pandemic. R3 is proud to be able to



double the impact of CITA's fundraising for these impactful charities through matching funds from the Kenneth B. Dart Foundation," said Mr. Bryan Hunter, R3 Chairman

The CITA continues to work closely with various entities of the Cayman Islands

Government including the Ministry and Department of Tourism, The Airports Authority, Customs and Border Control and WORC, among others, to create a safe reopening plan for the return of visitors to our shores.

WEEKLY WEATHER FORECAST

Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
						
85° / 78°	84° / 78°	83° / 75°	83° / 74°	77° / 75°	78° / 75°	81° / 73°
Mostly sunny	Mostly sunny	Breezy with a shower in spots	Windy with a shower	Windy; an afternoon shower	A passing shower or two	Shower arounds in the morning

MOMENTS OF INSPIRATION

YOUR TOP PRIORITY

Matthew 6:33

Financial goals are beneficial, and responsible, but focusing too much on them can cause us to worry if we are not saving enough or if we do not have sufficient income to meet our goals. When we believe our financial security is wholly ours, we act accordingly, which can be detrimental to our families.

Our Lord did not discourage financial goals, but He emphasized that our futures are not solely dependent on our actions. Our Heavenly Father will provide for our needs so we must not live as if it is all up to us. Our top priority in life is knowing Jesus as our personal Saviour and Lord. Nothing else is more important. His sacrificial death on the cross is enough evidence for us. Why not accept Him today?

Water Authority, Cayman Water Company & Rotary Sunrise provide water purification tablets to regional neighbour

Recovery efforts continue across countries in Central America following Hurricane Eta and Hurricane Iota's devastating impact in early November 2020. Cayman's two water utilities, Water Authority-Cayman and Cayman Water Company, worked together with the Rotary Club of Grand Cayman Sunrise (Rotary Sunrise) to lead a helping hand to our regional neighbour.

Following the impact of both storms, which impacted Nicaragua and Honduras as a Category 4 (Eta) and Category 5 (Iota) within two weeks, Rotary Sunrise reached out to the Rotary Club of La Ceiba, an organisation it has a long term relationship with, to determine the best way to help the people of Honduras. The provision of potable water was identified as a significant challenge.

Water Authority and Cayman Water Company donated \$2,500 each to purchase Aqua© Iodine Water Purification Tablets. These tablets disinfect water of questionable microbiological quality and treat viruses, bacteria, and cysts. The tablets were sourced from a supplier used by both water companies.

A challenge arose when the instruction labels were supplied in English and not in Spanish, which would mean recipients would not be able to use the tablets, as they wouldn't be able to read the instructions properly. Water Authority staff stepped in to translate and design a new Spanish language label, and the supplier arranged for



► Mr Manuel Thomaz (right), General Manager of Cayman Water Company, hands donation to President Stacy Parke (middle) and Director Hendrik van Genderen (left) of Rotary Sunrise

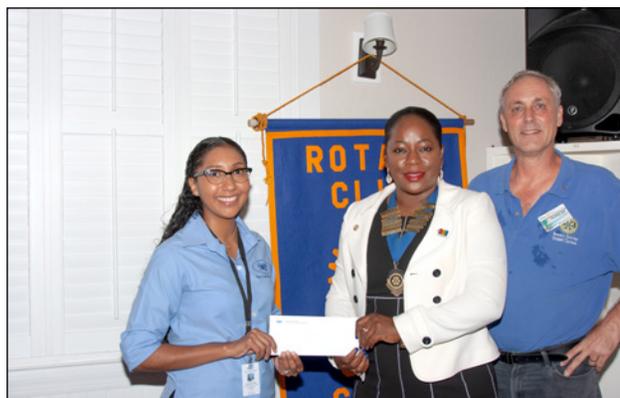
the labels to be printed. When the tablets arrived in Cayman, Rotarians added the new labels to the tablet packaging.

In February, Rotary Sunrise shipped the purification tablets to the Rotary Club of La Ceiba where it was distributed to local communities. A total of 1,728 bottles, with 50 purification tablets each, were donated; this is enough to treat 11,400 gallons of water.

"The Water Authority is pleased to support the Rotary Sunrise Club with this initiative. Cayman knows all too well the devastation a major storm causes, which is why it was no question that we would step in to help support this effort," explains

Dr Gelia Frederick van-Genderen, Director of the Water Authority. It's a sentiment shared by Cayman Water Company. "Access to safe drinking water is essential, and we are happy to help the people of Honduras gain access to clean water as they recover from the storm," comments Manuel Thomaz, General Manager of Cayman Water Company.

"We are so grateful to both Cayman Water Company and Water Authority for not only their donation but for also lending their expertise in ensuring the people of Honduras were able to gain access to safe drinking water," comments Stacy Parke, President of Rotary Sunrise.



► Mrs Edlyn Ruiz Stoll (left), Corporate Communications Officer of the Water Authority, hands donation to President Stacy Parke (middle) and Director Hendrik van Genderen (right) of Rotary Sunrise



► Ernie Ebanks (left) of Water Authority and Karlene Singh (right) hand over water purification tablets to President Stacy Parke (middle) and Director Hendrik van Genderen (right) of Rotary Sunrise

DEATH ANNOUNCEMENTS

The family of the late **Elizabeth Key** regret to announce her passing on 21 March, 2021.



A memorial service will be held 3:00 p.m. at St. Ignatius Catholic Church on Tuesday 6 April, 2021.

In lieu of flowers please make donations to Jasmine Hospice.

Condolences can be registered at boddenfuneralservice.com & Bodden Funeral Service Facebook page



Bodden Funeral
"A source of comfort in a troubled time"

The family of the late **Beatrice Fazio** regret to announce her passing on 23 March, 2021.



A memorial service will be held 3:00 p.m. at Wesleyan Holiness Church on Sunday 11 April, 2021, at the request of Beatrice, she has asked for bright colours to be worn.

In lieu of flowers please make donations to Jasmine Hospice & Breast Cancer Foundation.

"Optimism is the faith that leads to achievement. Nothing can be done without hope and confidence."

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UK TERRITORIES CONNECTION

UK SAYS TERRITORIES ARE PART OF ITS NEW GLOBAL OUTREACH

The Overseas Territories are featured in the British government's post-Brexit 'Global Britain' outlook.

The government says the integrated review is a comprehensive articulation of the UK's national security and international policy.

The policy outline speaks of "shared interests bind together the citizens of the United Kingdom, along with our Overseas Territories and Crown Dependencies, giving us an advantage in an increasingly competitive global environment and a distinctive and influential voice in the world."

Specific to the Overseas Territories, it says: "We will promote the right of self-determination for the peoples of the OTs and continue to defend and represent internationally the three Crown Dependencies."



Under the heading of 'security', The Global Britain outlook commits "to support the OTs and Crown Dependencies in



detering and defending against state and non-state threats and list an enhanced British armed force presence in British

Gibraltar Territorial Waters as well as significant investment in the Sovereign Base Areas in Cyprus.

It also includes a permanent presence in the Falkland Islands, Ascension Island and the British Indian Ocean Territory, along with a permanent maritime presence in the Atlantic and Caribbean, contributing to counter-trafficking operations and delivering humanitarian assistance and disaster relief during the annual hurricane season.

The British government recently hosted a UK-Caribbean forum online with regional foreign minister and representatives of the Overseas Territories.

During that session issues discussed included; the UK's global agenda, economic partnership, security, the COVID pandemic and acknowledging the contributions of the Caribbean's Windrush generation to Britain.

BVI GOVERNMENT URGES NATIONALS TO GET VACCINATED

The health authorities in the British Virgin Islands are urging residents to come forward to get their COVID-19 vaccine.

The territory's Health Minister Carvin Malone says the government is concerned about the low rate of vaccination, especially among BVI nationals.

"Our local population have been rather hesitant and only a small percentage have agreed and have been vaccinated," he told sitting of the BVI House of Assembly.

The BVI is receiving a total consignment of 32,000 doses of the Oxford-AstraZeneca vaccine from the British government with respective batches expiring at the end of May and June respectively.

Mr Malone emphasised the importance of residents, especially nationals, getting vaccinated to curb the spread of the virus, emphasising that it's also critical to the plans to reopen the economy.

Equally important he reminded, is ensuring that the vaccines are administered



► British Virgin Islands Health Minister Carvin Malone

before their expiry date to prevent wastage, especially at a time when some countries - including the UK - have been caught up in a wrangle over international vaccine supplies with 'vaccine nationalism' now entering the political lexicon.

TCI ALSO STRUGGLING WITH VACCINE HESITANCY

Vaccine hesitancy is also a concern for the new government in the Turks and Caicos Islands.

It's one of the challenges the new Progressive National Movement government has encountered with the Health Minister Jay Saunders urging residents, especially nationals, to come forward for their jab.

"Foreigners who are living here are lining up (for the vaccine) but we Turks and Caicos Islanders seem to be taking a wait-and-see approach," he observed.

Speaking during a government press conference, Mr Saunders sent a message that in addition to the personal and public health necessity, plans to reopen the economy in June depend on the increasing the rate of vaccinations.

He cautioned that "if we are getting people vaccinated all the way down to November or December just trying to



► Turks and Caicos Islands Health Minister Jay Saunders

finish this thing out, we're going to run out of time before we have to start it all over again and it will be a complete disaster. That is why we need to get it to June."

MONTSERRAT QUESTIONS UK PARTNERSHIP

Members on both sides of the Montserrat Legislative Assembly are calling on the British government for more funding assistance and to speed-up finalising this year's aid allocation so that the territory's budget can be presented.

The Montserrat government's yearly operating budget is funded over 60 per cent by the British government with the UK also financing capital and infrastructure projects.

Montserrat has been in UK budgetary aid since the eruption of the Soufriere Hills volcano over 25 years ago devastated its economy.

Responding to questions from the Opposition during a meeting of the Assembly to present an interim or supplementary budget while they await UK's 2021 funding allocation, Premier Easton Taylor-Farrell said he was unable to adequately respond to "the plight of residents" due to lack of funds from the UK.

"As we go through the next several months we are hoping that our cries will be heard and that help will come our way," he stated.

Montserrat had previously received a COVID-relief grant from the UK and the local government recently extended the support programme.

But Premier Farrell echoed the frustration expressed by the Opposition and members of his administration about the relationship between the territory and the UK, especially regarding financial aid.

"They say we are partners, we are British, we are part of the family," he stated, while recounting that during a recent annual budget planning meeting with officials of the UK's Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office (FCDO) he had to challenge them about the nature of that partnership.

"I said to the team that I would recommend that every member who works in

FCDO do a crash course in West Indian history. I said it against the backdrop that these are people who work in the FCDO who should know about us."

He said, "They neither read about us and they don't understand our contribution to the UK. After World War Two, it's the Windrush generation who went to the UK to rebuild the UK economy.

"In slavery, it is our ancestors who produced the cotton line and the sugar; but these young people in the FCDO don't understand that. They don't care about that. And so they talk about partnership and you really just want to know what that partnership means," Premier Taylor-Farrell declared.

He complained that the FCDO was micromanaging Montserrat and wondered if the island would not have been better off outside that partnership.

"I'm not against accountability and transparency, but they would say that



► Montserrat Premier, Hon. Easton Taylor-Farrell

we have autonomy but at the same time, you're not free, because the way they micromanage you, you wonder whether in fact, if you would be better off out there."

CARIBBEAN BRIEFS

Barbadian LIAT pilots upset Browne

Terminated LIAT pilots from Barbados involved in a class-action suit against the Antigua and Barbuda government run the risk of ending up without any compensation.

Ten former pilots are part of a constitutional motion filed recently in the High Court in St John's by Captain Neil Cave.

Prime Minister Gaston Browne insisted last week to end all support for LIAT if these pilots, and those who represent them, continue to frustrate his efforts to rescue the carrier.

Browne has since intensified those statements, vowing to restructure his government's offer to LIAT in such a way that the Barbadian pilots will not get a dime.

Browne said the Barbados-based former pilots with the regional airline are "rotten elements" responsible for the carrier's demise.



► Antigua is still trying to revive the LIAT airline

He said: "They would not cooperate with the government to recapitalise the company and to streamline the operations so that they could be more efficient to ensure the viability and sustainability of LIAT."

The pilots are calling for severance and monies owed to them since LIAT collapsed a year ago.

Guyana buys \$4m of Russian vaccine

Guyana President Irfaan Ali announced that his government has bought US\$4 million worth of Sputnik V vaccines from Russia to roll out a massive inoculation exercise.

He said 200,000 doses of the Russian vaccine would be arriving in Guyana this week, and another 24,000 doses through the COVID-19 Global Vaccine Access (COVAX) mechanism.

"We have established a supply chain; we have established the storage facility. We had meetings with the private sector because we have to bring all the storage capacity together to get this done," Ali said.

The Health Ministry has already said that from Wednesday, people 40 years and older will be eligible to receive the jab. Government hopes to vaccinate 10,000 people daily.



► Guyana will roll out its vaccine programme this week

The President said that the Guyana Defence Force's Medical Brigade and medical students will be trained to document potential vaccine recipients in collaboration with local government bodies such as Amerindian village and neighbourhood councils.

Dr Ali said while Guyanese are being vaccinated, the Task Force would be enforcing the measures such as social distancing and the wearing of masks.

Dominica invites remote workers too

Dominica has joined other Caribbean countries by offering extended stay work-vacations. It officially launched its extended-stay visa program, 'Work in Nature' (WIN), an opportunity to work remotely for up to 18 months on the island. Dominica hopes to welcome professionals and entrepreneurs through the WIN program, which is geared toward remote workers, digital nomads, academics, families and people on sabbaticals seeking a healthier work-life balance.

The island offers high-speed internet and technology services, modern healthcare facilities, educational options for families, and opportunities for impact volunteer programs with NGOs and private

sector entities. WIN program participants can visit waterfalls or hot springs, take nature walks or exhilarating dives, experience the local cuisine, embrace a new culture, and make new friends. Dominica's COVID-19 protocols have kept the infection rates very low.

The program offers attractive incentives, such as duty-free on selected items and discounts from various service providers.

Dominica has been recently awarded the "Safe Travels" Stamp by the World Travel and Tourism Council, which reassures that the destination's health and safety protocols meet globally accepted standards.



► Dominica is another Caribbean island attracting remote workers

Jamaica security on high alert

Jamaica's coronavirus measures are not going well which resulted in the National Security Ministry releasing a statement saying the security forces are on high alert to enforce stringent covid measures.

Prime Minister Andrew Holness-chaired a National Security Council on Thursday where the government decided to enforce three weekends of lockdowns which started on Saturday at noon until Monday 5am.

Holness instructed that the measures be strictly enforced. The matter of crime was also on the agenda at the security council meeting.

"The Government reiterated its stance on ridding the country of guns, gangs and



► Jamaican security resources are severely stretched

dons," said a ministry spokesperson. Holness reportedly received a comprehensive brief and operation update on security matters and hotspots and advised on the potential for escalation given the current volatility in some areas. He directed that additional resources be deployed in these areas to keep the peace.

Barbados raises minimum wage

Vacations in Barbados are not cheap and could rise as one effect of a proposed national minimum wage which is expected to take effect on Thursday.

The impending increase in the base wage could mean that some tourism-related establishments will have higher operation costs. Government has proposed an EC\$8.50 (KY\$2.62) per hour national minimum wage and a minimum wage for security guards of \$9.25 (KY\$2.85). Currently, the minimum wage of \$6.25 (\$KY1.93) only applies to shop assistants.

Geoffrey Roach, chair of the Barbados Hotel and Tourism Association, warned of a possible ripple effect that may lead to more expensive vacations for visitors. He said: "We do have some pay scales across the tourism sector and particularly for



► Bar workers are amongst the poorest paid in the tourism industry

the hotels. This minimum wage increase will not affect every single tourism enterprise in the same way, but there are tourism players where those increases at the lowest levels could potentially have a ripple effect across all the pay scales."

Bahamas returns as cruise hub

Fancy going on a cruise? "No" is the emphatic answer for most people considering the global pandemic, but for those that enjoy that sort of vacation, hopping from port to port on a luxury liner will soon be possible again.

After more than a year without cruising in the Caribbean, Royal Caribbean returns to the seas in June, to the Bahamas and Mexico on Adventure of the Seas.

The Celebrity Millennium ship will re-launch on June 5 from St Maarten. One itinerary will stop in Aruba, Curacao and Barbados, and another will stop in Tortola, St Lucia and Barbados.

Adventure of the Seas will sail a series of seven-night roundtrip cruises from Nassau starting June 12 through August. The itinerary will stop at Grand Bahama Island and include two days at the cruise line's private island, Perfect Day at CocoCay. Adventure of the Seas has a capacity of 3,835 passengers and 1,185 crew, a total of 5,020.

Cruises are open only to passengers who can show proof of vaccination against COVID-19 and those under 18 who have negative test results. All crew on board will be vaccinated as well.

But the decision to only allow vaccinated customers on board has sparked calls to boycott firms from some, who say the cruise line are 'eroding freedoms'.

Vaccine critic Dr Simone Gold tweeted: "WOW: @RoyalCaribbean cruises is now requiring you to get an experimental vaccine to book a cruise with them. I will be boycotting the company instead. Who else is with me? #BoycottRC"

Jan Nolin said: "@RoyalCaribbean my medical information is none of your business! I won't be patronizing any business that requires my personal health information."

Another Twitter user, Shelley Orr, added: "Our freedoms are eroding right before our very eyes!!"

Passengers will also have to adhere to the requirements of the country they visit.

Judging from Tripadvisor reviews from when it last sailed, Adventure of the Seas

will have no problem finding willing passengers. One woman wrote: "My husband and I decided to take a cruise for our 35-year anniversary and booked on Royal Caribbean's Adventures of the Seas Ship. We thoroughly enjoyed our trip due to the personnel were so kind and helpful as well as caring that it was our anniversary celebration. We could not have asked for a better team to take care of our cabin and our meals."

Linda O stated in April 2020: "We had 10 cruises booked on this ship but due to the virus we had to get off after 3. We were having a great time the crew was awesome all the specialty restaurants were great. Katy the cruise director was great our suite attendant Lester was great. We really hated getting off as no one was sick on board."

Cruise executives are relieved too. "We are excited to get back to delivering memorable vacations in the Caribbean, gradually and safely," Michael Bayley, president and CEO of Royal Caribbean International said. "The vaccines are clearly a game



► CocoCay, Bahamas will soon host cruise ships again

for vaccinated adult guests and crew is the right choice. As we move forward, we expect this requirement and other measures will inevitably evolve over time.

Royal Caribbean also unveiled a new summer series of fully vaccinated cruises in the Mediterranean.

Disney Cruise Line also has a new line up of destinations you can visit - but that won't be until next year. DCL released their summer 2022 itineraries, including voyages to new destinations and favourite ports of call in the Greek Isles, Mediterranean, northern Europe, Alaska and the Caribbean. Disney will sail for the first time from Miami. The inaugural voyage will be on 7 June 2022 on Disney Dream, which used to be based in Port Canaveral.

In addition to visiting Castaway Cay, three- and four-night cruises from Miami will call on Nassau, Bahamas, while five-night cruises include a stop at either Grand Cayman or Cozumel, Mexico. One special five-night sailing features two stops at Castaway Cay, along with a call on Nassau.

Why cruise lines prefer the Bahamas

The regulations that apply to ships are determined by the country where they are registered.

Some countries have stricter regulations, such as the US, which supplies the cruise market with the majority of its customers.

A ship registered in the US is governed by United States maritime law, which specifies the wages that must be paid to crew, the environmental safeguards that apply to waste disposal, the certifications for ships' officers and the right of passengers to take action against the cruise operator in a US court of law, to name just a few of the strictures.

A cruise operator might decide that they would rather operate under a less strict regime, and most do.

This means they register in another country and adopt a flag of convenience, and in the cruise industry the preferred flag is that of the Bahamas. Among other advantages, the Bahamas does not impose any tax on income. Any profit the cruise line makes is untaxed; neither is there any tax on capital gain if a vessel is sold at a profit.



► Disney Cruise is relaunching on June 5

changer for all of us, and with the number of vaccinations and their impact growing rapidly, we believe starting with cruises

"The opportunity to homeport in The Bahamas is a testament to the tremendous partners the government and the people of the island nation have been to us for more than 50 years. We are grateful for the confidence that they have in us and our commitment to a healthy and happy return to sailing."

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention have issued various versions of no-sail orders that have kept the industry from sailing.

While cruise lines continue to work with the CDC on a return from the US, alternative homeports - like Nassau - are emerging as an effective option for a safe and more immediate return. Luxury cruise line Crystal recently announced it would sail from Nassau and Bimini starting in July.

Royal Caribbean has said it hasn't yet decided whether additional health and safety measures, like mask-wearing, social distancing and ship-sponsored excursions will be required, but Chief Marketing Officer Jim Berra said those types of actions are "in the consideration set."



► Adventures of the Seas is like a floating palace

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 Conceptis Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

Conceptis Sudoku

By Dave Green

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Difficulty Level ★★★★★

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Answer to previous puzzle

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Difficulty Level ★★★

CROSSWORD

By THOMAS JOSEPH

- ACROSS**
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 - 5 Pal, to a pirate
 - 10 Database option
 - 11 Convict's hope
 - 12 Eye drop
 - 13 Beautiful boy
 - 14 Nile diverter
 - 16 Prized prosciutto
 - 20 Punctual
 - 23 Pitcher's stat
 - 24 Paris sight
 - 25 Studio sign
 - 27 "Very funny!" in a text
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 - 29 Fleeing
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 - 39 Steak choice
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 - 41 Historic times
 - 42 Singly
 - 43 Highlands girl
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 - 6 Kitchen come-on
 - 7 Great weight
 - 8 New Haven student
 - 9 "Sure thing!"
 - 11 Mission man
 - 15 Newborn's need
 - 17 Get better
 - 18 Diva's piece
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 - 21 Very bright
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 - 38 Punk rock offshoot

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Word Search

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- Board
- Butterfly
- Chlorine
- Cold
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- Deep
- Dive
- Flippers
- Float
- Ladder
- Lifeguard
- Lotion
- Paddle
- Raft
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- Shower
- Snorkel
- Splash
- Stroke
- Swim
- Towel
- Trunks
- Wade
- Water
- Whistle

Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions - forward, back, up, down and diagonally.



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