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Lyneth Monteith Appointed to Senior Education Position



► Official photo of MEYSAL Deputy Chief Officer Ms. Lyneth Monteith

Ms. Lyneth Monteith has been appointed as the Deputy Chief Officer with responsibility for Education Policy and Planning, within the Ministry of Education, Youth, Sports, Agriculture & Lands (MEYSAL).

Ms. Monteith launched her education career in September of 1981 as a Middle School Teacher. Since then, her career portfolio has spanned a cross section of education-related roles, with thirty-one of these years served in leadership positions. These positions included; middle management in a junior high school, leadership of a

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'Joey' Hew Wins Another Term in GT North

Incumbent Joseph 'Joey' Hey managed to hold on to his seat in George Town North after a highly contested campaign against contender Johann Moxam.

Results were slow to come in from the polling station at the George Town Primary School. However, as the evening unfolded it soon became clear that the Minister of Commerce Planning and Infrastructure would remain a parliamentarian for the next four years.

The Caymanian Times spoke exclusively with Mr. Hew on the heels of his win at the MP's Office on North Sound Road.

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Best Wishes to the New Government: Gratitude to all those who Competed

Irrespective of which party or group or coalition forms the government after the intriguing April 14, 2021 election, the society owes a debt of gratitude to those who contested. In doing so, they made the many elements of a democratic society come alive- the free and public discussion of issues, the right to run for office, elected officials, free and fair elections, etcetera. It does take a level of belief in self and society, and a strong desire to make a positive contribution to energize persons to put their name on the ballot.

Those who did not win a seat in the Parliament must know that their efforts were not in vain and that there are several other ways open to them to continue to contribute to the welfare of the Caymanian society.

The new government is expected by the electorate, and indeed the entire society, to effectively take on the multiple issues that need attention. Some of these were identified during the campaign and summarized by James Whittaker in the Cayman Compass of April 13.

The phased opening of the economy after most adults have been vaccinated is uppermost on the agenda. The continued careful management of the economy with emphasis on the welfare of those at the lower socio-economic levels of the society is vital. Even with economic growth, too many persons are hurting, many, Caymanians. There must be renewed focus to

rectify this reality. There must be a conversation on how to reduce the high levels of inequality in the island.

Getting the right equation between development and preserving the environment is a challenging but critical issue with dire consequences for the future. Other issues have to do with the amount of traffic on our roads, the cost of living, health care and improved school performance, among others.

Improving the quality of governance will be a task of the new government. This is so even though the quality of governance offered in the Cayman Islands far exceeds many other countries, both developed and developing. But all over the world citizens are desiring and expecting improved governance.

As the World Bank points out, policy makers and academics agree that good governance matters for economic development. Scholars have discovered that high-quality institutions have the power, over the long run, to raise per capita incomes and promote growth in all parts of the world. In fact, research done by the World Bank estimates that, 'when governance is improved by one standard deviation, incomes rise about three-fold in the long run, and infant mortality declines by two-thirds.'

The Worldwide Governance Indicators project defines governance as the set of traditions and institutions by which au-

thority in a country is exercised. According to this project, the quality of governance is best evaluated by examining three critical aspects of government's use of authority.

The first is how governments are put in place. This aspect looks at the input citizens have in the election of their leaders. In democracies with transparent and well-functioning voting mechanisms, citizens have a great impact on determining the direction of government. On the other hand, incidences of voter fraud, vote-buying, etc. hinder the value of elections. The second is how well the government can make and implement sound policies.

According to the World Bank's project on measuring governance, a way to measure this aspect would be to, 'Figure out whether political leaders are accountable to the citizens they represent. Do political leaders follow through with the promises they present during their campaigns? Do they consider the perspectives of their constituents above their own personal interests? Are government policymakers knowledgeable about the governance process? When government is not well skilled in policymaking, people lose trust in their government leaders and governance quality suffers.'

The third is how much respect people have for the government. Again, the World Bank project explains that this factor also helps evaluate whether there is corruption in a country. 'Is there confidence in government systems? Can constituents easily access their policymakers for information, questions, or concerns? Are policymakers inaccessible to people who are not in positions of power? Is information about them, their office, and their positions on items of debate fully available to public scrutiny? The stability of the government or the amount of violence in a country can help us measure corruption since these can be used to evaluate whether people think the government selection process is legitimate.'

Considering these government authority aspects, the World Bank Worldwide Governance Indicators track and measure good governance through six specific indicators arguing that these capture the political, economic, and institutional dimensions of governance.

The six are voice and accountability which measures the extent to which citizens can participate in selecting their government, as well as freedom of expression, freedom of association, and a free media. The category 'Political stability and ab-



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

sence of violence' considers perceptions of the likelihood that the government will be destabilized or overthrown by unconstitutional or violent means, including domestic violence.

The third category - Government Effectiveness measures 'The quality of public services, the quality of the civil service and the degree of its independence from political pressures, the quality of policy formulation and implementation, and the credibility of the government's commitment to such policies.'

The final three are regulatory quality, rule of law and control of corruption. By regulatory quality is meant, 'The ability of the government to formulate and implement sound policies and regulations that permit and promote private sector development. The rule of law relates to the extent to which have citizens have confidence in and abide by the rules of society, and in particular the quality of contract enforcement, the police, and the courts, as well as the likelihood of crime and violence.

The final category in the measurement of good governance is the extent to which public power is exercised for private gain, including both petty and grand forms of corruption, as well as "capture" of the state by elites and private interests.

Citizens would do well to take the government to task on all these measures of good governance.



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New Government formed by Independents

Just a matter of hours after the final tallies were announced following Wednesday's election, early on Thursday morning the 10 Independent candidates elected have agreed to form the next government of the Cayman Islands.

This forces the Progressives-led Independents Alliance onto the Opposition benches. The Progressives had led a Unity coalition government since 2017.

In a press release on Thursday, it was announced that the new Premier of the jurisdiction will be ex-Progressives founding member Wayne Panton who ran as an independent in yesterday's election.

Mr Panton had quit the party last year.

Chris Saunders has been named as Deputy Premier and Alric Lindsay, who just failed to win a seat, will serve as Speaker.

According to the press release, "Premier Designate, Wayne Panton officially met with the Governor this morning to formally request that the Parliament be called to convene on Wednesday, 21st April @10am to swear

in members and formally elect the Premier under Section 49(3) of the Cayman Islands Constitution."

Mr Panton said: "The elections are over, the people have spoken, and it is time to get on with the business of making people's lives better. I am delighted, impressed, and inspired by the level of maturity shown by the elected Independent members to put aside political differences that arose on the campaign to work in the best interest of our Islands."

Speaking of the appointment of Alric Lindsay as Speaker, Mr Panton stated: "All of us who decided to step into the public arena did so to make a positive difference to the communities we serve. Many good people were unsuccessful at the polls but still have a lot to offer. Alric Lindsay is one such individual. As Speaker of the House, he will bring the much-needed articulation and maturity to the role."

The incoming Premier also said, "Government that I am humbled to lead will be People-driven, Accountable, Competent and Transparent (PACT). We are all



humbled by the electorate's trust and recognise that we have much work to do and are ready and willing to work on your behalf."

Mr Panton said he was "tremendously proud that the 10 Independent candidates have

joined together, in a decisive and cohesive fashion, to commence the process of forming a new government."

Referring to the coalition government of independents as PACT, he added:

"Although PACT has the majority and are committed to that as a government, we will demonstrate to the country a refreshing and new approach by being open to other elected members joining in order to carry out the wishes of the electorate to form an inclusive coalition to work in the best overall interests of the country."

The 10 Independent MPS who will form the governing majority are:

- G. Wayne Panton – MP Elect, Newlands
- Christopher Selvin Saunders – MP Elect, Bodden Town West
- Johany S. "Jay" Ebanks – MP Elect, North Side
- Kenneth Vernon Bryan – MP Elect, George Town Central
- Isaac Douglas Rankine – MP Elect, East End
- Bernie Alfredo Bush – MP Elect, West Bay North
- Katherine Ebanks-Wilks – MP Elect, West Bay Central
- Andre Martin Ebanks – MP Elect, West Bay South
- Sabrina Turner – MP Elect, Prospect
- Heather Dianne Bodden – MP Elect, Savannah

Elected Candidate Mr. Wayne Panton Meets Governor

Newly elected candidate from the Newlands electoral district, Mr. Wayne Panton met with His Excellency the

Governor, Mr. Martyn Roper at the Governor's Office today, Thursday, 15 April 2021.

Mr. Panton presented to the Governor his letter confirming that he has the support of the majority of the elected candi-

dates who were successful in yesterday's General Election to Parliament and that he intends to form the new Government.



EVERY VOTE MATTERS.
EVERY VOTE COUNTS.

Election at a Glance

Election 2021 Winners & Votes

West Bay North



Rolston "Rollie" Anglin
Affiliation: Independent
Votes: 429 / 45.1%



Bernie Alfredo Bush
Affiliation: Independent
Votes: 515 / 54.2%



West Bay East



McKeeva Bush
Affiliation: Independent
Votes: 458 / 51.9%



Mario E. Ebanks
Affiliation: Independent
Votes: 431 / 48.9%

West Bay Central



Capt. Eugene Ebanks
Affiliation: Independent
Votes: 392 / 41.7%



Katherine Ebanks-Wilks
Affiliation: Independent
Votes: 539 / 57.3%



West Bay South



André Martin Ebanks
Affiliation: Independent
Votes: 796 / 71.4%



Raul Nicholson-Coe
Affiliation: Independent
Votes: 309 / 27.7%

George Town North



Joseph "Joey" Hew
Affiliation: Alliance [Progressives]
Votes: 512 / 55.8%



Renard Johann Moxam
Affiliation: Independent
Votes: 395 / 43.1%

George Town Central



Kenneth Vernon Bryan
Affiliation: Independent
Votes: 851 / 86.1%



Frank Anthony Cornwall
Affiliation: Alliance [Progressives]
Votes: 126 / 12.8%

George Town West



David Charles Wight
Affiliation: Alliance [Progressives]
Votes: 457 / 50.4%



Pearlina McGaw-Lumsden
Affiliation: Independent
Votes: 198 / 21.9%



Ellio Anthony Solomon
Affiliation: Independent
Votes: 135 / 14.9%



Dr. Kenrick Herbert Webster
Affiliation: Independent
Votes: 98 / 10.8%

George Town East



Roy Michael McTaggart
Affiliation: Alliance [Progressives]
Votes: 645 / 63.8%



Richard Alexander Bernard
Affiliation: Independent
Votes: 7 / 0.7%



Emily Cecelia Ann DeCou
Affiliation: Independent
Votes: 217 / 21.5%



Christina Hislop Rowlandson
Affiliation: Independent
Votes: 76 / 7.5%



Frank Swarres McField
Affiliation: Independent
Votes: 61 / 6.0%

George Town South



Barbara Conolly
Affiliation: Alliance [Progressives]
Votes: 524 / 51.9%



Alric Lindsay
Affiliation: Independent
Votes: 470 / 46.5%

Red Bay



Alden McLaughlin
Affiliation: Alliance [Progressives]
Votes: 535 / 54.7%



James Samuel "Sammy" Jackson
Affiliation: Independent
Votes: 425 / 43.5%

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Election at a Glance

Election 2021 Winners & Votes

Prospect



Austin Osmond Harris, Jr.
Affiliation: Alliance [Independent]

Votes: 288 / 30.1%



Michael Steven Myles
Affiliation: Independent

Votes: 307 / 32.1%



Sabrina Theresa Turner
Affiliation: Independent

Votes: 353 / 36.9%



Savannah



Heather Dianne Bodden
Affiliation: Independent

Votes: 577 / 54.5%



Malcolm Anthony Eden
Affiliation: Independent

Votes: 442 / 41.8%



Jeanna Williams
Affiliation: Independent

Votes: 28 / 2.6%



East End



V. Arden McLean
Affiliation: Independent

Votes: 304 / 45.6%



Isaac Douglas Rankine
Affiliation: Independent

Votes: 348 / 52.2%



McCleary Dwight Frederick
Affiliation: Independent

Votes: 15 / 2.2%

Newlands



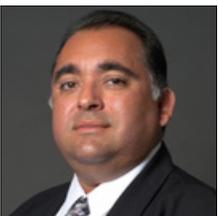
Alva Suckoo
Affiliation: Alliance [Independent]

Votes: 346 / 29.0%



Roydell Alston Carter
Affiliation: Independent

Votes: 29 / 2.4%



Raul Gonzalez, Jr.
Affiliation: Independent

Votes: 156 / 13.1%



G. Wayne Panton
Affiliation: Independent

Votes: 655 / 54.9%



Bodden Town West



Christopher Selvin Saunders
Affiliation: Independent

Votes: 902 / 78.9%



Vincent Reynaldo Frederick
Affiliation: Alliance [Independent]

Votes: 231 / 20.2%

Bodden Town East



Dwayne Stanley "John John" Seymour
Affiliation: Independent

Votes: 735 / 61.3%



Osbourne "Ossie" Vendryes Bodden
Affiliation: Independent

Votes: 472 / 39.4%

North Side



Denison Ezzard Miller
Affiliation: Independent

Votes: 217 / 30.1%



Debra "Debbie" Broderick (nee Miller)
Affiliation: Independent

Votes: 23 / 3.2%



Johany S. "Jay" Ebanks
Affiliation: Independent

Votes: 394 / 54.6%



Justin Craig Ebanks
Affiliation: Independent

Votes: 84 / 11.6%

Cayman Brac West & Little Cayman



Moses Ian Kirkconnell
Affiliation: Alliance [Progressives]

Votes: 315 / 85.1%



Maxine Avon McCoy-Moore
Affiliation: Independent

Votes: 52 / 14.1%

Cayman Brac East



Juliana Connolly-O'Connor
Affiliation: Alliance [Progressives]

Votes: 266 / 69.8%



Elvis Jeffery McKeever
Affiliation: Independent

Votes: 107 / 28.1%

Winners

Alliance [Progressives]	7
Alliance [Independent]	1
Independent	11



► HSA Specialist Clinic Patient Waiting Room at Smith Road Centre with National Gallery Exhibit



► HSA Specialist Clinic Exam Room at Smith Road Centre



► HSA Specialist Clinic Patient Waiting Room at Smith Road Centre

HSA expands specialist services with launch of new clinic at Smith Road Centre

By Business Contributor

Several new services are now available at the Smith Road Centre, where HSA has opened a modernised and spacious Specialist Clinic that doubles the capacity to serve patients requiring these specialized services.

Officially opened with a ribbon-cutting ceremony on Thursday, 8 April 2021, the clinic has 21 clinical rooms, enhanced exam and treatment rooms and provides a more efficient layout that supports team-based care. The new location has created opportunities for increasing HSA's specialist services from 12 to 16 with the addition of four new specialties – Complimentary Alternative Medicine, Chiropractic service, Neurology and Neurosurgery.

HSA's Behavioural Health Outpatient Services (Mental Health) was also part of the ceremony with the unveiling of their new location which opened in 2020. This

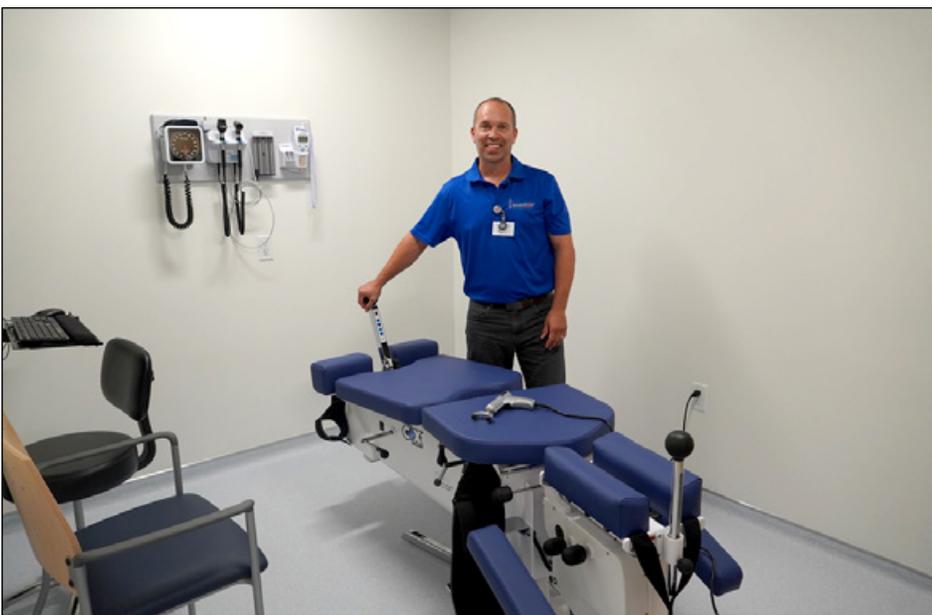
location offers an atmosphere that is comfortable and functional for patients and staff. In addition to clinical offices, the facility is also set up for forensic assessments. The department now offers Neuropsychology, as well as Psychiatry, Psychology, Adolescent & Child Psychology and community outreach & education.

"Our patients are at the core of our mission, which is why their needs and experience are considered in everything we do," noted HSA CEO Lizzette Yearwood. "We have a very involved Patient & Family Advisory Committee which allowed us to incorporate the patient's perspective in our planning. We are delighted that this expansion of our services to the Smith Road Centre allows us to offer our patients these additional medical service options for their growing healthcare needs."

"With this new location we aim to improve their overall experience by providing greater parking availability, a more



► CEO Lizzette Yearwood and members of the HSA Board stand by as Acting Chief Officer Nellie Pouchie prepares to cut the ribbon to the new Specialist Clinic



► HSA Chiropractor, Dr. Robert Bouliane, offering new Chiropractor Services in the Specialist Clinic

relaxing and private environment, transport through a shuttle service to the main hospital campus and reducing clinic waiting times," said Ms Yearwood. "This facility and other developments to come will also be more inclusive by incorporating braille as part of the interior signage providing easier navigation for patients with visual impairments."

Medical Director Dr Delroy Jefferson stated that the clinic spaces were designed with flexibility so physicians could access additional consult/exam rooms. "The benefit to patients will be the minimization of wait times, which was one of the concerns we wanted to address when designing the facility. Furthermore, we wanted to ensure that patients were as comfortable as possible by providing them with an aesthetically pleasing waiting room outfitted with

ergonomic seating including chairs specifically designed for older persons, numerous charging outlets with USB ports, televisions and artwork generously provided in partnership with the National Gallery of the Cayman Islands."

Additionally, environmental impact was greatly considered in the design of the new specialist clinic, which allows us to be energy efficient.

A shuttle service will be available every 15 minutes for transport of patients between the facility and the main hospital campus for patients who require additional services on the main campus.

"In the coming months we will continue the move of majority of our outpatient medical services to the Smith Road Centre as a part of our major facility development plan," declared Ms Yearwood.



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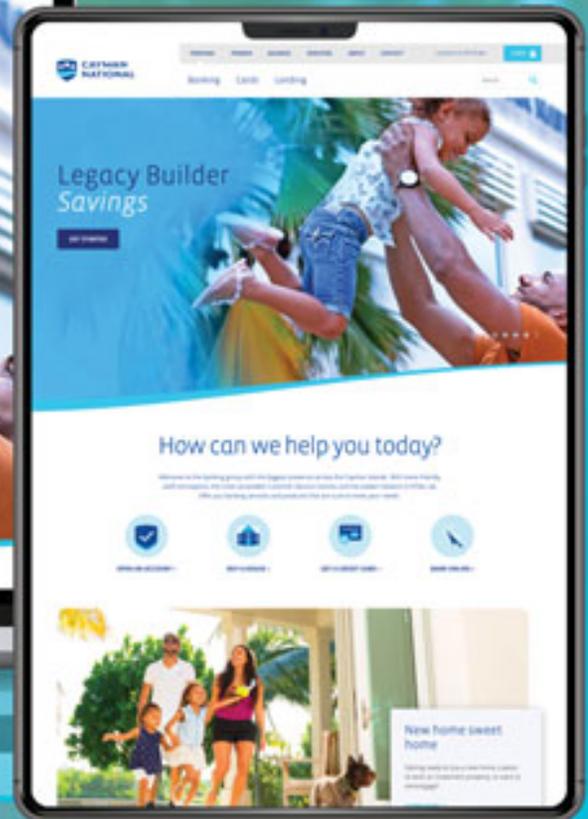
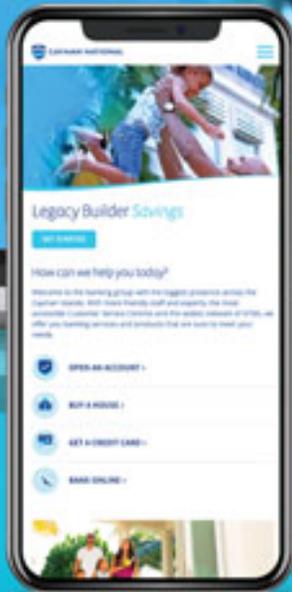
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Independents Capture Majority Again

By Staff Writer

There will be several new faces in the Cayman Islands Parliament following Wednesday's general election.

A string of upsets have been recorded especially with several of the old guard of Cayman politics being pushed aside and close-calls in some constituencies.

Notably, Arden McClean (IND) who lost his long-held East End seat to Isaac Rankine (Independents Alliance/Progressives), and North Side stalwart Ezzard Miller (IND) who caved in to Jay Ebanks (IND).

McLeary Frederick was an also-ran in East End with Justin Craig and Debra Broderick also losing in North Side.

In West Bay Central, Katherine Ebanks-Wilks (IND) was declared the winner by a wide margin over longtime incumbent Capt. Eugene Ebanks (IND Alliance/Progressives).

Across in West Bay North, incumbent Bernie Bush (IND) retained his seat as did West Bay West veteran McKeeva Bush (IND) - around whom much controversy swirled on the decision by ex-premier Alden McLaughlin to call snap elections.

Mr Bush managed to hold off a strong challenge from Mario Ebanks (IND).

And in West Bay South, newcomer Andre Ebanks (IND) edged out Raul Nicolson-Coe (IND) for the seat vacated by Tara Rivers, a former minister in the Progressives-led government.

The other seat vacated by the incumbent for this election, Savannah, held for years by Anthony Eden, went to Heather Bodden (IND) over Malcolm Eden (IND) who had hoped to continue his father's legacy of representation.

Jeanna Williams (IND) was an also-ran for Savannah.

Dwayne Seymour (IND Alliance/Progressives) held on to his Bodden Town East seat with a clear victory margin over Osbourne 'Ossie' Bodden (IND), as did Chris Saunders (IND) in Bodden Town West with victory over Vincent Frederick (IND), with Kenneth Bryan (IND) securing his

George Town Central stronghold against a challenge from Frank Cornwall (Progressives).

Prospect chose Sabrina Turner (IND) over incumbent Austin Harris (IND Alliance/Progressives) and Michael Myles (IND).

George Town North stays with the Progressives as incumbent Joey Hew held off a challenge from Johann Moxam (IND).

Ex-premier/former Progressives leader Alden McLaughlin won his Red Bay seat after a close fight with challenger Sammy Jackson (IND).

George Town West also stays with the Progressives with David Wight holding to his seat against challengers Pearlina McGaw-Lumsden (IND), Dr Kenrick Herbert Webster (IND), and Ellio Solomon (IND).

A similar outcome was recorded in George Town East with new Progressives leader Roy McTaggart comfortably seeing off four opponents; Emily Decou (IND), Christina Hislop Rowlandson (IND), Dr. Frank Swarres McField (IND), and Richard Alexander Bernard (IND).

A close battle for George Town South between incumbent Barbara Conolly (Progressives) and Alric Lindsay (IND) saw that seat staying in the Progressives camp with a victory for Barbara Conolly.

For Newlands, Wayne Panton (IND) scored an upset over incumbent Alva Suckoo (IND Alliance/Progressives), Raul Gonzalez (IND) and Roydell Carter (IND).

The incumbents in the Sister Islands of Cayman Brac and Little Cayman retained their respective seats.

Moses Kirkconnell (Progressives) easily held on to his Cayman Brac West and Little Cayman seat against Maxine McCoy-Turner, while Juliana O'Connor-Conolly (Progressives) returns as the MP for Cayman Brac East defeating Elvis McKeever (IND).

"All election results for the 2021 General Election were officially in before 11.30pm on Wednesday, 14 April 2021," the Government Information Services reported.



► Heather Bodden and Wayne Panton

It said: "This election is the first time voters chose who they would like to represent them in Parliament since it changed in 2019 from the Legislative Assembly, adding that "the results saw 12 incumbents and 7 newcomers including three women win 19 seats."

With independent candidates amassing 11 seats and the Progressives/Alliance joint campaign taking 8 seats, keen talks will commence on a coalition formation for the next government.

This will either be a coalition amongst the independent candidates - within which there were campaign 'teams' and expressions of solidarity by other independents - while the Progressives will need to top up their number by at least two to gain a clear majority.

The Progressives again lead the next coalition, Roy McTaggart will be the next Premier of the Cayman Islands.

In addition to a governing majority, a Speaker will need to be chosen along with a Leader of the Opposition from among the elected MPs.

Section 49 of The Cayman Islands constitution stipulates that:

(1) The Premier shall be appointed by the Governor as follows;

(2) Where a political party gains a majority of the seats of elected members of the Legislative Assembly, the Governor shall appoint as Premier the elected member of the Assembly recommended by a majority of the elected members who are members of that party.

(3) If no political party gains such a majority or if no recommendation is made under subsection (2), the Speaker shall cause a ballot to be held among the elected members of the Legislative Assembly to determine which elected member commands the support of the majority of such members, and shall record the vote of each member voting; and, where such a ballot is held, the Governor shall appoint as Premier the elected member who obtains a majority of the votes of the elected members.

The Leader of the Opposition is appointed under 68 of the Constitution.

(1) There shall be a Leader of the Opposition who shall be appointed by the Governor.

(2) The Governor shall appoint as the Leader of the Opposition—
(a) the elected member of the Legislative Assembly rec-

ommended by a majority of the elected members of the Assembly who are members of any opposition political party whose numerical strength in the Assembly is greater than that of any other opposition political party;

(b) if it appears to the Governor that there is no such party but that there is an elected member of the Assembly who would be acceptable as Leader of the Opposition to a majority of the members of the Assembly in opposition to the Government, that member; or

(c) if it appears to the Governor that there is no such person, then the Governor shall appoint as Leader of the Opposition that person who in his or her opinion would be acceptable to the greatest number of members of the Assembly in opposition to the Government.

(3) If at any time between the polling in a general election and the next following dissolution of the Legislative Assembly the Governor is satisfied that, if the office of the Leader of the Opposition were then vacant, he or she would appoint to that office a person other than the person then holding it, the Governor shall revoke the appointment of the Leader of the Opposition.

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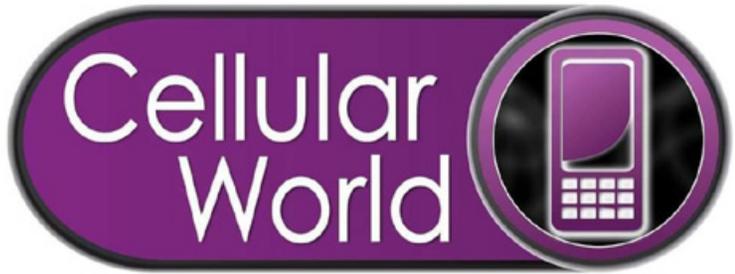
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When deciding where to use your calories in a day make sure you always prioritize protein these means every single meal should include a high-quality lean protein -- pick your protein first then look at your remaining calories for fat and carbohydrates.

Step 2. Two Shakes a Day

One of the best ways to prioritize protein is to get in the habit of drinking two protein shakes a day. One scoop of high-quality protein powder has around 25grams of protein that feeds lean muscle!



► Ernest Ebanks

Step 3. Cook with it

Now if you follow step one you know that every meal should have protein as the priority... but there is one thing you may not have thought of.

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► Wayne Panton with friends and supporters



► Waiting for the results to come in

Celebrations in Savannah/ Newlands for Wayne and Heather

By Christopher Tobutt

They were jumping for joy at the Savannah and Newlands office for Heather Bodden and Wayne Panton during the victory celebrations after a long and hard campaign under the slogan, "community creates country." There were lots of hugs and shouts and tears of joy, as the results came in. Mr. Panton for Newlands beat Alva Suckoo by a significant margin, as well as newcomers Raoul Gonzales and Roydell Carter. In Savannah, Ms Bodden was running against Malcolm Eden, son of veteran elected representative Anthony Eden.

Heather Bodden was busy being hugged by all her friends and campaign supporters. "I feel excited and happy. The people put their trust in me and I'm back. I was in there from 1995 to 2000 and I'm back now, and this is what happens when you know your people, and you're on the ground and working in your community, and you're community-minded," she said. "This is what happens and this is where my heart is, in Savannah. It's a little bit early to talk about the changes we are going to make, but I am so happy now because I will get in there, and there will be changes in issues that really matter to the people ...I will be



► Wayne Panton and Heather Bodden celebrate victory in Newlands and Savannah

working as a team with Wayne, Wayne is the man with the plan."



► Heather Bodden (centre) celebrates victory with her friends and supports

A joyful Mr. Panton joined the victory celebration at the office headquarters opposite Wendy's in Savannah "Thank you to my family, friends and everyone who voted for me in the 2021 General Elections. I appreciate your support and I am honoured to be your Member of Parliament for the constituency of Newlands. Now the work begins. I look forward to working diligently for the betterment of the Newlands community and all of the residents of our beautiful Cayman Islands," he said.

The third Member of the Community Creates Country platform, Osbourne Bodden for Bodden Town East was beaten by Dwayne Seymour, but that wasn't stopping the Savannah and Newlands supporters from celebrating. One said, "I've been dancing and dancing," and another lady said, "I have been hollering so much I can't holler no more."

It was a big night for the Independents, and lots of excitement as the results kept rolling in. Ruthana Young was bringing tidings from East End and was coming to

join in the victory celebrations at the Savannah office.

"It's a very exciting night. I just left East End where there's a very spirit-full motorcade for Mr. Isaac Rankine, Mr. Arden Accepted Isaac's win graciously and this win in Newlands and Savannah I think is more than worth celebrating," she said, "I think people asked for change, and that's what we're getting. Another Heather Bodden supporter said, "I've been hollering so much my voice is gone and I can't holler no more."

Dean Walton said, "I'm Very happy. The country has spoken and we have two great new representatives Wayne Panton for Newlands and Heather Bodden for Savannah, and they will bring us as a country what we need, and what we've been lacking. I want to thank everyone that voted for them. I think we have two of the best on board now, and I think these two will guide us and keep us in the right direction. They will put right what has been lacking, and be a great representative of the country as a whole."



► (L-R) Richard Hey, Joseph Hew and Lenny Hew



► Inside the Official Office of the Honourable Joseph Hew

'Joey' Hew Wins Another Term in GT North

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The Minister called the win, 'a relief' and explained that the 2021 election was different than any other he had been a part of.

"Social media and the emergence of different forms of press made it difficult to sift through the facts and coming off the pandemic, this election felt like one crisis following another," he explained, adding that the contest became somewhat personal as well.

"I am glad to have the country's support and in the midst of all the confusion that is what is important; to ultimately have the opportunity to represent your people."

Mr. Hew noted that he was still not sure about the Progressive's chances at forming a government but was optimistic and noted that he intended to serve the Constituency of George Town North to best of his ability for the next four years.

"I still haven't had a chance to take in all the results, as I have been visiting with my

supporters in the various areas, though it's been an interesting evening across the board so far," he said.

When asked if he had any words for his opponent in the election, Mr. Hew noted that he wanted to say that, "Representation requires one to be personable and you have to know to tone. We are all Caymanians at the end of the day and what is best for Caymanians is what we should always bare in mind.

"If your intentions are pure, it will show and that is ultimately what the people are

looking for in a representative," he remarked.

Mr. Hew is a past President of the Cayman Islands Chamber of Commerce, and headed the Cayman Islands Restaurant Association for five years until its amalgamation into the Cayman Islands Tourism Association, where he continued to serve as a Director. In addition he has been Deputy Chairman of the Trade and Business Licensing Board, as well as the Port Authority of the Cayman Islands.

Congratulations to the newly elected Members of Parliament

The Cayman Islands Chamber of Commerce congratulates the newly elected members of Parliament. The Council and Staff look forward to working with them in the years ahead to address the many challenges and issues that are facing the Islands.

"There are significant challenges facing the newly elected Government," said Chamber President Mike Gibbs. "The cost of living, affordable housing, pension and health insurance reform, reopening our economy safely to stayover visitors, strengthening our financial services sector, infrastructure and sustainable development, diversifying and innovating the economy, the environment and improving the education system were the among main issues identified in the Chamber's public election survey in February and these helped to frame the questions posed during the Chamber's Candidates Forums in March and April. The Chamber and its members stand ready to work alongside the new government and the wider community to help craft solutions to these and other issues."

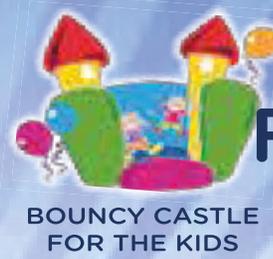
The Chamber has organised Candidates Forums at each election since 1988, offering a free and accessible platform for candidates to engage with the public and discuss community issues. This year, for the first time, the Forums were streamed live for each of the 19 constituencies. The 19 Forums drew tens of thousands of views from the Cayman and international community, with the most watched one, Red Bay, attracting over 12,000 live views. Several thousand viewers have also subsequently watched the forums on the Chamber website.

The Chamber would like to once again thank the candidates who accepted our invitation to participate in their respective Forum, as well as our media partners, including Cayman Marl Road, Government Information Services, Cayman Life TV, Radio Cayman and ICCI-FM for agreeing to broadcast the forums. We would also like to extend a heartfelt thank you to Fosters, along with Affinity Recruitment, Boddens Legal & Corporate and Dart for making the Forums possible through their sponsorship.

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► Photos from 2019 A Walk in Her Shoes

CAYMAN ISLANDS CRISIS CENTRE ANNOUNCES 6TH ANNUAL A WALK IN HER SHOES EVENT

The Cayman Islands Crisis Centre (CICC) has opened registration for the 6th Annual 'A Walk In Her Shoes' which will take place from 5:00pm on Thursday 22 April 2021 on Market Street at Camana Bay. This event aims to raise funds and awareness for the Crisis Centre and our mission to end the cycle of domestic violence.

Gentlemen are encouraged to participate to help raise funds for the shelter by wearing heels to 'walk in her shoes'. Individuals and local companies come together at this event to help raise awareness of the CICC and our continued efforts to provide support for local victims, as domestic violence does not discriminate against age, gender, race, ethnicity, economic status or sexual orientation.

OLEA is our generous sponsor of this event. Quin-essential Movement will be performing as the opening act to the event, with contestants from Miss World Cayman Islands assisting the gentlemen with balancing in their heels. Align is kindly offering donation-based foot rubs for the contestants and there will be drink specials courtesy of Abacus, West Indies Wine Company and Caybrew. There will also be the perfect soundtrack for all gentlemen graciously provided by OneWorld Music.

Michelle Lockwood, CICC Chair of the Fundraising Committee, stated "COVID exponentially affected our fundraising endeavors in 2020 and we are excited to be back (a little later than usual) and we are hoping that donations exceed CI\$50,000 which will be used to help operate the ongoing shelter costs. Many fundraising plans had been put on hold last year, however we are still hoping to stay on track for building our purpose built shelter in the next 5 years."

"Each year we see the participants get more and more creative and use this platform to help raise funds for our shelter", said Lockwood. "This is a fun and entertaining event for all of the spectators as well."

How does it work?

- Sign up online as a team or individual - CI\$25 (US\$30) per person. Email fundraising@cicc.ky to register
- Get friends, family and employers to donate to support participants. Sponsor sheet available on www.cicc.ky or attached.
- Each participant will walk a maximum of 5 laps (a minimum of 1 lap).
- For every \$150 a participant raises, 1 lap will be removed (ie: if participant raises \$450, you only have to walk 2 laps)
- Wear a pair of ladies shoes. The more bling the better!
- Take it up a notch...paint your toes, throw on a wig or show off a dress!
- Get all of your friends to sign up and participate too!

For more information about the Cayman Islands Crisis Centre visit www.cicc.ky. The 24 hour crisis line is always available at 943-CICC (2422).

2019 A Walk In Her Shoes Video - <https://youtu.be/pQmk-DEsKv8>
Thank you to our event sponsors, Camana Bay and Olea.

For more information on this event please contact Michelle Lockwood at michelle.c.lockwood@gmail.com or fundraising@cicc.ky



A Walk in Her Shoes is an event centred around the participation of gentlemen donning their best heels and walking along Market Street in Camana Bay on Thursday 22 April 2021. The participant will raise money for the Crisis Centre by seeking sponsorship for participation in the event. For every CI\$150 that is raised we will knock a lap off. The more money raised the less laps to walk, with every participant walking a minimum of one lap.

All of the money raised from this event goes directly to the Crisis Centre and the on-going costs for running the 24/7 shelter and hotline.

DONATION COLLECTION SHEET

Participant Name: _____

Participant Contact Number: _____

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Please give generously and know that every penny counts!

For more information on this event and how to join please email fundraising@cicc.ky
Registration is between 5:00pm and 5:25pm, for a start time of 5:30pm

Lyneth Monteith Appointed to Senior Education Position in the CI Government

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small school serving Key Stage 3 students, oversight as Acting Campus Manager of four small schools, Headship of the largest high school, Chair of the Principal's Consultative Council (PCC), Director of the Department of Education Services (DES), Acting Deputy Chief Officer (MEYSAL) responsible for Early Childhood & Compulsory Education.

Ms. Monteith commented, "I am a firm believer that one must remain current with developments and trends in one's profession. I therefore continuously seek opportunities to learn and to improve my qualifications and my thinking, so that I am equipped to contribute at a high-level towards making my community, and further, the global community, a better place. This ethos is driven by my passion for education, rooted in strong family values and a belief in the empowerment of our youth. It is with tremendous honour that

I accept and proudly serve in this role that is integral to delivering the government's mandate to develop and sustain a world class education system and which ensures that every child in the system succeeds in such a time as this. A time of great challenge, innovation, reform, accountability and change."

In her capacity as the Deputy Chief Officer (Education Policy and Planning), Ms. Monteith has the responsibility to support MEYSAL's Chief Officer towards delivering the ministerial mandate. She assumes overall management responsibility for matters related to education policy and planning, by serving as the ministry's principal policy advisor and coordinator of strategy, policy and strategic planning for the education sector.

MEYSAL's Chief Officer, Cetonya Cacho, expressed delight in having Ms. Monteith as part of her senior management team adding, "With over thirty-eight years of relevant and subject-area-spe-

cific experience, Ms. Monteith has many proven accomplishments. Above all, she has provided and coordinated high-level policy advice and development services to inform and support the achievement of ministerial goals and objectives. She has maintained effective national educational planning processes for pre-school and compulsory levels, providing a range of high-level administrative support services. Ms. Monteith brings with her a wealth of knowledge that is undeniably invaluable. I officially welcome her to our team."

Ms. Monteith holds a Masters of Arts in Education, with concentration in Education Management from the University of Bath and a Bachelor of Education, with concentration in Geography from the University of Leeds. She also possesses further qualifications in Better Business Case Foundation, Change Management Foundation and Practitioner, ILM Leadership and Management Level

5 qualification (ILM5), Rapid Response in Policy Development and delivery for Policy Practitioners, Mental Health First Aid Training and Cyber Awareness Training. She is a proud mother of two children and has been heavily involved in sports for most of her life, having represented the Cayman Islands as both athlete and coach. She is the current coach for the Cayman Islands National Netball Team and the All Stars Netball Club. Ms. Monteith is also a member of the Kings Seventh Day Adventist Church, where she especially enjoys working within the Youth Ministry.

Deputy Governor and Head of the Civil Service, Hon. Franz Manderson further added, "I wish to congratulate Ms. Monteith on her promotion to the post of Deputy Chief Officer. I am very proud of Ms. Monteith and her accomplishments and what her appointment represents for the civil service in relation to progression and good succession planning.

Strong support for anti-corruption campaign

By Staff Writer

Following what they say is a growing public call for accountability, transparency and better governance, the Anti-Corruption Commission launched a campaign about a month ago to enforce the fight against corruption, in particular, leading up to the general election.

The campaign was far reaching, using both print and online media to help to get the message out that corruption in

any form would not be tolerated in the Cayman Islands. The Elections Office also highlighted the campaign information in a special briefing presentation which was attended by 120 agents and eight candidates, the ACC said in a press statement.

Denouncing any form of corruption in the Cayman Islands as a whole was reinforced by the extension of the United Nations Convention Against Corruption to the Cayman Islands late last year. the ACC said.



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"As we approach the final days before the 2021 General Election, the ACC and the Elections Office wish to extend sin-

cere thanks to the candidates and general public for the support expressed since the launch of the campaign," the Commission stated. "This support has been highlighted through candidates' advocacy against corruption during debates, public forums and campaign meetings."

They also highlighted the role that voters themselves had played in the fight against corruption, through seemingly increased reporting and complaints of voter influence and public concerns about some activities and comments on the campaign trail.

The ACC and the Elections Office said they understood that there had been some concern that the publication of the names of those candidates who publicly signed the pledge, could have drawn a negative inference for those that have not. It was therefore agreed that they would no longer publish the participating candidates' names.

"For the avoidance of doubt, we note that the affirmation of both the Candidate's and the Voter's

Pledges are only one of the many tools used to promote anti-corruption efforts. The ACC and the Elections Office continue to encourage the strong commitment of the Cayman Islands to the democratic process in our general elections," it stated.

Follow the campaign via social media using: #ACTCayman2021

COVID-19 Vaccine Schedule

April 2021

The COVID-19 vaccine is available to ALL persons 16 years and over, regardless of surname.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
12	13	14	15	16	17
12-3:30pm 5 - 8pm	12-3:30pm 5 - 8pm	PUBLIC HOLIDAY CLINIC CLOSED	7am - 11am 12:30 - 3pm	7am - 11am 12:30 - 3pm	8am - 11am 12:30 - 4pm
19	20	21	22	23	24
12-3:30pm 5 - 8pm	12-3:30pm 5 - 8pm	CLINIC CLOSED *If due for Dose 2 on the 21 st , please attend the clinic on the 23 rd or thereafter	7am - 11am 12:30 - 3pm	7am - 11am 12:30 - 3pm	9am - 12pm 1:30 - 5:30pm

COVID-19 VACCINE CLINIC LOCATION
OWEN ROBERTS INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT (ORIA)



The COVID-19 vaccine is available to ALL persons 16 years and over, regardless of surname.

DOSE 1 & 2 will be given at any of the published clinic times.

When receiving your 2nd dose, you MUST also bring along your vaccination card reflecting your 1st dose. (Do NOT laminate your card)

The date on your vaccination card for the 2nd dose is the earliest that is recommended.

All persons must present photo identification showing date of birth.

Facemask required

Most up to date schedule will be on www.hsa.ky

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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.

Alex Panton Foundation - Breaking Barriers Support Group

17 April - Young adults ages 18 - 30 are invited to join this peer-led Breaking Barriers support group. This is a safe environment for those struggling with stress and mental health difficulties. This event is FREE to attend, with no commitment required and

takes place every Saturday from 12:30pm - 2:00pm at the George Town Public Library, on 3rd floor in the Breakout room. Free gift vouchers available to attendees from community sponsors and light snacks & beverages will be provided. For more information, please visit <https://alexpantonfoundation.ky/support/>

Cayman Brac Stride Against Cancer 2021 (A Fundraising Event for CICS)

17 April - Stride Against Cancer in Cayman Brac will take place on Saturday, April 17th. The entry fee is CI\$10. per person and registration starts at: 6:15am with The Stride starting at: 7pm promptly. The funds raised will help finance the Society's many programs and activities. For more information, please see www.cics.ky For more details, please contact Connie Godet at 917 - 8670.

Yoga at the Gallery with Janine Martins

17 April - Enjoy free yoga classes twice per month at the National

Gallery with Janine Martins from 8:30 to 9:30am. Bring your yoga mat and reusable water bottle. Registration is required so register by emailing education@nationalgallery.org.ky. For more information, call 945 - 8111 or email info@nationalgallery.org.ky

Pony Rides and more

17 April - Enjoy Pony Rides and then 'Stay and Play' with the friendly farm animals at the stables off the Linford Pierson Highway, George Town. Meet the goats, chickens, bunnies and more. Climb trees, run around and have good old - fashioned fun in the fresh air. There is no minimum age, the ponies are safe and well - behaved and the staff is fully trained. Riding Helmets provided. This event begins at 9am and ends at 10:30am.

Cayman Islands Charity Auto Show

17 April - Cayman's car clubs come together with motorcycles, fire trucks, police cars, helicopters to give you a unique family friendly day at the airport all while raising funds for the community of Cayman. 100% of the proceeds will be donated as well as 50% of the sales from all Peripheral Sunglasses that



► Free Yoga with Janine Martins

will be on showcase at the event. Visit facebook.com/CICautoshow/ for more information.

Holy Communion at St Albans Church of England

18 April - All are invited to attend a Service of Holy Communion which will be held on Sunday, April 18th at 9:30am at St. Albans Church of England on Shedden Road. The Right Reverend Dr. PJ Lawrence, Bishop, will be the guest celebrant.

Health Information Event

22 April - The West Bay Public Library is hosting another Health

Information Event, on Thursday April 22 at 4:00pm as part of their Promoting Healthy Communities Campaign. In collaboration with the Cayman Heart Fund, health professionals associated with The Cayman Heart Fund will be making presentations and answering questions, on topic such as lower your risk of heart disease; maintaining a healthy lifestyle; maintaining normal blood pressure.

Send your community events to wendy@caymaniantimes.ky

Over 100 Vaccinated at Youth Event

Public health officials report that 123 persons received the COVID-19 vaccine at a special vaccination drive for those aged 16 to 24 years old on Friday 9 April 2021.

The Public Health Department hosted the event at Camana Bay, where the Doctors Hospital provided use of their clinic from 3-7p.m.

CMO Dr John Lee, urged other young people still considering taking the vaccine to speak to their peers about the experience.

"At the end of the day, being vaccinated against COVID-19 is perhaps the most important step that we can take to keep ourselves and our loved ones safe from this disease and the risks that it poses to the future of the Cayman Islands", Dr Lee remarked.

The Public Health Department expressed its gratitude to all event sponsors

including: the Health Services Authority, Camana Bay, DMS Broadcasting, Doctors Hospital, and Foster's Supermarket.

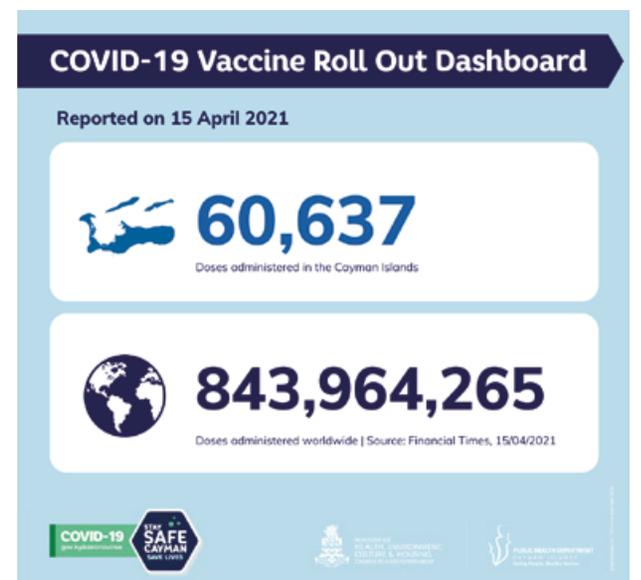
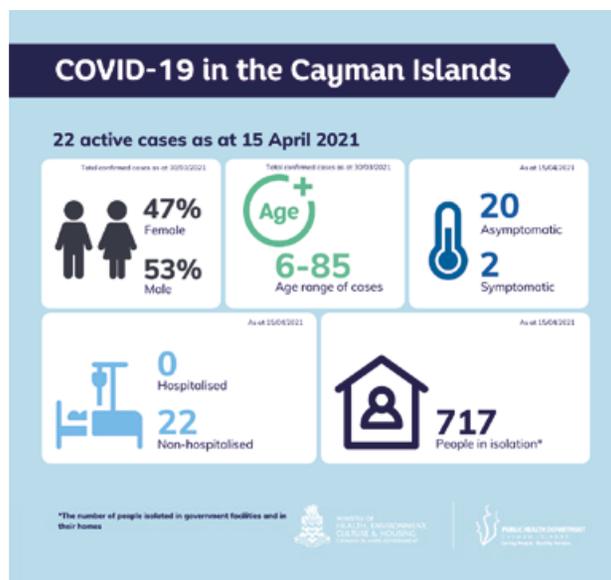


D.J. Dave Kelly provided music from 5-7p.m., courtesy of sponsor DMS Broadcasting. Meanwhile Foster's Supermarket donated gift card prizes and discounted food.

Thanking all those young people who had come out on Friday evening,



COVID-19 UPDATE



Girls Softball – End-of-Season Report

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CAYMAN ISLANDS GIRLS SOFTBALL

www.littleleague.ky

The 2021 Girls Softball season finished with a fun 'Easter Series' taking place over the past week.

On April 7th the SOL Panthers defeated the SOL Pumas 11-8 and on April 10th the SOL Pumas beat the SOL Jaguars 19-9. The games concluded on April 12th, with the SOL Panthers taking on the SOL Jaguars.

Congratulations to the SOL Pumas, who were regular season champions, and to the SOL Jaguars, who were the Tournament champions.

Thank you to everyone who supported Girls Softball this year, especially SOL Petroleum, the sponsor of the entire Girls Softball Division. Thank you to all of our coaches, scorekeepers, umpires and spec-

tators. More than 40 girls took part this season and they all had a great time while learning lots of new skills.

Girls Softball players will be at Foster's Camana Bay this Saturday from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm selling tickets for Little League's fundraising raffle, so the public are encouraged to stop by and support! The grand prize is CI \$10,000, and the prize draw takes place on April 30th. Tickets cost \$25 and purchasers do not need to be present to win. Additional Little League players, parents, coaches will be outside other major supermarkets this Saturday. For further information, or to get tickets, please contact info@littleleague.ky or 916-5643.



► SOL Jaguars

Maples Welcomes Newly Qualified Caymanian Lawyer to Corporate Team

Maples and Calder, the Maples Group's law firm, is pleased to announce that John Ebanks has successfully completed his articles of clerkship programme and joins the firm's Corporate practice as an Associate.

John, the first of three articulated clerks to complete his training with the firm so far this year, was admitted as an attorney-at-law by The Honourable Justice Richard N. Williams and his admission was moved by James Eldridge, a Partner in

the firm's Dispute Resolution & Insolvency practice.

Mr Ebanks attended the Cayman Islands' Truman Bodden Law School, where he obtained a Bachelors in Law and completed his Legal Practice Course. Commenting on

his admission, Mr Ebanks said, "Success has a formula and it takes the right team and firm to make it happen. Working at the Maples Group provides that formula, giving me the best experiences and teachers in my pursuit for knowledge and training to becoming a lawyer. I look forward to continuing on my new career path with the firm."

Prior to qualifying as a lawyer, Mr Ebanks previously worked within the insurance market, including with the Cayman Islands Government, Cayman Islands Monetary Authority and other well-known multinational corporations.

"The Maples Group would like to congratulate John on his well-earned appointment and we know that he will continue to be successful in his new role," said Matthew Gardner, Cayman Islands Managing Partner.

The firm continues to demonstrate its commitment to recruiting, training and promoting aspiring lawyers in the Cayman Islands and, since 2005, it has successfully supported more than 40 Caymanians to be admitted as attorneys-at-law. For many years, the firm's scholarship and articles of clerkship programmes have attracted some of the most outstanding students. The firm's scholarship programme provides financial assistance to students throughout university while the firm's articles of clerkship programme provides graduates the opportunity to train and qualify as an attorney-at-law in the Cayman Islands without having to train in the UK or elsewhere.



WEEKLY WEATHER FORECAST

Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
						
83° / 78°	85° / 79°	85° / 79°	84° / 79°	84° / 78°	79° / 79°	81° / 79°
Partly sunny and pleasant	Breezy in the morning	Mostly sunny and breezy	Periods of sun; breezy, nice	Partly sunny, breezy and nice	Mostly sunny and delightful	Partly sunny with a shower

DEATH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Churchill's Funeral Home

We have been asked to announce the passing of Mr. Xavier Senior, who passed away on Saturday, March 20, 2021. A Thanksgiving Service will be held at Family Life Center, Walkers Road, George Town, Grand Cayman on Sunday, April 18, 2021 at 2:00 p.m. Mr. Xavier Senior will be repatriated to Jamaica where he will be laid to rest



Condolences can be registered at churchillsfuneralhome.com

Churchill's Funeral Home

We have been asked to announce the passing of Ms. Winnie Editha Thompson, who passed away on Wed. March 31, 2021. A Thanksgiving Service will be held at Ashton Ruffy Civic Center, Bluff Road, Cayman Brac, Cayman Islands on Saturday, April 17, 2021 at 2:00 p.m. Viewing: 1:00 - 1:45 p.m. Interment at: Spot Bay Cemetery



Condolences can be registered at churchillsfuneralhome.com

Churchill's Funeral Home

We have been asked to announce the passing of Mrs. Coriel (Cordie) Cardell Haven-Lawrence, who passed away on Thursday, April 01, 2021. A Thanksgiving Service will be held at Red Bay Church of God (Holiness), 38 Lord's Way, off Selkirk Drive, Grand Cayman on Saturday, April 17, 2021 at 11:00 a.m. Viewing: 10:30 - 11:00 a.m. Interment at: Prospect Cemetery



Condolences can be registered at churchillsfuneralhome.com

The family of the late **Audrey Elaine Ebanks** regret to announce her passing on April 3, 2021.



A funeral service will be held at 10:00 a.m. at First Baptist Church on April 17, 2021. Viewing will be held from 9:00 a.m. prior to the service. In lieu of flowers please make donations to the Cayman Islands Cancer Society.

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

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

MOMENTS OF INSPIRATION

JESUS IS COMING SOON

Do you realize the nature of the times in which we are living is PERILOUS? Yes! That is how the Holy Bible describes the current times. Each day we are bombarded with news that is simply depressing. Famines, and earthquakes in diverse places. Hurricanes of devastating nature and power. Kingdoms rising up against Kingdoms. Nations against nations. Political and economical turmoil has gripped the planet to such an extent that there is no longer trust amongst leaders who were once allies. Children are

disobedient to parents. Immorality is at an all-time high, and now looked upon as a normal aspect of life. Fornication, adultery, idolatry used to be looked and scorned upon but is now the new normal as they say. Jesus told us in His word, "when you see these things come to pass know that the end is near." Are you ready for His return? Now is the time to confess your sins and repent, and receive Him as your PERSONAL SAVIOUR. Eternal life is awaiting you through Jesus Christ. He is COMING SOON.

The Crisis Centre 6th Annual Power of the Purse Luncheon Raises the Bar!

Five hundred members of the Cayman Islands community gathered in the Ritz-Carlton Ballroom to hear the empowering and inspiring message of internationally sought-after inspirational keynote speaker, Liz Murray at the 6th Annual Power of the Purse Luncheon hosted by the Cayman Islands Crisis Centre.

Liz Murray, author of the New York Times bestselling memoir, *Breaking Night* and Emmy Award Nominated Film *Homeless to Harvard*, shared her inspirational story to a sold-out crowd. The exhilarating and honest delivery of her story took the audience on a very personal journey that brought them to their feet with a standing ovation following her keynote speech.

The fundraising luncheon, a staple in local community calendars, continues to sell out year on year delivering a one-of-a-kind experience for all who attend, and this year was no exception. The luncheon raised over CI\$59,000 for the Cayman Islands Crisis Centre supporting women, men and children impacted by domestic violence.

"The objective of Power of the Purse was to create an opportunity to celebrate women in the local community while providing a forum to network, become inspired and give back" said Dawn McLean-Brady, Chairman of the Board, The Cayman Islands Crisis Centre. "It has been a challenging year for many women in our community amidst the Covid-19 Health Crisis and it was important to take a moment celebrate them."

"The success of this event, year over year, could not have been achieved without the overwhelming support of the sponsors, supporters and the exceptional women and men who attend to give unselfishly to a cause that positively impacts the lives of others in our community. The Cayman Islands Crisis Centre would like to sincerely thank Platinum Sponsor, Scotiabank, Silver Sponsors, Walkers, Wheaton Precious Metals and Campbells, Media Sponsor, Compass Media, Wine Sponsor, Blackbeard's, Silent Auction Handbag Sponsors, NKY, Kirk Freeport, Carey's Karma Closet, Funky Money, and all our bronze sponsors and supporters.

Speaking at the 2021 luncheon, Sarah Hobbs, VP &



Country Head Scotiabank & Trust (Cayman) Ltd noted that across the region, Scotiabank continues to advocate for women's rights and has for a number of years, been a proud supporter of the Power of the Purse fundraiser for the Cayman Island Crisis Centre.

"We are committed to using our position of influence to address and help reduce violence against women. We have also given support to a number of initiatives in different parts of the region aimed at addressing both this issue and others exacerbated by the COVID-19 pandemic," Hobbs shared.

The Power of the Purse Luncheon hosted by the Cayman Islands Crisis Centre takes place each year in March to celebrate International Women's Month and the inception of the Cayman Islands Crisis Centre which took place on International Women's Day, March 8, 2003. Guests are treated to welcome canapes, lunch, complimentary wine provided by Blackbeard's. Guests can also participate in a silent auction for designer handbags.



CBC provides more details on Cuban Migrants

More details have emerged following the peaceful end to the standoff between a group of Cuban refugees and Customs and Border Control (CBC) aboard the bulk carrier MV Bulk Freedom.

Now that the 12 Cubans including an infant were removed from the ship, which has since left Cayman's waters, the CBC has been outlining further details of the events.

The agency says that after approximately four days of monitoring and intense negotiations the situation with the migrants onboard the MV Bulk Freedom ended with a combination of legal backing and a 'tactical intervention'.

"The operation concluded without any serious injury to any of the migrants or the ship's crew. It is also worthy to communicate that there were no reports of damage to property," CBC has confirmed.

In previously undisclosed information, CBC now reports that "in consideration of

the risk to the health and well-being of a migrant infant on board the vessel authorities obtained a court-issued emergency protection order and warrant under the Children Act on the evening of 8th April."

It says the court order authorized the immediate removal of the infant child from the MV Bulk Freedom to a place of safety.

According to CBC, "Following a brief tactical intervention, the infant was removed from the ship and immediately upon arrival at the George Town Seaport, the infant was taken to and treated at the George Town Hospital and is currently in the care of the Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS)."

The details of the 'tactical intervention' have not been released, but CBC reports that in the process of enforcing the court issued authority the infants' father was obstructive and sustained minor head in-

juries. He was subsequently arrested, removed from the vessel and taken to GTH for medical treatment.

Shortly afterwards he was released from GTH and taken to the RCIPS Detention Centre where he was held overnight. It is expected that he will be released later today and transferred to an approved quarantine facility, the agency's statement said.

CBC has also reported that the remaining migrants' voluntarily left the vessel and have been placed in quarantine at a government-mandated facility and processed in accordance with the COVID-19 safety protocols.

It also explains that "while this situation may become a factor in the processing of the other migrants' asylum applications, any claims that their applications have already been denied is incorrect.

CBC points out that along with partner agencies, RCIPS and CIGC maintained



close contact with the captain of the MV Bulk Freedom and thanked him and his crew for their support in bringing this situation to a positive closure.

"Likewise, the welfare and safety of the crew were kept in mind at all times. CBC also established and maintained communication with the vessel's management team," the agency added.

POLICE NEWS

Serious Assault in Bodden Town

Shortly after 5:00PM on Friday, 9 April, officers responded to a report of an assault involving a machete, at an address off Cumber Avenue in Bodden Town. It was reported that two men had been involved in an altercation during which one man was struck multiple times with a machete. Upon officers arrival they observed two men, one of whom appeared to have sustained injuries to his head and arm, and the other who was in possession of a machete. Emergency Services attended the location, and the injured man was transported to the Cayman Islands Hospital for

treatment. He remains admitted with serious but not threatening injuries. The man, age 51 of Bodden Town, who had been in possession of the machete, was arrested on suspicion of Assault GBH. He remains in custody as investigations continue.

Anyone who witnessed the incident or has any information is encouraged to contact the Bodden Town Police Station at 947-2220.

Anonymous tips can be provided directly to the RCIPS via our Confidential Tip Line at 949-7777, or via our website <http://www.rcips.ky/submit-a-tip>.

Assault Incident in Bodden Town

Shortly after 5:20PM on Friday, 9 April, officers at the Bodden Town Police Station received a walk-in report of an incident that had occurred on Midnight Road in Bodden Town. It was reported that an altercation had occurred involving two men and a woman. During the altercation a vehicle was severely damaged and the woman sustained a serious wound to the arm. Emergency services attended

the location, and the woman was transported to the Cayman Islands Hospital for treatment. One of the men, age 20 of Bodden Town, was arrested on suspicion of Assault GBH. The other man, also age 20 of Bodden Town, was arrested on suspicion of Causing Fear and Provocation of Violence and Damage to Property.

Both men remain in custody as investigations continue.

Motor Vehicle Collision at the Frank Sound Junction

Police are currently on scene at a motor vehicle collision involving a school bus. The collision took place at the Frank Sound junction and the road was partially closed. No children were involved in the collision.

Officers have made a path for motorists to travel in order to safely get pass the collision scene. Motorists were being asked to exercise caution while traveling in this area and to expect delays.

As a result of the collision, four persons involved were transported to the Cayman Islands Hospital by ambulance, where three were treated and released. The fourth person remained in the hospital with what are believed to be serious but non-life-threatening injuries. The Cayman Islands Fire Service also attended the scene of the collision and extinguished a fire that was caused from the impact of the collision.

Police Investigate Report of Shots Fired in George Town

At about 7:10PM on Saturday, 10 April, police received a report of an incident in the vicinity of Welly's Cool Spot, on Sound Road in George Town, where two men were reported to have brandished firearms during an altercation. The parties involved left the location prior to the arrival of officers.

Shortly before 9:00PM that same night, officers responded to a report of shots fired in the vicinity of Whitman Seymour Road in George Town. It was reported that two persons were injured

during the incident and were subsequently transported to hospital for treatment for non-life-threatening injuries.

The matter is currently under investigation and police are appealing for anyone who may have witnessed either incident, or who has any information, to contact George Town CID at 949-4222.

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Single-Vehicle Collision Following Firearm Incident

Shortly before 12:45AM on Monday 12 April, officers responded to a report of an incident leading to a single vehicle collision on Martin Road, George Town. It was reported that a vehicle had been travelling along Martin Road, when an unknown person approached the vehicle with a firearm and fired at it multiple times. The vehicle

sped off and subsequently left the roadway, colliding with a house on the roadside and receiving significant damage.

Neither of the occupants of the vehicle sustained gunshot injuries, however the driver of the vehicle was taken to hospital for treatment for minor injuries sustained in the collision. The passenger of the vehicle was uninjured.

The matter is currently under investigation by George Town CID. Anyone with information is asked to contact 949-4222.

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► His Excellency the Governor, Mr. Martyn Roper, (fourth from left) leads the Cayman Islands' tribute to HRH Prince Philip that involved a 21-gun salute. Seen standing with heads bowed as a mark of respect while the guns boomed are (l-r) Ms Gina Terry, Ms Gabriella Terry, Deputy Governor Hon. Franz Manderson, the Governor, Mrs. Lissie Roper, Ms Katherine Jackson and Mr. Daniel Lee



► Prior to the 21-gun salute, His Excellency the Governor, Mr. Martyn Roper, and the Deputy Governor Hon. Franz Manderson met with the RCIPS team in charge of the gun salute. (L-r) PC Matthew Greaves, the Governor, the Deputy Governor, the Governor's Aide-de-Camp Inspector Ian Yearwood, Sergeant Anthony Stewart and PC Creig Hunter (Photos by Bina Mani, GIS)

Cayman Bids Farewell to HRH Prince Philip

The Cayman Islands bid a heartfelt and affectionate farewell to His Royal Highness Prince Philip to the reverberating booms of a formal 21-gun salute on Saturday, 10 April 2021 at Government House, the CI Governor's residence.

Precisely at noon, His Excellency the Governor, Mr. Martyn Roper, accompanied by the Deputy Governor, Hon. Franz Manderson, led the nation's tribute with heads bowed in respect to Her Majesty the Queen's Royal Consort the Duke of Edinburgh, who passed away peacefully on Friday morning in the UK.

Joining the Governor were his wife Ms Lissie Roper and National Chairman of the Duke of Edinburgh Awards programme, Ms Katherine Jackson, who was also the first

gold award winner in the Cayman Islands' programme as well as the Governor's Aide-de-Camp Inspector Ian Yearwood.

Others invited to be present in the tribute were Ms Gabriella Terry, a bronze medallist in the programme, her mother Ms Gina Terry, gold awardee Ms Kimberly Carlos, bronze medallist Ms Valentina Bustos as well as leader and gold awardee Mr. Daniel Lee.

RCIPS officers presenting the gun salute were Sgt. Anthony Stewart, PC Creig Hunter and PC Matthew Greaves.

Flags in Cayman Islands Government establishments will fly half-mast until after Prince Philip's funeral, which will take place at St. George's Chapel, Windsor next Saturday, 17 April 2021. The funeral arrangements have been

amended in light of the COVID-19 pandemic and will not have the Duke lying in state for public attendance, it has been announced.

The longest-serving royal consort in British history, the 99-year-old Duke of Edinburgh was Queen Elizabeth II's husband for 73 years. He was born on 10 June 1921 on the Greek island of Corfu. The prince married Princess Elizabeth in 1947, five years before she became Queen.

Earlier on that day in the UK, from midday, gun salutes took place for Prince Philip in cities including London, Edinburgh, Cardiff and Belfast, as well as in Gibraltar and at sea from Royal Navy warships, according to the UK Ministry of Defence.

Statement on the death of Prince Philip

By His Excellency the Governor, Mr. Martyn Roper, OBE

The following statement issued from Buckingham Palace this morning:

"It is with deep sorrow that Her Majesty The Queen announces the death of her beloved husband, His Royal Highness The Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh.

His Royal Highness passed away peacefully this morning at Windsor Castle.

Further announcements will be made in due course.

The Royal Family join with people around the world in mourning his loss."

I was deeply saddened to hear the news of the passing of His Royal Highness The Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh. I know everyone across our Islands will join me in sending our deepest condolences to Her Majesty The Queen and the Royal Family.

Prince Philip gave exemplary and loyal service throughout his long life. We join the Royal Family and everyone around the



world in mourning his loss and our thoughts are with Her Majesty The Queen and the Royal Family at this difficult time.

The Duke of Edinburgh made a number of visits to our islands, most recently with Her Majesty The Queen in 1983 and 1994. These visits created deep bonds of friendship between our Islands and the Royal Family. Prince Philip is very fondly remembered and will be greatly missed. He inspired many children on our islands through the Duke of Edinburgh award scheme.

We have lowered flags across the Islands. Further guidance from the Cayman Islands Government, including on condolence books, will follow later today.

Statement on the death of Prince Philip

By Premier Hon. Alden McLaughlin, MBE, JP, MP

It is with deep sorrow that we learned of the death this morning of His Royal Highness The Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh and husband of Her Majesty The Queen.

Both I and the Government of the Cayman Islands send our condolences to Her Majesty the Queen; Charles, Prince of Wales; Anne, Princess Royal; Prince Andrew, Duke of York; and Prince Edward, Earl of Wessex.

The Duke first visited the Cayman Islands in April, 1962, lodging at the then-new Government House on Seven Mile Beach, and attending a grand reception at the Galleon Beach Hotel. We had the distinct pleasure of welcoming him back to the Cayman Islands on two additional occasions, with Her Majesty The Queen, for the Royal Visits in 1983 and 1994.

Prince Philip was a patron, president or member of over 780 organisations, and served as chairman of The Duke of Edinburgh's Award, a self-improvement programme for

young people throughout the Commonwealth. This award scheme, which he founded, has had a profound impact on young people in the Cayman Islands.

Since the inception of the programme in the Cayman Islands in 1970, thousands of young Caymanians have participated, with over 3,250 Silver and Bronze Awards presented, and 67 receiving the Gold Award.

He was the longest-serving consort of a reigning British monarch and the longest-lived male member of the British royal family.

Prince Philip retired from his royal duties on 2 August, 2017, aged 96, having completed 22,219 solo engagements since 1952. He was 99 when he passed from this earthly realm today.

I ask the people of the Cayman Islands to offer special prayers for his widow, our Sovereign-Her Majesty The Queen, The Royal Family and citizens and residents of the United Kingdom and Commonwealth realms.



As we enter this period of official mourning, we will be announcing the location of official books of condolences on all three Cayman Islands. Both the United Kingdom Standard and Cayman Islands flags have been lowered to half-mast on all Government buildings.

I invite flags flown at businesses and private residences and premises throughout the Cayman Islands, to also be lowered to half-mast throughout the period of mourning, in a display of our support for our Monarch and The Royal Family in their time of grief.

May God welcome and rest his soul and comfort his surviving family members and friends.

CEREMONIAL ROYAL FUNERAL FOR PRINCE PHILIP ON SATURDAY

Britain's Prince Philip, the Duke of Edinburgh, will be laid to rest on Saturday April 17th in a ceremonial royal funeral.

Prince Philip, the husband of Queen Elizabeth II passed away last Friday April 9th aged 99.

He would have celebrated his 100th birthday in June.

The UK has been in a period of mourning since then with tributes pouring in from around the nation - including the Overseas Territories and Crown Colonies - and the world.

Prince Philip will have a ceremonial funeral, rather than a state funeral.

According to the BBC, coronavirus restrictions on crowds and numbers attending funerals mean the duke's ceremonial funeral will be much lower key than if it had happened in other times.

The Palace says this very much "reflects the duke's wishes" and it will still "celebrate and reflect" a life of service.

For Saturday's funeral, the coffin draped with the duke's standard, with a wreath and his naval cap and sword, will be moved from the private chapel to the State Entrance of Windsor Castle.

It will be placed on a modified Land Rover, that the duke himself helped design, to be carried the short distance to St George's Chapel.

The duke's insignia - medals and decorations awarded to him by the UK and Commonwealth countries - his field marshal's baton, Royal Air Force wings and insignia from Denmark and Greece will be displayed on cushions on the altar in St George's Chapel.

After the service, the duke will be interred in the royal vault.

Prince Philip and the Queen had four children, eight grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

Their first son, the Prince of Wales, Prince Charles, was born in 1948, followed by his sister, the Princess Royal, Princess Anne, in 1950, the Duke of York, Prince Andrew, in 1960 and the Earl of Wessex, Prince Edward, in 1964.

Prince Philip was born on the Greek island of Corfu on 10 June 1921.

His father was Prince Andrew of Greece and Denmark, a younger son of King George I of the Hellenes.



His mother, Princess Alice, was a daughter of Prince Louis of Battenberg and a great-granddaughter of Queen Victoria.

The official notice of his passing stated: "It is with deep sorrow that Her Majesty The Queen announces the death of her beloved husband."

It confirmed Prince Philip passed away peacefully at Windsor Castle and that "the

Royal Family join with people around the world in mourning his loss."

Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth the Second was said to be deeply saddened by the passing of her husband of over 70 years.

They were married in 1957.

(Additional content sourced from the BBC)

ST VINCENT ROCKED BY ERUPTING VOLCANO

By **Michael Jarvis, UK Correspondent**

St Vincent has been sent reeling by a series of eruptions at its La Soufriere volcano.

Since last Friday April 9th when it began spewing massive plumes of ash thousands of feet into the air, the volcano has been in a constant state of activity with powerful eruptions and scorching avalanches of pyroclastic flows.

The northern part of the island in the key agriculture zone has been devastated by ashfall which has covered the area in a thick sheet of material extruded from the volcano.

Crop damage has been extensive, as well as damage to some properties and infrastructure.

Water supply was interrupted at one point and some areas are still without electricity.

The authorities in St Vincent have been appealing to persons who were reported to have remained in the area despite a massive evacuation effort, to leave immediately.

The dense ash clouds have reached as far Barbados causing disruptions to air traffic and forcing the closure of the Grantley Adams International Airport.

An eruptive phase this past Tuesday April 13th coincided with the anniversary of the last eruption of La Soufriere 42 years to the day in 1979.

The Seismic Research Unit of the University of the West Indies which is monitoring the volcano and advising the St Vincent and Grenadines government, says the ongoing eruptions are the most severe since the previous activity in 1902.

In an update it said: "The volcano continues to erupt explosively and has now begun to generate pyroclastic density currents - hot (200°C-700°C), ground-hugging flows of ash and debris."

"Explosions and accompanying ashfall, of similar or larger magnitude, are likely to continue to occur over the next few days impacting St. Vincent and neighbouring islands," the UWI Seismic Unit reported.

Countries in the region have rushed to provide support to their neighbour with

aid supplies along with international relief supplies.

The British government has also announced that it has provided an initial £200,000, via the Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office to support the regional response, through the Caribbean Disaster Emergency Management Agency (CDEMA).

The Foreign Commonwealth and Development Office (FCDO) said its "rapid crisis funds will help provide lifesaving humanitarian supplies like shelter, sanitation kits and protective equipment. Urgently needed technical experts will support relief efforts on the ground, support emergency telecommunications, and restore critical lifeline facilities, like transport links."

Assessing the plight of his country, St Vincent's Prime Minister Dr Ralph Gonsalves, said, "There have been tremendous difficulties. People have been displaced and are worried about their homes, but the spirit has been good, and people recognise that this is an extraordinary situation."



CARIBBEAN BRIEFS

Jamaica rekindles its cruise industry

Jamaica has finalised arrangements with global cruise company Norwegian Cruise Line to homeport one of its vessels in Montego Bay.

The Norwegian Joy service is set to begin on 7 August 2021 and it will be used to transport passengers embarking from Jamaica. Itineraries will include seven-day packages sailing out of Montego Bay. "Ultimately, the vessel, which has an occupancy of approximately 3,800, will operate at



► Montego Bay's cruise industry will restart soon

50 percent capacity, in keeping with current COVID-19 protocols in place for the cruise shipping industry," Tourism Minister Edmund Bartlett said. "Passengers will also be required to be fully vaccinated

and take a test prior to boarding the ship."

Jamaica now joins a number of other Caribbean destinations that will be homeports for leading cruise lines.

Raúl Castro, 89, set to retire

Cuba's last Castro is set to leave the political stage, as Fidel's 89-year-old brother Raúl cedes power to a younger generation at this week's communist party congress which must also tackle a dire economic crisis and growing political dissent.

The Communist party, which has ruled Cuba unchallenged since the 1959 revolution, is besieged by the coronavirus pandemic, US sanctions, chronic shortages of basic goods and a population impatient with bureaucratic bungling and long queues to secure daily necessities such as milk, bread, butter, yoghurt and meat.

Raúl is to stand down as the party's first secretary and armed forces commander after serving two five-year terms. He succeeded his brother Fidel, who handed power to him several years before his death in 2016.

At the last party congress five years ago, Raúl suggested the other remaining revolutionaries of a similar age on the all-powerful politburo should retire with him.



► Raul Castro, 89, steps down this week

President Miguel Díaz-Canel, Castro's 60-year-old protégé, is expected to take his place, concluding a lengthy transition from revolutionary veterans to the generation born after 1959.

St Vincent suffers power and water cuts

St Vincent's La Soufrière eruption has caused severe water shortages as heavy ash contaminates supplies.

Around 20,000 people have been evacuated from the island's northern region, where the exploding volcano is located, with more than 3,000 of them staying at more than 80 government shelters.

"We have to get stuff rolling into people," St Vincent Prime Minister, Ralph Gonsalves, said on the local station NBC Radio.

But no casualties have been reported since the first big blast from

the volcano early on Friday. "We have to try and keep that record," he said. Gonsalves said some people have refused to leave communities closest to the volcano and urged them to evacuate.

He estimated the country will need hundreds of millions of dollars to recover from the eruption, but did not give any details. He also asked for residents to give accommodation to those that have been displaced from their homes.

Falling ash and pyroclastic flows have destroyed crops and contami-

nated water reservoirs. Garth Saunders, minister of the island's water and sewer authority, noted that some communities had not yet received water.

The eruption has caused power outages and water supplies cut off after another explosion on Sunday.

It was the 4,000-ft volcano's first major eruption since 1979. Residents in Barbados, nearly 200km (124 miles) to the east, have also been urged to stay indoors.

Scientists warn that eruptions could continue for days - or even weeks.



► La Soufriere could be active for weeks

Antigua wants Oxford uni reparations

Antigua and Barbuda Prime Minister Gaston Browne has written to All Souls College at Oxford University, seeking reparations for what now amounts to tens of millions of pounds as a result of the "hard labour" of enslaved people.

Browne stated in a letter that a bequest to All Souls College in 1710 from Christopher Codrington III, which stocked and built the College's celebrated library, was generated principally from the labour

of slaves on lands in Antigua and Barbuda.

Browne pointed out that the Codringtons added considerably to their family's wealth from the proceeds of plantations and slavery on Antigua, principally, a 'grant' of 500 acres of land in 1674 which he named Betty's Hope and a further 400 acres, and amassed wealth until 1944, making the family the equivalent of billionaires.

Sir John thanked Browne for his letter and said that All Souls College "is inves-



► Betty's Hope in Antigua was owned by slave masters

tigating academic initiatives in relation to the Codrington legacy". He said that his hope is that "conclusions will be reached in the coming university term" promising to write again "by mid-June, if not sooner".

Meanwhile, Browne has caused outrage by making a sexist remark on Facebook by saying that St Vincent, evacuating people from the island because of its volcanic activity, should send "pretty Vincie women" to Antigua.

Hondurans jailed over \$47m covid scam

The Honduran government paid \$47 million for seven mobile hospitals to expand its bed space for the COVID-19 pandemic a year ago, but only two are in use and two former government officials involved in their purchase are jailed on fraud charges.

The purchase of the hospitals — shipping containers outfitted for medical use that can be connected and configured to operate as field hospitals — has become Honduras' greatest pandemic-related scandal.

A Honduran judge ordered Marco Antonio Bográn and Alex Alberto Moraes, the former executive director and former administrative manager respectively of Invest-H, the government's development project agency, to be jailed Friday. It was another glaring case of the deep-seated corruption in Honduran public services.



► Medics in Honduras are under huge pressure

Experts decided the purchase price was hugely inflated, the entire cost was paid up front without guarantees for delivery, which was delayed for months, and the government used an unnecessary intermediary. When they did arrive, they didn't meet the requirements to safely house COVID-19 patients and most were so shoddily assembled that they were unusable. And this in a country struggling to obtain COVID-19 vaccine doses.

UK TERRITORIES CONNECTION

BERMUDA FORCED BACK INTO COVID LOCKDOWN

Faced with a worsening COVID-19 crisis Bermuda was forced back into lockdown this week.

The stay-at-home policy was expected to remain in place initially until Sunday following a further spike in cases.

Bermuda was edging toward 2,000 cases with around 900 cases currently described as active of which more than 30 were hospitalised with six in critical care earlier in the week.

Several of these cases are said to have been local transmission.

Sixteen people have died in Bermuda due to the pandemic.

Premier David Burt has also tested positive and is isolating at home with his family.

He had received his COVID-19 vaccination before his positive test, but it takes



some time for the vaccine to become effective.

There is concern that many persons are not adhering to the territory's COVID-19 protocols and there have been reports of several quarantine breaches as well.

MINIMUM WAGE INCREASE IN ST HELENA

The minimum wage in St Helena will be increased from July this year by 7 pence per hour.

That will take the rate to £3.25 for persons over 18 and £2.30 for persons aged 16 or 17.

The South-Atlantic territory's Executive Council said it approved the new Minimum Wage Policy on March 30th "which sets out the principles for establishing a longer-term path to a more ambitious Minimum Wage, benefitting workers and providing adequate time for businesses to plan and adapt."



It said in the coming months, the Employment Rights Committee will engage with employers, employees and other relevant stakeholders, to gather information "that will inform a target Minimum Wage and proposed timetable for achieving that target over the next 3-7 years."

MAJOR GLOBAL ECOSYSTEM PROJECT LAUNCHED IN TERRITORIES

The world's first network of underwater camera rigs is being rolled out across the British Overseas Territories.

According to the UK's Foreign Commonwealth and Development Office (FCDO), the ocean wildlife and diverse ecosystems of the UK Overseas Territories (UKOTs) will soon be more visible than ever thanks to pioneering work to establish a major network of underwater camera deployments.

The project is funded as part of the British government's Blue Belt programme.

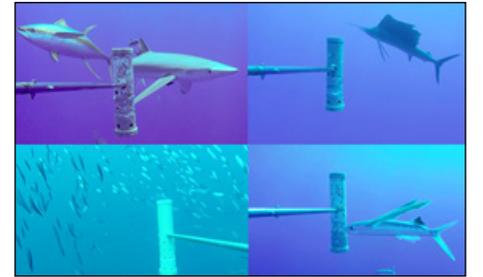
Scientists from Cefas, the University of Western Australia and partners in the UKOTs are working with Blue Abacus, in the first-ever global initiative to supply and analyse the data collected from 66 non-intrusive stereo-Baited Remote Underwater Video Systems (BRUVS), which will be deployed in open ocean and coastal habitats.

Together these BRUVS will form the Global Ocean Wildlife Analysis Network, which will provide information on ocean biodiversity and ecosystems found in the

vast maritime and coastal areas of the UKOTs in the Atlantic, Indian, Pacific and Southern Ocean.

The UKOTs involved in the project are: Anguilla, Ascension Island, British Antarctic Territory, British Indian Ocean Territory, British Virgin Islands, Cayman Islands, Montserrat, Pitcairn, St Helena and Tristan da Cunha.

BRUVS will enable researchers to see below the surface and provide a benchmark of scientific understanding of the marine species within their maritime area,



allowing the UKOTs to take more informed decisions about protecting and managing these diverse ecosystems.

ANGUILLA OFFERS SUPPORT TO ST VINCENT

The Anguilla government is reaching out to crisis-hit St Vincent by allowing its nationals living in the British territory to bring some of their relatives to live with them.

St Vincent is presently in the throes of a series of eruptions by its La Soufriere volcano which has already devastated the northern parts of the south Caribbean island and forced hundreds of people from their homes.

In an official statement, the Anguilla government said "Vincentian nationals residing on the island are encouraged to have their immediate family members and dependents relocate to Anguilla.

Additionally, it says, 'Leave Island' (or deportation) orders for St Vincent nationals have been revoked.

"We stand in solidarity with our Caribbean family in St Vincent and the Grenadines and commit our support in the days and the months ahead", Anguilla's



Premier Dr Ellis Webster, said in a national broadcast.

"Vincentian nationals residing on the island or are here on work permits will be able to bring family members and dependents to Anguilla," Premier Webster stated.

Other OT leaders in the region have also expressed their solidarity with the government and people of St Vincent and the Grenadines in this ongoing unprecedented natural disaster.

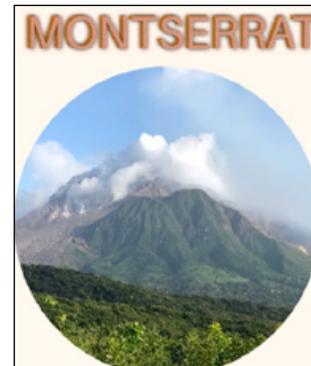
VOLCANO-RAVAGED MONTSERRAT ASSISTS ST VINCENT VOLCANO CRISIS

Montserrat is among the British Caribbean Overseas Territories coming to the assistance of St Vincent where the La Soufriere volcano is erupting.

The Government of Montserrat has announced that it will contribute one hundred and fifty thousand Eastern Caribbean dollars (XCD\$150,000.00) along with donations of essential supplies.

Montserrat's Premier Easton Taylor-Farrell said, "Arrangements will now be made to send the items to include cots, blankets, water purifying tablets, portable water bottles, wheelbarrows and push-brooms, to the island."

He noted that Montserrat has already provided technical support before the eruptions began, with scientists from the Montserrat Volcano Observatory (MVO)



joining their colleagues from the UWI Seismic Research Centre in St. Vincent to monitor the La Soufriere volcano, in January.

He also said additional technical support will be provided as the scientists will have to be rotated depending on the duration of the increased activity and eruptions.

Montserrat's own experience with its Soufriere Hills volcano is serving as a reference point for St Vincent now going through the throes of its volcano disaster.

The Soufriere Hills volcano in Montserrat started erupting in 1995 and went through an active and destructive phase up to 2010 with a series of eruptions in which 19 people were killed, two-thirds of the island rendered uninhabitable and the economy devastated.

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

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

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Answer to previous puzzle

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

Difficulty Level ★

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CROSSWORD

By THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS

- 1 Plucked instruments
- 6 Jazz variety
- 11 Poor sport's cry
- 12 Nebraska city
- 13 Football runs
- 15 Used a chair
- 16 In the style of
- 17 Negating word
- 18 Tigger's creator
- 20 Jeweler's unit
- 23 Conference site of 1945
- 27 Wildly eager
- 28 Make progress
- 29 Bar mixer
- 31 Puzzled
- 32 Barber-shop sight
- 34 Fireplace bit
- 37 Series-ending abbr.
- 38 Debt reminder
- 41 Library features
- 44 Hymn singers

DOWN

- 45 Chilled
- 46 Sentimental person
- 47 Valentine's gift
- 1 Hula swayers
- 2 Blue hue
- 3 Litter's littlest
- 4 Deep hole
- 5 Narrow passage
- 6 Florist's field
- 7 Running bird
- 8 Loft setting
- 9 Cry of distress
- 10 Days gone by
- 14 Building wing
- 18 Wizardry
- 19 Gung-ho
- 20 Manx, for one
- 21 In the past
- 22 Friend of Harry and Hermione
- 24 Indulgent
- 25 Make a bow in
- 26 Linking word

M	A	G	S		D	E	E	M			
P	A	B	L	O		O	P	R	A	H	
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Yesterday's answer

- 14 Building wing
- 30 Sundae topper
- 31 Winner
- 33 Snacked
- 34 Basics
- 35 Manhattan area
- 36 Cow's foot
- 38 Eye part
- 39 In the past
- 40 Purposes
- 42 Model buy
- 43 One, for Juan

Word Search

T	E	T	W	T	N	H	T	U	O	S	R	H	O	N
P	Y	N	O	I	T	C	E	R	I	D	H	O	N	G
D	W	T	E	R	A	F	T	S	T	V	W	A	A	A
E	N	S	M	H	D	R	B	T	R	G	T	G	B	D
W	D	E	O	C	V	B	T	D	I	S	W	U	R	B
U	P	W	W	M	A	E	S	O	P	R	Y	A	W	H
T	R	A	C	K	N	A	C	O	M	P	A	S	S	Y
V	S	E	D	W	C	R	T	H	F	E	H	H	E	F
E	W	S	T	T	E	I	R	T	L	A	E	N	W	N
N	V	V	H	U	P	N	A	R	U	S	R	V	T	O
T	I	G	O	D	O	G	V	O	Q	U	E	S	T	R
U	T	I	A	Y	C	R	E	F	O	F	P	N	O	T
R	Y	S	R	P	A	A	L	J	I	L	H	W	F	H
E	G	H	L	S	S	G	D	L	I	A	R	T	I	P
H	Y	H	U	T	T	R	E	K	R	E	D	N	A	W

- Advance
- Bearing
- Compass
- Direction
- East
- Fare
- Forth
- Journey
- North
- Quest
- Road
- Route
- South
- Track
- Trail
- Travel
- Trek
- Trip
- Venture
- Voyage
- Wander
- Way
- Wend
- West

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

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CURTIS

By Ray Billingsley

SINCE THE HOSPITAL REFUSES TO GIVE US ANY INFORMATION ON MRS. NELSON'S HEALTH, I-HAVE-A-PLAN!

WE'LL SNEAK THROUGH A BACK DOOR, SWIPE A COUPLE OF DOCTOR COATS, SOME MAGKS, A STETHOSCOPE AND A CLIPBOARD...

THEN WE'LL LOOK FOR HER ROOM UNTIL WE FIND HER!

WHOEVER THOUGHT THAT THE NEXT JAMES BOND COULD BE AN ELEVEN-YEAR-OLD BLACK KID?

THE AMAZING SPIDER-MAN

By Stan Lee

I'M - OKAY. JUST A BIT GROGGY...

ARE YOU ILL, OR-?

I, UH, GOT STRUCK EARLIER - DEBRIS FROM THEIR FAKE FIGHT, WITH NAMOR.

FROM THEIR FAKE FIGHT, YOU MEAN.

ANYWAY, WE'RE TAKING YOU TO A HOSPITAL. CAN'T RISK THE BUGLE BEING LEGALLY LIABLE FOR ANYTHING!

STAN LEE LARRY LIEBER 4-14

JUDGE PARKER

By Woody Wilson & Mike Manley

WHERE IS SHE? WHERE IS SOPHIE?

UM, UPSTAIRS IN HER ROOM. WHAT'S WRONG?

FIRST I NEED TO CALM DOWN

THEN I NEED TO KILL HER. BUT FIRST CLEARLY I NEED TO CALM DOWN.

MARCELLO MARINO + MARILEE 4/14

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