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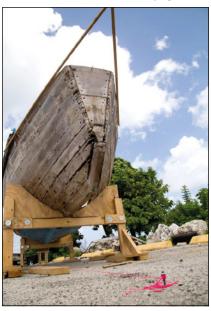
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## **Child Month Swings into Action**



A children's choir sing for the during a Child Month church service

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May's Child Month will celebrate the importance of childhood across the Cayman Islands with diverse events to empower youth and children.

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The Department of Children and Family Services' (DCFS) theme for this year's observance is My C.A.P.E – Challenges are Passable for Everyone. The theme reminds children and adults that while circumstances surrounding the pandemic have been especially trying for young people, they have numerous resources to help them through.

"The COVID pandemic and the unforeseen changes it has caused have been particularly trying for children who thrive on stability and routine. Social work professionals in our department, in schools, hospitals and the private sector have noticed anxiety-related issues amongst the young which are directly related to these chal-

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### EDITORIAL

## Get vaccinated; save lives

While many around the world, particularly those in poorer countries, are desperate for vaccines to help stop the ravages of Covid decimating their populations, the Cayman Islands are in the unbelievably fortunate position to have sufficient vaccines for its population. With the country amply stocked with vaccines, it's everyone's duty to get vaccinated to protect themselves and even more so, our most vulnerable.

This is especially important message for the younger generations, who may not necessarily suffer the worst symptoms a bout of Covid can bring, and who therefore might not consider getting a vaccine a priority. But those are the people who may easily pass the virus on to the more vulnerable among us.

And they should not be complacent. The Caymanian Times urges the younger generations to heed the warnings issued by our Chief Medical Officer Dr John Lee, who is urging persons in the 16 - 44 age group to come forward and get their COV-ID-19 vaccination. He spoke of the Brazil variants affecting that country's younger generations in increasing numbers and urged Cayman's younger generations to ensure they take advantage of Cayman's privileged position and get vaccinated. He also spoke of the horrors currently taking place in India, where Covid has completely taken over in some parts of that country and where people are dying in their thousands because of a critical lack of oxygen.

There is also the issue of the use-by date of the vaccines we currently hold. Our supplies will not be usable forever and people are therefore encouraged to get vaccinated sooner rather than later. Side effects in most cases are minimal, just a sore arm or a short bout of flu-like symptoms. These are a minuscule price to pay for the comfort of knowing that once our borders are back open once more (and have no doubt

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about it, this will happen again at some point soon) our people are safe from the worst this awful virus can deliver.

Covid symptoms are not just about the short term with the initial onset of the virus, either, as the phenomenon known as 'long Covid' is also rearing it's ugly head in countries such as the UK where Covid has been prevalent for a while. Long Covid appears to be a set of debilitating side effects that can take months or years to get over. Let's not subject our own people to such horrors.

Get vaccinated; save lives.

### **COVID-19 Vaccine Schedule**

## April/May 2021

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
26	27	28	29	30	MAY 1
12-3:30pm	12-3:30pm	CLINIC CLOSED	8am – 12pm	**Camana Bay (old Cayman MAC Store) 11am – 3pm 4:30 – 7pm	Second Dose ONLY 8am – 11am 12:30 – 4pm
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COVID-19 VACCINE CLINIC LOCATION OWEN ROBERTS INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT (ORIA) The COVID-19 vaccine is available to all persons 16 years and over.

Open to all Surnames.

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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 <u>earliest</u> that is recommended.

All persons must present photo identification.

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

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## **Child Month Swings** into Action with C.A.P.E

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lenging times," said DCFS Deputy Director, Mr. Rayle Roberts.

"Many children and families have already taken the initiative and sought help brought on by or exacerbated by the pandemic. We encourage others to also draw on the available community tools and resources - to help them resolve disputes and personal problems. The DCFS, the Department of Counselling Services and non-governmental agencies are geared up to support them," he added.

"My C.A.P.E calls on the community, policymakers, educators, caregivers and children to help support and celebrate the "superhero" potential of young people," the Deputy Director concluded.

Child Month 2021 promises to be an active observance with more than 22 events planned by DCFS and partner agencies.

DCFS Child Month Coordinator, Mrs. Belinda Gordon said: "We've created an inclusive and representative Child Month calendar with children, youth and inter-generational events planned."

"DCFS has the opportunity during Child Month to focus not only on the needs and services for children, but to celebrate the importance of childhood," she added.

With other events for families like Talent Under the Stars at Pedro St. James to smaller gatherings like primary schools'

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Snuggle and Read literacy evenings, it is hoped that each stakeholder can attend at least two events in May.

The department, will use Child Month to promote various child-focused services as well as manning a pop-up information kiosk at Foster's Airport location. The Foster Care team also invites those interested in learning more about foster care to attend its weekly informal drop-in sessions, which will be announced later.

To learn more about May's Child Month events, visit the DCFS Facebook page https://bit.ly/2QT89dC or call DCFS at 949-0290.

Wednesday 28 April

DCFS Management Team 9 am

Opening Child Month Church Service

Red Bay Church of God Holiness, 11 an

Radio Cayman MASH Team 9 am

Cayman Brac Public Library, 6-7:30 pm

Old Library Training Room, 3:30-4:30 pm

George Town TBA, 7:30-8:30 pm (12-17 yr olds)

P Cayman Islands Crisis Centre (CICC)

& Teen and Adult Lounge (TAYA) Food for Thought, Eastern Ave, TBA

Teen Jam Youth Development Centre

Celebrity Reading Evening

& Child Month Awardees Recognition

Radio Cayman

Sunday 2 May

Monday 3 May

**Tuesday** 5 May

c Peer Support Group

Friday 7 May

Youth Game Night

Cayman Brac, 7-11 pm

Sunday 9 May

Family Fun Day

Child Month Church Service

Blossom Village Park, 12:30–3 pm

Monday 10 May

Elderly Services Teams 9 am

Celebrity Reading Day

Little Cayman Baptist Church, 11 am

George Town Public Library,

CHILD MONTH

2021 CALENDAR



A children's choir sing for the during a Child Month church service



### PASSABLE FOR EVERYONE

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#### Friday 21 May

- Youth Game Night Bodden Town/Savannah TBA, 7:30 - 8:30 pm (12-17 yr olds)
- c Dress for a Cause Grand Cayman Primary Schools
- c Intergeneration Music Clash Constitution Hall, 6-8 pm
- P CICC & TAYA Lounge: Snack and Paint TBA

### Saturday 22 May

Talent Under the Stars

### Sunday 23 May

CISDA Children's Fun Day Agricultural Pavilion, 10 am

#### Monday 24 May

Radio Cayman Family/DCFS Management Teams 9 am

### Friday 28 May

- Youth Game Night North Side/East End TBA 7:30-8:30 pm, (12-17 yr olds)
- CICC & TAYA Lounge: Movement for Mental Wellness Eastern Ave, TBA

#### Saturday 29 May

 Child Month Closing Church Service CISDA Church, Cayman Brac, 11-12 noon

#### Monday 31 May

 Radio Cayman Youth Services/ Community Development Teams 9 am

#### →Throughout May

- Snuggle and Read Literacy Evenings Grand Cayman – Pre and Primary Schools
- **P** Roblox Grand Cayman/Cayman Brac Primary Schools





Teen Panel

Little Cayman Primary School, 6-7:30 pm

Call 949-0290 for more information

Radio Cayman Fostering and Adoption/

### Wednesday 12 May

Junior Panel Radio Cayman, 4-5 pm

### Friday 14 May

- Youth Game Night
- West Bay TBA, 7:30-8:30 pm (12-17 yr olds) CICC & TAYA Lounge:

### Saturday 15 May

 Teen Wipe Out Challenge Agriculture Grounds, Cayman Brac, 3-5 pm

Welcome with Waffles TBA

- Family Fun Day Cayman Turtle Centre 10 am-3 pm
- Adventists (CISDA) Children's Convention, Lions Centre, 9:15 am-4 pm
- DCFS Information Session
- Reading is Fun to Mental George Town Public Library, 10:30 am-1:30 pm
- Video Essay Competition Winner Online Announcement
- Youth Development Centre, Cayman Brac, 6-7:30 pm
- Radio Cayman, 4-5 pm

Partner Events C Closed Events

P CI Conference of Seventh Day

Foster's Food Fair, George Town, 11 am-1 pm Authors' Club

Monday 17 May Library Services Discovery Day:

- Wednesday 19 May Family Game Night

### JOANNA CLARKE PRIMARY TO HOST SPRING FAIR AT PEDRO ST JAMES

The PTA of the Joanna Clarke Primary School (formerly Savannah Primary) and Pedro St. James will be hosting a Spring Fair on Saturday 8th May.

The fundraising event aims to give families the opportunity for some weekend fun on the Great Lawn of the national attraction.

"We invite families from across the island to come to the Spring Fair and enjoy an afternoon of activities on the lawn. Mothers can especially enjoy this event with their children as its just prior to Mother's Day," said PTA president Michelle Powell.

Organizers have planned several activities that will keep little ones busy including lawn games, a bouncy castle and even a dunk tank.

"One of the things we are excited about for this event is the inclusion of Big Boy Toys Cayman and their Radio Control Car racing track which will be in the centre of all the action," added Mrs. Powell.

Hungry visitors can look forward to a fish fry and bake sale while little ones will be tempted by sweet and salty treats like cotton candy, sno cones and fresh popped popcorn.

The always animated and talented Virginia Foster, also known as 'Auntie V' will be taking children on an adventure with her costumed storytelling and lead-



 Big Boy Toys Radio Control Cars are sure to be a source of excitement



 Virginia Foster as 'Auntie-V ' image courtesy Cayman National Cultural Foundation

ing the arts and crafts area inside the famous Pedro Gazebo.

"We are also hosting a raffle. Our tickets are only \$5.00 and with lots of prizes from supermarkets, spas, arts, movies and more. All courtesy of many generous businesses, we know the winners will leave with an extra gift to give to their mom the next day!" said Erin Bodden, PTA member.

Funds raised from the sale of food and raffle tickets will benefit the school's canteen and to cover lunch costs for children who need hot meals throughout the school year.

Staff and management at Pedro St James are proud to hold the joint event for families in the Savannah area and beyond.

> "We are always looking for unique ways to partner with our clients. While Pedro is mostly thought of as a wedding location, we are versatile in what we offer on our 7-acre property," said Adriana Turner, Pedro St. James administrative officer.

> Mrs. Turner encourages anyone who may be interested in booking the site to contact her on admin@pedrostjames.ky or 947-3329 to share their ideas.

The Spring Fair runs from 11:00 am to 4:00 pm and entry is only CI\$5.00 per person; children five and under are free.



Lawn games includes giant Connect Four

## Non-Financial Businesses Undergo AML Training

In its continued efforts to maintain a robust anti-money laundering (AML) sector, the Department of Commerce and Investment (DCI) recently partnered with the Cayman Islands Centre for Business Development to host a workshop for Designated Non-Financial Businesses and Professions (DNFBPs).

The workshop provided an interactive session for participants from various industries under DCI's supervision including real estate brokers, property developers and dealers in precious metals and stones.

Some of the topics covered during the work-

shop included overview of the financial action task force, anti-money laundering and counter terrorist financing, suspicious activity reporting, what to expect during compliance inspection, among other areas. The participants also engaged in discussions to identify and protect the Cayman Islands from anti-money laundering and counter terrorist financing targeted financial sanction risks inherent to their sectors.

Presenters at the event were Francis Arana, Head of the Anti-Money Laundering Unit, Cayman Islands Government; R.J. Berry, Director of Financial Reporting Au-



 Claudia Brady, Head of Compliance and Enforcement in the Department of Commerce and Investment presents at AML workshop

thority; Dr. Lisa Bowyer, Principal Consultant, Liberty Consulting and Claudia Brady, Head of Compliance and Enforcement in the Department of Commerce and Investment.

DCI, in its role as DNFBPs regulator, will host future training and outreach sessions to support real estate agents, brokers and developers to strengthen their anti-money laundering and counter-terrorist financing frameworks.

Each participant attending the workshop was presented with a certificate of attendance.

### Maples Advises Cayman Islands Government on First Public-Private Partnership

Maples and Calder, the Maples Group's law firm was pleased to advise the Cayman Islands Government ("CIG") on a new 25 year Public Private Partnership ("PPP") waste management contract.

The PPP project, named ReGen, Cayman's Energy and Recycling Centre, is set to transform waste management for the Cayman Islands, with the new energy recovery and recycling facilities diverting up to 95 per cent of waste from being landfilled and contributing 8.5 megawatts of renewable energy to the grid.

A consortium led by Dart Enterprises will design, build, finance, operate and maintain a new integrated solid waste management system. The project, which will create approximately 300 jobs and up to 60 long term positions, will also involve the closing, capping and remediation of the existing landfill site in George Town.

Leading the transaction from the Maples Group's Cayman Islands practice was



Partner, Abraham Thoppil who has extensive experience advising in local Cayman Islands business matters with assistance from Associates, Sophia Scott and Adrian Davey.

Commenting on the project, Abraham said, "It was a pleasure to advise the Cayman Islands Government on this critical project that will truly enhance and benefit the local community here in Cayman." LOCAL NEWS



Mrs. Angelina Partridge



► Mrs. Prabha Namburi ► M



Mr. Yoshneck Mutomba



Ms. Kara Ebanks



Ms. Suzanne Sadlier

## **Top Promotions at CIMA**

The Cayman Islands Monetary Authority ("CIMA" or "the Authority") is proud to announce the recent senior management promotions of Ms. Suzanne Sadlier, Mrs. Angelina Partridge, Mr. Yoshneck Mutomba, Mrs. Prabha Namburi, and Ms. Kara Ebanks, effective 1 March 2021.

Ms. Sadlier was appointed as Head of the Onsite Inspection Unit. This confirmation was subsequent to her role as Deputy Head of the Insurance Supervision Division. Ms. Sadlier's experience in the financial services arena spans over 14 years, particularly in the insurance and reinsurance industry. She has been instrumental in a number of key technical projects at CIMA, including the design and implementation of the Authority's internal capital model framework and the Authority's supervision of complex financial groups and its risk-based approach to supervision. Mrs. Partridge was confirmed as Deputy General Counsel, after being appointed Acting Deputy General Counsel in 2019. She joined CIMA as Legal Counsel in November 2009 and was later promoted to Senior Legal Counsel in May 2016. Mrs. Partridge has been involved in many of CIMA's high-profile regulatory and financial services matters and possesses strong technical abilities, advising on a wide range of areas.

Mr. Mutomba joined CIMA in September 2013 as a Senior Statistician in the Policy & Development Division and climbed the ranks to his current post as Deputy Head of the Financial Stability & Statistics Division. He has a wealth of experience in areas of research and statistics in both private and public sector capacities. Some of his work includes advising on macro-prudential conditions and financial stability issues and implementation of supervision tools, developing a comprehensive framework for financial statistics reporting, as well as assisting in the evaluation, control and mitigation of risks to licensees. Mr. Mutomba has also mentored and trained many young Caymanians; many of whom have had the opportunity to work with the Authority.

Mrs. Namburi was appointed as Chief Strategy Officer in the Managing Director's Office, where she primarily provides support to the Managing Director, for matters relating to strategic planning and development, coordinating and reporting on implementation of strategic initiatives across the Authority. Having held various senior leadership roles at CIMA, she has been involved in prominent financial regulatory initiatives regarding policy development and has worked extensively in the anti-money laundering/counter financing terrorism area. Ms. Ebanks was promoted to Deputy Head of Insurance Supervision Division, having served as Chief Analyst since 2016. She first joined CIMA in 2007 as an Analyst in the Insurance Supervision Division and continues to be a key member of the team. During her time at CIMA, Ms. Ebanks has assumed responsibility for managing team outputs, leading meetings, working various projects to streamline processes and mentorship. She has also engaged with the local industry and has been actively involved in various high-profile matters. She has also represented CIMA internationally.

Managing Director, Mrs. Cindy Scotland said, "These individuals have been instrumental in CIMA's growth and continued success and I am honoured to recognise their hard work and commitment over the years. Their promotions are well-deserved, and I look forward to seeing them develop in their new roles."

## UK MINISTER URGES CAYMAN TO KEEP UP COVID VACCINATIONS

A direct appeal for residents of the Cayman Islands to take the COVID-19 vaccination has come from Lord Tariq Ahmad, the British Minister for South Asia and the Commonwealth at the Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office (FCDO).

Lord Ahmad was previously the Minister responsible for the Overseas Territories.

"The supply of vaccines cannot be taken for granted and each batch has a limited shelf life," he said while urging everyone to take the jab.

"In Cayman, the expiry date for the remaining vaccines is 30 June. I must therefore implore everyone who can, to take the vaccine, not only for themselves, but to protect their friends and family, and do their part to ensure you can re-open borders and restart your economy."

In stressing the importance of taking the vaccines, Lord Ahmad said:

"Whilst the first wave of COV-ID-19 was a shock, we have seen the spread of more infectious variants in the UK, Gibraltar and Bermuda were much harder to contain and led to more deaths.

"This is regrettably a phenomenon which many other countries are also experiencing. Now is not the time to wait and see, the vaccines are safe and effective, by getting vaccinated you will be helping your community."

Lord Ahmad's appeal comes the same week that Cayman's Chief Medical Officer Dr John Lee expressed concern over the slowdown in vaccine uptake especially among persons in the 16 to 50 age group.

Looking at the wider picture of the impact of the pandemic, Lord Ahmad commended the Overseas Territories for how they have responded and adjusted.

"The pandemic has called into question all of the freedoms and certainties we took for granted, but it has also forced us to innovate and change our ways of working. We all hope that globally life will return to normal very soon, but we should expect that some things will have changed permanently as we move forward." On the point of economic recovery as the OTs plan their pathway out of the crisis, he singled out Cayman's Global Citizen remote worker scheme as an example.

"Whilst this has been a shock to many of us, this is actually an opportunity for Cayman, especially as the world embraces remote working, placing the Overseas Territories with an opportunity to attract new talent and inward investment. Your Global Citizen Concierge programme is a good example of this."

However, he reminded that hopes for economic recovery are intrinsically tied to continuing the success of the vaccination roll-out.

"As international tourism restarts and travellers look for destinations that have managed to control community transmission, the supply of vaccines from the UK gives the Overseas Territories a unique advantage to market themselves as safe places to holiday as we learn to live with COVID-19,"

Lord Ahmad said: "We need only look to Gibraltar, which had more than 1,200 active cases



Lord Tariq Ahmad, the British Minister for South Asia and the Commonwealth at FCDO

when the vaccination campaign began and has managed to reduce this down to zero, or St Helena which managed to vaccinate more than 90% of its adult population within four weeks."

The former Overseas Territories Minister, who now is now broadly responsible for Commonwealth relations in the FCDO said; "I know this has been a particularly hard year for many in the Cayman Islands. It has been difficult in the United Kingdom too where the virus saw a dramatic economic slowdown and sadly many deaths.

"I am proud of the fact that despite the situation we faced in the UK, we were able to support the Overseas Territories, and in the case of Cayman, this included the provision of Pfizer vaccines, personal protective equipment and essential Public Health England support to establish high-quality testing capacity."

### LOCAL NEWS BRIEFS

### Governor and new Premier get down to business

HE Governor Martyn Roper and Hon. Premier Wayne Panton had their first formal meeting since the swearing-in of the PACT (People-driven, Accountable, Competent and Transparent) coalition administration.

In a post on his official social media page following the meeting on Thursday, the Governor said, "The Premier and I met for

the first of our regular weekly meetings. It is an opportunity for us to discuss matters of importance to Cayman and for me to understand how my office and I can best support the Government."

Mr Roper said this week he briefed the Premier on a range of security and law enforcement issues, and they discussed civil service support to the new Gov-

Only 15 derelict vehicles per day will be now accepted at the George Town Landfill to be scrapped.

Persons wishing to get rid of their old and disused vehicles are also advised of the new schedule which is Monday to Friday between the hours of 7 am and 4 pm.

The Department of Environmental Health is encouraging persons to call the landfill on 949-3719 to confirm

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when their vehicle can be accepted, and if required to book a slot for a particular day.

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about vaccine take-up, and plans for the

Premier's new Ministry and possible UK

ing-in ceremony, I look forward to a

close and productive working relation-

ship with the Premier and the new Gov-

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ernment," Mr Roper stated.

"As I said in my speech at the Swear-

### Cayman's corals under threat

The Cayman Islands Department of Environment(DoE) has confirmed that Stoney Coral Tissue Loss Disease (SCTLD) has now spread to North West point of Grand Cayman.

Since it was first sighted on the north wall of Grand Cayman in June last year, the DoE says it continues to battle with

this deadly coral disease which has devastated reefs in Florida and around the Caribbean.

The DoE is advising the public to report any sightings and to avoid dive sites in diseased areas.

Stony coral tissue loss disease (SCT-LD) is a disease of corals that first appeared off the coast of Florida in 2014 and has spread rapidly to Cayman and the Caribbean.



It destroys the soft tissue of many species of stony coral, killing them within weeks or months of becoming infected.

The DoE advises persons diving or snorkelling anywhere in the Cayman Islands to disinfect their gear before going to a new location and between every dive.

Coral reefs are critical to Cayman's marine environment and are also a popular tourist attraction.

### New CERT Members Strengthen Cayman's Resilience

Cayman's emergency response capability is being boosted with 18 volunteers completing the first stage of their training.

They have completed an intensive twoday course as part of the Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) programme which covered fire safety and suppression, disaster preparedness, search and rescue operations, stress management and disaster psychology, shelter management, initial damage assessment and vulnerability and capacity assessment.

The next stage of their training will include first aid and CPR (cardio-pulmonary resuscitation) components following which they'll be formally included in the official national CERT database.

Hazard Management Cayman Islands' Preparedness and Planning Officer, Teresita DaSilva, said the new members will join established CERTs or form the basis of new teams that will be developed in areas that are not currently represented with an established group.

"Typically the CERT training focuses on a specific community, but in this instance we had a number of residents from across Cayman who expressed an interest in the CERT program," she explained.

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HMCI Director, Danielle Coleman congratulated the participants for volunteering and helping to make the Cayman Islands more resilient.

"We now expect these volunteers to actively work to make their own families and communities safer and better prepared for all hazards, as well as support the response and recovery efforts of the National Emergency Operations Centre (NEOC) when required."

There are currently six (6) active CERT groups established in the Cayman Islands, including teams in Little Cayman and Cayman Brac, Savannah Meadows, Prospect, North Sound Gardens and West Bay.

Persons interested in becoming a CERT volunteer should contact Ms. DaSilva at Teresita.DaSilva@gov.ky

### National Trust presses for mangroves protection

The National Trust for the Cayman Islands has endorsed the warnings recently issued by the Department of Environment, the National Conservation Council and local environmental groups about plans to clear more mangrove forests for development projects.

The National Trust says while it supports responsible and sustainable development, "all proposed development should demonstrate both clear benefits to our people and careful consideration of the very environment that is protecting our Islands."

It says recommendations issued by groups such as DoE, NCC and other experts should be followed to ensure maximum protection of these sites and to minimise disruption of ecosystems.

"Once developed, it is extremely difficult (if not impossible) to restore the critical biodiversity nature has created," the National Trust warns.

According to the Trust, neighbouring land-owners and those within the planning notification radius are in a position to formally object, but, in the majority of cases, concerned citizens and groups (including the National Trust) are not.

It urges residents to get involved in the campaign to protect the mangroves and other aspects of the natural environment and suggests various methods of doing so.



These include; lobbying MPs, urging Government to finalise and publish Plan-Cayman and ensuring it has broad community input, encouraging the DoE and the NCC to review the Mangrove Conservation Plan, and supporting climate science literacy in schools.

Hon. Premier Wayne Panton has placed 'Sustainability and Climate Resiliency' at the core of his new administration's agenda and has taken personal responsibility for that portfolio.

The National Trust says Grand Cayman's west side wetlands, which includes the South Sound mangrove forests, have suffered a 72% loss between 1976 and 2018.



support.

Last rides

## Health Safety Diligence and Vaccines Key to Caribbean's Tourism Recovery

The Caribbean COVID-19 Tourism Task Force is calling for continued diligence and adherence to public health safety protocols and encourages all tourism-related stakeholders who are able to do so to be vaccinated as vaccines become available.

The Caribbean has generally been successful in containing the virus over the past year to levels below that which is being experienced in many parts of the world. COVID-19 infection, hospitalization, and death rates are among the lowest in the world. This has been attributed to the early and ongoing response by many Caribbean governments, health care and tourism industry leaders, and the large number of Caribbean residents who have adhered to health safety protocols.

The task force cautions that now is not the time to "let down our guard", as the next several months will determine how quickly the tourism-dependent region will be able to rebound. Tourism is viewed by many as the catalyst for getting people back to work and restoring much needed revenue that governments have lost due to the pandemic.

"We are now in a race against time," cautioned Dr. Joy St. John, Executive Director for the Caribbean Public Health Agency (CARPHA). "Particularly given the presence of variants which spread more rapidly, we must adhere to health safety protocols lest we find ourselves moving backwards, rather than forwards. We must remain diligent while we continue to accelerate vaccinations of our populations, now that approved vaccines are becoming more available," she stated.

"We urge countries to continue to intensify their surveillance activities to rapidly screen, identify, test, quarantine, isolate and trace contacts of new cases; and for every resident and visitor to the Caribbean to do their part through physical/social distancing, wearing of masks, and practicing proper hand hygiene," she advised, speaking on behalf of the Task Force.

The Task Force also urged all members of the public who are able to do so to become vaccinated once they become available and they are eligible. Data overwhelmingly supports the safety of World Health Organization (WHO)-approved vaccines.

The Task Force was established over a year ago to develop and collaborate on strategies and programs aimed at helping to share information; develop health safety protocols and guidelines for the tourism industry to protect employees and travelers; conduct health safety training; monitor and minimize COVID-19 incidents in the tourism industry; and advocate for sound health safety practices and the harmonization of said practices.

Through the agency's efforts, more than 5,000 hotels and tourism-related managers and supervisors have undergone CAR-PHA-led health safety training, which has reached thousands more who have been trained by the initial graduates. The Task

Force member organizations include CAR-PHA, the Caribbean Tourism Organization (CTO), the Caribbean Hotel and Tourism Association (CHTA), the Organization of Eastern Caribbean States (OECS), and the Jamaica-based Global Tourism Resilience and Crisis Management Center (GTRCMC).

For information about vaccines and health safety protocols, visit www.carpha. org.

### About the Caribbean Hotel and Tourism Association (CHTA)

The Caribbean Hotel and Tourism Association (CHTA) is the Caribbean's leading association representing the interests of national hotel and tourism associations and the region's private sector. For more than 55 years, CHTA has been the backbone of the Caribbean hospitality industry. Working with some 1,000 hotel and allied members, and 33 National Hotel Associations, CHTA is shaping the Caribbean's future and helping members to grow their businesses. Whether helping to navigate critical issues in sales and marketing, sustainability, legislative issues, emerging technologies, climate change, data and intelligence or, looking for avenues and ideas to better market and manage businesses, CHTA is helping members on issues which matter most. For further information, visit www.caribbeanhotelandtourism.com.

#### About the Caribbean Public Health Agency

The Caribbean Public Health Agency (CARPHA) is the new single regional public health agency for the Caribbean. It was legally established in July 2011 by an Intergovernmental Agreement signed by Caribbean Member States and began operation in January 2013. The Agency is the Caribbean region's collective response to strengthening and reorienting its health system approach so that it is equipped to address the changing nature of public health challenges. The approach is people-centered and evidence-informed. For more information visit www.carpha.org.

#### About the Caribbean Tourism Organization

The Caribbean Tourism Organization (CTO), which is headquartered in Barbados, is the Caribbean's tourism development agency, comprising membership of the region's finest countries and territories including Dutch, English, French and Spanish-speaking, as well as a myriad of private sector allied members. The CTO's vision is to position the Caribbean as the most desirable, year-round, warm weather destination, and its purpose is Leading Sustainable Tourism - One Sea, One Voice, One Caribbean. Among the benefits to its members the organization provides specialized support and technical assistance in sustainable tourism development, marketing, communications, advocacy, human resource development, event planning





& execution, and research & information technology. For more information, visit www.OneCaribbean.org.

#### About the Organisation of Eastern Caribbean States

The Organisation of Eastern Caribbean States (OECS) is an international organisation dedicated to economic harmonisation and integration, protection of human and legal rights, and the encouragement of good governance among independent and non-independent countries in the Eastern Caribbean. The OECS came into being on June 18, 1981, when seven Eastern Caribbean countries signed a treaty agreeing to cooperate with each other while promoting unity and solidarity among its Members. The Treaty became known as the Treaty of Basseterre, so named in honour of the capital city of St. Kitts and Nevis where it was signed. The OECS currently has 11 members spread across the Eastern Caribbean, comprising Antigua and Barbuda, Commonwealth of Dominica, Grenada, Montserrat, St. Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, St. Vincent and The Grenadines, British Virgin Islands, Anguilla, Martinique and Guadeloupe. For more information, visit www.oecs.int.

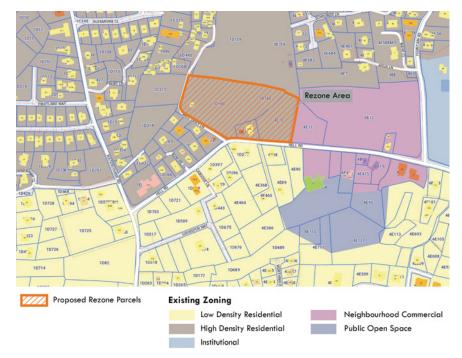
#### About the Global Tourism Resilience & Crisis Management Centre

The vision of the Global Tourism Resilience and Crisis Management Centre is to assist global tourism destinations with destination preparedness, management and recovery from disruptions and/or crises that impact tourism and threaten economies and livelihoods globally. For more information, visit www.gtrcmc.org.

### PUBLIC NOTICE

#### **REQUEST FOR ALTERATION TO THE DEVELOPMENT PLAN 1997**

The Central Planning Authority (CPA) is considering a request for alteration to the Development Plan 1997 (RZ20-0006) for the following: Block 1D Parcels 160 and 161, and Block 4E Parcel 10 from High Density Residential to Neighbourhood Commercial. These parcels are located to the north of Hell Road in West Bay.



The electronic file can be inspected at the Department of Planning, Government Administration Building, 133 Elgin Avenue, George Town between 8:30 am and 4:00 pm, Monday to Friday. Anyone wishing to comment on this proposal must do so in writing within 60 days of the final advertisement (May 5<sup>th</sup> 2021) or by July 4<sup>th</sup> 2021. Please remit all correspondence to the attention of the Director of Planning, P.O. Box 113, KY1-9000 Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands; or by email to <u>planning.dept@gov.ky</u>. CPA meeting minutes pertaining to this application can be found on the Department's website at <u>www.planning.ky</u> (Meeting CPA/07/21; Item 3.1)

# A nation of ship builders

As is natural for those from a small island nation, Caymanians have always had a strong connection with the sea. The 1934 census of the Cayman Islands illuminates this link, revealing that more than 50 per cent of men between 18 and 60 were involved in seafaring.

Caymanians began boat building around the turn of the 19th Century in earnest as a means for trading and fishing, however there are records that indicate the industry began even earlier, in the 1770s.

In his 'Notes on the History of the Cayman Islands' written in the early part of the 20th Century, George Hirst described how, "The Cayman Islanders have always been shipbuilders and as the community advanced in numbers so the shipbuilding industry increased."

He noted that ship building was also prevalent in what was then termed the "Lesser Caymans", i.e. Cayman Brac and Little Cayman.

"Not only in Grand Cayman but in the Lesser Caymans this industry made wonderful developments during the half century," he wrote.

According to 'A Brief History of the Cayman Islands' by David Wells of the West India Committee for the Government of the Cayman Islands, Caymanians' ship building abilities were really able to grab the attention of the outside world at the end of the 19th century, thanks to the work of Custos Edmund Parsons, who



 Sculpture of a sailor in George Town of Grand Cayman

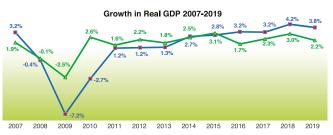
helped arrange for Caymanians to take part in the Jamaican Exhibition of 1891. In addition to displays of locally made thatch work, models of Caymanian schooners were also on show to stimulate interest in shipbuilding.

"The publicity gained from the exhibition did see a rise in the export of Caymanian products, particularly of thatch palm goods," he wrote.



### Business Survey 2021 Your Response Matters!

In 2019, Cayman's Gross Domestic Product (GDP) grew faster than the GDP for the USA.



### How did COVID-19 impact businesses in 2020?

The annual System of National Accounts (SNA) survey collects the information necessary to measure the health and performance of Cayman's economy and its various industries.

The survey runs April 12th to June 11th, 2021.

Data collected for the SNA survey is **CONFIDENTIAL** under the Statistics Act (2016 Revision) and is **EXEMPT** from the Freedom of Information Act.

**Better Data...Better Decisions...Better Business** For assistance or enquiries, please check **www.eso.ky** or call 244-4676/244-4608. Not only were Caymanians prolific in their art, they were also revered regionally for their skills, as Hirst remarked: "At one time the reputation of Cayman built vessels was enviable in the Central American Republics and a very profitable business was carried on until towards the end of the last century when the supply was becoming greater than the demand..."

Wells noted that this was because of the craftsmanship that went into the making of every vessel.

"Caymanian ships were handmade with traditional tools, which meant that the process was both slow and labour intensive and not many vessels could be produced a year. For example, between 1905 and 1906 eight vessels were launched. It was generally considered to be worth the wait for the high quality of workmanship," he wrote.

Hirst examined Cayman's ship building industry from 1850 to the end of the 19th Century, and found that at the start boats of around 45 tons were the norm, while towards the end of the century ships as large as 250 tons were registered. Ships were made from local supplies of hard wood, such as mahogany and ironwood, wood that is almost indestructible and resistant to dry rot and hard as metal, while ship builders relied on imports of pretty much everything else, including planking, ropes, sail cloth, spikes, nails and blocks, which were imported from the US, while anchors and cables were imported from England. Boats could take anything from six to 12 months and even up to two years to make.

In order to create the perfect bend in the wood that was needed to create a boat, boat makers would bend a sapling to the shape needed and waited years and years for it to grow, while some timber was bent by steam.

According to the March 1974 edition of the Northwester, the 1920s and 1930s saw Cayman's ship building industry at its peak. Among shipbuilders' names were Bodden, Arch, McTaggart, Miller and in Cayman Brac the Scotts and Tibbets.

When a boat was launched in the Cayman Islands, everybody came to welcome her off. Wells wrote: "The launch of a ship was an opportunity for a major social event; on



Boat building at the Cayman Catboat Club is in Caymanians blood

Grand Cayman the whole island was invited. Usually an ox was killed to provide meat and people brought a selection of food with them, from vegetables to cakes. When the time came for the launch everyone, men, women and children, took a rope to help pull the ship down into the sea. Whilst doing so it was traditional to sing sea shanties, 'Whiskey is the life of man, whiskey, oh, my Johnny' being a particular favourite."

The majority of the vessels Caymanians made were used for turtling, but towards the end of the 19th Century ships were used as charters to visit and carry freight from and to the Cayman Islands. Hirst pointed out that as the vessels were made predominantly for fishing, when used to carry passengers those travelling in them experienced "awful discomfort" and lack of privacy. Boats were also used as mail boats, but by the end of the Second World War Caymanians were now working for large shipping companies while local shipping yards could not compete on wages and so the industry died.

Today, the Cayman Seafarers Association and the Cayman Catboat Club help to keep this aspect of Caymanian history alive.



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Bodden Town	Lorna's Rubis	4.59	4.85	4.58
Bodden Town	Mostyns Esso	4.28	4.82	4.56
Savannah	Savannah Rubis	4.62	4.80	4.43
Red Bay	Barcam	4.30	4.70	4.24
Red Bay	On The Run ( Brown's Red Bay)	4.30	4.63	4.24
George Town	Peanuts	4.62	4.87	4.53
George Town	Jose's Escape	4.62	4.85	4.53
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George Town	Esso Tigermart 4 Way Stop (JS)H&B 11	4.37	4.75	4.34
George Town	Eastern Avenue Rubis	4.62	4.80	4.48
George Town	Walkers Rd. Rubis	4.32	4.80	4.43
George Town	On The Run (Mike's Walkers Rd.)	4.27	4.75	4.30
George Town	On The Run ( Brown's Industrial Park)	4.35	4.75	4.29
George Town	On The Run (Mike's 7 Mile)	4.27	4.69	4.15
West Bay Rd.	H & B Esso (H&B 1 Seven Mile)	4.37	4.75	4.34
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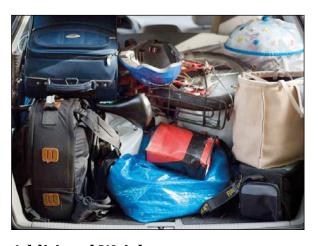
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**Frequent and fast acceleration –** Avoid heavy acceleration and drive below the speed limit. Frequent and swift acceleration burns fuel at a faster rate.



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**Vehicle Replacement** – Consider replacing your vehicle with a fuel efficient model.



### May is Child Month

The Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS) is hosting the following events to mark Child Month during May. This notice also contains events which will be hosted by partner agencies throughout the month:

• Sunday, 2 – Opening Child Month Church Service/Child Month Awardees Recognition, Red Bay Church of God Holiness, 11 am

• Monday, 3 - Celebrity Reading Evening, Cayman Brac Public Library, 6-7.30 pm

• Friday, 7 – Youth Game Night, TBA, George Town, 7.30-8.30 pm

- **Teen Jam** - Youth Development Centre, Cayman Brac, 7 pm

- Cayman Islands Crisis Centre (CICC) & Teen and Adult Lounge (TAYA): Food for Thought, Eastern Ave., TBA

• Sunday, 9 – Child Month Church Service, Little Cayman Baptist Church, 11 am

- Family Fun Day, Blossom Village Park, Little Cayman, 12.30-3 pm

Monday, 10 - Celebrity Reading Day, Little Cayman Primary School, 6-7.30 pm
Wednesday, 12 - Junior Panel, Radio

Cayman, 4-5 pm • Friday, 14 - Youth Game Night, TBA,

George Town, 7.30-8.30 pm - Cayman Islands Crisis Centre (CICC) & Teen and Adult Lounge (TAYA): Welcome

with Waffles, Eastern Ave., TBA
Saturday, 15 - Teen Wipe Out Chal-

lenge, Agriculture Grounds, Cayman Brac, 3-5 pm

- Family Fun Day, Cayman Turtle Centre, 10 am-3 pm

- Cayman Islands Conference of Seventh Day Adventists (CICSDA), Children's Convention, Lions Centre, 9.15 am- 4 pm

- DCFS Information Session – Foster Care Team, Foster's Airport Location,11 am-1pm

- Authors' Club: Reading is Fun to Mental, George Town Public Library, 10.30 am-1.30 pm

• Wednesday, 19 – Family Game Night, Youth Development Centre, Cayman Brac, 6-7.30 pm

- Teen Panel, Radio Cayman, 4-5 pm

• Friday, 21 May – Youth Game Night, TBA, Bodden Town/Savannah, 7.30-8.30 pm - Intergenerational Music Clash, Consti-

tution Hall, 6-8 pm

- CICC & TAYA Lounge: Snack and Paint, TBA

• Saturday, 22 – Talent Under the Stars, Pedro St. James, 6.30-9 pm

• Sunday, 23 – CICSDA Children's Fun Day, Agriculture Grounds, 10 am-4 pm

• Friday, 28 – CICC & TAYA: Movement for Mental Wellness, Eastern Avenue, TBA

• Saturday, 29 – Child Month Closing Church Service, CISDA Church Cayman Brac, 11-12 am

• Throughout May - Snuggle and Read Literacy Evenings, Grand Cayman, pre- and primary schools

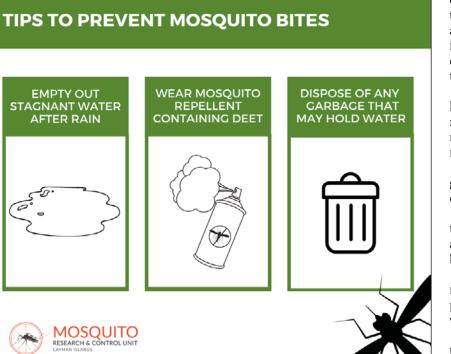
- Roblox – pre- and primary schools, Grand Cayman and Cayman Brac

For further information, call DCFS at 949-0290 or visit the department's Facebook page https://bit.ly/2QT89dC.

## **Tips for Mosquito Relief**

The Mosquito Research & Control Unit (MRCU) informs the community that recent high tides, which started on 3 April, have caused flooding in the mangrove breeding areas of the Black Salt Marsh Mosquito (Aedes taeniorhynchus).

The flooding resulted in high numbers of mosquitoes emerging 10-14 days later. On the 20th April tides in-



creased again which has resulted in further flooding of the mosquito breeding areas. This second peak in high tides is expected to result in a further large emergence of biting mosquitoes during

> the first week of May. MRCU has identified flooded areas harbouring mosquito larvae and is currently conducting control operations to minimise the biting nuisance expected next week.

> MRCU will be conducting aerial and ground fogging operations to bring the emergence back under control.

The team is sympathetic to the distress this causes to residents of these areas and advise its operations should bring some relief for residents.

Members of the public are advised to remain indoors during the peak biting period of this mosquito (7-9 pm) and to wear mosquito repellent when outdoors.

More information on planned operations can be found daily at www.mrcu. ky or follow on Facebook at http://bit. ly/MRCUCAYMAN

MRCU mosquito bite prevention tip infographic

# CUC begins home electricity storage scheme

ELECTRIQ

In order to meet Cayman's energy policy requirement that 70 per cent of electricity should come from renewable sources, Cayman's power company is having to look at innovative ways to help people store electricity at home if they have generated it via solar or similar power. So CUC have partnered with a California-based company, Electriq Power, to begin a pilot scheme involving 10 homes in Cayman. The scheme will see each home set up with a PowerPod 2 battery system that will work 'behind-the-meter' to allow people to store



excess electricity that they have generated but don't need.

The California company has been awarded the contract to install the batteries and will also market and manage the behind-the-meter systems as a virtual power plant, with installations being carried out by local contractors. It is anticipated

that the project will showcase behind the meter energy storage system technologies.

According to a press release by CUC, their studies have shown that a substantial amount of front-of-meter and be-

hind-the-meter battery storage will be needed to integrate more solar and wind energy.In order to see if battery storage systems in residential homes will help to meet future energy goals, CUC and Electriq Power will site the PowerPod 2 systems in the selected private homes to provide both backup to the homes during power-outages, as well as grid services to support CUC's distribution infrastructure.

CUC hopes they will discover best practices for installation and operation, understand capital and operational costs and demonstrate and measure mul-



tiple value propositions for the residential user and for themselves.

Frank Magnotti, CEO of Electriq Power said the agreement with CUC was the company's latest project in the Caribbean, where renewables and resilience were so vital to the region's future.

CUC's Sacha Tibbetts, Vice President Customer Services & Technology, said that battery storage

was seen by CUC as an important component in enabling a transition to renewable energy sources.

"While the value proposition to CUC and its customers from large-scale battery installations is well understood, small customer-sited batteries are relatively new and not yet fully understood by the industry. CUC is looking forward to working with Electriq Power and to piloting small-scale batteries at ten residential customer sites. This will allow us to better understand the value to CUC and our customers," Mr Tibbetts said.





Cayman is home to many people with substance abuse. As a community we can all make a difference in the lives of those individuals.

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## Flag Football Update

The Burger King COED League saw some more exciting games in week seven of the season giving us a glimpse of what the playoffs will be looking like as we come close to the end of the season.

Game one featured Sandbar vs the Bird's who with no surprise bounced back from last week's loss with a 20-6 victory over Sandbar. Quarterback David Taylor connected with Rupert Whittaker and Ashley Wood for touchdowns during the game. Rupert Whittaker had a beautiful one-handed interception which changed the movement in first half. Quarterback Mike Carey of Sandbar combine with one of his female operatives would score a touchdown of their own. **The Bird (20) Sandbar (6)** 

Over on field two Burger King faced off against Burger Shack in the first set of games for the night. In a one-sided affair, Burger Shack got out in front and never looked back, spreading the ball around effectively for touchdown passes from Perry Levy to Kaleb Ebanks and Cassandra Bodden. Burger King led by Richard Campbell stayed together and played through the Burger Shack barrage but it would prove too much by the final whistle with the contest ending in a score of 40-0. Burger **Shack (40) Burger King (0)** 

With team Deloitte missing few key players this week, Deloitte showed that they were a team not to overlook. Led this week by quarterback Taj Haye Deloitte began with a good start to their game scoring early with touchdown by veteran Carly Dignam followed then with a touchdown from Jen Choice. Maples, showing lots of heart and talent from "the amazing" Shawn Jackson who made several defensive plays to interrupt Deloitte and a 2-point conversion return made by Duncan Calvin putting them on the scoreboard before end of the first half. Deloitte's defense kept it tight not allowing anymore points for Maples as Jerry Beck adds another touchdown in second half to finish the game with a score of Deloitte (19) vs Maples (2)

#### Cayman Auto (7) Magnum (6)

Team Magnum starts the game with quarterback Tonia Ebanks making some key throws to Josh Whittaker, Cedric Gidarisingh and Joel Townsend who puts their team in scoring position. Ebanks manages to connect with Cedric Gidarisingh and score the first touchdown of the evening.

Robbie Cribb of Cayman Auto steps up with his offense team for their first drive of the night. Robbie throws to Tracey Seymour who gives their team a first down. Avoiding a sack from Magnum's rush Cribb



takes off running placing their team mid field. Robbie is almost sacked again by a hard rush from Magnum but was able to avoid a sack and complete a key throw to Jahrion Bodden who puts their team in scoring position. Magnum kept the pressure on Robbie Cribb as a rush was sent on 4th and short, Cribb manages to get the ball

off to try and connect with Seymour in the end zone but bobbling of the ball prevented her from completing the catch. Turnover on down and Magnum offense is back on the field. Magnum gets in scoring position, but Cayman Auto defense would not let up and manages to have the ball turn back over to them just before the half whistle.

Second half starts with cayman auto in possession of the ball. Robbie throws to

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Sarafina McField who gets the first down. Robbie then throws to Jamal Bodden, a key player of their team who manages to put points on the scoreboard for Cayman Auto tying the game 6-6. Extra point conversion was sent to Jahrion Bodden who completes the catch placing Cayman Auto in the led over the Magnum Chargers. Magnum tries to regain the lead, but several attempts turn the ball back to Cayman Auto. The game was tight, but magnum is calm and ready to extend their lead. Cayman Auto's Chrisella Connor gets her first down of the game from a run play. Robbie throws to Jahrion who made a near impossible catch at mid field as his fingers clinches the ball; he managed to gain control of the ball and a get away from the defense as he blasts down the sidelines with the end zone in his sight. But the touchdown was saved by Theo Edman of Magnum on the 5-yard line which prevented Cayman Auto from scoring a touchdown. The pressure is on and it is just under the two-minute warning. At this point it is still anybody's game. Magnum

> has the ball on offense and Josh Whittaker runs to the 35 yd line. 8 seconds left on the game clock and magnum still has a chance to score, a hand off by Tonia to Josh again has him running hard to get to the end zone as he dashes and dancing through Cayman Auto defense. Despite his attempt to divert Cayman Auto, the clock runs out, Magnum failed to score and it's Cayman Auto for their second win. Final Score Cayman Auto

(7) Magnum Chargers (6)

### Tribe (39) Credit Union (6)

Tribe's Tattoo faces Credit Union in a what appears to be a very one-sided game. Tribe quarterback Carlo would find Ed Pellot-Rosa, Tajae Grey, Justin Connolly, and Scimone Campbell who all scored touchdowns with Paul McField to convert an extra point. A 50-yard dash down the sideline from Agueda Blake places Tribe in great scoring position with Andrew Wisdom as quarterback to complete a pass to Pellot-Rosa who scores the touchdown and Chris Rankin to convert the extra points.

Credit Union's would answer back with Ernest Ebanks as quarterback who sends



a long pass to Tiffany Ebanks who was left all alone in the back field. Ebanks completes the catch and dashes down the middle of the field with tribe's defense on the pursuit. Shifting to second gear, Ebanks would find the end zone to score the first touchdown for Credit Union. The extra point conversion however was no good. Good flag pulls by Lisbeth Ebanks of Credit Union stops Justin Connolly in his tracks. With just under 5 mins left on the clock Andrew Wisdom would find Scimone Campbell. Despite Credit Unions good defensive tactics, it was not enough to keep the Tribe down as they end the game with Tribe (39) Credit Union (6)

Coming in with both having a record of 5-1, there was a bit extra riding on the need to win as Popeyes and PD'S face off for the last game of the night. The regular season has 2 weekends left and then we're onto the playoffs. Led by Dimitri Chisholm, the PD's crew would start with the ball and score from their first drive. Failing to convert the extra point, PDs would lead 6-0, but not for long. Popeyes would make use of their first drive with quarterback Brendon Malice connecting with LaRue Nixon to score a touchdown and extra point. This would allow Popeyes to claim the lead 7-6. The game would continue to go back and forth with not only both teams making great plays offensively, but also on defense. Keisha Solomon and Christsania Parker helped PD's keep Pressure on Popeyes, with Glenita Logan and Brian Bodden doing the same on the other side. Cueme Parker and Fabio Gall would add more touchdowns for PDs with Patterson and the Popeyes gang answering right back for the hot chicken crew. At the end of the game it would come down to extra points and who converted them effectively. The game would end in a 21-20 victory to Popeyes after Brian Bodden would denv Cueme Parker a reception and the game clock would expire. Popeyes (21) PDs (20)

### Players of the games from week 7 is as follow:

**Game 1:** Burger Shack's Cassandra Bodden and Kaleb Ebanks

**Game 2:** The Bird's Ashley Wood and Rupert Whittaker

**Game 3:** Deloitte's Carly Dignam and Jerry Beck

**Game 4:** Cayman Auto's Sarafina McField and Jamal Bodden

**Game 5:** Popeyes's Glenita Logan and

Abdul Patterson Game 6: Tribe's Agueda Blake and Carlo Ylagan



## CBAC SWIMMERS REPRESENT CAYMAN AT UANA TOYKO OLYMPICS SWIMMING QUALIFIER

Camana Bay Aquatic Club swimmers Lila Higgo, Avery Lambert and Lauren Hew will represent the Cayman Islands at the FINA-sanctioned 2021 UANA Tokyo Olympics Swimming Qualifier meet this weekend, April 29 - May 2, in Clermont, Florida.

The Swimming Union of the Americas, Union Americana de Natación (UANA), is the international governing body of the Western Hemisphere for amateur aquatics. Over 330 athletes representing more than 50 countries will participate at the meet being held at the Orlando Health National Training Centre.

Hayley Palmer, Camana Bay Aquatic Club (CBAC) Head Coach said the meet was a significant opportunity for swimmers to qualify for the Tokyo Summer Olympic Games, the 2021 Junior Pan American Games and other upcoming international events alongside elite-level athletes from many different countries.

"Due to the pandemic travel restrictions, there have been very few opportunities for swimmers from Cayman and the wider Caribbean to swim and race qualifying

► Lila Higgo



Avery Lambert

times for the Tokyo Olympics and other big meets," she said. "Our swimmers are look-

ing forward to returning to international competition which always pushes them to swim their best. With so many elite swimmers in attendance at this meet there is guaranteed to be some great racing."

Lila Higgo said she was looking forward to the opportunity to race internationally given her team had been unable to attend their usual overseas travel meets.

"We have been lucky in Cayman to be able to continue our swim practice and our local swim meets over the past year, but we have really missed the international competition. I am really excited about representing Cayman at such a big swimming event like this one."

CBAC club swimmer Lila Higgo, age 14, will race events: 50m and 200m backstroke, 50m, 200m and 100m breaststroke, 200m and 400m individual medley, and 100m freestyle. Lila will join her overseas-based teammates Lauren Hew, aged 21, and Avery Lambert, aged 17, in Florida. Lauren will race events: 50m butterfly, 50m, 100m and 200m freestyle, and Avery will race 50m, 100m, 200m, 400m and 800m freestyle events.

Other swimmers representing the Cayman Islands at the UANA Tokyo Olympics Qualifier include Jordan and Jillian Crooks, Harper Barrowman and James Allison.



Lauren Hew

Live stream of the meet will be available at: https://www.panamsportschannel. org/

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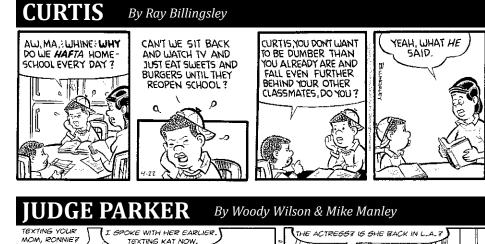
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