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► Open again! (Left to Right) Minister Of Tourism, Hon Kenneth Bryan, Ritz-Carlton General Manager, Marc Langevin, and Mark VanDevelde, CEO of Dart Enterprises

Cayman welcomes its Queens

By Christopher Tobutt

"We're so proud of you," was the big message for both of Cayman's queens, Miss Cayman Islands Universe, Georgina Keford, and Rashana Hydes, Miss Cayman Islands World, when they deplaned together at Owen Roberts International

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► Miss Cayman Universe (Left) Georgina Keford, and Miss Cayman World Rashana Hydes (right) are welcomed home at Owen Roberts International Airport

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Governor urges booster take up to beat Omicron

Now that health officials have confirmed that the more easily transmissible Omicron variant of Covid-19 has been detected in Cayman, Governor Martyn Roper is urging everyone who is eligible to get a booster shot as soon as possible. Scientific evidence suggests that the booster shot is providing a good level of protection against people suffering severely with the virus.

People who are over 18 who had their second vaccine shot more than three months ago are all eligible for a booster and can get their booster at clinics around the island. See the following for the vaccine and booster clinic schedule: www.hsa.ky/public-health/coronavirus

Governor Roper said that as 80% of the population had now received two vaccine doses, it put Cayman residents in a very strong position in protecting themselves against serious illness or worse from Covid-19. But that was not enough.

"Unfortunately, two doses of the vaccine alone does not give enough protection against catching Omicron. Studies are

showing that by far the best defence we have against Omicron is for those eligible to get the booster shot. Boosters increase immunity significantly and give you the best protection against serious illness, hospitalisation and catching the virus," the Governor said.

Governor Roper said if people had not had their booster shot, now was the time to come forward.

"My thanks to those who have already had their booster, please encourage your friends, family and colleagues to do the same. Boosters are literally life-saving and it is urgent that our booster take-up increases significantly," he confirmed. "I know many are concerned about getting sick following the injection. Some have reported mild symptoms such as a sore arm or flu-like symptoms for one or two days after the vaccine has been administered. But please don't make that the reason you don't come forward for your booster."

The Governor said people needed to get protected now, before Christmas and before Omicron cases started to rise.



► Cayman Islands Governor Martyn Roper

"Omicron is expected to become the dominant variant soon in many countries of the world and results of studies are showing that it spreads faster than other variants," he said.

A further batch of vaccines was arriving from the UK last week, for use as first, second and booster shots. The UK would continue to supply the Cayman Islands with

vaccines for as long as Cayman made use of the doses.

"Every adult across all three of our islands has to do their bit to protect themselves, our elderly, our children who are unable to get vaccinated and our community as a whole. I appeal to the community to inject more urgency into the booster roll-out," he said.



We wish you a special day and an abundance of happiness with loved ones.

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Blackbeard's opens Cayman's largest liquor store

By Georgia Austin

Members of the public, alongside Cayman Distributors Group (CDG) and Blackbeard's Eastern Avenue team, celebrated the launch of the seventh Blackbeard's store in the Cayman Islands on Thursday 16th of December, as the doors of Grand Cayman's largest liquor store were opened to the community.

With six stores located in Grand Cayman and one in Cayman Brac, CDG's Blackbeard's stores sell a selection of fine wines, beers, and spirits in Cayman. With the newest store open on Eastern Avenue, other locations include Grand Harbour, Camana Bay, the Falls, the Strand, and XQs.

Now situated at the old Cox Lumber location on Eastern Avenue, the newly refurbished site retains Blackbeard's mod-

ern ambience and easy-to-navigate layout, the company said. "The team has worked tirelessly to ensure this store is one we can be truly proud of," says Alex McClenaghan, General Manager of CDG.

The Eastern Avenue location is the biggest liquor store in the Blackbeard's chain, with the largest range of local and international alcoholic beverages on island. Together with the trademark walk-in cooler, the new location offers an on-site wine station allowing customers the unique opportunity to 'try before you buy'. Expertly trained wine specialists are on hand to assist and provide suitable food and wine pairing options that they say provide a first-rate shopper experience.

Collaborating with Z99 to broadcast the launch event island-wide, Blackbeard's and members of the 'Arrive Alive' initi-

ative encouraged those in attendance to take the Purple Ribbon Pledge to not drink and drive this holiday season. Blackbeard's are long-standing sponsors of the 'Arrive Alive 345' programme, and customers were provided with the trademark Purple Ribbon car decal to prove their pledge to keep Cayman's roads safe.

Prioritising ease of shopping, one advantage of the new store is the central lo-

cation and proximity to other large retailers such as Kirk Market. The store caters for customers who wish to peruse the extensive aisles of products whilst also providing for those who wish to grab and go. Both home delivery and click-and-collect services are conveniently available, and accessible from Blackbeard's user-friendly website.

With a wide variety of purchasing options, from organic spirits, craft beers, local products, gift boxes, and games, the store is prepared for a busy holiday season, providing Christmas cheer and monthly deals.

The Blackbeard's brand ethos is 'Celebrate your moment' and this state-of-the-art store ensures that their customers have every opportunity to do just that this holiday season.



► A packed new store



► Wide selection



► Blackbeard's staff ready to serve at their new store

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PREMIER MOVES TO CONTAIN SUSPECTED OMICRON SPIKE

A sudden alarming spike in the number of suspected COVID Omicron cases over the weekend prompted an immediate response from Hon. Premier Wayne Panton urging residents to avoid large gatherings.

In an urgent statement on Saturday, December 18th, Premier Panton relayed that the Public Health Department had reported that a further 23 potential cases of the Omicron variant had been identified.

Of those likely cases, seven are in persons with no travel history which he said suggested local community transmission of the Omicron variant.

That news followed Friday's announcement which by then confirmed that a total of four cases of the Omicron variant, with a suspected 10.

This startling surge to a possible 27 cases in just a matter of days plus the likelihood of possible community transmission of the Omicron variant, has also led the Chief Medical Officer to issue an Emergency Order to cancel a large event planned for Saturday evening.

Reinforcing that order, Premier Panton stated:

"In light of this rapidly evolving situation, I want to appeal to members of the community to carefully consider your attendance at any large gathering and to adhere to all safety protocols. The Omicron variant is extremely contagious and we must do all we can to slow the spread."

He further advised that in keeping with global concerns about the increased transmissibility of the Omicron variant, Medical Officer of Health Dr Samuel Williams Rodriguez urges Caymanians, residents and visitors to strictly practice COVID-19 prevention measures, including handwashing, mask-wearing and social distancing throughout the Holiday Season.

Dr Williams said: "These simple guidelines, combined with the full vaccination course and booster, offer the best chance of protecting ourselves and those we love."

In a rapid response to the surging spread of the highly infectious Omicron variant, many countries have resorted to even more stringent measures to control the spread.

National lockdowns, travel restrictions, curbing public gatherings, vaccination passports and negative lateral flow tests are now being more rigorously applied already by some countries.

Some of these measures have met with protests with some people objecting to being vaccinated and having their freedom of movement curtailed.

In Cayman, which has just reopened its borders and relaxed some travel restrictions, it is known that in some circles there are suggestions to reintroduce testing on arrival for visitors and returning residents.

While the government has relaxed some travel restrictions to kickstart the tourism industry, the global explosion of the Omicron variant has forced it to enact a series of targeted regulations as a precaution.



► Hon. Premier Wayne Panton

In his weekend address, Mr Panton made a direct appeal to appeal to residents and visitors.

"While it is the festive season and everyone is eager to enjoy socialising with family and friends, I want to appeal to all members of our community to carefully consider your attendance at any large gathering, that to be vigilant in adhering to all safety protocols."

New regs to curtail Omicron spread

Government has introduced new Covid-19 regulations that affect travellers to Cayman and the hospitality industry and which, they hope, will protect Cayman's most vulnerable groups from getting this more highly transmissible variant of Covid. The new Omicron variant has already been detected in Cayman in one traveller from the US and is suspected in ten others. The new regulations took effect last Friday 17 December, and include notable changes to testing protocols, public gathering limits and bar/nightclub operating hours.

Travel

The additional quarantine requirement for travelers from restricted countries from the previously issued regulations has been lifted in light of the current rate

of Omicron transmission globally. The new regulations also update the terms "departure" or "departure of the person's flight to the Islands" to allow travellers that have obtained a direct airside transit visa 24 hours in between their connecting flights to enter the Cayman Islands. Travellers who have direct airside transit visas are not allowed to leave the airport.

Positive LFT testing

Public Health now requires persons who receive a positive lateral flow test (LFT) result for Covid-19 to also be tested via PCR. People who test positive, whether via a self-reported LFT or a Certified LFT, must take a PCR test at the next available opportunity. Testing for these persons takes place daily from 1-2pm at the South Sound Community Centre.



The public is reminded that it is mandatory to report a positive LFT result and to follow Public Health's guidance on isolation. Anyone who fails to report their positive LFTs are guilty of an offence and liable upon conviction to a fine.

Households of persons who have tested positive for the Omicron variant must isolate for a minimum of 14 days regardless of their vaccination status.

Public meetings/gatherings

Large events of more than 250 people made possible by partitioned venues will no longer be permitted. Events must be limited to 100 people for indoor venues and 250 people for outdoor venues. There is no longer an exemption to exceed the public gathering limit if event organisers require attendees to utilise approved tests.

In addition, closing hours at bars and nightclubs will be reduced to midnight until 30 December, starting Friday, 17 December.

Visitation to healthcare, residential home care and detention facilities

Anyone visiting a patient in a healthcare, home care or prison setting must either provide proof of a negative approved test, taken on the day of visit or administer an approved test at the facility before being granted admission.

For more information about travel requirements, regulations and other Covid-19 response measures in the Cayman Islands, please visit the official Cayman Islands Government web portal, www.gov.ky/coronavirus.

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THE PANEL DISCUSSION

TOURISM OUTLOOK BLEAK IF SOME TRAVEL RESTRICTIONS REMAIN



By Staff Writer

The next few months are going to be 'make or break' for Cayman's peak tourism season - and the wider economy - if visitor arrivals continue to flatten.

The sobering conclusion was given by president of the Cayman Islands Tourism Association (CITA), Mark Langevin, in an assessment of the first month's business since the borders were re-opened on November 20th.

Appearing on last week's edition of the Caymanian Times programme, The Panel, Mr Langevin's assessment of the current situation is "crawling back instead of bouncing back".

Although interest among regular visitors and potential travellers remains high for the destination, one of the drawbacks is the inability of unvaccinated children to travel with their parents.

The government has said that it is reviewing this regulation.

"Right now, with the current regulation that does not allow the families to come back, it's clearly a problem and we have cancellation after cancellation," Mr Langevin stated.

Another area of concern is the current limited airlift into Cayman especially with American Airlines delaying their return until around February.

While other major carriers have begun returning and the national carrier Cayman Airways continues to add to its schedule, the CITA president says this remains a major hurdle as visitor passenger traffic is low.

"We looked at the composition of what is coming in and out and we are going to carry potentially much less than 10 per cent of all our load capacity for arrivals right until February when American Airlines comes back. And then eventually that might project us to 20/25 per cent of capacity we had before, and then later on we

will have 40 per cent in March if nobody gives up on us," he analysed.

"So that is going to also have a limitation on why we are only crawling back out of the situation we have."

Another point of concern revolves around who is travelling.

According to Mr Langevin, residential travel far outstrips visit arrivals at present.

"I went to a trade show last week in Europe. I came back and I pretty much knew everybody on the plane. What did that tell you? That plane coming back from Miami was occupied mostly by locals doing business potentially like me or whatever they were doing. But clearly indicates that there were not too many tourists on that plane. So we have a lower capacity."

Despite the slow pick-up in tourism as Cayman enters the peak season, Mr Langevin, who is also the general manager of the Ritz Carlton which has just reopened, says the focus is on the future.

Hotels and others in the industry have been looking forward to an increase in tourist business, especially into next year's US President's Day holiday and Springbreak.

But according to CITA president Langevin, whereas a month ago they were forecasting a gradual increase growing from 10 per cent and peaking at around a probable 60 per cent, that outlook may now have to be drastically revised downward.

"Unfortunately a month later, instead of growing we have decreased...We have lost what we had on the books because people realise that they cannot travel with their children."

He says one of the setbacks might be in the messaging and marketing of the destination as Cayman navigates its way out of the current COVID-19 restrictions.

"Instead of growing and sending a message that the destination is opening, there's the confusion," he stated, explaining that "the hardship(difficulty) is that when we communicate to our travellers what is required to come to Grand Cayman, it is actually reducing our ability to attract more people."

Mr Langevin disclosed that during a recent promotional trip to Europe he spent more time addressing questions about

Cayman's travel restrictions than actually promoting his hotel and the destination, a development which he felt was "unfortunate".

He summed it up this way: "Right now we have a major crisis that is not being addressed...Every day we are losing ground."

With bookings up to three months in advance, the CITA head and Ritz Carlton boss is sceptical about the outlook for the season.

"Because our business is booked for 60 days to 90 days in advance and right now we are so far behind that, I don't even know how we can catch up. And if we absolutely lose the opportunity especially President's Week and Spring break, I am going to tell you that for all the tourism industry we're not going to rebound."

In that scenario, the CIA president expressed a concern that tourism workers will be hit the hardest if the outlook continues to be bleak.

"The stipend workers are going to be staying stipends workers for the year because right now hotels are operating with what we have. But we need to bring back people to work and we need guests, so it's one of those vicious circles," he noted.

Mr Langevin's might however be alleviated as the Cayman Island Government (CIG) announced in the past few days that it is reviewing the policy of denying entry to unvaccinated children, one of the main



► President of the Cayman Islands Tourism Association, Mark Langevin

obstacles seen by the tourism industry to kickstarting the sector and saving the peak travel season.

(Hear the full discussion on this edition of The Panel on Caymanian Times website, Facebook and YouTube pages)

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► Ritz-Carlton General Manager, Marc Langevin

► Minister of Tourism, Kenneth Bryan

Ritz-Carlton reopens after CI\$50 million renovations

By Christopher Tobutt

After a break due to the COVID-19 pandemic and the slowdown in business, the Ritz-Carlton hotel officially re-opened on December 15, marking an anniversary exactly 16 years after first opening its doors here in Cayman.

Management of the 5-Star hotel used the Covid shutdown to extensively renovate and upgrade the already world-class facility to the tune of CI\$50 million.

With funding from its operators, the Dart Group, the hotel's lounge, lobby and beach-bar and other parts of the operation underwent an extensive overhaul in preparation for its next phase of welcoming guests.

Ritz-Carlton General Manager Marc Langevin said, "Sixteen years ago to the day, December 15, 2005, the Ritz-Carlton opened its doors. On that day, the hotel pushed the boundary of the Ritz-Carlton brand through its innovative partnership with leading luxury brands which since set the stage for the extraordinary Cayman Islands success as a world-renown luxury destination."

He noted that over the last 16 years the yearly contribution to the local economy has been close to CI\$100 million.



► Inside the newly decorated lounge area

According to Mr Langevin, "Many businesses have benefitted directly, including the government, who have collected almost 15 million dollars yearly through contributions such as hotel tax."

Referring to the difficult Covid no-travel period, Mr Langevin said, "While hotel owners across the globe decided to use their reserve funds to cover their loss, compromising their long-term investment, recovering ability, and even sacrificing guest-experience in the process, Dart showed its confidence in the strength of the Ritz Carlton brand, and the resilience of the Cayman Islands to come out of this period stronger than ever before."

He said it is certain this renovation will allow the iconic resort to stay the leader in the Cayman market and the region.

Hon. Minister of Tourism, Kenneth Bryan remarked that the reopening of the Ritz-Carlton has come at a perfect time.

"That was not an accident," he said, "rather it was because the Dart Group appreciates the value of this resort and what it brings to the tourism product, and understands the contribution that it makes to our larger economy."

Mr Bryan said that as the minister of tourism he was delighted that the Dart group continues to demonstrate confidence in Cayman and "the resurgence of our tourism product".

"I applaud the Dart organization for being bold in seizing this opportunity to further invest in the Cayman Islands by undertaking this extensive renovation project at a time when the industry is emerging from the most disruptive public health crisis of our time."

Further warming to his theme, Tourism Minister Bryan pointed out that, "Today in celebrating the next chapter of the Ritz-Carlton here in Grand Cayman, I am mindful that this reopening is much more than just what you see out here. It is the practical demonstration of hope for the future."

The well-attended event celebrating the reopening of the world-class hotel was welcomed with patrons gushing over its splendour.

"It's light, it's airy and refreshing and has a very Cayman modern 'breezy by the seaside' feel," said Jessica Mauer, one of the guests.

She also observed that "the rooms have been refurbished with a Classic Cayman theme too, and all along the corridors are splendid carpets fringed by a Silver thatch palm motif. What more can you ask for?"



► One of the lovely newly decorated rooms

Price reductions at Fosters following newly waived duties



Effective Friday, December 17th, customers will find reduced prices on a variety of essential items, including diapers, feminine-hygiene products, and baby food. This following Cabinet's announcement on November 23rd that duties would be waived on these products.

"We're able to immediately reduce prices on products ordered from overseas suppliers, and customers can expect to see these changes from today", says Julian Foster, Marketing Senior Manager. "However, because local vendors often order enough stock to last 2-3 months, we won't see price changes on some items until January. Of course, as they're able to amend their pricing, we'll

then be able to pass on the savings to customers."

Nearly 550 products will be affected across all Foster's Supermarket and Priced Right locations.

"Foster's is appreciative, on behalf of its customers, to this government and governments before it who have passed on duty concessions to the community. We will pass on this benefit to our customers as quickly as we can, as we have always done," says Woody Foster, Managing Director. "We wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and Healthy and Happy New Year!"

Customers with questions regarding price changes on essential items can speak to team members in store, email info@fosters.ky, or contact us on Foster's and Priced Right's social media channels (@fosterscayman & @pricedrightcayman).



► Woody Foster, Foster's Managing Director

CIPS Releases Three Stellar Stamp Issues

The Cayman Islands Postal Service will close out the year 2021 with an impressive issue of special new stamps that should gladden the hearts of dedicated philatelists as well as the general public.

The issue brings together three stamp issues that were set to be published during the last quarter: celebrating Her Majesty The Queen's 95th birthday, remembering His Royal Highness The Prince Philip, and commemorating Christmas 2021.

The releases are all the more precious given that printing and shipping delays for all three issues brought them to the Cayman Islands weeks after the target release dates in October and November.

Now, all three stamp issues are available for purchase at all Cayman Islands Post Offices. However, the First Day Cover (FDC) for the Prince Philip issue is the only one currently available since the

FDCs for the other two issues are still awaited.

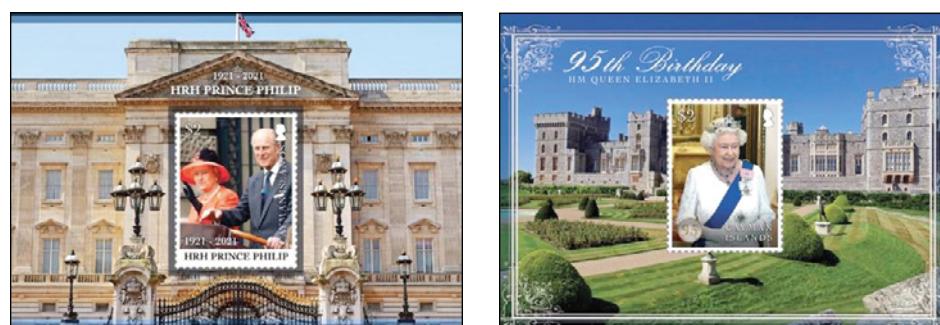
The full set of stamps and First Day Cover for the Prince Philip stamp issue are available for purchase at the Philatelic Bureau located in the Seven Mile Beach Post Office on West Bay Road.

Denominations and other details for the three sets of stamps are as below:

- His Royal Highness Prince Philip In Memoriam stamp:
 - Denominations: \$0.20, \$0.25 \$1.00 & \$1.60
 - Stamp Set: \$3.05
 - First Day Cover: \$3.85;
 - Souvenir Sheet: \$2.00;
- Her Majesty the Queen 95th Birthday Issue:
 - Denominations: \$0.25, \$0.30, \$0.80 & \$1.50
 - Stamp Set: \$2.85
 - First Day Cover: \$3.65 (not yet available)



- Souvenir Sheet: \$2.00;
- Christmas 2021 stamp issue:
 - Denominations: \$0.25, \$0.75, \$0.80 \$1.50
 - Stamp Set: \$3.30
 - First Day Cover: \$4.10 (not available yet)



Commenting on the stamp issues, Postmaster General, Ms Sheena Glasgow said: "The Christmas season is always a special time for us at CI Postal Service. So, I am delighted that we have been able to release another Christmas issue and the Royal Family stamp issues are always popular in philatelic circles. Unfortunately, conditions beyond our control - and indeed of our suppliers as well -- delayed the release of these new issues. Nevertheless, better late than never and we are pleased we could offer them in time for increased Christmas season mail."

The Postmaster General added, "Development work on our 2022 stamp issues is already underway so the Postal Service will continue to release stamp issues going into the future, as we have done in the past."

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- (b) Every person not disqualified on any of the grounds set out in the next paragraph of this notice is qualified to be registered as an elector in the said electoral district if he or she –

Qualifications of Electors

90(1) Subject to section 91, a person shall be entitled to be registered as an elector in one electoral district only, but he or she shall not be entitled to be registered as an elector for elections to the Legislative Assembly unless—

- (a) he or she was, on the day immediately preceding the date of commencement of this Constitution, entitled to be registered as an elector; or
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 - iii) is resident in the Cayman Islands at the date of registration; and
 - iv) has been resident in the Cayman Islands for a period or periods amounting to not less than two years out of the four years immediately preceding the date of registration; or
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REGISTERING OFFICER

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Disqualifications of Electors

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 - iii) the Elections Office
- (f) The registering officer for the electoral district is **E. Patricia Ebanks**.

22nd December, 2021
DATE

E. Patricia Ebanks
REGISTERING OFFICER

TAKE NOTICE that –

- (a) Every person who is entitled to be registered as an elector in the **East End** electoral district and who wishes to have his/her name placed on the Register of Electors for the three month period commencing on the **1st day of April, 2022** shall, unless already registered in the current Register of Electors, apply in writing in Form 4 for registration as an elector, which duly completed form must be received by the registering officer for the said electoral district on or before the registration date, namely the **1st day of January, 2022**.

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- (f) The registering officer for the electoral district is **Leisa V. Welcome**.

22nd December, 2021
DATE

Leisa V. Welcome
REGISTERING OFFICER



REGISTRATION NOTICE

section 13(2)

TAKE NOTICE that –

(a) Every person who is entitled to be registered as an elector in the **West Bay North, West Bay West, West Bay Central and West Bay South** electoral district(s) and who wishes to have his/her name placed on the Register of Electors for the three month period commencing on the **1st day of April, 2022** shall, unless already registered in the current Register of Electors, apply in writing in Form 4 for registration as an elector, which duly completed form must be received by the registering officer for the said electoral district(s) on or before the registration date, namely the **1st day of January, 2022**.

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 - ii) the registering office for any electoral district; or
 - iii) the Elections Office
- (f) The registering officer for the electoral district(s) is **Bethany Powery**.

22nd December, 2021
DATE

Bethany Powery
REGISTERING OFFICER

TAKE NOTICE that –

Every person who is entitled to be registered as an elector in the **George Town North, George Town West, George Town Central, George Town South, George Town East, Red Bay and Prospect** electoral district(s) and who wishes to have his/her name placed on the Register of Electors for the three month period commencing on the **1st day of April, 2022** shall, unless already registered in the current Register of Electors, apply in writing in Form 4 for registration as an elector, which duly completed form must be received by the registering officer for the said electoral district(s) on or before the registration date, namely the **1st day of January, 2022**.

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- (f) The registering officer for the electoral district(s) is **Kathryn Myles**.

22nd December, 2021
DATE

Kathryn Myles
REGISTERING OFFICER

TAKE NOTICE that –

Every person who is entitled to be registered as an elector in the **Newlands, Savannah, Bodden Town West and Bodden Town East** electoral district(s) and who wishes to have his/her name placed on the Register of Electors for the three month period commencing on the **1st day of April, 2022** shall, unless already registered in the current Register of Electors, apply in writing in Form 4 for registration as an elector, which duly completed form must be received by the registering officer for the said electoral district(s) on or before the registration date, namely the **1st day of January, 2022**.

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22nd December, 2021
DATE

Kerry Nixon
REGISTERING OFFICER

Doctors Hospital Multi-million Dollar New Cancer Centre Will Revolutionise Care in Cayman

A cutting-edge high-tech, multimillion, full-service oncology centre is coming to Grand Cayman within 18 months.

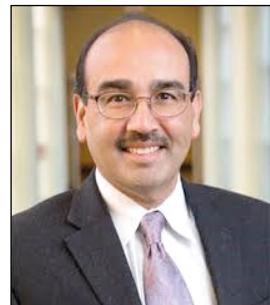
The almost 9000 square-foot standalone building will be built on the Doctors Hospital (DH) campus in George Town in partnership with a leading cancer provider in North America (unnamed at this time). The centre will ensure patients have access to the latest and most effective cancer treatment advances at a level of excellence unparalleled in the Caribbean and on par with the world's best hospitals.

The strategic partnership represents a pivotal step in DH's journey to provide advanced individualised cancer care in Cayman. The new centre will leverage the expertise of DH medical personnel and their North American partner's existing world-renowned medical centres to offer a multidisciplinary approach for all types and forms of cancer. The centre will include medical oncology with six private infusion suites and a state-of-the-art cleanroom, surgical oncology, and radiation oncology with image-guided volumetric intensity-modulated radiotherapy

(IMRT) / Halcyon Linear Accelerator. Taking a holistic approach to care, the centre will also feature a healing garden on its second floor - a place of refuge to promote healing and wellbeing in patients, families, and staff.

DH says the new oncology centre will provide comprehensive care and support for patients close to home - alleviating the need to travel abroad for an equivalent standard of care. The hospital has also invested in its staff. Dr Sanjay Awasthi, a re-

nowned medical oncologist who has been practising for over 30 years, most recently served as the Cancer Center Director Division Chief of Haematology & Oncology at Texas Tech University. He now leads the oncology programme at DH, supported by a team of oncology nurses and a range of laboratory and diagnostics services at the forefront of innovation. Awasthi is also a tenured Professor of Oncology at several top medical schools and the globally recognised Beckman Research Institute and City of Hope NCI-Designated Comprehensive Cancer Center in Los Angeles. Awasthi says, "Our leading clinical care and tech-



► Dr Sanjay Awasthi



nology is driven by acclaimed oncologists, highly sub-specialised cancer experts, and surgeons, clinical researchers, and genomic scientists. But, DH knows there is no magic, one-size-fits-all approach to curing cancer, which is why we tailor our approach to the unique characteristics of each person - from diagnosis to treatment and beyond."

"It is an honour to play an integral role in the evolution of care on the island, which will now continue with a revolutionary oncology service," says DH board chairman Dr Yaron Rado. "Despite the added challenges of the COVID-19 pandemic, we took the opportunity to accelerate innovation. We added GE's spectral 512 slice Revolution CT scanner this year, which delivers unrivalled care with less radiation while maximising patient comfort. We are also adding the GE SIGNA™ Voyager AIR™ Edition 1.5T, 70 cm MRI scanner early next year - with imaging capabilities on a level equal to the world's top research universities, significantly improving cancer diagnosis."

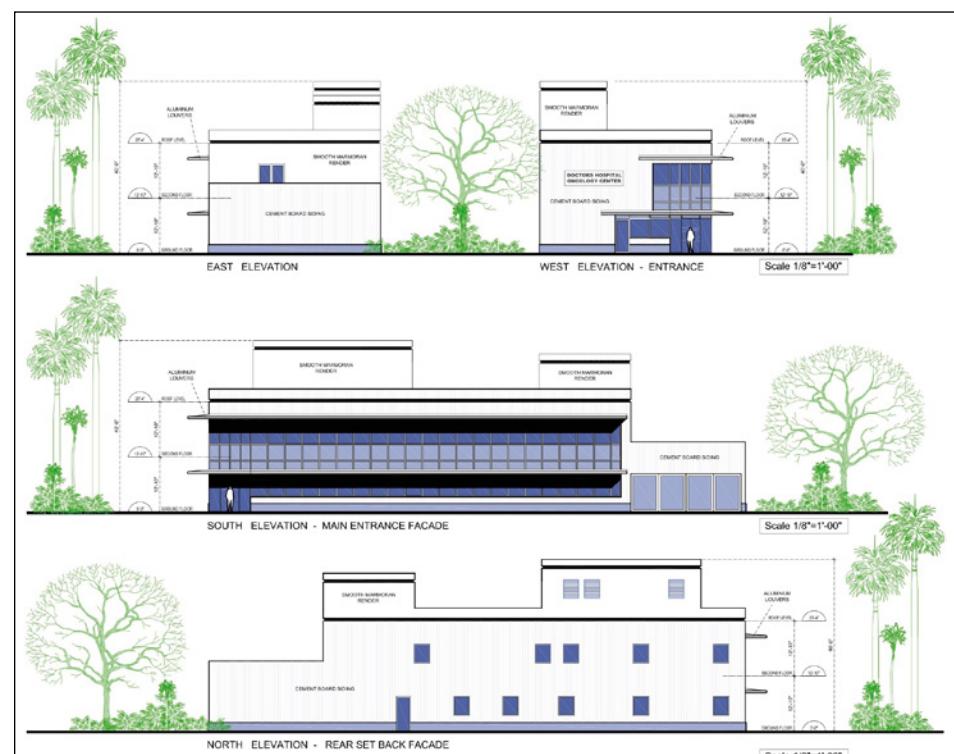
As the only locally owned, private hospital serving Cayman for over 20 years, Doctors Hospital is dedicated to transforming healthcare in Cayman through modern medical, surgical, and diagnostic services. Dr Rado adds, "Although our mission to in-

novate and promote science and technology is global-facing, the hospital is dedicated to local service. The oncology centre is part of our community's broader, multi-million dollar investment, proudly underwritten by the local bank, Butterfield. The centre will incentivise further foreign investment and relocation to Cayman, provide jobs for locals, and contribute to our economy over the next decade. It's all about building a stronger, more resilient, and self-reliant Cayman."

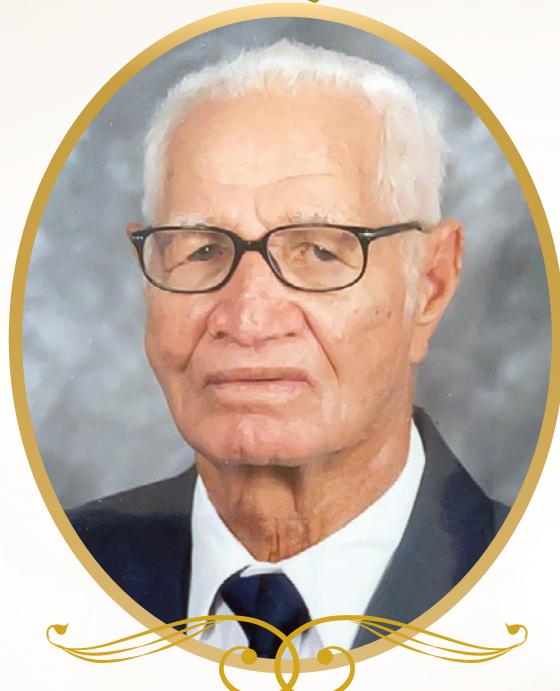
About Doctors Hospital, Cayman

Doctors Hospital offers exceptional private healthcare with state-of-the-art medical, surgical, and diagnostic services to Cayman residents and visitors seeking international-standard healthcare in the heart of George Town. We are dedicated to improving on-island healthcare by recruiting leading specialists, investing in cutting-edge technology, and prioritising patient safety through evidence based clinical pathways. And we deliver it all with a personal touch, because we believe everyone deserves dignity, respect, and compassion.

To learn more about Doctors Hospital, please visit <https://www.doctorshospitacayman.com> or like us on Facebook.



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► TAB Financial Accountant, Laurence Robinson presents Mrs. Mitchell with gifts



► TAB Staff with Pines Director Lynda Mitchell

NATIONAL ATTRACTIONS STAFF DONATE GIFTS TO PINES RESIDENTS

As a part of the Tourism Attraction Board's (TAB) Workplace Wellness employee initiative, management and staff from the national attractions donated gifts of clothing to the residents of the Pines Retirement Home.

TAB Financial Accountant, Laurence Robinson presented the gifts to Pines Manager, Lynda Mitchell on Wednesday 15th December as staff gathered for a Christmas luncheon. "We find it fitting for our wellness committee to donate to an organization like yours because our mission and values align where we try to enhance wellness of our individual members and the society as a whole. We hope this brings some joy to your residents and we wish you a merry Christmas and a happy new year," said Mr. Laurence.

All Pines residents will receive a gift from the donations made by staff of the TAB, Queen Elizabeth II Botanic Park, Pedro St. James; the Cayman Craft Market and the Hell Geological Site, and Cayman Craft Market.

"We are very thankful for the community support, and your generosity will make a difference in the lives of our residents," expressed Mrs. Mitchell. "Our residents will be so happy to receive the gifts on Christmas Day," she added.

TAB Director, Patrick Thompson said this is what Christmas is all about. "With the commitment of our staff, we aim to spread love and give hope to the elderly who reside at the Pines. We want to let them know that we are thinking of them this Christmas," he said.

The TAB is responsible for managing the Queen Elizabeth II Botanic Park; the National Historic Site, Pedro St. James; the Cayman Craft Market and the Hell Geological Site. For information on the TAB or its agencies please email marketing@tab.ky, call 949-6999 or visit the website www.tab.ky and its social media sites:

- <https://www.facebook.com/TourismAttractionBoard>
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Miss World postponed over COVID-19 concerns

Organizers of Miss World 2021 have announced the grand finale of the 70th edition of the pageant, scheduled for Thursday, December 16th at the Puerto Rico Coliseum, has been postponed due to rising COVID-19 cases amongst the

contestants; the health and safety of other contestants, staff, production crew and the general public.

"We know this is disappointing but we understand and support the Miss World organization on this decision. Our Cayman

candidate, Rashana Hydes is safe and well and will be returning home on Friday Dec 17th at 2:30pm." Miss World Cayman Islands Committee Director Pamela Ebanks-Small said.

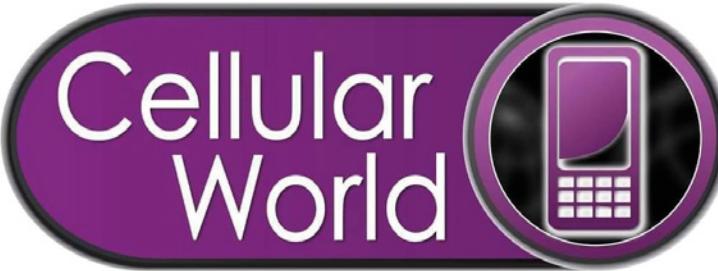
Rashana commented from Puerto Rico "I am safe and blessed and will continue to trust God, lean on my support system and adapt to our ever changing circumstan-

ces with a grateful heart." The Miss World Organization announced the finale will be rescheduled and held at Puerto Rio Coliseum Jose Miguel Agrelot within the next 90 days.

Thank you for your continued support of the Miss World Cayman Islands Pageant. For more information on this please, visit the Miss World social media pages.



► Cayman Islands Candidate for Miss World Rashana Hydes



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► Cayman welcomes home Miss Cayman Universe, Georgina Kerford



► Miss Cayman World, Rashana Hydes, next to her father, and members of the Miss Cayman World team and Heather Bodden

Cayman welcomes home both its queens

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Airport on Friday 17 December. They were both coming home to their 'Rock' on a Cay-

man Airways flight from Miami, to a welcome fit for a queen, with a reception from all their friends and family and members of the Miss Cayman Committee.

Miss India, Hamaaz Sandu, may have won the Miss Universe crown but it was Georgina who won the hearts of all the Caymanians back home. Ms. Kerford had arrived in Miami from Israel the previous evening, with Mario and Lovenia Ebanks, who had been her chaperones during her nearly month-long stay in Israel. "I'm back home and I feel blessed," Ms Kerford said, "Thank you to everyone who has been supporting me I am so thankful to be home, and back on my rock I've got so much experience it was definitely a culture-shock and I am so blessed and grateful to be from the Caribbean such a 'Cayman-kind.' It was also very spiritual and I am so grateful for the experience.

"It's overwhelming to see the amount of joy and the amount of people that are proud of me. It makes me happy that I put Cayman on the map and did a great job. It was honestly amazing. Some things I was expecting, and other things I never expected to happen, but that is life and you never know how it is going to go. I learned to be grateful for the little things and to come from the Caribbean it's so much nicer in my opinion I am not saying that Israel wasn't nice, (but) to see that women have more rights here, and the food, oh my goodness it makes me grateful to have Caribbean food."

Miss Universe was held in Eilat, Israel on December 12. Back home in Cayman, of course, everyone was cheering her on as they watched the pageant on television. At only 18 years old, Ms Kerford was one of the youngest contestants in the pageant, competing against 80 of the most beautiful women in the

world. In the preliminary evening gown and swimsuit competition Ms Kerford carried herself like a true queen, and made everyone back home on the rock extra-proud when she wore a breathtakingly-beautiful banana-orchid national costume, designed by Cayman's own Danielle Watler.

Rashana had a huge disappointment, because Miss World finals got cancelled at the last minute. "I went to Puerto Rico for the 70th annual Miss World pageant, and unfortunately due to covid circumstances the final was postponed so the final competition should be taking place within the next 90 days. So I am going to spend my Christmas at home, having a lovely Cayman-style Beef Dinner and I'll be back again in Puerto Rico soon to finish the competition," she said.



► Rashana Hydes making Cayman just so proud



CUC's Christmas Closures

On Friday, December 24, our Customer Service Centre at our Administrative Offices on North Sound Road will close at noon for Christmas. This office will reopen for business on Wednesday, December 29 at 9:00 a.m.

Gift Certificates from CUC that can be used towards paying electricity bills are available in denominations of \$25, \$50 and \$100 from our Customer Service Centre.

Visit www.cuc-cayman.com for a complete list of our online bill payment options. Bill payments can be made at our remote payment locations across Grand Cayman during their respective holiday hours.

Warmest wishes for a blessed Christmas!

Christmas of Yesteryears to be Reenacted at Miss Lassie's House

The Cayman National Cultural Foundation (CNCF) will be cleaning and sprucing up Miss Lassie's home in South Sound in preparation for Christmas. The annual event, called "Christmas of Yesteryears", reenacts the various activities that Caymanians would engage in years ago as part of their cultural traditions during the holiday season.

This year the CNCF staff and volunteers will descend on the grounds of Miss Lassie's home (also known as Mind's Eye) on Tuesday, 21 December from sunrise to noon where they will mix white lime to dress the house in a fresh new coat for the holidays; 'back' sand in traditional Caymanian thatch baskets and arrange it in neat piles; spread and brush the sand with rosemary brooms; pull weeds and perform any other necessary maintenance on the structure and compound.

"It is so important to our sense of identity as a nation that we keep hold of



► CNCF Volunteers Tidy Up Miss Lassie's House

these precious traditions and not allow them to fade away from our collective memories, either because of our inattention, or the fast pace of modern develop-

ment," said Henry Muttoo, CNCF Artistic Director.

Gladwyn K. Bush – Miss Lassie – was a fourth-generation Caymanian who started

painting at the age of 62 after what she describes as a visionary experience. Strong Christian themes run through her work, which she painted not only on canvas, but also on the walls, windows and furnishings of her home.

In 2009 after her death and that of her only son, the Cayman Islands Government purchased the property and vested it in the Cultural Foundation. Since that time, CNCF has meticulously restored and preserved the artist's home for the people of the Cayman Islands to experience an embodiment of their cultural and artistic heritage, to keep alive the memory of the artist as a National Cultural Treasure and, by its use, to educate, promote, develop and research Caymanian and intuitive art, culture and heritage.

For more information about Mind's Eye: Miss Lassie's House or to book a tour contact Virginia Foster at vfoster@artscayman.org or 949-5477 or visit www.artscayman.org.



► CNCF Staff Give Miss Lassie's House A Fresh Coat of Paint



► Students Learned How to Spread the Sand at the 2020 Event

Christmas Garbage Collection 2021

The Department of Environmental Health (DEH) advises the public that there will be no garbage collection services on Christmas Day, Saturday, December 25, 2021. The landfills in Grand Cayman, Cayman Brac and Little Cayman will also be closed on that day. However, the landfill drop-off facility at the gate will remain accessible for the public and small vehicles 24 hours per day.

Collections will resume and landfills will reopen on Monday, December 27, 2021 (Christmas Day Observed), as usual. Normal operations will continue on Tuesday, December 28, 2021 (Boxing Day Observed).

The public is also advised that the landfills will operate half day on Christmas Eve (Friday, December 24, 2021), closing its

gates at 1:00 PM. The same schedule will apply on New Year's Eve and New Year's Day (Friday, December 31 and Saturday, January 1, 2022, respectively). Normal collection will take place on New Year's Day Saturday, January 1, 2021.

The DEH's Management and staff take this opportunity to thank the public for its continued support and cooperation throughout the year and wish everyone a safe and healthy holiday season.

For additional information, please contact the DEH at 949-6696, email us at dehccustomerservice@gov.ky, visit the DEH's website at www.deh.gov.ky or message our Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/Department-of-Environmental-Health-Cayman-Islands-Government-335107266641072>.



Collection Advisory



No Garbage Collection on
Christmas Day 2021

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Port Authority Holiday Hours Schedule

The Port Authority of the Cayman Islands has issued its holiday hours schedule for the rest of the year and for the start of 2022.

The details are as below:

- **December 16*, 17*, 20, 21, 22 & 23, 2021** – Extended Holiday hours

Billing Office, Cargo Distribution Center and Container Yard will remain open till 6:00pm. Night operations as normal

- **Saturday, December 18* 2021** – Extended Holiday hours

Billing Office, Cargo Distribution Center and Container Yard will remain open till 3:00pm. Night operations as normal

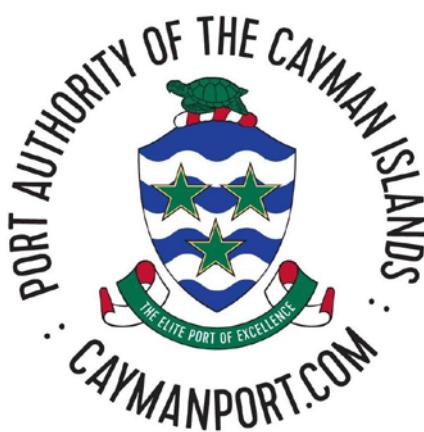
***Additional extended hours offered to facilitate closure for Staff Function**

- 24 & 31 December 2021 – Billing Office, Cargo Distribution Center and Container Yard will close at 01:00pm. Night operations from 6:00pm – 12:00am

- 25 December 2021 – All areas closed for the Public Holiday

- 26 December 2021 - All areas closed for the Public Holiday. Night operations from 6:00pm – 12:00am

- 27 December 2021 – All areas closed for the Public Holiday



- 28 December 2021 – All areas closed for the Public Holiday. Night operations to resume at midnight (12:00am) 29 December 2021
- 1 January 2022 – All areas closed for the Public Holiday. Night operations as normal
- 2 January 2022 – All areas closed for the Public Holiday. Night operations from 6:00pm – 12:00am
- 3 January 2022 – All areas closed for the Public Holiday. Night operations to resume at midnight (12:00am) 4 January 2022.



DVDL Opening Hours to 2022

Date	Crewe Road	West Bay	Breakers
Monday, 13 December	8:30 - 4:00 p.m.	10:00 - 6:00 p.m.	10:00 - 6:00 p.m.
Friday, 17 December	8:30 - 12:00 noon	8:30 - 12:00 noon	8:30 - 12:00 noon
Saturday, 18 December	Closed	Closed	Closed
Friday, 24 December	8:30 - 12:00 noon	8:30 - 12:00 noon	8:30 - 12:00 noon
Saturday, 25 December	Closed	Closed	Closed
Monday, 27 December & Tuesday, 28 December (Christmas and Boxing Day observed)	Closed	Closed	Closed
Wednesday, 29 December	Open	Open	Open
Thursday, 30 December	Open	Open	Open
Friday, 31 December	8:30 - 12:00 noon	8:30 - 12:00 noon	8:30 - 12:00 noon
Saturday, 1 January	Closed	Closed	Closed
Monday, 3 January (New Year's Day observed)	Closed	Closed	Closed
Tuesday, 4 January	Open	Closed	Closed
Wednesday, 5 January	Open	Open	Open

Customers are reminded that they can renew their driver's and vehicles licences at DVDL website, www.dndl.gov.ky.



Holiday Hours for COVID Testing and Vaccination Clinics

The Cayman Islands Health Services Authority (HSA) would like to advise its patients and visitors of the following Christmas holiday hours for its COVID-19 testing and vaccination services, including community exit testing:

- **COVID-19 Testing** – Open Christmas Day, Boxing Day and New Year's Day 10am -12pm. Open Monday 27 December, 2021 7:30am -12:00pm and Tuesday 28 December, 2021 -7:30am -12:00pm.

- **COVID-19 Vaccination** – Closed Christmas Day, Boxing Day, New Year's Day, Monday 27 December, 2021 and Tuesday 28 December. Closes at 4:00pm on 24 and 31 December 2021.

- **Community Exit PCR testing** - Effective December 20, 2021 until January 10,



2022 daily Community Exit PCR testing will be done at 10am -12pm (instead of 11:00am -1:00pm).

The locations will remain the same: Bodden Town Civic Center, South Sound Civic Center, Ed Bush Sports Complex.

Wastewater COVID Discount Deadline



Water Authority - Cayman

1) water consumption records for the entire calendar year 2019 and

2) the Cayman Water Company bill(s) for the month(s) under consideration. Requests should be submitted to info@waterauthority.ky.

The deadline to apply for the Water Authority Wastewater COVID-19 Discount for commercial customers is 31 December 2021. No applications will be accepted after this deadline.

Commercial customers who still want to take advantage of this wastewater discount and have not yet done so, should apply now. The discount is on wastewater bills for the period of **April 2020 to September 2021**.

Customers wanting to apply must do so in writing and provide

UCCI Announces Spring Registration Schedule

Spring semester is approaching fast at the University College of the Cayman Islands. There is still time to register before classes begin January 10, but hurry as spaces are filling up fast.

UCCI encourages online registration. For those that need a little assistance, a schedule has been announced for the first week of January to help students get the classes they need. Appointments can be made on the UCCI website – www.ucci.edu.ky — by clicking on the Book an Appointment link and selecting the appointment type, either as a new admission applicant or as a current student. Continuing and prospective students can stop by the One-Stop Centre during an open drop-in session for assistance.

The schedule for such assistance is as follows:

- **Jan 4**

Appointments: 9am - 12pm
Open drop-in session: 3-7pm

- **Jan 5**

Appointments: 3-6pm
Open drop-in session: 9am - 12pm

- **Jan 6**

Appointments: 9am - 12pm
Open drop-in session: 3-7pm

- **Jan 7**

Appointments: 3-6pm
Open drop-in session: 9 am - 12pm

- **Jan 8**

Appointments: 9am - 1pm
Open drop-in session: 9am - 1pm
Information is also available by calling 345-623-8224.

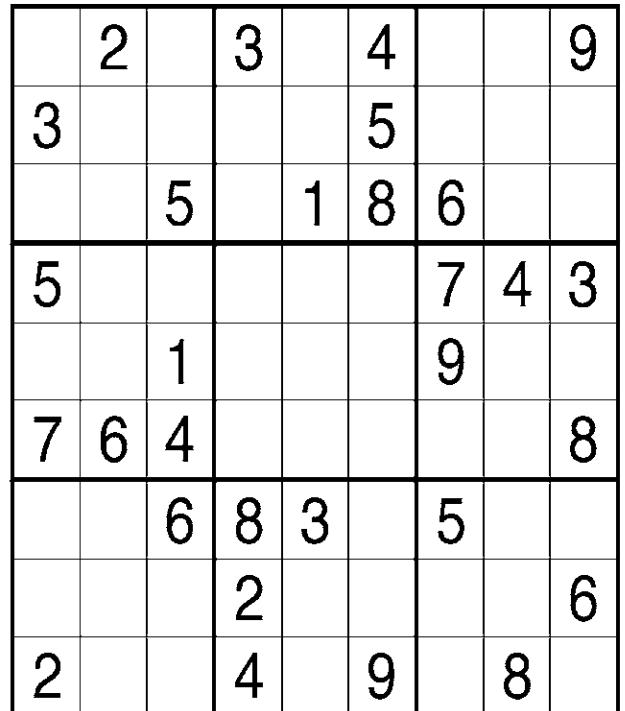


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Conceptis Sudoku

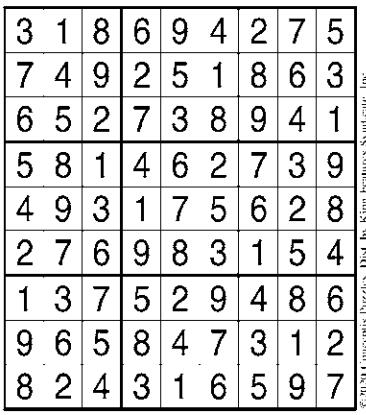
Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Conceptis Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

By Dave Green



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Answer to previous puzzle



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Word Search



Banshee
Bunyip
Chimera
Dragon
Dryad
Dybbuk
Fairy
Faun
Genie
Ghost
Gnome
Goblin
Golem
Gremlin
Kelpie
Kraken
Leprechaun
Lorelei
Mermaid
Naiad
Pixie
Sprite
Sylph
Troll
Zombie

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



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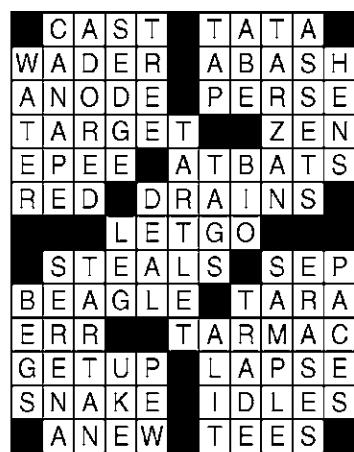
By THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS 47 Beach bits

- 1 Pansy part
- 6 Burning crime
- 11 Entertain
- 12 Turning tool
- 13 Parts of some phones
- 15 Inquire
- 16 Vaccine base
- 17 Poker prize
- 18 Car parts
- 20 Cook's wear
- 23 Lathered up
- 27 Cornfield pest
- 28 Put together
- 29 Locker room
- 31 Store for the future
- 32 Purple hue
- 34 Maple flow
- 37 Acquire
- 38 Letter after sigma
- 41 They bat to the same side as they stand
- 44 Worried
- 45 Like Poe tales
- 46 Highways

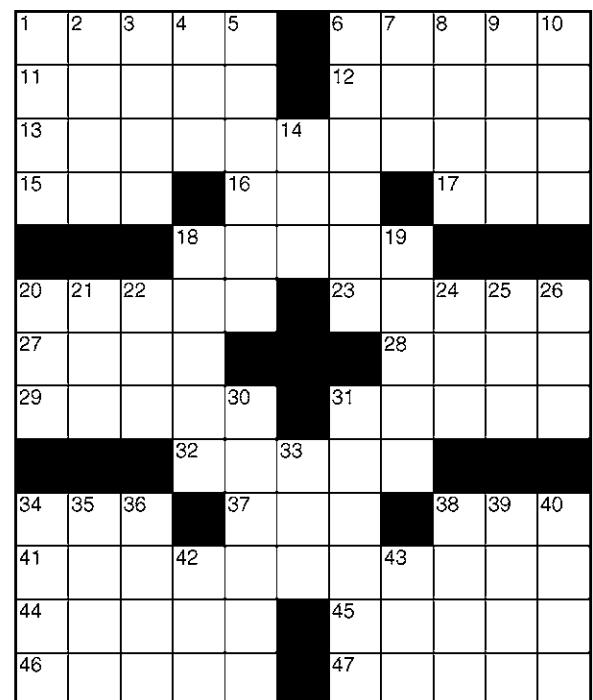
DOWN

- 1 Mama's mate
- 2 Flightless birds
- 3 Walrus feature
- 4 Fire remnant
- 5 James of the NBA
- 6 Church sights
- 7 Maze runner
- 8 Halt
- 9 Cry of distress
- 10 High home
- 14 One, for Juan
- 18 Wooden rod



Yesterday's answer

19 Cashew family tree	31 Coffee bar orders
20 Play division	33 Maui souvenir
21 Old hand	34 Rigging support
22 Join the crew	35 Car
24 Week part	36 Entreaty
25 Runner on	38 Shore flier
26 Longing	39 Like a desert
30 Christmas	40 Calls on
31	42 Young man
32	43 Earl Grey, e.g.



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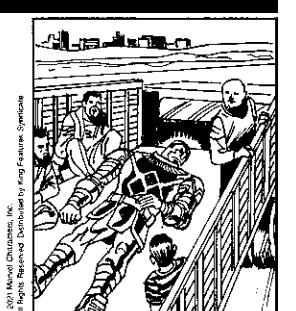
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