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Cabinet Approves Cruise Berthing Referendum



Jordan Crooks makes history



CAYMAN CRUISE PIER: 'WHERE AND WHEN'

To use an analogy, the cruise pier issue has cruised back into the headlines but this time in a real sense. It may very well lead to a berthing or a sinking of this

sector - in true Cayman nautical terms.

The decision of the UPM administration to put the issue out to the highest form of

idea - and by extension Cayman's cruise pubic consultation - a referendum - is significant.

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ANOTHER CRUISE PIER REFERENDUM: MORE A QUESTION OF 'WHERE' THAN 'IF'?



Regional neighbours - competitors by default - have gone on to build even larger cruise ports (or build cruise ports with berthing facilities where previously they didn't exist).

Cayman, meanwhile has been seeing its cruise sector, a critical segment of its vital tourism industry, slowly - and by some accounts, fairly rapidly) dwindle to where it's 'just barely staying afloat'.

This is acknowledged by the UPM government.

"Cruise lines have expressed that passenger numbers could be expected to decline without berthing because the turnaround time required to transfer passengers from ship to shore via the

current tender operations was impractical. Additionally, cruise lines have moved on from the Oasis class ships to the newer, larger Icon class which carry more guests, making the transfer of passengers by tender completely unfeasible," it says.

The quality over quantity argument also seems a bit adrift in this scenario.

The local business sub-sector built up around the cruise industry is reported to be suffering due to dwindling bookings associated with the declining number of cruise ship calls and passengers.

Commenting on the impact this is having on local small businesses, the government further warned: "The Cayman Islands cruise sector is predominantly serviced by Caymanian-owned small and micro businesses and employs a higher ratio of Caymanian entrepreneurs in public transport, water sports, retail and tour operations than the stayover tourism sector. The stark decline in visitor numbers, as well as having an adverse effect on these businesses, is also negatively impacting government revenues earned per passenger from departure tax."

Meanwhile, the inclusion of the current port area for the proposed new cargo port expansion is already attracting its share of environmental concerns and reservations.

As things stand, it would appear that the question for the cruise pier referendum - reportedly to be held before December this year - might be less of 'if' but 'where' a cruise port could be best located...if Cayman is to keep up with industry trends.

That's of course if Cayman wants to.
Once again we'll watch, wait - and par-

ticipate - with bated breaths.



A previous attempt at a referendum on the issue was left 'dead in the water'.

In 2019, the then-PPM administration initiated a referendum, then on a joint cruise and cargo port development project.

That effectively 'ran aground', battered by waves of objections led by local environmental groups over the expected impact on the George Town harbour's delicate coral reef system. There were also questions surrounding the legality of the referendum itself.

However, the PPM government cleared the legal hurdles. Despite losing in the Grand Court, it ultimately won in the Court of Appeal. By then the political will had been taken out of the government's sails over this issue and it backed away from the project.

Cayman's cruise pier woes were keenly followed in the global industry and particularly by neighbouring - and competing Caribbean destinations.

The global cruise industry has gone on to build even larger mega cruise ships.







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Department of Education Services (DES) Releases Start Dates for New Academic Year

The Department of Education Services (DES) has released the dates when Government schools on all three islands, including primary, secondary, the Lighthouse School and the Cayman Islands Further Education Centre (CIFEC), will reopen for regularly enrolled students.

Government primary and high schools, including CIFEC are scheduled to reopen for all students on **Wednesday**, **28 August 2024**.

Year 12 students enrolled at CIFEC, including those who have not yet been notified of their dual entry status, are required to report to the institution for registration, consultation and guidance based on the first letter of their surname. For the new academic year, CIFEC will be located on the former George Hicks Campus; additional details will be provided regarding the schedule at a later date.

School Orientation for New and Transfer Students

Orientation Day provides new students and their parents with essential information for successful integration into the new learning environment. Parents are required to accompany their children to Orientation Day, which is mandatory for any student entering a government school for the first time.

2024 New Student Orientation Schedules: Primary Schools

Date	School	Time	Details
27 August	Creek & Spot Bay Primary School	11:00 AM - 12:00 PM	
	East End Pri- mary School	9:00 AM – 12:00 PM	
	Edna Moyle Primary School	9:00 AM – 10:30 AM	
	Marie Martin Primary School	8:30 AM - 11:00 AM 11:00 AM-12:00 PM All Year 6 Students	All NEW primary school
	Joanna Clark Primary School	8:30 AM – 10:30 AM	students must attend orientation
	Lighthouse School	9:00 AM - 10:30 AM All new Primary & Secondary Students	accompanied by a parent/ guardian.
	Prospect Pri- mary School	9:00 AM - 11:00 AM	
	Red Bay Pri- mary School	9:30 AM - 11:00 AM	
	Theoline Mc- Coy Primary School	9:00 AM – 10:30 AM	
	Sir John A. Cumber Pri- mary School	9:00 AM – 10:00 AM	
	West End Pri- mary School	11:00 AM - 12:00 PM	



PROGRESSIVES STATEMENT ON AUDITOR GENERAL'S REPORT ON REGEN

ReGen.

We note that the Auditor General's December 2021 report on Project ReGen is being circulated. We welcome the opportunity to see it and to make comment.

In substance, there are two major **criticisms** that lead the AG to question the project's value for money.

First, the AG's report highlights that the benefits of Project ReGen were not properly stated and quantified in a way that allowed a comprehensive value for money judgement to be made. Benefits need to be expressed in a SMART form in formal documentation in order for value for money to be properly assessed.

The benefits of ReGen were, and are, clear. The project would have increased recycling and composting and would have delivered a modern waste-to-energy plant. In so doing, the country's landfill requirement would have fallen by about 95%. The George Town landfill could have been capped and remediated with the ongoing need to landfill bottom ash being undertaken in a properly managed way. The environmental and public health risks associated with the landfill would have been significantly reduced.

These benefits were constantly re**peated** in all the information made public about the project because that was a key part of the communication strategy.

However, it is clear that these benefits were not properly quantified in the paperwork that was required for the project. We accept the AG's recommendation that such deficiencies in process need to be corrected in future decision-making process.

Secondly, the AG argues that the Public Private Partnership (PPP) route selected for the procurement may have unnecessarily increased the cost of the project.

The AG traces the choice to go down the PPP route to an 'erroneous' belief that PPP did not count as borrowing. Here we must say that we believe there is some misunderstanding on the AG's part. It is the case that the then Progressives-led government saw PPP as more attractive from a political standpoint as we had



► Progressives leader Hon Roy McTaggart

ruled out increasing traditional financing debt as a valid political choice. However, it was always understood that, in accounting terms, the PPP would need to be treated as borrowing.

The AG goes on to say that even given the political constraint on traditional debt financing, the situation was changing due to the Progressives' success in bringing government finances into line and the financing strategy could have been re-evaluated.

What the AG's report fails to say is that the Outline Business Case (OBC) specifically acknowledged the potential to do precisely that. Appendix B of the OBC notes that 'with the country's improving fiscal situation, the CIG may be willing to consider some debt funding."

We therefore did keep the financing of the project under review and as the AG's report notes we were actively considering a capital injection to reduce the financing costs of the project. The AG notes that there was no firm agreement to that from the contractor but that was one of the items for negotiation as part of the move to financial close.

Moreover, this strategy for a CIG financial injection was maintained by the PACT government. Their own current Strategic Policy Statement included the intention to establish a sinking fund to help finance the cost of the project. The Progressives welsistent with our own financing strategy for

In any case, the OBC report makes clear that the decision to go down the PPP route was not determined by any view on government borrowing but because the report demonstrated that PPP delivered better value for money than the public sector comparator. That conclusion was subject to sensitivity analysis within the report.

This gets to the most important issue raised in the AG's report. The report suggests that some of the assumptions in the financial model used to calculate the value for money of the alternative routes were not reasonable. The problem was compounded because a final business case was not prepared that could have retested the assumptions. The purpose of the final business case is precisely to reassess the assumptions underlying the procurement in the light of new information that has emerged.

To be clear, updated information was routinely provided through the procurement process and Ministers made decisions to change approach as new **information came to light.** Such changes include the capital injection already mentioned, accepting the revised size of the

scope of the contract to cut costs.

However, the extent to which the detailed financial modelling assumptions were revisited needs to be clarified. There are significant issues of proper process that the Public Accounts Committee will need to probe in detail whenever it meets to consider the report.

The AG's report is helpful in shedding light on the initial phases of the procurement process, and it is right that we now subject the process to scrutiny.

The last three years of mishandling and delay of the project must be subject to the same scrutiny.

As the AG's report states several times, it was apparent even in December 2021 that the failure of PACT to meet the deadline for financial close created 'significant risk' of escalating costs. We too warned of that at the time and events have proven those warnings were correct.

On Friday last we sent the press a statement that included a list of the ten most significant questions that the government must answer about the failure of the Regen procurement and what their plan for the future now is. (Attached)

Alongside the scrutiny of the AG's report, Ministers must answer those questions as a matter of urgency.

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Department of Education Services (DES)

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2024 New Student Orientation, Examination Release and School Resumption **Schedules:**

Secondary Schools

John Gray High School (JGHS)

Date	School	Time	Details		
26 August	9:00 AM- 11:00 AM	Release of Exam Results - Year 11 students	Year 11 students will meet in the gymnasium to receive their results and initial consultation.		
27 August	8:00 AM - 1:00 PM	Orientation of Year 7 students and ALL students new to the school	New Students – All students who are newly registered for JGHS. Students will meet in the gymnasium and parents are invited to attend the Welcome Assembly.		
28 August	8:00 AM - 2:50 PM	Resumption of classes for all students.	All students must attend in full school uniform and bring laptops.		

Clifton Hunter High School (CHHS)

Date	School	Time	Details
	9:00 AM-11:00 AM	Year 11 students	Year 11 students will meet in the gymnasium to receive their results and initial consultation.

	Orientation of ALL students new to the school.	New Students – All students who are newly registered for CHHS.	
		All students must attend in full school uniform and bring laptops.	

Layman E. Scott Sr. High School (LSHS)

Date	School	Time	Details	
21 August	9:00 AM-11:00 AM	Orientation of ALL new/ transfer students	New Students – All students who are newly registered for LSHS.	
27 August	10:00 AM- 11:30 AM	Orientation for Dual Entry & Vocational Studies students	Senior Leaders and a representative from UCCI will meet with students approved for the Dual Entry programme and those repeating subjects (for course selection and registration).	
28 August	8:00 AM	Resumption of classes for all students	Students in Years 7-11 must attend in full school uniform and bring laptops.	

To learn more or to access the complete 2024/2025 academic school calendar, visit https://schools.edu.ky/academic-calendar/.

Cabinet Approves Cruise Berthing Referendum



► Hon Kenneth Bryan

By: Public Relations

Cabinet has granted approval for a referendum to determine whether cruise berthing infrastructure should be provided to support the cruise industry in the Cayman Islands. This decision is based on the need for government to address the ongoing reduction in cruise passenger arrivals and the knock-on effects impacting Caymanian owned businesses and the local economy.

Since cruise ships returned to the Cayman Islands in 2022 following the end of the pandemic, cruise passenger arrivals have significantly declined, registering 743,394 for the

nine-month period that the port was open in 2022 and 1.2million for the full year in 2023 – the lowest passenger arrivals in over two decades

From January to June 2024, a total of 634,212 cruise passengers arrived aboard 197 ships, which is a further decline of 108,341 passengers compared than the same period in 2023 and 37% less than the corresponding period in 2019.

The Cayman Islands cruise sector is predominantly serviced by Caymanian-owned small and micro businesses and employs a higher ratio of Caymanian entrepreneurs in public transport, watersports, retail and tour operations than the stayover tourism sector. These businesses have invested significantly in inventory, human resources, service contracts, and fleets of boats and buses, hoping for a rebound to pre-pandemic levels of cruise tourism. The stark decline in visitor numbers, as well as having an adverse effect on these businesses, is also negatively impacting government revenues earned per passenger from departure tax.

Cruise lines have expressed that passenger numbers could be expected to decline without berthing because the turnaround time required to transfer passengers from ship to shore via the current tender operations was impractical. Additionally, cruise lines have moved on from the Oasis class ships to the newer, larger Icon class which carry more



guests, making the transfer of passengers by tender completely unfeasible.

Minister for Tourism and Ports, Hon. Kenneth Bryan, who has consistently advocated for a referendum to give voters the chance to record their view on the matter said, "In the absence of a definitive decision on the question of cruise berthing it is near impossible to craft a viable cruise tourism policy that directs the industry over the long term, or to provide any meaningful guidance to those servicing the cruise sector. Consequently, a core decision from the

people of the Cayman Islands is required to facilitate future strategic planning for the cruise industry."

The Minister went on to state that 'Although it is evident that cruise berthing is a critical part of infrastructure needed to support the cruise tourism sector in order for its viability, this decision cannot be made without first obtaining the electorate's views on the matter"

No date has been set for the referendum, but it is anticipated that it will be held before the end of year.

Department of Agriculture Announces Launch of EggsUp Programme in Collaboration with Resilience Cayman

The Department of Agriculture under the Ministry of Planning, Agriculture, Housing, Infrastructure, Transport, and Development (PAHITD), in partnership with Resilience Cayman, is excited to announce the launch of the EggsUp programme. This 3-month pilot initiative aims to support Caymanian families with children by providing fresh local eggs, began July 21st to coincide with the summer break.

The EggsUp programme is made possible by the Ministry and the Depart-

NOTICE is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of The Pines Retirement Home will be held on Tuesday, 20th August 2024 at 1:00 pm at The Pines Retirement Home, located at 60 Pines Drive, George Town. All members are welcome.

Please RSVP to Celene Crance at 949-5650 Ext 5146

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CEO

ment of Agriculture through the NEST programme, a significant component of the Cayman Islands National Food Security Programme (CINFSP). Eligible families will be able to receive up to two trays of fresh local eggs per week, donated by the innovative NEST initiative.

The Honourable Minister of Planning, Agriculture, Housing, Infrastructure, Transport, and Development stated, "We are proud to support the EggsUp programme, which aligns with our commitment to enhancing food security and supporting local agriculture. By collaborating with Resilience Cayman, we aim to provide vital assistance to families during these challenging times, especially as the cost of fresh food continues to rise."

Daniel Palcu, National Egg Strategy (NEST) Officer, added, "We are delighted to partner with Resilience Cayman on this initiative. Fresh local eggs provide high-quality protein and essential nutrients, supporting both local farmers and reducing our carbon footprint. This programme not only promotes local poultry farming but also helps alleviate some of the financial pressures faced by families in our community."

Jan Gupta, Director of Resilience Cayman, expressed enthusiasm for the partnership, saying, "Following the success of our previous food assistance programmes, which supported over 4,000 families during and after COVID, we are thrilled to continue our mission with the EggsUp initiative. This collab-

oration is crucial in helping families manage food inflation and ensuring access to nutritious food."

The collaborative efforts of the Department of Agriculture, the Ministry of PAHITD, and Resilience Cayman reflect a shared commitment to community

well-being and food security. The EggsUp programme aims to address these challenges by providing nutritious, Caymanian-certified eggs to those in need.

For more information about the Egg-sUp programme, please visit www.resilience.ky or http://Doa.gov.ky



Miss Universe Contestants Sashing Ceremony



► Arin Broderick, 24, representing George Town



► Tracey Campbell, 19, representing Bod-



► Tiea McLaughlin, 23, representing Bod-

Story and photos by Christopher Tobutt

Miss Universe Cayman Islands contestants were officially sashed during a special event held in the garden of the National Gallery on Saturday 27 July.

Each of the contestants introduced themselves in turn, sharing their dreams and visions during a short speech when they also thanked their sponsors and spoke of their support for this year's official platform, the Cayman Heart Founda-



▶ (L-r) Zhane Rambaran, Tracey Campbell, Tiea McLaughlin, Raegan Rutty, Brianna Wilson, and Arin Broderick.



▶ Brianna Wilson, 31, representing Bodden



► Zhane Rambaran, 27, representing George Town

The pageant finale is due to take place on 31 August at the Westin, when reigning queen Illean Powery passes her crown on to her successor, who will represent the Cayman Islands in Miss Universe, which will be held in Mexico, in November.

Contestant #1: Arin Broderick, 24, representing George Town; sponsored by Health City Cayman Islands said: LAST week I celebrated my birthday - a quarter of a century Old. On reflecting I'm incredibly blessed. I've been raised by a family who have always encouraged me to pursue my dreams. and continuously support me in making those dreams a reality. Its from this strong foundation of love and support that's been instilled in me the deep compassion for others. I've learned that its true - the key to life is giving because in giving you truly re-

Contestant #3: Brianna Wilson, 31, representing Bodden Town; sponsored by Enterprise Cayman, said: "I am here because our idea of beauty is evolving. The Miss Universe organisation is evolving, and who we want to see representing our beautiful country is evolving. I come embodying many firsts. The first, 30+ old contestant to ever be in Miss Cayman; the first business owner to ever be in the competition, and I'm also the first contestant to want to use this platform to highlight the creative arts."



► Raegan Rutty, 22, representing East End

Contestant #4: Raegan Rutty, 22, representing East End and sponsored by Kirk Freeport, said:

"As a ninth-generation Caymanian I am proud to call these beloved isles my home. Growing up in the culturally rich district of East End I was able to see a glimpse of what makes Cayman so unique. When I think of my district, I think of waking up to the crystal clear waters with Man O wars diving for bait fish, seeing the firey leaves of the sea grape trees as I walk down the peaceful beach, and hearing the Cayman Parrots sing as they dance across the sky."

Contestant #5: Tiea McLaughlin, 23, representing Bodden Town; sponsored by CEL Beauty Centre and Supply, said: "I 've always been a Curious homebody and nerdy person who loves exploring areas that are usually uncommon to most, such as gaming, modeling and a love for science. these interests have instilled in me a sense of independence, creativity, and competitiveness."

Contestant #6: Tracey Campbell, 19, representing Bodden Town; sponsored by A.P.S, said: "Participating in this pageant is not only showcasing outer beauty and modelling, but an opportunity to demonstrate character, determination, and resilience as a woman. I am here to represent the values and spirits of our island, and to prove that true beauty radiates from with-

Contestant #7: Zhané Rambaran, 27, representing George Town; sponsored by LSG Designs, said: "I stand before you, proud to be your contestant number seven. A proud daughter, a proud Towner, and a proud civil servant. As a civil servant, I lead daily, with passion, integrity and professionalism, which are the three core values that also underpin my pageant journey. My passion for community is reflected in my work, and I am excited to use that same passion in Miss Universe Cayman Islands.

"This year is a milestone year for the Miss Universe franchise, as globally the organization has taken significant strides to embrace inclusivity in unprecedented ways, by removing the age limit, along with allowing mothers and wives to join the competition. As we champion these inclusive efforts, pageants are no longer just beauty contests, but rather they are platforms for showcasing empowerment, leadership, and true womanhood."

Delivery of Supplies to JA, Officials to Attend Denbigh

The Cayman Islands Government is set to deliver aid to Jamaica in support of that country's relief efforts following Hurricane Beryl. Some of the cargo was delivered to the island yesterday, Sunday 4 August, and the remainder departed today (Monday 5 August).

Following discussions on the country's needs, it was decided that priority items to be delivered include generators, chainsaws, tarpaulins, and air mattresses, among others, valued at approximately USD \$50,000. The Ministry of Education is donating forty laptops, while medical supplies are being provided by Health City Cayman Islands.

Last month, the Government, led by Premier O'Connor-Connolly and a team, visited Jamaica and made a monetary donation of USD \$200,000 to the Building A Better Jamaica Fund, through National Commercial Bank Jamaica Limited and its philanthropic arm, the NCB Foundation, towards providing relief to communities adversely affected by Hurricane Beryl. The delegation also toured communities in the parish of Clarendon and delivered medical supplies donated by the Health Services Authority and Health City Cayman Islands.



▶ Premier Hon. Juliana O'Connor-Connolly joined by Minister of Planning, Agriculture, Housing, Infrastructure, Transport and Development, Hon. Jay Ebanks (left to right), Parliamentary Secretary Hon. McKeeva Bush and Minster of Border Control, Labour and Culture, Hon. Dwayne Seymour will attend Denbigh Agricultural Show set for Tuesday, 6 August.

The donation comes as part of the USD \$1.2 million pledge by the Cayman Islands

Government to assist the four Caribbean countries most impacted by Hurricane

Beryl. Similar donations have already been made to Grenada, St Vincent and the Grenadines.

During a visit to Jamaica this week, Premier Hon. Juliana O'Connor-Connolly will present the donation as she and other government officials travel to attend the Denbigh Agricultural, Industrial and Food Show on 6 August (Jamaica's Independence Day) at the invitation of the Government of Jamaica.

The Premier, who will speak at the event, is accompanied by the Minister of Planning, Agriculture, Housing, Infrastructure, Transport and Development, Hon. Jay Ebanks, Minister of Border Control, Labour and Culture, Hon. Dwayne Seymour, Parliamentary Secretary in the Ministry of Agriculture, Hon. McKeeva Bush, and Acting Deputy Director in the Department of Agriculture, Demoy Nash.

This year marks the 70th anniversary of the Denbigh Agricultural, Industrial and Food Show, which has been scaled down from the original three-day format due to the disruption of the agricultural sector caused by the Category 4 hurricane on 3 Iuly.

CBC Public Auction

Customs & Border Control Service (CBC) will host a public auction on Saturday, 10 August 2024.

Various categories of undeclared and seized goods will be auctioned from 11:00 am to 3:00 pm in the parking lot of Customs & Border Control headquarters located at 42 Owen Roberts Drive, George Town.

Items for auction include:

- Electronics
- Clothing and Shoes
- Office and School Supplies
- Automotive Parts, Accessories and Tools
- Cosmetics, Beauty and Fashion Accessories
 - Home, Health and Fitness





Jordan Crooks makes history by becoming Cayman's first Olympic swimming finalist



Jordan Crooks continues to make history.
This time, he's done it in front of the

Crooks became the first Cayman Islands swimmer ever to qualify for an Olympics Final on Thursday, 1 Aug. by clocking a time of 21.54 seconds in the Semifinals of the Men's 50-meter Freestyle at the 2024 Summer Games, in Paris.

"I've gotten to the Final like I wanted so hopefully we can rest, recover and feel better for tomorrow," Crooks said after the

He won the first of two Semifinals races

by four one-hundredths of a second, edging United States star and Olympic record holder Caeleb Dressel in the process. Crooks now turns his attention to the Olympic Final while the Cayman Islands celebrates his historic performance.

"It means a lot," he said. "I'm grateful for all the support so far through the meet, so thank you to everybody at home who's been doing an awesome job supporting and hopefully I can make everyone proud tomorrow."

Crooks' performance in Paris has been nothing short of extraordinary. First, he became just the third Cayman Islands swimmer ever to advance to an Olympics Semifinal by qualifying earlier this week in the 100 Free. When he advanced to the 50 Free semis earlier today, he joined Brett Fraser as the only two Caymanian swimmers to advance to the Semifinals in multiple events at the Olympics. But it was his performance Thursday evening in front of a packed Paris La Defense Arena that set him apart from the rest as he now becomes the only Caymanian swimmer ever to advance to the Finals in the Olympics.

"Just the best 50 I can put together,"

Crooks said of his expectations for Friday's Finals. "Not a specific time or anything in mind, just the best race I can put together tomorrow and hopefully it works out."

While Crooks swam in lane seven in the Heats round, he swam in lane four for the Semifinals, right in the middle of some of the best swimmers in the world.

"The outside lanes might have a little bit more wash," he said. "Inside lane a lot of times has cleaner water, but great things can happen from any lane."

And that they did.

Crooks once again was powerful out of the blocks and led the race from start to finish.

The Final is scheduled for 1:30 p.m. Cayman Islands time and Crooks knows he'll be walking out on the deck with all of the Cayman Islands behind him.

"Thank you. Thank you for all of the support," he said. "It means a lot and I'm just very grateful to be able to represent Cayman."

Paris 2024 takes place 26 July – 11 August. Paris is the main host city with events held at 16 other cities throughout France and one in Tahiti.

Cayman Islands Schedule of events

Men's 50-meter Freestyle Final 2 August Women's Dinghy Races 3 & 4 2 August Men's 100 meters Preliminary Round 3 August

Men's 100-meters Round 1 3 August Women's Dinghy Races 5 & 6 3 August Men's 100 meters Semi-Final 4 August Men's 100 meters Final 4 August Women's Dinghy Races 7 & 8 4 August Women's Dinghy Races 9 & 10 5 August Women's Dinghy Medal Race 6 August Closing Ceremony 11 August

Cayman Islands Under-15 National Girls Team readies for Concacaf Championship

Cayman's Under-15 Girls National Team continues to prepare for its biggest competition of the year.

The Cayman side will compete in the 2024 Concacaf Girls Under-15 Championship, which takes place from 5 to 11 August. Cayman will play in Trinidad and Tobago and has been drawn into a group with Bermuda, Dominican Republic, and Suriname.

"Our expectations for this tournament are really, really high," said coach Alexander Gonzalez, pointing to the players' collective international experience. "We've been working with this group for about three years. We participated last year in the Under-14 girls tournament, in Antigua. This year, we participated in a Puerto Rico tournament, and around 60% of the girls have about eight to ten international games."

The fifth edition of the Concacaf U-15 competition will feature a record 34 Concacaf Member Associations, which are divided into three leagues. Matches will be split between three host countries: Costa Rica, Trinidad and Tobago, and Aruba. The



► Kezia Large

Central American nation will host League A, while Leagues B and C will play in Trinidad and Tobago and Aruba, respectively.

Cayman will kick off the tournament by facing the Dominican Republic at 11 a.m. on Monday, 5 Aug., at Port of Spain's Larry

Gomes Stadium. It will then face Bermuda at 1 p.m. on Tuesday, 6 Aug. before finishing group play against Suriname at 11 a.m. on Thursday, 8 Aug.

All three leagues will include a group stage and knockout stage, and each league will crown its own champion. The number of teams per league has been determined based on the Concacaf Women's U-17 Rankings as of March 2024 and the final number of participants.

"For the first time we're competing in [League B]," Gonzalez said. "We play against teams with good levels. It's a good experience for them because... next year is our big goal (Girls U-17 World Cup qualifiers). It's important because next we're playing against... top teams and this tournament is very, very important for us."

The last edition of the Concacaf Girls' U-15 Championship took place in 2022, with the United States of America winning League A and Nicaragua winning League B. Fans can catch all of the 2024 Concacaf Girls Under-15 Championship action on Concacaf Go.

Webster puts together best finish of Olympic Games on day 4 of racing





Cayman Islands sailor Charlotte Webster put together her best finish of the 2024 Summer Olympics on Sunday, 4 Aug. when she finished 32nd in Race 7 of the Women's Dinghy event's Opening Series.

She placed 43rd in Race 8 and remains in 41st in the overall results through eight

"The game plan today was to get oS the line in a clear lane and I could not have asked for a better start from Charlotte," Cayman Islands Coach Raph Harvey said. "She definitely executed phase one of the plan today. In both race seven and eight, she got oS the line in a clear lane and was able to sail her own race.



► Charlotte Webster and Raph Harvey



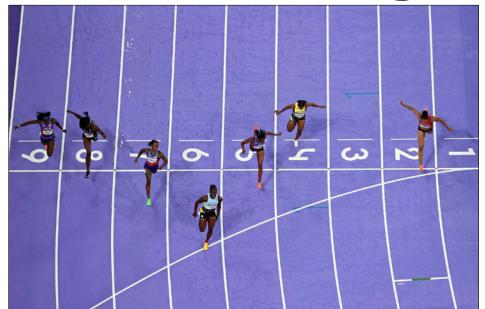
In Race 7, Webster rounded mark one in 13th, her best placement through the first mark in the Games.

The final two races of the Opening Series will be held Monday, 5 Aug. with Races 9 and 10. Race 9 is scheduled to begin at 5:15 a.m. in the Cayman Islands

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Cayman Islands Schedule of events Women's Dinghy Races 9 & 10 5 August Women's Dinghy Medal Race 6 August Closing Ceremony 11 August

Golden girls inspire all



▶ Julien Alfred says she 'has put St Lucia on the map'



► Thea LaFond makes Dominica proud



▶ Simone Biles was fantastic again in Paris

St Lucians the world over have been celebrating Julien Alfred's sensational victory in the Olympic women's 100m. She stunned a global audience that believed that her American rival was the certain gold medallist.

In fact, as you're reading this, Alfred may have already become a double gold medallist as she cruised through the 200m heats and looked certain to win that too on Tuesday, after we had gone to press.

Alfred, 23, is now the fastest woman in the world and is now in St Lucia's records as its first-ever Olympic medal winner. In the pouring rain in the Stade de France, 'JuJu' stormed to victory in 10.72 seconds, leaving behind the US's reigning 100m world champion Sha'Carri Richardson, who took silver in 10.87sec.

Delirious fans watching in St Lucia erupted in excitement as Alfred cruised to victory. Her success was incredible for a girl growing up in the suburb of Ciceron.

Alfred said: "Growing up I used to be on the field struggling with no shoes running barefoot, running in my school uniform, running all over the place." Alfred, who then honed her skills at Texas University, hopes her success will improve access to sport in St Lucia, population 180,000.

She said: "I'm proud that I've helped put St Lucia on the map." But added: "We barely have the right facilities on the island," which only began competing at the Olympics in 1996. "The stadium is not fixed. I'm really hoping this gold medal will also help the youth and help St Lucia build a new sta-



▶ Alfred won her gold by a clear margin



► Novak Djokovic achieved Olympic gold at last

dium and really help the sport grow."

It was quite a weekend for the Caribbean's small islands, what with Cayman's brilliant swimmer Jordan Crooks making the final of the men's 50m freestyle.

Dominica also has plenty to be proud off as well, after Thea LaFond made history by winning gold in the triple jump to claim the country's first-ever Olympic medal. Jamaica's Shanieka Ricketts took silver and American Jasmine Moore claimed bronze.

LaFond set the mark after her second attempt of 15.02 metres - a world best this year - and it proved impossible to better, with rain also making conditions more treacherous.

"This is for you guys," said LaFond, draped in a Dominica flag after celebrating excitedly in the Stade de France. The Nature Isle has a population of only 70,000. "We don't often have a lot to celebrate, we're amazing people... and this is the first time in history, this is a ground-breaking celebration."

LaFond was inspired by Alfred's earlier success. "I'm so grateful to Julien because I saw her get that gold indoor (60m this year in Glasgow) and I was like, I'm getting a gold too, and saw her get that gold a few hours ago and I was like, I'm getting my gold too," said LaFond.

The 30-year-old, who was born in Dominica and emigrated with her family to the United States when she was five, won the World Indoor Championships title in March.

"We're making history for our islands and that's what we set out to do every time we get on the track," she added.

Simone Biles has become the most decorated American gymnast of all time at this summer's Games. She captured another

gold in the vault finals on Saturday. The 27-year-old superstar had already claimed gold in the teams finals and all-around events earlier in the week, before picking up a third at the weekend with a score of 15.3 across her two vaults.

But Biles is irritated by the line of questioning from many reporters who ask winners what they are going to do next, as if what they've achieved isn't quite enough. She posted on X: "Let us soak up the moment we've worked our whole lives for."

When asked by a fan what does come next for her after winning another gold, she sarcastically replied: "Babysitting the medal."

At least Novak Djokovic has achieved his Olympic dream of a gold medal at last, in his fifth, and probably last Games. He beat Carlos Alcaraz in thrilling fashion to secure that long-awaited Olympic title and complete the career 'Golden Slam'.

Djokovic, who has won a men's record 24 majors and swept up every title there is in tennis, put in his best performance of the year to beat the French Open and Wimbledon champion 7-6 (7-3) 7-6 (7-2) in a draining match which lasted almost three hours.

After hugging Spain's Alcaraz, the Serb, 37, immediately burst into tears and fell to his knees in the middle of the court. He then unfurled a Serbian flag and clambered into the stands to celebrate with his family and support team.

Djokovic is just the fifth player to win the 'Golden Slam' in singles - all four majors and the Olympic title - after Rafael Nadal, Serena Williams, Andre Agassi and Steffi Graf

Antigua makes big waves

Antigua and Barbuda may only have a population of 100,000, but it is making a huge impact on the global stage. In May, it hosted the fourth United Nations Summit on Small Island Developing States (SIDS4). Then, in June, the nation welcomed cricket fans from across the world for the T20 World Cup. It's attracting nomadic workers in significant numbers as well.

"SIDS4 was a resounding success," said Gaston Browne, Antigua and Barbuda's extrovert Prime Minister. Held only once a decade, the fourth summit attracted over 5,000 delegates and featured 230 side events. It culminated in a new 10-year action plan, the 'Antiguan and Barbudan Agenda for SIDS: A Renewed Declaration for Resilient Prosperity'.

SIDS4 saw the launch of the Centre of Excellence for Oceanography and the Blue Economy (COBE) - a collaboration between the government of Antigua and Barbuda, the University of the West Indies, the Commonwealth Secretariat and the Association of Commonwealth Universities. COBE will provide education and vocational training and produce research on marine renewable

energy, coral reef restoration, and maritime policy and law. Marine jobs and employment is at the forefront of the COBE agenda.

Antigua and Barbuda has also become one of the most desirable places in the world to be a digital nomad – people who can use technology to work from anywhere on the planet.

Tourism Review has presented a list of such countries, ranking them by the length of their digital nomad visa. The twin island's visa programme allows remote workers to live and work in the country for up to two years.

A digital nomad visa, also known as a remote work visa, is a special permit that allows individuals to live in a foreign country while working remotely for their employers or clients in other countries. These visas have gained popularity as more people embrace remote work opportunities, especially in the wake of the global pandemic.

Antigua and Bar-

buda's digital nomad visa offers other attractive features, including a quick processing time of just two weeks, no savings requirement, family-friendly provisions, and a reasonable annual minimum income requirement of US\$50,000 for applicants.

The ranking showcases various countries' offerings, with Thailand topping the list with a 10-year visa validity period. Other countries mentioned include Taiwan (one to three years), South Africa (three years), and El Salvador (two years, potentially extendable for another two years).



▶ Digital nomads are flocking to Antigua



► Antigua's capital St John's is vibrant

Kartel's low heart beat means surgery is likely



▶ Vybz Kartel is suffering from Graves' disease

Dancehall star Vybz Kartel was controversially released from a Jamaican prison after 13 years last week but even though he has his liberty medics are worried that his physical health has suffered through his incarceration.

Dr Karen Phillips, the physician who warned that Kartel could die if he does not have surgery to correct problems brought on by Graves' disease, has said that "medical management" is critical for the entertainer now that he is free.

The health of the entertainer, whose given name is Adidja Palmer, was among the factors considered by the Court of Appeal when it ordered that he and his co-appellants would not be retried for the murder of Clive 'Lizard' Williams.

The ruling means that Kartel, Shawn 'Shawn Storm' Campbell and Andre St John were released from custody. The fourth co-defendant, Kahira Jones, though freed of Lizard's murder, remained in custody as he is serving an 18-year sentence.

In her medical report to the court dated May 2, 2024, Phillips said that Kartel's heart was operating below capacity. It was stated that Kartel had "lost 20 per cent of his heart's function" from the capacity a year earlier, which puts him at greater risk for a heart attack.

When Kartel walked from the Tower Street Adult Correctional Centre, fans were alarmed by the swollen look of his face, which is often associated with Graves' disease.

Grenada's 50th enjoys Spicemas all this week

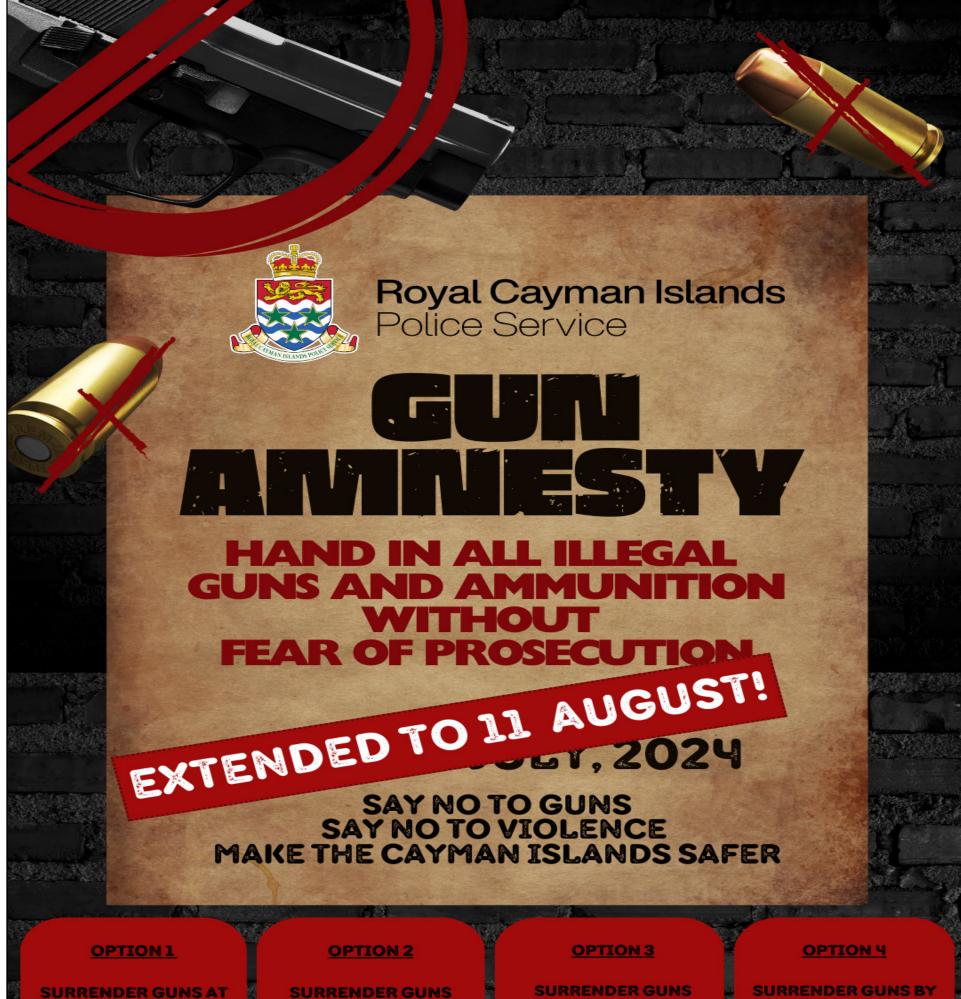


▶ Spicemas is a great time to be in Grenada

Grenada is celebrating its 50th year of independence and this week is one of the highlights of that calendar with the world renowned Spicemas.

It runs from August 7-14 and for many who enjoy its colour and exuberance, it is one of the Caribbean's most underrated carnivals. The island comes to life with soca and calypso music and colourful processions. One of the carnival's key events is the unique street party of J'ouvert. Thousands will emerge before dusk to join tradition-

al jab-jab bands parade through the town, following the beat of the steel drums and coated in black paint, oil or mud. But that's far from all the action of Spicemas. From the launch day of the festival to the concluding Monday Nite Mas, there are numerous events happening for visitors to get thoroughly immersed into Grenada's vibrant culture and heritage. Traditional Mas players add a historical touch, bringing characters to life through authentic cultural performances.



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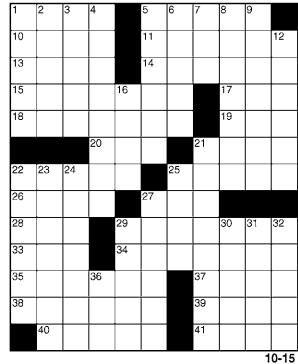
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- Must be detail-oriented and must be able to lift or carry heavy objects. Tools required:
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- Applicant must be able to adhere to occupational and safety standards Hourly wage: CI\$12-16

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Hourly wage CI\$8-13

Mason Helper

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- Working conditions include, dirty environment, hot temperatures, lifting or carrying heavy objects. Tools required: Hatchet/Trowel

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Water Authority - Cayman

Invites applications for the post of

Operations Manager-Wastewater

The Water Authority-Cayman is seeking a qualified individual to manage the Operations-Wastewater Division, which is responsible for the operation and maintenance of the Authority's wastewater infrastructure, comprising the wastewater collection system (approximately 20km of gravity main, 17 lift stations and 300 service connections) and the wastewater treatment plant (a SBR plant with a design treatment capacity of 9,500m3/day (2.5MGD)).

JOB REQUIREMENTS:

- Minimum 5 years hands-on knowledge and experience in the operation and maintenance of wastewater collection systems and wastewater treatment plants (WWTPs) at a professional level, and at least 3 years supervisory experience.
- A Bachelor's Degree in Civil or Environmental Engineering is preferred.
- The highest level Wastewater Treatment/Collection System Operator Certification (Class IV or equivalent) where resident or in the most recent place of work.
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- Knowledge of mechanical/electrical engineering and a good understanding of wastewater treatment biology, simple chemical and bacteriological testing, mathematical principles, occupational hazards and standard safety precautions.
- Good computer skills, including use of spreadsheets and databases.
- Ability to work independently with minimal supervision, direct and train junior personnel in the operation and maintenance of wastewater collection and treatment systems.

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JOB REQUIREMENTS:

- Good reading and writing abilities as will be required to keep daily written records; a high school diploma is preferred.
- A valid Cayman Islands Group 4 Driver's Licence allowing the operation of heavy equipment on public roads and at least 2 years' operating experience with relevant heavy equipment.
- Experience in servicing and troubleshooting a variety of mechanical equipment typically used by pipelaying crews.
- The physical ability to perform heavy manual labour, i.e. lift heavy loads, work with heavy mechanical equipment (e.g. compactors) and climb in and out of trenches.

The minimum to mid-salary range for this post is CI\$40,330 - \$50,410 per annum (\$19.39 - \$24.24 per hour).

Labourer-New Works (CYB)

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The successful candidate will perform a variety of tasks relating to the installation of new water infrastructure, upgrades and repairs to existing water infrastructure, and the maintenance of equipment, in Cayman Brac; as part of the Authority's New Works (Cayman Brac) pipelaying crew.

JOB REQUIREMENTS:

- The ability to follow written and oral instructions therefore must be literate.
- Working experience using a variety of hand, power tools and equipment commonly used in the water utilities; pipelaying experience would be an asset.
- The physical ability to perform heavy manual labour, lift heavy loads, climb in and out of trenches, work in confined spaces and steep, high areas.
- A valid Cayman Islands Group 2 Driver's Licence and a clean driving record.

The minimum to mid-salary range for this post is CI\$30,560 - \$38,200 per annum (\$14.69 - \$18.37 per hour).

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Caymanian participation is being sought in relation to the acquisition of a thirty per cent (30%) shareholding in the local retail business of Penha Image Duty Free Ltd., a private limited company which is a retailer of fragrances, skincare, cosmetics and clothing which operates from its stores in George Town, Grand Cayman. The total level of upfront investment required for such 30% participation is US\$6,714,000. Interested parties should provide evidence of financial ability to participate in the venture supported by a letter from a Class "X" Bank or other reputable financial institution in the Cayman Islands by no later than 30 August 2024.

Please direct responses to:

Loeb Smith Attorneys, P.O. Box 31493, Grand Cayman KY1-1206, Cayman Islands Attention: Robert Farrell

A copy of any Caymanian interest must also be sent to the Trade and Business Licensing Board c/o The Department of Commerce and Investment, Government Administration Building, 133 Elgin Avenue, Suite 126 Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands or sent via email to info@dci.gov.ky.

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1. It is the intention of the National Roads Authority to gazette a road alignment as described hereunder:

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REGISTRATION BLOCK:

BOUNDARY PLAN:

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