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Easter Camping: A Beloved Cayman Tradition

By Christopher Tobutt

As the Easter weekend unfolds, the beaches of the Cayman Islands transform into hubs of vibrant activity, echoing with the sights, sounds, and spirit of a cherished tradition: Easter camping. For generations, families and friends have come together along the island's pristine shores to embrace this unique custom, blending relaxation, community, and a deep connection to nature.

From Spotts Beach to Smith Barcadere, and from Rum Point to the East End, tents

of all shapes and sizes dot the coastline, creating a kaleidoscope of life by the sea. This tradition, and sea, remains a testament to Cayman's enduring sense of unity and cultural heritage.

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HEALTH CITY
at Camana Bay

Walk-ins welcome
for paediatric care

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SCAN FOR INFO

Local Election Observers Outline Domestic Mission Approach

By: CIG Public Relations -

Following their appointment by Governor Jane Owen, the seven-member domestic election and referendum observation team has established their private and confidential Headquarters, located in Cricket Square.

The observers are scheduled to undergo training led by a law school professor on both domestic and international election observation protocols before officially beginning their duties.

Earlier this week, the team participated in a briefing session with Supervisor of Elections Wesley Howell and his deputies. They are also expected to meet with the international observation mission from the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association British Islands and Mediterranean Region, who will be in the Cayman Islands next week. While the domestic observers will attend some joint stakeholder meetings alongside the international team, they will not discuss findings with them and will instead draw their own independent conclusions.



► Domestic Observers

The domestic election and referendum observers were chosen from applicants by a committee chaired by the Deputy Governor, who then made recommendations to Governor Owen. The team consists of Head of Mission Deborah Ebanks, along with Nelva Ebanks, Briony Gallegos, Abraham Mathew, Brittany MacVicar, Marc Thomas and Valerie Ritch. Collectively, they bring a wealth of expertise in election supervision, audit, ac-

counting, business development, community engagement, planning, compliance, management, and law.

Among their roles and responsibilities, the domestic election and referendum observers will observe the entire electoral period and all polling stations. This includes the postal ballots issued on Saturday 19 April, mobile voting which will start on 22 April, election and referendum day counting

and any potential recount, and post-election and referendum issues that may arise. Some members of the team will also be deployed to Cayman Brac to observe voting activities on the Sister Islands on 30 April.

In addition, the team will be carrying out observations of the Command Centre, the information hub on general election and referendum day. From a candidate's perspective, the observers will also monitor campaign meetings, rallies, and any other activities.

In commenting on the work of the observers, Miss Ebanks stated, "The members of the domestic mission team are very enthusiastic and I too would like to thank them for putting themselves out there to serve in this capacity to ensure that our election process is carried out fairly and in keeping with Cayman's record of high-quality elections."

The team is being supported by alternate observers Jessica Anderson and Colleen Stoetzel.

Contact: Head of Mission, Deborah Ebanks.

POPE FRANCIS HAS DIED

By Staff Writer

Cayman's Roman Catholic congregation and the rest of the community join

the world in mourning the passing of the Catholic Pontiff, Pope Francis.

The 88 year-old Pope who had been ailing for some time, passed away early on



► Pope Francis

Easter Monday. He died just a day after he made a surprise appearance delivering Easter greetings from the balcony of St Peter's Basilica where he had been recuperating.

He was sitting in a wheelchair and waved to cheering crowds.

Pope Francis was hospitalised for several weeks in February with pneumonia and had only returned to the Vatican last month.

In his Easter blessing which was delivered by a clergy member, the Pope said: "There can be no peace without freedom of religion, freedom of thought, freedom of expression and respect for the views of others."

Pope Francis was also visited on Sunday by the United States Vice President JD Vance for what was described as a "quick

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Business Survey 2025

Your Response Matters!

In 2023, total foreign exchange revenue from Cayman's export of services totaled CI \$3.7 billion.

Foreign Exchange Revenue from Services

Service Category	2022 (CI \$ million)	2023 (CI \$ million)
Financial & Insurance Services	1,950.5	2,057.2
Travel	537.2	672.3
Accounting, Legal & Other Business Services	812.4	858.5
Other Services	109.1	120.7

Did the Cayman Islands revenue from export of services increase or decrease in 2024?

The annual Balance of Payments (BOP) Survey collects information necessary for recording the Cayman Islands residents' foreign transactions with the rest of the world.

The survey runs from 7 April to 13 June 2025.

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

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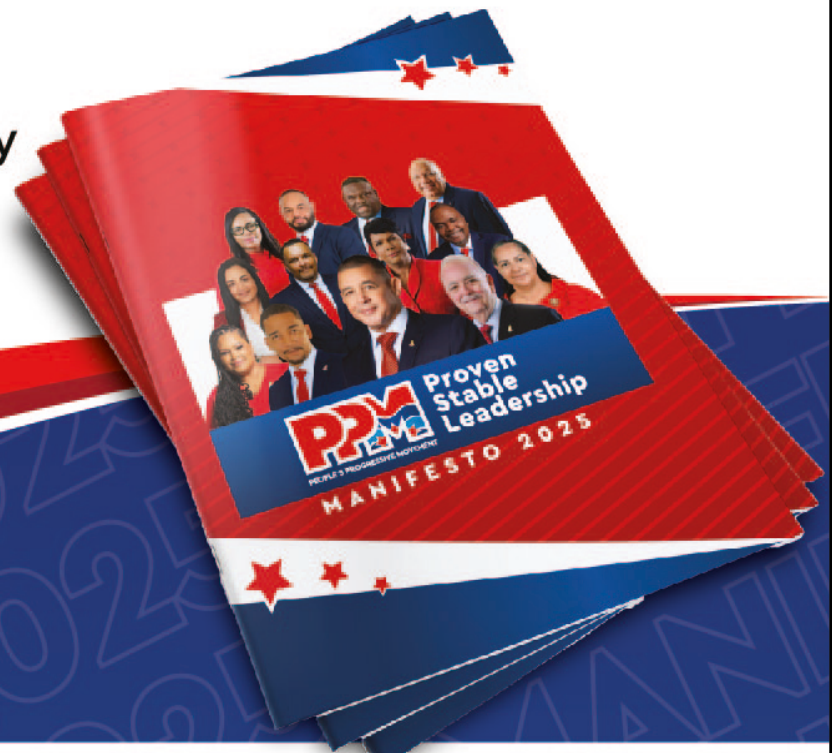
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2025 MANIFESTO HIGHLIGHTS

Hope, progress, and commitment to our people

- Grants of up to \$20,000 and business support for young Caymanian entrepreneurs
- Free basic healthcare plan from birth to age 18 years
- Increase in minimum wage to \$9 per hour from November 1, 2025
- A new modern energy-efficient public transport system
- Special support to encourage more women to own small businesses
- All small businesses guaranteed payment by government within 28 days, improving to 21 days
- No trade and business license fees for micro businesses in the Sister Islands until 2027. All other businesses to pay only 10% of the fees until 2027
- Overhaul the work permit system to reduce the number of permits granted and enforce compliance of the permit terms
- Update the system for Permanent Residence status to make it fit for purpose in today's Cayman Islands
- An expanded Emergency Room will reduce wait times and improve patient outcomes
- Expand HSA geriatric clinics to ensure healthcare access for older Caymanians on all three islands
- New legislation to reform pensions to ensure that pensioners can live comfortably
- Annual increases in stipends for seafarers, veterans and long-serving civil service pensioners tied to inflation



These highlights represent just a portion of our full plan for Cayman.
View our complete manifesto online at www.theprogressives.ky

Easter Camping: A Beloved Cayman Tradition



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A Time to Unwind and Reflect

More than a weekend getaway, Easter camping offers a chance to disconnect from the everyday rush and immerse in life's simple pleasures. Jason Da'Costa and

friends, sitting between two big blue tents tucked into the shrubbery at Spotts Beach, described the significance of this tradition: "It's very relaxing, and we get to enjoy what we're blessed with — beaches, friends, and family. That's what it's all about. It's hard to find the time to do these

things these days. That's one of the reasons why it's so important."

The essence of Easter camping lies in the serenity it provides. Down the road at Smith Barcadere, with over 50 tents pitched and families mingling, one camper captured the spirit beautifully: "What I like is the peaceful environment. You have a peace when you come out here — it frees your mind." Laughter, the aroma of jerk chicken sizzling on the grill, and the waves gently lapping the shore create an unmatched ambiance.

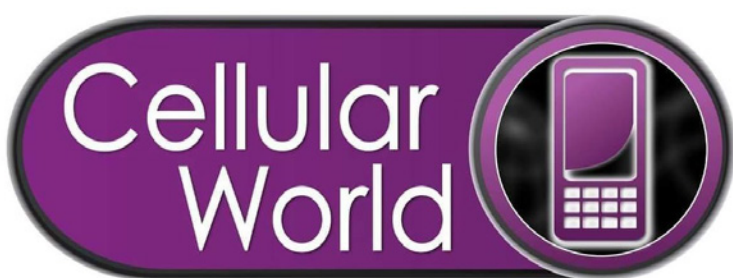
Tradition Amid Evolution

While the core of Easter camping stays true to its roots, the tradition has subtly evolved. Today's beaches reflect a rich tapestry of cultures coming together, adding

fresh dynamics to the celebrations. However, this mix also calls for mindfulness regarding shared spaces and noise levels.

Environmental consciousness has become an integral part of the tradition, with reminders to campers about turtle nesting areas and the importance of cleaning up. As one camper at Smith Barcadere aptly put it, "This is Cayman — beautiful beaches, trees, clean water."

Despite these changes, Easter camping remains a beloved and enduring emblem of Caymanian identity. It's a time to reconnect with loved ones, embrace nature, and create lasting memories. And as the sun sets on the Easter weekend, the footprints in the sand remind all of the shared stories, laughter, and bonds that keep this tradition alive.

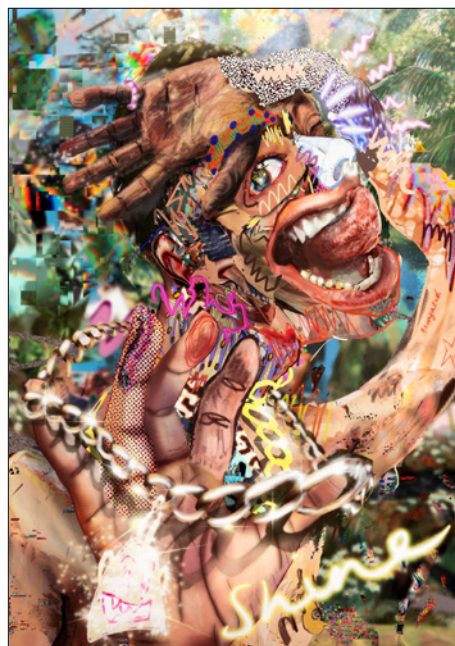


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BAYTOWN PLAZA, WEST BAY ROAD

NASSAU'S TERN GALLERY TO EXHIBIT AT EXPO CHICAGO 2025



► John Reno Jackson *dem bruize fruit at?*, 2025 Acrylic, sandstone, rooibos tea leaves, acrylic resin, silver thatch palm, and synthetic wax on canvas, 12 x 16 in.



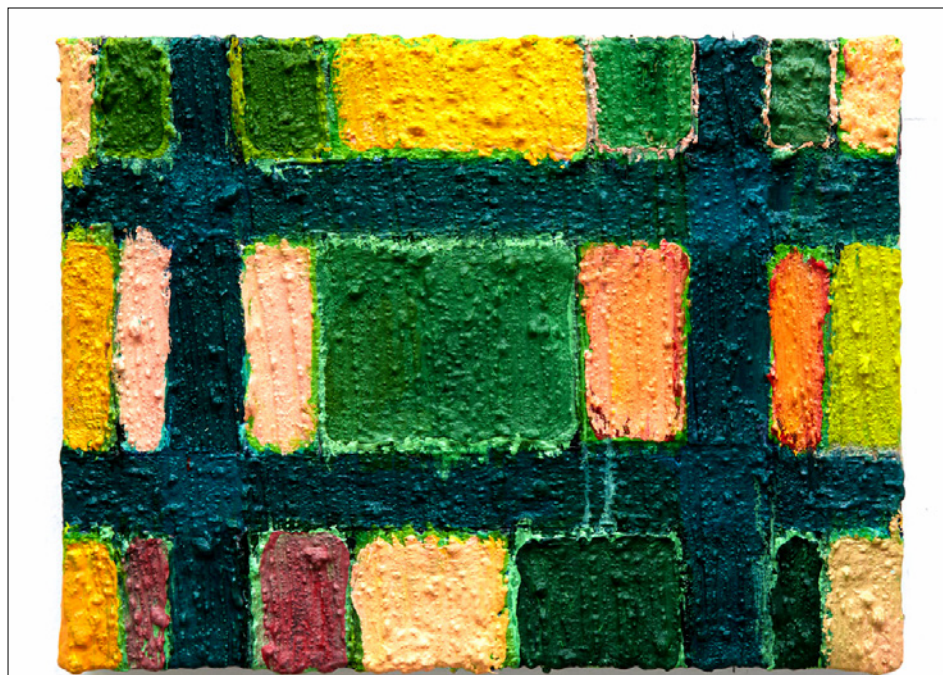
► John Reno Jackson, portrait by Maria Gomes



► Steven Schmid, *All Teeth 9*, 2024 Acrylic, Assemblage, Colouring Pencils, Image Transfer on Handmade Paper, 21³/₄ x 30³/₄ in.



► John Reno Jackson, *whelk (study)*, 2025 Acrylic, sandstone, rooibos tea leaves, acrylic resin, silver thatch palm, and synthetic wax on canvas, 9⁷/₈ x 13³/₄ in.



► Steven Schmid, portrait by Anthony Gebrehiwot

NASSAU, BAHAMAS — **TERN** announces its third participation at Chicago's prestigious EXPO CHICAGO Contemporary Art Fair, which showcases leading contemporary and modern art galleries annually at Navy Pier's Festival Hall. EXPO CHICAGO 2025, which runs from April 24-27, will feature more than 170 exhibitors, representing represent leading galleries from 36 countries, with TERN being the only gallery from the Caribbean region. Continuing TERN's mission to support and to celebrate artists from the Caribbean and its diaspora and to present their work to the global art market, the Nassau-based gallery is presenting the dynamic practices of Caymanian interdisciplinary artist, **John Reno Jackson**, in conversation with Bahamian visual artist, **Steven Schmid**.

An MFA candidate at the Royal Academy of Art, London, and recipient of the Frank Bowling Scholarship, **John Reno Jackson** uses his painting practice to explore indigenous Caymanian culture, which — due the proximity and history of our islands — is strikingly like that of The Bahamas. Before the Cayman Islands' economy was stimulated by its financial sector, the small island nation's historic connection to Ja-

maica and the British Empire placed its identity between these disparate places, with The Bahamas part of a triangular relationship. On a recent trip to The Bahamas for a group exhibition at TERN in 2024, Jackson was also able to confirm Bahamian heritage, with ancestors from Long Island, underscoring the deep connections between the two nations. Investigating the flora, fauna and ever-present changes to economy and landscape due to tourism, Jackson is pushing past the "paradise" narrative of the Caribbean islands to unearth indigenous technologies and relationships between the locals and the land. Jackson takes an almost anthropological approach, investigating the wing patterns of parrots, the textures of mahogany pods, and the repeating birch trees that line Grand Cayman. The artist's nonrepresentational abstract works reference tools like the silver thatch broom, the technology of basket weaving, the combination of organic and man-made materials to create dimensions in the work, while being steeped in western art history.

Living and working in Toronto, Canada, Steven Schmid is a Bahamian interdisciplinary visual artist whose practice

centres masculinity in The Bahamas. Schmid's current area of research explores how "play, free-styling and immediacy can become evocative and engaging methods of critiquing colonial notions of masculinity." Schmid's practice manifests into densely visual textured digital drawings, hand-transferred onto handmade paper. While Jackson uses his practice to weave materials and histories related to the Cayman Islands into his paintings, Schmid infuses his personal history — his partially-German heritage and the reconnecting to unknown relatives — into the tangible form of his work. His old receipts, letters, plane tickets and debris become pulp for the very paper onto which he transfers his digital composites. These collages mostly render a figure made up of sourced textures, photographs, drawings, images of Schmid's sculptures and other materials that he has "meshed, combined, sliced, chopped and manipulated" over time. Steeped in a reverence for Hip-hop, Schmid's practice uses the same sampling sensibilities to create his grotesque and alluring compositions.

While Jackson deconstructs the nuances of Caymanian indigenous culture and

reconstructs it into two-dimensional patterned paintings. Schmid deconstructs the figure and materials and reconstructs them into wonder-filled and playful abstract figurations on handmade paper. The source material for both artists are found in landscape, whether human or geographic, and through their distinctly personal histories. Together, Jackson and Schmid approach abstraction from two disparate places but meet at the intersection of deconstruction and reconstruction.

For more information on the fair, please contact Amanda Coulson at amanda@terngallery.com.

TERN GALLERY is a gallery in Nassau, The Bahamas, which opened its doors in December 2020. Recognizing the need for world-class contemporary art spaces to bring Bahamian artists to local and global acclaim, Amanda Coulson and Lauren Perez debuted TERN, creating a space of opportunity that had previously been absent in the often-Eurocentric art world. TERN offers a platform for Bahamian artists to find international success, setting pathways for young and emerging artists to access careers in the arts beyond the prior realm of possibility.

Department of Sports HWM - Have Your Say Series #ACCELERATEACTION!



► Chief Officer Echenique MYS&H Speaks Passionately About Importance of #AccelerateAction

CIG Department of Sports Thanks Sponsors, Donors, Contributors & Volunteers for a Successful Honouring Women Month 2025!

CIG Department of Sports extends huge thanks and sincere gratitude to everyone for their generous contributions to the success of Honouring Women's Month (HWM) Events 2025. Without each and every one of you, we could not achieve all that we did for the month of March 2025. Your support and generosity no matter how large or small, assisted us to #AccelerateAction this March during HWM!

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- Our Dedicated Hardworking & Reliable HWM Project Team VOLUNTEERS
- Assist With Organising Specific HWM Events & Led Power Point IWD Event & Venue Set Up
- * James Myles
- Assisted With Organising All & or Led Some HWM Events, Fitness Programs & or Initiatives
- * Tristan Wesenhagen

On behalf of DOS and the Organising Project Team, thanks once again, for everyone's contributions. You all played a role that helped to educate and empower and bring about awareness. Also, that created a memorable environment that will be remembered and that will continue to inspire for years to come. Collectively you all made a meaningful impact on the lives of women and girls across our community which is what we were striving for. Please continue to #AccelerateAction; together, we can build a Cayman Islands where women and men, girls and boys, all have equal opportunities; not just in sports, but in every aspect of life. This vision requires commitment, unity, and the collective will of our entire community. When women thrive, our families, communities, and society as a whole reap the benefits. So please collectively let us speak up for gender equality and inclusion, it will lend for a brighter, more equitable future for all.

Sincerest gratitude,
Merta (Meita) Day
Honouring Women Month Event Organiser Lead
CIG Department of Sports

POPE FRANCIS

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and private" meeting.

According to news reports, 'the meeting came amid tensions between the Vatican and the Trump administration over the US president's crackdown on migrants and

cuts to international aid'.

Although appearing frail, Pope Francis's passing so shortly after he made that appearance on Easter Sunday has nevertheless sent shockwaves around the world.

Tributes are already pouring in from around the world.

Britain's King Charles issued a statement shortly after the Pope's passing was

announced on Monday morning.

It said in part: "My wife and I were most deeply saddened to learn of the death of Pope Francis. Our heavy hearts have been somewhat eased, however, to know that His Holiness was able to share an Easter Greeting with the Church and the world he served with such devotion throughout his life and ministry. His Holiness will be

remembered for his compassion, his concern for the unity of the Church and for his tireless commitment to the common causes of all people of faith, and to those of goodwill who work for the benefit of others."

Pope Francis, who was born in Argentina, became the first pontiff from Latin America in 2013.

CIDOT Appoints New Film Commissioner

The Cayman Islands Department of Tourism (CIDOT) has appointed Brittany Kelly as the new Film Commissioner for the Cayman Islands Film Commission (CIFC).

CIDOT warmly welcomes Brittany Kelly as Film Commissioner, responsible for managing the administrative functions of the Cayman Islands Film Commission Secretariat as well as strategic planning, partnership development and marketing and promotions.

Brittany Kelly is an award-winning writer/producer with extensive experience in the film industry in the Cayman Islands and across multiple international markets. Prior to joining the Department, she was based in Los Angeles working with notable production companies including Will Smith's media company, Westbrook Inc., in production and financial coordination.

Throughout her career, Brittany has gained knowledge in film production throughout Cayman, London & Los Angeles, bringing international experience and creative vision to the Department. She holds a Post Graduate Diploma in Film Production from the London Film Academy and brings a wealth of valuable experience in production, as well as substantial talent to promote the destination.

Brittany noted on her new role stating,



► Brittany Kelly

"Film is my first love and Cayman is my home. I am incredibly honoured to return home to step into the role of Film Commissioner and to bring my experience in storytelling, production, and cultural advocacy to this position. As a Caymanian filmmaker, I've seen firsthand the incredible talent and potential within our creative community, and I'm excited to champion local and international collaborations that

will elevate our industry."

She continues, "I look forward to working alongside our filmmakers, the Department of Tourism, the Ministry of Tourism and Ports, the CIFC, other government agencies and private sector partners to build a film industry that is both creatively and economically sustainable."

Brittany shared her goal is to foster an environment where our artists, crew, and productions can thrive—showcasing Cayman as a premier destination for film while preserving the authenticity of our own unique stories.

Congratulating Brittany on her appointment, Hon. Kenneth Bryan, Deputy Premier and Minister of Tourism stated "The global film industry represents a powerful avenue for economic diversification. By leveraging our unique landscapes, skilled professionals, and rich cultural heritage, the Cayman Islands can be positioned as a premier destination for film production, creating long-term opportunities for Caymanian participation in this dynamic and lucrative global sector. I extend my warmest congratulations to our new Film Commissioner as she steps into this vital role and look forward to the further development of a vibrant, sustainable film industry in our Islands under her stewardship.

Chairman of the CIFC, Frank E Flowers,

shared on behalf of the CIFC "The Cayman Islands Film Commission is thrilled to welcome Brittany as our new Film Commissioner. Her passion, experience, and vision are exactly what the local industry needs at this exciting time. We are confident that under her leadership, the Cayman Islands will continue to grow as a dynamic hub for film and creative production.

Brittany joins us at a pivotal moment, ready to build on the important milestones already achieved by the CIFC Board — including the launch of our production incentive program. We're especially excited about the potential for increased job creation and hands-on opportunities for young Caymanians to pursue film and television. We look forward to supporting her and seeing all that she will accomplish."

Director of Tourism, Mrs. Rosa Harris, said "The Department of Tourism is delighted to welcome Brittany Kelly as our new Film Commissioner. Her impressive background in international film production combined with her creative vision and industry connections make her the ideal person to lead the Film Commission Secretariat. Brittany's expertise will be invaluable to our strategy as we continue to promote the Cayman Islands as a destination of choice for film and media production."

Smart Start & Roving Parent Mentorship Programme Empowering Early Childhood Development



► A Smart Start child receives guidance and support from their caregiver during an interactive activity.

The Ministry of Education is excited to announce the continued success and growth of its Smart Start Early Stimulation Programme. Managed by the Ministry's Early Childhood Care and Education (ECCE) Unit, the 30-week programme is designed to serve families and young children aged 3 to 4 years old in Bodden Town, North Side, and East End. This year, the programme has expanded to include hands-on parent mentoring to further support the development of both children and their caregivers.

Premier and Minister for Education, Hon. Juliana O'Connor-Conolly stated, "The Smart Start Early Stimulation Programme is an invaluable resource for our families and young children. I take pride in the strides we are making to support the growth and development of our future generations. By broadening the programme to include handson

parent mentoring, we are reinforcing our commitment to providing holistic support for both children and caregivers."

Vanessa Cameron, ECCE Officer and Smart Start Programme Lead, emphasized how the project nurtures the development and learning of young children through engaging activities like Family Circle Sessions and Book Buzz events at local libraries, in collaboration with the nonprofit organization LIFE Cayman. The initiative provides a vital, enriching environment that helps children flourish, while also supporting parents in enhancing their child's school readiness.

Shari Welcome, whose first child began the programme two years ago, shared her experience: "I saw the benefits with him. We really saw him blossom once he started interacting with the other kids. It was a no-brainer to enroll our second child in the



► Juliet Pilgrim, Education and Outreach Coordinator for LIFE Cayman, leads a fun sing-along at a Family Circle Session.

programme as well."

This year, the ECCE Unit, in collaboration with the Family Resource Centre and the Department of Children and Family Services, launched the Roving Parent Mentorship Programme as part of its strategic priority to empower parents as key partners in their children's development. Volunteers receive comprehensive training in child development, effective communication, and safeguarding protocols. They then work directly with parents and caregivers in their homes, offering personalised guidance to help support their child's literacy and social-emotional growth.

Senior Policy Advisor and Manager of the ECCE Unit, Dr. Pearlyn Henry-Burrell, shared, "We recognise that parents and car-

egivers are a child's first teachers. Our goal is to empower families by enhancing their ability to provide nurturing care and create stimulating home learning environments through focused support and guidance."

Speaking on the vision for the programme, she added, "This initiative will have a profound impact on families by strengthening parent-child relationships, deepening parents' understanding of child development, and equipping them with practical strategies to support their child's communication and social-emotional skills." To learn more about the Smart Start Early Stimulation Programme or the Roving Parent Mentorship Programme, please email the Ministry's Early Childhood Care & Education (ECCE) Unit at ecce@gov.ky or call 525-1322.

From Sunrise to Sunflower: Nurturing Inclusivity for Hidden Disabilities in the Cayman Islands

In an empowering move to promote inclusivity and support for individuals with non-visible disabilities, the Sunrise Adult Training Centre (SATC) and the Sunrise Caring Association (SCA) have joined the international membership of the Hidden Disabilities Sunflower also known as **the Sunflower**. This global initiative discreetly signals that individuals wearing a Sunflower Lanyard may need extra assistance, fostering a more compassionate and inclusive society.

Kimberly Voaden, Director of SATC, highlighted the significance of this initiative for the Cayman Islands community. "SATC and SCA looks forward to providing Sunflower lanyards and products to clients and anyone who wishes to participate. Our vocational team will engage with employment partners to introduce the programme and invite them to become "Sunflower Supporters." With training and guidance from the Caring Association and partners, these businesses can publicly identify as inclusive and hidden disability-aware. This is a practical step toward making Cayman a more inclusive and neurodiversity-friendly place to live and visit," said Mrs. Voaden.

Globally, 1 in 6 people live with a disability, and 80% of these are non-visible. Conditions such as autism, attention deficit hyperactivity disorder, nonverbal learning disorders, diabetes, hearing impairment, chronic pain, and mental health challenges can significantly impact daily life but often go unnoticed. For individuals wearing the Sunflower, it serves as a subtle cue to colleagues, service providers, and the public that additional patience and understanding may be required.

Deputy Premier, Minister for Social Development & Innovation, the Hon. Kenneth Bryan, applauded the initiative, stating, "This is a monumental step forward for the Cayman Islands, ensuring that those with non-visible disabilities feel empowered and supported in all areas of their lives. I commend the Sunrise Adult Training Centre for their leadership and dedication to championing this important cause."

The initiative aligns with the Cayman Islands Governments broader efforts to build awareness and eliminate barriers



► SATC Sunflower Photo 2025 L-R Samantha Sharpe (Behavioral Health, H.S.A), Anjali Lumley (SATC client), Fallon Ebanks (SATC Transport Lead) and Ollie Bates (SATC V)

for individuals with disabilities. The Sunflower urges businesses and individuals to create inclusive spaces by displaying the Sunflower logo, and providing resources to support the initiative. Whether it's navigating daily tasks or accessing services, the HD Sunflower ensures that people with non-visible disabilities can participate fully in their communities. By joining this initiative, the Centre is not only raising awareness but also setting a powerful example across the Cayman Islands

"The initial Sunflower training provided by Inclusion Cayman to Cayman Islands Airport Authority staff has already made

a meaningful difference. While full implementation is currently underway, it's encouraging to see early signs of recognition and support. It's great to know that the Sunrise Adult Training Centre and the Sunrise Caring Association will now lead the way in launching the programme at a national level. For families like mine, seeing the Sunflower lanyard start to be recognised in Cayman — especially in busy environments like the airport — has led to shorter wait times, more compassionate communication, and greater understanding throughout the journey. It's already making a visible difference for those with

invisible needs— **Caymanian Parent Testimonial.**

"SATC and SCA would like to sincerely thank all its supporters, including David Gordon, Ocorian and the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange. Their recent donations have allowed the SCA to enhance services provided, and to purchase Sunflower lanyards to give freely to persons with a hidden disability who wish to take part. The Association can now assist participating businesses and service providers with training, and the procurement of Sunflower lanyards and other merchandise."

- **Deirdre Billes, SCA Chair**

The initial donor **Mr. David Gordon** shared why he felt compelled to contribute and shared this about why: "Mrs. Voaden delivered a presentation about the initiative at our local Church, and I was immediately intrigued by how straightforward yet powerful it could be for us to get involved and help others through it. The introduction of the Sunflower lanyard will enhance the experience of both residents and visitors in the Cayman Islands."

Paul White, CEO of Hidden Disabilities Sunflower, added: "The successful adoption of the Sunflower in the Cayman Islands demonstrates its beauty. Initiated by Mrs. Voaden's presentation, the idea germinated and quickly grew into what we are delighted to announce today. Residents and visitors who have non-visible disabilities can feel confident that the Cayman Islands is committed to disability inclusion through the use of the HD Sunflower as a tool to offer support, understanding and kindness."

For more information about the Hidden Disabilities Sunflower or to request Hidden Disabilities Sunflower training for your organisation, visit www.sunrise caringassociation.com or contact the Sunrise Adult Training Centre directly. P: (345) 949 3330 E: infoSATC@gov.ky.

What is the Sunflower? The Hidden Disabilities Sunflower lanyard is a way to let others across the globe know you have a disability, condition or chronic illness that isn't immediately apparent. By wearing it, you can signal that you might need extra help, understanding, or patience when you're out in public, at work, in shops, or using transportation. The Sunflower is a simple yet effective way to communicate your non-visible disability without explaining it whenever you need assistance.

About the Sunflower:

- Since the Sunflower was established in the UK in 2016, it has been adopted globally by organisations to support their colleagues and customers. The Sunflower is recognised at over 300 airports and 22 airlines, travel and tourism, education as well as healthcare, emergency service and entertainment.

- The Sunflower is available globally and has been launched locally in Australia, Belgium, Canada, Denmark, Ireland, Latin America, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Mauritius, the UAE, the UK, the USA and now the Cayman Islands.

- The Hidden Disabilities Sunflower is part of HD Sunflower Scheme Limited, a private company based in the UK. For further information, please: visit hdsunflower.com

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ACT to Host Final Cruise Town Hall with Port St. Maarten CEO Ahead of Referendum

As the April 30 cruise berthing referendum nears, The Association for Cruise Tourism (ACT) in the Cayman Islands is inviting all Caymanians to attend its final public town hall on Friday, April 25, 2025, at the Grand Cayman Marriott Resort.

The event, which begins with a 6 p.m. meet-and-greet followed by a 7 p.m. start, will feature Alexander Gumbs, Chief Executive Officer of Port St. Maarten. Gumbs will share firsthand insights into how cruise berthing infrastructure has driven economic growth and helped protect marine environments in other destinations.

ACT is encouraging participation from all sectors of the community – taxi drivers, tour operators, shop owners, hospitality workers, and even those opposed to cruise berthing – in what it describes as a vital conversation about the future of cruise tourism. “This is bigger than any one group – it’s about the future of cruise tourism and the livelihoods of thousands of Caymanians,” said ACT Executive Program Manager Ellio Solomon. “Everyone



► Alexander Gumbs, CEO, Port St. Maarten

has a stake in this decision, and every voice deserves to be heard.”

Solomon emphasized that sustainable

growth is not only pro-Caymanian, but also pro-environment. “We’ve heard a lot of noise lately, but let’s be clear: sustainable growth is at the core of what ACT stands for,” he said. “Every day we delay is another day our seabed suffers from destructive anchoring. That’s why we support building cruise piers through responsible, proven public-private partnerships – solutions working across the region, the world, and right here at home.”

He added that ACT’s position is rooted in transparency and long-term vision: “This is about protecting what we love – our environment, our economy, and our children’s future. Caymanians deserve more than empty slogans and false narratives. They deserve facts, accountability and real action.”

Solomon also criticized what he called performative politics and “woke elitism” for standing in the way of job creation and infrastructure development. “The real threat to Cayman isn’t development – it’s the mindset that demonizes any effort to build a better future. Caymanians are wide

awake. We know the difference between progress and posturing.”

Highlighting the urgency of modernization, Solomon warned that Cayman risks losing relevance in the global cruise industry: “You can’t say yes to cruise tourism but no to the infrastructure that keeps it alive. In the next five years, 80 percent of cruise passengers in the Caribbean will be sailing on mega ships – and they don’t tender. Without a pier, we’ll be bypassed. In fact, we’re already being bypassed, with a nearly 50 percent decline in cruise arrivals since 2019. Isn’t that enough to sound the alarm?”

He concluded with a stark warning: “Once we fall below a critical mass of cruise calls, the industry won’t just decline – it will collapse. Not from lack of demand, but because we failed to adapt. As we say in Cayman, ‘If we don’t hear, we will feel.’ And Cayman is already feeling it. Businesses have closed, jobs have disappeared, and government revenue is slipping.”

The event is free and open to the public. Refreshments will be served.

IRG - International Realty Group Celebrates 30 Years of Real Estate Excellence in the Cayman Islands and Beyond



► L to R: Jeremy Hurst, President & CEO of IRG, and Her Excellency The Governor Mrs Jane Owen – Holding IRG’s scholarship fund commitment

IRG - International Realty Group, a leading real estate agency in the Cayman Islands, is proud to celebrate its 30th anniversary of excellence in the real estate industry. Over three decades, IRG has established itself as a regional and global leader in real estate services, expanding its influence from the Cayman Islands to global markets through its exclusive membership with Leading Real Estate Companies of the World, Luxury Portfolio International, and other global networks. Currently, IRG is involved in developing projects like ONE|GT as a development partner and marketing projects such as the Residences at the Mandarin Oriental, Grand Cayman, which broke ground earlier this year.

“I’m as excited about the prospects for IRG now as I was the day I set it up 30 years ago in 1994. We have an amazing team and am tremendously proud of the standards we’ve set since IRG was founded and which we aim to continue over the next decade and beyond as we

strive to adapt and innovate to deliver even higher standards for our clients and customers.”

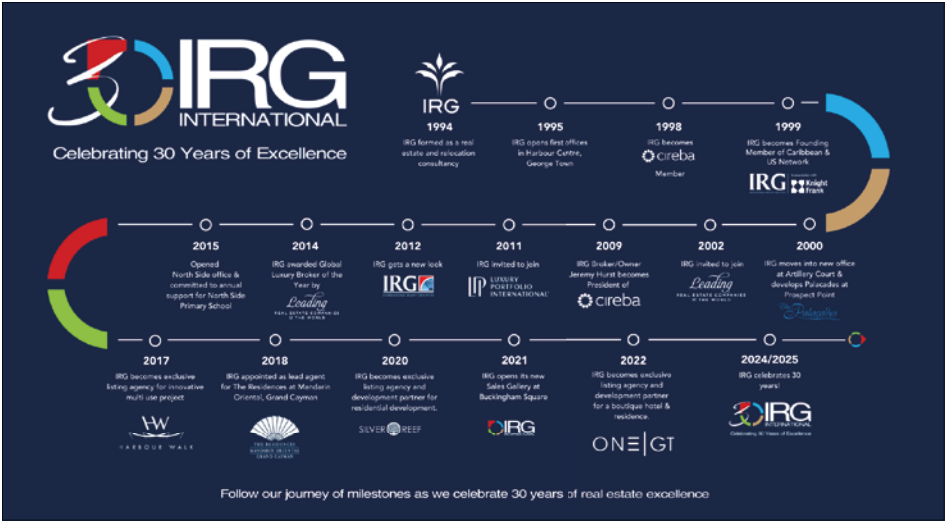
– Jeremy Hurst, President and CEO of IRG

Supporting the Next Generation of Real Estate Professionals

In celebration of its 30th anniversary, IRG is proud to announce a scholarship fund to support Caymanian students pursuing careers in the real estate industry over the next three years. The fund initially worth \$30,000, underscores IRG’s commitment to nurturing the next generation of industry leaders and provide a path for young talented Caymanians to enter this important market sector.

A Legacy of Excellence and Community Engagement

Founded in 1994 as a real estate and relocation consultancy, IRG has played a key role in shaping the real estate landscape



► Key Milestones in IRG’s Journey

in the Cayman Islands. In addition to its business success, IRG has remained deeply committed to the local community, supporting a wide range of charitable initiatives.

About IRG - International Realty Group

International Realty Group (IRG) is a leading full-service real estate company with a strong presence in the Cayman Islands and the global real estate market. With a reputation for excellence, IRG offers comprehensive real estate services, in the residential, commercial, and luxury property market sectors with strong expertise in the development



The IRG Team

sector. Over the past three decades, IRG has built lasting relationships with clients, partners, and the local community, always prioritizing integrity, trust, and dedicated service.

For more information, visit www.irg-cayman.com or contact info@irg.ky.

Last Call for Volunteers: Join the Earth Day Cleanup!



► Earth Day Sponsors



► Heritage Holdings



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► Tote Bag Sponsors

It's not too late to register for the Chamber Earth Day, on 26 April from 7am to 10am and join more than two thousand volunteers – Cayman's biggest volunteer cleanup! This year's theme, "Our Power, Our Planet," underscores the incredible impact we can achieve together to protect and preserve our beautiful islands. Volunteers will remove trash from beaches, roadsides, public parks, and gardens, ensuring that our islands remain stunning for residents and visitors alike.

Why It Matters

"Keeping our islands clean and green is everyone's responsibility," says Chamber CEO Wil Pineau. "We encourage all residents, schools, and volunteer community groups to participate in this initiative, dedicating just a few hours to make a real difference in their communities."

Sponsor Highlights

The Chamber of Commerce is proud to have the support of sponsors who share our commitment to environmental preservation. The Chamber would like to express heartfelt thanks to all our sponsors who have stepped up to provide trash

bags, gloves, Tee-shirts and refreshments, but especially our major sponsors: the Ministry of Tourism & Ports, and the Ministry of Health:

Joanne Lawson, Chief of Staff at Dart said "We are proud to sponsor the Chamber of Commerce's Earth Day cleanup because we believe in the importance of preserving our environment for future generations. This initiative helps beautify our community and raises awareness about the impact of pollution and the need for sustainable practices. We continue to support this cause each year because of positive changes it brings and the sense of unity it fosters among residents. Together, we can make a difference and create a cleaner, greener world."

Hon. Kenneth Bryan, Deputy Premier and Minister for Tourism and Ports, said: "Earth Day serves as a timely reminder that the health of our planet is intrinsically linked to the well-being of our people. This Earth Day, we reflect on the theme: 'Our Planet, Our Power,' and as an Island nation, that message couldn't be more relevant. Our natural environment is not just beautiful; it is the lifeblood of our tourism industry, which supports

thousands of jobs, businesses, and families here in the Cayman Islands. As custodians of our environment, we must be mindful that protecting our ecosystems is not only an environmental imperative, but an economic and social one as well. By acknowledging Earth Day, we reaffirm our commitment to environmental stewardship, sustainable development, and the long-term resilience of our Islands."

Ministry of Health: "Earth Day serves as a global reminder that protecting our environment is not bound by age, culture, or politics. From students picking up litter to elders planting trees, and from volunteers cleaning coastlines to policymakers shaping legislation, it is a day that unites us all in a common purpose of caring for our planet and, by extension, ourselves," said Ministry spokespersons Carolina Muniz Ferreira and Mma-tshepo.

The Ministry's commitment extends beyond Earth Day through year-round sustainability initiatives and effective waste management practices. "Our efforts do not stop with a single day of action. Through our internal Green Team, Ministry staff are encouraged to learn about and participate in sustainability initiatives year-round. We

also support effective waste management by providing clearly marked recycling bins for plastic, aluminium, and glass in our offices."

Dr. Gelia Frederick van-Genderen, Water Authority-Cayman Director said: "The Water Authority has participated in the Chamber's Earth Day clean-up since 2007 and has been a sponsor since 2009. This event allows us to give back to our community, and it's an event that our staff look forward to every year. We all have a role to play to protect our environment, and this initiative is one way to do that."

How to Get Involved Everyone is welcome to join! Whether you're an individual, a family, a school, or a business, we invite you to participate. Register a team here: <https://web.caymanchamber.ky/atlas/events-v4/register/6381>

Or volunteer to pack Earth Day bags at the Chamber offices in Governor's Square in the week leading up to Earth Day. Contact Chamber Events Coordinator Emily Sintorn at 743-9124 or email: Emily.Sintorn@CaymanChamber.ky.

Let's come together and show our love for Cayman. Join us in making a difference and creating a cleaner, greener world.

Tropical Shipping Exempted from \$1 Million Port Fee Tariffs

Tropical President Attributes Victory to Strong Caribbean Advocacy

Riviera Beach, Florida – President Trump’s executive order aimed at revitalizing the U.S. shipbuilding industry grandfathered American-owned carriers like Tropical Shipping that currently rely on Chinese-built vessels. The United States Trade Representative (USTR) proposed surcharges that would have cost Tropical Shipping customers an additional \$3,000 per 40-foot container load, will not go into effect.

“This is a huge victory for us and the entire Caribbean region that we serve,” said Tropical Shipping President and CEO Tim Martin. “Our voices were heard. We could not have accomplished this without the relentless advocacy from our Caribbean representatives in Washington, D.C., our customers, and the many organizations that wrote letters to the USTR describing the devastating multiplier effect these port fees would have had on all of us.”

Martin says a USTR committee member was surprised by the massive response from Caribbean leaders and businesses.

“One of Tropical’s core values is, ‘Respon-



siveness is our driving force.’ Caribbean communities were our driving force on this issue, and I can’t thank you enough. I want to give a special thanks to the following:

- Our dedicated employees
- Our customers
- Congresswoman Stacey Plaskett, United States Virgin Islands

- Governor Albert Bryan - United States Virgin Islands
- Teri Helenese, Director of the Federal Relations Office of the Governor of the United States Virgin Islands
- President Mohamed Irfaan Ali, Guyana
- Prime Minister Mia Mottley of Barbados and Chair of CARICOM

- Dr. Patrick Antione, CARICOM Private Sector Organization
- Wazim Mowla, Atlantic Council
- Caribbean Shipping Association
- Caribbean Hotel & Tourism Association
- Caribbean Ambassador to the United States
- Caribbean Tourism Organization
- Members of the Florida Congressional Representatives

Martin will continue to advocate in Washington, D.C., to strategize the long-term plans to bring U.S. shipbuilding back to the U.S. and how American carriers like Tropical can prepare for the future.

Tropical Shipping is headquartered in Riviera Beach, Florida, and has served the Caribbean market since 1963. Tropical’s transportation services include refrigerated, dry, Full-Container-Load (FCL), Less-than-Container-Load (LCL), small package, consolidation, inland transportation, and global logistics services. For more information about Tropical Shipping, visit: Tropical.com

Building Sector Embraces Energy Efficiency Guidelines

By: Benita Adesuyan

Following the success of a two-year residential and public sector energy efficiency programme, the Ministry of Sustainability and Climate Resiliency and Wellness (MSCRW), in collaboration with the Ministry of Planning, Agriculture, Housing, Infrastructure, Transport & Development (PAHIT&D), international energy experts Econoler, and the EU-funded RESEMBID Programme, has launched a new set of practical energy efficiency guidelines to support sustainable construction across the Cayman Islands.

The guidelines are designed to help suppliers, contractors, architects and developers integrate energy efficiency from the earliest stages of design and construction. This initiative supports the 2024-2045 National Energy Policy, which prioritises public awareness, incentives, and frameworks to promote low-energy, climate-resilient development across both new and renovated buildings.

To support rollout of the guidelines, MSCRW hosted two free virtual training sessions led by Econoler. The first session on 20 March focused on residential construction and was attended by 56 professionals from the construction and architecture sectors. The second, held on 27 March, was tailored to appliance retailers and provided strategies for promoting energy-efficient technologies. In total, more than 70 industry professionals participated, with 23 attending both sessions.

Eric Bush, Chief Officer of the Ministry of Planning, Agriculture, Housing, Infrastruc-



ture, Transport & Development, said: “At the Ministry of PAHIT&D, we believe that sustainable development must begin with smart design and construction. I’m proud to see this collaborative effort delivering real tools to help our local professionals build more energy-efficient homes and buildings from the ground up. These guidelines not only support the national energy and climate policies but also mean lower utility costs for families, reduced strain on our energy grid, and a more climate-resilient Cayman Islands. This is what progress looks like — practical, informed, and focused on empowering Caymanians today and for generations to come.”

Kristen Smith, Senior Policy Advisor, Ministry of Sustainability and Climate Resiliency and Wellness, added: “Energy

efficiency is at its most impactful when it is integrated into the inception of building projects. This training provides those in the home construction and development industries with the latest residential energy efficiency guidelines so they can help Cayman’s tenants and homeowners keep cool and minimise their energy consumption. Our programmes in residential homes and public sector buildings have proven that energy efficiency pays off – for builders and residents alike.

“We have been impressed with the high turnout and level of engagement at both training sessions and initial feedback from the participants has been excellent too. We want to thank our partners for delivering this important training, and we appreciate everyone who took part as we continue to

work together to build a more energy efficient Cayman Islands.”

The guidelines are a collaborative effort and were developed in consultation with the Department of Planning, Caribbean Utilities Company (CUC) Cayman Society of Architects Surveyors & Engineers (CASE) and the Cayman Contractors Association (CCA).

Recordings of the training course, along with specially created infographics and the technical course content are now available to all members of the public via the energy section of the MSCRW website.

The Energy Policy Unit also continues to deliver accessible community-based initiatives that support the goals of the National Energy Policy 2024-2045 and the Climate Change Policy 2024-2050, which aim to make the Cayman Islands more resilient and adaptive to climate change risks.

Public information and education continue to be at the core of the policy unit’s work, and the team have developed accessible online resources to help the wider community understand how to conduct their own energy audits, and prepare their home and property for the changing climate. The resources and guides continue to be available on the Energy website.

To learn more about the Energy Efficiency programme’s outcomes and recommendations, visit the Energy Unit website, www.gov.ky/energy.

Industry professionals and residents alike are encouraged to explore the resources available and become active partners in building a more energy-efficient, sustainable Cayman Islands.

Arsenal eye Euro glory

The Champions League has reached the semi-finals stage and there will be a fresh name on the trophy after Arsenal sensationally knocked out holders Real Madrid. Arsenal are now the clear favourites to become European champions for the first time.

Paris Saint-Germain are next up for Arsenal in the semi-finals. Barcelona and Inter Milan are in the other semi-final after last week's matches.

Arsenal were so impressive in the two legs against Real, winning 3-0 and 2-1 that Real president Florentino Perez and CEO Jose Angel Sanchez have both approved a potential \$120m transfer package for Arsenal star Bukayo Saka.

The Gunners forward impressed hugely at the Bernabeu, scoring the opening goal in Wednesday's Champions League quarter-final second leg. Although

he earlier missed a penalty, Saka menaced Real throughout.

Arsenal fans hope they can keep Saka for a long time after his remarkable rise from the club's academy to become a first-team star and regular England international.

The 23-year-old is a hugely important to Mikel Arteta's success. But Real Madrid are the world's biggest side and tend to get whoever they target.



► Lamine Yamal is being hailed by Messi



► Bukayo Saka is wanted by Real Madrid

Barcelona have impressed under head coach Hansi Flick, after the Spanish side eased past Borussia Dortmund. Brazilian forward Raphinha has grabbed the headlines with 12 goals and seven assists in this year's tournament alone for Barca.

But brilliant teenager Lamine Yamal continues to demonstrate levels of composure and consistency well beyond his years. The 17-year-old has a remarkable 14 goals and 22 assists in all competitions this season, with the legendary Lionel Messi under no

doubt that he is already one of the world's best.

"What Lamine Yamal is showing is very impressive, not only what he's doing but what he's already done, being a Euro champion with Spain," Messi told Simplemente Fútbol.

Yamal's talents were on full show on Saturday, too, as the winger helped mastermind Barcelona's remarkable comeback against Celta Vigo, coming back from 3-1 down to win 4-3 to move seven points clear of Real Madrid with six games to play.

Eubank-Benn egg saga reaches boiling point



► Eubank Jr. and Benn have exchanged insults for years

British boxing fans will witness a sensational match this weekend when Chris Eubank Jr and Benn, both sons of fight legends, meet in a huge bout at London's Tottenham Hotspur Stadium.

The build-up has fight fans reminiscing on the two classic wars between Eubank Sr. and Nigel Benn in the 1990s.

There has been the customary exchanges of insults and snipes in the build-up. The latest came when promoter Eddie Hearn claimed that Chris Eubank Sr. is jealous of not being involved in his son's fight against Benn this Saturday, April 26.

One of the major talking points going into Eubank Jr-Benn is the jump in weight the 'Destroyer' is making. Benn moves up from welterweight (147lbs) to middleweight (160).

This has sparked concern from Eubank Sr. who criticised the contest and branded it a "circus". Hearn, who promotes

Benn, said: "Chris Eubank Sr. was a middleweight who was mainly a career super middleweight who fought at light heavyweight and at cruiserweight. Don't talk about not moving up the weights. Conor Benn has already boxed at 154 twice."

This fight was first made in 2022 but was cancelled at short notice due to Benn, 28, failing a drug test. Benn was eventually cleared, claiming the positive drug test was because he ate too many eggs. At a press event two months ago 35-year-old Eubank Jr. slapped Benn across the face with an egg, increasing the animosity. Eubank was fined \$125,000 for that.

Fight fans are in for a treat in the next couple of weeks with two amazing cards after this:

May 2: Ryan Garcia vs Rolly Romero; Devin Haney vs Jose Ramirez; Teofimo Lopez vs Arnold Barboza Jr.

May 3: Canelo Alvarez vs William Scull

LeBron: Lakers can still subdue Wolves



► LeBron James expects the Lakers to progress

The Los Angeles Lakers were demolished as they opened their first-round playoff series with a 117-95 loss to the Minnesota Timberwolves on Saturday but LeBron James is adamant that they can still get through.

Saturday's crushing loss at Crypto.com Arena is not unusual for James. Now 31-24 in Game 1s across his playoff career, the four-time champion has often used series openers as merely a chance to access the opposition.

"We should be more than prepared on Tuesday night," James announced. "Sometimes, it takes a quarter, two quar-

ters, a full game to get used to playoff basketball again." History shows that for him that is right.

For Cayman Islands residents who follow Miami Heat, they were delighted when Heat became the first 10th-seeded team to reach the NBA play-offs through the play-in tournament as they scored an overtime success against the Atlanta Hawks. That was after earlier beating the Chicago Bulls. Shooting guard Tyler Herro has been the Heat star so far. Heat played the Cleveland Cavaliers in the first play-off game on Sunday night.

SUDOKU

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

Conceptis Sudoku

By Dave Green

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Answer to previous puzzle

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Difficulty Level ★★★

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CROSSWORD

By THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS

- 1 Open-handed hit
5 Patisserie worker
10 One of a bear trio
11 Comes up on
13 Resting
14 Tourist's car
15 Brain parts
17 In the style of
18 Main dishes
19 Bauxite product
20 Animator's frame
21 Nuisance
22 Mis-behave
25 Acting groups
26 Bend out of shape
27 Atlas page
28 Lawyers' org.
29 Pretends to be
33 Novak of "Vertigo"
34 Run
35 Concert bonus
37 Fetching

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39 Foot or fathom
40 Lock of hair
41 Folded food
1 Word separator
2 Grow toward night
3 Left, at sea
4 Dispos-able vessel
5 Keg
6 Provinces holder
7 Family
8 Fancy homes
9 Pragmatic person
12 Inclines
16 Horn sound
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29 Tiny holes
30 Spa room
31 Top floor
32 Take care of
36 Mine matter

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Saturday's answer

Word Search

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

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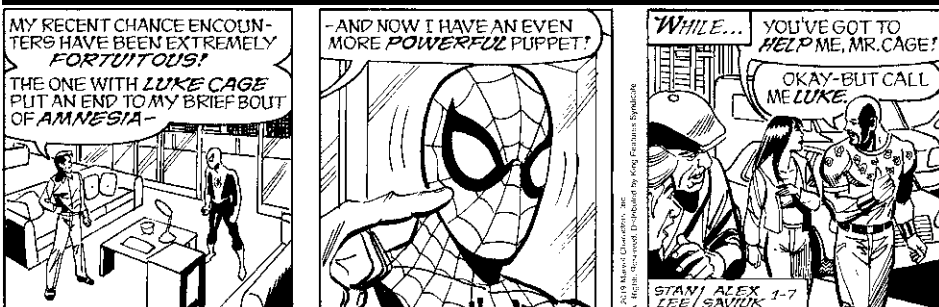
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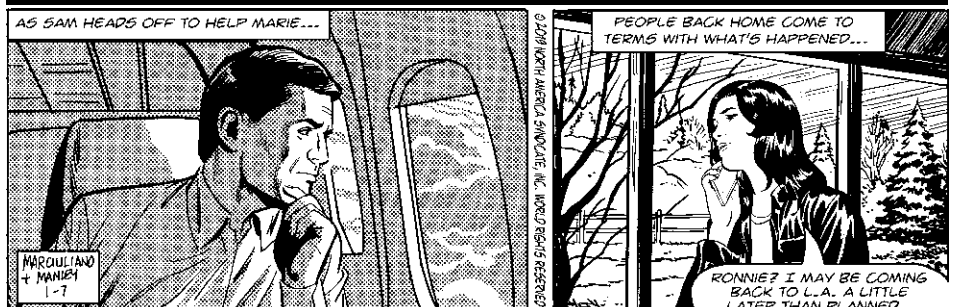
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- Experience and Customer Service Skills: Minimum of 5 years of experience in a Hotel Front Desk role or similar position within the hospitality industry.
- Education: A high school diploma or equivalent; a degree in hospitality management or a related field is preferred but not required.
- Communication Skills: Excellent verbal and written skills, with the ability to interact effectively with guests, staff, and management.
- Problem-Solving Abilities: Strong problem-solving skills, with the ability to resolve guest complaints efficiently and professionally.
- Cash Handling & Reporting: Experience in handling financial transactions, including cash, credit cards, and end-of-day reconciliations.
- Availability: Flexibility to work shifts, including evenings, weekends, and holidays as needed.

Resumes that do not have Hotel Front Desk Experience will not be considered.

Wage Range: \$14.00 – \$16.00 USD per hour depending on experience, plus share in hotel gratuity pool.

Caymanians, Status Holders, individuals Married to Caymanians, Permanent Residents with Rights to Work only, Send resume & cover letter to carli@staylocale.com on or before May 7, 2025.

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All applicants must be able to produce a clear police record. Positions require flexible hours working days, nights, week-ends and holidays. Package includes health insurance contribution and pension benefits as specified by law.

Applications will be accepted for qualified persons in writing including resume, should be emailed to:

Market Place
Tibbetts Square Ltd
P.O. Box 258
Cayman Brac, KY2-2002
CAYMAN ISLANDS
cbmarket2@outlook.com

Deadline for receipt of applications is May 2, 2025

NOTICES

COASTAL WORKS APPLICATION

Notice is hereby given that **K4R Properties & Hunter International Inc.** has submitted a Coastal Works Application to the Ministry of Sustainability & Climate Resiliency for: To relocate sand washed out from the beach in this area from heavy rains. Pin-point sand harvesting offshore approx. 40 to 80 ft. Pumping of sand from offshore with divers monitoring sand harvesting and location of harvesting areas. Concrete grout filled geo bags used to contain the harvested sand which will be spread out and used to renourish and create a natural uplifting shoreline along the properties.

Blocks 33E Parcels 38, 39, 40 & 121 Finger Cay Rd, Cayman Kai, Rum Point, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands.

If you have cause to make comment on this coastal works permit application, you should do so in writing to the Chief Officer Ministry of Sustainability & Climate Resiliency, Government Administration Building, George Town, Grand Cayman KY1-9000 (Attn: coastal.works@gov.ky) to be received within **21 days** of the posting of this Notice.

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Planning Permission

This is to inform the public that an application for planning permission for the purpose of change of use from a house to a Preschool complete with storage, signage, low fence and parking lot with entrance/exit from Homestead Cresnet on Block 28D Parcels 126, 128, 130 has been submitted to the Central Planning Authority (CPA), Grand Cayman.

The application can be inspected on the Department's website <https://www.planning.ky/planning-notices/>, or at the Department of Planning; located at the Government Administration Building, 133 Elgin Avenue, George Town, Grand. If you wish to object or support the application you should do so in writing stating your precise grounds within 21 CALENDAR DAYS of the final advertisement of this notice. Please note: only owners of full legal capacity who for the time being reside within a radius of one thousand feet of the boundaries of the land to which the application relates, or who own land (including a strata lot) within a radius of one thousand feet of the boundaries but reside elsewhere in the Islands, may object to an application for planning permission. Your comments should be addressed to the Director of Planning, P.O. Box 113, Grand Cayman KY1-9000, Cayman Islands, or via e-mail to planning.dept@gov.ky. Please include your return address (typically a PO Box number).

NOTICES



THE ROADS LAW (2005 Revision)
Section 3 Declaration of Intent
Section 6 Authority to Enter Lands

In exercise of the powers conferred on the Governor by Section 3 and 6 of the Roads Act (2005 Revision), and acting upon recommendation by the National Roads Authority and its agent the District Administration Public Works Department, it is hereby declared that:

1. It is the intention of the National Roads Authority and in the public interest to open an access road as described hereunder:

REGISTRATION SECTION: Cayman Brac East

REGISTRATION BLOCK: 106C

BOUNDARY PLAN: BP 672

PORTIONS OF LAND NEEDED: The proposed roadwork is defined by boundaries outlined in green on BP 672 and listed in the Schedule below.

2. The National Roads Authority and its agents are authorized to enter upon lands listed in the Schedule below for the purposes of undertaking the road works, such authority to take effect 15 days from the date of publication of this Notice in the Cayman Islands Gazette.

3. Boundary Plan Number 672 may be inspected at the offices of The National Roads Authority, 370 North Sound Road, or at The Lands & Survey Department, 133 Elgin Avenue, both of George Town, Grand Cayman or at the Lands Office, 255 Bight Road, Cayman Brac, or online at www.caymanlandinfo.ky under 'Road Schemes'.

SCHEDULE

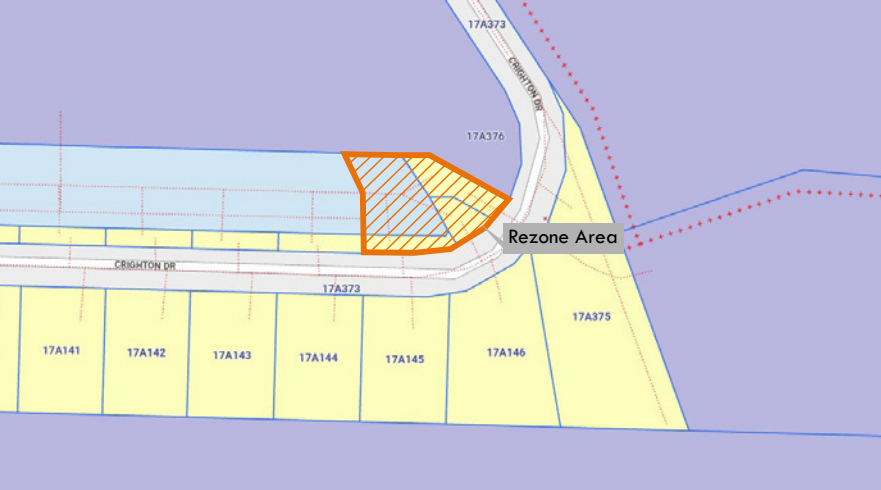
Block	Parcel	Approximate Area loss in acres
106C	42	0.04
106C	43	0.05
106C	45	< 0.01
106C	46	0.06
106C	78	0.47

Made in Cabinet this 25th day of February 2025
Clerk of Cabinet

PUBLIC NOTICE

REQUEST FOR ALTERATION TO THE DEVELOPMENT PLAN 1997

The Central Planning Authority (CPA) is considering an alteration to the Development Plan 1997 (RZ25-0001) for the following: Block 17A Parcels 145, 146, 327 & 376 (now Block 17A Parcel 383) from Low Density Residential and Private Canal to Hotel/ Tourism. These parcels are located in the Crystal Harbour area adjacent to Crighton Drive.



Proposed Rezone Parcels

Existing Zoning

Hotel/Tourism

Low Density Residential

Private Canal

The electronic file can be inspected at the Department of Planning, Government Administration Building, 133 Elgin Avenue, George Town between 8:30 am and 4:00 pm, Monday to Friday. Anyone wishing to comment on this proposal must do so in writing within 60 days of the final advertisement (April 17th 2025) or by June 16th 2025. Please remit all correspondence to the attention of the Director of Planning, P.O. Box 113, KY1-9000 Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands; or by email to planning.dept@gov.ky. CPA meeting minutes pertaining to this application can be found on the Department's website at www.planning.ky (Meeting CPA/05/25; Item 3.1)



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