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## TOURISTS QUARANTINE CRITICISED BY STAKEHOLDERS

Following complaints from stakeholders, the government of the Virgin Islands might have to return to the drawing board with the visitor quarantine suggestion. The recommended four-day quarantine for tourists was outlined as part of the tourist arrival protocols that was revealed more than a week ago. However, Premier and Minister for Finance Hon. Andrew Fahie recently disclosed that the idea of asking guests to seclude themselves for days is not sitting well with some residents.

This quarantine suggestion that received the thumbs down from tourism business persons relates to the Government and the HEOC's proposal that was disclosed by Premier Fahie on 6 October during a meeting with hospitality stakeholders.

It was explained that some stakeholders believed that the quarantining or asking persons to spend four days out of a seven-day vacation in quarantine is unreasonable. These concerns were heard by the Government and addressed by Premier and Minister for Finance Hon. Andrew Fahie during an interview he did with 284 Media on 9 October. In recalling the suggestion and the disagreement Hon. Fahie said, "One of the preliminary efforts that health (authorities) informed that we need (is) to look at a four-day quarantine for persons coming into the Territory. That was one of the areas that we brought out for discussions. Since then persons have expressed their concerns."

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*Optimist Sailors paused long enough before going on their first sailing on Thursday in the Royal BVI Yacht Club After School Program (Photo By Dean "The Sportsman" Greenaway) (more on page 24)*

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# TOURISTS QUARANTINE CRITICISED BY STAKEHOLDERS

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Hon. Fahie explained that the complaints are being taken seriously by members of the HEOC and options are being considered. "The health team - given their open-mindedness - are trying to see what else can be done since persons have emailed their comments and their concerns... We have been listening to the people," Hon. Fahie explained.

Meanwhile, the BVI Premier encouraged persons to have their voices heard on the matter by explaining that there is no done-deal: "We have stated to everyone that the draft plans that we have brought to them for discussions are not finalised. Even if we go to the Cabinet and we say these are the protocols and wisdom comes to us in the

areas that we need to adjust because we must adjust: COVID-19 is not static. It is a fluid situation; and I want to state to persons that this is not a situation where we can have textbook plans. These are plans that have to deal with the reality on the ground and that is why we are continually massaging the plans to deal with the reality on the ground."

"These are the plans that we had initially but many meetings since then with the stakeholders with different parts of the sectors of our economy have allowed us to start to review with health...so that we can see if we can find common ground on what will be a more amicable way forward," he further explained.

The Premier explained that although his government is being responsive to the concerns expressed;

they still need to be mindful how they deal with the situation of guests arrival in this COVID-19 era: "Although some persons are pushing for us to go no quarantine we have to be mindful that if there is any breakout those same persons are the ones going to blame the government for not being prudent about the way they have done things. We have to make sure that we listen to everything people say, take the areas that we could value and make sure that we come up with the best product. It's not finalized but it is a train of thought that some kind of quarantine would be needed whether it be one day two day or three days that now has to be determined."

"With COVID 19 you have to calculate what risks you can manage and here in the BVI we only have eight ven-

tilators and we are trying to find what risks we can manage best by reopening out tourism industry and ensuring the safety of the people of the Virgin Islands who are here and the safety of our visitors when they come in," the Premier added.

A stakeholder told The Island Sun that visitors should come in with a very recent "clean" bill of health and be tested at the port of arrival, he added that four days of quarantine are not sufficient and to be practical and safe "a clean bill of health not older than 72 hours is what is required".

As it relates to local preparation Hon. Fahie said that the BVI would need to show the world that it can operate in this COVID era by adhering to social distancing and other preventative measures. He said that the government was

not impressed over the past months with how individuals and some businesses dealt with the requirements and said that this will be carefully watched.

The BVI Leader explained that positive adherence to masks and social distancing will result in the lifting of the curfew altogether: "We have to police ourselves and not have anyone else police us. Once we police ourselves with the social measures as individuals and businesses we will see the curfew lifted altogether."

"There is a balance that we are trying to see between the safety of the Territory and the economy. It is not an easy balance; with that in mind, a lot of work is being put in place," Hon. Fahie said.

# TPP BUSINESSES HOPE FOR A SPEEDY RECOVERY

As a result of the Territory's borders being closed to tourists and cruise ship visitors since March, the tenants of the Tortola Pier Park (TPP) have been feeling a very painful and depressing squeeze. However, the management of the facility said that it has been working to help the situation.

During a press conference on 8 October, Vance Lewis, the Chief Executive Officer of the main pier facility, explained that there are some 61 vendors at the

Pier Park and in April, following the border closure and lockdown, the management stepped in to assist the hardship by making April rent-free. The CEO said that the decision to forego rent that month was influenced by the fact that the Territory was on lockdown at that time.

The Pier Park management also considered that the government commenced the reopening of the Territory's economy in stages and as such certain

businesses were not allowed to open and had to remain closed. In this instance, Mr. Lewis said that a major business discount was provided: "Those that were not cleared to open at all we have offered as much as 90 percent," he said.

The CEO admitted that it was costly for TPP to be so generous to its tenants but he said that because of the pandemic and the hardship it caused this help was urgently necessary: "It is very challenging for us to do this

but we recognise that it is part of the Government's initiative to help businesses in the Territory and so we are playing our part."

## CRUISE-SHIPS

Cruise-ship passengers are a large part of the customer base for the vendors, and until the cruising sector fully returns here that would be longing for many vendors. Until the cruise business fully bounces back - Lewis said - residents will see some warm layover visits from popular cruiseliners.

Lewis explained that arrangements to have the local cruising dependent industry back to its former glory are being made, but until the rebound takes place residents can expect to see from as early as this month-end the familiar sight of a ship docked at the pier: "At the moment we are cleared by Cabinet to do or what they call warm lay-up or technical call, which is in effect...it is going to be on a month by month basis and it may just be for a couple of months," he said.

# "STAMP ILLEGAL FIREARMS OUT" Commissioner of Police Says

Over the last week and less than a month after two deadly shootings, the Royal Virgin Islands Police Force has seized four loaded firearms and Commissioner of Police Michael Matthews announced that he is beginning to see a trend that he does not like.

In a recent television interview, Commissioner Matthews mentioned the confiscation of the deadly weapons: "On the back of two homicides in September to capture four loaded firearms out there in the space of a week that's alarming for me. It's a great success story for the force - of course - but it is still alarming for me. If we caught four in the space of a week then how many are they carrying out there at the moment."

"It is quite astonishing, isn't it? you think just over a week... We have seized four firearms

and ammunition all loaded at the time; obviously all lethal weapons. In respect of two of those cases, we currently have people in custody awaiting court appearance and we are seeking remands and custody for those individuals," the Commissioner further stated.

Nonetheless, Police Commissioner Matthews explained that he is noticing a worrying pattern of the persons who are being found with these unlicensed firearms. The Commissioner said that it appears that it is mostly young males that are carrying these guns: "This tells me something that is a sad reflection... Generally speaking - and I don't like to generalize too much - I have got to be factual on this. Generally speaking, it is young males that are involved in carrying these firearms. I don't know whether it is an egotistical thing - whether

this is gang culture or whether this is for what they perceive to be their way of protecting themselves. Whatever the reason is, it is reckless and dangerous," he explained.

The Commissioner said that now that the tourism sector is about to reopen the RVIPF will continue to do its best to ensure that the Territory maintains its reputation as a safe place to live and visit. With this in mind, he said that there is a zero-tolerance approach to guns.

While announcing this approach to gun cleanup the COP declared: "We are going to look for you and if we find you we are going to stop you, we are going to arrest you and we are going to seize whatever you have got on you. We are not giving up on it and we are asking you to do the same. If you see something say something and that's what has been happening. People have been calling in saying

they have seen suspicious persons and you know that the sentencing is a minimum of five years for carrying an unlicensed firearm in this Territory. Why would you take that risk.... We are going to keep up our efforts and ... as we approach the festive season we are going to step up our efforts. With tourism hopefully returning."

The Commissioner of Police expressed concern that many of the persons often found with unlicensed firearms are young people: "I think it is horrifying, and one of the young men arrested and sitting in my custody at the moment is just 19 years old - hardly begun his life and already if successful in our prosecution in court he is going to have a criminal record for the rest of his life - which is going to be a difficult one to live down."

Matthews said he thinks the young men are being influenced by what they see

occurring elsewhere and are intent on living that way despite the illegality of it all. "I have not got the answer as to why this is the case now but what I do know is that it is certainly endemic across the Caribbean. It is certainly endemic in America of course," the COP pointed out.

As the push to confiscate illegal guns continue the Commissioner mentioned that he would like to see the BVI try to prevent this matter by toughening the gun illegal possession penalties.

The Commissioner said: "I hope and pray that the Government never weakens its gun laws here. I hope if anything it strengthens them. I hope we see increased sentences for the unlawful use and carriage of them because the only real way to stay safe is to stamp out firearms full stop."

## New Market Place Ground-Breaking Ceremony Held

Minister for Transport, Works and Utilities Hon. Kye Rymer explained that the relocation of popular vendors from the Road Town Market Square is a temporary move geared at facilitating the construction of a new and modern market facility aimed at further improving Road Town.

The Minister's statement is comforting to many who would have noticed that popular vendors such as Clints Organic, Netos, and Panche were no longer at their usual places of business. Although most of the

businesses were relocated a short distance away - there still have been concerns about the move.

However, the Minister at the 12 October ground-breaking ceremony noted that once the project is completed, the vendors will return. In fact, Hon. Rymer told the gathering that the vendors are at the core of the project: "We have vendors who have utilised this facility for over a decade; so I must thank them for their cooperation as we have had to temporarily relocate all

of them to a nearby site just next to the fire station, so I ask the public to continue to visit them and purchase from them. Our vendors are among our key stakeholders in this project," the Minister explained.

Meanwhile, Hon. Rymer said that he has great expectations of what the complete market square would look like: "We have a shared appreciation of the vision that when they step foot back in this location it would be a more attractive and energetic

space. Everything we do as your government is aimed at lifting and enriching the quality of your lives."

Minister Rymer told the gathering: "It (the market square) is aimed at lifting the experience in the city and bringing hope to our people... Upon completion of this facility patrons would be able to enjoy a 16 kiosk shopping splendor accompanied by a gazebo, green spaces, restrooms; and local monumental artifacts. Soon this place would be vibrant with the sounds

of music celebrations, community gatherings fresh produce, and a variety of foods."

In somewhat alluding to the apprehension some felt about the move of the vendors and the project the Minister declared: "Change is inevitable. We have to keep changing. Adapting and adjusting to be relevant to the times and to stay ahead of the times - transformation is healthy. This is good for our Territory and our people."

# Dr Robert Mathavious to receive Honour for his services to BVI

Saturday 10 October – Dr Robert Mathavious is the Territory's newest recipient of the Order of the British Empire (OBE) in the Queen's 2020 Birthday Honours for his contributions to financial services.

Dr Mathavious has served the British Virgin Islands for nearly 40 years across the finance and volunteer sectors.

He is widely known as the chief architect behind BVI's financial services sector, a sector which now contributes more than 60% to the Territory's GDP. He was a key advocate for the establishment of the Financial Service Commission - which he served as Managing Director of since its inception – and also held multiple positions in the public service over the past 40 years.

Dr Mathavious has also made invaluable contributions in the voluntary sector too, serving more than 20 philanthropic

groups including supporting the elderly and establishing the Youth Boys Brigade. Following the 2017 Hurricanes, Dr Mathavious showed leadership in bringing together key players to plan recovery and maintain critical industries and resources. He helped to generate much needed revenue for the Territory and played a key role in the establishment of the Recovery and Development Agency.

Throughout his work, Dr Mathavious has shown a true commitment to the Territory's advancement and worked collaboratively and in partnership with the community. Throughout his leadership of the Financial Services Commission, he has championed BVI as a stable, credible and trustworthy financial centre, in line with international standards and ethics. Similarly, his values of transparency and accountability were

forefront in his work to help establish the Recovery and Development Agency.

His Excellency Governor Augustus J.U. Jaspert said he was delighted by the news of Dr Mathavious' Honour. He stated, "I congratulate Dr Mathavious and thank him for all he has done to shape and advance the Territory over the past four decades. His achievements are truly exemplary and will continue to bring positive benefits to BVI for generations to come. It has been a privilege and honour to know him and I know the whole community will agree that he is extremely deserving of this recognition for his service."

Dr Mathavious said: "Being recognised for service to my country leaves me humbled and thankful. I am indebted to the governments of the BVI and UK, who financed my education and better equipped me to serve my community. Building BVI



*Dr Robert A. Mathavious*

financial services was not the work of one man but of a team and I share this honour with the dedicated staff of the Ministry of Finance and the Financial Services Commission."

Her Majesty the Queen's Birthday Honours are awarded to individuals in recognition of their outstanding achievements and long-term service to their local community.

# Road and slope works begin at hope hill on Saturday October 11

Officials from the Recovery and Development Agency (RDA) met with residents of Hope Hill Community last evening as the agency prepares to execute road rehabilitation and slope stabilisation in the area.

Approximately 40 residents from the nearby community gathered to listen to plans which outlined the scope of works to be achieved at a public meeting, held on October 8 at the Catchment, Hope Hill.

Director of Programme Strategy at the RDA, Neil Smith led the presentation and said it is a Ministry of Transportation, Works and Utilities project being implemented by the Recovery and Development Agency.

He shared how Government and the RDA works collaboratively to execute recovery projects. Mr. Smith said the purpose of the meeting is to appraise the community, including residents and landowners of the expected works as it will interrupt their daily lives.

Mr. Smith said the road will be closed tomorrow Saturday, October 11 and is encouraging the motoring public to use alternate routes as much as possible and avoid commuting in the area over the next eight months.

He also highlighted the project results stating, "An immediate result on the completion of this project is a better road

in the community. As a consequence of the project itself, you will find that the contractors are more skilled than before."

Minister for Transportation, Work and Utilities Honourable Kye Rymer also shared his vision for first-class roads in the Territory.

He said, "The vision for the road network throughout the Territory is to have first class roads. Within the Ministry of Transportation, Works and Utilities, we are working to see that come to fruition. We are working in tandem with the RDA and we are proud to see some of the projects being started."

Honourable Rymer added, "We are about to start one of the major projects on the eastern end of the island where we saw the barricades for the last couple of years. I am excited to see this road work start."

Longtime community resident Mrs. Esther Hetherington-Blyden was one of many residents who shared her thoughts on the meeting.

"The meeting went very well. We, the residents, know what is happening around the area," she shared, adding, "I want to see the area fixed so it is comfortable, and the roads are smooth and persons travelling from East to West won't have any problems with it."

Eight District Representative Honourable Marlon Penn expressed that he was



*Area for the upcoming road rehabilitation and slope stabilisation works*

happy to see a major road artery being restored in his district.

"This is a road that has been destroyed since hurricanes Irma and Maria. It is an important project, not just for the people of Hope Hill but for the people that traverse back and forth on this road on a regular basis," Honourable Penn stated. He added, "It is going to bring a level of safety because we know that there are some barricades and some uncertainty in terms of the level of danger that exists with these roads. It will bring some relief to the community."

Quality Construction was awarded the contract on September 17 to execute Road Rehabilitation and Slope Stabilization Works for Hope Hill to Sabbath Hill project, valued at 744,495.57.

The scope of works for this project includes the construction of four reinforced concrete retaining walls, construction of reinforced concrete kerb walls and slipper drains, the construction of box drains, the installation of guard rails and the placement, compacting and alignment of the road carriageway.

The project is funded by the Government of the Virgin Islands through the Caribbean Development Bank, Rehabilitation and Reconstruction Loan.

The Recovery and Development Agency, a statutory body under the Premier's Office was created by the Government of the Virgin Islands in 2018, to deliver Government's Recovery to Development Plan.



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## Educators And Students Observe Reading Is Fun Week 2020

Deputy Premier and Minister for Education, Culture, Youth Affairs, Fisheries and Agriculture, Dr. the Honourable Natalio Wheatley has said that reading and critical analysis play an important role in preparing the Territory's students to face the future. Honourable Wheatley's

comments come as educators and students across the Territory prepare to celebrate Reading is Fun Week 2020 under the theme "Read to Empower" from October 11 through 17.

The Minister for Education said, "Our students are the future of the BVI. Before long, they will take on the

leadership mantle of this Territory. Therefore, it is important for them to start preparing now by focusing on their academics and exercise their reading skills."

Honourable Wheatley added, "Becoming avid readers will give them the competitive edge they will

need to execute any job adequately and enable them to become critical thinkers who will take this Territory to the next level."

Permanent Secretary, Mrs. Carolyn Stoutt-Igwe is encouraging teachers, students and parents to continue reading and embracing literacy. She noted, "Reading is Fun Week is a great opportunity to really demonstrate the pleasures and benefits of reading. Everyone should become involved in the activities scheduled for the week because it helps to develop a culture of reading. That is our goal in the BVI. We would like everyone to become avid readers."

Mrs. Stoutt-Igwe commended educators for their efforts as they continue to instill the love for reading in students.

She stated, "Teachers continue to model good reading habits for your students; develop a wide vocabulary for reading and speaking. Ask probing questions that will make students think and prompt further research and discussion. As this year's theme, Read to Empower suggests, our students need to be reminded that reading unlocks their imagination and possibilities."

Acting Chief Education Officer, Mrs. Connie George appealed to parents to continue their partnership with the schools to foster the love of reading in students while at home.

Mrs. George said, "You can help by finding fun, interactive ways to continue the work done in the classroom which will

foster the love for reading. Help students learn their sight words. Talk with them. Provide fun learning experiences at home or on vacation that they will always remember. Get a book and read with them, make it a family activity until reading becomes an everyday practice that children cannot do without."

The week will be declared opened with a virtual ceremony to be aired live on Facebook on Sunday, October 11 at the New Life Baptist Church at 3:00 p.m.

The week's activities include 'Book the Town' which will see the DeCastro Drive in Road Town decorated with a poster display of favourite books. The public is invited to join by printing and laminating a poster with a picture of their favourite book and a few words about the text.

A Round Table Discussion will be aired on Community Chat on Tuesday October 13 where selected students will discuss a local book and share local poetry. Book Talks and Book Report sessions will also be held where teachers and students will read and discuss a locally written book. Students will also share information about their favourite book.

The main objective of Reading is Fun Week is to spark a love and interest in reading through fun activities. The week will feature several activities aimed at promoting reading at all grade levels in the Virgin Islands.

All principals are asked to find creative ways to celebrate Reading is Fun Week within each school.



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#### WHEN LAST HAVE YOU LISTENED?

DAY OF THE WEEK	PROGRAM	TIME
TUESDAYS:	SPEAK OUT BVI	8 – 9:30PM
	HONESTLY SPEAKING	5 – 6PM
WEDNESDAYS	LIVING WELL 24/7	9 – 9:30AM
	HOT SEAT RE-VISITED 1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Wednesday	8 – 9:30PM
	DYAS VOICE (Sports) 2 <sup>nd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Wednesday	7 -8PM
THURSDAYS	UMOJA	8 – 9:30PM
FRIDAYS	BODY & SOUL	7 – 8PM
	THREE D SHOW	8 -9:30PM
SATURDAYS	CARIBBEAN GOLD <i>feat</i> MORE TALK, LESS MUSIC	7:45 – 9AM
	KNOWLEDGE IS POWER HOUR	10 – 11AM
	LET'S BE REAL	2 – 3PM
	SPORTS TALK	5 – 6:30PM
	A LOOK AT THE COMMUNITY	7 – 8PM
SUNDAYS	OLDIE GOLDIE SHOW	3 – 7PM
WEEKDAYS	SUCCESS JOURNAL	9:15AM, 11:55AM, 4:35PM

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## BVI Ports Authority Acquires parcels of land on Virgin Gorda

Tortola, British Virgin Islands, October 9, 2020 - The British Virgin Islands Ports Authority (BVIPA) would like to inform the public of the Authority's investment in parcels of land located in Virgin Gorda. They were purchased to expand the Virgin Gorda port facility by separating the cargo and passenger ports. Located in close proximity to the current St. Thomas Bay facility on Virgin Gorda makes it the ideal location for port expansion. The separation of these ports has been a part of the BVI Ports Authority's expansion plans for an extended period of time.

Prior to the acquisition of the land, the BVIPA requested an appraisal by one of the territory's reputable appraisal companies. The BVIPA was guided by the figure provided by the appraisal company and moved forward based on information provided in the appraisal. The acquisition of parcels of land on Virgin Gorda is a step forward in the BVIPA's mission of providing superior quality seaport facilities and services. The BVI Ports Authority Board and management team are pleased that they have been able to accomplish this goal in the pursuit to keep the BVI moving.

## SOCIALLY DISTANCED WALK FOR THE CURE TO RAISE CANCER AWARENESS

Tortola, British Virgin Islands, October 6, 2020 - A simplified version of the annual CIBC FirstCaribbean Walk for the Cure will take place in Tortola in collaboration with the BVI Cancer Society on Saturday, October 10, 2020.

The cancer awareness walk will take place one week after the bank's first regional Virtual Walk for the Cure and Concert of Hope which featured live online exercise sets and 10 renowned soca artistes from around the Caribbean. "The community both locally and globally has been overwhelmed with the uncertainties of the COVID-19 virus but we mustn't lose sight of the life-changing disease that is cancer," said Mrs. Vernecia Holder, Head of Corporate Banking, CIBC FirstCaribbean.

"This year we agreed with the BVI Cancer Society to seek permission from the Ministry of Health to host the walk in support of all those who are currently undergoing treatment and their families and care takers, or who have survived cancer or who have passed away as a result of the disease. It is more likely than not that we all know people who have battled or are battling cancer and this is a simple yet powerful way to show our support and we encourage you to come out and join us this Saturday," she added.

Approved by the Ministry of Health, the socially distanced walk/run in Road Town will start from 5:30am from the car park at CIBC FirstCaribbean in Road Town and will be a 5-mile round trip to the Ebenezer Thomas Primary School in Sea Cow's Bay and back to the bank. The walk will be a modified version of the regular annual cancer awareness and fundraising event which first took place in 2011.

Participants will be required to stick to their household groups and maintain a 6ft distance between persons from different households (and to wear a mask if within 6ft). Walkers will set off as soon as they have registered and leave the event on completing the route to avoid clustering. Walkers should bring their own drink to minimize any risk of exposure and spread.

There will not be a registration fee although participants are invited to make a donation on the day. Further, instead of tee shirts, the BVI Cancer Society will be offering masks - supplied by the Romasco Group - for a donation of \$20. All funds raised will assist the BVI Cancer Society's ongoing work in the community.

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# Honourable Natalio Wheatley The Minister of Education Speech for Reading is Fun Week Opening Ceremony

**READ TO EMPOWER**  
Sunday 11th October 2020



*Dr the Hon. Natalio Wheatley*

Any person who puts a book in the hands of a young child, is a person who is confident that the child will change the future. "To read is to empower, to empower is to write, to write is to influence, to influence is to change, to change is to live." -unknown

During the 1960's empowered

individuals like Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. and our very own Noel Lloyd were able to activate social and political change that empowered the disenfranchised and gave hope of equality in life. Their actions affect us even today. The knowledge that these great men gained through reading not only empowered themselves but the generations that follow them. The theme for this year's Reading is Fun Week is, Read to Empower. The word 'empower' means to give authority to somebody, or to make more confident or assertive. Reading therefore gives authority or confidence to us individually, to our future generations and ultimately to our nation.

First, I believe that reading empowers us individually. It is important for each of us to read so that we can successfully enter and remain in the ever changing job

market. Global changes dictate new knowledge in technology, medicine, and approach to education. These areas are essential to continued survival in the 'new' world. As a result of COVID-19, everyone is forced to use technology to survive, which has opened a new world of information access for many people. Most jobs now require at least a basic knowledge of technology which means the employee must avail him or herself of the requisite skill.

We also note during this time people are concerned more about their health and having an adequate health system available to them. Reading is therefore crucial so that everyone may follow instructions or access information that will help them live healthy productive lifestyles. Naturally, this can translate into financial security for each working person. The ability to adapt to these changes plays a vital role.

Furthermore, the way we now learn requires us to read more and diversify our approaches to what we read, when we read and the source of what we read. Critical analysis and media literacy are even more essential now to decipher truth from falsehood, misinformation or miseducation and to determine relevant, factual information that can be used. The people who will survive post COVID are the people who read today to face the evolving challenges of tomorrow.

Secondly, our decision to read as individuals will affect the next generation. Former President Barack Obama said, "Reading is the gateway skill that makes all other learning possible." Without the ability to read, our children, will be devoid of crucial information that will help them and our country survive in years to come. Our children may dream of space travel but may not even get into university to study science and technology if they cannot read and read well. If we truly love our children, create a culture of reading and a love of reading by modeling the behavior you want them to follow. Provide meaningful experiences for them that will help build their background knowledge and make sense of the world around them. Take them on trips, hikes, explore the back yard, and observe people and nature. Engage the children in

meaningful conversations about the world and the books they read. Guide them through their thinking process as they try to formulate answers to life's questions. Surround them with books, whether online or hard copies. Let them become familiar with words and nuances of language so that they can better understand and converse effectively with their global counterparts on a deeper and more meaningful level. The only way we can influence the next generation is if we change our actions today. Let today be our point in history that will determine the positive future for our children and the BVI.

Finally, I believe that reading empowers us as a nation. It is important that everyone has an input in the future development of the BVI. The only way we can make informed decisions that will affect generations to come is if we all read and instill a love for reading in our children. It is

only then that we can discuss, challenge, and decide on the best paths to follow. The challenges that we face dictate that we review and restructure our approach to all areas of our lives. Research and analysis is fast becoming our norm. We cannot afford to make haphazard decisions that will jeopardize our beloved country and ultimately our ability to live in a changing world.

If we empower this generation, they will write our stories, our laws, our policies, and our financial plans. They can be the ones to discover new technologies and cures for diseases. They can be the leaders in the world of education on all levels. An empowered generation is the backbone of an empowered nation. I dare you to become empowered and empower those around you. Read to survive, read to live, read to empower.

*I now declare Reading is Fun Week 2020 officially open.*



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## Statement By PREMIER AND MINISTER OF FINANCE, HONOURABLE ANDREW A. FAHIE ON DR. ROBERT MATHAVIOUS, LLD RECEIVING THE ORDER OF THE BRITISH EMPIRE (OBE) HONOUR

Saturday, 10th October, 2020



Today, I join with the BVI Community in congratulating Dr. Robert Mathavious, LLD on receiving the Order of the British Empire (OBE) recognition from Her Majesty the Queen Elizabeth II for his unwavering services to the British Virgin Islands.

In personally extending congratulations to Dr. Mathavious on this new honour, I thanked him for his commitment and expressed that this recognition is yet another undeniable example of what our Virgin Islands people are capable of achieving.

This OBE award comes under the heels of a statement I made in the House of Assembly during the Tenth Sitting of the Second Session of the Fourth House of Assembly on Friday, June 19, 2020 titled: "Appreciation – Dr. Robert Mathavious, LLD".

At the time, I was advised that Dr. Mathavious, after almost 20 years at the leadership of the Financial Service Commission, had indicated his decision to retire from the Commission, effective December 31, 2020.

I rose to pay tribute and say thanks to one of this Territory's most brilliant professionals, who has dedicated his lifetime to public service, and who has held some of the highest offices in this country, performing with distinction.

Dr. Mathavious has served as Chairman of the Recovery Development Agency, Acting Governor, Financial Secretary, to name a few of the Public Service positions.

Over the years, Dr. Mathavious has

also contributed significantly to a number of professional Boards. He has been a member of the Financial Investigation Agency Board, the FATCA Negotiating Team for the Virgin Islands and the Tax Information Exchange Agreement Negotiation Team for Government of the Virgin Islands.

In 2013, Dr. Mathavious was conferred with an Honorary Doctorate by the University of the West Indies (UWI) Open Campus in recognition of his stellar contributions to Caribbean development in the field of Financial Services. He is a Fellow of The Offshore Institute (1990) and received the Rotary Club of Road Town Citizen of the Year award for 1994-1995.

Dr. Robert Mathavious is recognised as a pioneer and innovator of the BVI's Financial Services Sector. He has been one of the driving forces behind this industry, which is one of our two main economic engines, and which has provided sustenance and opportunity for our people for almost four decades. He has led our financial services sector for three of those four decades and is a Virgin Islander in whom we are proud.

While there are many prominent voices in the world of Financial Services in the BVI, Dr. Mathavious is regarded as the father or the guru of the industry. And, the Honorary Doctorate from UWI stands as undisputable testimony to this.

Many of the BVI's bright stars in the Financial Services Industry – and who came in as juniors and today are deputies and directors – would have been able to develop and mature under his wings, or through his initiatives.

Dr. Mathavious is the embodiment of this wisdom and selflessness and I know that even after retirement, a great part of his legacy will live on throughout the rest of time in those able professionals whom he has shaped through his leadership, tutelage and foresight, and those touched indirectly by the fruits of his work.

He has always been a key advocate and champion of the

Financial Services Industry. He has always believed in shaping Virgin Islanders for the future, and to take charge of their destiny. He shaped them not to be loyal to himself, but to be loyal to the Territory and to be capable of running the financial industry competently when their time comes.

Dr. Mathavious was appointed as Director of Financial Services in 1993 and was charged with the development and regulation of the Financial Services sector. Consequently, he played a critical role in the design of legislation to establish the Financial Services

Commission, through the Financial Services Commission Act of 2001, and was subsequently appointed to his present post as Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer of the Commission in 2002, on the recommendation of the Board of Commissioners to the Government.

He is living proof of our intellectual, academic and professional abilities. His achievements and his example are world class. His achievements are beacons for all of us to believe in ourselves and our people, and for us to have faith in lifting up our people.

Financial Services Industry practitioners, locally and many abroad, and the Territory at large, owe Dr. Mathavious a profound debt of gratitude for his extraordinary service, leadership and mentorship. Not only did he help to cultivate and grow this industry, but he also moulded and trained many professionals.

I am indeed pleased to see him honoured for his commitment to the development of the Virgin Islands in this notable way.

*May God continue to richly bless him as he celebrates yet another milestone and achievement.*

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## COMMENTARY

### Covid 19 and why Donald Trump will likely lose the November 3 Election, and the Republicans the Senate

By Dickson Igwe



Dickson Igwe

October 9, 2020

Just under a year ago the biggest news story was trade wars, especially the USA versus China. Trade tensions between the super powers threatened the global economy.

Before the advent of COVID 19 the USA appeared to have its new and rising adversary- China- on the ropes. China appeared to be losing the trade war. China was being strongly checked by the USA. Its ascendancy was in question.

Then the Covid 19 Pandemic came out the blue first appearing in Wuhan, China. Whether China was guilty of deception or not in its untimely announcement that there was a big problem with this virus is today beside the point.

China- unlike the USA and UK- acted thoroughly and aggressively at the onset. And eventually China contained the virus.

Then a new criticism sparked. The western media, especially papers and sites

on the right and far right, began to blame China for the outbreak. The story was that China had purposely hidden critical information about the virus outbreak from the world. This was an alleged propaganda that was being driven by western leaders- especially the leaders of the USA and UK.

This may have been true to some extent. However it was the gargantuan "cock up" by Donald Trump and Western Leaders, who also knew of the potency of the virus, and who stupidly kept their countries open, that drove the pandemic to the place where the world was at threat and under lockdown.

Initially the western world believed Covid 19 was a disease unique to China.

When the virus arrived on western shores there was anger. Trump's USA, ignored the science, and denied reality. The result has been 7 million people infected and 220 000 dead.

Compared to the USA- with a China that has over four times as many people as the US- China has had a tiny fraction of infections and deaths as the USA.

Then, unlike western economies, the Chinese economy together with Pacific economies has returned to growth.

Pundits have asserted that a widespread adherence to the law as stated by the Communist party and

a culture of collective responsibility is the reason.

On the other hand in the USA and elsewhere, wearing a protective mask became contention.

Trump led a significant set of US citizens, mainly White Republicans, to mock the wearing of masks, declaring the wearing of masks a sign of weakness.

Scientists are clear that the wearing of masks significantly reduces the risk of contracting and transmitting the virus.

Trump's disdain for health protocols combined with a shrinking US economy- the IMF has predicted the US economy will shrink by 8% in 2020- shows why Joe Biden is 10 points ahead in the latest poll averages.

Then Trump contracted the virus in early October, and the virus has spread in the White House and places where Republicans have been campaigning. This is the great irony of the USA 2020 Election campaign.

The fact remains that good public health and a healthy economy are synonyms. There can be no healthy economy in the midst of a raging pandemic. Donald Trump failed to understand that fact and will very likely pay dearly in November.

*Connect with Dickson Igwe on Facebook and Twitter*

## Sea Turtle Being Treated Locally for Fibropapilloma Virus

4 October 2020

Dr. Shannon Gore  
Managing Director  
Association of Reef Keepers  
British Virgin Islands

On Tuesday, 29 September, a green sea turtle was captured for tag and release in Little Harbour, Peter Island, BVI by the Association of Reef Keepers (ARK) as part of a new UK-funded Darwin Plus project. However, this particular turtle was highly infected with Fibropapillomatosis (FP), a tumour-causing disease that mainly affects green sea turtles (*Chelonia mydas*) and was not released back into the ocean due to potential transmission to other sea turtles. It was transported to a local facility for assessment and quarantine.

Outbreaks of this particular disease have been increasingly recorded around the world since the 1980s, most prominently in the Hawaiian Islands as well as Florida and Puerto Rico. Locally, observations of three turtles with FP at Deadman's Bay, Peter Island were first documented in 1996, with the last sighting of a turtle with FP in the early 2000s. No other observations of FP occurred in the BVI until small tumours were observed on a turtle that had stranded as a result of a deadly boat strike in 2018 and another turtle photographed in 2019 by a snorkeler in the North Sound appeared to also have tumours. The turtle that was recently captured is the first turtle to be assessed and confirmed to have FP in the BVI by a qualified veterinarian with specific training in sea turtle rehabilitation.

The cause of FP is not fully understood but evidence shows a Cheloniid Fibropapilloma-associated Herpesvirus is most likely responsible. The disease can range from being minor with only a few small tumours to being severely debilitated with tumours covering the eyes and within the mouth. This will reduce the turtle's ability to feed, eventually succumbing to death. However, there is documentation of the spontaneous regression of smaller tumours.

The sea turtle captured on the 29th of September is currently in a quarantine facility while Dr. Sarah Weston of Canines, Cats & Critters and Dr. Latisha Martin from the Department of Agriculture & Fisheries engage with sea turtle specialists within the worldwide turtle conservation community to



devise a plan for its rehabilitation, recovery and eventual release back into the wild. While COVID-19 has posed various constraints to dealing with this situation, it has prompted positive action within the community to act quickly and resourcefully to caring for this threatened species. Both the welfare of the individual turtle, and the BVI's turtle population are of paramount importance throughout this process. More information will be made available as this situation evolves.

The Darwin Plus project, "Building resilient, participatory management of marine biodiversity in hurricane prone BVI", locally renamed the STEEL Project (Sustainable turtles, environments, economies & livelihoods) is a three-year project aimed to gain a better understanding of the status of BVI turtles and their habitats, create a better local understanding of turtle conservation and, using the MCS Community Voice Method (CVM) of engagement, will work with BVI communities to develop new legislation recommendations and a conservation action plan to safeguard BVI's turtle populations for future generations.

The STEEL Project is being led by the Marine Conservation Society UK alongside local organisation, ARK and partnerships with the BVI Government's Department of Agriculture and Fisheries and the Ministry of Natural Resources, Labour and Immigration.

## SSB's Virgin Gorda Office Has New Home! New location at The Village Rose Mall

Monday, 12th October, 2020  
- In enhancing the customer service experience, the Social Security Board (SSB) of the Virgin

The Minister thanked SSB Director, Mrs. Antoinette Skelton and the team for their work in opening the new location and

force" in the establishment of SSB. She also said SSB is "the Government's greatest success story", highlighting that SSB will make \$20-million in just pension payments this year.

The Director also said that SSB will consider expanding the services in the Virgin Gorda office very soon.

Pastor Gleason Brooks of the Church of God Holiness, The Valley blessed the office space. SSB

Board Members Ms. Lyra George and Mr. Derrick Marshall; Deputy Director with responsibility for National Health Insurance, Mr. Roy Barry; Deputy Director of Social Security, Mrs. Jeanette Scatliffe Boynes; and SSB Human Resources Manager, Mrs. Deborah Leslie also attended Monday's brief ceremony.

The Social Security Board continues to legally contribute to the community to maintain a level of social protection for all residents of the British Virgin Islands.



Islands relocated its Virgin Gorda sub-office to its new home at The Village Rose Mall, South Valley.

During last Monday's reopening ceremony, Honourable Vincent O. Wheatley, MHA, Minister for Natural Resources, Labour and Immigration said, "Social Security is one of the BVI's success stories, and I can see it is going from strength to strength."

acknowledged the staff for the quality of service extended to the

Virgin Gorda community for 24 years, since the sub-office's establishment in 1996.

Mrs. Skelton told the small gathering about the origins of SSB. She explained that the late Honourable Ralph T. O'Neal was concerned that there was no retirement system in BVI and became "the driving



## RTW Group of Companies donate Lucozade to Essential Workers

Roadtown Wholesale Group of Companies (RTW) and Lucozade Caribbean joined forces to donate 100 cases of Lucozade to essential workers across the British Virgin Islands (BVI). RTW Group of Companies the official distributor of Lucozade and Ribena juice drinks in the BVI, took the opportunity to celebrate the essential workers that kept the country going during the COVID-19 pandemic.



Donations were delivered to the Royal Virgin Islands Police Department, BVI Fire and Rescue Services, BVI Health Authority and Her Majesty's Prison, along with nonprofit organizations such as Family Support Network and BVI Red Cross.

"We were delighted to donate our stock to the hard-working essential workers of the BVI and our hope is that the delivery will bring a little bit of comfort to our community and key workers" said Dawn Callwood, Marketing Manager of RTW Group of Companies.

Throughout the month of September and until the end of the calendar year, consumers of the BVI will receive a free bottle of Lucozade as a thank you during these challenging times. Announcements will be made via RTW social media on future dates and location





# GLOBAL NEWS BRIEF

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**USA - (NPR NEWS)** While the outcome of Amy Coney Barrett's confirmation to the Supreme Court is not in doubt, senators remain at odds over the decision to advance a nomination so close to a presidential election.

Senate Judiciary Chairman Lindsey Graham, R-S.C., once claimed that he would not support such a move, but he quickly reversed himself following the death of Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg.

"There's nothing unconstitutional about this process," said Graham, reiterating the long-standing GOP justification to block then-President Barack Obama's nomination of Merrick Garland to the Supreme Court in an election year because the White House and Senate were controlled by opposing parties, and that an election should occur to let the people weigh in on the vacancy.

Now, Republicans say, with the White House and Senate controlled by the same party, there is no need to wait. "All I can say is I feel we are doing this constitutionally. Our Democratic friends object to the process, I respect them all," Graham said, noting that he anticipated a fully party-line vote on her nomination. "This is probably not about persuading each other unless something really dramatic happens. All Republicans will vote yes, and all Democrats will vote no," he said.

Senate Minority Whip Richard Durbin, D-Ill., a member of the committee, used his opening remarks to attack that argument. "It's a shameless, self-serving, venal reversal," he said of the GOP's positions on Garland and Barrett.

Durbin noted that former justices, including Ginsburg and Antonin Scalia, enjoyed overwhelming support in their Senate confirmation processes. "Can this be the same Senate? It's not. The reason those votes were so overwhelming is because people lived by the rules, they lived by the traditions of the Senate, and they had mutual respect for one another," he said. "This process doesn't adhere to those guidelines. The haste in this pursuit before us today is unfair to the Senate and unfair, really, to the nominee."

**BARBADOS - (NPR NEWS)** The next stage of working remotely — very remotely — starts with a Caribbean island with a problem, and an opportunity. (Here at The Indicator we call this a problemtunity.)

**The problem:** The coronavirus pandemic has hurt countries like Barbados that rely on tourism for their economy. International tourists globally were down 65% in the first half of the year.

**The problemtunity:** With so many people discovering they could work remotely, Barbados announced the

Welcome Stamp, a visa that allows people to work for their employer back home while living — and spending — in Barbados for a year.

We talk with some of the people on the sandy frontiers of a huge experiment in how more of us could work and travel in the future.

**UNITED NATIONS** - At least 7,348 major disasters had occurred between 2000 and 2019, claiming 1.23 million lives, affecting 4.2 billion people and costing the global economy some \$2.97 trillion, the UN Office for Disaster Risk Reduction said in a new report entitled: "The Human Cost of Disasters 2000-2019."

According to the Geneva-based agency, the last two decades saw the number of disasters caused by extreme weather nearly double to 6,681, up from 3,656 between 1980 and 1999.

Worsening floods and storms accounted for about four-fifths of the total from 2000-2019, while major increases were also registered for droughts, wildfires and heatwaves. The report noted that extreme heat is proving especially deadly. Other major recorded disasters included earthquakes and tsunamis.

The natural disasters also caused almost \$3 trillion (€2.5 trillion) in global economic losses — almost twice the amount in the preceding two decades.

The UN body blamed leaders for not only insufficient action in slowing down climate change but also for failing to combat the global coronavirus pandemic which has killed over one million people and

infected over 37 million in the past nine months. [Deutsche Welle]

**ROME**, - The Carabinieri police's NAS health unit said Monday that it has blocked around 60 websites based outside Italy and a number of social-media advertising campaigns for selling bogus products to combat COVID-19.

The products included medicines falsely being sold as cures for the coronavirus, including some that were banned due to their side effects.

The sites were blocked as part of the 'Tranquil Summer 2020' drive between June and September. (ANSA).

**ST. LUCIA** - Prime Minister Allen Chastanet has told St. Lucians that it is "no secret" that the island has exhausted all of the efforts aimed at providing financial assistance to citizens in the wake of the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic and appealed to nationals to follow the various protocols and measures aimed at curbing the spread of the virus that has so far infected 29 people here.

In a television broadcast on Sunday night, Chastanet, flanked by the Chief Medical Officer Dr. Sharon Belmar-George Belmar and Police Commissioner Severin Moncherry, acknowledged that it had become difficult to raise funds both locally and overseas to finance the programme.

"It is no secret the government has exhausted all of the efforts, all of the resources with the NIC (National Insurance Corporation) and donor agencies to provide a social stabilisation programme for the public and for those persons who have lost their jobs.

"We have no more money. What we are hoping to do is to regain the strength of our economy so many persons can be re-employed," Chastanet said, thanking those hoteliers that have re-employed their workers "despite knowing that they are going to lose money for several months. [Caribbean National Weekly]

**GENEVA, (Xinhua)** - The chief of the World Health Organization (WHO) on Monday termed herd immunity against COVID-19 "scientifically and ethically problematic."

Speaking at a press briefing, WHO Director-General Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus said that herd immunity is a concept used for vaccination, in which a population can be protected from a certain virus if a threshold of vaccination is reached.

"For example, herd immunity against measles requires about 95 percent of a population to be

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vaccinated. The remaining five percent will be protected by the fact that measles will not spread among those who are vaccinated. For polio, the threshold is about 80 percent," he said.

"Herd immunity is achieved by protecting people from a virus, not by exposing them to it," he said, adding that "it has never been used as a strategy for responding to an outbreak."

As for the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, he noted that the world still doesn't know enough about immunity to COVID-19, including how strong or lasting that immune response is, or how it differs for different people, let alone some examples of people being infected for a second time. "We have some clues, but we don't have the complete picture," he said.

Additionally, the vast majority of people in most countries remain susceptible to this virus, meaning that letting the virus circulate unchecked could lead to unnecessary infections, suffering and death.

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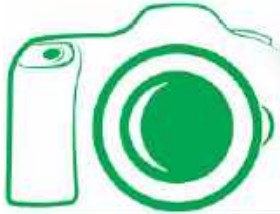
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# The Sunny Side Up



## Through the Lens of The Sunny Side



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# 'The Power of 30'

On October 11 Mrs. BVI 2020 Shondrea Turnbull launched her book 'The Power of 30'. The book was described as a word of advise for "people who are trying to find their voice, power, and fulfillment in their lives."

The author also explained that her book is "for those who need to gain a deeper connection within themselves along with powerful results mentally, physically, and spiritually. This book is for all of us in our quest to be well and in our journey to be whole. It starts with small steps – by utilizing the immense power found within a mere 30 minutes of time."

The launch was well attended with guests including His Excellency Governor

Augustus Jaspert, Deputy Premier and Minister for Culture Dr. the Hon. Natalio Wheatley and Second District Representative Hon. Mitch Turnbull.

## **About the Author**

*Shondrea N. Turnbull has been promoting this message of empowering individuals, teams, and organizations to be the best version of themselves for over 18 years. Whether it was at the Culver Girls Academy, where she attended high school, or at the American University, where she received her bachelor's degree in business administration and finance, Turnbull was using her whole self to make a positive difference in others' lives.*

*At Howard University, she obtained her Master of Divinity degree and met her husband, Dr. Michael A. Turnbull. While pregnant with their first child, she started the graduate program at Johns Hopkins University, where she graduated with a master's in business administration in organization development.*

*Turnbull also serves as the human resources manager for a global trust company located in the British Virgin Islands. She and her husband have three children, including toddler twins! Turnbull's athletic background, artistic interests, vocational calling, professional experience, and academic pursuits have come together so that she can share this empowering message with you*





## Ladyburd Talks

Dear Readers: Here are some ways to De-Stress During COVID (part 1 of 2)

We must take care of ourselves by making our physical and mental health a priority during this time. We must take care of our community, friends, and loved ones while still practicing social distancing. Our mental health has never been more critical than now. Our world is hurting, but we must take care of our minds, bodies, and souls and protect those around us.

**Limit your news consumption:** Turning on your television, flipping through a newspaper, browsing the Internet, or logging into social media can be very stressful, primarily when everything is directed towards this deadly pandemic. We must stay informed, but we also must be cognizant of how we are staying informed. Limit your news intake to one hour a day and choose your news sources wisely. Some news sources are more editorialized than others, so it is essential to pick a credible source with the most neutral political views. If social media has become too triggering for you, then take a social media break or hide any accounts that cause you stress and anxiety.

**Stay connected:** Yes, we must practice social distancing to literally save lives, but that does not mean we have to be isolated from our loved ones. Now is the best time to take advantage of our modern technology by staying connected through video calling programs such as Zoom, Skype, Google Hangouts, and Facetime. We can also write letters through the mail, drop off care packages to our neighbors, and engage with each other on social media.

**Learn to cook:** Most of the world is forced to spend more time at home, and for many, we are now on even tighter financial budgets due to the massive layoffs. This is an excellent opportunity to sharpen your cooking skills by learning new recipes or getting newly acquainted with your kitchen. Cooking is not only a great way to keep your body strong and healthy, but it is also a creative outlet to feed your soul and can drastically lighten the burden on your wallet. There are a plethora of free recipes online to get you started, and you can even share your cooking art with the world through social media. Load up on fresh fruits and veggies, whole grains, lean meats, spices, and sauces and see what beautiful, tasty creations you invent.

**Read a book:** Reading can be an excellent stress reliever and a creative outlet. Books sharpen our minds, keep us informed, and are great conversation starters. Since libraries and bookstores are currently closed, we must get creative on finding new books to read. Search for free community book exchanges, check out free online audiobooks from the public library, or borrow books from friends or neighbors. You can also purchase new and used books online.

(Continue next week)

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## Ladyburd's Mail Box

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**Dear Ladyburd:** My Boyfriend do not want me to use my Birth Control tablets. I am just not ready to be a mother. He is upset because he saw me with a pack of Birth Control tablets, we are together five years, and as far as I am concerned. I do not think he is ready to settle down. What's your advise...*Silma*

**Ladyburd:** Dear *Silma*: You are with this young man five years now. He is not making any effort to commit to you, but he is upset, that you are protecting yourself from an unwanted pregnancy? Give me a Break...You are doing the right thing in that regard, however, you are with him long enough to get some sort of commitment from him. Don't get yourself caught up in his trap and get pregnant before you are ready, the next thing you know, he leaves you high and dry and move on to the next victim. Until he can commit to the relationship, stand your ground and protect yourself.



## Light Bulb Moments

*"Teaching kids to count is fine, but teaching them what counts is best."*

- Bob Talbert

*"Tell me and I forget. Teach me and I remember. Involve me and I learn."*

- Benjamin Franklin

*"They may forget what you said but they will not forget how you made them feel."*

- Carl Buechner

## Poetry Corner

### The Choice Is Mine

*Life may not let me choose my lot,  
But whether I'd be happy or not...  
That is my choice.*

*To leave hurtful memories behind  
Or allow them to bother my mind...  
The choice is mine.*

*To fret over a mistake when it's done  
Or learn from it and move on...  
The choice is mine.*

*To be bothered by all that people say  
Or ignore them and go my own way...  
The choice is mine.*

*To hide my feelings, pent up, unspoken,  
Or say my mind and ease the burden...  
The choice is mine.*

*To enjoy what I've been able to gain  
Or ungratefully regard it with disdain...  
The choice is mine.*

*Sometimes I won't get to pick my lot,  
But whether I'll be happy or not  
Will always be my choice.*

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Source: <https://www.familyfriendpoems.com/poem/the-choice-is-mine>

## Tickle My Funny Bones

By Delseita



### Little Johnny Learns About Communication

One day in the kitchen during lunch, Little Johnny's mom tried to open a bottle of ketchup and it was just too hard, so she started hitting it on the bottom to loosen it up, suddenly the phone rang, so she asked her four year old son Johnny to answer the phone. Little Johnny ran to the living room and picked up the phone:

**"Mommy it's our priest, Johnny shouted"**

**"Well, tell him I will call him right back"**

**"Mom can't come to the phone to talk right now, she's hitting the bottle"**

### Strange Request

Toward the close of a banquet held during an Episcopal Church convention some years ago, the bishop of the diocese stood up and quite disrupted the entire affair by announcing,

**"We will reserve the entertainment of the evening until the waitresses have taken everything off."**

### Prayer For Food

As my five-year-old son and I were heading to McDonald's one day, we passed a car accident. Usually when we see something terrible like that, we say a prayer for whoever might be hurt, so I pointed and said to my son, **"We should pray!"**

From the back seat I heard his earnest voice: **"Dear God, please don't let those cars block the entrance to McDonald's."**

## PUN INTENDED

**"There is a pun about unemployment but it doesn't matter none of them work."**

Source: <https://bestlifeonline.com/bad-funny-puns/>

# POLICE NEWS

## ARREST BLOTTER

**September 27 to October 3, 2020**

### UNLAWFUL POSSESSION OF A CONTROLLED DRUG WITH INTENT

1. On 27-09-2020 at 0653hrs, Police arrested and charged Hector Gonzalez, 26; Pineda Moises Gonzalez, 27; Franklin Garcia Ramirez, 26; Jessica Faronas Farinas, 31, all of Anderson Estate for Possession of a Controlled Drug, Possession of a Controlled Drug with Intent to Supply, Keeping a Firearm without a License and Landing in the Territory without Permission from an Immigration Officer. They all appeared before the Magistrate's Court and were remanded until their reappearance on 12-10-2020.

2. On 27-09-2020 at 2347hrs, Police arrested and charged J'Loni Martin, 19, of Purcell Estate with two counts of Unlawful Possession of a Controlled Drug, Possession of Controlled Drug with Intent to Supply, Reckless Driving and Driving when not covered by a Policy of Insurance. Bail was granted in the sum of \$25,000 with one surety to appear in Magistrate's Court on 06-11-2020

### OVERSTAYING LANDING PERMIT

On 27-09-2020 at 1140hrs, Police arrested and charged Dannys Juan Rodriguez Robles, 59, and Emerais Guadalupe Lopez Leiva, 55, for Overstaying Landing Permit. Both appeared before the Magistrate's Court and were each fined \$1,000 or serve two months at Her Majesty's Prison.

### RECKLESS DRIVING

On 27-09-2020 at 2305hrs, Police arrested and charged Jahkeem Tuckett, 21, of Huntum Ghut for Reckless Driving, Driving when not Covered by Insurance, Failing to Apply for Change of Ownership of Vehicle, Drive without a Rear Identification Plate, Driving without a Front Identification Plate, Failing to Stop at a Sound of the Siren and Driving Unlicensed Vehicle. Bail was granted in the sum of \$5,000 with one signed surety to appear in Magistrate's Court on 04-11-2020.

### ARMED WITH AN OFFENSIVE WEAPON

On 27-09-2020 at 2050hrs Police arrested and charged Yordy Diaz Felix, 40, of The Valley, VG, for Criminal Damage and Being Armed with an Offensive Weapon. Bail was granted in the sum of \$5,000 with one signed surety to appear in Magistrate's Court on 18-11-2020.

### DANGEROUS DRIVING

On 28-09-2020 at 0920hrs, Police arrested and charged Amari Maduro, 22, of Freshwater Pond for Dangerous Driving and Failing to Stop at the Sound of the Siren. Bail was granted in the sum of \$5,000 with one signed surety to appear in Magistrate's Court on 04-11-2020.

### THREATENING LANGUAGE

On 29-09-2020 at 1556hrs, Police arrested and charged Amal Maduro of Romney Park for Threatening Language. Bail was granted in the sum of \$5,000 with one signed surety to appear in Magistrate's Court on 04-11-2020.

### UNLAWFUL POSSESSION OF CANNABIS

On 29-09-2020 at 1725hrs, Police arrested and charged Shorome Fahie, 34 of Greenland for Unlawful Possession of Cannabis, 7 counts Prohibited Tint and Insulting Language. Bail was granted in the sum of \$5,000 with one signed surety to appear in Magistrate's Court on 4-11-2020.

### CARRYING AN UNLICENCED FIREARM

1. On 10-02-2020 at 1150hrs, Police arrested and charged T'quan Bodkin, 19 of Huntum's Ghut for Carrying an Unlicensed Firearm. He appeared before Magistrate's Court and was granted bail in the sum of \$50,000 to reappear on 27-01-2021.

2. On 10/02/2020 at 2235hrs, Police arrested and charged Kenaz Hazel, of Purcell Estate for Carrying an Unlicensed Firearm. He appeared before Magistrate's Court and was remanded until his reappearance on 07-11-2020.

### DRUNKENNESS WHEN IN CHARGE OF A MOTOR VEHICLE

On 10-02-2020 at 2235hrs, Police arrested and charged Damian Viville, 34 of Handsome Bay, Virgin Gorda for Drunkenness when in Charge of a Motor Vehicle and Breach of Curfew. Bail was granted in the sum of \$5,000 with one signed surety to appear in the Magistrate's Court on 25-11-2020.

### BREACH OF CURFEW

On 10-02-2020 at 2359hrs, Police arrested and charged Toni Bonzon, of Fahie Hill charged for Breach of Curfew. Bail was granted in the sum of \$5,000 with one signed surety to appear in the Magistrate's Court on 25-11-2020.

## ONE MAN CHARGED FOR GEORGE BURROWS MURDER

Wednesday, October 14 – The Major Crime Team charged one man, Royden Sebastian, for the murder of George Burrows. Sebastian, 37, of Free Bottom was taken into custody yesterday afternoon by the team, questioned and subsequently charged. Investigations are ongoing in this matter.

## RVIPF OPERATIONS UNCOVER DRUG AND TRAFFIC OFFENDERS

Tuesday, October 6 – Several serious traffic-related offences and unlawful drug possession charges were laid by the Royal Virgin Islands Police Force during stop/searches within the last two months.

The Force reported the results of several operations conducted during the months of September and October.

During the month of September, one male was charged with reckless driving and unlawful possession of a controlled drug. Another male was also charged for reckless driving, driving when not covered by insurance, failing to apply for change of ownership of vehicle, driving without a rear license plate, failing to stop at the sound of a siren and driving an unlicensed vehicle.

At the end of September, one male was also charged for reckless driving, possession of a controlled drug, possession with intent to supply a controlled drug and driving when not covered by a policy of insurance. Another male was charged for dangerous driving and failing to stop at the sound of the siren.

Operations in October have so far yielded 21 traffic related tickets, seven confiscated bikes and four arrests on drug possession charges.

## V.G. OFFICERS SEEK INFORMATION INTO RECENT BURGLARIES

Thursday, October 8 – Head of the Virgin Gorda Policing Division Acting Chief Inspector Selwyn Rock believes, with the public's help, perpetrators in this week's burglaries on Virgin Gorda could be quickly apprehended, putting an end to the recent crime spree.

During the overnight hours last night, two business establishments, Buck's Supermarket and a business office were illegally entered. While nothing was reported missing from the supermarket, a significant amount cash was taken from the other location.

In addition, earlier during this week two villas on Virgin Gorda were also burglarised, one in Spring Bay and the other in Mahoe Bay. Flat screen televisions and a mattress were taken.

The Acting Chief Inspector says that while his officers are making progress in their investigations, information provided by Virgin Gorda community could help to expedite the process.

"Our desire is to bring a quick end to these burglaries by arresting the individuals responsible and restoring the Virgin Gorda community to its former tranquil existence. There are just a few, mostly young individuals responsible. We are asking the public to give us the help needed to identify these individuals.

Acting Chief Inspector Rock is inviting persons with information to call him directly at 368-9138.





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#### Independent Auditor's Report

To the Board of Directors  
National Bank of the Virgin Islands Limited  
Tortola, British Virgin Islands

#### Opinion

The summary financial statements, which comprise the summary statement of financial position as at December 31, 2019, and the summary statement of comprehensive income, summary statement of changes in equity and summary cash flow statement for the year then ended, and related notes, are derived from the audited financial statements of National Bank of the Virgin Islands Limited (the "Bank") for the year ended December 31, 2019.

In our opinion, the accompanying summary financial statements are consistent, in all material respects, with the audited financial statements, in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS").

#### Summary Financial Statements

The summary financial statements do not contain all the disclosures required by IFRS. Reading the summary financial statements and the auditor's report thereon, therefore, is not a substitute for reading the audited financial statements and the auditor's report thereon.

#### The Audited Financial Statements and Our Report Thereon

We expressed an unqualified audit opinion on the audited financial statements in our report dated October 13, 2020. That report also includes:

- **Other Matter** section that indicated that the financial statements of the Bank for the year ended December 31, 2018 were audited by another auditor who expressed an unmodified opinion on those statements on September 30, 2019.

#### Management's Responsibility for the Summary Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with IFRS.

#### Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on whether the summary financial statements are consistent, in all material respects, with the audited financial statements based on our procedures, which were conducted in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (ISA) 810 (Revised), *Engagements to Report on Summary Financial Statements*.

BDO Limited

Tortola, British Virgin Islands  
October 13, 2020

#### NATIONAL BANK OF THE VIRGIN ISLANDS LIMITED

Summary Statement of Financial Position  
As at December 31, 2019  
Expressed in United States Dollars

	2019	2018
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Cash and cash equivalents	20,058,555	19,835,475
Due from banks	19,690,766	14,404,064
Loans and advances to customers	201,449,748	189,997,655
Other customer receivables	587,351	348,212
Financial investments	28,838,247	15,564,658
Prepayments	598,839	427,373
Property and equipment	8,561,279	4,200,665
Regulatory deposit	500,000	500,000
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$279,964,785</b>	<b>\$245,278,102</b>
<b>SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY AND LIABILITIES</b>		
<b>Capital and reserves</b>		
Share capital	1,375,793	1,375,793
Additional paid-in capital	23,234,928	23,234,928
Retained earnings	17,156,159	15,914,725
<b>Total capital and reserves</b>	<b>41,766,880</b>	<b>40,525,446</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>		
Amounts owed to demand deposit holders	3,627,610	2,015,872
Amounts owed to savings depositors	64,617,854	64,709,608
Amounts owed to certificate of deposit holders	160,514,791	132,588,402
Preference shares	4,127,379	4,127,379
Lease liabilities	3,699,750	-
Trade and other payables	1,610,521	1,311,315
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b>238,197,905</b>	<b>204,752,656</b>
<b>TOTAL SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY AND LIABILITIES</b>	<b>\$279,964,785</b>	<b>\$245,278,102</b>

#### APPROVED BY THE BOARD

 Director  
Clarence Faulkner, Chairman

October 13, 2020 Date approved

THIS INFORMATION IS AN EXTRACT FROM THE FULL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 170(3) OF THE BANKS AND TRUST COMPANIES ACT 1990 (AS AMENDED).

#### NATIONAL BANK OF THE VIRGIN ISLANDS LIMITED

Summary Statement of Comprehensive Income  
For The Year Ended December 31, 2019  
Expressed in United States Dollars

	2019	2018
Interest and similar income	13,661,722	11,816,511
Interest expense	(3,656,241)	(2,494,870)
<b>Net Interest Income</b>	<b>10,005,481</b>	<b>9,321,641</b>
Fees and commissions	652,735	734,441
Other operating income	199,456	109,266
<b>Total operating income</b>	<b>10,857,672</b>	<b>10,165,348</b>
Credit loss expenses	(653,023)	(1,865,442)
<b>Net operating income</b>	<b>10,204,649</b>	<b>8,299,906</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>		
Depreciation	(1,167,056)	(557,732)
Other operating expenses	(7,734,248)	(6,586,354)
<b>Total operating expenses</b>	<b>(8,901,304)</b>	<b>(7,144,086)</b>
<b>NET PROFIT FOR THE YEAR</b>	<b>\$1,303,345</b>	<b>\$1,155,820</b>

Summary Statement of Changes in Equity  
For The Year Ended December 31, 2019  
Expressed in United States Dollars

	2019			
	Share Capital	Additional Paid-in Capital	Retained Earnings	Total
Balance at the beginning of the year	1,375,793	23,234,928	15,914,725	40,525,446
Net profit for the year	-	-	1,303,345	1,303,345
Preference shares dividend	-	-	(61,911)	(61,911)
<b>BALANCE AT THE END OF THE YEAR</b>	<b>\$1,375,793</b>	<b>\$23,234,928</b>	<b>\$17,156,159</b>	<b>\$41,766,880</b>
	2018			
	Share Capital	Additional Paid-in Capital	Retained Earnings	Total
Balance at the beginning of the year	1,375,793	23,234,928	11,990,026	36,600,747
IFRS 9 adjustment due to ECL Allowance	-	-	2,830,790	2,830,790
Net profit for the year	-	-	1,155,820	1,155,820
Preference shares dividend	-	-	(61,911)	(61,911)
<b>BALANCE AT THE END OF THE YEAR</b>	<b>\$1,375,793</b>	<b>\$23,234,928</b>	<b>\$15,914,725</b>	<b>\$40,525,446</b>

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#### NATIONAL BANK OF THE VIRGIN ISLANDS LIMITED

Summary Statement of Cash Flows  
For The Year Ended December 31, 2019  
Expressed in United States Dollars

	2019	2018
<b>OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>		
Interest, commission and other income received	14,491,428	12,443,236
Interest paid	(3,390,094)	(1,820,595)
General and administrative expenses paid	(7,606,508)	(6,029,024)
	3,494,826	4,892,817
<b>Changes in operating assets and liabilities:</b>		
Net increase in loans and advances to customers	(12,384,861)	(17,874,155)
Net increase in demand deposit holders	1,611,738	837,194
Net (decrease)/increase in savings depositors	(91,834)	9,366,058
Net increase in certificates of deposit holders	27,660,242	5,824,758
<b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>	<b>20,290,111</b>	<b>3,046,672</b>
<b>INVESTING ACTIVITIES</b>		
Net movement on amounts due from banks	(5,340,011)	(11,111,614)
Net movement on financial investments	(12,837,189)	(4,906,015)
Purchase of property and equipment	(1,671,754)	(1,352,925)
Sales proceeds from disposal of property and equipment	29,566	-
<b>Cash flows used in investing activities</b>	<b>(19,819,388)</b>	<b>(17,370,554)</b>
<b>FINANCING ACTIVITIES</b>		
Capital contributions	-	-
Preference shares dividend	(247,643)	-
<b>Cash flows used in financing activities</b>	<b>(247,643)</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>NET INCREASE/(DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS</b>	<b>223,080</b>	<b>(14,323,882)</b>
<b>CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS</b>		
At the beginning of the year	19,835,475	24,159,357
At the end of the year	\$20,058,555	\$19,835,475
<b>CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS:</b>		
Cash in hand and current account balances with other banks	9,998,223	17,485,019
Fixed deposits with brokers	10,060,332	332,923
Certificates of deposit with other banks	-	2,014,533
	\$20,058,555	\$19,835,475

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## Cedar Tree Press is pleased to announce the publication of the revised 2020 edition of *Funintun's Christmas* by Verna Penn Moll.

The original 'Funintun's Christmas' was published in 2015 and went out-of-print within nine months, leaving a few orders still unfilled. The need for a reprint became even more evident after devastating floods and storms destroyed so many libraries and books in the Virgin Islands in September 2017.

In this revised edition, the cover illustration is the Inkberry, Virgin Islands traditional Christmas tree, which was

popular in the 1960s and before. There is an addendum, containing reviews of the book, how the book got its name, and an historical background note on the Virgin Islands.

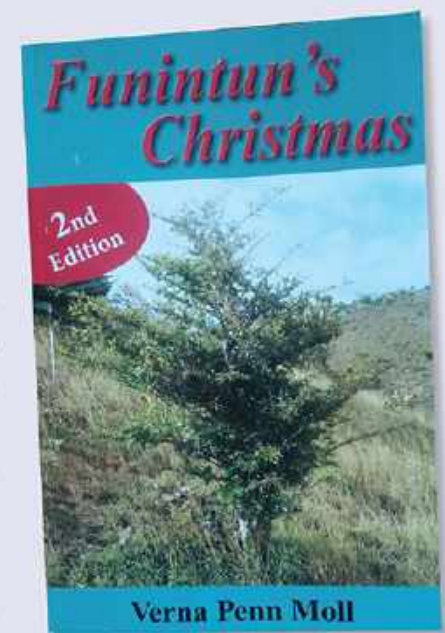
The reviews, by prominent educators Medita Wheatley, Dr. Katherine Smith, Dr. Angel Smith and Dr. Patricia Turnbull, were delivered at the book launch. The ceremony was held at the Breeze Way of the Government Administration Complex in Road

Town, Tortola, on November 9, 2015. We hope that many, if not all, of the projections made by those educators, may now become a reality.

'Funintun's Christmas' is the definitive book documenting Virgin Islands Christmas tradition and customs. It is now available at local bookshops and at Penn's Landing, East End, Tortola

Verna Penn Moll

Founder, Cedar Tree Press



*Revised edition of  
Funintun's Christmas,  
2020, published*

## 50 Persons Benefit From Grant Proposal Training

Officers from around the public sector and leaders from the Territory's community-based groups have received training on best practices when applying for grant opportunities.

The group was trained to ensure success when applying for programmes such as those offered under the Caribbean Catastrophe Risk Insurance Facility (CCRIF SPC) Small Grants Programme.

The training session was facilitated by the Department of Disaster Management (DDM) with funding from the Community Disaster Risk Reduction Fund (CDRRF) of the Caribbean Development Bank (CDB). This was also the first portion of the workshop series and provided information on best practices for public officers partnering with community-based organisations

(CBOs). It included topics like community engagement, advocacy and inclusivity and was conducted on October 5 and 6.

Community Development Specialist with the CDB's Community Disaster Risk Reduction Fund, Mr. Richardo Aiken, guided the workshop remotely and said that in the face of increasing threats from climate change, COVID-19 and other hazards, it's important that community groups are included as part of the region's broader efforts to build resilience.

"We recognise that as public resources are limited, CBOs play an important role in the overall resilience of all the states served by the CDB. This workshop will help CBOs in the British Virgin Islands improve their operations generally and, we hope, strengthen their activities when it comes to disaster risk management," Mr. Aiken said.

The second portion of the workshop was held on October 7 to 8 and was geared toward executive members of CBOs. The session covered areas including action planning, accounting and resource mobilisation. All participants were led through the CCRIF SPC Small Grants Programme application process.

DDM Planning and Preparedness Manager, Ms. Sheniah Armstrong, said the projects proposed as potential partnerships between community groups and the public sector during the workshop reflect the strong relationships that already exist in the Territory.

Ms. Armstrong said, "Many non-government organisations and community-based organisations in the Territory are accustomed to accomplishing projects together such as in our own SMART Communities initiative. It is



*Participants at the Community Group Capacity Building and Proposal Writing Workshop for Public Sector Officers.*

encouraging to see that workshop participants have great ideas for further partnerships."

The CCRIF SPC Small Grants Programme provides grants of \$5,000 to \$25,000 to Caribbean CBOs for projects related to disaster risk management; engineering; climate change adaptation; training and capacity building; and environmental management initiatives that directly reduce a community's vulnerability.

# Amber Waves

by Dave T. Phipps



# R.F.D.

by Mike Marland



# The Spats

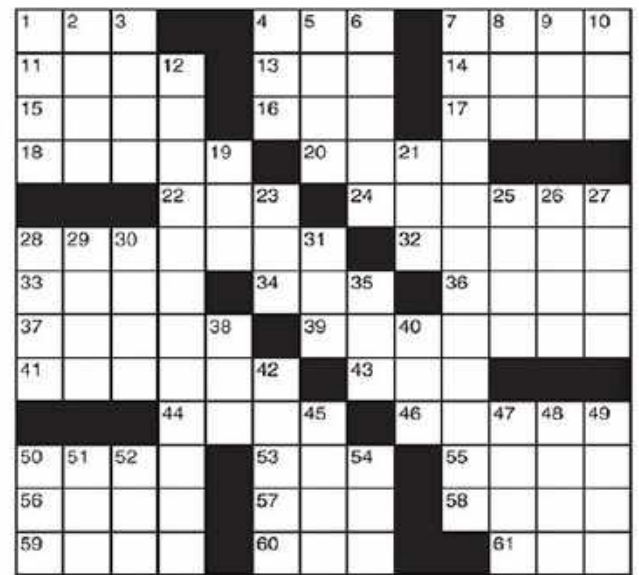
by Jeff Pickering



# King Crossword

## ACROSS

- 1 Recede
- 4 Petrol
- 7 Potato
- 11 Settled down
- 13 Mischief-maker
- 14 Cautious
- 15 "Bye"
- 16 Neither partner
- 17 Rice or Tyler
- 18 Ledge
- 20 Dispatch
- 22 Mary - cosmetics
- 24 Half a wet-weather pair
- 28 Game like pinochle
- 32 Hoosegow
- 33 Valhalla VIP
- 34 Dog's foot
- 36 Burrito cousin
- 37 Fifth-day Christmas gift
- 39 Paraphrase
- 41 Impressionist?
- 43 Feathery neckpiece
- 44 List-ending abbr.
- 46 It brings out the kid in you
- 50 Coffee
- 53 Run-down horse
- 55 Stead
- 56 Need for



- 57 Wildebeest
- 58 Bridge
- 59 Jewels
- 60 Longing
- 61 Illustrations
- 9 Samovar
- 10 Coloring agent
- 12 TV news pun-dits, often
- 19 Online info page
- 21 Once around the track
- 23 "Uh-huh"
- 25 Gumbo need
- 26 Membership
- 27 Advertise strongly
- 28 Drill
- 29 Fix a manuscript
- 30 Galvanizing stuff
- 31 Listener
- 35 "Charlotte's -"
- 38 Collection
- 40 Weep
- 42 Tall and slender
- 45 Kegler's pathway
- 47 Morning co-host Kelly
- 48 Rip
- 49 Quest
- 50 TV drama that spawned "NCIS"
- 51 Expert
- 52 Energy
- 54 Pistol

## DOWN

- 1 Comestibles
- 2 Mediocre
- 3 Small snack
- 4 Martini ingredient
- 5 Out of control
- 6 Parsley serving
- 7 Brightly marked butterflies
- 8 Skillet

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# Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

8				2			7
		4	6			8	
	6			5			9
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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

## DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦♦♦

- ♦ Moderate
- ♦♦ Challenging
- ♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

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# HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Window is cracked. 2. Boy's hair is different. 3. Bushes are missing. 4. Pile of leaves is larger. 5. House is narrower. 6. Shirt has long sleeves.

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

Answer

## Weekly SUDOKU

ART								
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Solution time: 21 mins.

Answers

## King Crossword

# Trivia test

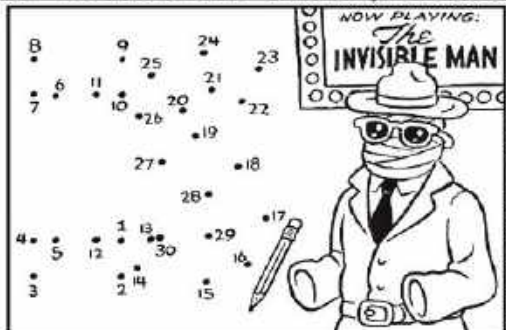
by Fifi Rodriguez

- GEOGRAPHY:** Which city is known as "The Eternal City"?
- FOOD & DRINK:** What is the name of the bee used in advertisements for Honey Nut Cheerios?
- LANGUAGE:** What does the Latin phrase "ad meliora" mean?
- MEASUREMENTS:** How many inches are in a hand?
- U.S. STATES:** A resident of which state might be called a Buckeye?
- MOVIES:** Who were the three stars of the film "Three Amigos"?
- GAMES:** Which "ailment" was added to the Operation board game in 2004?
- ASTRONOMY:** Which two planets in our solar system lack natural moons?
- MYTHOLOGY:** What is a Valkyrie in Norse mythology?
- TELEVISION:** What was the name of the android on "Star Trek: The Next Generation"?

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**MORE READERS: THE ISLAND SUN**

Trivia Test Answerst  
1. Rome; 2. Buzz; 3. Toward better things; 4. Four; 5. Ohio; 6. Steve Martin, Martin Short and Chevy Chase; 7. Brain Freeze; 8. Mercury and Venus; 9. A maiden who chooses who may die in battle, and which of the slain are worthy of a place in Valhalla; 10. Data



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"WHAT IS ALWAYS INVISIBLE, yet never out of sight?" Connect the dots and find out.

Answer: The letters 'I' and 'S' are always in 'visible' and also in 'sight'.

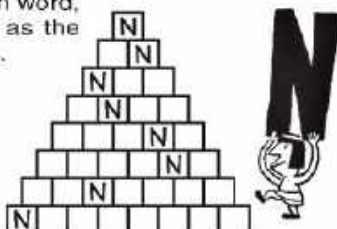
**ANOTHER EGGTRAORDINARY PUZZLE!** Would farmer Brown prefer to have six dozen dozen eggs or a half dozen dozen eggs?

Answer: Six dozen dozen would = 6 x 12 x 12 = 864 eggs, while a half a dozen dozen would = 1/2 x (12 x 12) = 72 eggs.



**THE 'N' PYRAMID!** Pictured at right is a word pyramid. Each word, as you go down the pyramid, contains the same letters as the word above it, plus a new letter. We give you all the N's. Here are some hints from the top down.

1. Symbol for nitrogen (given).
2. One of.
3. To complain constantly.
4. A small fly.
5. A representative.
6. Act of consuming.
7. A wine identifier.
8. To find one's way.



ANSWERS: 1. SEEK, SEED, FEED, FEND, FILE, RILE, RISE, RASE, RASP.  
2. WILD, TAME  
3. MOON, MOAN, MEAN, BEAN, BEAM  
4. PART, PARE, TARE, TAME, TIME  
5. FILE, RILE, RISE, RASE, RASP

The words are: N, an, nag, gent, eating, navigate.

# Junior Whirl

by Charles Barry Townsend

CAMP  
CARP  
CARE  
FARE  
FIRE



## A SIZZLING PUZZLE!

In this type of puzzle you are given a word that must be changed into another word in a series of moves. During each move you must change one letter in the previous word so as to form a new word. In our example we changed CAMP to FIRE in four moves. See if you can change the following five words in four moves.

1. SEEK to FIND
2. WILD to TAME
3. MOON to BEAM
4. PART to TIME
5. FILE to RASP

# top ten

## Best Blues Guitarists\*

READER POLL

1. Joe Bonamassa
2. Eric Clapton
3. Derek Trucks
4. Buddy Guy
5. John Mayer
6. Kenny Wayne Shepherd
7. Samantha Fish
8. Gary Clark Jr.
9. Tab Benoit
10. Billy Gibbons

Source: Guitar World



**ARIES** (March 21 to April 19) Some flashes of Aries ire might erupt as you confront an unusually bewildering situation. But you should be able to keep your temper under control as you work through it.

**TAURUS** (April 20 to May 20) That marriage 'twixt the arts and practicality that Taureans excel at once again highlights your enjoyment of much of the week. However, you need to watch any sudden urge to splurge.

**GEMINI** (May 21 to June 20) Even with all the plusses apparently outweighing the minuses, you still might want to defer an important decision to make sure you have all the facts you need.

**CANCER** (June 21 to July 22) One or two problems might threaten to derail otherwise smoothly running situations at work or at home. But a few well-placed words should help get things back on track quickly.

**LEO** (July 23 to August 22) This could be a good time for all you Leos and Leonas in the spotlight to open your generous Lion's hearts and share the glory with those who helped you accomplish so much along the way.

**VIRGO** (August 23 to September 22) You might want to get advice from someone who's been there and knows these situations better than you do, before investing time or money (or both) in a questionable matter.

**LIBRA** (September 23 to October 22) Be careful how you handle a workplace matter that seems out of place in the schedule you've prepared. Before you act, one way or another, find out who set it up and why.

**SCORPIO** (October 23 to November 21) Your entertainment aspect is strong this week. Besides providing a wonderful break from everyday obligations, sharing fun times brings you closer to those you care for.

**SAGITTARIUS** (November 22 to December 21) Having a weekend fun fest? Your friend or relative who's down in the emotional dumps could perk up if you find a way to include him or her in your plans.

**CAPRICORN** (December 22 to January 19) If you're in one of those "the Goat knows best" periods, you might want to ease up and try listening to what others have to say. You could learn something.

**AQUARIUS** (January 20 to February 18) That new challenge is getting closer, and you should be out there now showing facts and figures to potential allies to help persuade them to rally to your support. Good luck.

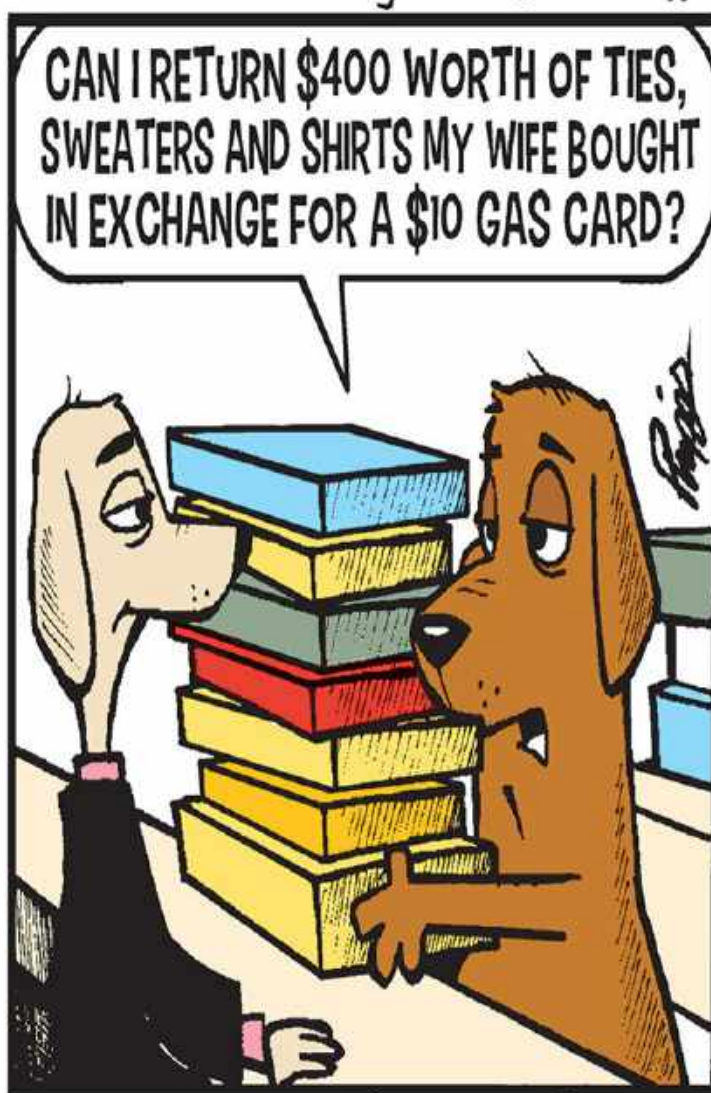
**PISCES** (February 19 to March 20) Getting a head start on holiday plans could help free up some time later to spend on other projects. Meanwhile, a colleague has some ideas that you might find worth discussing.

**BORN THIS WEEK:** You are always there for others, and sometimes you need to be reminded that you need to be there for yourself as well.

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## Just Like Cats & Dogs

by Dave T. Phipps



## CRIB and BEAR IT



There! You now get 120 channels of that!  
**LAFF-A-DAY**



My mouth IS open!

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Most of the fiber you get from eating pomegranates comes from the arils (seeds). So to keep up with a healthy dose of daily fiber, crunch away! You also can sprinkle pomegranate seeds over broiled fish, salads, fruit desserts, cakes and puddings, or use them in marinades, glazes and for garnish. Pomegranate seeds also are a delicious topping for waffles, oatmeal, pancakes, cereal or sundaes.

## HOW TO REMOVE POMEGRANATE SEEDS

Only the seeds, with their sweet-tart flavor and juice-squirting texture, are edible. Also, for the fullest of flavor, the seeds should have an abundance of juice. One medium-size pomegranate will yield about 1/2 cup of juice or 3/4 cup of seeds.

- 1 pomegranate
  - Sharp knife
  - Sturdy spatula or wooden spoon
  - Medium-size bowl
  - Storage container or zippered bag
1. Wash the pomegranates well before using them. Any time you're cutting into a fruit or vegetable with a skin or rind, you take the chance of introducing bacteria from the outer surface into the edible portion.
  2. After washing, slice the pomegranate in half horizontally. When you split the hard fruit open, a mass of red seeds in a spongy white membrane is revealed. The white pithy membrane around the pomegranate arils (seeds) should not be too prominent.
  3. To remove the seeds, place the pomegranate, cut side down, in your non-dominant hand with your fingers spread apart. Place a deep, medium-sized bowl in a sink to capture the seeds and juice. Hold your hand with the pomegranate over the bowl.
  4. Take a sturdy spatula or a wooden spoon and begin to whack the top surface of the pomegranate as hard as you can to dislodge the seeds. Turn the pomegranate over to see where the remaining seeds are lodged. Continue to whack that area and the surface all over the top of the pomegranate until all seeds have fallen out.
  5. Repeat this process with the other half of the pomegranate. Pick out any bits of fibrous white membrane mixed in with the seeds and discard it.
  6. The whole fruit or seeds can be refrigerated in zippered plastic bags or in an airtight container. Refrigerate the pomegranates at 32 F to 41 F. Pomegranate seeds will keep this way for 4-5 days. They also can be frozen and stored for several months.

**To Freeze:** Line a sheet pan with parchment paper or waxed paper. Spread the seeds in a single layer, uncovered, until frozen, 1-2 hours. Once frozen, transfer to an airtight storage container or freezer-zippered bags.

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## Pomegranate Seeds Are Bursting With Nutrition

Pomegranates are known as a superfood with tons of wonderful health benefits, including fighting cancer and heart disease, as well as lowering blood pressure and cholesterol. They're also loaded with B vitamins, potassium and folic acid.

If you've never tried eating or cooking with pomegranates, now's the time! Pomegranates are in season and available through November, and some years into December and even January. Pomegranate concentrate is available throughout the year.

A pomegranate is about the size of an apple, and has a leathery, deep-red to purplish-red rind. When choosing the perfect pomegranate, look at the skin. It should be thin, tough and unbroken, indicating the flavor is well-developed. Pomegranates can be held at room temperature for reasonable periods of time, out of direct sun.



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## Caribbean News / Regional News

# Embassy of Antigua and Barbuda

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### STATEMENT

Washington, DC, 5 October... Antigua and Barbuda is questioning its categorization by the US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) as a "Level 3 – High Risk" destination from which travelers arriving in the US would have to quarantine.

In correspondence to the headquarters of CDC, the US State Department and the Governor of New York State, Andrew Cuomo, Antigua and Barbuda's Ambassador to the United States, Sir Ronald Sanders, called for an urgent review of the "true and verifiable" conditions in the country regarding its control and prevention of COVID-19.

Ambassador Sanders said that the facts would indicate that, at worst, Antigua and Barbuda should be categorised as a "Level 1– Low Risk" destination. He said, more accurately, Antigua and Barbuda "should be on the list of countries requiring, 'No Travel Health Notice', since the COVID-19 Risk is very low and the country's performance in preventing and containing the virus is equal to many of the countries, and better than others, that require no travel health cautions".

The CDC travel advisory has included Antigua and Barbuda as "high-risk", along with another

200 countries, including Canada, many throughout Europe, and the Caribbean such as The Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, BVI, Cayman Islands, Dominican Republic, Guyana, Jamaica, the US Virgin Islands, and Trinidad and Tobago.

Sir Ronald argued that "Antigua and Barbuda experienced its first laboratory confirmed case of COVID-19 on March 13, 2020, and since then until today, October 5th 2020, there have been only 3 deaths and 107 confirmed cases". He also explained that Antigua and Barbuda has "neither community nor cluster spread, only sporadic cases and its situation is very

stable". "These conditions", he said, "are verifiable by the Pan-American Health Organization".

In his separate letter to New York State Governor, Andrew Cuomo, the veteran diplomat said that he was aware that action was taken based on the CDC travel advisory to regard Antigua and Barbuda as a Level 3 country. But Sanders called on the Governor to have his own health officials "review the categorization of Antigua and Barbuda which is affecting the people of New York State and Antigua and Barbuda's without genuine cause".

## CARIFESTA XV in Antigua and Barbuda postponed to 2022

(CARICOM Secretariat, Turkeyen, Greater Georgetown, Guyana - Friday, 9 Oct. 2020) - Directors of Culture across the Caribbean Community have been informed by Hon. Daryll Matthew, Minister of Sports, Culture, National Festivals, and the Arts, Antigua and Barbuda, of a decision to postpone the hosting of the Region's premiere cultural festival, the Caribbean Festival of Arts (CARIFESTA XV) from August 2021 to August 2022. They were informed during a virtual meeting of the Regional Cultural Committee, which comprises Directors of Culture from the twenty Member States and Associate Members of CARICOM and Members of the Interim Festival Directorate for CARIFESTA.

"I have been having discussions with our international partners, our cultural stakeholders, our Management team and the Chairman of the Cabinet of Antigua and Barbuda, Prime Minister Gaston Browne, as they relate to the CARIFESTA XV and the potential challenges to hosting the event. The recommendation coming out of these discussions was as heart-breaking as it was unanimous. So today, while reaffirming the commitment of the

Government and people of Antigua and Barbuda to hosting CARIFESTA XV, I must advise you all that we have formally written to Secretary-General Ambassador Irwin LaRocque on our decision to postpone CARIFESTA XV for a period of one year." Minister Matthew announced.

He also updated the meeting that preparations had already commenced in earnest with the establishment of the CARIFESTA Secretariat and a Host Country Management Committee that had been carrying out their mandate with "enthusiasm, zeal and purpose."

He reminded that "CARIFESTA provides a platform for our region to showcase to the world the unrivalled prowess of our people. As such, Antigua and Barbuda is eager to welcome our Caribbean brothers and sisters to our shores as we demonstrate to the world our capacity for innovation and creativity as we stage this very unique Festival."

In replying to the Minister's announcement, Assistant Secretary General in charge of Human and Social Development at the CARICOM Secretariat Dr. Douglas Slater, expressed the appreciation of the Caribbean Com-

munity for Antigua and Barbuda's enthusiasm and commitment to hosting CARIFESTA XV and support for the decision to postpone the Festival.

"We understand your decision, we share your concerns and we pledge our full support towards a successful CARIFESTA XV," Dr. Slater said. He also indicated that he was aware that CARICOM Member States have had serious challenges managing the economic fall-out from the COVID-19 pandemic.

Planning for the Festival is among the many issues that are being discussed by the meeting of the Regional Cultural Committee which is being held virtually on 7-10 October 2020. Speaking at the opening of the meeting on Wednesday, ASG Slater reminded of the challenges encountered by the culture and creative sector, due to the devastation of COVID-19. Dr. Slater however noted that the sector has shown its creativity and value globally, by lifting people's spirits as they tried to adjust to rapidly changing social circumstances, by sharing, mostly free of charge, their incredible talents and generosity of spirit.

"For this we owe our artists a debt of gratitude and we must redouble our efforts to support them during these difficult times" he said, adding that there was much that needed to be done to build a resilient culture sector so it can survive natural and other disasters and fulfil its important role as a driver and enabler of the sustainable development of the region.

Dr. Slater also encouraged the RCC to use the meeting as an opportunity to rethink how best to organize CARIFESTA and other national festivals and events within the context of the 'new normal'.

CARIFESTA XV in Antigua and Barbuda will be hosted under the theme One People. One Environment. Diverse Cultures. In addition to preparation for the next CARIFESTA, the Regional Cultural Committee, will discuss a number of priorities on the regional culture agenda, including the review of CARIFESTA XIV in Trinidad and Tobago in 2019; Building a Resilient Culture Sector; Regional Strategic Frameworks for the Development of the Creative Industries; Animation; Reparations for Native Genocide and Slavery among other areas.

**VOA NEWS VOA NEWS VOA NEWS VOA NEWS**

# Judge Extends Virginia Voter Registration

By VOA News 7, October 14, 2020

A federal judge on Wednesday extended the deadline for registering to vote in the U.S. state of Virginia by 48 hours. The order came one day after an accidentally severed fiber optic cable at a field project site caused the state's online portal to shut down on the last day of registration before the November 3 general election.

U.S. District Judge John Gibney, in the state capital of Richmond, issued the order extending the deadline to make up for several hours of lost time. He said the disruption caused "a tremendous harm" to those who wanted to register.

Gibney's order came after voting rights activists filed a lawsuit seeking an extension, which was agreed to by Virginia officials, who were named as defendants.

Virginia residents now have until 11:59 p.m. local time on Thursday to register online or in person.

The state's Department of Elections said in a statement six hours after the system was shut down that the registration portal was back online, but that did not stop voting advocates from noting the

technological failure occurred on the registration deadline.

The lawsuit filed by the Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights Under Law said the state should also make a "significant effort" to inform the public about the extension.

"Absent relief, voters who attempted to register to vote through the online portal on October 13, 2020, but were unable through no fault of their own, will be absolutely disenfranchised in the upcoming elections," the suit said.

Virginia Governor Ralph Northam told reporters Tuesday he supported a deadline extension. Northam also said the state did not have a backup plan for the severed cable but that the disruption highlighted the need for the state to continue efforts to develop a secure network.

The disruption occurred as three tight congressional races are under way in Virginia, the outcomes of which could affect the makeup of the U.S. House of Representatives.



*A poll worker wipes down a table as people wait over four hours for early voting at Fairfax County Government Center, Sept. 18, 2020, in Fairfax, Virginia.*

Democratic freshmen Representatives Abigail Spanberger and Elaine Luria are locked in close races in the state's 7th District and 2nd District, respectively. Republican Bob Good and Democrat Cameron Webb are vying for the open 5th District seat.

In 2016, an undetermined number of Virginia residents were unable to meet the voter registration deadline because of

unprecedented demand. A federal judge granted a brief extension of the deadline after a lawsuit filed by the New Virginia Majority Education Fund.

The Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights Under Law, which filed the 2016 lawsuit on behalf of the fund, swiftly denounced Tuesday's disruption, saying Virginia election officials "have again failed the public."

# Wildfire Threat Intensifying Across California, Officials Say

By Reuters, October 13, 2020

Hot, dry conditions and intense winds across California are threatening to reinvigorate what has already been the worst fire season in state history, officials warned on Tuesday.

Gusty winds in California's north and extreme heat in its south are creating conditions that could fan wildfires that began earlier in the summer as well as spark new ones, leading state and federal authorities to urge residents to prepare.

The National Weather Service issued a heat advisory for a wide swath of Southern California as temperatures topped 90 degrees Fahrenheit (32 degrees Celsius). The agency asked residents to exercise caution with any fire sources.

**Strong winds, low humidity**

The California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (Cal Fire) said strong winds and low humidity could ramp up blazes in

Northern California starting Wednesday.

"While good progress has been made on a number of fires, this could hamper containment efforts," Daniel Berlant, Cal Fire assistant deputy director, said on Twitter on Tuesday. "It means if a new fire breaks out, that that fire is going to be able to burn very rapidly."

Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E), which provides power to much of California, said Monday it was considering proactively shutting off power as soon as Wednesday to as many as 50,000 state residents to mitigate fire risk.

**Over 4 million acres burned**

This year, wildfires have burned over 4 million acres in California — twice the total of 2018 which had been the highest on record. Five of the six largest fires in state history were in 2020. Thirty-one people



*A firefighter runs past flames while battling the Glass Fire in a Calistoga, Calif., vineyard, Oct. 1, 2020*

have died, and over 9,200 structures have been destroyed.

Fall has tended to be California's peak wildfire season, but state officials say the season is growing longer each year.

Experts say droughts and climate change from fossil fuels have made poorly managed forests much more flammable, leading to extreme fire activity.



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# SPORTS



## RUNNING RACE

### Mourant College Classic Series kicks off with special edition race

By Dean "The Sportsman" Greenaway

Twenty six participants on Saturday, kicked off the 25th Anniversary Mourant College Classic Series Special Edition in Paraquita Bay, with Colm Rafferty leading the way in 12 minutes and 29 seconds. Because of COVID-19 restrictions, only 30 persons were invited to the race that marked the H. Lavity Stout Community College's 30th anniversary.

"Today was just really very inspirational in general. I can say it was a bit weird to be at the Paraquita Bay race and not have the large numbers we usually do," Race Director Stephanie Russ Penn told Island Sun Sports. "But when I stood at the start line and I really reflected on the representation over the years and the representation across ages, from the young ones to the 70 year olds, for me, it was a great start for what we're trying to make a special 25th anniversary of the race series."

Zebalon McLean who has competed in 24 of the 25 years of the series including the first race on October 19, 1996 and Jim Cullimore who joined the series in 1998, said they have competed in more races than anyone, they were planning on doing something and didn't want COVID to end the streak. COVID he said shouldn't stop things like health, fun and

participating with a group of persons even if you have to be six feet apart.

"The College Classic Series has been a part of our lives for so many years and it's for people to get out there and do something," said McLean who has only missed eight races—the 2004 series when he was in college; two races in 2019 and once when he was too ill to run. "The beauty of the College Classic Series is it's only 2 Miles. So it's not long enough to kill you, but short enough to be enjoyed and everybody can participate, so I did enjoy this morning."

Cullimore who did the run with McLean said it was fabulous and the race is part of the BVI and something they couldn't give up. They talked and enjoyed the moment together.

Rafferty said it was a tough race for the first time in six months after the Hautteville 5K Series was called off in March after two races and the Ceres Juices 10K Series was canceled because of COVID-19. "It's good to be back," he said. "I think I could have gone a bit quicker but I'm pretty happy. But they took off like a 100m sprint and I had to play catch up after that because they tired at the end."

Defending champion Katrina "Kat" Lindsay was second in 12:46, said it was nice to shake off the cobwebs.

"It was nice to have a race again and it wasn't super fast for me, but I'm pleased given it was the first race since a long time," Lindsay noted as she has done some training. "I've been getting back into it. I haven't been doing much of the speed stuff like I was doing last year so I wasn't expecting to come out and run a super fast time."

The series continues on Saturday on Virgin Gorda, starting at 7 a.m. at the HLSCC Campus in The Valley. On Oct 31 will be the battle of the service clubs on Tortola before the second race on Virgin Gorda on Nov 7. The series ends on Nov 14 with the elite exchange, an invitational only relay event, where each runner will cover 2 Miles.



Zebulon McLean, left, and Jim Cullimore have competed in the Mourant College Classic Series for 24 and 22 years respectively. McLean ran in the inaugural race on Oct 19, 1996 and Cullimore joined the series in 1998

#### Final Results:

1. Colm Rafferty, 12:29.87	9. Charlie Potgieter, 15:42.55	17. Darwn Peters, 18:53.65
2. Katrina Lindsay, 12:46.83	10. Lia Claxton, 16:15.42	18. Johannes Blok, 19:03.94
3. Jaden Augustine, 13:07.79	11. Othniel Gillings	19. Garfield Neita, 19:38.15
4. Jonathan Lynch, 13:16.08	12. Jelani Croal	20. Anna Kinkead, 20:40.05
5. Rashawn Jack, 14:21.12	13. Kay Reddy, 17:12.25	21. Jim Cullimore
6. Kendi Brewley, 14:32.40	14. A'Keela McMaster, 17:28.47	22. Zebalon McLean
7. Sam Potgieter, 15:07.06	15. Jah'Kyla Morton, 17:54.65	23. Shirley Liburd
8. Adrian Dale, 15:10.25	16. A'Sia McMaster, 18:49.83	24. Jaheem-Lennard-Joseph
		25. Karl Dawson
		26. Marian Blok

## SAILING

### Following COVID-19 break, after school sailing resumes

By Dean "The Sportsman" Greenaway

Young Optimist sailors in the Royal BVI Yacht Club after school program, resumed training last Thursday, following a COVID-19 break that shut the program down in August, following a spike in cases, then a series of restricted curfews.

Coach Rob Lind told Island Sun Sports that it was like taking the dust off the cobwebs kinda day as it was the first time they were returning to sailing.

"We just kind of went over a lot of what we had finished doing in August, just to refresh their memory and because the conditions were light, we were doing light wind sailing," Lind pointed out. "It was rigging the boat and practicing their tactical manoeuvre, practicing roller tact to keep the boat moving and basically dealing with a lot of patience, because they were almost practically drifting

out there, so you got to stay very still in the boat."

Lind said once that was covered, they made a start line with windward-leeward courses upwind and downwind and managed to get a few starts in then did one race at the end.

Victoria Rowlette told Island Sun Sports that she has been sailing for about seven years.

"I just like being out on the water in general," she said while setting up her rig at Nanny Cay, as her other Optimist Class teammates did the same. "I like the community, new people have come and gone from the yacht club. It was cool before Corona as you could go to St. Thomas and St. Croix and meet new people. It's also a lot of fun to improve and there's always something to improve in sailing."

For Savion James who has been sailing for

three years and sails Opti Green, he said things have been going well and shared what he likes about sailing.

"Just when you're in a boat, it does feel good," he told Island Sun Sports with a big smile, noting that it was a sad time when he couldn't sail during the COVID-19 lockdown and various curfews. "But I'm glad we're back out on the water now. It's a good feeling just when you're out on the water and the wind just hitting you and the breeze—everything—it's such a good feeling."

On Friday, an adult Laser Sailing program was introduced and nine persons participated. Lind said the idea behind the plan was to keep the sailing community alive and going.

"We're trying to get people down (to Nanny Cay) after work, get boats set up then we're going to have a few races," he said. "We're



Optimist Sailors paused long enough before going on their first sailing on Thursday in the Royal BVI Yacht Club After School Program

going to have races, be off the water by six. We're going to try and get a league going and try to keep it as a weekly event every Friday to finish off the workweek. We're going to have a nice fun race group going, kinda keeping the club together as community."



# SPORTS



The Softball players form an arch with their bats as the casket of former player George "Shawala" Borrows enters the E. Walwyn Brewley Softball Park



Pirates players pay their last respects to their former teammate George "Shawala" Borrows, whom they played against on Aug. 16



The 25th Anniversary Moutant College Classic Series Special Edition, kicked off with 30 invited participants in honor of HLSCC's 30th Anniversary



BVI Football Association's U15, U17 and National Team members before Tuesday's practice



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# PUBLIC NOTICES

*Notice of Appointment of a Liquidator under Section 204 of the BVI Business Companies Act.*

**Target Ventures Partners FC Ltd**

(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 1841659  
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 204, subsection (b) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that the Company is in voluntary liquidation. The voluntary liquidation commenced on October 1, 2020. The Liquidator is **Mardiros Haladjian with address at 4 Aristodimos Pilavaki, 3032 Limassol, Cyprus.**  
Dated: October 5, 2020.  
(Sgd.) **Mardiros Haladjian**  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[71/1]

*Final Notice of Dissolution under the BVI Business Companies Act.*

**ALASSIO MANAGEMENT LIMITED**

(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 2012456  
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 208, subsection 3 of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that the Company was dissolved and struck off the Register of Companies with effect from October 2, 2020.  
Dated: October 5, 2020  
(Sgd.) **Mariska Supra**  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[71/2]

*Final Notice of Dissolution under the BVI Business Companies Act.*

**BIMLIB LIMITED**

(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 1994284  
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Dated: October 5, 2020  
(Sgd.) **Delio Jose De Leon Mela**  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[71/3]

*Final Notice of Dissolution under the BVI Business Companies Act.*

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(Sgd.) **Phani Schiza Antoniou**  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[71/4]

*Final Notice of Dissolution under the BVI Business Companies Act.*

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Voluntary Liquidator  
[71/5]

*Final Notice of Dissolution under the BVI Business Companies Act.*  
**ZIRICON INTERNATIONAL LTD.**

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Dated: October 5, 2020  
(Sgd.) **David Sofir**  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[71/6]

*Final Notice of Dissolution under the BVI Business Companies Act.*

**CRISTAL FALLS LIMITED**

(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 1065197  
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Dated: October 5, 2020  
(Sgd.) **Delio Jose de Leon Mela**  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[71/7]

*Liquidator's Final Notice BVI BUSINESS COMPANIES ACT, 2004*

**Swans Worldwide Holdings Ltd.**

("the Company")  
Company No: 1948470  
A BVI Business Company  
Notice is hereby given pursuant to section (208) (1) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004, that the winding-up and dissolution of the above-mentioned company has been completed and the name has been struck off the Register of Companies. Dated this 1st day of October, 2020.  
(Sgd.) **Marinas Marinou**  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[71/8]

*NOTICE BVI BUSINESS COMPANIES ACT (NO. 16 OF 2004)*

**LiuYundong Holdings Limited**

(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
NOTICE is hereby given that on the 9th day of September 2020, under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has been dissolved and struck off from the Register.  
The Liquidator is:-  
**GU Yizhe** of Suite C, 13F, No. 918, Middle Huaihai Road, Huangpu District, Shanghai, China  
[71/9]

*NOTICE BVI BUSINESS COMPANIES ACT (NO. 16 OF 2004)*

**SEASON MEMORY HOLDINGS LIMITED**

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NOTICE is hereby given that on the 1st day of October 2020, under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has been dissolved and struck off from the Register.  
The Liquidator is:-  
**JIA Hongyu** of No. 49, Group 2, Yongqing Shiwei, Horqin District, Tongliao, Nei Mongol, China  
[71/10]

*NOTICE BVI BUSINESS COMPANIES ACT (NO. 16 OF 2004)*

**XY Holdings Limited**

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NOTICE is hereby given that on the 1st day of October 2020, under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has been dissolved and struck off from the Register.  
The Liquidator is:-  
**GU Yizhe** of Suit C, 13F, No. 918, Middle Huaihai Road, Huangpu District, Shanghai, China  
[71/11]

*NOTICE BVI BUSINESS COMPANIES ACT (NO. 16 OF 2004)*

**ANQY Holdings Limited**

(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
NOTICE is hereby given that on the 1st day of October 2020, under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has been dissolved and struck off from the Register.  
The Liquidator is:-  
**GU Yizhe** of Suit C, 13F, No. 918, Middle Huaihai Road, Huangpu District, Shanghai, China  
[71/12]

*NOTICE BVI BUSINESS COMPANIES ACT (NO. 16 OF 2004)*

**WWG Holdings Limited**

(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
NOTICE is hereby given that on the 1st day of October 2020, under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has been dissolved and struck off from the Register.  
The Liquidator is:-  
**GU Yizhe** of Suit C, 13F, No. 918, Middle Huaihai Road, Huangpu District, Shanghai, China  
[71/13]

*NOTICE BVI BUSINESS COMPANIES ACT (NO. 16 OF 2004)*

**Mayii Holdings Limited**

(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
NOTICE is hereby given that on the 1st day of October 2020, under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has been dissolved and struck off from the Register.  
The Liquidator is:-  
**GU Yizhe** of Suit C, 13F, No. 918, Middle Huaihai Road, Huangpu District, Shanghai, China  
[71/14]

*NOTICE BVI BUSINESS COMPANIES ACT (NO. 16 OF 2004)*

**Yuemeng Holdings Limited**

(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
NOTICE is hereby given that on the 1st day of October 2020, under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has been dissolved and struck off from the Register.  
The Liquidator is:-  
**GU Yizhe** of Suit C, 13F, No. 918, Middle Huaihai Road, Huangpu District, Shanghai, China  
[71/15]

*APPOINTMENT FERNHILL MANAGEMENT LIMITED*

("the Company")

(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 598120  
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 204 of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that: **Fernhill Management Limited** is in voluntary liquidation. The date of commencement of liquidation is 22nd September 2020. The liquidator is **Carmine Bailey of Kendall Corporate Services Limited, 2nd Floor Abbott Building, 87 Main Street, Waterfront Drive, P.O. Box 3169; PMB198, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands.**  
Dated 5th October 2020  
**Carmine Bailey**  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[71/16]

*Notice of Appointment of a Liquidator under Section 204 of the BVI Business Companies Act.*

**Dimona Marketing Limited**

(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 204, subsection (b) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that the Company is in voluntary liquidation. The voluntary liquidation commenced on August 21, 2020. The Liquidator is **Tim Archard F.C.A. with address at Kingsway House, Havilland Street, St Peter Port, Guernsey, GY1 2QE.**  
Dated: August 21, 2020.  
(Sgd.) **Tim Archard F.C.A.**  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[71/17]

*Notice of Appointment of a Liquidator under Section 204 of the BVI Business Companies Act.*

**Lena Investments Group Ltd.**

(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 204, subsection (b) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that the Company is in voluntary liquidation. The voluntary liquidation commenced on October 5, 2020. The Liquidator is **Mr. Kevin Ackerman with address at Seestrasse 37, 8002 Zurich, Switzerland.**  
Dated: October 5, 2020.  
(Sgd.) **Kevin Ackerman**  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[71/18]

*Notice of Appointment of a Liquidator under Section 204 of the BVI Business Companies Act.*

**North Castle Enterprises Ltd.**

(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 204, subsection (b) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that the Company is in voluntary liquidation. The voluntary liquidation commenced on October 1, 2020. The Liquidator is **SUZANNE MARIE MEYER FERREIRA with address at Rua Boa Esperanca do Sul nr. 139, City of Sao Paulo, State of Sao Paulo, Postal Code 05608-030, Brazil.**  
Dated: October 1, 2020.  
(Sgd.) **SUZANNE MARIE MEYER FERREIRA**  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[71/19]

*Notice of Appointment of a Liquidator under Section 204 of the BVI Business Companies Act.*

**PALVACORE INTERNATIONAL SpA LTD.**

(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 204, subsection (b) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that the Company is in voluntary liquidation. The voluntary liquidation commenced on October 8, 2020. The Liquidator is **Mr. Kevin Ackerman with address at Seestrasse 37, 8002 Zurich, Switzerland.**  
Dated: October 8, 2020.  
(Sgd.) **Kevin Ackerman**  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[71/20]

*Notice of Appointment of a Liquidator under Section 204 of the BVI Business Companies Act.*

**VICKY HOLDINGS S.A.**

(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 204, subsection (b) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that the Company is in voluntary liquidation. The voluntary liquidation commenced on October 1, 2020. The Liquidator is **Enrico Somma with address at Wuhrstrasse 6, 9490 Vaduz, Furstetum, Liechtenstein.**  
Dated: October 1, 2020.  
(Sgd.) **Enrico Somma**  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[71/21]

# PUBLIC NOTICES

*Notice of Appointment of a Liquidator under Section 204 of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004*

**DEMETECH LIMITED**  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 685004

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 204, subsection (b) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that the Company is in voluntary liquidation. The voluntary liquidation commenced on 8th day of October, 2020. The liquidator is Barry Neil MITCHELL of Unit 2701, 27/F, C C Wu Building, 302-8 Hennessy Wanchai, Hong Kong.

Dated: 8th day of October, 2020  
(Sgd.) Barry Neil MITCHELL  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[71/22]

*Notice of Appointment of a Liquidator under Section 204 of the BVI Business Companies Act.*

**SOLICE, LTD.**

(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 204, subsection (b) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that the Company is in voluntary liquidation. The voluntary liquidation commenced on 8 October 2020. The Liquidator is Mr. William Caballero Mayorga with address at Carrera 112 F89 B-09, Ciudadela Colsubsidio, Conjunto Los Pino, Bogota, Colombia.

Dated: 8 October 2020.  
(Sgd.) Mr. William Caballero Mayorga  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[71/23]

**Altima Internacional LTD**  
Company No. 1764296  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 208 (3) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that Altima Internacional LTD has been dissolved and struck off the Register of Companies with effect from 8th October 2020.

Dated this 9th day of October 2020.  
(Sgd.) Mr. NIKOLAY LOTUGA  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[71/24]

*NOTICE*  
*BVI BUSINESS COMPANIES ACT*  
*(NO. 16 OF 2004)*

**Tomiko Holdings Limited**  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)

NOTICE is hereby given that on the 8th day of October, 2020, under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has commenced the process of liquidation. The Liquidators is: -  
*Apostolos Sigmounas*  
Of 41-49 Nimeli Court,  
Block B, 1st Floor, Office 101  
Egkomi 2408, Nicosia,  
Cyprus

[71/25]

*NOTICE*  
*BVI BUSINESS COMPANIES ACT*  
*(NO. 16 OF 2004)*

**DBW Investments Limited**  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)

NOTICE is hereby given that on the 6th day of July, 2020, under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has commenced the process of liquidation.

The Liquidators is: -  
*Petra Herbert*  
Of Nerine Chambers  
Po Box 905  
Road Town, Tortola  
British Virgin Islands  
[71/26]

*NOTICE*  
*BVI BUSINESS COMPANIES ACT*  
*(NO. 16 OF 2004)*

**Wavepoint Gardens Limited**  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)

NOTICE is hereby given that on the 6th day of July, 2020, under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has commenced the process of liquidation.

The Liquidators is: -  
Chris Ashwell  
Of France House  
Sir William Place  
St Peter Port  
Guernsey  
GY1 1GX  
[71/27]

*NOTICE*  
*BVI BUSINESS COMPANIES ACT*  
*(NO. 16 OF 2004)*

**ARMINIUS PROPERTY LIMITED**

(In Voluntary Liquidation)

NOTICE is hereby given that on the 28th day of September, 2020, under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has commenced the process of liquidation.

The Liquidators is: -  
*Marsha Coram*  
Of Nerine Chambers,  
Road Town,  
Tortola,  
British Virgin Islands  
[71/28]

*NOTICE*  
*BVI BUSINESS COMPANIES ACT*  
*(NO. 16 OF 2004)*

**GALIANE ENTERPRISES LTD**

(In Voluntary Liquidation)

NOTICE is hereby given that on the 29th day of September, 2020, under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has commenced the process of liquidation.

The Liquidators is: -  
*Chrysiella Antoniou*  
Of 8 Stassinios Avenue  
Photiadis Business Centre  
Office 202  
1060 Nicosia  
Cyprus  
[71/29]

*NOTICE*  
*BVI BUSINESS COMPANIES ACT*  
*(NO. 16 OF 2004)*

**Chelworth Management Limited**

(In Voluntary Liquidation)

NOTICE is hereby given that on the 19th day of August, 2020, under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has commenced the process of liquidation.

The Liquidators is: -  
*Apostolos Sigmounas*  
Of 41-49 Nimeli Court, Block B  
1st Floor, Office 101  
Egkomi 2408  
Nicosia,  
Cyprus  
[71/30]

*NOTICE*  
*BVI BUSINESS COMPANIES ACT*  
*(NO. 16 OF 2004)*

**DEBOVE MANGEMENT LIMITED**

(In Voluntary Liquidation)

NOTICE is hereby given that on the 24th day of August, 2020, under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has commenced the process of liquidation.

The Liquidators is: -  
*Demetris Achilleo*  
Of Agias & Fylaxeos &  
Zinonos Rossidi 2,  
1st Floor,  
3082 Limassol,  
Cyprus  
[71/31]

*NOTICE*  
*BVI BUSINESS COMPANIES ACT*  
*(NO. 16 OF 2004)*

**MASTERO TRADING LIMITED**

(In Voluntary Liquidation)

NOTICE is hereby given that on the 24th day of August, 2020, under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has commenced the process of liquidation.

The Liquidators is: -  
*Demetris Achilleo*  
Of Agias & Fylaxeos &  
Zinonos Rossidi 2,  
1st Floor,  
3082 Limassol,  
Cyprus  
[71/32]

*NOTICE*  
*BVI BUSINESS COMPANIES ACT*  
*(NO. 16 OF 2004)*

**Orchid Avenue Inc.**

(In Voluntary Liquidation)

NOTICE is hereby given that on the 9th October, 2020, under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has commenced the process of liquidation.

The Liquidator is:-  
*Martin Chesler*  
Of c/o Clermont Consultants (UK) Limited  
Regent House, Allum Gate  
Elstree & Borehamwood, Herts WD6 4RS  
United Kingdom  
[71/33]

*NOTICE*  
*BVI BUSINESS COMPANIES ACT*  
*(NO. 16 OF 2004)*

**Ecap One Limited**

("the Company")  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)

NOTICE is hereby given that on the 9th October, 2020, under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has commenced the process of liquidation.

The Liquidator is:-  
*Martin Chesler*  
Of c/o Clermont Consultants (UK) Limited  
Regent House, Allum Gate  
Elstree & Borehamwood, Herts WD6 4RS  
United Kingdom  
[71/34]

*NOTICE*  
*BVI BUSINESS COMPANIES ACT*  
*(NO. 16 OF 2004)*

**Island Property Management Limited**

(In Voluntary Liquidation)

NOTICE is hereby given that on the 9th October, 2020, under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has commenced the process of liquidation.

The Liquidator is: -  
*Robin Walser* of  
600 North Bridge Road  
#12-09/10 Parkview Square  
Singapore 188778  
[71/35]

*NOTICE*  
*BVI BUSINESS COMPANIES ACT*  
*(NO. 16 OF 2004)*

**Winter Invest Holdings Ltd.**

(In Voluntary Liquidation)

NOTICE is hereby given that on the 9th October, 2020, under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has commenced the process of liquidation.

The Liquidator is: -  
*Robin Walser* of  
600 North Bridge Road  
#12-09/10 Parkview Square  
Singapore 188778  
[71/36]

*NOTICE*  
*BVI BUSINESS COMPANIES ACT*  
*(NO. 16 OF 2004)*

**Marshal Global Holding Limited**

(In Voluntary Liquidation)

NOTICE is hereby given that on the 5th day of October 2020, under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has commenced the process of liquidation.

The Liquidator is:  
*-HU, Jun* of  
2682 SW 87TH WAY  
GAINESVILLE,  
FL 32608-9302,  
USA  
[71/37]

*NOTICE*  
*BVI BUSINESS COMPANIES ACT*  
*(NO. 16 OF 2004)*

**Selected Elites Limited**

(In Voluntary Liquidation)

NOTICE is hereby given that on the 6th day of October 2020, under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has commenced the process of liquidation.

The Liquidator is:-  
*SU Yu Ning* of  
1F, No. 126, Aly. 49,  
Ln. 113, Donghu Road,  
Neihu Dist., Taipei City 114,  
Taiwan  
[71/38]

**DEVELIOR FINANCE LTD**  
Company No. 1791879

(In Voluntary Liquidation)

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 204 (1)(b) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that DEVELIOR FINANCE LTD is in voluntary liquidation. The voluntary liquidation commenced on 13th October, 2020 and Charoulla Lesta of 205 Christodoulou Chatzipavlou, Loulopis Court, 2nd Floor, Flat 201, P.C. 3036 Limassol, Cyprus, has been appointed as Sole Liquidator.

Dated this: 13th day of October, 2020.  
(Sgd.) Charoulla Lesta  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[71/39]

**LENDUL HOLDING LTD.**  
Company No. 502136

(In Voluntary Liquidation)

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 204 (1)(b) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that LENDUL HOLDING LTD. is in voluntary liquidation. The voluntary liquidation commenced on 13th October, 2020 and Mrs. LINETH PONCE of MMG Tower, 23rd Floor, Avenida del Pacifico and Avenida Paseo del Mar, Costa del Este, Panama, Republic of Panama has been appointed as Sole Liquidator.

Dated this: 13th day of October, 2020.  
(Sgd.) Mrs. LINETH PONCE  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[71/40]

*Liquidator's Final Notice*

*BVI BUSINESS COMPANIES ACT, 2004*  
**Orion Holding Group Limited**

("the Company")

Company No: 1653432

ABVI Business Company

Notice is hereby given pursuant to section (208) (1) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004, that the winding-up and dissolution of the above-mentioned company has been completed and the name has been struck off the Register of Companies.

Dated this 9th day of October, 2020.  
(Sgd.) Andreas Aristidou  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[71/41]

# PUBLIC NOTICES

**Final Notice of Dissolution under the BVI Business Company Act.**  
**SERRA HOLDINGS LIMITED**

Company No. 178403  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 208, subsection 3 of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that the Company was dissolved and struck off the Register of Companies with effect from 9th October, 2020.  
Dated 12th October, 2020  
(Sgd.) Nikolaos Bratis  
Voluntary Liquidator(s)  
[71/42]

**Final Notice of Dissolution under the BVI Business Company Act.**  
**DOLIANI LTD.**

(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 1710846  
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 208, subsection 3 of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that the Company was dissolved and struck off the Register of Companies with effect from October 8, 2020.  
Dated: October 12, 2020  
(Sgd.) Stelios Ioakim  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[71/43]

**HERBAL BOX TECHNOLOGY CO., LIMITED**

(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company Number 1744009  
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 204, Subsection (1) (b) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that the Company is in voluntary liquidation. The voluntary liquidation commenced on the 9th day of October, 2020. The Liquidator is PIAO MEIYAN of 31st Floor, Building 1, Xinwen Building, 1002 Shennan Zhong Lu, Futian District, Shenzhen City, Guangdong Province, China.  
Dated this 12th day of October, 2020  
Sgd. PIAO MEIYAN

PIAO MEIYAN  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[71/44]

**VISTACE LTD**

(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company Number 1734697  
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 208, Subsection 3 of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004, that the Company was dissolved and struck off the Register of Companies with effect from the 12th day of October, 2020.  
Dated this 12th day of October, 2020  
Sgd. LEE KIAN TIONG  
LEE KIAN TIONG  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[71/45]

**Final Notice of Dissolution under the BVI Business Company Act.**  
**MANARI INVEST LTD**

(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 1720794  
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 208, subsection 3 of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that the Company was dissolved and struck off the Register of Companies with effect from October 12th, 2020.  
Dated: October 12th, 2020  
(Sgd.) Delio Jose De Leon Mela  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[71/46]

**Notice of Appointment of a Liquidator under Section 204 of the BVI Business Company Act.**

**Nativly Group Ltd**  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 1892925  
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 204, subsection (b) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that the Company is in voluntary liquidation. The voluntary liquidation commenced on October 12, 2020. The Liquidator is Delio José De León Mela with an address at 5th Floor, Bloc Office Hub, Santa Maria Business District, Panama, Republic of Panama.  
Dated October 12, 2020  
(Sgd.) Delio José De León Mela  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[71/47]

**Final Notice of Dissolution under the BVI Business Company Act.**  
**WILDHORN SECURITIES INC.**

(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 16073  
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 208, subsection 3 of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that the Company was dissolved and struck off the Register of Companies with effect from October 8, 2020.  
Dated: October 12, 2020  
(Sgd.) Delio Jose de Leon Mela  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[71/48]

**Final Notice of Dissolution under the BVI Business Company Act.**  
**GOLDEN EAST LOGISTICS CO LTD**

(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 1671141  
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 208, subsection 3 of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that the Company was dissolved and struck off the Register of Companies with effect from October 8, 2020.  
Dated: October 12, 2020  
(Sgd.) Phani Schiza Antoniou  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[71/49]

**Final Notice of Dissolution under the BVI Business Company Act.**  
**OBERLAND INVESTMENTS LTD.**

(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 176627  
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 208, subsection 3 of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that the Company was dissolved and struck off the Register of Companies with effect from October 8, 2020.  
Dated: October 12, 2020  
(Sgd.) Delio Jose De Leon Mela  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[71/50]

**Final Notice of Dissolution under the BVI Business Company Act.**  
**EUPHONY FINANCE LIMITED**

(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 1771616  
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 208, subsection 3 of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that the Company was dissolved and struck off the Register of Companies with effect from October 8, 2020.  
Dated: October 12, 2020  
(Sgd.) Delio Jose De Leon Mela  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[71/51]

**Final Notice of Dissolution under the BVI Business Company Act.**  
**NOVERY STAR GROUP LTD.**

(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 1972826  
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 208, subsection 3 of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that the Company was dissolved and struck off the Register of Companies with effect from October 8, 2020.  
Dated: October 12, 2020  
(Sgd.) Phani Schiza Antoniou  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[71/52]

**Final Notice of Dissolution under the BVI Business Companies Act; 2004**  
**IPES INTERNATIONAL CO., LIMITED**

(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 1648939  
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 208, subsection 3 of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004, that the Company was dissolved and struck off the Register of Companies with effect from 9th October, 2020.  
Dated: 12th October, 2020.  
(Sgd.) HUANG Wen Ai  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[71/53]

**TWINKLE INVESTMENT LIMITED**

Company No. 299539  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 204 (1)(b) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that TWINKLE INVESTMENT LIMITED is in voluntary liquidation. The voluntary liquidation commenced on 7th October, 2020 and CHEUNG Oi Yin, Irene of Flat D, 6/F, Block 24, Greenwood Terrace, 26-28 Sui Wo Road, Shatin, Hong Kong, has been appointed as the Sole Liquidator.  
Dated this 8th day of October, 2020  
Sgd. CHEUNG Oi Yin, Irene  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[71/54]

**Final Notice of Dissolution under The BVI Business Companies Act, 2004**

**RED PALM LIMITED**  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 1055085  
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 208, subsection 3 of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that the Company was dissolved and struck off the Register of Companies with effect from 12th October, 2020.  
Dated: 12th day of October, 2020  
(Sgd.) Dr. Knut Unger  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[71/55]

**Final Notice of Dissolution under The BVI Business Companies Act; 2004**

**Vegapharm International Limited**  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No: 1537026  
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 208, subsection 3 of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004, that the Company was dissolved and struck off the Register of Companies with effect from 12th October, 2020.  
(Sgd.) Molly Rita Rosalie  
Liquidator  
[71/56]

**Fortune RE International Ltd**  
(In voluntary liquidation)  
(Company No 1719059)  
(the Company)

NOTICE is given pursuant to section 204(1) (b) of the BVI Business Companies Act 2004 that the Company is in voluntary liquidation. The voluntary liquidation of the Company commenced on 8 October, 2020. The voluntary liquidator of the Company is Teodoro De Regibus of Kovil Lane, Royal Road, Mauritius.  
Dated 9 October 2020.  
Teodoro De Regibus  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[71/57]

**Leila Overseas International Limited**

(In voluntary liquidation)  
(Company No 1740113)  
(the Company)  
NOTICE is given pursuant to section 204(1) (b) of the BVI Business Companies Act 2004 that the Company is in voluntary liquidation. The voluntary liquidation of the Company commenced on 8 October, 2020. The voluntary liquidator of the Company is Teodoro De Regibus of Kovil Lane, Royal Road, Mauritius.  
Dated 9 October 2020.  
Teodoro De Regibus  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[71/58]

**Leila Overseas International Limited**

(In voluntary liquidation)  
(Company No 1740113)  
(the Company)  
NOTICE is given pursuant to section 204(1) (b) of the BVI Business Companies Act 2004 that the Company is in voluntary liquidation. The voluntary liquidation of the Company commenced on 8 October, 2020. The voluntary liquidator of the Company is Teodoro De Regibus of Kovil Lane, Royal Road, Mauritius.  
Dated 9 October 2020.  
Teodoro De Regibus  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[71/59]

**PYM CONTINENTAL S.A.**

Company No. 1818631  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 208 (3) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that PYM CONTINENTAL S.A. been dissolved and struck off the Register of Companies with effect from 15th September, 2020.  
Dated this 24th day of September, 2020.  
Sgd. RADIM SERVIT  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[71/60]

**ASANET CONTINENTAL S.A.**

Company No. 1553601  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 208 (3) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that ASANET CONTINENTAL S.A. been dissolved and struck off the Register of Companies with effect from 15th September, 2020.  
Dated this 24th day of September, 2020.  
Sgd. QUERUBE C. DE NUÑEZ  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[71/61]

**USTELLE ESTATE INC.**

Company No. 1485600  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 208 (3) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that USTELLE ESTATE INC. been dissolved and struck off the Register of Companies with effect from 21st September, 2020.  
Dated this 24th day of September, 2020.  
Sgd. DR. ARMIN DOBLER  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[71/62]

**TIMORI TRADERS CORP.**

Company No. 1612877  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 204 (1)(b) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that TIMORI TRADERS CORP., is in voluntary liquidation. The voluntary liquidation commenced on 14th October, 2020 and Jesefel Palaac Pone of Platinum Tower, Jumeriah Lakes Towers, Dubai, United Arab Emirates, has been appointed as the Sole Liquidator.  
Dated this 15th October, 2020  
Sgd. Jesefel Palaac Pone  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[71/63]

**PETERS GROUP LTD.**

(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 1818629  
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 208 subsection 3 of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that the Company was dissolved and struck off the Register of Companies with effect from 15th October, 2020.  
Dated 15th October, 2020  
Sgd. MARKUS DUCREY  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[71/64]

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**GENTIANE INTERNATIONAL LIMITED**  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 613785  
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 208 subsection 3 of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that the Company was dissolved and struck off the Register of Companies with effect from 13th October, 2020.  
Dated 15th October, 2020  
*Sgd. QUERUBE C. DE NUÑEZ*  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[71/65]

**OSHMANN INVESTMENTS LIMITED**  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 509311  
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 208 subsection 3 of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that the Company was dissolved and struck off the Register of Companies with effect from 6th October, 2020.  
Dated 12th, October 2020  
*Sgd. Alicia Dussart*  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[71/66]

**Jasinda Financial Corp.**  
Company No. 2040251  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 204 (1)(b) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that Jasinda Financial Corp., is in voluntary liquidation. The voluntary liquidation commenced on 14th October, 2020 and Andreas Karapatakis of 243, 28th October str. Christiana Bldg. 3rd Floor, 3600 Limassol Cyprus, has been appointed as the Sole Liquidator.  
Dated this 15th October, 2020  
*Sgd. Andreas Karapatakis*  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[71/67]

**DELVERNE GLOBAL LIMITED**  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company Number 1939593  
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 204, Subsection (1) (b) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that the Company is in voluntary liquidation. The voluntary liquidation commenced on the 15th day of October, 2020. The Liquidator is **Brian Jackson of Mandar House, 3rd Floor, P.O. Box 2196, Johnson's Ghat, Tortola, British Virgin Islands.** Dated this 15th day of October, 2020  
*Sgd. Brian Jackson*  
*Brian Jackson*  
Voluntary Liquidator [71/68]

**LEASIDE BUSINESS S.A.**  
Company No. 451523  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 204 (1)(b) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that LEASIDE BUSINESS S.A. is in voluntary liquidation. The voluntary liquidation commenced on 14th October, 2020 and Querube Castillo de Nuñez of Pasco del Mar and Pacific Avenues, Costa del Este, MMG Tower, 23rd Floor, Panama City, Republic of Panama has been appointed as Sole Liquidator.  
Dated this 15th day of October, 2020  
*Sgd. Querube Castillo de Nuñez*  
Voluntary Liquidator [71/69]

**STANDARD FEDERAL LIMITED**  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company Number 1960131  
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 208, Subsection 3 of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004, that the Company was dissolved and struck off the Register of Companies with effect from the 15th day of October, 2020.  
Dated this 15th day of October, 2020  
*Sgd. LIU Hui*  
*LIU Hui*  
Voluntary Liquidator [71/70]

**MANDALONA UNITED S.A.**  
Company No. 1485633  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 204 (1)(b) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that MANDALONA UNITED S.A. is in voluntary liquidation. The voluntary liquidation commenced on 13th October, 2020 and CHRISTOPH HUBER of Kirchstrasse 1, 9490 Vaduz, Principality of Liechtenstein has been appointed as Sole Liquidator.  
Dated this: 14th day of October, 2020.  
*Sgd. CHRISTOPH HUBER*  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[71/71]

**NOTICE**  
**BVI BUSINESS COMPANIES ACT**  
(NO. 16 OF 2004)  
**Bonhomme Limited**  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
NOTICE is hereby given that on the 9th day of October 2020, under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has commenced the process of liquidation. The Liquidator is:-  
*XIA Yan* of  
No. 4, Unit 3,  
No. 9 Dayuan Hutong,  
Xicheng District, Beijing,  
China  
[71/72]

**NOTICE**  
**BVI BUSINESS COMPANIES ACT**  
(NO. 16 OF 2004)  
**Zagic Limited**  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
NOTICE is hereby given that on the 9th day of October 2020, under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has commenced the process of liquidation. The Liquidator is:-  
*GONG Dingyi* of  
Room 1302, Unit 1,  
Building 15, Tonghuimen,  
Choucheng Street, Yiwu City,  
Zhejiang Province,  
China [71/73]

**NOTICE**  
**BVI BUSINESS COMPANIES ACT**  
(NO. 16 OF 2004)  
**SMILE GOLD LIMITED**  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
NOTICE is hereby given that on the 8th day of October 2020, under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has been dissolved and struck off from the Register. The Liquidator is:-  
*SU Zebin* of  
Room 110, Building 21,  
Zhonghang Yuan, Zhonghang Road,  
Futian District, Shenzhen City,  
Guangdong Province,  
China [71/74]

**NOTICE**  
**BVI BUSINESS COMPANIES ACT**  
(NO. 16 OF 2004)  
**Yibaoccyb Limited**  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
NOTICE is hereby given that on the 8th day of October 2020, under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has been dissolved and struck off from the Register. The Liquidator is:-  
*LIU Hongyan* of  
Room 105, Unit 1,  
No. 63 Shixiao Hutong,  
Yanzhou City, Shandong Province,  
China [71/75]

**NOTICE**  
**BVI BUSINESS COMPANIES ACT**  
(NO. 16 OF 2004)  
**IRIDE.AI LTD**  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
NOTICE is hereby given that on the 8th day of October 2020, under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has been dissolved and struck off from the Register. The Liquidator is:-  
*Jing WANG* of  
4003 Marcelli Circle,  
Los Altos, CA 94002,  
United States of America  
[71/76]

**GOLDUNION INTERNATIONAL LIMITED**  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company Number 1645321  
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 204, Subsection (1) (b) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that the Company is in voluntary liquidation. The voluntary liquidation commenced on the 14th day of October, 2020. The Liquidator is **Wang Chun of Room 202 Unit 7 No 2 Building, Yongkang Hutong, Dongcheng Distric, Beijing, People's Republic of China.**  
Dated this 14th day of October, 2020  
*Sgd. Wang Chun*  
*Wang Chun*  
Voluntary Liquidator  
**WELLS SOUTH AMERICAN HOLDINGS, LTD.**

**ORBIS INVESTMENTS LIMITED**  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 1610  
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 204 (1)-(b) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that ORBIS INVESTMENTS LIMITED is in voluntary liquidation. The voluntary liquidation commenced on the 6th day of October, 2020. The Liquidator is **Miss Nicola Gillespie c/o Citeo B.V.I. Limited, Flemming House, Wickhams Cay, P.O. Box 662, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands, VG1110.**  
Dated 6th day of October, 2020.  
*(Sgd.) Nicola Gillespie*  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[71/78]

**NOTICE**  
**BVI BUSINESS COMPANIES ACT**  
(NO. 16 OF 2004)  
**SMILE GOLD LIMITED**  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
NOTICE is hereby given that on the 8th day of October 2020, under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has been dissolved and struck off from the Register. The Liquidator is:-  
*SU Zebin* of  
Room 110, Building 21,  
Zhonghang Yuan, Zhonghang Road,  
Futian District, Shenzhen City,  
Guangdong Province,  
China [71/74]

**WELLS SOUTH AMERICAN HOLDINGS, LTD.**  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 519203  
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 204 (1)-(b) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that **WELLS SOUTH AMERICAN HOLDINGS, LTD.** is in voluntary liquidation. The voluntary liquidation commenced on the 12th day of October, 2020. The Liquidator is **Miss Nicola Gillespie c/o Citeo B.V.I. Limited, Flemming House, Wickhams Cay, P.O. Box 662, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands, VG1110.**  
Dated 12th day of October, 2020.  
*(Sgd.) Nicola Gillespie*  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[71/79]

**FSJ COMPANY LIMITED**  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 338741  
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 204 (1)-(b) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that **FSJ COMPANY LIMITED** is in voluntary liquidation. The voluntary liquidation commenced on the 5th day of October, 2020. The Liquidator is **Mr. James Bolton c/o Citeo B.V.I. Limited, Flemming House, Wickhams Cay, P.O. Box 662, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands, VG1110.**  
Dated 6th day of October, 2020.  
*(Sgd.) James Bolton*  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[71/80]

**GOLD ORCHID HOLDINGS LIMITED**  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 1822532  
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 204 (1)-(b) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that **GOLD ORCHID HOLDINGS LIMITED** is in voluntary liquidation. The voluntary liquidation commenced on the 8th day of October, 2020. The Liquidator is **Mr. Leonardo Dornella Drumond of AVN Marte, 887, Vale Do Sol 34.011-060, Nova Lima-MG, Peru.**  
Dated 9th day of October, 2020.  
*(Sgd.) Leonardo Dornella Drumond*  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[71/81]

**APPOINTMENT**  
**CARRO HOLDINGS LIMITED**  
("the Company")  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 1439575  
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 204 of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that **Carro Holdings Limited** is in voluntary liquidation. The date of commencement of liquidation is 28th September 2020. The liquidator is **John Grimshaw of 2 Wesley House, Le Quai Bisson, Le Boulevard, St Brelade, Jersey JE3 8JT.**  
Dated 14th October 2020  
*John Grimshaw*  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[71/82]

*The BVI Business Companies Act*  
*Advertisement of Liquidator's*  
*Appointment Section 204(1)(b)*  
**Mauve Group Holdings Ltd**  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
BC No. 1797710  
(the "Company")  
NOTICE is hereby given in accordance with Section 204(1) (b) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that the above mentioned company has commenced liquidation and dissolution as of October 8, 2020. **Mr. Ryan Geluk of BDO Limited, Sea Meadow House, Tobacco Wharf, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands,** has been appointed liquidator.  
*Ryan Geluk*  
Voluntary Liquidator [71/83]

**American Compounding Limited Partnership**  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
(BC No. LP1246)  
NOTICE is hereby given that the Company has been dissolved and has been struck from the Register of Companies.  
*Rigoberto Broce*  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[71/84]

**VINSANTO GLOBAL CORP.**  
(In voluntary Liquidation)  
(BC NO. 1903371)  
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 204(1)(b) of the BVI Companies Act, 2004 that the Company is in voluntary liquidation. The voluntary liquidation commenced on 13th October, 2020 and that **TANIA MIGUELINA CASTILLO BAEZ** addressed at **Lope de Vega number 4, Naco, Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic,** has been appointed Liquidator of the company.  
Dated 13th October, 2020  
*TANIA MIGUELINA CASTILLO BAEZ*  
Liquidator [71/85]

*Notice of Appointment of a Liquidator*  
*under Section 204 of the BVI*  
*Business Company Act.*  
**TAAT Kapital Ltd.**  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 1567030  
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 204, subsection (b) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that the Company is in voluntary liquidation. The voluntary liquidation commenced on October 7, 2020. The Liquidator is **Chew Chuan Kiat** with address at **54 Frankel Avenue, Frankel Estate, Singapore 458181.**  
Dated: October 14, 2020.  
*(Sgd.) Chew Chuan Kiat*  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[71/86]

**THREE WOOD INC.**  
Company No. 422802  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 208 (3) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that **THREE WOOD INC.,** has been dissolved and struck off the Register of Companies with effect from 12th October, 2020.  
Dated this 14th day of October, 2020  
*Sgd. Querube Castillo de Nuñez*  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[71/87]

# PUBLIC NOTICES

## MILTOWN ENTERPRISE LTD.

Company No. 1806203  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)

**NOTICE** is hereby given pursuant to Section 208 (3) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that **MILTOWN ENTERPRISE LTD.**, has been dissolved and struck off the Register of Companies with effect from 26th May, 2020.

Dated this 14th day of October, 2020

Sgd. Querube Castillo de Nuñez  
Voluntary Liquidator

[71/88]

## EASTERN CARIBBEAN SUPREME COURT IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE VIRGIN ISLANDS (PROBATE)

Probate no. BVHPB2020/0131

**In the Estate of NOEL GREEN, late of Tortola  
British Virgin Islands and St. Thomas United States  
Virgin Islands deceased  
PUBLIC NOTICE**

**TAKE NOTICE** that an application has been filed by CYN-THELIA GREEN of Tortola British Virgin Islands and St. Thomas United States Virgin Islands for a Grant of Letters of Administration to the applicant who is the wife of the deceased, the deceased having died intestate on the 23rd day of June 2017.

**ANY PERSON** having an objection to the Grant of Letters of Administration to the application shall file an objection within fourteen (14) days of the publication of this Notice.

Dated this 9th day of October 2020

Filed by: Harbour Chambers BVI  
12 Chalwell Street Road Town  
Tortola Virgin Islands  
Legal Practitioners for the Applicant  
[71]

### BADGER ALLIANCE LTD. (IN VOLUNTARY LIQUIDATION) BC# 564233 (In Voluntary Liquidation)

**NOTICE** is hereby given pursuant to Section 204, subsection (1) (b) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that the Company is in voluntary liquidation. The voluntary liquidation commenced on 29 September 2020. The Liquidator is Stacy Gladys Eli of 28 Cork Street, Roseau, Commonwealth of Dominica.

Dated 29 September 2020  
Stacy Gladys Eli  
(Liquidator)

[71/89]

### Notice of Appointment of a Liquidator under Section 204 of the BVI Business Companies Act IMFEROCK COMMERCIAL INC.

(IN VOLUNTARY LIQUIDATION)  
BC# 1013919  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)

**NOTICE** is hereby given pursuant to Section 204, subsection (1) (b) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that the Company is in voluntary liquidation. The voluntary liquidation commenced on 1 October 2020. The Liquidator is Stacy Gladys Eli of 28 Cork Street, Roseau, Commonwealth of Dominica.

Dated 1 October 2020  
Stacy Gladys Eli  
(Liquidator)

[71/90]

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[s72]

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[s72]

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# Dodging the China question

COMMENTARY

By Sir Ronald Sanders



encourage hostility with China. They both dodged the question because they each weighed their answers on a narrow, 'political opportunity' basis.

Pence's response fed prejudice against Chinese, and Harris' answer nurtured a sentiment of horror that an American leader could be less respected than a Chinese 'communist'. Neither of them set-out a clear and constructive strategy for relations with China.

The absence of a China strategy is also obvious in the 15-nation Caribbean Community (CARICOM) whose membership is divided between recognition of China and Taiwan. Nine of the 14 independent CARICOM states have diplomatic relations with China, and five others with Taiwan.

Once this division remains, there can be no "CARICOM Strategy" on China. Although, as I have argued in other writings, CARICOM, by now, should have negotiated a formal collective partnership with China that covers the terms of trade, investment, labour practices (including the use of imported Chinese workers for projects); competition; and dispute settlement through independent machinery.

Instead, the nine CARICOM countries have an ad-hoc relationship with China that is characterised by Chinese investment and loans, as well as a trade surplus in China's favour. The increased presence of Chinese companies in the 9 CARICOM countries as well as their importation of Chinese labour for their projects have caused resentment in local populations. These concerns have not been adequately addressed.

The ground for growing anti-Chinese sentiment has been fertilized recently by statements from high representatives of the U.S. government. These include questioning the value of Chinese money if it "feeds corruption and undermines your rule of law", and calling for investments to be examined "if in fact they ruin your environment, and don't create jobs for your people". Ahead of the March 22 meeting between President Trump and leaders of five Caribbean countries - Bahamas, the Dominican Republic, Haiti, Jamaica and St. Lucia - a White House spokesperson said one of its aims was to "counter China's predatory economic practices."

Within CARICOM countries, these unsubstantiated statements appeal to

Of all the questions that both Kamala Harris and Mike Pence dodged during the U.S. Vice Presidential debate on October 7, the most revealing concerned China.

Susan Page, the moderator, from the publication, "USA Today", put a clear question to Pence and Harris in turn: "We have no more complicated or consequential foreign relationship than the one with China. It is a huge market for American agricultural goods. It's a potential partner in dealing with climate change and with North Korea; and, in a video tonight, President Trump again, blamed it for the Coronavirus saying China will pay... how would you describe our fundamental relationship with China: Competitors? Adversaries? Enemies?"

Apart from being very categoric, in keeping with President Trump's position, that "China is to blame for the coronavirus", and "China had been taking advantage of America for decades", Vice President Pence did not say whether China was a competitor, adversary or enemy of the U.S.

Senator Harris was no clearer in her response. She said President Trump's trade war with China "resulted in the loss of over 300,000 manufacturing jobs and a manufacturing recession, and the American consumer paid thousands of dollars more for goods because of that failed war". She added that, "Pew, a reputable research firm has done an analysis that shows that leaders of all of our formerly allied countries have now decided that they hold in greater esteem and respect Xi Jinping, the head of the Chinese communist party, than they do Donald Trump".

From these answers, it is little wonder that people in the U.S. have no clear picture of their country's relationship with China. The real situation is far more complex, and both Pence and Harris know it.

The U.S. and China are the two largest economies in the world. They have an inter-dependent relationship not only in bilateral trade and investment, but in the maintenance of a stable global economy that serves both their interests for markets and supply of raw materials that neither of them has.

Both Pence and Harris know that it is not in the interest of the U.S. to



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prejudiced-thinking in certain sections of the societies. This thinking could be tempered by better information. Misapprehension lingers because governments have failed to inform their people fully. For example, the amount of money borrowed from China to finance much-needed infrastructural projects, is considerably reduced by using Chinese labour.

It is also little known that China, as a donor state, contributes to regional economies through its membership of the Caribbean Development Bank, the Inter-American Development Bank, the World Bank, and as a Permanent Observer to the Organization of American States. Its investment outreach to the Caribbean is not only bilateral; it is also multilateral.

Many - if not all - of these matters could be addressed in a transparent and balanced manner if CARICOM countries could jointly negotiate a partnership agreement with China as they have done with the European Union. Further, joint CARICOM negotiations, using the leverage available to the entire region would be more advantageous than national bargaining where China would be in a much stronger position.

This observation equally applies to the CARICOM relationship with the U.S. which is no less ad-hoc and lacking in regional strategy. The U.S. enjoys a perennial trade surplus with Caribbean countries that topped \$4 billion in 2019, notwithstanding preferences for a narrow range of goods exported by some CARICOM countries.

While the U.S. has withdrawn from offering loans and investments to the majority of Caribbean nations, and International Financial Institutions have disqualified many of them from concessional financing, China filled the gap with soft loans and, in some instances, grants particularly in the struggle with the COVID-19 pandemic.

From 2006 to 2015, under the George W. Bush and Barack Obama Administrations, while expressing concern about China's influence in the region, the U.S. generally viewed China's engagement with the region positively, regarding it as a contributor to economic growth. Such collaboration with Caribbean participation would be beneficial to all.

CARICOM countries need joint strategies toward the U.S. and China. They should be based on being partners not pawns in any game of competition, rivalry, or enmity.

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