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## PARLIAMENT MEMBERS DEBATE NEW LIQUOR LICENSING BILL

After years of promises by various legislators, the law governing alcoholic drinks finally went before the House of Assembly for amendments. The Bill entitled "Liquor Licenses Act, 2019" was debated during the 15 November sitting; and during the discussions, many Members of the House referenced the negative effects of alcohol use.

Presenter of the Bill Premier Dr. the Hon. Natalio Wheatley told the House that the aim of the amendment is to modernize the Act that came into force in May 1964. The Premier said: "The legislation governing the sale or manufacture of intoxicating liquor in the Virgin Islands has been in need of an update for quite some time, and through the



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Liquor Licence Act 2019 it is hoped that this Honourable House would be able to modernize the statutory framework."

While alluding to the fact that the amendment of the Act was long in coming, the BVI Leader said: "This bill is a product of a considerable

volume of work done over the past several years, therefore I know it will be a relief to many persons to see that their hard work has borne fruit in the form of a modernized legislative framework."

Some of the new changes to the Act include

the provision for a Licensing Board. Hon. Wheatley explained that the Licensing board will manage and execute the process of issuing liquor licences. "Currently, as per section 16, persons applying for a licence are required to appear before the Licensing Magistrate...

who grants the licence if he or she considers that it should be granted... The Licensing Board will be established to, among other things, receive and decide on applications for liquor licences or renewal of liquor licences," Hon. Wheatley explained.

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Another change is to the inspection aspects of the liquor licensing process. The new legislation seems to replace Police inspectors with Ministerial designates. In his comment on this change Premier Wheatley noted: "Presently, inspections for the liquor licence process are done by police officers. The new proposal under sections seven and eight of part three is for the minister to designate suitable public officers to act as inspectors for the purpose of inspecting premises where a notice of application is made for a liquor licence or where

liquor is sold. The idea is to have a team of trained inspectors to conduct the inspections, guided by the requirements of the act."

### ALCOHOL USE REGULATIONS

Some of the legislators who rose to debate the Bill expressed concerns about alcohol use in the Territory. One of those concerned Members was Deputy Premier Hon. Kye Rymer who reflected on the destructive aspects of alcohol use.

The Deputy Premier told his colleagues: "When alcohol is not controlled or used in moderation

the implications are far-reaching. I see throughout the community some of my classmates, some of my schoolmates, the effects of using too much alcohol – what it has done to them and as we go through this bill, I am hoping that somewhere you know we think about the social impact of alcoholism."

Hon. Rymer noted that high alcoholic consumption was also a regional issue and he noted that some of the health and social problems affecting both the BVI and the wider Caribbean can be attributed to alcohol

use. "The region of the Americas has the highest consumption of alcohol in the world. Alcohol consumption, especially among youth, is a major public health concern. The harmful consumption of alcohol is associated with a range of health and social consequences including injuries, several forms of cancer, chronic liver disease, heart disease, alcohol dependence, and even domestic violence."

As it relates to curbing the effects of alcohol-related issues the Deputy Premier suggested the introduction

of an Alcoholics Anonymous programme. "Earlier where I spoke about social issues, I'm hoping that we can establish some sort of program within our community to address these persons who are affected by the over usage of the consumption of alcohol... I know in other jurisdictions there is something called "AA" [Alcoholics Anonymous] ... maybe we could create. I'm not sure if there is any program here... It would be good to refer persons to that government-funded agency or if there is a private entity that you can put funds towards that", he said.

## FAHIE & MAYNARD: RACKETEERING ADDED TO THE CHARGES

During a Miami court appearance on 16 November former Premier of the BVI Andrew Fahie and fellow accused Kadeem Maynard pleaded not guilty to the charges of racketeering.

Both Hon. Fahie and the Maynards were arrested in Miami Florida on 28 April as a result of a sting operation that involved DEA agents. Their arrests on drug and money laundering charges resulted from an undercover operation involving a US DEA informant.

The charge of racketeering was recently laid against the trio. When it was time to plead, both Hon. Fahie and Kadeem denied the charge of 'Interstate and Foreign Travel in Aid of Racketeering' when it was put to them during their court appearance before the District Court of Southern Florida.

The disclosure of this new charge came as a result of circulated US court documents that were dated 8 November. The document stated that both Fahie and

Maynard have been slugged with this new charge of Interstate and Foreign Travel in Aid of Racketeering.

Both defendants were slapped with this charge as a result of what occurred days before they were arrested. In the case of the Former Premier, the Court document noted that the new charge against him is the result of an alleged interaction that occurred on or about 24 April. Both of these alleged incidents are said to have occurred in Miami-Dade County, in the

Southern District of Florida.

It was stated that the charges were filed by Assistant United States Attorney Shane Butland who accused both of the defendants of "knowingly travel in interstate for foreign commerce with the intent to promote, manage, establish, carry on, and facilitate the promotion, management, establishment and carrying on of an unlawful activity, that is a business enterprise involving narcotics or controlled substances."

It was also mentioned that the new charge carries a maximum five-year prison sentence and a maximum fine of \$250,000.

In addition, Racketeering, Hon. Fahie and the Maynards are also charged with the offenses of conspiracy to import a controlled substance, conspiracy to engage in money laundering, and attempted money laundering. The case against the three defendants has been set for trial during the two-week period commencing on 9 January 2023.



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# BVI MOURNS DEATH OF TOURISM & HOSPITALITY INDUSTRY ICONIC PIONEER MARIA DAWSON

The sad news of the passing of beloved entrepreneur and tourism icon Maria Dawson was shared with the Territory on 19 November by her family.

In the announcement, it was stated that the Christopher and Dawson families "are deeply saddened to announce the passing of family matriarch and Maria's Hotel by the Sea founder, Maria Dawson." The family said that it was a sad occasion that they know is shared by the wider BVI community. "Many knew and recognized her for her impact and contributions to the tourism and hospitality industry in the British Virgin Islands. She established one of the first hotels in the Road Town area in the early 1970s and her dedication to that business saw it grow and develop

into the iconic landmark it is today," the Family stated.

The late Tourism Icon and Stalwart Entrepreneur is remembered for her generosity and many in the community have expressed their sadness at the news of her passing. These expressions were noted by the family who stated, "Maria was also admired by all for her genuine love of people and for her generosity. She always used to say, "no matter how little we have, there is enough to share... We greatly appreciate your well wishes, condolences, and kind words. It comforts us to know that our Maria was loved by the BVI community, as well as by persons across the globe."

One of the persons who publicly extended sympathies to the family

following the news was Premier Dr. the Hon. Natalio Wheatley. Hon. Wheatley said, "With great sadness, I received the news today that Tourism Icon and my good friend, Mrs. Maria Dawson, has passed. This community has lost a woman of tremendous courage, character and strength. Mrs. Maria, as she is affectionately called, took a tremendous leap of faith and invested in the hospitality business as a hotelier in this community. She dared to take a risk in the BVI tourism product by developing and establishing Maria's by the Sea, a premier facility in our town centre. Her passion for tourism development was evident with an eye always open for opportunities. She set her sights on the future and moved with a quiet passion

even in tough economic times. Because of it, we are all beneficiaries."

"Besides her obvious courageous spirit, she effectively passed those passionate virtues to her family, and they have carried on with the dream where she left off. She exemplified the spirit I hope many will emulate and that is passing on the art, knowledge, zeal and passion to those that will be left behind. On behalf of my family and the Government of the Virgin Islands, I extend heartfelt condolences to her brother Alfred, her daughters Julia and Lorna and the rest of the extended family. We know she was a tremendous part of your lives. May God comfort you in your time of grieving. Even in the midst of grief, we celebrate her for her tremendous accomplishments and the lives she touched along the



**The Late MARIA DAWSON**  
(Photo taken from Maria's By The Sea Facebook page)

way," the Premier added.

The BVI Tourist Board also issued a statement in tribute to Maria. The tribute said, "A salute to a stalwart in our BVI tourism industry - Ms. Maria Dawson. She established one of the first hotels in the Road Town area."

## CUBAN DOCTORS BRIGADE TO REMAIN IN BVI

Minister of Health and Social Development Hon. Marlon Penn announced in the House of Assembly on 15 November that the Cuban Brigade brought to the Territory to assist with the BVI's COVID response will be asked to give medical support for an extended time.

The first cohort of Cuban doctors arrived in the Territory on 25 July 2020; it included a team of 22 medical professionals. The group included internist doctors, emergency response doctors, intensive care specialist and nurses

and those trained in infectious diseases.

Hon. Malone's recent update on the Brigade was in response to questions asked by Opposition Member Hon Carvin Malone. In response the Minister of Health stated that there is still a need for the medical services provided by the Brigade. However, Hon. Penn noted that the group that will be retained will be smaller in number than the number that first arrived to assist with COVID.

He explained that the

extension agreement was done by the BVI Health Services Authority. "The BVIHSA has entered into an agreement with the Cuban Health Authorities for the extended deployment of a limited number of physician specialists and nursing staff over the next year," the Minister of Health said.

The last mention of the Brigade was in June when Leader of the Opposition and Third District Representative, Hon. Julian Fraser questioned whether or not the Brigade of Cuban doctors has benefited the Territory.

Hon. Fraser's question on this matter was in reference to the examination of the Supplementary Appropriation Provision (SAP) in the House of Assembly on 7 June. During that sitting Hon. Fraser explained that his question is based on the fact that the 2022 programme allocated money towards the Cuban brigade payment.

"Madam Speaker, I have heard about these Cubans who are here in the Territory working in our healthcare services, and whatever assistance we get we are grateful for especially

during that period of COVID," he added.

A response to this question was provided by Premier Wheatley who stated that the Cuban brigade provides needed medical support to the Territory. Hon. Wheatley stated, "I am sure you will hear more about this from the Minister in due course. I have been told that there have been challenges in terms of the staffing because of lucrative opportunities elsewhere, but the Cuban brigade has been able to fill a gap."

# UPDATE ON JOE'S HILL HOUSING DEVELOPMENT

STATEMENT BY THE HONOURABLE MARLON A. PENN MINISTER FOR HEALTH AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT EIGHTH SITTING OF THE FOURTH SESSION OF THE FOURTH HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY OF THE VIRGIN ISLANDS TUESDAY, 15th NOVEMBER 2022

Madam Speaker, I would like at this time to provide an update on the Joe's Hill Housing Development project being undertaken by the Social Security Board.

Honourable members may recall that in April 2021 the then Minister with responsibility for Social Security, Honourable Vincent Wheatley, explained the background and advised this House of the status of the project. At that time, the Honourable Member reported that the project, which includes twenty-five (25) buildings, comprising fifty-two (52) residential units plus a commercial rental space, was nearing completion a full year ahead of schedule, under a Design/Build Agreement with James Todman Construction Ltd that was signed in May 2020.

Madam Speaker, I am pleased to inform this House that the construction phase of the project is substantially complete, and the contractor officially handed over the keys to the Joe's Hill Manor Estate to the Social Security Board on the 15th of June 2022. The units are a mix of one-, two-, and three-bedroom condos, single family homes, and townhouses to be sold at fair market value to qualifying first-time homeowners who would occupy the property as their primary residence. Financing for the individual mortgages can be accessed through the banks operating in the Territory.

The Social Security Board has since embarked on a three-step Applicant Selection Process: comprised of verification, pre-approval, and final selection procedures.

Persons who had responded to previous calls for applications were contacted and requested to undergo a verification process, and verified applicants were then invited to attend a Homeowners Workshop that was held on the 18th of October 2022 at the HL Stoutt Community College. The aim of the Workshop was to provide prospective homebuyers with pertinent information needed to evaluate the purchase decision. Presentations were made on money management, sales and purchase agreement, restrictive covenants, and homeowners' associations; and there was a panel discussion on the mortgage process. The Homeowners Workshop was attended by 132 prospective homebuyers and featured information booths from all commercial banks in the Territory. The banks gave an indication of concessions they would be offering to qualified applicants, and prospective homeowners were encouraged to examine the various offers to determine the financing arrangements most suitable to their individual needs. That event marked the culmination of Phase 1 of the Applicant Selection Process.

Phase 2 of the Selection Process has now commenced and requires the verified applicants that remain interested to seek pre-qualification for financing from the bank of their choice. Site visits to the property are also being conducted during this phase.

Madam Speaker, the procedure to be applied in Phase 3 for the allocation of homes will primarily depend on the actual number of applicants that are pre-qualified



**Hon. Marlon A. Penn**

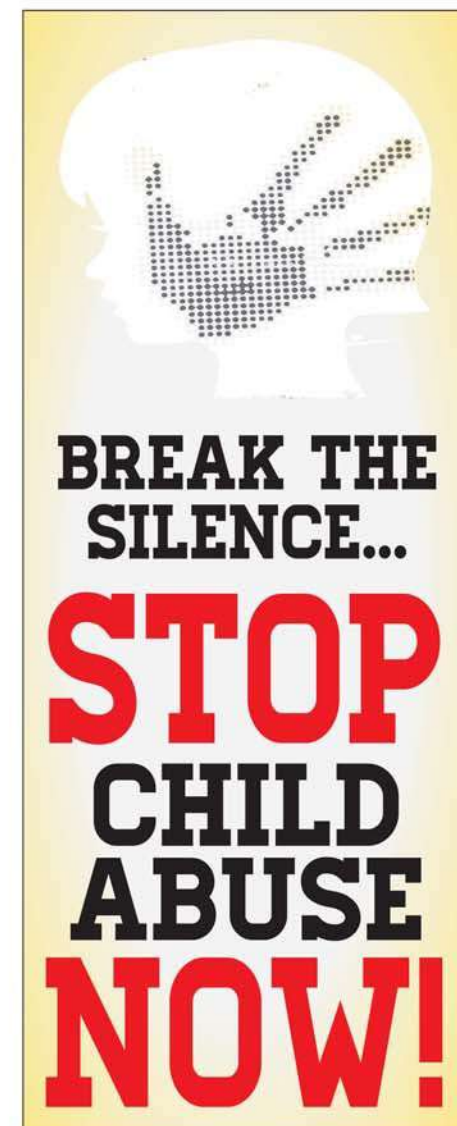
for bank financing. At the end of November 2022, if there are more pre-qualified applicants than available units in a particular category (based on the size and style of unit selected), then a randomized selection procedure may become necessary, in order to ensure transparency in the allocation of those units.

Thereafter, each selected applicant will be allowed up to 90 days to finalize a mortgage and complete the property purchase transaction.

Madam Speaker, in closing, I would be remiss if I did not acknowledge and thank all the individuals and entities involved in bringing the project to this stage, including the Board of Directors, management and staff of the Social Security Board, the Project Manager, Mr. Dion Stoutt of STO Enterprise Ltd., the General Contractor, James Todman Construction Ltd, and the Ministry of Communication and Works for its role in completing the associated public utilities and infrastructure projects.

I also wish to commend all the persons that submitted applications, the commercial banks, other implementing partners, and the community at large for their keen interest in this project. We look forward to continued support towards the successful sale of the housing units. This will be important, not only for the replenishment and long-term sustainability of the Social Security Fund, but also for the stability of the fifty-two (52) households that will finally be able to accomplish the dream of home ownership at Joe's Hill Manor.

**Thank you, Madam Speaker.**





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# Community Encouraged To Prevent Antimicrobial Resistance

The Ministry of Health and Social Development is encouraging the community to be mindful of the use and abuse of antibiotics and other microbials that can lead to the development of antimicrobial resistance (AMR).

AMR occurs when bacteria, viruses, fungi and

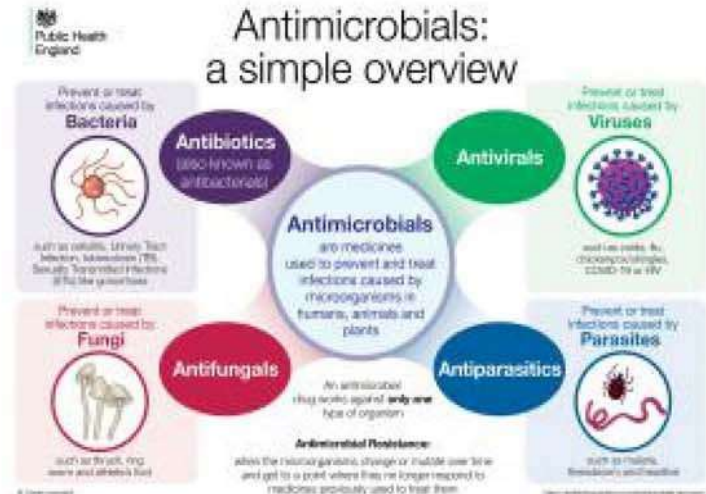
parasites no longer respond to antimicrobial agents. As a result of drug resistance and antibiotics, antimicrobial agents become ineffective and infections become difficult or impossible to treat, increasing the risk of disease spread, severe illness and death.


Chief of Drugs and

Pharmaceutical Services Mrs. Gracia Wheatley-Smith said that if the impact of AMR is not reduced, life would return to a point where there were no antimicrobials to treat diseases, viruses, fungal and other infections. When we do not use the right antibiotic or antiviral in

the right way for the right duration of time, the bacteria, viruses, fungi and parasites adapt to the environment of low dose of treatment, where the organism is not affected

and sneezes, washing hands frequently, cleaning and sanitising surfaces and cutting boards, and reducing the use of anti-bacteria products, which





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## PROGRAM LISTINGS

**MONDAYS**

- (1:00 PM) OMOJA - WITH EDJU EN KA
- (5:00 PM) TALKING POINTS - WITH MRS. VIOLET GAUL
- (7:00 PM) INSPIRATION MONDAYS - WITH MEADE MALONE
- (7:30 PM) TRANSFORMING YOUR TOMORROW TODAY - BY TRANSFORMATION CHURCH INTERNATIONAL
- (8:00 PM) NDP RADIO PROGRAM (1ST & 3RD MONDAYS) - BY THE NATIONAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY
- (8:00 - 9:00 PM) NEW COVENANT PRAYER LINE (EVERY 2ND MONDAY) - NEW COVENANT MINISTRIES

**TUESDAYS**

- (5:00 PM) HONESTLY SPEAKING PROGRAM - WITH CLAUDE SKELTON CLINE

**WEDNESDAYS**

- (10:00 AM) THE MORNING SHOW - WITH PAUL HEWLETT
- (1:15 PM) OMOJA - WITH "EDJU EN KA"
- (7:00 - 8:00 PM) DYAS VOICE PROGRAM - (2ND AND 4TH WEDNESDAY) WITH DEPT. OF YOUTH AFFAIRS & SPORTS
- (7:00 - 9:00 PM) THE HOT SEAT REVISED PROG. - (1ST & 3RD WEDNESDAY)
- (8:00 - 10:00 PM) THE HOT SEAT REVISED PROG. - (2ND WEDNESDAY) WITH CARL DAWSON, JULIAN GORDON, AND WALWYN BREWLEY

**THURSDAYS**

- (5:00 PM) HONESTLY SPEAKING PROGRAM - WITH CLAUDE SKELTON CLINE

**FRIDAYS**

- (7:00 - 8:00 PM) BODY AND SOUL PROGRAM - WITH REV. DR. PASTOR MELVIN TURNBULL, DR. KEDRICK PICKERING, REV. MICHAEL ANTHONY, PASTOR CALVIN MILLS, AND REV. DR. KEITH LEWIS

**SATURDAYS**

- (8:00 - 10:00 AM) MORE TALK, LESS MUSIC - WITH ZOE AND JOE JACK
- (10:00 - 11:00 AM) KNOWLEDGE IS POWER HOUR
- (4:30 - 6:00 PM) SPORTS TALK - WITH CLEMENT "BONE CRUSHER" DONOVAN, AND ROY PICKERING (ALTERNATING WEEKS)
- (6:00 - 7:30 PM) A LOOK AT THE COMMUNITY - WITH HOSTS ULRIC SCATLIFFE & DR. HARLAN VANTERPOOL

**SUNDAYS**

- (7:15 - 7:30 AM) HOPE FOR TODAY B'CAST - BY: CHRISTIAN FAITH ASSEMBLY
- (7:30 - 7:45 AM) VOICE OF THE LAMB B'CAST - BY: TRINITY MORAVIAN CHURCH
- (7:45 - 8:00 AM) ADVENT EYE MINISTRY (2ND & 4TH SUNDAY) - BY: BRO. MICHAEL WILLIAMS
- (7:45 - 8:00 AM) FAITH BELIEVING B'CAST (1ST & 3RD SUNDAY) - BY: UPPER ROOM DELIVERANCE TABERNACLE, BOSTON, MA
- (8:00 - 8:15 AM) VOICE OF HOPE B'CAST - BY: APOSTOLIC FAITH CHURCH
- (8:30 - 9:00 AM) GOSPEL OF JESUS B'CAST - BY: GOSPEL OF JESUS EVANGELISTIC PENTECOSTAL CHURCH
- (9:00 - 9:30 AM) SHOCKING BIBLE PROPHECIES - BY: SEVENTHDAY ADVENTISTS CHURCHES
- (9:30 - 9:45 AM) AGAPE TOTAL LIFE BROADCAST - BY: AGAPE TOTAL LIFE CENTER
- (9:50 AM) HOLINESS AWAKENING B'CAST - BY: CHURCH OF GOD OF HOLINESS, BAUGHERS BAY
- (10:05 AM) REVEALED TRUTH B'CAST - BY: SHAMMAH DELIVERANCE MINISTRIES
- (10:35 AM) UNSHACKLED RADIO MINISTRY
- (12:30 PM) ST. PAUL'S ANGLICAN CHURCH, SEA COWS BAY SUNDAY MORNING SERVICE
- (1:30 PM) ST. GEORGE'S EPISCOPAL ANGLICAN CHURCH (EXCEPT 2ND SUNDAY)
- (4:30 PM) HYMNS & THEIR MEANINGS PROG. (1ST & 3RD SUNDAY) - WITH BRENDA HERBERT STEWART
- (6:00 PM) METHODIST CHURCH MONTHLY SERVICE (1ST SUNDAY)
- (6:00 PM) ST. GEORGE'S EPISCOPAL ANGLICAN CHURCH (2ND SUNDAY)
- (7:00 PM) YOUR GOSPEL MUSIC PROGRAM - WITH VALERIE LETTSOME AND CLAUDE PARILLON (LAST 3 SUNDAYS)
- (7:30 PM) "VICTORIOUS PRAISES" B'CAST - WITH SIS. ESMIE POTTER (2ND SUNDAY)

by the medicine, this leads AMR.

Mrs. Wheatley-Smith further stated that without antimicrobials, interventions such as open-heart surgeries and hip replacement will be more difficult to perform without the prevention of infections. She added that more pre-mature babies would die because treating infections will be difficult if they develop an infection that is resistant to antibiotics and persons who are immune compromised, such as HIV and cancer patients will be more susceptible to infections and treatment will be very difficult as a result of AMR.

The community is therefore encouraged to reduce AMR by avoiding infection, covering coughs

continuously feed the bacteria living on the skin and make them get stronger.

Persons are also advised to fill prescriptions at a reputable pharmacy to reduce the chances of purchasing a counterfeit or substandard medication and avoid purchasing medicines online.

Let us do our part, to reduce or prevent antimicrobial resistance and help save lives. Antimicrobial Week is being observed from November 18-24 under the theme "Preventing Antimicrobial Resistance Together".

The Ministry of Health and Social Development is committed to improving the health of the people of the Virgin Islands.



## BVIOC to host Anti-Doping and Sports Nutrition Workshop

Tortola, British Virgin Islands, November 23, 2022 - Supported by Olympic Solidarity, the BVI Olympic Committee (BVIOC) is collaborating with the Caribbean Regional Anti-Doping Organisation (RADO), head quartered in Barbados and the BVI Ministry of Health and Social Development Public Health Unit (PHU) to host a free workshop presented by professionals who are experts in their field. The event will take place 10:00am - 12:30pm on Saturday, December 3 at the Eileen Parsons Auditorium at the H. Lavity Stoutt Community College. An anti-doping presentation will be made to the Virgin Gorda community at 5:30pm on Friday, December 2 at a venue to be confirmed.

Free transportation is available on Tortola departing at 8:45am from the well by the Ebenezer Thomas Primary School Sea Cow's Bay and 9:10am from the Old Festival Grounds in Road Town and at 8:45am from the Sicket in Long Look and 9:00am from the East End Police Station. Return trips available at the end of the workshop.

"With our elite athletes delivering podium finishes and an increasing number of promising athletes making their mark on the international stage, the World Anti-Doping Agency has its focus on the Caribbean region," said Mr. Ephraim Penn, President of the BVIOC. "It is the duty of the BVI National Anti-Doping Commission (BVI NADC) to ensure all active National Federations, their national athletes, coaches, volunteers (and parents where appropriate) are fully informed of the anti-doping rules and regulations.

"We are also aware that the topic of nutrition needs to be addressed as a matter of urgency. Not just for our national athletes but for the wider community where we see an issue with health and non-communicable diseases that can be tackled through better diet and nutrition."

### ANTI-DOPING

Dr. Harlan Vanterpool, MD, the Chief Doping Control Officer for BVI NADC, will present on the current anti-doping rules and regulations including the requirements and execution for in- and out- of competition testing. Ms. Marsha Boyce, Communications and Projects Coordinator for the Caribbean RADO, will provide instruction on how to use the Anti-Doping Education and Learning Platform (ADEL) - the centralised platform offering educational solutions for athletes and coaches. She also will demonstrate how to use ADAMS (the Anti-Doping Administration and Management System) for processing and entering data in all anti-doping issues. ADAMS is used by athletes for submitting their whereabouts and can also be used to manage the application and recognition of Therapeutic Use Exemptions (TUEs).

### SPORTS NUTRITION

Health and Nutrition is critical for the optimal development of competitive athletes. The practical and interactive presentation will address all areas related to this topic. Ms. Patrice Maduro, Public Health Nutritionist, PHU and Ms. Harmonie Massiah, National Epidemiologist, PHU will provide an overview on what exactly is meant by "nutrition" and tackle myths that have been accepted as fact, but which don't effectively support optimal performance.

Topics that will be covered and which will debunk myths include:

1. Nutrition Overview
2. How to optimally fuel your body for performance.
3. How to Build Balanced Meals: Hands-on portion. Will also address plant-based meals
4. Pre, During and Post Exercise Fueling for optimum performance
5. Hydration and Athletic Performance: Hands on portion.
6. "Super" Foods for Super Athletes
7. Optimal Performance when Traveling
8. Impact of Alcohol, Tobacco and Marijuana
9. Grocery Shopping for Champions
10. Supplements & Performance Enhancing Aids: Do they really work?
11. Relative Energy Deficiency in Sports

All interested parties are encouraged to attend. Full information and the link to online registration can be found on the BVIOC web site (<http://bviolympics.org/anti-doping-and-sports-nutrition-presentation/>). Contact Sofia Fay, BVIOC PRO on (284) 541 7845 for further information.



*Dr. Harlan Vanterpool explains WADA's anti-doping regulations to athletes, coaches, volunteers and parents*

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# TOURISM AND HEALTH PROGRAMME

STATEMENT BY THE HONOURABLE MARLON A. PENN MINISTER FOR HEALTH AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT EIGHTH SITTING OF THE FOURTH SESSION OF THE FOURTH HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY OF THE VIRGIN ISLANDS

TUESDAY, 15th NOVEMBER 2022

Madam Speaker, in the wake of the COVID-19 pandemic we are even more keenly aware of the significant linkages between the health and tourism sectors, and the importance of both sectors to our economy and society. For the tourism industry to be sustainable, it is important to effectively manage any negative health impacts on the Territory, in order to protect both the local population and the industry. Ensuring sustainability is also an essential component of economic development and maintaining and improving the quality of life in small islands. Madam Speaker, I am pleased to say that the Virgin Islands

is in a strong position to move forward with preparations that started in 2019 to participate in the Regional Tourism and Health Program (THP), which is designed to address health, safety, and environmental sanitation concerns within the tourism sector. The Programme is being implemented by several countries of the Region with support from the Caribbean Public Health Agency (CARPHA), in collaboration with the Caribbean Hotel and Tourism Association (CHTA), and the Caribbean Tourism Organization (CTO).

Madam Speaker, the Tourism and Health Program helps

to strengthen the ability of countries to prepare for and respond to public health threats that may be associated with, or originate in the Tourism Sector. It ultimately aims to protect and enhance the health and safety of both locals and visitors, while contributing to local and regional health security, as well as the quality, reputation, and sustainability of Caribbean tourism.

The programme provides regionally and internationally accepted guidelines and standards for traveler health issues in accommodation and passenger ship settings, capacity building in food and hospitality health and

safety, and environmental standards and policies in an internationally recognized brand. More specifically, the programme provides for a comprehensive suite of standards in several domains of health related to Tourism. These include:

Tourism and Health Information System for early warning of public health issues;

Vessel Surveillance programme;

Guidelines for managing public health occurrences on vessels and accommodations;

Capacity building in managing public health issues among tourism stakeholders;

Regional hospitality safety and environmental standards, including hygiene sanitation and food safety;

Regional travelers' health policy framework;

Caribbean Travelers Health Assurance Stamp for Healthier and Safer Tourism;

Caribbean Traveller's health App to provide information to guests;

Fostering multi-agency partnerships; and

Advocacy and access to promotional and training materials.

Madam Speaker, this unique programme uses a multi-faceted cross-sector approach to provide real-time early warning and response, using the Tourism and Health Information System (THiS). The system comprises a comprehensive network of pertinent health information from hospitals, health centres, accommodations, cruiseships, laboratories, media reports, international health and tourism agencies, and public health agencies via the Caribbean Travel Health Network (CATHNET).

Together, this multipronged approach stimulates a rapid and coordinated response to public health threats. This is the first integrated programme of its kind, setting an international precedent for improving sustainable tourism and regional health security.

Madam Speaker, despite the disruptions caused by COVID-19 over the past three years, I am happy to say that 930 persons have been trained in the Virgin Islands utilizing a mix of in-person and virtual training. Six facilities and six companies have been fully registered and awarded the Healthier, Safer Tourism (HST) Stamp of approval, which is a measurable and verifiable travellers health assurance and recognition award for tourism entities. The Ministry of Health and the Premier's Office both recognize the importance of moving this programme forward in order to ensure that this investment bears fruit.

More recently, CARPHA has held sensitization meetings with the Ministry of Health and the BVI Tourist Board to re-acquaint officials with the programme and its benefits. Madam Speaker, we look forward to the formal launch of this programme here in the Virgin Islands, which will present an opportunity to demonstrate high level endorsement of this on-going initiative in both the public and private sectors.

As I close, Madam Speaker, I wish to thank the Caribbean Public Health Agency for its outstanding support to the Territory. I also commend all our public and private sector partners that have been involved in laying the groundwork for this programme, for their foresight in recognizing its potential benefits and contribution to the long-term sustainability of the tourism sector.

*Thank you, Madam Speaker.*



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# NEW PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT AT THE ITALIAN ACADEMY OF PHILATELY AND POSTAL HISTORY



*From left to right: Roberto Monticini, Rocco Cassandri, Clemente Fedele, AIP&PH President Thomas Mathà and Vice President Giorgio Migliavacca*

The Assembly of members of the prestigious Italian Academy of Philately and Postal History met on 19 November 2022 in Verona for the election of the Academy's

top brass.

The Assembly unanimously elected Thomas Mathà as the new President. Mathà is a very knowledgeable postal historian, president of the Association

of International Philatelic Experts for two consecutive terms, and Councillor of State of the Italian Republic.

Equally elected unanimously were: the new directors: Giorgio Migliavacca (Vice-President), Clemente Fedele, Rocco Cassandri and Roberto Monticini, the latter as Secretary-Administrator.

Migliavacca is president of The Italy and Colonies Study Circle based in the UK, editor of Fil-Italia, the quarterly Journal of the said Circle, president of the BVI Philatelic Society, and member of the editorial board with Mathà of four-gold medal winner Post Horn magazine of International Postal History.

Migliavacca is also the author of the three-gold medal winner Specialized Stamp Catalogue of the British Virgin Islands 1787-2001.

Both Mathà and Migliavacca have written many books and technical articles published by prestigious magazines worldwide and have lectured in the USA, Europe, UK, and, of course, Italy.

On 28 November Dr. Migliavacca is scheduled to lecture Turin's Rotary Club on the Italian Postal History from the Roman days to the Third Millennium. He has recently been associated with a Grand Award at the Glendale, California, International

Philatelic Literature Sescal 2022 as editor of Fil-Italia.

The members of the Board of Arbitrators were appointed unanimously and included: Federico Borromeo, Emilio Simonazzi and Bruno Crevato-Selvaggi, while the Auditors unanimously elected were: Enrico Bertazzoli, Pietro Giribone and Paolo Guglielminetti.

The Assembly expressed its warmest thanks to the outgoing President Franco Filanci for his sterling and unswerving service for 25 years and to the Council for all their work and commitment to the Academy over the years.



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#### TAXI AND LIVERY COMMISSION

The Taxi and Livery Commission is the regulatory body of the land transportation-for-hire industry of the British Virgin Islands.

The Government of the Virgin Islands is seeking qualified persons to fill the following positions:

- Chairman
- Member representing the Taxi-Cab Operator on the Sister Islands
- Member representing the Livery Service Operators

Persons applying to serve on the Board should have the professional competencies that exemplify integrity, respect and a balance of skills and experience that match the purpose, mission and values of the Commission.

#### THE IDEAL CANDIDATES EMBODY THE FOLLOWING QUALITIES:

Since most of the work of the Board will be done during regularly scheduled meetings, the competencies required for an effective Board Member include the ability to:

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#### TRAINING/SKILL/EXPERIENCE REQUIREMENTS:

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**6th December, 2022**

## CIBC FIRSTCARIBBEAN HOSTS MALE STUDENTS FOR INTERNATIONAL MEN'S DAY

Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands, 22nd November 2022. Two male final year high school students on Tortola took advantage of an invitation to go on a behind-the-scenes tour of CIBC FirstCaribbean Bank on Friday, November 18 in recognition of International Men's Day.

12th grade students Mr. Zach Hallet of Cedar International School and Mr. Andre Smikle of Elmore Stoutt High School joined Mr. Amory Jervis, Country Head, CIBC FirstCaribbean for an introductory tour of each of the bank's business sectors. The students were given an overview of the work undertaken by each segment and had an opportunity to engage with the managers for Corporate, Platinum, International and Retail banking.

"It's uncommon for 16 - 18 year olds to have a clear-cut idea of what



*(L-R) Zach Hallet, student at Cedar International School, Andre Smikle, student at Elmore Stoutt High School learn of the career path of Nelson Ramirez, Platinum Banking Manager, CIBC FirstCaribbean during International Men's Day activity at the bank*

they want to do once they leave school," said Mr. Jervis. "We wanted to provide an opportunity for young men with an interest in the financial services industry to meet our people and understand more about a career in banking. We also wanted them to hear first-hand the experiences and qualifications our managers built on to achieve their goals. The important message of gender equality was discussed along with the bank's recognition of the need to provide equal opportunities at all levels. This covers career and personal support regardless of gender."

Speaking with people on staff, the young men heard about the career paths and the diverse routes taken to management level. They also learned about the range of professional services required to run a bank including accountants, lawyers, compliance officers, analysts, financial advisors, risk assessors, marketing and customer relations



## CIBC FIRSTCARIBBEAN HOSTS ...from page 10

personnel as well as tellers.

"Before the tour, I thought that a bank was just a place where you keep your money and get loans from," said Mr. Smikle who has an interest in stocks and bonds. "I learned that there's a lot more to the business of banking and certainly more career path openings than I realised. I'm an athlete and I am hoping to pursue my career in the USA or Jamaica. I was particularly inspired by Mr. Nelson Ramirez's route to his current position as Platinum Banking Manager given his original desires to be a professional softball player."

For Mr. Hallet, the morning session delivered a clearer understanding of how banking works and he was able to tie in what he learned about banking practices with the theoretical teachings of his economics classes. It also provided insight to a




(L-R) Fabian Devonish, Branch Manager, Retail and Platinum Banking speaks with Zach Hallet, student at Cedar International School and Andre Smikle, student at Elmore Stoutt High School during International Men's Day activity at the bank

potential area of interest for his future studies.

"I was quite interested in the International banking sector," said the Cedar IB Diploma student after listening to an overview of the segment from Mrs. Vernecia Holder, Head of International Banking. "It's a department that includes the areas of the financial services industry that appeal to me."

Mr. Fabian Devonish, Branch Manager, Platinum and Retail Banking, shared an overview of Retail Banking, stressing the importance of compliance and the responsibility on the bank to follow processes designed to combat money laundering.

The students ended their visit with a token gift and an invitation to consider an internship at CIBC FirstCaribbean in the summer months to help them explore a potential career in banking.

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# GLOBAL NEWS BRIEF

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**COLORADO SPRINGS** - Colorado Springs Mayor John Suthers revealed Monday that the city's district attorney will file motions later today to allow for local law enforcement to reveal greater details about the criminal history of 22-year-old Anderson Lee Aldrich, who opened fire on Saturday night at the LGBTQ+ nightclub Club Q. The attack, which killed at least five people and injured 25 more, was described by Suthers as having "all the trappings of a hate crime," though he added that an official motive is "still under investigation."

"We need to look at social media, we need to look at all kinds of other information that we're gathering from people that knew the individual before we make any definitive conclusions about a motivation," Suthers shared on Today. "But it certainly, as I said, has the trappings of a hate crime." [Yahoo!Life]

**PHILIPPINES** - In an official visit to Manila, US Vice President Kamala Harris pledged that Washington would come to the Philippines' defense if a conflict were to break out in the South China Sea.

US Vice President Kamala Harris, on Monday, warned that an armed attack on the Philippines in the disputed waters of the South China Sea would trigger a joint response from the US.

"An attack on the Philippine armed

forces, public vessels or aircraft in the South China Sea would invoke the US mutual defense commitment... that is our unwavering commitment to the Philippines," Harris said after a meeting with Filipino President Ferdinand Marcos Jr. in Manila. [Deutsche Welle]

It has been a terrible year for cryptocurrencies, and it's not over yet. In the latest gut-punch of bad news, more than a million people have seen their investments wiped out.

**CRYPTOCURRENCIES - FTX** - or the "Futures Exchange" - is a Bahamas-based cryptocurrency exchange that filed for bankruptcy on November 11, 2022. The collapse of one of the most popular online sites among those who buy and sell digital assets comes at the end of a disastrous year for the cryptocurrency sector. Even some of the most faithful defenders of digital assets have finally lost faith, after helplessly watching their money disappear overnight.

"There have always been big scams... now, it's our turn to experience it," says David, one of those affected by the FTX crash. He recently joined a Telegram group where 600 Spaniards and Latin Americans discuss strategies to recover even a little of what they've lost.

There is much fury being directed at 30-year-old Sam Bankman-Fried - the Californian founder of FTX - who recently put up his Bahamas mansion

up for sale for \$39.5 million.

"When you save up for months and see that you've been robbed, you feel like a fool," sighs David, who prefers not to specify how much he has lost.

Yet, like many of those who saw their money evaporate, he separates the collapse of FTX - the principal intermediary for crypto-traders until November 11 - with the prospects of cryptocurrencies.

Almost every crypto investor consulted did not wish to publicly expose their loss, for fear of being shamed by family, friends and strangers. Meanwhile, on social media, many other people are expressing satisfaction at the recent financial disasters linked to cryptocurrencies. Long-time critics of FTX explain that the digital assets traded on these kinds of platforms have no real value and are simply meant to feed the greed of a few individuals. [El Pais]

**SANTO DOMINGO** - Starting in late October, and picking up pace in November, Dominican consumers are tempted to go shopping to take advantage of annual clearance sales prices at leading stores.

Black Friday 2022 actually falls on Friday, 25 November 2022, as it is officially the fourth Friday of November, the Friday after Thanksgiving.

It is the time of the year when the National Institute for Consumer Rights Protection (ProConsumidor) warns people about how to shop wisely. ProConsumidor alerts against stores increasing prices to later post higher discounts to attract buyers.

The agency says that wise consumers early on check for the item they want to buy in order to ensure they are getting a good deal.

Overall, almost all stores and businesses are offering Black Friday deals. [DR1]

**BAHAMAS - FTX** owes its top 50 creditors over \$3 billion, according to recent court filings in Delaware.

The names of the creditors are not listed but the two largest are each owed over \$200 million.

The top 10 creditors are owed \$1.4 billion.

FTX Trading, the US-based company that filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection on November 11, said the list is based on the debtors' currently available creditor information.

FTX was the third largest crypto currency exchange in the world before it's recent collapse. Former CEO Sam Bankman-Fried moved to The Bahamas last year and set up FTX Digital Markets.

While government officials touted the company's arrival as a major win for the country, it has since spiraled into ruin.

Earlier this month, a report leaked to a media outlet showing that Alameda Research, a hedge fund run by Bankman-Fried, and FTX had close financial ties, even though they are supposed to be separate businesses.

Binance CEO Changpeng Zhao, who heads the world's largest crypto exchange, tweeted that he was pulling out of FTX due to recent revelations that came to light.

In the wake of Zhao's tweet, scores of FTX users tried to withdraw more than \$5 billion from the platform.

FTX was unable to process the requests because it did not have the money.

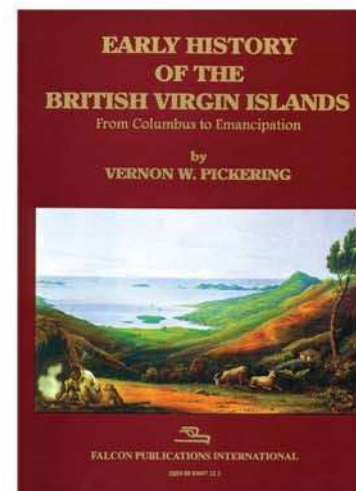
The Securities Commission of The Bahamas froze FTX's assets on November 10 and applied to the Supreme Court to appoint Brain Simms, KC, as a court supervised provisional liquidator. Two other provisional liquidators have since been named.

FTX's new CEO John Ray III said when he took control of the US branch of the company, he met no corporate controls in place, no register of employees and no centralized cash center.

In filings last week, FTX Trading said it was "only able to verify" that its affiliates had over \$500 million in cash in 144 of the 216 identified bank accounts. [The Nassau Guardian]

**JAMAICA** - Robert Montague, chairman of the ruling Jamaica Labour Party (JLP), is battling for law-abiding Jamaicans to be allowed

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visa-free entry to the country's major trading partners such as the United States, Canada, and the United Kingdom.

Montague, who made the suggestion while speaking at the 79th annual conference of the JLP on Sunday, said that he wanted the party to engage in internal dialogue to arrive at a common position on the issue.

He said the party would then broach the issue with the Government.

According to Montague, if the Government found favour with the proposal, it could then have talks with its major trading partners on the issue.

In a Gleaner interview at the end of the conference, Montague said that the United States currently has a programme where it offers nationals from several countries visa-free travel to the US.

According to Montague, persons who take up that offer can "go on to a site and register and answer certain security problems and periodically, whether it's annually or every two years, you go and you update your information". [The Gleaner]

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# The Sunny Side Up



## Through the Lens of The Sunny Side



*Patrice Maduro, Public Health Nutritionist and Harmonie Massiah, National Epidemiologist offer hands on health and nutrition information at 2022 BVIOC Sports Festival (more on page 7) (Photo provided)*

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# The HLSCC Debate Team unanimously won the 2022 Financial Services Industry Week Debate Competition



The HLSCC Debate Team unanimously won the 2022 Financial Services Industry Week Debate Competition that was held on 16 November.

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## Ladyburd Talks

**Dear Readers:** Here are some Health Benefits of Eating Red Onions

The use of onions for medicinal treatment of illnesses related to bacteria, viruses, fungus, and chronic disease dates back to Egyptian healing practices recorded centuries ago. However, red onions deserve special attention because they are one of the best sources of cancer-fighting nutrients that are limited in the modern American diet.



Today researchers believe that up to 40% of cancers are preventable with a change in dietary habits alone. The compounds and dietary nutrients found in red onion are associated with a decrease risk in developing prostate, colorectal, stomach, and numerous other cancers.

### What are Red Onions?

Thoughts of their distinctive odor and teary eyes probably comes to mind when you think of slicing into an onion, but how about red onions? Red onions are different than other varieties of onion such as the sweet Vidalia onion and the milder flavor white onion.

Aside from their flavor and color, red onions won't make you cry and they also contain different compounds that can inhibit cancer growth. They are part of the collective family of flowering plants belonging to the allium family, known for their rich content in sulfur containing amino acids. This vegetable family has been extensively studied for its protection against degenerative diseases like cancer.



**Source: Health Benefits of Red Onion: 4 Ways Red Onions Reduce Your Cancer Risk....By Dr. David Jockers DC, MS, CSCS**

## Ladyburd's Mail Box

delseitalibur@msn.com

**Dear Ladyburd:** My boyfriend of three years and I have a great relationship, or so I thought. During our vacation we spent a lot of time together, I was feeling so good that we had that quality time with each other, we had a lot of time to talk and discuss things, I was very surprised Ladyburd, when I asked my boyfriend, what he thinks about us getting married, he boldly told me that he has no intention of getting married right now, he is living his life and see where it leads him. I was really taken off guard, I did not expect that answer from him, and I felt so depressed ever since. Do you think I am over-reacting about what he says. **Bev**

**Ladyburd:** **Dear Bev:** Your boyfriend means every word he says, and if you do not want to live that life, you will have to speak with him about it, it seems as if he does not want to commit to you, It is just a pity that you did not express how you felt the minute he told you of his intentions. You will definitely have to discuss the matter with him more thoroughly, and you will know for sure what you need to do, but you cannot afford to get depressed over that situation. You never know, maybe he is not the right one for you.



## Light Bulb Moments

*Christmas is a time when everybody wants his past forgotten and his present remembered.*

— Phyllis Diller

*The best of all gifts around any Christmas tree: the presence of a happy family all wrapped up in each other.*

—Burton Hillis

## Poetry Corner

### Year-Round Joy

*Christmas is full of shiny things  
That sparkle,  
gleam and glow;  
These holiday pleasures dazzle us,  
And yet, deep down,  
we know...*

*That Christmas has its special gifts,  
But our year-round joy depends  
On the cherished people in our lives,  
Our family and our friends.*

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## Tickle My Funny Bones

By Delseita



### The Dead Mule

*A preacher went to his church office on Monday morning and discovered a dead mule in the church yard. He called the police. Since there did not appear to be any foul play, the police referred the preacher to the health department. They said since there was no health threat that he should call the sanitation department.*

*The sanitation manager said he could not pick up the mule without authorization from the district Representative. Now the preacher knew the district Representative and was not too eager to call him.*

*The Representative had a bad temper and was generally hard to deal with, but the preacher called him anyway.*

*The district Representative did not disappoint. He immediately began to rant and rave at the pastor and finally said, "Why did you call me anyway? Isn't it your job to bury the dead?"*

*The preacher paused for a brief prayer and asked the Lord to direct his response. He was led to say,*

***"Yes, Sir, it is my job to bury the dead, but I always like to notify the next of kin first!"***

### Tax No Tacks

*A young man goes to a pharmacist and says:*

***"I got a hot date tonight, and I need me some protection. How much is a pack a' dem rubbers going to cost me?"***

*The pharmacist responds:*

***"A three-pack of condoms is \$4.99 with tax."***

*To which the young man replies:*

***"TACKS! Oh God Almighty, don't they stay on by themselves?"***

## PUN INTENDED

**" I knew a guy who collected candy canes, they were all in mint condition."**

# The HLSCC Debate Team unanimously won the 2022 Financial Services Industry Week Debate Competition

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The debate competition was held as part of the Financial Services Week of activities. The HLSCC Debate Team was guided by Ms. Debra Hodge, Director of Student Life. The Team won after successfully defending their ideas on the topic "Does globalization have a future?"

Members of the Debate team included - C'Novia Toussaint, Delroy Prince and Jade Smith. At the end of the competition team member Delroy also won the prize for Best speaker for the debate!







## Thanksgiving Fails and Easy Fixes

**Making the Thanksgiving** meal can be stressful because there are many things that can go wrong. So here are fixes to the most common fails.

**But first**, we're going to make an emergency kit like an insurance policy in case of disaster. You'll want a meat thermometer, lots of chicken broth, a packet of instant turkey gravy mix, a spray can of whipped topping and a frozen pizza.

**There are few kitchen disasters that can't be fixed.** But if everything goes to heck in a cornucopia, relax. You can always serve the pizza.

Now, I'll anticipate your calls for help.

Help! My turkey is ...

Frozen! No big deal! You can cook it from frozen.

**Remove plastic wrapping** and place turkey on a rack in a baking pan. Cook frozen turkey at 325 F for 23 minutes per pound. For example, an 18-pound turkey would take approximately 7 hours from frozen. After 2 hours, remove the partially cooked turkey to remove the bag of giblets from the cavity. Now, brush the turkey with butter, season with salt and pepper and return to the oven. When it's done,

use the thermometer to check for a temperature of 175 F at the thigh and 165 F at the breast. Let it rest, covered, before slicing.

**Raw!** It's still pink inside? Well, stick it back in the oven and use that thermometer! If you're running out of wine and the biggest issue is time, cut the bird into pieces (whole breasts, legs and thighs) and pop them on a sheet pan and stick 'em back in the oven to quickly continue cooking.

**Dry!** Thickly slice the dry turkey and place into a baking dish. Add chicken broth to cover and stick it in the oven for about 10 minutes. And make extra gravy.

Help! My potatoes are ...

**Lumpy!** They're probably undercooked. Stop mashing and find a lump and smooch it, if it feels solid, put the pan back on low heat, cook until softened and mash again.

**Gluey!** Oh no! You over mashed the potatoes, releasing starch, resulting in wallpaper paste. So, never use your food processor or mixer to mash potatoes. A good old-fashioned potato masher does the trick.

If it's too late and you've got gluey potatoes, mix in a bunch of cheese and butter and season liberally. Put the potato mixture in a shallow casserole dish and top with buttered breadcrumbs. Bake until your "potato casserole" is lightly browned on top. And make extra gravy.

Help! My gravy is ...

**Lumpy!** Easy fix. Pour your gravy through a fine mesh strainer and reheat.

**Thin!** Mix 3 to 4 tablespoons cornstarch with enough cold water to make a smooth paste. Whisk this into the gravy a bit at a time, letting the gravy simmer until thickened to your liking. Or add some of that instant gravy packet from your insurance policy.

**Bland!** Most likely, it needs more salt. Add some chicken or vegetable bouillon. Or add that emergency gravy packet and some broth.

Help! My stuffing is ...

**Dry!** Melt a tablespoon of butter into a cup of warm chicken stock. Add to the stuffing and mix well. Cover and put it back in the oven for about 5 minutes to reheat. And make extra gravy.

**Soggy!** Spread your stuffing out on a rimmed baking sheet and put it in the oven to dry out a bit.

Help! My dessert has ...

**Burnt crust!** Carefully remove the crust and either add a crumb topping. (Mix flour, oats, brown sugar, butter and cinnamon. Sprinkle it over the filling and bake until golden.) Or use the whipped topping in your emergency kit to pipe a pretty boarder.

**Cracked!** If your cheesecake or pumpkin pie has a cracked top, use the whipped topping to make a pretty design over the top.

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Correct any Thanksgiving meal fails with these easy fixes

# POLICE NEWS

## YET ANOTHER FIREARM RECOVERED, ONE CHARGED

Tuesday, November 22 – Officers of Royal Virgin Islands Police Force seized yet another firearm following an operation yesterday at an establishment in the Long Look area.

Charged with keeping a firearm without a license, unlawful possession of ammunition and common assault is Dimar Frederick, 23, of Fat Hogs Bay. He is to appear in court at the next available sitting.

The recovery of this revolver follows a string of firearm seizures to include two prohibited, high-powered assault rifles and the confiscation of a quantity of ammunition and cash at a residence in Harrigan Estate in less than a week.

In this matter, Marcia Jennings, 41, a native of St. Vincent residing in Harrigan Estate was formally charged with unlawful possession of prohibited firearm, unlawful possession of ammunition, proceeds of criminal conduct, and possession of controlled drug. She was granted bail in the sum of \$20,000 for her appearance in Magistrate's Court on 19 January.

Commissioner of Police Mark Collins previously expressed his concerns with the excessive number of firearms seized in the last year alone, many of those being high-powered weapons. He noted that weapons are being brought in at an alarming rate, not necessarily through legitimate ports of entry but illegal ports and put in the hands of persons who have and will recklessly endanger lives.

Commissioner is making an appeal again for persons to come forward and share any information that could stem the tide of firearms which are entering the Territory. Persons with information can contact the Intelligence Unit directly at 368-9339.

"We can only win this battle if we work together. Our safety and our way of life depends on it," he said

## PROHIBITED WEAPONS, AMMUNITION, CASH SEIZED IN POLICE OPERATION

Thursday, November 17 – Officers of the Special Investigations Team of the Royal Virgin Islands Police Force seized two prohibited, high-powered assault rifles following a search of a residence in Harrigan Estate yesterday afternoon.

In addition to the firearms, officers also confiscated a quantity of ammunition and a large amount of cash as a result of a proactive operation.

Two persons have been arrested and are currently being held in Police custody.

Investigations are ongoing.

## ARREST BLOTTER

OCTOBER 29 TO NOVEMBER 19, 2022

### CRUELTY TO CHILD

On 04-11-2022 at 1522hrs, Police arrested and charged 29-year-old female of Fat Hog Bay with 3 counts of Cruelty to Child. She was granted bail in the sum of \$10,000 signed surety to appear at Magistrate's Court on 26-01-2023.

### ASSAULT OCCASIONING ACTUAL BODILY HARM

1. On 04-11-2022 about 1615hrs, Police arrested and charged Mosiah McPharlane, 27, of Handsome Bay with Assault Occasioning Actual Bodily Harm. He was granted bail in the sum of \$5,000 to appear at Magistrate's Court on 16-01-2023.

2. On 04-11-2022 at 1030hrs, Police arrested and charged Rajkumar Seepersaud, 53, a resident of Sand Box Road with Assault Causing Actual Bodily Harm and Threatening Language. He was granted bail in the sum of \$5,000 to appear at Magistrate's Court on 26-01-2023.

### HAVING SEXUAL INTERCOURSE WITH A GIRL

On 11-10-2022 about 1945hrs, Police arrested and charged a 16-year-old male of Hope Estate for Having Sexual Intercourse with a Girl under the age of 13. He was granted bailed in the sum of \$3,000 to appear at Magistrate's Court on 30-11-2022.

### BREACH OF TRUST

On 1-11-2022 at 0959hrs, Police arrested and charged Myron Walwyn, 50, of Pasea Estate for the offence of Breach of Trust. He was granted bail in the sum of \$20,000 with one surety to appear at Magistrate's Court on 11-11-2022 at 0900hrs.

### DISORDERLY CONDUCT

On 08/11/2022 at 1303hrs, Police arrested and charged arrested a 15-year-old male with Disorderly Conduct. He was granted in the sum of \$5,000 with one signed surety to appear at Magistrate's Court on 17-01-2023.

### BREACH OF PROTECTION ORDER

On 13-11-2022 at 0239hrs, Police arrested and charged David Alphonse, 31, of Handsome Bay Virgin Gorda for Breach of Protection Order and Common Assault. He appeared before Magistrate's Court and was granted bail in the sum of \$20,000.

### WOUNDING

On 13-11-2022 at 1245hrs, Police arrested and charged Mitchell Brewley, 58, of no fix place of abode, for Wounding. He was granted bail in the sum of \$5,000 to appear at Magistrate's Court.

### THEFT

1. On 16-11-2022 at 1320hrs, Police arrested and charged Lisa Williams-Ruffin, 44, of Little Harbor, Jost Van Dyke for Theft.

2. On 18/11/2022 at 1112hrs, Police arrested and charged Abigale Richardson, 22, of Valley, Virgin Gorda for Theft.

### POSSESSION OF A PROHIBITED FIREARM

On 18-11-2022 at 1212hrs, Police arrested and charged Marcia Jennings, 41, for Possession of a Prohibited Firearm, Unlawful Possession of Ammunition,

Proceeds of Criminal Conduct and Unlawful Possession of a Controlled Drug. She was granted bail in the sum of \$20,000 to appear in Magistrate's Court on 19-01-2023.

# 5 Ways to Manage your Diet for Diabetes

Since my diagnosis with diabetes at the age of eleven, my own diet has changed dramatically. I maintain my current healthy weight with a great diet/eating plan. If you do plan on losing more than about a stone in weight then I would visit your doctor for more tips on how to do this without risk.

I've had diabetes for seven years now, but to tell you that how I maintain weight is perfect would be totally wrong of me. However, I can advise you to follow my steps because I know what works and what doesn't. Before I really begin I must also say that I have been brought up by great parents who taught me to eat everything, and so I do! If there is something that you don't like, there are loads of other diabetic recipes and ideas that you will eat and appreciate.

I am a university student and I like to buy fresh and organic produce from where I live. I believe that this is important because it can be the most beneficial for your body and contain more nutrients and vitamins than most supermarket produce. I like to source food from my fortnightly farmers market in town, which sells amazing meat and dairy produce and fresh in season fruit and vegetables. This is another important thing to remember, that eating fruit and vegetables in their season means that they will taste better as well as doing you good. I have a lot of influence from Western European cuisine (mainly France and Italy) as you will tell, but I do not profess to be a chef and everything is easy to make and very convenient.

I have read countless diet books and diabetic recipe/diet books, and I came to a conclusion that I think really works. I fused all the good things from the diets (but not from every diet) and sort of put together my own one. I call this my Juvenile Diabetes Healthy Diet!

The "rules" that I would lay down are as follows:

## 1. CUT BACK ON SNACKS AND THEN CHANGE THE TYPE OF SNACKS YOU EAT.

Certainly my biggest downfall although it wasn't really apparent to me. When I first started at University, I had little or no routine which meant that filling my day was difficult and popping into the kitchen for a snack, no matter how healthy it felt, was a regular occurrence. This is one of the hardest things to do for some people, but establishing a great routine is essential to great diabetes care. The types of snacks to be eating are unsalted nuts, dried unsweetened fruit, fresh fruit, fresh vegetables (I love fresh red pepper and cucumber), dark chocolate (richer and nicer and you only want 2 squares usually).

## 2. CUT BACK ON WHITE FLOUR AND EMBRACE WHOLEMEAL CARBS.

This is the most essential part of your diet, and the thing that can show the biggest increase in loss of weight.

Some diets in fact just focus on this point, and are very successful. Wholemeal (especially stoneground wholemeal) is so good for you and has so much more flavour in it that switching is much easier than you think. Most people are really surprised at the ranges you can get in you supermarket, again remember that the bread that is best for you is the one that is freshest with least preservatives or added ingredients. Also, brown or basmati rice is great with a lovely nutty texture. Wholemeal pasta is great and for your potatoes I would totally recommend the smaller new potatoes.

## 3. STOP DRINKING COCKTAILS, START DRINKING WINE.

Cocktails are full of sugar, colourants and preservatives. As a student I have had loads of practice at going out and not drinking cocktails, so my drink of choice is Malibu and Diet Coke if I feel I have to drink something and I make it last all night. I can then top up with Diet Coke (which has almost no sugar in it) and it looks as though I am drinking Malibu, who is to know. If you are out at a restaurant, red wine is much better than anything else you can order, (except water of course!) and it has been proven that the anti-oxidants in red wine are great for keeping a healthy heart. The recommended amount is one glass a day with your evening meal.

## 4. START COOKING MORE FRUIT AND VEGETABLES.

Fresh fruit and vegetables are a great way to get all the vitamins and minerals you need. And there are so many different ways in which to cook vegetables, but I find that raw is the best followed closely by steamed. Both of these ways preserve all their natural goodness as well. I will follow this post with another diabetes recipes post.

## 5. DRINK MORE WATER.

I know you have heard people say this many times before, but the benefits of drinking more water are endless. A few tips on how to get more water into your day are firstly to put bottles of water at all the places you go in the house or work.

So keep one in your desk, on your desk, a glass in the kitchen, the bedroom, the sitting room, etc. Try and drink all these glasses up and you will be well on your way to 8 glasses a day. The trick is to add a glass every few days or so, if you try to drink all that water in one go you won't be so inclined to drink 8 glasses again, trust me! Have a go, it's amazing how great you will feel.



# Pope Visits His Father's Italian Hometown for Birthday Party

PORTACOMARO, ITALY — [VOA] - Pope Francis returned to his father's birthplace in northern Italy Saturday for the first time since ascending the papacy to celebrate the 90th birthday of a second cousin who long knew him as simply "Giorgio."

that made Italy the biggest voluntary diaspora in the world, according to Lauren Braun-Strumfels, an associate professor of history at Cedar Crest College in Allentown, Pennsylvania.

Often citing his own family story, Francis, now 85, has made the welcoming and integration of migrants a hallmark of his papacy, often facing criticism as Europe in general, and Italy in particular, are consumed with the debate over how to manage mass migration from Africa, Syria, Ukraine etc.

The pope has recognized the historic significance of the emigrant experience with the recent canonizations of St. Giovanni Battista Scalabrini, an Italian bishop who founded an order to help Italian emigrants at the end of the 19th century, and Artemide Zatti, an Italian who emigrated to Argentina in the same period and dedicated his work to helping the sick.

He used the occasion to again denounce Europe's and Britain's indifference toward migrants risking their lives to cross the Mediterranean Sea and what they hope will be better.

Francis began his visit to Portacomaro



*In this image made available by Vatican Media, Pope Francis, 85, sits for lunch in the home of a cousin, Carla Rabazzana, in the town of Portacomaro, about 10 kilometers east of Asti, northern Italy*

The two-day visit to Francis' ancestral homeland to renew family ties touched on keystones of his papacy, including the importance of honoring the elderly and the human toll of migration. Francis' private visit Saturday was followed by a public one Sunday to celebrate Mass for the local faithful, where he could well reflect on his family's experience migrating to Argentina.

The pope's father, Mario Jose Francisco Bergoglio, and his paternal grandparents arrived in Buenos Aires on Jan. 25, 1929, to reach other relatives at the tail end of a mass decadeslong emigration from Italy that the pope has honored with two recent saints: St. Giovanni Batista Scalabrini and St. Artemide Zatti.

The future pope, Jorge Mario Bergoglio, was born nearly eight years later in Buenos Aires, after the elder Bergoglio met and married Regina Maria Sivori, whose family was also of Italian immigrant stock, hailing from the Liguria region. Francis grew up speaking the Piedmontese dialect of his paternal grandmother Rosa, who cared for him most days.

The elder Bergoglio was born in the town of Portacomaro, 10 kilometers east of Asti, an agricultural town that lost population not only to emigration abroad but also to nearby Turin as it became an industrial center.

Today, the town has 2,000 residents, but it numbered more than 2,700 a century ago, and dropped as low as 1,680 in the 1980s. The pope's family emigrated after the peak, which saw 14 million Italians leave from 1876 to 1915 — a movement

Saturday with lunch at the home of a cousin, Carla Rabazzana. Photographs released by the Vatican showed Francis clearly enjoying himself, hugging Rabazzana and sitting at the head of the table.

"We have known each other forever," Rabazzana told the Corriere della Sera newspaper in the run-up to the visit. "When I lived in Turin, Giorgio — I always called him that — came to stay because I had an extra room. That is how we maintained our relationship.

"We always would joke. When he told me he would come to celebrate my 90th birthday, I said it made my heart race. And in response I was told: 'Try not to die.' We burst out laughing."

The pope has many more third and fourth cousins still in the area.

"It was a large family, and in the area, there are still many distant cousins," said Carlo Cerrato a former mayor of Portacomaro. He said it was a "big surprise" for everyone in the town when Francis was elected pope nearly a decade ago.

"Everyone knew there was a prelate who had become the cardinal of Buenos Aires, but it was something that the relatives knew, not everyone in town," Cerrato said.

After nearly 10 years as pope, Francis has yet to return to his own birthplace in Argentina. He hasn't really explained his reasons for staying away. He recently confirmed that if he were to resign as pope, he wouldn't go back to Buenos Aires to live but would remain in Rome.

# COMMENTARY

## A PRODUCTIVE VIRGIN ISLANDS

By Dickson Igwe



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November 18, 2022

Productivity is the increase in economic growth resulting from deliberate social and economic policy.

Productivity in the British Virgin Islands means driving the economy towards an increase in economic growth that further leads to a better quality of life for all residents. Economic growth cannot be divorced from quality of life measures that include optimal environmental, ecological, and social outcomes.

Now, economic productivity is more than the simple increase

in Gross Domestic Product: the increase in goods and services that signifies an increase in the wealth of the country.

Productivity is generally accepted outcomes of a positive type, which is much wider than simple numbers in the direction of economic output. What is the vision for the country? What dreams does its people possess? Where does the country want to go?

That is why planning, strategy, and vision are crucial for society

The swiftest way to arrive at EL Dorado- the Promised Land where the vision or dream exists- is by driving up productive capacity in the direction of the national vision. Let us attempt establishing a national vision for the British Virgin Islands for example. What could that vision be? One example of a vision is the 100% increase in tourism revenues over the next ten years through investment in the port and hotel infrastructure, with a focus on training residents in appropriate skills: culinary and

restaurants, hotel and marina management, yacht charter management, and so on and so forth.

Will achievement of such a vision be beneficial for the community? Well, it will lead to greater employment opportunities in the tourism sector. It will also mean an increase in public revenues invested in the economy, hence infrastructure that further benefits the tourism market. History has revealed that productive economies are those that carefully and thoughtfully invest in their social and physical infrastructure but with a vision of where the society is going over a fixed period. That is the job of leadership: establishing a national vision and then steering the country towards that vision through thoughtful and innovative resource management.

The key is the resident population from where the workforce derives. That is why investment in the health, education, and welfare of the population is the most direct

driver of economic and social productivity.

Skilled, well-educated, and healthy residents directly increase the social and economic prosperity of a country. Just like in possessing a personal vision, one must decide how to achieve that personal vision. It may mean saving to invest in capital, equipment, land, skills attainment, stock, staffing, and more.

It is the same with a country. A country cannot arrive at the place of prosperity if it does not invest in its people through its social and physical infrastructure. Public investment drives economic growth and social prosperity.

Poor road networks; limited air and seaport infrastructure; a lack of public transportation; poor public utilities in terms of power, water, and sanitation; limited educational opportunities through a lack of investment in technical and scientific education,

and poor social and healthcare. The preceding all hamstringing a country in terms of its social and economic development.

The UK and Europe provide a global example of what happens when a country fails to invest sufficiently in its social and physical infrastructure. Countries such as Germany, Austria, and France are experiencing a shallower recession in the midst of the Ukraine war owing to the fact that they are better prepared for any eventuality through a higher public investment matrix over decades.

The UK on the other hand is facing a much more severe recession because of its adoption of trickle-down economics from the time of Margaret Thatcher and that has further driven insufficient investment in its social and physical infrastructure.

Like an individual, a country gets what it pays for.

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## Caribbean News / Regional News

# Thirty-Three Programme Planners and Health Care Service Providers Graduate from Clinical Management of HIV Programme

Friday, 18 November 2022 (CARICOM Secretariat, Turkeyen, Greater Georgetown, Guyana): The Pan-Caribbean Partnership against HIV and AIDS (PANCAP), the mechanism that provides a structured and unified approach to the Caribbean's response to the HIV epidemic, in collaboration with the Ministry of Health (Guyana), provided thirty-three (33) programme planners and health care service providers with the opportunity to complete the Clinical Management of HIV programme offered by the Global Health E-Learning Program, University of Washington.

The United States Agency for International Development (USAID) supported the initiative.

A graduation ceremony was held on 2 November in Georgetown. Mr Collin Kirton, Officer-in-Charge, PANCAP Coordinating Unit, acknowledged the dedication of the graduates and the invaluable contributions of development partners. "I wish to express our sincere appreciation and gratitude to PEPFAR/USAID for their continued contribution to the regional fight against HIV and AIDS in general and for funding this capacity-building initiative, in particular," stated Mr Kirton, "to the graduates, working and studying is never easy, so we applaud your efforts and perseverance. I urge you to utilise your newly acquired skills and knowledge to make meaningful contributions to the



national HIV response, as Guyana and the Region strive to achieve the 95-95-95 Targets and end AIDS by 2030".

Dr Tariq Jagnarine, Programme Manager, National AIDS Programme Secretariat, Guyana, explained that the course was facilitated by experts from around the world who illustrated best practices and new research in HIV management; local site facilitators guided participants through best practices and case studies relevant to Guyana.

Dr Jagnarine also highlighted that all thirty-three (33) participants completed the course and attained scores above 70%. Each participant was allocated 7.5 Continuing Medical Education (CME) credits. He also explained that

the successful completion of the course would facilitate the placement of healthcare workers in areas with deficits, especially Guyana's Hinterland Region. "Five (5) new care and treatment sites will now be better equipped with trained staff to offer best practice care for HIV and other Sexually Transmitted Infections (STIs) with a focus on responding to the direct needs of the communities being served," stated the Programme Manager.

Dr Shanti Singh-Anthony, Coordinator, Knowledge Management, PANCAP Coordinating Unit, shared that PANCAP also facilitated a cohort of sixty (60) participants from Belize and thirty-five (35) through the Caribbean Vulnerable Communities Coalition (CVC). CVC coordinated access to the

Leadership and Management of Public Health course for participants from eight (8) countries, including Belize, Dominica, Jamaica, Martinique, Republic of Trinidad and Tobago, Saint Lucia, and Suriname.

In addition, Dr Singh-Anthony shared that seventy (70) persons are currently enrolled in two (2) courses on Leadership in Health and Policy and Advocacy in Health. "Going forward, we plan to offer other courses, including a specialisation in monitoring and evaluation", stated the Coordinator.

The collaboration with the Global Health E-Learning Program, University of Washington, forms part of PANCAP's wider regional capacity-building programme to strengthen national HIV responses.

## JAMAICA WELCOMES RETURN OF DIRECT FLIGHT OUT OF ITALY WITH NEOS AIR

KINGSTON, JAMAICA, November 21, 2022 – Jamaica's air connectivity out of Europe has received a major boost with the return of direct flights out of Malpensa Airport in Italy to the Sangster International Airport in Montego Bay. The return of the service started on November 20.

"The addition of these direct flights speak to the confidence our airline partners have of the destination. Jamaica continues to show its resilience from the fallout of the pandemic as our tourism recovery surpasses our targets," says Minister of Tourism, Hon Edmund Bartlett.

For the upcoming winter season, the airline will connect Italy to Jamaica with two weekly flights.

In addition, from December 23, Neos Air will operate a second flight from Verona, Italy. Both flights will be utilizing a Boeing 787-900 Dreamliner with a seat capacity of 359 seats.

"This is another positive nod for Jamaica's tourism as we continue to keep the destination top of mind. We anticipate an increase in visitors and look forward to showcasing our warm

Jamaican hospitality," said Director of Tourism, Donovan White.

This represents an important sign of recovery following the pandemic. The direct flights will dramatically increase arrivals from Italy. In 2019 Jamaica welcomed over 13 thousand visitors from Italy.

For more information about Jamaica, please go to [www.visitjamaica.com](http://www.visitjamaica.com).

# VOA NEWS VOA NEWS VOA NEWS VOA NEWS

## 'Stock Up on Blankets': Ukrainians Brace for Horrific Winter

**KYIV, UKRAINE —**

Ukrainians could face rolling blackouts from now through March amid frigid, snowy weather because Russian airstrikes have caused "colossal" damage to Ukraine's power grid, officials said. To cope, authorities are urging people to stock up on supplies and evacuate hard-hit areas.

Sergey Kovalenko, CEO of private energy provider DTEK Yasno, said the company is under instructions from Ukraine's state grid operator to resume emergency blackouts in the areas it covers, including the capital Kyiv and the eastern Dnipropetrovsk region.

"Although there are fewer blackouts now, I want everyone to understand: Most likely, Ukrainians will have to live with blackouts until at least the end of March," Kovalenko warned on Facebook. "We need to be prepared for different options, even the worst ones. Stock up on warm clothes and blankets. Think about what will help you wait out a long shutdown," he told Ukrainian residents.

Russia has launched six massive aerial attacks against Ukraine's power grid and other infrastructure since October 10, as the war approaches its nine-month milestone. That targeted onslaught has caused widespread blackouts and deprived millions of Ukrainians of electricity, heat and water.

Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy said Russian missile strikes have damaged more than half of the country's energy facilities.

Temperatures commonly stay below freezing in Ukraine in the winter, and snow has already fallen in many areas, including Kyiv.

Ukrainian authorities have started evacuating civilians from recently liberated sections of the southern Kherson and Mykolaiv regions out of fear that the winter will be too hard to survive.

Heeding the call, women and children — including a little red-haired boy whose shirt read in English "Made with Love" — carried their limited belongings, along with dogs and cats, onto trains departing from the newly liberated city of Kherson.

"We are leaving now because it's scary to sleep at night," departing resident Tetyana Stadnik said on a cramped night sleeper train Monday as a dog wandered around. "Shells are flying over our heads and exploding. It's too much. We will wait until the situation gets better. And then we will come back home."

Another resident said leaving was the right thing to do to help the country.

No one wants to leave their homes. But they're even advising (to leave). They'd have to warm us up, when it's needed for other people. If we have an opportunity to leave, we can at least help Ukraine with something," Alexandra Barzenkova said as she sat on a train bunk bed.

More hardship was in store for those remaining.

Kovalenko said even if no more Russian airstrikes occur — a highly unlikely situation — scheduled outages will be needed to ensure that power is evenly distributed.

The repeated Russian attacks — with the most severe on November 15 involving 100 heavy rockets — have

damaged practically every thermal and hydroelectric power plant in the country, and "the scale of destruction is colossal," Volodymyr Kudrytskyi, CEO of Ukrenergo, the state-owned power grid operator, said Tuesday. In addition, electric substations have been damaged, while nuclear power plants have largely been spared, he said.

Kyiv regional authorities said Tuesday that more than 150 settlements were enduring emergency blackouts due to snowfall and high winds.

The battle for terrain, while slowed due to the weather, has continued, with Ukrainian forces pressing a counteroffensive and Moscow's troops keeping up artillery shelling and missile strikes.

In a key battlefield development, Natalia Humeniuk of the Ukrainian army's Operational Command South said on Ukrainian television that Kyiv's forces are attacking Russian positions on the Kinburn Spit, a gateway to the Black Sea basin, as well as parts of the southern Kherson region still under Russian control.

The Kinburn Spit is Russia's last outpost in Ukraine's southern Mykolayiv region, directly west of Kherson. Ukrainian forces recently liberated other parts of the Kherson and Mykolaiv regions.

Moscow has used the Kinburn Spit as a staging ground for missile and artillery strikes on Ukrainian positions in the Mykolaiv province, and elsewhere along the Ukrainian-controlled Black Sea coast.

Recapturing the Kinburn Spit could help Ukrainian

forces push into territory that Russia still holds in the Kherson region "under significantly less Russian artillery fire" than if they directly crossed the Dnieper River, a Washington-based think tank said. The Institute for the Study of War added that control of the area would help Kyiv alleviate Russian strikes on Ukraine's southern seaports and allow it to increase its naval activity in the Black Sea.

### In other developments:

— Ukraine's counter-intelligence service, police officers and the country's National Guard on Tuesday searched one of the most famous Orthodox Christian sites in the capital, Kyiv, after a priest spoke favorably about Russia during a service.

— Ukraine's presidential office said Tuesday at least eight civilians were killed and 16 were injured over the previous 24 hours, as Moscow's forces again used drones, rockets and heavy artillery to pound eight Ukrainian regions.

— In the eastern Donetsk region, fierce battles continued around Bakhmut, where the Kremlin's forces are keen to clinch a victory after weeks of embarrassing military setbacks. Donetsk Governor Pavlo Kyrylenko also said Russia launched missiles at Kramatorsk, a Ukrainian military hub, and the city of Avdiivka. Russia's Defense Ministry spokesman hinted at clashes near the Donetsk village of Pavlivka, saying Russian troops "destroyed" three Ukrainian sabotage

and reconnaissance units.

— One civilian was killed, and three others were wounded after Russian forces shelled the city of Kherson, Ukraine's presidential office said.

— Two civilians died Tuesday in the Russian border region of Belgorod, its governor said on Telegram. Vyacheslav Gladkov said a married couple were killed by an unexploded munition in Staroselye, on the border with Ukraine's northern Sumy region. He said a woman was killed in shelling of Shebekino, close to Ukraine's Kharkiv province.

— A social worker was killed, and two other civilians were wounded Tuesday after Russian tank shells hit an aid distribution point in southern Ukraine, according to the governor of Zaporizhzhia.

— Ukrainian officials on Tuesday handed over the bodies of 33 soldiers recovered from Russia to their families.

— U.S. Treasury Secretary Janet Yellen announced the disbursement of \$4.5 billion in funds to help "Ukraine defend against Russia's illegal war by bolstering economic stability and supporting core government services." The package will help fund wages for hospital workers, government employees and teachers, as well as social assistance for the elderly and vulnerable.

# SPORTS



## CRICKET

### Unbeaten Guyana bags Peter Haycraft Nations Cup, BVI third

By Dean "The Sportsman" Greenaway

Aviskhar Sewkarran made the combined score of seven Dominica batsmen, in leading unbeaten Guyana to an eight-wicket victory and the Peter Haycraft Nations Cup title on Sunday afternoon in Greenland.

Dominica's manager Dale Benjamin who was absent, had predicted that "no team will beat us twice" but Dominica could only muster 116 runs after winning the toss and electing to bat, with 36 of the total coming from middle order Captain Alvin Africa.

Reno Mitteleholzer anchored Guyana's bowling taking 3 for 20 with Man of the Match Sewkarran bagging 2 for 3. Mitteleholzer took the opening pair of Colin Alexander (15) and Doyle Jones (14), who came over from St. Thomas. Dhanpaul Chrisnanand picked up another 2 for 29.

Sewkarran led Guyana's reply with 72 not out from 35 balls, with seven fours and five boundaries. Aaron Baker had a supporting 30 inclusive of four fours, as they took just 56 minutes for their 117 runs, while losing two wickets in their 10.4 overs on the crease.

"After all those wins, we wanted to close off the tournament really strongly and we did

a good job in executing that today, kudos to the guys," Guyana manager Colin Campbell said. "Up front the bowlers really stuck it into their opponents, we did it all on the field. These guys have been playing hard, training hard and we've found a really good bunch of guys that we're going to be building more going forward in the 2023 tournament."

Doyle said Dominica was missing key personnel including Gary Pierre Prince, who lost his mother and he extended his condolences on behalf of the team. The manager and several other players were unavailable. "Those are critical people on our team and we miss them dearly today," he said. "Today I didn't get the runs my team required of me, but definitely next year, I'm going to come back hard."

#### BVI beat Vincy for third place

Dennis Tyson's 30 not out, including a towering six to end the match, helped the BVI to a three wickets victory over St. Vincent and the Grenadines and a third-place finish.

Electing to bat, Vincy used 47 from opener Kenrick Leslie and 43 not out from Imran Smith as their platform for 149, but got no support from Captain Ronniel Jeffrey who was coming

off back-to-back centuries and could only muster a paltry 10, before his stumps were removed by BVI Captain Vishal Bharat.

Middle order batsman Monty Butler and Sylvester Mitchell both gave the BVI 28 runs a piece with another 22 from opener Chad Baston, as they made 152 leading to a wild celebration after Tyson's game ending six.

"It's a good victory for the BVI, we played well today," Baharat said. "We gelled properly (but) it's a tough tournament as guys play with different teams and to come together for this new Nation's Cup it was kind of difficult at first, but we think we played well to end up third. At the beginning, nobody had us to be in the semifinal, so coming third, I say a big thank you to all the guys that performed in the bowling—(Earl) Prescott was really good, McTair (James) was good also (Dennis) Tyson was good. With the bat, Monty (Butler) and (Ferris) Pope. The other guys pitched in as well, those were the main guys for us. A big thanks to the fans. The fans came out and supported us big time."

Cameron Williams said it was a day that unfortunately, Vincy didn't come to play. "The last two games didn't end the way we wanted to," he noted. "It was very competitive and went



Guyana poses with the Peter Haycraft Nations Cup after beating Dominica by eight wickets

down to the wire, but I know the guys can do better than what they did, looking forward to the next tournament."

Williams said Ronniel Jeffery who had back-to-back centuries and walked off with tournament MVP honors and the most sixes with over 20, took eight wickets and scored over 380 runs, did what he had to do.

"If we could get the support from other players—players stepped up in different games to support him—but at the end of the day, we didn't do what we were supposed to do as a team to be honest and with the potential that the players have, we didn't do what we were supposed to do."

## RACE

### Farley, Lindsay tune for Half Marathon with Trident 10K victories

By Dean "The Sportsman" Greenaway

Just 22.4 seconds separated Julius Farley from his goal in Saturday's Trident Trust 10K race in Road Town, while Katrina "Kat" Lindsay—3rd overall—helped pulled her father to a seventh-place finish, marking the first time that a parent and child had finished in the Top 10 of a road race.

Farley, in a tune up for Saturday's Deloitte-Ogier BVI Sunrise Half Marathon, covered the 6.2 miles course in 40 minutes and 22.4 seconds. Mark Stephenson was second in 42:52.5 followed by Sergio Dantas in 47:30.8.

"I just went out and tried to run under 40 minutes, that was my intention, but I'm still satisfied with the time," Farley told Island Sun Sports. "There was no Cliff (Struiken) nor JJ (Jermaine Ricketts). Maybe if there was a Cliff or JJ or Derek (Rawlins), I could have done a little faster, because it's all in preparation for the Half Marathon."

Farley is eyeing a run under 1 hour and 30 minutes in Saturday's Deloitte-Ogier BVI Sunrise Half Marathon being run on a course from Road Town to Smugglers Cove for the first time. He said the most challenging part will be

around Steel Point. Can he win? "If Cliff comes out, it will be a hard fight," he said.

Lindsay, the first woman, was timed in 43:07 and said it was a 'special race' with her father in it. "I didn't have a watch with a split timer so I didn't know at what pace I was going, so I was just going by feel and I felt great, I really enjoyed that," she said, noting it was nice to have her father Gordon in the race. "We do a lot of running back home along with my sister, so it's nice to have him on this same home ground today."

Gordon said it was nice coming to where she is and running then noted that the temperature was a notch higher than his native Scotland. "It was a nice course, nice and flat and I enjoyed it," said Lindsay, who's planning to run in the Half Marathon. "I haven't done a Half Marathon in a while and it's going to be a challenge, but I'm quite sure I'll get there."

Lindsay said his best is around 1 hour and 50 minutes. Asked if he's going to let Kat beat him, he said: "You have to, the things a father has to do—keep the peace in the house. She may not give me any food if I don't let her win."

James Ramprashad, sixth overall, brought 31 police recruits to the race and said it was a good experience. He said the recruits are currently in basic training and it was a nice experience for them as some are not properly fit for the 6.2-mile race. "However, it was a good experience for them to participate and be amongst members of the public and build a rapport with them," he noted. "The fact that they all finished this event, even though it might not have been in the top tier, was a nice experience for them. Some are flabbergasted right now, some are breathing heavily, but one thing we have that is very consistent, they're proud that they've actually finished and they're looking forward to other races."

Police recruit Vanrick Delpesche was the first recruit to finish in 1:35.17, said it was amazing and a really good experience for the cohort and believe they will improve with time. "It was difficult based on my fitness because I had an injury through Football but I'm working on it because with time, I'll do better because my improvement is right there," he said. "It's very close."



Some of the 31 Police recruits competing in the Trident Trust 10K Race

Jayde August got into the fitness craze a year ago and her coworkers Jeremy Pitts and Alrick Smith encouraged her to attend the Mourant College Classic Series. "I liked it and want to keep doing it, to be honest. I'll stay healthy and fit," she said, noting the 6.2 miles race which she covered in 1:24.46 was 'very exhausting,' but she pushed herself and felt good. "I wasn't as bad."

August will run Saturday's 13.1 miles Half Marathon as part of a team.



# SPORTS



Martial Artists received their black belts in Trinidad and Tobago. L-R: Noah Fox, Kya Ridgeway, Michaela Potter, Xhayne Pemberton, Shian Albert Andrew, Shian Bevon Baptiste, J'Alnon Penn, Chancellor Neita & Sports Minister Sharie deCastro



BVI beat St. Vincent & the Grenadines by three wickets to place 3rd in the Peter Haycraft Nations Cup



Old Madrid's Goalie Jesse Caine, blocks the Wolves' Abner Aillanuera's shot as Gregory Grant looks on during an 11-0 loss

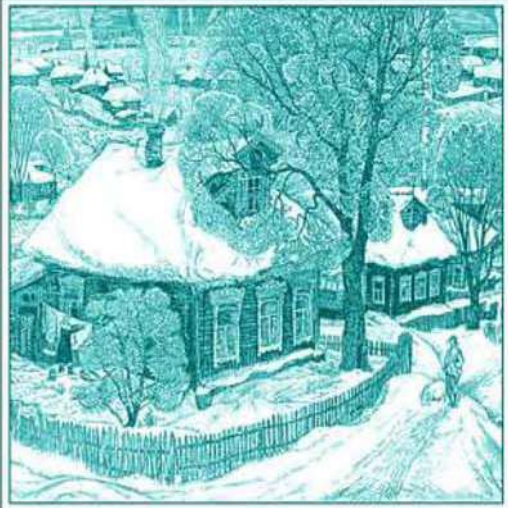


The BVI Football Association's Competitions Committee, held a meeting with Women on Virgin Gorda on Tuesday ahead of a similar meeting on Tortola on Nov 29



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**THE ILLUSTRATED BIBLE**

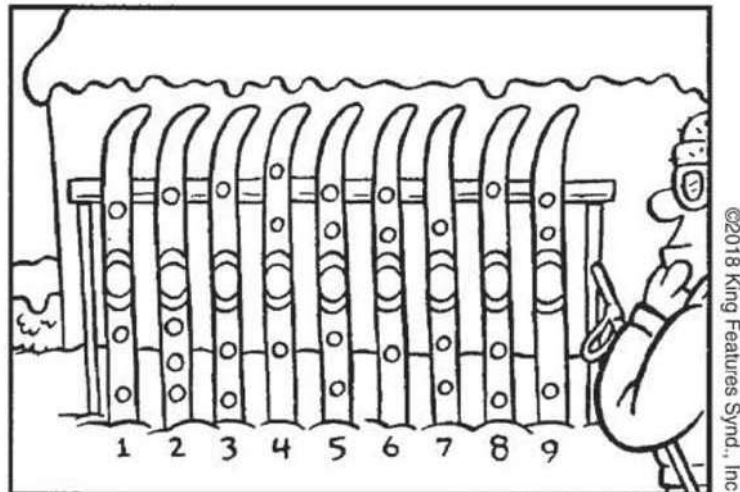


*Perhaps I will stay with you for a while, or even spend the winter, so that you can help me on my journey, wherever I go.*

I CORINTHIANS 16:6

*Detail of "Winter" by Stanislav Nikireev (1972)*

W E D N E S D A Y



**HERE'S A SCHUSSBOOMER PUZZLE!** You have one minute to pick out a matching pair of skis in the rack pictured above.

Answer: Skis 3 and 8.

**Junior Whirl**  
by Charles Barry Townsend

DON'T ROLL OVER ON THIS ONE!

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**A CHEESY PROBLEM!** Cheese is made from the curds of sour milk pressed together until solid and allowed to ripen. What cheese is made backward?

Answer: EDAM cheese is MADE backward. (I told you it was a cheesy problem.)



**CHAIN REACTION!** Take the seven letters printed below our diagram and place them in the circles so that eight four-letter words can be read, top to bottom, along the connecting lines. All the words will begin with the letter in the top circle.



Answers: Top to bottom, left to right: Chat, chap, chop, crop, crow, craw, crag.

Illustrated by David Coulson

It's time to "unleash" your word power. Each of the eight words above contains the word "dog." Using the following hints, can you fetch them in five minutes?

1. Popular fast food.
2. To be stubborn; tenacious.
3. Shamefaced or guilty.
4. Type of air combat.
5. Type of golfing fairway.
6. At a disadvantage in a struggle.
7. Crude, humorous verse.
8. Trivial, pointless work.

Answers: 1. Chlidog. 2. Dogged. 3. Hangdog. 4. Dogfight. 5. Dogleg. 6. Underdog. 7. Doggerel. 8. Boondoggle.

**The Red Wave**



**Just Like Cats & Dogs**

by Dave T. Phipps



**Salome's Stars**

**ARIES** (March 21 to April 19) Your honesty continues to impress everyone who needs reassurance about a project. But be careful you don't lose patience with those who are still not ready to act.

**TAURUS** (April 20 to May 20) Pushing others too hard to do things your way could cause resentment and raise more doubts. Instead, take more time to explain why your methods will work.

**GEMINI** (May 21 to June 20) Be more considerate of those close to you before making a decision that could have a serious effect on their lives. Explain your intentions and ask for their advice.

**CANCER** (June 21 to July 22) You might have to defend a workplace decision you plan to make. Colleagues might back you up on this, but it's the facts that will ultimately win the day for you. Good luck!

**LEO** (July 23 to August 22) The Big Cat's co-workers might not be doing enough to help get that project finished. Your roars might stir things up, but gentle purrr-suasion will prove to be more effective.

**VIRGO** (August 23 to September 22) Someone you care for needs help with a problem. Give it lovingly and without judging the situation. Whatever you feel you should know will be revealed later.

**LIBRA** (September 23 to October 22) While you're to be admired for how you handled recent workplace problems, be careful not to react the same way to a new situation until all the facts are in.

**SCORPIO** (October 23 to November 21) Rely on your keen instincts, as well as the facts at hand, when dealing with a troubling situation. Be patient. Take things one step at a time as you work through it.

**SAGITTARIUS** (November 22 to December 21) Your curiosity leads you to ask questions. However, the answers might not be what you hoped to hear. Don't reject them without checking them out.

**CAPRICORN** (December 22 to January 19) Be careful not to tackle a problem without sufficient facts. Even sure-footed Goats need to know where they'll land before leaping off a mountain path.

**AQUARIUS** (January 20 to February 18) Appearances can be deceiving. You need to do more investigating before investing your time, let alone your money, in something that might have some hidden flaws.

**PISCES** (February 19 to March 20) Your recent stand on an issue could make you the focus of more attention than you would like. But you'll regain your privacy, as well as more time with loved ones, by week's end.

**BORN THIS WEEK:** You're a good friend and a trusted confidante. You would be a wonderful teacher or a respected member of the clergy.

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## 25 Public Officers Awarded For Excellent Customer Service



25 Public Officers were awarded for exemplary customer service at the Public Service Star Membership Club pinning ceremony.

The ceremony was held at the Government House Reception Hall where awardees were personally congratulated by His Excellency the Governor Mr. John J. Rankin and Deputy Governor Mr. David D. Archer Jr for their high level of commendations from customers.

The Governor noted in his congratulatory remarks that while awardees were being pinned by the Deputy Governor and himself, they have in actuality received these accolades courtesy of the public.

"You are receiving these awards

isn't an award just given to you by the Governor and Deputy Governor, but also the public who recognised you and rated you for all that you do," the Governor said.

Meanwhile, the Deputy Governor chose to remind the honourees of their fellow officers who have not yet reached their potential to deliver excellent customer service.

"It's not good enough to be great by yourself. You know within your own departments there are persons who don't live

you are being continuously praised, I want you to bring someone else along with you," Mr. Archer explained.

Ms. Adrienne Duchene from the Immigration Department spoke on behalf of the awardees and mentioned the importance of Public Service Star members setting the example.

"Fellow awardees, we have done well and we are being recognised for doing our jobs well. I am proud of you and you are to be proud of yourselves too. Each one of us can help change the culture of the Public Service by continuing to be the example we need our co-workers to be. Are you willing to take on the task? I know I am," Ms. Duchene said.

The Public Service Star Membership Club is an award scheme based on the Government's Rate Us platform, which allows the public to rate the service they've received from various public officers through an online form. With just one (1) positive review, referred to as a "commendation," a public officer is entered into the club. A minimum of five (5) commendations earns officers a Bronze Star Membership. A minimum of ten (10) is required for Silver Star Membership, twenty (20) for Gold Star Membership, and thirty (30) to be considered an Elite Star Member.

The newest Public Service Star Membership Club awardees are:

**Dwaheil Donovan, Immigration Department – Bronze Star Membership**  
**Carla Morton, BVI Post Office – Bronze Star Membership**

**Janice Callwood, BVI Post Office – Bronze Star Membership**

**Shanesen Turnbull, BVI Post Office – Bronze Star Membership**

**Shona Bertrand, BVI Post Office – Bronze Star Membership**

**Kiarah Daniel, Civil Registry and Passport Office – Bronze Star Membership**

**Kiwana Gordon, Civil Registry and Passport Office – Bronze Star Membership**

**Shannel Frett, Civil Registry and Passport Office – Bronze Star Membership**

**Sally Penn, Department of Motor Vehicles – Bronze Star Membership**

**Adrienne Duchene, Immigration Department – Bronze Star Membership**

**Denice Rouse, Immigration Department – Bronze Star Membership**

**Iona Fahie, Collins, Immigration Department – Bronze Star Membership**

**Latoya Todman, Inland Revenue Department – Bronze Star Membership**

**Stacy Christopher-Smith, Ministry of Communication and Works – Bronze Star Membership**

**Eris James, BVI Post Office – Silver Star Membership**

**Chamanda Smith, Civil Registry and Passport Office – Silver Star Membership**

**Gavin August, Civil Registry and Passport Office – Silver**

**Star Membership**

**Damita Romney, Department of Motor Vehicles – Silver Star Membership**

**Kyshlyn Meyers, Department of Motor Vehicles – Silver Star Membership**

**Felina D. Moss, Civil Registry and Passport Office – Silver Star Membership**

**Tori Hillhouse, Deputy Governor's Office – Gold Star Membership**

**Deria Joseph, Department of Motor Vehicles – Elite Star Membership**

**James Richards Department of Trade, Investment Promotion & Consumer Affairs – Elite Star Membership**

**Beverly Smith, Ministry of Education, Youth Affairs and Sports – Elite Star Membership**

**Evette Christian, Ministry of Education, Youth Affairs and Sports – Elite Star Membership**

Individuals can access the Rate Us system at <https://rateus.gov.vg> to rate the service that they have received while utilising a public office. Alternatively, the Customer Service Care Centre can be reached at [customerservice@gov.vg](mailto:customerservice@gov.vg) and 468-3701.



because of the highly positive feedback you have received from your customers through the Rate Us system. So, this

the mantra or ethos of serving customers well every single day like you do. Collectively, we have to work together. So, while





## Cutting back perennials

When it comes to perennials, don't cut them back until after several hard frosts. The roots are still reclaiming energy for healthy growth in the spring, and the decomposing leaves insulate the plant during freezes and thaws and provide fertilizer for spring growth. Leave seed-heads standing to feed the birds in cold weather. However, you should remove dead foliage containing pests or disease.

Source: [www.almanac.com](http://www.almanac.com)

- Brenda Weaver



"Wait! I'm not finished answering the first question!"

# top ten

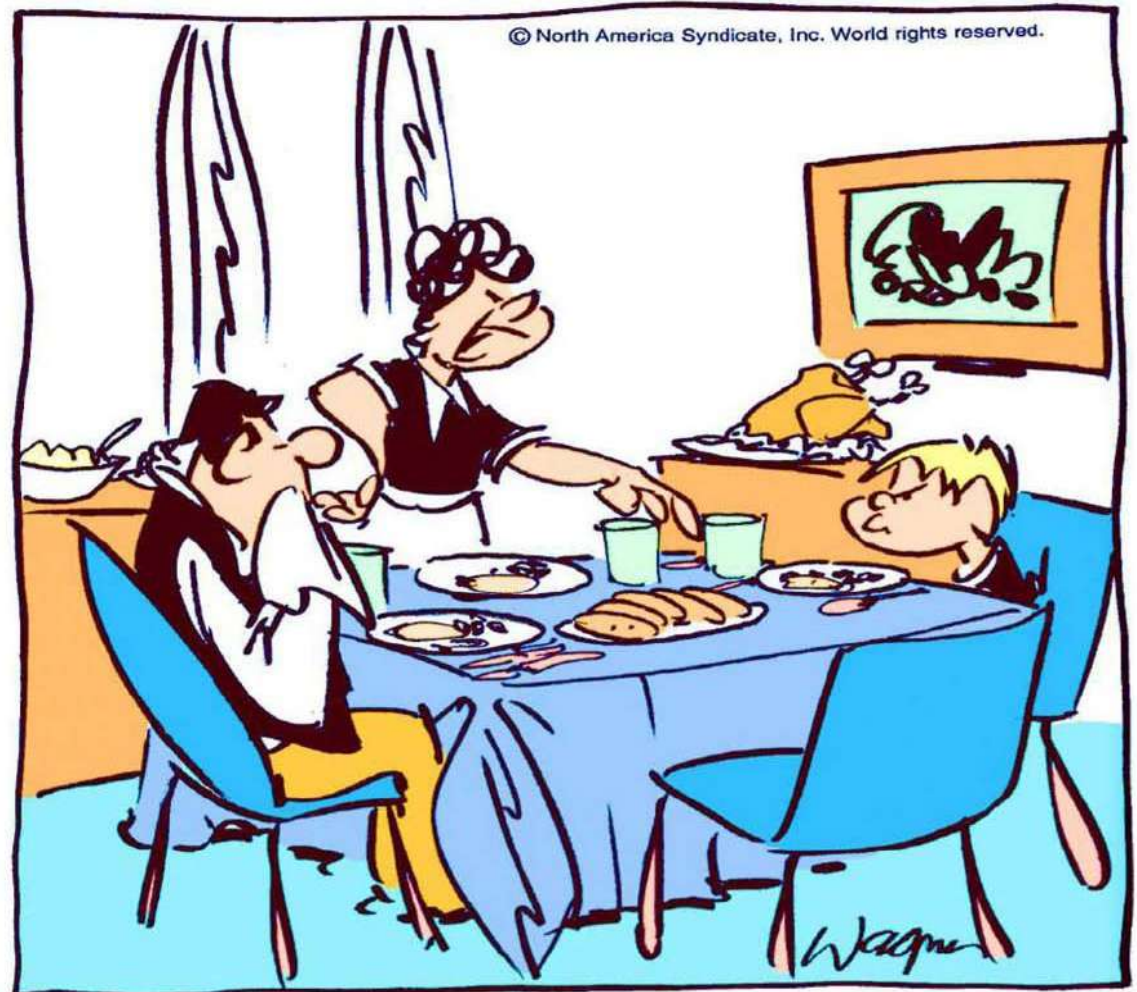
## CHRISTIAN COUNTRIES\*

1. United States
2. Russia
3. China
4. India
5. Japan
6. South Korea
7. France
8. United Kingdom
9. Brazil
10. Pakistan

\* Largest Christian population

Source: Pew Research Center

## GRIN and BEAR IT Wagner



"The Pilgrim kids didn't get a toy with their Happy Meal, Otis!"

### Amber Waves

by Dave T. Phipps



### R.F.D.

by Mike Marland



### The Spats

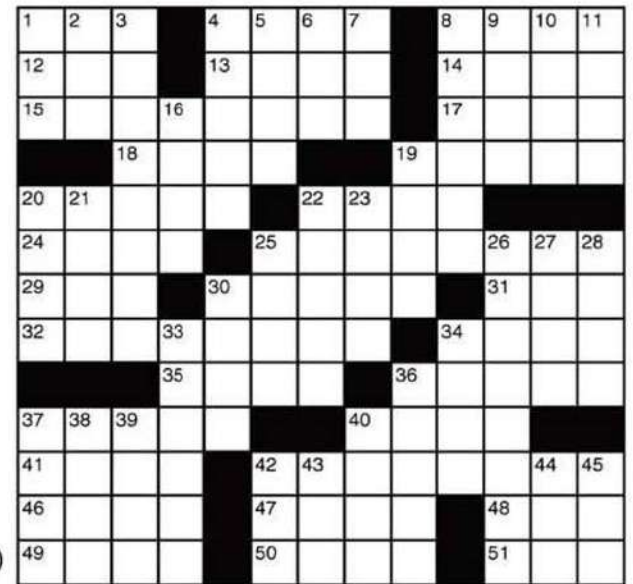
by Jeff Pickering



## King Crossword

#### ACROSS

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- 4 Sad
- 8 Padlocked fastener
- 12 E.T.'s craft
- 13 Slithery
- 14 New York canal
- 15 Sobriquet
- 17 Karate level
- 18 Poolroom prop
- 19 Livid
- 20 Fury
- 22 Coal source
- 24 Loathe
- 25 "The — Papers" (Dickens novel)
- 29 Bird (Pref.)
- 30 Hay bundles
- 31 — chi
- 32 Fined for speeding, e.g.
- 34 Shopper's aid
- 35 Geese formations
- 36 Selects from a group
- 37 Everglades wader
- 40 Delhi dress
- 41 Hip
- 42 Popular playground game
- 46 Corridor
- 47 Adhesive
- 48 Born abroad?



- 9 Region
- 10 Sediment
- 11 Seeger or Sampras
- 16 Winslet of "Titanic"
- 19 Pen fluids
- 20 "Huh?"
- 21 Sitarist
- 22 Odometer reading
- 23 On the rocks
- 25 Cracker spread
- 26 Natives of Rome
- 27 Poet
- 28 Young foxes
- 30 Borscht veggie
- 33 Gushes with pride
- 34 Street edge
- 36 Bakery array
- 37 Canyon sound
- 38 Incite
- 39 Actor's quest
- 40 Gulf War missile
- 42 Old CIA foe
- 43 — -de-France
- 44 Zodiac cat
- 45 Superman foe

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### Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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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. Rocks are missing. 2. Tassel is shorter. 3. Hair is different. 4. Pocket is moved. 5. Zipper is missing. 6. Leg is moved.

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Answer

#### Weekly SUDOKU

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Solution time: 26 mins.

#### Answers

#### King Crossword

1. Cheesecake Factory; 2. To; 3. Rome; 4. Ray Bradbury; 5. Mississippi; 6. Harry Truman; 7. A maple leaf; 8. Egyptians; 9. Kristin Bell; 10. Trunk.

#### Trivia Test Answers

## Trivia test

by Fifi Rodriguez

- TELEVISION: At which popular restaurant does Penny work in "The Big Bang Theory"?
- ASTRONOMY: Which one of Jupiter's moons has active volcanos?
- GEOGRAPHY: The Tiber River flows through which famous capital city?
- LITERATURE: Who wrote the novel "The Martian Chronicles"?
- U.S. STATES: Which river forms the eastern border of Iowa?
- U.S. PRESIDENTS: Who was the first president to give a televised address from the White House?
- GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: What image on Canada's flag is a recognizable symbol of the country?
- MEASUREMENTS: Which ancient civilization used palms, digits and cubits to measure length?
- MOVIES: Who voices the character Princess Anna in "Frozen"?
- ANIMAL KINGDOM: An elephant has the most muscles in which part of its body?

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# FEARLESS FIGHT FOR CLIMATE

By Sir Ronald Sanders

(The writer is Antigua and Barbuda's Ambassador to the United States of America and the Organization of American States. He is also a Senior Fellow at the Institute of Commonwealth Studies, University of London and Massey College in the University of Toronto)

Showing all the frankness that he demonstrates in his domestic politics, Antigua and Barbuda's Prime Minister, Gaston Browne, marched fearlessly like Daniel in the Lion's Den, when he made several demands in Sharm El-Sheikh, Egypt where COP 27 is being held.

At the heart of his presentation was the preservation of the homelands of his own fellow Antiguan and Barbudans, and, also of the homelands of all small island states everywhere in the world.

o one bad extent or another, Climate Change, and its attendant global warming, is destroying island nations by increasingly frequent and more intense storms, and by constant erosion of their limited and precious land mass.

Prime Minister Browne spoke for the people of these countries when he told world leaders at COP 27, "We don't want to be climate refugees in anybody's country. We want to maintain our civilizations that have existed for hundreds of years".

The Antigua and Barbuda Prime Minister, who is also the Chair of the 39-member Alliance of Small Island States (AOSIS), insisted that the world's major polluters, which have contributed the most to the destructive impact of Climate Change, have a responsibility to pay for the damage that they have caused and continue to inflict. He was fearless in calling out not only the longest polluting countries, such as the United States of America (U.S.) and European nations, but also China and India - more recent large polluters.

The current accurate data on the world's biggest CO2 emitters, compiled by Emissions Database for Global Atmospheric Research, reveals that the top 6 countries, at October 2021 by percentage of global emissions, were: China (32.48), the U.S. (12.61) the 27 European Union (E.U.) countries (7.29), India (6.71), Russia (4.66) and Japan (2.95). This means that, excluding the 27 EU countries, the other 5 countries are responsible for 59.41% of the emissions that cause Climate Change. When the E.U. countries are added, the total is 66.7%.

It can hardly be fair or just that the governments of 32 nations should be pursuing



policies that result in the destruction of livelihoods in almost 200 territories, particularly as the latter contribute the least to global pollution. For instance, the 39 small island states of AOSIS together contribute less than 1% of global CO2 emissions.

While arguing that "large-polluting countries must take responsibility for the torts that they are committing on all humanity", Browne accepts that China and India should be accorded "special and differential treatment" in meeting their responsibilities.

In making the case for "loss and damage" to be included in the agenda of COP 27, and for the launch of a Fund to provide monies for impacted countries to build resilience to Climate Change, the Prime Minister acknowledged that China and India, although now large CO2 emitters, should not be required to contribute in the same way as countries in Europe and North America that have been creating the conditions of Climate Change for almost two centuries.

He was right to spell out the problem as courageously as he did. As he explained, China and India should pay "what is equitable and fair", but the "bigger share of responsibilities still lies with the developed countries that have been historically responsible for planet-warming greenhouse gas emissions".

In all of this, Browne was championing the rights of the people of all small island states. Standing up for those rights requires a commitment to justice and equity. It also requires fearlessness and gumption, both of which Gaston Browne has shown he will employ in defense of the rights of his own people and the people of other small island states whose existence is severely threatened.

As matters now stand at COP 27, no one should hold their breath that anything concrete will be delivered regarding "loss and damage". On the date this commentary is being written, November 17, a 20-page draft agreement is on the table for negotiation in Egypt, but, so far, it only "welcomes" the beginning of discussions on launching a loss and damage fund. The draft includes no details for launching it.

It is unlikely that the world's polluters will agree to a Fund for loss and damage. China and India have already made it clear that such a Fund should be established by Western nations. Countries, like the U.S. and the EU, do not accept that China, now the second largest economy in the world,



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and India, now the fifth largest global economy, can any longer describe themselves as "developing countries", or escape their obligations in the context of Climate Change.

On November 16, the EU Commissioner for Climate Action, Frans Timmerman, declared that "China is one of the biggest economies on the planet with a lot of financial strength. Why should they not be co-responsible for funding loss and damage?"

Clearly, Gaston Browne was realistic enough to have no high expectation that COP 27 would effectively address loss and damage, even though he might have held out a remote hope. Therefore, at COP 27, he also called for the major oil and gas corporations to pay a global carbon tax which could be included in a loss and damage fund. He pointed out that, in the first half of this year, six fossil fuel companies alone had made nearly US\$70 billion in profits - "more than enough money to cover the costs of major climate damages in developing nations". This call was also made by U.N. Secretary General, António Guterres, Barbados' Prime Minister Mia Mottley and leaders of Pacific island-states.

But the oil majors have argued that if they are taxed, they will not be able to invest in new oil production, which the U.S and the E.U. nations want them to do, to compensate for not buying Russian oil. The powerful oil lobbies in North America and Europe will work to ensure their governments continue to protect them.

Nonetheless, Browne was right to expose the huge profits that are being made by the major oil companies, and to identify, for the governments of large polluting nations, a large source of the money needed to create a loss and damage fund.

At COP 27, the Antigua and Barbuda Prime Minister acknowledged that small countries can be ignored, and their interests shunted aside by large and powerful nations. Consequently, he announced that "not as an act of hostility, but to seek justice for small island states", he and the leaders of Tuvalu, Palau and Niue will use international law and international arbitration "to explore the responsibility of States for injuries arising from internationally wrongful acts caused by the breach of their obligations". Seventeen seasoned international lawyers will advance that case to the International Tribunal of the Law of the Sea.

Prime Minister Browne has shown his fearlessness in standing up for the small and the vulnerable in a world which, increasingly, is witnessing a return to the dangerous policy that might is right. There is benefit in his gumption and his candour in fighting for justice.

# PUBLIC NOTICES

**Piemont Investments Ltd.**

Company No. 1730474  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 204 (1)(b) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that **Piemont Investments Ltd.** is in voluntary liquidation. The voluntary liquidation commenced on 17th November 2022 and **Liridona Berisha of Petergasse 20, 8320 Kloten, Switzerland** been appointed as the Sole Liquidator.  
Dated this 18th day of November 2022  
*Sgd. Liridona Berisha*  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[77/1]

**Liguria Trading Ltd.**

Company No. 1730464  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 204 (1)(b) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that **Liguria Trading Ltd.** is in voluntary liquidation. The voluntary liquidation commenced on 18th November 2022 and **Liridona Berisha of Petergasse 20, 8320 Kloten, Switzerland** been appointed as the Sole Liquidator.  
Dated this 18th day of November 2022  
*Sgd. Liridona Berisha*  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[77/2]

**MICARES CORPORATION**

Company No. 1855640  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 204 (1)(b) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that **MICARES CORPORATION** is in voluntary liquidation. The voluntary liquidation commenced on 18th November 2022 and **Querube Castillo de Nuñez of Paseo del Mar and Pacific Avenues, Costa del Este, MMG Tower, 23rd Floor, Panama City, Republic of Panama** been appointed as the Sole Liquidator.  
Dated this 18th day of November 2022  
*Sgd. Querube Castillo de Nuñez*  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[77/3]

**VANT TRADER CORP.**

Company No. 1826312  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 204 (1)(b) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that **VANT TRADER CORP.** is in voluntary liquidation. The voluntary liquidation commenced on 18th November 2022 and **Querube Castillo de Nuñez of Paseo del Mar and Pacific Avenues, Costa del Este, MMG Tower, 23rd Floor, Panama City, Republic of Panama** been appointed as the Sole Liquidator.  
Dated this 18th day of November 2022  
*Sgd. Querube Castillo de Nuñez*  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[77/4]

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

**VERMELL COMMERCIAL LTD**  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 1470354  
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 November 18th, 2022. The Liquidator is Margarita Sofokleous with an address at **AGP Chambers, 84 Spyrou Kyprianou Avenue, 4004 Limassol, Cyprus.**  
Dated: November 21st, 2022  
*(Sgd.) Margarita Sofokleous*  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[77/5]

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

**GERTRADE COMPANY INC.**  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 503146  
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 November 18th, 2022. The Liquidator is **Russell Homer with an address at Place de Saint-Gervais 1, 1201 Geneva, Switzerland.**  
Dated: November 21st, 2022  
*(Sgd.) Russell Homer*  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[77/6]

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

**Toyar Technology Co., Ltd.**  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 2076107  
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 20th day of October, 2022. The liquidator is **Philippa V O'Sullivan of Sea Meadow House, P.O. Box 116, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands.**  
Dated: 21st day of November 2022  
*(Sgd.) Philippa V O'Sullivan*  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[77/7]

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

**Taurus Property Investments Ltd**  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
NOTICE is hereby given that on the 14th day of November, 2022, under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has commenced the process of liquidation. The Liquidators is: -  
Wayne Francis  
Of Nerine Chambers  
Road Town, Tortola,  
British Virgin Islands  
[77/8]

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

**Double Digits Stevenson Limited**  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
NOTICE is hereby given that on the 14th day of November, 2022, under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has commenced the process of liquidation. The Liquidators is: -  
Wayne Francis  
Of Nerine Chambers  
Road Town, Tortola,  
**British Virgin Islands**  
[77/9]

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

**KERMON CAPITAL INC.**  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 429351  
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 November 17th 2022  
Dated: November 21st, 2022  
*(Sgd.) Delio Jose De Leon Mela*  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[77/10]

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

**ELEGANT STYLE INVESTMENTS LTD.**  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 1454044  
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 November 18th 2022  
Dated: November 21st, 2022  
*(Sgd.) YUNG Wing Siu*  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[77/11]

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

**NICE JADE ENTERPRISES LIMITED**  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 1441447  
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 November 18th 2022  
Dated: November 21st, 2022  
*(Sgd.) YUNG Wing Siu*  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[77/12]

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

**MEDIA PREMIER LTD.**  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 1556796  
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 November 18th 2022  
Dated: November 21st, 2022  
*(Sgd.) Stelios Ioakim*  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[77/13]

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

**MACY WAY LIMITED**  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 575178  
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 November 21st, 2022. The Liquidator is **Yiu Lai Man, with an address at Room 1012, 10/F., C C Wu Building, 302-8 Hennessy Road, Wanchai, Hong Kong.**  
Dated: November 21st, 2022  
*(Sgd.) Yiu Lai Man*  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[77/14]

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

**PEROW DEVELOPMENT LTD.**  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 1781736  
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 25, 2022.  
Dated: October 28, 2022  
*(Sgd.) Delio Jose De Leon Mela*  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[77/15]

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

**SOBNAT OVERSEAS LTD.**  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 522669  
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 25, 2022.  
Dated: October 28, 2022  
*(Sgd.) Delio Jose De Leon Mela*  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[77/16]

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

**TALCORE COMMERCE INC.**  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 1805241  
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 25, 2022.  
Dated: October 28, 2022  
*(Sgd.) Delio Jose De Leon Mela*  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[77/17]

**GYM International Holdings Ltd.**

(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company Number 1440872  
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 21st day of November, 2022. The Liquidator is **Brian Jackson of Mandar House, 3rd Floor, Johnson's Ghut, Tortola, British Virgin Islands.**  
Dated this 21st day of November, 2022  
*Sgd. Brian Jackson*  
  
*Brian Jackson*  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[77/18]

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

**ZHSZ Holding Limited**  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 2045079  
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 the 18th November 2022. The liquidator is **Xuezhu YANG of Room 401, Zhengda Jiayuan, No. 36, South Kouan Street, Maonan District, Maoming City, Guangdong Province, China.**  
Dated: 18 November 2022.  
*(Sgd.) Xuezhu YANG*  
Liquidator  
[77/19]

**STRUCK OFF Liquidator's Final Notice BEECHWOOD OVERSEAS LIMITED**  
("the Company")

(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 283151  
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to section (208) (3) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that the Company was dissolved and struck off the Register of Companies with effect from 18th November 2022.  
Dated 21st November 2022  
*Carmine Bailey*  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[77/20]



# PUBLIC NOTICES

**STRUCK OFF  
Liquidator's Final Notice  
BARRAS LIMITED**

("the Company")  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 1057674

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to section (208) (3) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that the Company was dissolved and struck off the Register of Companies with effect from 16th November 2022.

Dated 21st November 2022

**Carmine Bailey**  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[77/21]

**STRUCK OFF  
Liquidator's Final Notice  
LENTILHA SHIPPING LTD**

("the Company")  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 1729784

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to section (208) (3) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that the Company was dissolved and struck off the Register of Companies with effect from 16th November 2022.

Dated 21st November 2022

**Carmine Bailey**  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[77/22]

**STRUCK OFF  
Liquidator's Final Notice  
CARNAUBA LTD**

("the Company")  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 1729563

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to section (208) (3) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that the Company was dissolved and struck off the Register of Companies with effect from 16th November 2022.

Dated 21st November 2022

**Carmine Bailey**  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[77/23]

**STRUCK OFF  
Liquidator's Final Notice  
HERCULES ASSETS LTD**

("the Company")  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 1651592

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to section (208) (3) of the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that the Company was dissolved and struck off the Register of Companies with effect from 16th November 2022.

Dated 21st November 2022

**Carmine Bailey**  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[77/24]

**Cedar Key Ventures Ltd.**

Company No. 2049950  
(in voluntary liquidation)

NOTICE is hereby given, in accordance with the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 that the above named company, is in voluntary liquidation. The voluntary liquidation commenced on 14 November, 2022 and **Karl van de Wall Arneman of Brakkeput Abou #11 Willemstad, Curacao** is the voluntary liquidator.

(Sgd.) **Karl van de Wall Arneman**

**Karl van de Wall Arneman**  
Voluntary Liquidator  
Dated: 14 November, 2022

[77/25]

**NOTICE  
BVI BUSINESS COMPANIES ACT  
MONTESE CONSULTANT  
LTD.**

("the Company")  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)

NOTICE is hereby given that on the 21st November, 2022; under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has been dissolved and struck from the Register.

The Liquidator is:-

**Danyel Falcon**  
40 SW 13th Street  
Suite 802  
Miami, FL  
33130  
[77/26]

**NOTICE  
BVI BUSINESS COMPANIES ACT  
CRANSLEY PROPERTIES  
LIMITED**

("the Company")  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)

NOTICE is hereby given that on the 18th November, 2022; under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has commenced the process of liquidation.

The Liquidator is:-

**Debra Rackstraw**  
5th Floor, 44 Esplanade  
St Helier  
Jersey, JE1 3FG  
[77/27]

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

(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 1812755

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 November 18, 2022.

Dated: November 22, 2022

(Sgd.) **Delio Jose De Leon Mela**  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[77/28]

**Final Notice of Dissolution under The  
BVI Business Companies Act; 2004  
PL (BVI) Holding Limited**

(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 2097901

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 21st November 2022.

Dated: 21 November 2022.

(Sgd.) **Xudong JING**

Liquidator  
[77/29]

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

**MORAL EMPIRE LTD.**

(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 1427381

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 November 22nd, 2022. The Liquidator is **Yiu Lai Man with an address at Room 1012, 10/F., CC Wu Building, 302-8 Hennessy Road, Wanchai, Hong Kong.**

Dated: November 22nd, 2022

(Sgd.) **Yiu Lai Man**  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[77/30]

**The BVI Business Companies Act  
Advertisement of Liquidator's Appointment  
Section 204(1)(b)**

**VINTEL LIMITED**

(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
BC No. 1413093  
(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 November 18, 2022. **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  
[77/31]

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

**Alpha Trade Development Ltd.**

(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 1962978

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 November 22nd, 2022. The Liquidator is **Delio Jose De Leon Mela with an address at Bloc Office Hub, Fifth Floor, Santa Maria Business District, Panama, Republic of Panama.**

Dated: November 22nd, 2022

(Sgd.) **Delio Jose De Leon Mela**  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[77/32]

**Final Notice of Dissolution under the  
BVI Business Company Act.  
VOGUE CLEVER INVEST-  
MENTS LIMITED**

(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 1675057

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 November 21, 2022

Dated: November 22, 2022

(Sgd.) **YUNG Wing Siu**  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[77/33]

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

(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 1482022

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 November 21, 2022

Dated: November 22, 2022

(Sgd.) **YUNG Wing Siu**  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[77/34]

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

**SIP Oriza ChongYuan**

(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
**M&A Co. Limited**

NOTICE is hereby given that on the 17th day of November 2022, under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has commenced the process of liquidation.

The Liquidator is:-

**CHU Lingling**  
of Room 2306, Building 6,  
Heqiao Lijing Apartment,  
Suzhou Industrial Park,  
Jiangsu Province,  
China.  
[77/35]

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

**Chun Zheng Limited**

(In Voluntary Liquidation)

NOTICE is hereby given that on the 17th day of November 2022, under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has commenced the process of liquidation.

The Liquidator is:-

**Qing ZHAO**  
of 2-2H Beijing International Friendship Garden,  
A2 Zuojiashuang Road,  
Chaoyang District,  
Beijing 100028,  
China  
[77/36]

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

**Zhi Qiyang Limited**

(In Voluntary Liquidation)

NOTICE is hereby given that on the 17th day of November 2022, under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has commenced the process of liquidation.

The Liquidator is:-

**Qing ZHAO**  
of 2-2H Beijing International Friendship Garden,  
A2 Zuojiashuang Road,  
Chaoyang District,  
Beijing 100028,  
China.  
[77/37]

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

**LJW Education LTD**

(In Voluntary Liquidation)

NOTICE is hereby given that on the 17th day of November 2022, under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has commenced the process of liquidation.

The Liquidator is:-

**SHI Shaoqing**  
of No. 4, Lane 6, Longtan Village  
beside Guangshan Highway,  
Donghai Town,  
Lufeng City,  
Guangdong Province,  
China. [77/38]

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

**Guo Sen Limited**

(In Voluntary Liquidation)

NOTICE is hereby given that on the 17th day of November 2022, under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has commenced the process of liquidation.

The Liquidator is:-

**Qing ZHAO of 2-2H Beijing**  
International  
Friendship Garden,  
A2 Zuojiashuang Road,  
Chaoyang District,  
Beijing 100028, China  
[77/39]

**JARANZA LIMITED**

(In Voluntary Liquidation)

Company Number 1562692

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 1st day of November, 2022. The Liquidator is **Brian Jackson of Mandar House, 3rd Floor, P.O. Box 2196, Johnson's Ghut, Tortola, British Virgin Islands.**

Dated this 2nd day of November, 2022

**Sgd. Brian Jackson**

**Brian Jackson**  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[77/40]

# PUBLIC NOTICES

THE EASTERN CARIBBEAN SUPREME COURT  
IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE  
BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS  
(PROBATE)  
CLAIM NO. BVIHP 2022/0273  
IN THE ESTATE OF JIAN-PING LEE DECEASED  
ADVERTISEMENT

TAKE NOTICE that an application has been filed by Tsai, Hsiang-Yun and Lee, Yi-Hsuan of No. 7, Ln. 21, Sec. 1, Hangzhou S. Rd., Zhongzheng Dist., Taipei City 100, Taiwan for, for a Grant of Letters of Administration, who are the children of the deceased, the deceased having died intestate on the 20th day of September, 2022 in Taiwan, R.O.C.

Any person having an objection to the grant of Letters of Administration to the application shall file an objection within 14 days of the publication of this Notice.  
Dated this 20th November 2022

Filed by Travers Thorp Alberga,  
Attorneys-at Law for the Administrator  
whose address for service is:  
2nd Floor Jayla Place, Road Town, Tortola,  
British Virgin Islands;  
email: mpeters@tta.lawyer  
[78]

The Eastern Caribbean Supreme Court  
IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE  
Virgin Islands

In the Estate of CECILIO BUNEDER FACUSE, late of Calle Fernández Concha N° 477, Departamento 33, Comuna de Las Condes, Santiago de Chile, Chile, Deceased

TAKE NOTICE that an application has been filed by FERNANDO RICARDO DE LOURDES ABUD CUEVAS of Rol Único Tributario N° 65.041.194, 3 Número Inscripción 33416 con fecha 07.02.2001. Domicilio: Avenida Las Condes N° 9460, Of. 1105, Comuna de Las Condes, Santiago de Chile, Chile, for a Grant of Probate of the will of the above named deceased who died on the 10th day of November 2018 wherein the applicant wherein the applicant is the second named executor

Any person having an objection to the application to the Grant of Probate shall file an objection within 14 days of the publication of this Notice.

Dated this 23rd day of November 2022.  
Filed by Walkers Attorneys-at Law whose address for service is 171 Main Street  
Road Town, Tortola  
British Virgin Islands  
VG 1110  
[78]

Notice of Appointment of a Liquidator  
under Section 204 of  
the BVI Business Company Act.  
MEDEO CORPORATION  
(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 November 21, 2022. The Liquidator is Adrián Réne Jelenszky Carvajal with address at Calle Gabriela Mistral, No. 12 La Cresta, Bella Vista, Panama City, Republic of Panama.  
Dated: November 21, 2022.  
(Sgd.) Adrián Réne Jelenszky Carvajal  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[77/41]

Notice of Appointment of a Liquidator  
under Section 204 of  
the BVI Business Company Act.  
HONFLEUR GROUP  
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 November 22, 2022. The Liquidator is Mr. Christian Chiera with address at Seestrasse 37, 8002 Zürich, Switzerland.  
Dated: November 22, 2022.  
(Sgd.) Mr. Christian Chiera  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[77/42]

Notice of Appointment of a Liquidator  
under Section 204 of  
the BVI Business Company Act.  
LAHECHE HOLDINGS  
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 November 22, 2022. The Liquidator is Mr. Christian Chiera with address at Seestrasse 37, 8002 Zürich, Switzerland.  
Dated: November 22, 2022.  
(Sgd.) Mr. Christian Chiera  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[77/43]

Notice of Appointment of a Liquidator  
under Section 204 of  
the BVI Business Company Act.  
MANICORE 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 November 17, 2022. The Liquidator is JUAN MANUEL ABELARDO DE LA VEGA Y ORTEGA with address at 12 SUR 303 3, LA ARCADIA TEHUACAN, PUEBLA, MEXICO.  
Dated: November 17, 2022.  
(Sgd.) JUAN MANUEL ABELARDO DE LA VEGA Y ORTEGA,  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[77/43]

THE EASTERN CARIBBEAN SUPREME COURT  
IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE  
BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS  
(PROBATE)  
CLAIM NO. BVIHP 2022/0272  
IN THE ESTATE OF NARCISO DA FONSECA  
CARVALHO, DECEASED  
ADVERTISEMENT

TAKE NOTICE that an application has been filed by VERA ODENBREEIT CARVALHO of Rua Nascimento Silva, #543, 101, Ipanema, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil for a Grant of Letters of Administration,  
who is the person entitled to administer the estate of NARCISO DA FONSECA CARVALHO, the deceased having died intestate on the 13th day of August, 2020 in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.

Any person having an objection to the grant of Letters of Administration to the application shall file an objection within 14 days of the publication of this Notice.

Dated this 22th November 2022

Filed by Travers Thorp Alberga,  
Attorneys-at Law for the Administrator  
whose address for service is:  
2nd Floor Jayla Place, Road Town,  
Tortola,  
British Virgin Islands;  
email: mpeters@tta.lawyer  
[78]

The Eastern Caribbean Supreme Court  
IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE  
VIRGIN ISLANDS

In the Estate of Chow Tak Fung late of  
Flat F, 18th Floor, Block 1, Castello, No. 69 Siu Lek Yuen  
Road, Shatin, New Territories, Hong Kong, deceased.

Notice is given that after the expiration of 8 days, application will be made to the Registrar of the Supreme Court for the resealing of the grant of letters of administration of the estate of Chow Tak Fung late of Flat F, 18th Floor, Block 1, Castello, No. 69 Siu Lek Yuen Road, Shatin, New Territories, Hong Kong, granted by the High Court of Hong Kong at LG1, High Court Building, 38 Queensway, Hong Kong dated the 28 day of January, 2022.

Filed by BGA Law (BVI) Limited whose address for service is Sea Meadow House, P. O. Box 116, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands  
[78]

# PUBLIC NOTICES

**NOTICE**  
**BVI BUSINESS COMPANIES ACT**  
**(NO. 16 OF 2004)**  
**Sadeem Group Limited**  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
NOTICE is hereby given that on the 21st day of November, 2022, under the terms of Part XII of the BVI Business Companies Act the Company has commenced the process of liquidation. The Liquidator is :-  
**Marsha Corum**  
of Nerine Chambers,  
P.O Box 905,  
Road Town, Tortola,  
British Virgin Islands  
VG1110  
[77/44]

**Notice of Appointment of a Liquidator under Section 204 of the BVI Business Companies Act.**  
**LAESCO Freight Forwarders Ltd**  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 507593  
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 November 23rd, 2022. The Liquidator is **Delio Jose De Leon Mela with an address at Bloc Office Hub, Fifth Floor, Santa Maria Business District, Panama, Republic of Panama.**  
Dated: November 23rd, 2022  
(Sgd.) **Delio Jose De Leon Mela**  
Voluntary Liquidator [77/45]

**Notice of Appointment of a Liquidator under Section 204 of the BVI Business Companies Act.**  
**SEIGER MANAGEMENT LTD**  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 1897069  
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 November 23rd, 2022. The Liquidator is **Delio Jose De Leon Mela with an address at Bloc Office Hub, Fifth Floor, Santa Maria Business District, Panama, Republic of Panama.**  
Dated: November 23rd, 2022  
(Sgd.) **Delio Jose De Leon Mela**  
Voluntary Liquidator [77/46]

**Final Notice of Dissolution under the BVI Business Companies Act.**  
**TOPAZE MANAGEMENT S.A.**  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 1753384  
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 November 22, 2022.  
Dated: November 24, 2022  
(Sgd.) **Nicos Constanta**  
Voluntary Liquidator [77/47]

**Notice of Appointment of a Liquidator under Section 204 of the BVI Business Companies Act.**  
**Black Mountain Holdco Limited**  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 2020135  
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 the 22nd November 2022. The liquidator is **Yanqing ZHANG of Room 1001, No. 2, Lane 2707, Songhuajiang Road, Hongkou District, Shanghai, China.**  
Dated: 22nd November 2022.  
(Sgd.) **Yanqing ZHANG**  
Liquidator  
[77/48]

**Notice of Appointment of a Liquidator under Section 204 of the BVI Business Companies Act.**  
**VIKINGSHUSET SHIPPING INC.**  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 1484321  
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 the 23rd November 2022. The liquidator is **Philippa O'Sullivan of Sea Meadow House, P.O. Box 116, Road Town Tortola, VG1110, British Virgin Islands.**  
Dated: 23rd November 2022  
(Sgd.) **Philippa O'Sullivan**  
Liquidator  
[77/49]

**Final Notice of Dissolution under The BVI Business Companies Act. 2004**  
**ABLE EXPRESS INVESTMENT HOLDING LIMITED**  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 1987997  
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 21st November, 2022.  
Dated: 24th day of November 2022  
(Sgd.) **QIU Huihua**  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[77/50]

**Final Notice of Dissolution under The BVI Business Companies Act. 2004**  
**Toyar Technology Co., Ltd.**  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 2076107  
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 21st November, 2022.  
Dated: 24th day of November 2022  
(Sgd.) **Philippa V O'Sullivan**  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[77/51]

**Notice of Appointment of a Liquidator under Section 204 of the BVI Business Companies Act. 2004**  
**ADVANCE JEWEL INTERNATIONAL (HOLDINGS) LIMITED**  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
Company No. 195628  
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 23rd day of November, 2022. The liquidator is **ho wai yee OF 7/F., Kin On Commercial Building, 49-51 Jervois Street, Sheung Wan, Hong Kong.**  
Dated: 24th day of November 2022  
(Sgd.) **HO WAI YEE**  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[77/52]

**Notice of Appointment of a Liquidator under Section 204 of the BVI Business Companies Act**  
**AI Perform Holdings (BVI) Limited**  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
(BC No. 1974636)  
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 204(1), subsection (b) of the BVI Business Companies Act that the Company is in voluntary liquidation. The voluntary liquidation commenced on November 23, 2022. The Liquidator is **Audrey Robertson of Commerce House, Wickhams Cay 1, P.O. Box 3140, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands.**  
Dated: November 23, 2022  
**Audrey Robertson**  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[77/53]

**Notice of Appointment of a Liquidator under Section 204 of the BVI Business Companies Act**  
**Premium TV Group Limited**  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
(BC No. 1421313)  
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 204(1), subsection (b) of the BVI Business Companies Act that the Company is in voluntary liquidation. The voluntary liquidation commenced on November 23, 2022. The Liquidator is **Audrey Robertson of Commerce House, Wickhams Cay 1, P.O. Box 3140, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands.**  
Dated: November 23, 2022  
**Audrey Robertson**  
Voluntary Liquidator  
[77/54]

**IN THE EASTERN CARIBBEAN SUPREME COURT**  
**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE**  
**VIRGIN ISLANDS**  
**(PROBATE)**  
**BVIHPB2022/0279**  
**IN THE ESTATE OF LUIZ DE FRANCA LEITE LATE OF AV. BOA VIAGEM, 5450, AP 2001, RECIFE, PERNAMBUCO, BRAZIL 51030-000, DECEASED**  
**TAKE NOTICE** that an application has been filed by **Abel Severiano Malta Leite of Av. Quintas do Pajeu, Condominio Quintas da Colina 2, n 3, Quadra H3, Caruaru, PE, Brazil and Luiz Borges de Medeiros Neto of av Gov Argemiro de Figueiredo, 1730, Jardim Oceania, Brazil** for a Grant of Probate of the Will of the above named deceased who died on the 11th day of November 2021 without revoking a Will bearing the date of 5th day of January 2021 wherein the applicants are named as **Executors.**  
Any person having an objection to the grant of Probate to the applicants shall file an objection within 14 days of the publication of this Notice.  
**Dated this 23rd day of November 2022.**  
**Sabals Law, Solicitors for the Executors whose address for service is 87 Main Street, 2nd Floor, Abbott Building, Waterfront Drive, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands [78]**

**IN THE EASTERN CARIBBEAN SUPREME COURT**  
**VIRGIN ISLANDS**  
**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE**  
**(PROBATE)**  
**PROBATE NO BVIHPB2022/0280**  
**IN THE ESTATE OF RAYMOND ALFREDO PENN**  
**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**TAKE NOTICE** that an application has been filed by **LUCE JACQUELINE SOPHIA PENN CAMERON of ST THOMAS UNITED STATES VIRGIN ISLANDS, the lawful child of the deceased aforesaid, who died intestate on 12th day of January 1998 at Harris County, Houston, Texas, United States of America for the Grant of Letters of Administration to the Estate of the said RAYMOND ALFREDO PENN, deceased.**  
Any Person having objections to a grant of representation to the Intended Applicant shall within fourteen (14) days from the date of publication of this notice lodge with the registry of the High Court in the Territory of the Virgin Islands a document setting out the said objections.  
**DATED: this 23rd day of November 2022**  
**PHOENIX LAW**  
10 Russell Hill Road, Road Town Tortola, British Virgin Islands  
Tel: 1-284-495-7459. Legal Practitioners of the Applicant [78]

**Notice of Appointment of a Liquidator under Section 204 of the BVI Business Companies Act**  
**RSB Limited**  
(In Voluntary Liquidation)  
(BC No. 1046836)  
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 204(1), subsection (b) of the BVI Business Companies Act that the Company is in voluntary liquidation. The voluntary liquidation commenced on November 23, 2022. The Liquidator is **Audrey Robertson of Commerce House, Wickhams Cay 1, P.O. Box 3140, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands.**  
Dated: November 23, 2022  
**Audrey Robertson**  
Voluntary Liquidator

# PUBLIC NOTICES

**THE EASTERN CARIBBEAN SUPREME COURT  
IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE  
BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS**

**IN THE ESTATE OF MANLIO JOSE MATERIA,  
DECEASED**

TAKE NOTICE that an application has been filed by MARINA AIDA MATERIA of Juan José Paso 1467, Mar del Plata, Codigo Postal 7600, Argentina, the intended Administrator of the Estate of the deceased who died intestate on the 18th day of October 2020, domiciled in Argentina, has applied to the Eastern Caribbean Supreme Court in the Probate Division for a Grant of Letters of Administration in the Estate of the said MANLIO JOSE MATERIA, deceased.

ANY PERSONS having any objections to the Grant of Letters of Administration to the said MARINA AIDA MATERIA shall within fourteen (14) days from the date of publication of this Notice lodge with the Registry of the High Court in the Territory of the Virgin Islands a proper document setting out the said objections.

Dated the 16th day of November, 2022

HARNEY WESTWOOD & RIEGELS LP  
Solicitors for the Intended Administrator  
[77]

**The Eastern Caribbean Supreme Court  
IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE  
Virgin Islands**

BVIHPB2022/0268  
In the estate of Gay Cull Addicott also known as Gay Cull, late of 2023 Lyndway Road, Lyndhurst, Ohio, United States of America, deceased

TAKE NOTICE that STEPHEN P. BAN of 937 Club Circle, Glenview, Illinois 60025, United States of America, the Executor named in the Will (the Will) of GAY CULL ADDICOTT also known as GAY CULL, deceased who died on the 5th day of August, 2022 domiciled in Ohio, United States of America (the Deceased), has applied to the Eastern Caribbean Supreme Court in the Probate Division for Probate of the Will bearing the date 18 October 2019.

ANY PERSON having an objection to the Grant of Probate to the said STEPHEN P. BAN, shall within fourteen (14) days from the date of publication of this Notice lodge with the Registry of the High Court in the Territory of the Virgin Islands a proper document setting out the said objections.



O'Neal  
Webster  
Solicitors for the Executor  
[77]

**FORM "A"**

**"NEW"**

To: The Licensing Magistrate  
And

The Officer in Charge of Police  
**I, JOHN KLEIN dba WBV MANAGEMENT LTD/ALICE RESTAURANT** now residing at **WHITE BAY, JOST VAN DYKE in the Territory of the Virgin Islands** do hereby give notice that it is my intention to apply to the Licensing Magistrate at the Special Sitting of the Magistrate's Court to be held at Road Town, Tortola, on the **1st day December, 2022** for a **CLUB Licence** to sell intoxicating liquor at my premises situated at **WHITE BAY, JOST VAN DYKE** and registered Parcel Number **59 of Block 1440A** of the **JOST VAN DYKE, Registration Section in the Land Registry of the Virgin Island**

Dated this 10th. day of November, 2022.

*Signed J.Klein*  
[77]

**FORM "A"**

**"NEW"**

To: The Licensing Magistrate  
And

The Officer in Charge of Police  
**I, OLIVER ASLOP dba THE ADMIRAL PUB** now residing at **FRENCHMAN'S CAY, TORTOLA in the Territory of the Virgin Islands** do hereby give notice that it is my intention to apply to the Licensing Magistrate at the Special Sitting of the Magistrate's Court to be held at Road Town, Tortola, on the **1st day December, 2022** for a **BAR/RESTAURANT Licence** to sell intoxicating liquor at my premises situated at **FRENCHMAN'S CAY** and registered Parcel Number **8 of Block 2033B** of the **WEST END, Registration Section in the Land Registry of the Virgin Island**

Dated this 14th. day of November, 2022.

*Signed O. Aslop*  
[77]

**FORM "A"**

**"NEW"**

To: The Licensing Magistrate  
And

The Officer in Charge of Police  
**We, ROBERT SWAIN JR. and CRAIG WINTER dba ON THE ROX AT THE PIER PARK** now residing at **HORSE PATH and PALESTINA ESTATE in the Territory of the Virgin Islands** do hereby give notice that it is my intention to apply to the Licensing Magistrate at the Special Sitting of the Magistrate's Court to be held at Road Town, Tortola, on the **1st day December, 2022** for a **BAR Licence** to sell intoxicating liquor at my premises situated at **CYRIL B ROMNEY PIER PARK, ROAD TOWN** and registered Parcel Number **120 of Block 2937B** of the **ROAD TOWN, Registration Section in the Land Registry of the Virgin Island**

Dated this 9th. day of November, 2022.

*Signed R. Swain & C. Winter*  
[77]

**FORM "A"**

**"NEW"**

To: The Licensing Magistrate  
And

The Officer in Charge of Police  
**I, BERTHELINA HENRY dba MAD DOG** now residing at **BATHS HILL, VIRGIN GORDA in the Territory of the Virgin Islands** do hereby give notice that it is my intention to apply to the Licensing Magistrate at the Special Sitting of the Magistrate's Court to be held at Road Town, Tortola, on the **1st day December, 2022** for a **BAR/RESTAURANT Licence** to sell intoxicating liquor at my premises situated at **BATHS HILL, VIRGIN GORDA** and registered Parcel Number **18 of Block 4738B** of the **VIRGIN GORDA, Registration Section in the Land Registry of the Virgin Island**

Dated this 14th day of November, 2022.

*Signed B. Henry*  
[77]

**FORM "A"**

**"NEW"**

To: The Licensing Magistrate  
And

The Officer in Charge of Police  
**I, SONETTE SAINT-LOT dba DERNIELA'S BAR** now residing at **PLEASANT VALLEY, TORTOLA in the Territory of the Virgin Islands** do hereby give notice that it is my intention to apply to the Licensing Magistrate at the Special Sitting of the Magistrate's Court to be held at Road Town, Tortola, on the **1st day December, 2022** for a **BAR Licence** to sell intoxicating liquor at my premises situated at **BAUGHER'S BAY, TORTOLA** and registered Parcel Number **532 of Block 3038B** of the **ROAD TOWN, Registration Section in the Land Registry of the Virgin Island**

Dated this 12th. day of November, 2022.

*Signed S. Saint-Lot*  
[77]

**FORM "A"**

**"NEW"**

To: The Licensing Magistrate  
And

The Officer in Charge of Police  
**I, LINDELL A. DEFREITAS dba THE PLAYROOM** now residing at **SEACOW'S BAY in the Territory of the Virgin Islands** do hereby give notice that it is my intention to apply to the Licensing Magistrate at the Special Sitting of the Magistrate's Court to be held at Road Town, Tortola, on the **1st day December, 2022** for a **NIGHT CLUB Licence** to sell intoxicating liquor at my premises situated at **ELMO CONNOR BUILDING, SEACOW'S BAY** and registered Parcel Number **35 of Block 3736** of the **SEACOW'S, Registration Section in the Land Registry of the Virgin Island**

Dated this 15th. day of November, 2022.

*Signed L. Defreitas*  
[77]

## BVI'S GLOBAL IMPACT, FINANCIAL SERVICES AND TOURISM LEAD DISCUSSIONS AT BREAKFAST FORUM



Tortola, 24 November 2022: BVI's leaders in financial services, tourism and business relayed their take on the Territory's global impact and driving the BVI towards global prosperity at the Special Edition Breakfast Forum as part of Financial Services Week 2022.

The topics stemmed from the 'Beyond Globalisation - The British Virgin Islands' contribution to global

prosperity in an uncertain world", a report by Pragmatix Advisory and commissioned by BVI Finance.

The Breakfast Forum panel included BVI Finance Chief Executive Officer Ms. Elise Donovan, BVI's Director of Tourism Mr. Clive McCoy, Director of the BVI Chamber of Commerce and Hotel Association (BVICCHA)

Mrs. Shaina Smith-Archer and Pragmatix Advisory Director Mr. Mark Pragnell, and was moderated by BVI Government's Director of Communications Dr. Arliene T. Penn.

On BVI Finance's role in globalisation, Ms. Donovan stated: "We are the cogs in the wheel of the global economy," adding, "We provide the services that facilitate globalisation, that facilitate business and trade across borders."

The BVI Finance head said globalisation demonstrates "how we interact across borders," and the interconnectivity of businesses. Speaking about BVI's global reach, Ms. Donovan highlighted the BVI's market share in Asia, which accounts for over 40-percent, as per the findings in the 'Beyond Globalisation'

report.

Mr. McCoy shared that globalisation is seen in the BVI Tourist Board's marketing strategy, adding, "what happens globally, affects tourism in the BVI".

Mr. McCoy also spoke about the relationship between tourism and financial services as being closely linked in terms of the support provided to corporate business, and in some cases, the combined marketing efforts.

While describing the BVICCHA as a "business support organisation", Mrs. Smith-Archer said that the Virgin Islands business economy, financial services and tourism, is very much involved in global business in that they cater to international clientele.

These businesses, according to Mrs. Smith-Archer,

are supported by many Virgin Islands based small businesses that form a major part of what she refers to as the "supply chain". Those businesses include retailers, wholesalers, real estate, and professional services.

The panel discussion concluded with a shared consensus that there is much opportunity for further growth in the BVI's economy and greater success in the face of globalisation.

To watch the forum, go to BVI Finance on Facebook, or use this link: <https://fb.watch/gTwhVewbrQ/>.

The BVI Finance Breakfast Forum formed part of the activities calendar for Financial Services Week, from November 12 to 19. This year's celebration was held under the theme, 'Globalisation: BVI Beyond'.

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**S** - stop! Calm yourself and your child

**T** - take a few deep breaths

**O** - observe the needs of your child

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## GOVERNOR PRESENTS DCP APPOINTMENT LETTERS/ACP SWORN IN

Thursday, November 24 – The two Deputy Commissioners, St. Clair Amory and Jacqueline Vanterpool, officially received their certificates of appointment yesterday afternoon from His Excellency the Governor John Rankin, while Pam Trevillion was sworn in as the new Assistant Commissioner in a short ceremony at the Governor’s House.

Those gathered, which included the Premier, Deputy Governor, Deputy Premier and other members of the National Security Council as well as members of the Police Service Commission headed by Ms. Rosalia Gardener, who were on hand to witness the event.

While pledging his support to the new commanders, the Governor detailed the journey of the three officers through law enforcement noting the years of education and training that each officer brings to the table. Deputy Premier Kye Rymer also expressed his support to the new appointees and his delight in being part of the process in their selection.

Commissioner of Police Mark Collins, in his remarks, noted the unusually long, but necessary process in filling the top three posts essential to support his work as Commissioner.

“While the process took a long time, I am confident we have selected the best candidates for the positions as we take the Royal Virgin Islands Police Force into this new season,” he said.

He congratulated the two deputy appointees and noted that neither were new to the Force but are well-seasoned veterans in law enforcement. He stated that Ms. Vanterpool’s appointment made history for the Royal Virgin Islands Police Force.

“Jacqueline Vanterpool...is now the first female Deputy Commissioner. Female officers are making their mark in this male-dominated profession of law enforcement not just here but all over the world and, for sure, are moving up the ladder swiftly, confidently, and commendably. She is one of those officers,” he said.

Commissioner Collins also congratulated Pam Trevillion who was sworn as Assistant Commissioner of Police and welcome her onboard. He noted that Ms. Trevillion, another first for female officer in the post of ACP, is a veteran law enforcer having reach the rank of superintendent in the United Kingdom.





**Scrub Island Resort, Spa and Marin**

The Resort Host/ Hostess is responsible for ensuring that customers are happy with the service they are receiving, prior, during and after their stay. Resort Host/ Hostess should provide a service that goes above and beyond guest's expectations.

**Required Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities:**

- High school diploma or GED equivalent.
- Prior job-related experience preferred.
- Computer literate.
- Ability to communicate effectively with the public and other employees.
- Read, write, and speak English fluently.

**Physical Requirement:**

- Ability to speak and hear.
- Frequent walking with standing during shifts.
- Continual use of manual dexterity and gross motor skills with frequent use of bimanual dexterity and fine motor skills.

- Able to reach hands and arms in any direction and kneel and stoop repeatedly.
- Able to spend long periods of time on your feet, sitting or working in close quarters.

**Duties:**

- Ensuring guest satisfaction is beyond their expectations and overcoming any issues that may arise.
- Anticipate guest's needs and respond promptly.
- Assist with concierge services when needed.
- Creating a daily briefing sheet that highlights important information.
- Monitoring check-ins and check outs are done correctly with all bills properly posted.
- Any other duties assigned by the supervisor or manager.
- Please email your resume to [rguishard@mainsailhotels.com](mailto:rguishard@mainsailhotels.com) and [jmsalomon@mainsailhotels.com](mailto:jmsalomon@mainsailhotels.com).

For further questions, you can contact us at 284-394-3440 or 284-346-7075

**Closure of Offices and Warehouses in Observance of The Commemoration of the 1949 Great March and the Restoration of the Legislative Council**

The British Virgin Islands Ports Authority (BVIPA) would like to inform the public that in observance of the 1949 Great March and Restoration of the Legislative Council the offices and warehouses on Tortola and Virgin Gorda will be closed to the public on Monday, 28 November 2022.

Our offices and warehouses will resume normal business hours on Tuesday, 29 November 2022. Cargo vessels will continue to be facilitated during the holiday.

For more information, please contact 494-3435.

**THE ISLAND SUN CLASSIFIED ADS**



"Scrub Island Resort, Spa and Marina is seeking qualified persons to fill the position of Night Auditor (Part Time):

The Night Auditor role is to audit the books for the hotel at night and to also manage the front desk. The front desk responsibility is given to them because rarely do customers check in or check out during nighttime, and the hotel does not need to hire clerks especially for this. The night auditors do not require high education; however, they need to be good in accounting for which they do accounting courses.

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**Academic Requirement to be a Night Auditor**

- High school diploma is the minimum requirement
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For further questions, you can contact us at 284-394-3440 or 284-346-7075"  
[s77]

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[s78]

Program Manager required for Systems Integration Company. Must have 10 years minimum experience with Project Management in Low Voltage Systems industry. Belongers preferred. Send applications in PDF format via email to: [info@avlbvi.com](mailto:info@avlbvi.com)[s78]

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**JAY-ARCHIBALD CONSTRUCTION** requires one full time SECRETARY, with a minimum of two years experience. Belongers preferred. Call 543-5073 [s77]

**CLASSIFIEDS**

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**Caribbean Hidden Secret Ltd.** is seeking the following employees as Heavy Equipment Operator and a Heavy Equipment Mechanic. Please call 340-2962 for more information. [s77]

**B & S - PAINTING SERVICES** is seeking one (1) fulltime Painter/ Handyman in Virgin Gorda with 5 years or more experience. Call (284) 344-2415 / (284) 342-3696 [s77]

**Zacxan,** is seeking to employ a full-time marine carpenter/laminator. Experience in fiber glassing and structural repairs. Expected to have more than 3 years experience in boatbuilding. Please email [zacxanbvi@gmail.com](mailto:zacxanbvi@gmail.com) or call 284-547-8100 before 6th December 2022 [s78]

**Employment Opportunity**  
The New Horizon Ferry Services Ltd is inviting applications from suitably qualified persons to fill the following positions:  
1. Cashier - Must have excellent Communication & Interpersonal Skills, Customer Oriented and Computer Literacy Skills

2. Crew - Must have an STCW certificate

All applicants must possess a minimum of five years' experience working in a similar capacity. Successful applicants should be able to work on a flexible schedule including early mornings, evenings, weekends, and holidays and must reside on Jost Van Dyke.

Please submit resume to [newhorizonferry@yahoo.com](mailto:newhorizonferry@yahoo.com)  
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**MGA Project Management and Construction Services** is seeking to employ Full time: three carpenters and one mason. Send applications to [mgapmes@gmail.com](mailto:mgapmes@gmail.com) or call 341 2227. [s78]

Scrub Island Resort, Spa and Marina is seeking qualified persons to fill the position of Engineer:

**Required Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities:**

- High school diploma or GED equivalent.
- Prior job-related experience preferred.
- Ability to communicate effectively with the public and other employees.
- Read, write, and speak English fluently.
- Enjoy working with people and possess a friendly and outgoing personality.
- Excellent communication and listening skills, as well as basic computer knowledge.

**Physical Requirement:**

- Ability to speak and hear.
- Close and distance vision
- Identify and distinguish colors.
- Frequent walking with some standing at times.
- Will walk for long periods of time, possibly extended distances.

**Duties:**

- Designing and implementing cost-effective equipment modifications to help improve safety and reliability.
- Developing a project specification with colleagues, often including those from other engineering disciplines.
- Developing, testing, and evaluating theoretical designs.
- Discussing and solving complex problems with manufacturing departments, sub-contractors, suppliers, and customers.
- Making sure a product can be made reliably and will perform consistently in specified operating environments.
- Any other duties assigned.

Please email your resume to [rguishard@mainsailhotels.com](mailto:rguishard@mainsailhotels.com) and [jmsalomon@mainsailhotels.com](mailto:jmsalomon@mainsailhotels.com). For further questions, you can contact us at 284-394-3440 or 284-346-7075" [77]

**4Ds Construction & Maintenance** has a need for workers in the capacity of Masons,-Carpenters, Foreman,- Manager, Steelmen, Rought Carpenter, Joiner, Sheetrock workers and-Architect. Please call 340-0103. [s78]

**The Wheel House Restaurant & Bar** is seeking the following: Full time: 1 cook with knowledge of baking. 1 Kitchen-helper/ commercial pressure fryer operator 1 Bartender Telephone: 5417600 [s78]

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