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Editorial

Medal Of Patriotism

The overall performance of Team St.Kitts-Nevis at the 2023 CARIFTA Games recently held in the Bahamas has certainly created quite a refreshing and inspirational level of patriotism which continues to make us beam with pride as a nation and people.

Our eyes were glued to our tv screens and other electronic devices as we locked collectively sharing in the moment for every event that our athletes competed in. Our hearts and eyes raced with emotions in cheering and encouraging our Team Unstoppable SKN.

Even amidst the controversial challenges, we have rallied together to express our sentiments which too has led to emotions of patriotism geared towards unwavering support and being vocal in standing together and standing up for each other. What a thrill!

The spotlight at this point belongs to our young people making positive strides in their capacities as sports ambassadors. However, it must be said that their self discipline, determination and dedication have been the homegrown personality pedicure which continues to bloom, and so they have been fully capable of representing their country abroad. Indeed, they are role models as part of the outlook for our nation's bright and prosperous future in whatever field they choose, certainly they fit the category of future leaders.

It goes without saying that years from now, many of us would proudly recall our state of mind for the 50th edition of the CARIFTA games though, frankly speaking, with the bittersweet elements.

Fast forward to the exciting welcome home reception and motorcade for our athletic ambassadors on Wednesday this week. Government officials, sports officials, high school

Taiwan Embassy expressed appreciation to the National Assembly of Saint Christopher and Nevis

BASSETTERRE, SAINT KITTS AND NEVIS, APRIL 12, 2023 (PMO) - The Embassy of the Republic of China (Taiwan) has expressed appreciation to the National Assembly of Saint Christopher and Nevis in support of Taiwan's quest to participate in international organizations.

"Our Embassy welcomes and appreciates the Saint Kitts and Nevis National Assembly's Resolution supporting #Taiwan's participation in international organizations, as well as recognizing our country's contribution in advancing global public health, fighting climate change and transnational crime, and spearheading the post-pandemic economic recovery," the Taiwan Embassy said.

"As a force for good, Taiwan strives to safeguard peace and stability, and firmly upholds freedom and democracy. We cherish the solidarity of friends including Saint Kitts and Nevis and are

committed to closer cooperation and partnership in pursuit of continued progress and shared prosperity," said the statement.

At a recent sitting of the law making body, Saint Kitts and Nevis' Prime Minister Hon. Dr. Terrance Drew moved the endorsing the bid of the Republic of China (Taiwan) to participate in several international organizations. The resolution was seconded by Leader of the Opposition, Hon. Mark Brantley.

The resolution reads: **"WHEREAS** the National Assembly of Saint Christopher and Nevis, being a member of the interparliamentary platform, Formosa Club, in the Caribbean, treasures the diplomatic ties between the Federation of Saint Christopher and Nevis and Republic of China on Taiwan, and recognizes that the profound friendship between our two countries has grown stronger over the years based on shared values, the respect for the rule of law, democracy and human rights **AND WHEREAS** the National Assembly of Saint Christopher and Nevis values Republic of China on Taiwan as a major contributor in international public health while its healthcare system has earned a global reputation and has been our dedicated partner in public health, as well as in the fight against the COVID-19 pandemic **AND WHEREAS** the National Assembly of Saint Christopher and Nevis recognizes Republic of China on Taiwan's efforts and contributions to renewable energy and to the objective of net-zero emissions by 2050, as well as Taiwan's willingness to share mitigation and adaptation projects to climate change, and to enhance early warning systems for disaster prevention **AND WHEREAS** the National Assembly of Saint Christopher and Nevis treasures Republic of China on Taiwan's contributions to combating transnational crime and calls for Taiwan's appropriate inclusion and meaningful participation in meetings, mechanisms, and activities related to the fight against transnational crime and terrorism so as to create a seamless security network and together uphold global justice **AND WHEREAS** the National Assembly of Saint

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principals, parents as well as other relatives, supporters and well wishers including media workers came out in their numbers to collectively showcase to our young people just how proud we are of their efforts and accomplishments. Again, what a thrill!

It is always heartwarming when we come together as a people to show our nationalistic passion and joy. Love for country and people should always be a part of our culture. We

have a rich history and together as a community we should focus on engaging in positive engagement and activities that would complement all areas which make us proud to be a citizen and resident of 'This Land of Beauty' in making us unstoppable for generations to come.

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Shawn Richards Asks Public To Help PAM Rebuild

By: Spokesman Newsroom

BASSETTERRE, St.Kitts (Wednesday 12th April 2023)- Leader of the opposition People's Action Movement (PAM) and Parliamentary Representative for Constituency Five Shawn Richards is asking party supporters and non-party supporters alike for help in giving "positive suggestions" geared towards rebuilding the party.

"Even if it is at this particular point in time you don't support the People's Action Movement but you have looked at the People's Action Movement and you recognize that there are things that we can do differently; you have positive suggestions, positive criticisms...

He made the appeal for help during a live video streaming via social media page Facebook/PAM-The People's Action Movement on Tuesday 18th April 2023.

According to him: "The People's Action Movement is very strong. We are in the process rebuilding our party. We have asked all of our executive members to put all hands on deck and I'm happy to say that is exactly what we are doing; we are in the process rebuilding PAM. We are in the transformation process so that the People's Action Movement will be come back stronger than ever."

Richards shared that session is the first of a new live series that the party will be starting, and will be held every other Tuesday.

"You will have different candidates or different executive members coming to you and speaking on different issues during this live. I want those of you who are listening, if you have any questions, feel free to type your questions so that at the end of it, your questions can be answered," he said about the live stream series.

The PAM Leader spoke about what has been happening with the party since the August 2022 general elections.

"Now, over the last few months since the general elections in August of last year, we've had a series of meetings. We've had executive meetings, we've had meetings with candidates, we've had meetings with individuals and groups from the different constituencies and we are continuing those series of meetings. We intend to engage our supporters who are overseas whether by Zoom or whether by some other means because as I said earlier, we want all hands on deck in rebuilding the People's Action Movement. During the course of the last few months, we've taken a hard look at the People's Action Movement. We have been looking at our structures, we have been looking at our approach, we have put certain committees into effect to ...restructure some of the aspects of things that we do and how we go about doing those particular things.

He added: "For example, we have put a media committee in place which is to engage persons in terms of current events. We have looked at a

constituency group, and that particular committee is going to look at the different constituencies and concentrate [and] get ideas as to how we can go about rebuilding PAM in the different constituencies."

Richards said a committee has been put in place "in each and every constituency to provide you with the best possible candidate so that at the end of the day we are confident that we will be able to win that particular constituency."

He went on to say: "We are open to ideas, we are open to suggestions so if you have any ideas, any suggestions as to some of the things that we ought to do differently going forward, we welcome those suggestions. PAM is an inclusive party and is a party which wants to hear the ideas of all of the different persons. Even if it is at this particular point in time you don't support the People's Action Movement but you have looked at the People's Action Movement and you recognize that there are things that we can do differently; you have positive suggestions, positive criticisms... to provide the People's Action Movement, we want to hear from you. We want to hear from every individual who have positive feedback to give to us here in the People's Action Movement."

The PAM Leader also told individuals, who perhaps chose in the last election- for whatever reason-did not support PAM "we welcome you back and we also welcome your feedback too."

Notably, the PAM party ran total of eight candidates in each constituency in the August 2022 general elections, and Richards was the only candidate who won his seat. The St.Kitts-Nevis Labour Party captured 6 out of 8 seats in forming the present government.

Leader of the other opposition arm the People's Labour Party (PLP) Dr. Timothy Harris regained the Constituency Seven seat, and both him and Richards are former colleagues of the broken-up Team Unity coalition.

Front Page Photo: Leader of the opposition People's Action Movement and Parliamentary Representative for Constituency Five Shawn Richards speaking during a live streaming on Tuesday 18th April 2023. (Spokesman Screenshot: Facebook/PAM-The People's Action Movement)

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Christopher and Nevis acknowledges Republic of China on Taiwan's importance in the development and governance of international civil aviation, and the indispensability of its inclusion in cooperation mechanisms in order to safeguard global aviation safety and reconnect the world in the post-pandemic recovery BE IT RESOLVED THEREFORE THAT the National Assembly of Saint Christopher and Nevis endorses Republic of China on Taiwan's bids to participate in a professional, pragmatic, and constructive manner in international and regional mechanisms and organizations, such as the United Nations (UN), the World Health Organization (WHO), United Nations Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC), the Criminal Police International Organization (INTERPOL) and the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO)."

The resolution was unanimously approved in the law making body.



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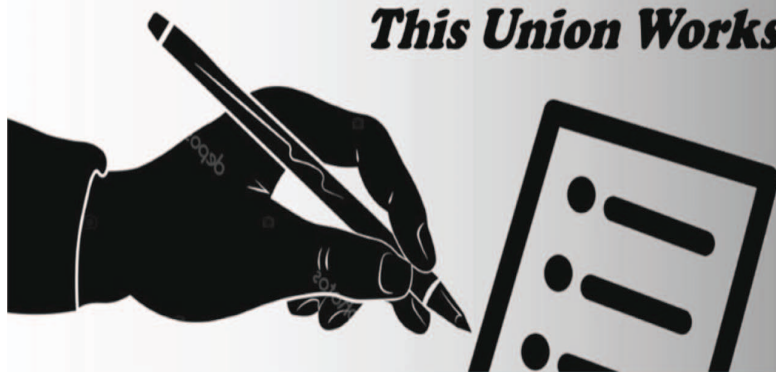
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SKN Applauds Unstoppable CARIFTA Team

...First Gold Medal In Five Years

By: Spokesman Newsroom

BASSETTERRE, St. Kitts (Wednesday 12th April 2023) - Team Unstoppable SKN were warmly welcomed hero style during a welcome home ceremony held on Wednesday 13th April 2023 at the Kayan Jet Lounge followed by a motorcade through the streets of Basseterre following the staging of the 50th CARIFTA games hosted in the Bahamas (8th to 10 April).

Coming out of the regional sporting event, the federation received three medals namely: Akanye Samuel-Francis Gold-54.14 Under 17 Males 400m, Jaylen Bennett Silver-48.59 Under 17 Males 400m and De'Cheynelle

Thomas-Bronze 55.46 for the Under 17 females 400

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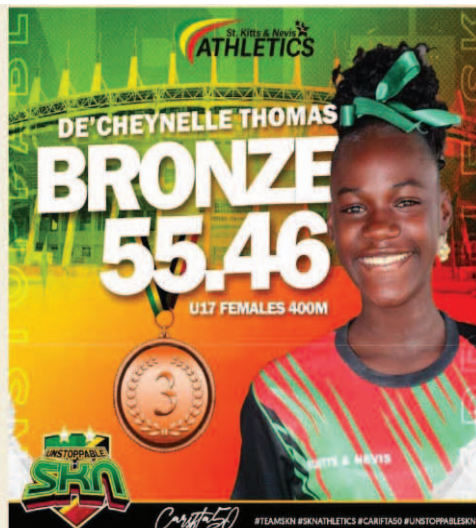
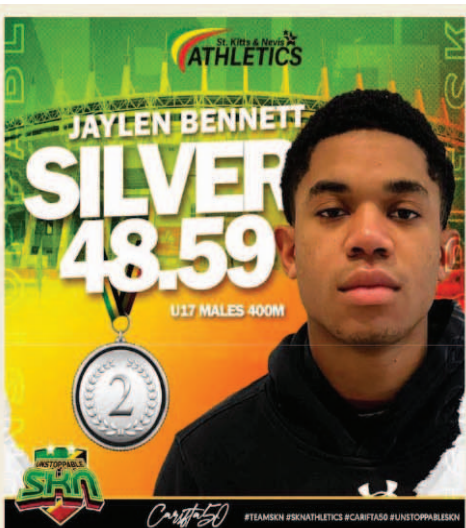
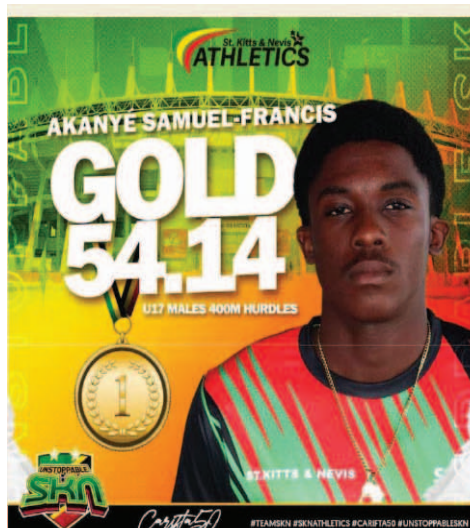


Photo: Medalists for Team Unstoppable SKN following 50th CARIFTA Games (credit: Facebook/St. Kitts and Nevis Athletics-SKN Athletics)

Case Number :SKBHCV2021/0127

EASTERN CARIBBEAN SUPREME COURT
SAINT CHRISTOPHER AND NEVIS
SAINT CHRISTOPHER CIRCUIT

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE

BETWEEN:

REPUBLIC BANK (EC) LIMITED

and

[1] LIONEL FRANCIS
[2] NERISHA FRANCIS

Respondents

NOTICE OF SALE BY PUBLIC AUCTION

The Property described below will be offered for sale by the Registrar of the High Court by PUBLIC AUCTION at the High Court of Justice, Basseterre, St. Kitts,

on Thursday the 22nd day of June, 2023,

at 2:00 o'clock in the afternoon.

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY: ALL THAT lot piece or parcel of land with building thereon known as **Lot No. 100 of Taylor's Housing Extension Phase III**, in the Parish of St. George, in the Island of Saint Christopher and bounded and measuring as follows, that is to say:- ON or towards the North by a Development Road, 50.06 feet; ON or towards the East by Lot No. 99, 80.14 feet; ON or towards the South by Lot No. 48 of Taylor's Housing Development, 50.14 feet; and ON or towards the West by Lot No. 101, 80.20 feet, and containing by admeasurement **4,016.41 square feet**; all as the same is described in a Certificate of Title dated October 8, 2008 registered in Book 113 Folio 418 of the Register of Titles of the St. Kitts Circuit.

SURVEY PLAN & PHOTOGRAPHS OF PROPERTY:



UPSET PRICE: The upset price for the above lands and any buildings thereon shall be **EC\$475,011.32**.

GENERAL INFORMATION:

The successful bidder: (1) must publicly declare on whose behalf he or she is bidding; (2) must pay at the time of sale a deposit of one fourth (25%) of his or her winning bid; and (3) must pay the balance within one month from the day of the public auction. The purchaser(s) shall be entitled, by law, to possession of the property after payment of the deposit. The purchaser(s) must pay Stamp Duty (statutorily 6% of the purchase price) and any Property Taxes accrued and unpaid at the time of the transfer of the property. It is recommended that the purchaser(s) instruct legal counsel to conclude the transfer process. Contact the Applicant/Mortgagee's Attorneys-at-Law, Kelsick, Wilkin and Ferdinand (869-465-2440 or law@kwfonline.com) or the High Court Registry (869-467-1102 registryskn@gov.kn) for more details.

Dated the 30th day of March, 2023

BY THE COURT

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EASTERN CARIBBEAN SUPREME COURT
SAINT CHRISTOPHER AND NEVIS
NEVIS CIRCUIT

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE

APPLICATION NO. NEVHCV 2009/0061

BETWEEN:

FIRSTCARIBBEAN INTERNATIONAL
BANK (CAYMAN) LIMITED

Applicant

and

[1] ROLF MONSEN
[2] HARALD NAESS

Respondents

NOTICE OF SALE BY PUBLIC AUCTION

The property described below will be offered for sale by public auction administered by the Registrar of the High Court, Nevis Circuit, at the High Court of Justice, Theodore L. Hobson K.C. Court Building, Prince William Street, Charlestown, Nevis

on Thursday the 29th day of June, 2023,

at 2:30 o'clock in the afternoon.

Condominium Diamond Unit #4 Ground Floor being a portion of all that lot of land with the building thereon situate at Hamilton Estate in the Island of Nevis described in Certificate of Title registered in Book 42 Folio 268 of the Register of Titles of the Island of Nevis and contained in the declaration and description of Carino Hamilton Estate Development Condominiums Registered as No. 3 in the Condominium Corporation Index on the 17th day of May 2005 comprising 1,319 square feet together with an undivided 12.5% interest in the Common Area appurtenant thereto; all as the same is described in a Certificate of Title dated the 22nd day of June 2007 and registered in Condominium Book 1 Folio 20 of the Register of Titles of the Island of Nevis.

SURVEY PLAN AND PICTURE OF PROPERTY:

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Parish of Saint Paul



UPSET PRICE: The upset price for the above lands and any buildings thereon shall be **EC\$595,000.00**.

GENERAL INFORMATION:

The successful bidder: (1) must publicly declare on whose behalf he or she is bidding; (2) must pay at the time of sale a deposit of one fourth (25%) of his or her winning bid; and (3) must pay the balance within one month from the day of the public auction. The purchaser(s) shall be entitled, by law, to possession of the property after payment of the deposit. The purchaser(s) must pay Stamp Duty (statutorily 6% of the purchase price) and any Property Taxes accrued and unpaid at the time of the transfer of the property. It is recommended that the purchaser(s) instruct legal counsel to conclude the transfer process. Contact the Applicant/Mortgagee's Attorneys-at-Law, Kelsick, Wilkin and Ferdinand (869-465-2440 or law@kwfonline.com) or the High Court Registry (869-469-0504 and 469-5521 nevreg@niagov.com) for more details.

Dated the 28th day of March, 2023

BY THE COURT

[Signature]
DEPUTY REGISTRAR



29 Acts For Music Festival Following Second Wave Unveiling

By: Precious Mills

BASSETERRE, St.Kitts (Thursday 13th April 2023)-One month after the first wave of performers slated to perform at the upcoming St.Kitts Music Festival, the wait for the second wave ended on Thursday 13th April 2023, with the addition of nineteen (acts), giving a total of 29 (twenty nine) entertainers overall slotted for the three-nightly concert extravaganza slated for Thursday 22nd to 24th June at the Warner Park in Basseterre.

“The first round of artistes was released on March 12th, and I know that we all have been anxiously awaiting further announcement. Well, the wait is over,” was what Minister of Tourism Marsha Henderson said during a press conference held at the Royal St.Kitts Hotel.

Via a video screen unveiling, the second wave announcement- which concluded with Burna Boy-features: AkaiiUSweet, Kollision Band, Small Axe Band, Stadics, Erica Edwards, Anthony B, Romain Virgo, Teejay, Nicha B, 313 Family, Mr.Bagnall, Kes the Band, Nailah Blackman, Preedy, Gramps Morgan, Nu Vybes Band International, Ricardo Drue and Dexta Daps.

The first wave of the ‘Big Reveal’ were: Skillibeng, Skinny Fabulous, Chronixx, Valiant, Koffee, Byron Messia, Govana, Patrice Roberts, Air Supply and Grand Masters Band.

The Tourism Minister said the Music Festival was “created with the goal of generating revenue for the destination during the summer months after the peak of the tourism season. Hence, as we promote the festival, we are first promoting a destination festival, and we encourage our visitors and our members of the diaspora to come and venture deeper and peel back the layers of the destination that offers culinary, historical, eco adventure and of course the rhythm of our people through music.”

Henderson pointed out that there are fringe events being planned of which the festival of course will be the main highlight.

She shared also that it is anticipate that the week of events will begin on June

17th and end on 25th June. Staple events such as White Sands and Escape, according to her, will be joined by other events noting that this will be announced over the next few weeks as such is confirmed with partners.

The Tourism Minister said the concerts are scheduled for 7:00pm nightly. “All concerts are scheduled for 7:00pm nightly. Please note, however, that the committee reserves the right to adjust the time. The admission fee for each concert night remains mere EC\$135 orUS\$50.We wish to note, however, that the value of the festival continues to increase and we have kept the prices the same.”

Tickets are available www.stkittsmusicfestival.com .

Front Page Photo: Patrons seen enjoying themselves at a St.Kitts Music Festival Release Party held in March 2022 at the Royal St.Kitts Hotel (credit: Facebook/St.KittsMusicFestival)

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SAINT CHRISTOPHER CIRCUIT

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE
Claim No. SKBHPB2023/0030

In the Estate of **PATRICE JANE MAHON** late of Kent Country, State of Delaware in the United States of America, deceased

ADVERTISEMENT OF APPLICATION FOR GRANT

TAKE NOTICE that an application has been filed by **JOHNSON & ASSOCIATES**, Attorneys-at-Law for **KATHLEEN MICKLE-ASKIN** of 25 Beloit Avenue, Dover, Delaware in the United States of America and **DIANE SCHILLING** of 793 Ponderosa Road, Magnolia, Delaware in the United States of America, for a Grant of Probate to the applicants who are the named Administratrices in the Last Will of the deceased, who died on the 1st day of February, 2013 without revoking a Will bearing the date of 28th day of October, 2011. Any person having an objection to the Grant of Probate to the application shall file an objection within 14 days of the publication of this Notice.

Dated this 30th day of March, 2023

Filed by: **JOHNSON & ASSOCIATES**, Attorneys-at-Law whose address for service is: Unit 9 The Sands, Bay Road, Basseterre, St. Kitts, Telephone Number 466-2018.

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Tourism Minister Talks ‘Cannabis Celebration’ At Music Festival 2023

By: Precious Mills

BASSETERRE, St.Kitts (Thursday 13th April 2023)-Minister of Tourism Marsha Henderson has disclosed that plans are in the making to have will be a ‘420 friendly’ feature at the upcoming St.Kitts Music Festival.

“This year we’re proposing that the festival be 420 friendly. For those of you who may not understand, there is an international celebration on the 20th of April-that’s this month- where we celebrate cannabis internationally, not just locally. This year we’re proposing that the festival be 420 friendly.”

Henderson made the announcement while speaking at a press conference held on Thursday 13th April 2023 at the Royal St.Kitts Hotel which saw the second wave line-up being unveiled.

The Tourism Minister, commenting further in the talking about the new government’s vision to venture into cannabis tourism.

“We’re currently working with our legal team and security forces to discuss this plan and more information of course will be provided to you over the next few weeks but as we talk on diversifying more offerings and products, those of you who have been following us would see that we want to venture into cannabis tourism and this is one of the pilot projects that we would venture

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Notice of Material Change

Notice issued pursuant to Section 60 (3)(a) of the Securities Act, Cap. 318A of the laws of Barbados and section 64 (1)(b) of the Securities Act of Trinidad & Tobago

April 06, 2023, Barbados

–The Eastern Caribbean Central Bank (‘ECCB’) provided conditional approval for the sale of the assets and banking business of FirstCaribbean International Bank (Barbados) Limited (‘FCIB Barbados’) branch in St. Kitts to the St. Kitts-Nevis-Anguilla National Bank Limited (‘SKNANB’) on July 15, 2022, subject to certain conditions.

SKNANB has informed FCIB Barbados that it has not secured final approval from the ECCB to conclude the acquisition. The ECCB has also notified FCIB Barbados of its decision to not grant final approval for the sale of FCIB Barbados’ operations in St. Kitts.

Notwithstanding the denial of approval outlined above, the ECCB remains fully engaged with FCIB Barbados as it continues to assess its operational footprint in the Eastern Caribbean Currency Union.

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Photo: A look at the scenery during the 66th Anniversary of the Basil Henderson Annual Easter Monday Aquatic Sports Meet held on Monday 10th April 2023 at the Ferry Terminal in Basseterre (Spokesman Snap)

Zack Says Aquatic Sports Was Extra Special

By: Precious Mills

BASSETTERRE, St.Kitts (Wednesday 12th April 2023) - “The aquatic sports this year was special. This year was more spectacular than the other years.”

This is how Coordinator of the 66th Anniversary of the Basil Henderson Annual Easter Monday Aquatic Sports Meet Winston ‘Zack’ Nisbett sums up the experience at the yearly event was held on Monday 10th April 2023 at the Ferry Terminal in Basseterre under the theme ‘Let’s Appreciate Our Rich Heritage.’

He expressed such sentiments during an interview with this reporter.

“The input from the public and the business sector was extra special. The persons were more dedicated, they gave their whole heart to it. You can actually feel it, and what was most intriguing was the opening prayer from Rev. Margaret Christopher who invoked God’s blessings on the proceedings. That in itself touched me.”

He noted that Mrs. Christopher and her husband (trained engineer) who attended the event are citizens of St.Kitts who reside in the UK, adding “that in itself speaks value why it was so exciting.”

Nisbett continued: “The persons loved it [the event]. It flowed beautifully. The crowd participated, especially with the hams greasy pole competitions; this year we had four hams and the same gentleman who won the ham last year Felix Jones-of the two hams and two turkeys, he won one hams and a turkey, and his cousin got the other turkey.”

He pointed to Jones’ having “lived up to his word” in light of the confidence level about winning which saw his walking on a greasy wooden pole extended horizontally across the water from the pier.

For the money fetch vertical pole climb competition, that prize was pocketed by Jeremiah Caines.

According to Nisbett: “That extra special. He went and put his whole heart into it and won that money and I’m glad for him because he was a member of my musical string band.”

The traditional swim races such as the long distance dive, butterfly, breast stroke and back stroke also took place featuring both male and female age range categories including 8-12, 13 to 16 and 17 and over.

Commenting on the impact of the sports meet, Nisbett had this to say: “The impact of the aquatic sports over the years have left- as it goes annually it keeps building. It is getting better and better, and people are responding better. This years as I indicated was much nicer. The overseas participation. We are coming stronger and better next year with more activities.”

Words of gratitude was expressed to the coast guard unit, police, EMS, Red Cross, SKELEC and all those who assisted behind the scene like Precious Mills Carolee Boddie, Pepe Isacc, Valley, Derrick Christopher Roberts who greased the competition poles as well and all others who assisted in any other way.

Sponsors and contributors were also thanked.

“Thanks to one and all. May the good Lord bless and keep you and we hope that next year, we are going to make it more spectacular. Everything went down

well. I want to thank the entire populous,” Nisbett said.

Front Page Photo: Felix Jones won two hams and a turkey in the greasy pole competition. He is seen here posing with prizes. (Spokesman Snap)

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**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE**

**APPLICATION NO. NEVHCV 2009/0063**

**BETWEEN:**

**FIRSTCARIBBEAN INTERNATIONAL BANK (CAYMAN) LIMITED**

and

**[1] RANDI HENRIKSEN**  
**[2] ERIK KNUT HANSEN**

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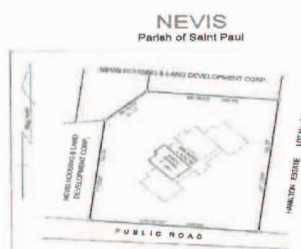
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**SURVEY PLAN OF PROPERTY:**



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Dated the 28<sup>th</sup> day of March 2023

BY THE COURT  
*M. Flemming*  
DEPUTY REGISTRAR





# Ministers of agriculture to meet in Chile to promote the sector’s role in mitigating climate change, with the participation of IICA

The two-day meeting will serve to promote a high-level dialogue regarding global perspectives on decreasing methane emissions and low-emission food systems.

The purpose of the meeting is to position agriculture as an important sector in providing innovative solutions to the climate crisis.

Santiago, Chile, 12 April 2023 (IICA). The ministers of agriculture and ambassadors of more than 20 countries will meet this week in Santiago, Chile for the First Ministerial Conference on Low-Emission Food Systems, with the participation of Manuel Otero, Director General of the Inter-American Institute for Cooperation on Agriculture (IICA).



This meeting of international consequence, whose purpose is to position agriculture as an important sector in providing innovative solutions to the climate crisis, will be co-chaired by Esteban Valenzuela, Minister of Agriculture of Chile, and Luis Planas, Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food of Spain. Chilean president, Gabriel Boric, is slated to participate in the opening ceremony to take place on Thursday, April 13.

The two-day meeting will serve to promote a high-level dialogue regarding global perspectives on decreasing methane emissions and low-emission food systems. The end goal is to create synergies between the ministers and international organizations to promote climate change mitigation and resilience in agricultural production and to share the successful experiences of participating countries and entities.

The conference will take place within the framework of the commitment made by more than 100 countries at the 2021 United Nations Climate Change Conference in Glasgow (COP 26) to reduce global methane emissions by 30% by 2030. It is supported by the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB), the World Bank, the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) and IICA, among other international organizations.

## Meeting of the Southern Agricultural Council

Also on the agenda for Chile, IICA’s Director General will participate in a meeting of ministers and top agricultural officials from Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Paraguay and Uruguay, comprising the Southern Agricultural Council (CAS).

At the meeting, the discussion will focus on the health situation in the countries regarding the bird flu outbreak and phytosanitary controls at the borders. The meeting will include the participation of representatives from the World Bank, a multilateral financial organization with which they are working to create a regional fund to deal with the economic consequences of the drought in the Southern Cone.

Manuel Otero and Minister Esteban Valenzuela will also participate in the launch in Chile of the study “Rural connectivity in Latin America and the Caribbean. State of play, challenges and actions for digitalization and sustainable development”. The document was written by IICA together with the World Bank, Microsoft and CAF-Development Bank of Latin America.

## About IICA

IICA is the specialized agency for agriculture in the Inter-American system, with a mission to encourage, promote and support its 34 Member States in their efforts to achieve agricultural development and rural well-being through international technical cooperation of excellence.

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and

MARCUS FYFIELD

Applicant

Respondent

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The property described below will be offered for sale by public auction administered by the Registrar of the High Court, Nevis Circuit, at the High Court of Justice, Theodore L. Hobson K.C. Court Building, Prince William Street, Charlestown, Nevis

on Thursday the 16<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2023,

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DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY: ALL THAT lot piece or parcel of land being Lot No. 11 situate at Shaws Estate (Shaws Housing Estate) together with dwelling house thereon in the Parish of St. James in the Island of Nevis bounded and measuring as follows, that is to say:- On the North by Lot No. 12, 100.00 feet, On the East by a Ghaut, 50.00 feet; On the South by Lot No. 10, 100.00 feet; and On the West by a Public Road, 50.00 feet; and containing by admeasurement 5,000 square feet; all as the same is described in a Certificate of Title dated August 25, 2009 registered in Book 47 Folio 282 of the Register of Titles of the Nevis Circuit.

SURVEY PLAN & PHOTOGRAPH OF PROPERTY:

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LOT NO. 10

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# Prime Minister Drew and Minister of Foreign Affairs, Dr. Douglas Pay Tribute to the Late Randall Robinson

**BASSETTERRE, SAINT KITTS AND NEVIS, APRIL 12, 2023 (PMO) -** Saint Kitts and Nevis' Prime Minister the Honourable Dr. Terrance Drew and Minister of Foreign Affairs, the Rt. Hon. Dr. Denzil L. Douglas paid glowing tribute to the late Randall Robinson at his recent funeral service at the Wesley Methodist Church in Basseterre.

Prime Minister Drew described Robinson as an extra "extraordinary son of the Divine, whose life spanned two continents and eight decades, touching countless lives as a lawyer, an author, a freedom fighter, and human rights advocate."



*(Prime Minister of Saint Kitts and Nevis, Hon Dr. Terrance Drew giving remarks at the funeral service of Mr. Randall Robinson)*

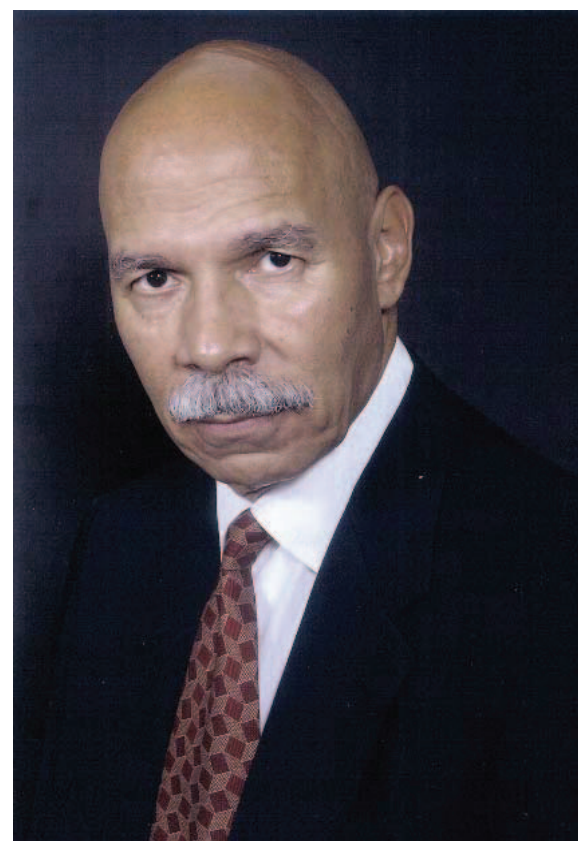
"His hunger for justice in Africa and Haiti and for black lives the world over mirrored the consciousness of Mahatma Gandhi, the zeal of Stokely Carmichael and the civility of [Dr] Martin Luther King Jr. His advocacy for reparations and for mutual courtesy and respect among blacks pivoted the discussion on social justice in new and remarkable ways following the civil rights struggles of the 1960s," said Dr. Drew.

The Prime Minister pointed out that while Randall Robinson was born into the relative comforts of first world standards of living and enjoyed the prestige of an Ivy league education, he took upon himself the form of a servant of humanity and was obedient to the call to suffer for the cause of justice for the people of Haiti during his four weeks of hunger strike in 1994," said Dr. Drew.

The Saint Kitts and Nevis Prime Minister hailed Robinson for leading the fight against apartheid in South Africa and the release of Nelson Mandela after decades in prison and the election of Jean-Bertrand Aristide as President of Haiti.



*(L\_R) The Rt. Hon. Dr. Denzil Douglas; United States Congresswoman, Hon. Maxine Water; Prime Minister of Saint Kitts and Nevis, Hon. Dr. Terrance Drew; Governor General Dame Marcella Liburd, GCMG, JP*



*The late Randall Robinson*

"When Randall left America and moved to Saint Kitts and Nevis with his dear wife, Hazel and daughter, Khalea, the larger-than-life figure who we had seen on television and had read about in the news as a global champion for change, was made real to us and he now dwelt among us. Over the years, his quiet influences did open doors of opportunity for our small island developing state and for the [Caribbean] region through his interactions with my predecessor as Prime Minister and [St. Kitts-Nevis] Labour Party Leader, Rt. Hon. Dr. Denzil Douglas. For this, our nation is thankful," said Prime Minister Drew.

"Saint Kitts and Nevis truly benefitted from the quiet yet impactful presence of Randall Robinson who lived among us for the past twenty years. Like the Roman Statesman Cicero, I believe that it was a natural duty of the state to publicly honour great men among the society at their passing. Today, I openly pay tribute to Randall Robinson, a man who spent his life as a champion of justice for blacks in the United States, in the Caribbean and in Africa," said Dr. Drew.

In his tribute, former Prime Minister and current Minister of Foreign Affairs, the Rt. Hon. Dr. Denzil Douglas noted that Randall Robinson called Saint Kitts and Nevis his home where he "found peace and contentment for the past 20 years."



*(Rt. Hon. Dr. Denzil Douglas giving remarks at the funeral service of Mr. Randall Robinson)*

"And more than just peace and contentment. He was happy here. The mountains. The sea. Our hibiscus and franji pani and bird of paradise. He found them beautiful. He loved these mountains. And the sea. And planting all kinds of slips. Then waiting for them to bloom. He used to say that the outdoors was his cathedral," said Dr. Douglas, who noted that "Randall treated the people of our country with great respect."

Dr. Douglas added: "Anyone who has followed his career knows that he was not at all hesitant to speak with absolute clarity on matters either within the United States, or globally. You will notice, however, that he never attempted to sway the people of this country in any direction politically. Either by expressing condemnation in one direction or offering praise in another. He thought that what happened here should be determined by us. And only us. And that says a lot."

Dr. Douglas recalled Robinson's assistance in getting American Airlines to begin direct flights into St Kitts' Robert L. Bradshaw International Airport.

"The very first Prime Minister's New Year's Gala in 2002 was keynoted by

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# Nevis Dept. of Education preparing to host STEM Week 2023

**NIA CHARLESTOWN NEVIS (April 12, 2023)** — The Department of Education on Nevis is actively in the process of rolling out plans to enhance the quality of teaching and learning in the area of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) and related disciplines.

Hon. Troy Liburd, Minister of Education in the Nevis Island Administration (NIA), explained recently that the initiative aligns with their vision of providing education for the future.

“The main goals of the initiative are centred on building STEM literacy,

developing 21st century skills, and the overall enhancement in the STEM proficiency of our population. The design and planned outcomes of the project will have implications for all stakeholders in education,” he said.

In keeping with the rollout, the education minister stated that the Department of Education is preparing to host the inaugural STEM Week planned for May 22 to 26, at the Malcolm Guishard Recreational Park at Pinney’s.

“STEM Week initiatives include our STEM launch and this will be on Monday the 22nd. A brief description of what will take place on that day - a 10 to 15-minute presentation promoting STEM will take place at each school to



*Hon. Troy Liburd, Minister of Education in the Nevis Island Administration*

commence the weeks’ activities. On day 2, we will have a Math Infusion Day. All lessons planned for this day should include mathematics. There should be a deliberate effort to help students to recognise how math is connected in all areas of learning. Teachers are encouraged to be as creative as possible in planning these lessons.

“Day 3 STEM Challenge - The STEM Challenge is a competition designed for students to apply the knowledge and skills gained in STEM subject areas to complete given performance tasks. The performance tasks will be learning activities that

require students to demonstrate the use of 21st century learning skills. There will be a primary and secondary school segment.

“STEM Expo 2023 will be the culminating activity of the inaugural STEM Week... It is intended to be a grand event centred on the showcasing and promoting of STEM projects, ideas and skills developed and learnt by students throughout the school year. Students’ work will be on display for the public and they will have an opportunity to describe and explain their processes and final product to their audience.

“The audience at the STEM Expo will also have the opportunity to engage in STEM related activities throughout the day. One of the highlights of the expo will be the project competition which will focus on renewable energy as a solution for the challenges which may be faced at the school, community or at the island level. The event will also feature contributions from STEM organisations,” Mr. Liburd explained.

The Minister described the upcoming event as a major undertaking; however, the Embassy of the Republic of China (Taiwan) has partnered with the Ministry of Education in support of the STEM Expo.

# Prime Minister Drew and Minister of Foreign Affairs, Dr. Douglas Pay Tribute...

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him - establishing a standard to which all subsequent galas, by all subsequent prime ministers, have aspired. Randall Robinson was not only a great man. He was a good man. A man who, despite the huge battles he fought, knew how to make us laugh. A man who truly believed the Haitian proverb “Every human being is a human being,” Dr. Douglas said.

Reflections were said by James Hudson, Counsel for TransAfrica; Madame Mildred Aristide, wife of former President of Haiti, Jean-Bertrand Aristide and United States Congresswoman, Hon. Maxine Waters.

Rev. Dr. Jean Robinson-Casey delivered the eulogy. The scriptures were read by Estelle Allen and Dr. Franklyn G. Musgrave.

The Prayers of Comfort and Thanksgiving and the Commendation were said by Rev. Mark Christmas.

Governor General Dame Marcella Liburd, GCMG, JP; Deputy Prime Minister the Hon. Dr. Geoffrey Hanley; Members of the Cabinet joined scores of persons at the Service.



*(Prime Minister Hon. Dr. Terrance Drew laying a wreath at the graveside of Mr. Randall Robinson)*



*(Rt. Hon. Dr. Denzil Douglas laying a wreath at the graveside of Mr. Randall Robinson)*



*(Governor-General Dame Marcella Liburd GCMG, JP laying a wreath at the graveside of Mr. Randall Robinson)*

The body of Randall Robinson was buried at the Springfield Cemetery.



# Ghana first to approve 'world-changer' malaria vaccine



Woman preparing malaria vaccine  
IMAGE SOURCE, UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD

By James Gallagher

Health and science correspondent

Ghana is the first country to approve a new malaria vaccine that has been described as a “world-changer” by the scientists who developed it.

The vaccine - called R21 - appears to be hugely effective, in stark contrast to previous ventures in the same field.

Ghana's drug regulators have assessed the final trial data on the vaccine's safety and effectiveness, which is not yet public, and have decided to use it.

The World Health Organization is also considering approving the vaccine.

Malaria kills about 620,000 people each year, most of them young children.

It has been a massive, century-long, scientific undertaking to develop a vaccine that protects the body from the malaria parasite.

Trial data from preliminary studies in Burkina Faso showed the R21 vaccine was up to 80% effective when given as three initial doses, and a booster a year later.

## New malaria vaccine is world-changing, say scientists

But widespread use of the vaccine hinges on the results of a larger trial involving nearly 5,000 children.

These had been expected to take place at the end of last year, but have still not been formally published. However, they have been shared with some government bodies in Africa, and scientists.

I have not seen the final data, but have been told it shows a similar picture to the earlier studies.

Ghana's Food and Drugs Authority, which has seen the data, has approved the vaccine's use in children aged between five months to three years old.

Other African countries are also studying the data, as is the World Health Organization.

Prof Adrian Hill, director of the Jenner Institute at the University of Oxford, where the vaccine was invented, says African countries are declaring: “we'll decide”, after being left behind in the rollout of Covid-19 vaccines during the pandemic.

He told me: “We expect R21 to make a major impact on malaria mortality in children in the coming years, and in the longer term [it] will contribute to overall final goal of malaria eradication and elimination.”

The Serum Institute of India is preparing to produce between 100-200 million doses per year, with a vaccine factory being constructed in Accra, Ghana.

Each dose of R21 is expected to cost a couple of dollars.

Adar Poonawalla, CEO of the Serum Institute, said: “Developing a vaccine to greatly impact this huge disease burden has been extraordinarily difficult.”

He added that Ghana, as the first country to approve the vaccine, represents a “significant milestone in our efforts to combat malaria around the world”.

# Poultry to be allowed outside as bird flu eases



Free range chicken exits a hen hut  
IMAGE SOURCE, GETTY IMAGES  
‘Free-Range’ eggs will return to shops

## Poultry and captive birds can be kept outside again starting next week as the risk from bird flu eases, the government said on Tuesday.

The Chief Veterinary Officer said the “mandatory housing order” for England and Wales would lift at 00:01 on Tuesday, April 18.

The measures were introduced during the world's biggest ever bird flu outbreak.

The UK has seen more than 330 cases confirmed and 4 million birds culled over the past year.

The decision means that eggs laid by hens with access to outdoor areas can be marketed as “free-range” again.

Bird flu: What is it and why is it so bad this year?

‘Keep birds indoors’ warning as bird flu spreads

Record avian flu outbreak sees mass cull in UK, EU

The UK's Chief Veterinary Officer, Dr Christine Middlemiss, still warned that “scrupulous standards” of biosecurity will need to be maintained as avian flu is expected to still be circulating in the environment for several weeks.

Ms Middlemiss said: “Whilst the lifting of the mandatory housing measures will be welcome news... the unprecedented nature of this outbreak has proved it's more important than ever for bird keepers to remain vigilant.”

Figures released to the BBC showed that 208 million birds around the world have died from this latest outbreak and there have been 200 recorded cases of the flu spilling over into mammals.

But the UK Health Security Agency (UKHSA) has said that the risk to the public is very low.

The British Free Range Egg Producers Association (Bfrepa) chief executive Robert Gooch said: “Free-range egg producers will be relieved to see their hens outside again.

“While on the range, hens like to scratch, dust bathe and forage for additional food, displaying the natural behaviours that consumers associated with free-range and organic egg production.”

Birds in Northern Ireland remain under lockdown but in Scotland the housing order was never implemented after the country's chief vet said the evidence did not justify such a move.



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# Study reveals cancer's 'infinite' ability to evolve

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Doctor looking at lung X-rays

IMAGE SOURCE,GETTY IMAGES

By James Gallagher

Health and science correspondent

An unprecedented analysis of how cancers grow has revealed an “almost infinite” ability of tumours to evolve and survive, say scientists.

The results of tracking lung cancers for nine years left the research team “surprised” and “in awe” at the formidable force they were up against.

They have concluded we need more focus on prevention, with a “universal” cure unlikely any time soon.

Cancer Research UK said early detection of cancer was vitally important.

The study - entitled TracerX - provides the most in-depth analysis of how cancers evolve and what causes them to spread.

Cancers change and evolve over time - they are not fixed and immutable. They can become more aggressive: better at evading the immune system and able to spread around the body.

A tumour starts as a single, corrupted cell, but becomes a mixture of millions of cells that have all mutated in slightly different ways.

TracerX tracked that diversity and how it changes over time inside lung cancer patients and say the results would apply across different types of cancer.

“That has never been done before at this scale,” said Prof Charles Swanton, from the Francis Crick Institute and University College London.

More than 400 people - treated at 13 hospitals in the UK - had biopsies taken from different parts of their lung cancer as the disease progressed.

“It has surprised me how adaptable tumours can be,” Prof Swanton told me.

“I don’t want to sound too depressing about this, but I think - given the almost

infinite possibilities in which a tumour can evolve, and the very large number of cells in a late-stage tumour, which could be several hundred billion cells - then achieving cures in all patients with late-stage disease is a formidable task.”



IMAGE SOURCE,MICHAEL BOWLES

Prof Charles Swanton says challenge of tumours evolving inside our body means we need to focus on preventing cancer.

Prof Swanton said: “I don’t think we’re going to be able to come up with universal cures.

“If we want to make the biggest impact we need to focus on prevention, early detection and early detection of relapse.”

Obesity, smoking, alcohol and poor diet all increase the risk of some cancers. Tackling inflammation in the body is also being seen as a way of preventing cancer. Inflammation is the likely explanation for air pollution causing lung cancers and inflammatory bowel disease increasing the risk of colon cancer.

Cancer rules rewritten by air-pollution discovery

The evolutionary analysis has been published across seven separate studies in the journals Nature and Nature Medicine.

The research showed:

Highly aggressive cells in the initial tumour are the ones that ultimately end up spreading around the body

Tumours showing higher levels of genetic “chaos” were more likely to relapse after surgery to other parts of the body

Analysing blood for fragments of tumour DNA meant signs of it returning could be spotted up to 200 days before appearing on a CT scan

The cellular machinery that reads the instructions in our DNA can become corrupted in cancerous cells making them more aggressive.

The researchers hope the findings could, in the future, help them predict how a patient’s tumour will spread and to tailor treatment.

Dr David Crosby, the head of prevention and early detection at Cancer Research UK, said: “The exciting results emerging from TracerX improve our understanding that cancer is a disease which evolves as it progresses, meaning that late-stage cancers can become very hard to treat successfully.

“This underscores the crucial importance of further research to help us to detect cancers at the earliest stages of their development or even better, to prevent them from happening at all.”

## Brendon McCullum: ECB talking to England Test coach over betting adverts

From the sectionCricket

The England and Wales Cricket Board is talking to England Test coach Brendon McCullum over his involvement with betting organisation 22Bet.

The New Zealander joined the company as an ambassador in January and has appeared in advertisements online.

“We are exploring the matter and are in discussions with Brendon around his



Brendon McCullum played 101 Tests for New Zealand

relationship with 22Bet,” said the ECB.

“We have rules in place around

gambling and will always seek to ensure these are followed.”

McCullum posted a video on his own Facebook page on 27 March promoting 22Bet’s markets on the Indian Premier League.

The ECB’s anti-discrimination code says “directly or indirectly soliciting, inducing, enticing, instructing, persuading, encouraging, facilitating or authorising any other party to enter into a bet in relation to the result, progress,

conduct or any other aspect of any match or competition” is an offence.

The code suggests such an offence would carry a minimum one-year period of “ineligibility”.

The ECB clarified that McCullum is not currently under investigation.

The former New Zealand captain took over as England Test coach at the start of last summer and, in conjunction with captain Ben Stokes, sparked a dramatic upturn in results.

England have won 10 of their past 12 Tests, having won only one of the previous 17.

McCullum is due back in the UK at the end of May, before England’s first Test of the summer against Ireland on 1 June.





# The ILO Governing Body concludes its 347th session

The Governing Body of the International Labour Organization considered a range of issues of major importance for the world of work, including decent work in the platform economy and in supply chains, the Russian aggression against Ukraine and the situations in Myanmar, Belarus and Venezuela.

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**GENEVA (ILO News)** - The Governing Body of the International Labour Organization (ILO) concluded its 347th session on 23 March with decisions related to the Global Coalition for Social Justice, the platform economy, decent work in supply chains, as well as several country cases.

The Governing Body welcomed Director-General, Gilbert F. Houngbo's initiative to forge a Global Coalition for Social Justice, including through the World of Work Summit: Social Justice during the 111th Session of the International Labour Conference, to be held in June 2023.

The executive council of the ILO also welcomed the Director-General's commitment to consider its guidance and his proposal to hold tripartite consultations in preparing a governance structure for the Coalition, including criteria and a procedure for partners' engagement, and a thematic plan.

Regarding the platform economy and following a discussion on existing gaps in current ILO standards, the Governing Body decided to include on the agenda of the International Labour Conferences in 2025 and 2026 a standard-setting discussion on decent work in the platform economy, which might lead to the first global normative instrument in this area.

As concerns decent work in supply chains, the delegates requested the Office to consider its guidance when implementing a comprehensive ILO strategy on this issue and to submit a report on the implementation to its 353rd Session in March 2025. The strategy is a five-year plan aiming to equip the Organization and tripartite constituents with the tools and guidance to ensure decent work in supply chains. It promotes a smart mix of national and international mandatory and voluntary measures to optimize the impact of the ILO's work to ensure decent work in supply chains.

The GB took the decision to recommend the Director-General's proposal for the Programme and Budget 2024-2025 for adoption by the International Labour Conference at its 111th Session in June.

The Governing Body reiterated its most profound concern at the continuing aggression by the Russian Federation, aided by the Belarusian Government, against Ukraine and at the impact this aggression is causing to tripartite constituents - workers, employers, and its democratically elected Government - in Ukraine. It also urged once again the Russian Federation to meet all the obligations following from its ratification of ILO Convention. The Delegates requested the Director-General to continue assisting constituents in Ukraine and to expand the ILO's resource mobilization efforts to that end.

On Belarus, the Governing Body proposed a draft Resolution for adoption by the June 2023 International Labour Conference that would comprise measures to secure compliance by Belarus with the recommendations of the ILO's Commission of Inquiry.

Turning to Venezuela, the Governing Body reiterated its call to the Government to accept the recommendations of the Commission of Inquiry.

The Governing Body decided to continue monitoring progress made by Bangladesh with the implementation of a roadmap of actions aimed at addressing issues related to freedom of association, collective bargaining, and labour inspection.

Regarding Myanmar, the GB maintained its call for a return to democracy and respect for fundamental rights.

The Governing Body's 347th session began on 13 March. Its next session will be held on 17 June 2023.

## World Day for Safety and Health

April 28th 2023 is the day recognized as World Day for Safety and Health by the International Labour Organisation (ILO).

This year's theme will be 'A Safe and Healthy Working Environment: A Fundamental Principle and Right at Work.'



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# Trinidad and Tobago Crowned West Indies Rising Stars Under 15 Champions

**ST. JOHN’S, Antigua** - Trinidad and Tobago’s young cricket stars shined brightly as they clinched the West Indies Rising Stars Under 15 Championship title, defeating the Leeward Islands by six wickets, in an exciting final match at the Coolidge Cricket Ground (CCG), Antigua.

The Leeward Islands, led by Captain Matthew Miller, put up a spirited fight, scoring a total of 162 runs from 48 overs. Miller and Jaheem Clarke built a solid partnership, displaying resilience against Trinidad and Tobago’s skilled spinners, Yasir Deen and Alejandro Kassiram.

In response, Trinidad and Tobago’s opening duo, Christian Lall and Dimitri Ramjattan, started strongly with a 77-run partnership. Lall’s impressive half-century provided the foundation for the team’s successful chase completed in just 35 overs. Yasir Deen scored the winning run, bringing home the West Indies Rising Stars Under 15s Championship title.

Windward Islands and Guyana end Championship on a high note

The Windward Islands celebrated a four-wicket win over Jamaica at the Sir Vivian Richards Stadium (SVRS) to finish 2nd in the table thanks to their superior pace bowling bonus points. Jamaica scored 146 runs, with top contributions from Demarco Scott and Odane Binns. Windward Islands’ Theo Edward led the bowling with an impressive 4-wicket haul, conceding just 27 runs, ripping through the Jamaica’s tail end to curtail their innings. Edward opened the batting for the Windwards setting a platform for victory and top scoring with 59 runs.

Meanwhile, Guyana delivered a decisive victory against last year’s winners, Barbados, at the Liberta Sports Ground to take 3rd place in this season’s Risings Stars Championship table. The Guyanese team showcased a dominant bowling attack, with Arun Gainda, captain Dave Mohabir, and Jonathan Mentore taking three wickets each as Barbados could only post a total of 69 runs from 20 overs . Guyana cruised to comfortable seven-wicket win reaching the 70 runs required to

win in 23 overs.

The West Indies Rising Stars Under 15 Championship highlighted the bright future of cricket in the region, as the participating teams displayed skill, sportsmanship, and a passion for the game. Cricket West Indies (CWI) Director of Cricket, Jimmy Adams congratulated all the teams and players on their performances and said to the potential future pool of West Indies men’s players, “Under 15s cricket represents for CWI the first opportunity, as we strategically plan for a successful West Indies cricket future, to look at the young talent we have throughout the region. This is the starting point for us to produce international players. You (the players) are now part of a bigger West Indies plan.”

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| UNDER 15 RISING STARS CHAMPIONSHIP |     |     |      |        |              |
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| R5 POINTS TABLE                    |     |     |      |        |              |
| TEAMS                              | MAT | WIN | LOSS | TIE/NR | TOTAL POINTS |
| T&T                                | 5   | 5   | 0    | 0      | 23.8         |
| GUYANA                             | 5   | 3   | 2    | 0      | 15.0         |
| WINDWARDS                          | 5   | 3   | 2    | 0      | 13.8         |
| LEEWARDS                           | 5   | 2   | 3    | 0      | 10.4         |
| BARBADOS                           | 5   | 1   | 4    | 0      | 7.2          |
| JAMAICA                            | 5   | 1   | 4    | 0      | 6.6          |

**WEST INDIES RISING STARS LEADING PERFORMERS**

Most Valuable Player of the Tournament - Brendan Boodoo, Trinidad & Tobago: 166 runs and 11 wickets.

Most Runs Scored - Earsinho Fontaine, Windward Islands: 197 from 4 innings.

Most Wickets Taken - Yasir Deen, Trinidad & Tobago: 14 wickets.

Most Wicket-Keeping Dismissals - Christiano Ramanan, Trinidad & Tobago: 9 dismissals.

Most Catches in the Field - Sycon Charles, Trinidad & Tobago: 6 catches.

# Juul Labs agrees \$462m deal to settle claims

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Woman vaping in outdoor setting  
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By Michael Race  
Business reporter, BBC News

E-cigarette manufacturer Juul Labs has agreed to pay \$462m (£372m) to settle claims by six US states after being

accused of targeting teenagers. Several states also accused the firm of falsely marketing its vapes as less addictive than cigarettes.

The firm did not admit wrongdoing and said the latest deal was part of its “commitment to resolve issues from the company’s past”.

The deal means Juul has now settled cases for more than \$1bn.

Juul has been accused of fuelling an increase in teenage vaping in its rise to

be one of the top e-cigarette firms in the US.

The firm has repeatedly denied targeting young people, but critics have pointed to its colourful packaging, variety of flavours and use of young models in ad campaigns.

In 2022, more than 2.5m US school students used e-cigarettes, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Vaping - is it a risk-free option?

Following the settlement, Letitia James, New York attorney general, said: “Juul’s lies led to a nationwide public health crisis and put addictive products in the hands of minors who thought they were doing something harmless.”

“Today they are paying the price for the harm they caused,” she added.

California Attorney General Rob Bonta added: “Today is another step forward in our fight to protect our kids from getting hooked on vaping and nicotine.”

E-cigarettes have helped many thousands of people stop smoking by removing the dangerous and toxic tobacco smoke from their habit, giving a huge health boost.

But the e-cigarette vapour which is inhaled can still contain small amounts of chemicals, including nicotine, which could carry risks of their own. There are concerns that young people are taking up vaping because they see it as completely risk-free.

Juul said that use of its products by people under the age of 18 had fallen by 95% since the autumn of 2019, when it changed its marketing practices as part of a “company-wide reset”.

“With this settlement, we are nearing total resolution of the company’s historical legal challenges and securing certainty for our future,” the company added.

Juul’s will pay the \$462m over eight years.

New York, California, Colorado, Illinois, Massachusetts and New Mexico, along with the District of Columbia, were involved in Wednesday’s settlement which stemmed from separate lawsuits filed against the company.

In September last year, the firm agreed to pay \$438.5m to end a probe of its advertising to underage buyers.

The deal with more than 30 states restricted Juul’s marketing, for example barring use of people under the age of 35 in its adverts.

Juul still faces lawsuits in other states.



# SKN Applauds Unstoppable CARIFTA Team

(cont'd from page 04)

St.Kitts and Nevis Athletics Delwayne Delaney in providing a game overview during the welcome ceremony congratulated the team saying "job well done."

This games was a tremendous success registering 3 medals Akanye winning gold, Jaylen winning silver and De'chenelle winning the bronze. First time ever in five years we have captured a gold medal at the CARIFTA Games. We had two fourth place finishes by Mr. Jermahd Huggins, just missing the medals. We had a total of 14 finalists, 18 personal bests; most by any standard any meet at one point in time, two very very strong multi eventers in Ms. Jazhara Claxton and Mr. Jermahd Huggins, and having I think for the first time two 400 metre under 17 females in the finals and having for the first time having an under 17 100 metre finalist and an under 20 finalist."

According to him: "The motto country above self was demonstrated throughout the entire meet."

Challenges for Team SKN saw Jahzara Claxton who copped a silver medal in the women's heptathlon being disqualified for a lane violation and was judged to have placed 7th overall.

Also, the SKN Athletics was successful at the appeal which resulted in Jaylen Bennett running an individual timed Males U17 200m final but unfortunately he was unable to medal. The organization praised him for running an "impressive time of 22.06s." That event saw the end to Team SKN's participation on the last game day. Notably, there was controversy surrounding Bennett's name not having been on the list in the call room but was rather shown on the public screen line-up.

He ran his solo race following the closing ceremony.

In speaking to Claxton openly, he shared: "tough deal but once we have life, we have hope and two more years in the category and she will be back and she will capture that medal" which was supported by applause by those present.

Delaney also highlighted that "The comradery and team spirit within the team was ever present. It was fuelled by the fans both here and broad and which we are most grateful for."

The other members of Team Unstoppable SKN are: Shamarie Newton, William Sharpe, Jelani Johnson, Alexander Caines, Aldrett Nisbett, Stephan Balson, Ashaun Wilkinson, Cacious Mason

T'anna Liburd, Trishanie Warner, Mikayla Gumbs, Gianna Phipps, Chesson Liburd, Akanye Samuels, Kenron Freeman, Leon Thompson Jr and Kaliyah Jones.

Other members of the squad were: Kurvin Wallace - Head Coach, Dwayne Warner (Vice-President) and Roatter Johnson - Assistant Coaches and Clytie Gilbert - Team Manager.

The 50th CARIFTA Games was won by Jamaica, followed by host country Bahamas in second and Trinidad and Tobago in third.

**Front Page Image: SKN CARIFTA Games medalists enter the welcome ceremony area at the Kayan Jet Lounge on Wednesday 12th April 2023 (credit: SKNIS)**

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# Squads named for Headley Weekes Series to be played at CCG

## Three match red-ball Tri-Series starts on April 19

**ST JOHN’S, Antigua** - Cricket West Indies (CWI) Senior Men’s Selection Panel today named the squads for the upcoming Headley Weekes Tri-Series. Team Headley - named in honor of George Headley - will be captained by Joshua Da Silva, the wicket-keeper-batter. Team Weekes – named in honor of Sir Everton Weekes - will be led by Alick Athanaze, the left-handed top-order batter.

The two teams have been drawn from the leading performers in the 2023 West Indies Championship and those deemed to be on the fringe of the Test team. Additionally, CWI named the teams to provide further first-class opportunities to the best performers from the West Indies Championship in a competitive and intense setting, as well as opportunities for players who the selectors believe would benefit from playing red-ball cricket as West Indies prepare for the upcoming “A” Team tour of Bangladesh and the two-Test Series against India at home.

Team Headley and Team Weekes will play against each other and against the West Indies Academy in the three-match series running from 19 April to 6 May, at the Coolidge Cricket Ground (CCG) in Antigua. All three matches have been awarded first-class status. The West Indies Academy was unveiled last year and played CG United Super50 tournament last November.

Team Weekes will feature Athanaze who was the leading batter in the West Indies Championship with 647 runs, which included two centuries; left-arm spinner Veerasammy Permaul the second-highest wicket-taker with 28 wickets; as well as Jahmar Hamilton who was the joint leading keeper with 19 dismissals.

Team Headley will feature experienced left-hander Darren Bravo, who was the second highest run-scorer in the West Indies Championship with 446 runs which included two centuries; fast bowler Akeem Jordan who was third highest wicket-taker with 22 wickets in four matches; as well as Tevyn Walcott, who was the joint leading keeper with 19 dismissals.

Lead Selector, the Most Hon. Dr. Desmond Haynes, said: “Following the conclusion of the West Indies Championship, we are pleased to have more first-class matches on the calendar. This is a great initiative and will provide our players with more opportunities as we look ahead to the very important Test Series against India later in the year as well as ‘A’ Team matches. We looked at everyone who was available, and we came up with teams who will be very competitive and push each other.”

All matches in the Headley Weekes Tri-Series will be streamed LIVE on the Windies Cricket YouTube channel with live scorecards and ball-by-ball scoring on the Windiescricket.com live match centre.

### FULL SQUADS

#### Team Headley

Joshua Da Silva (captain)  
Sunil Ambris  
Darren Bravo  
Justin Greaves  
Kavem Hodge  
Chaim Holder  
Akeem Jordan  
Marquino Mindley  
Shayne Moseley  
Gudakesh Motie  
Anderson Phillip  
Kieran Powell  
Tevyn Walcott

#### Team Weekes

Alick Athanaze (captain)  
Tagenarine Chanderpaul  
Keacy Carty  
Dominic Drakes  
Jahmar Hamilton  
Brandon King  
Jair McAllister  
Zachary McCaskie  
Veerasammy Permaul  
Raymon Reifer  
Kevin Sinclair  
Nial Smith  
Devon Thomas

#### West Indies Academy

Kevlon Anderson  
Ackeem Auguste  
Joshua Bishop  
Teddy Bishop  
McKenny Clarke  
Rivaldo Clarke  
Joshua James  
Johann Layne  
Kirk McKenzie  
Ashmead Nedd  
Kelvin Pitman  
Keagan Simmons  
Ramon Simmonds  
Kevin Wickham  
Nyeem Young

### NOTES:

- \* Shai Hope was selected but was given permission to represent Yorkshire in the English County Championship
- \* Rahkeem Cornwall and Shane Dowrich made themselves unavailable for selection.

### MATCH SCHEDULE

All matches to be played at CCG, Antigua

Match 1: 19-22 April: Team Headley v West Indies Academy

Match 2: 26-29 April: Team Weekes v West Indies Academy

Match 3: 3-6 May: Team Weekes v Team Headley

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# Cricket West Indies to recruit new Head Coach for West Indies Women’s team

## 11 April 2023

**ST. JOHN’S, Antigua** - Cricket West Indies (CWI) will shortly be starting the process to recruit a new West Indies Women’s team Head Coach after taking the decision not to renew the contract of Women’s Head Coach Courtney Walsh and Technical Assistant Coaches Robert Samuels and Corey Collymore. This follows a review of the senior Women’s team performances and programme.

During Walsh’s tenure, which started in October 2020, he oversaw Home and Away Series wins to Pakistan and secured a semi-final spot in the 2022 ICC Women’s 50-over Cricket World Cup.

CWI Director of Cricket Jimmy Adams said “We are very grateful for the contribution of Courtney and his technical team over the past two and a half years and we wish them all the best going forward. CWI remains committed to our international women’s programme and will now be focusing on recruiting a new Head Coach and technical support team. “An interim technical support team will be put in place during the recruitment period.”

Further information on the recruitment process will be provided in the coming weeks with the coaching roles being critical for the development of women’s cricket in the West Indies. In recent years, CWI has significantly increased investment into the women’s game at every level focusing on deepening the talent pool within the Caribbean and producing the next generation of West Indies Women’s players.

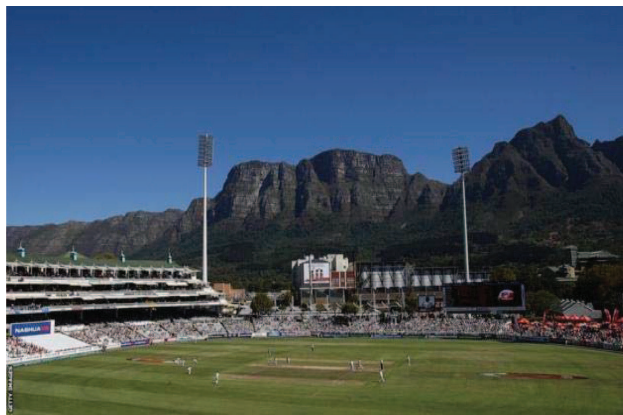




# African cricket wants to avoid Hundred ‘rivalry’ despite calendar clash

By Kevin Hand

BBC Sport Africa - From the section Sport Africa



Newlands cricket ground in Cape Town

The African Premier League will initially be hosted in South Africa due to a lack of facilities across the continent

**Organisers of Africa’s new continental T20 franchise competition say they want to avoid a “rivalry” with The Hundred - despite potentially picking the same slot in cricket’s crowded international calendar.**

The African Premier League (APL), set to be played in August and September, is the latest T20 league looking to muscle in on the success of events like the Indian Premier League (IPL) and the Big Bash in Australia.

The inaugural tournament is set to launch next year in South Africa, hoping to attract the best global talent.

“There’s big interest with regards to investors from overseas, even as far as America,” Africa Cricket Association (ACA) chief executive Cassim Suliman told BBC Sport Africa.

“Everyone is looking at Africa and the first Africa Premier League.”

The Hundred, which sees each side face 100 balls, is the brainchild of the England and Wales Cricket Board, and is the only competition of its type in the world. This year’s schedule begins on 1 August with a final on 27 August.

But Suliman has insisted the two tournaments can co-exist even if they end up overlapping.

“The only open window we have is somewhere between August and September,” he explained.

“Then you get more viewership. Broadcasting-wise, it will be quite an opportune time to have that launched.

“There is no such thing as rivalry. We have to stay clear and not clash with any other events and make sure everyone is happy.”

## How to take on the IPL?

Earlier this year, South African cricket launched its own T20 competition, SA20.

It means most major cricketing nations now have their own franchise-based event - a key reason why the sport’s calendar is so busy.

Each one is playing catch up with the IPL, which dominates when it comes to exposure and revenue.

“You must take into consideration the other T20s

like Pakistan, Sri Lanka and Bangladesh,” Suliman explained.

“They started earlier and are also building to that level.

“We are right at the bottom end but the SA20 was brilliant. It was exciting, brought the crowds back and it has definitely left a very good legacy with the first year alone.

“It’s starting blocks for us so our expectations are not that high. We take one step at a time and I’m sure eventually it will get further up the ladder,” he added.



Captains from the six SA20 teams wear their kit and pose with the trophy ahead of the inaugural tournament

The inaugural SA20 was made up of six teams based in Tshwane, Johannesburg, Durban, Gqeberha, Cape Town and Paarl

Ahead of this year’s SA20, tournament commissioner and former South Africa captain Graeme Smith told BBC Sport Africa of their plan to take games to neighbouring countries such as Zimbabwe and Angola.

Smith also said he’d be happy to sit down with the ACA to help with their plans for the APL.

“Graeme has a lot of experience and expertise and he’s a good friend,” Suliman said.

“It would be a good feather in our cap to have him involved in the APL.”



Zimbabwe’s team lines up alongside India ahead of a game at 2022’s ICC T20 World Cup in Australia

Zimbabwe’s appearance, alongside South Africa and Namibia, at the T20 World Cup in Australia in 2022 was their first appearance at a major international event in six years

## Why August and September?

APL organisers settled on the August/September window after consultation with the International Cricket Council, the sport’s governing body, and Cricket South Africa.

For Suliman, avoiding a clash with any of the Proteas’ tours is key to ensuring South African international players are free to join the APL.

“We need to make sure we get the top players that can rub shoulders with African players who can learn and educate themselves from that experience - it will be absolutely brilliant.

“It’ll be players from the UK, Pakistan, India, Bangladesh, Sri Lanka, of course South Africa and Zimbabwe, and the local players within the ACA.

Indeed, those local players have already been able to stake their cases thanks to last year’s first ever Africa Cup - a T20 tournament for non-Test playing nations on the continent.

“We have already picked a best African squad of 22 from the last T20 (the Africa Cup), so they are the best players at the moment who will filter into these franchises,” Suliman added.

## Expanding across Africa

Although the first edition of the APL will be hosted only in South Africa, the ultimate aim is that it will be a truly pan-African event.

“There is a problem because infrastructure and facilities are hard to come by at the moment,” Suliman revealed.

“There’s no other country besides South Africa that can give you that type of facility.

Zimbabwe coach calls for cricketing version of Afcon

The use of hybrid pitches - a mix of grass and synthetic surfaces - is helping to alleviate some of the time-consuming issues involved in laying and managing wickets, but the lack of suitable stadiums remains a problem.

“The other members are busy catching up and bringing up to speed facilities because there are no floodlights anywhere in Africa besides South Africa,” Suliman said.

“Nigeria is building two ovals. Same with Ghana and Rwanda, but it will take time.”

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