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Editorial

Cheers To A New Term For Workers' Rights and Empowerment

The St. Kitts-Nevis Trades & Labour Union (SKNT&LU)- owner of this publication- recently held its 85th Annual Conference under the theme, 'Empowering Workers: Strategies for Success in 2025 and Beyond.'

That gathering held on Sunday 27th October 2024 has marked the beginning of a pivotal new term for the Union, guided by a visionary executive body and energized by the election of three new young members ready to complement the efforts and vision of the long-standing workers' representative organisation.

The Union's call for unity and collective engagement is timely. In an evolving global economy, where challenges to workers' rights are as dynamic as they are unprecedented, the need for a strong, proactive, and well-represented workforce cannot be overstated. The Union has taken a bold stance, urging not only its current members but also new workers to join the ranks to safeguard their rights, secure representation, and benefit from educational opportunities that are crucial in this fast-changing labour landscape.

The new executive body, for the new 2024-2025 term, renews its commitment to a clear and purposeful mandate. However, the Union's effectiveness lies in a collaborative partnership with the workers it serves. Membership alone will not guarantee the fulfillment of the Union's mission; it requires a

unified and active base of workers who are willing to engage, advocate, and, most importantly, trust in the organization that represents them.

A highlight of this year's conference was the significant focus on youth engagement. The election of the three young members to the executive body serves as an inspiring testament to the Union's commitment to cultivating leadership from within. Such was accompanied by a call to action directed at the younger generation of workers- by the executive committee's youngest member-acknowledging that the future of labour advocacy lies in the hands of those who will carry it forward.

As the new term commences, the Union has set its sights on realizing a future where every worker is both empowered and protected. This conference was a milestone, signaling a commitment to addressing the unique needs and challenges of our time. But to make this vision a

reality, the collective effort of the entire workforce is essential. Workers must actively engage with the Union, lending their voices and perspectives to help shape policies that will ultimately benefit everyone.

In this spirit, we call on all workers to heed the Union's invitation to join in this mission. By aligning under the Union's banner, workers strengthen their ability to advocate for fair wages, safe working conditions, and opportunities for growth and advancement. The Union is prepared to support, educate, and defend its members as it has done for the past decades- and with renewed energy, it is poised to empower a new generation of workers for success in 2025 and beyond.

Together, we can build a future where every worker feels empowered, supported, and valued.

Join us in this journey, and together let us shape a brighter tomorrow.

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Union President Urges PM to Commission Tripartite Committee on Labour Code

By: Spokesman Newsroom

BASSETTERRE, ST. KITTS (Wednesday 30th October 2024) - President of the St. Kitts-Nevis Trades and Labour Union (SKNT&LU), Sydney Bridgewater has issued a call to action urging Prime Minister Dr. Terrance Drew to commission the National Tripartite Committee to complete the long-awaited National Labour Code.

Addressing attendees during the public session of the Union's 85th annual conference held on Sunday 27th October 2024 at the SWMC Conference Room in Taylor's Range in Basseterre, he stressed that finalizing the code is essential to safeguarding and advancing workers' rights in the Federation.

"Our Union stands ready, as always, to work with the government, the Chamber of Industry and Commerce, and the Labour Department to bring this crucial legislation to life," Bridgewater stated, adding, "Prime Minister Dr. Terrance Drew, I hereby call on you to commission the National Tripartite Committee to complete the drafted National Labour Code."

According to him: "As we [the Union] look forward to 2025 and beyond, our task remains clear: To ensure that the rights of workers are not just protected but strengthened."

Bridgewater expressed appreciation to the International Labour Organization (ILO) for their sustained support since discussions on the code began in 2013.

The drafted National Labour Code, which has been stagnant for years with work having started about 2013 thereabout, must be finalized. This code will be the instrument that enshrines the rights of workers and cements the role of the labour movement in national development," he emphasized.

Bridgewater touched on the legacy of the Union, which was founded in 1932 and officially recognized in 1940. He described the event as a momentous occasion in the organization's history, serving as both a celebration of past achievements and a commitment to future progress. "This conference is not only a reflection of our rich history but a bold statement of our continued commitment to the rights, dignity, and empowerment of workers," he said.

The conference theme, **'Empowering Workers: Strategies for Success in 2025 and Beyond,'** framed his address, with Bridgewater honoring the legacies of the Union's founders and past leaders, including former President and National Hero Robert L. Bradshaw.

"The labour movement is not just about fighting for better wages or working conditions-it is about transforming societies," he remarked, adding that "workers, who are the backbone of our economy, must have the power, the voice, and the opportunities to succeed."

Bridgewater went on to address the challenges brought on by the COVID-19 pandemic, citing job losses, reduced hours, and the 'Jab for Jobs' mandate, which had left many, including union members, facing financial difficulties. Although the 2022 reopening of air and seaports brought renewed hope, he emphasized that these issues underscored the need for policy structures that protect and support workers through future crises.

"The COVID-19 pandemic dealt a devastating blow to workers globally, and we, in St. Kitts and Nevis, were not spared. Workers faced unimaginable hardships-job losses, reduced hours, and in some cases, exploitative practices that preyed on their vulnerability. The handling of the crisis unfortunately saw restrictive policies and the infamous 'Jab for Jobs' mandate, which left many workers including some of our union members suffocated under the weight of unemployment and financial distress," he commented.

"But in 2022, with the reopening of the country, there was a restoration of hope. The opening of the air and seaports, along with the lifting of restrictions, breathed new life into our economy and workforce. Yet, there remains much to be done," Bridgewater added.

In reflecting on past successes, he highlighted the contributions of the National Minimum Wage Advisory Committee, established by the Labour Movement in the 1990s.

"The work of this committee has led to laws that have positively impacted the economy and improved the lives of countless workers. As we move forward, we must ensure that the Minimum Wage continues to be a tool for social justice and economic equity, he stated.

Additionally, Bridgewater stressed the importance of unity and action, declaring: "The strategies we adopt today will determine the success of workers in 2025 and beyond. All social dialogue partners must stand united in this mission. We have come this far by faith, and it is with that same

IN THE EASTERN CARIBBEAN SUPREME COURT

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE

FEDERATION OF SAINT CHRISTOPHER AND NEVIS

ISLAND OF ST. CHRISTOPHER

A. D. 2024

Suit No. SKBHCV 2024/

In the Matter of Section 144 of the Title by Registration Act Cap 10.19 of the Laws of the Federation of Saint Christopher and Nevis.

and

In the Matter of an Application for the issuance of New Certificate of Title to replace the lost duplicate of Certificate of Title dated 3rd March, 1987 registered in Book M2 Folio 34 of the Register of Titles for the Saint Christopher Circuit.

BETWEEN:-

ANNE HUGGINS

Applicant

and

THE REGISTRAR OF TITLES FOR
THE SAINT CHRISTOPHER CIRCUIT

Respondent

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR REPLACEMENT OF LOST

CERTIFICATE OF TITLE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that ANNE HUGGINS of the Island of Saint Christopher (also known as St. Kitts), presently residing at 7859 Estate Marian Dahl, St. Thomas, United States Virgin Islands, has applied for the issue of a replacement of a Certificate of Title in lieu of the following for the reason that the original Certificate of Title has been irrevocably lost, namely a Certificate of Title dated the 3rd March, 1987 and registered in Book M2 Folio 34 of the Register of Titles for the Saint Christopher Circuit in respect of a lot of land situate at Lot No. 14 Section DA-16 of Frigate Bay Development Saint Christopher containing by admeasurement 10,194.74 square feet bounded and measuring as follows, that is to say:- On or about the North by a Proposed Road, 100.00 feet, on or about the East by Lot No. 15, 107.27 feet, On or about the South by the Edge of a Ghaut, 35.10 feet and 68.77 feet, and On or about the West by Lot Number 13, 110.14 feet.

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Dated the 31st day of October, 2024.

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The **Notice** is filed on behalf of the Applicant by her Solicitors, INNISS AND INNISS of Chambers, Pro Bono House, 11A Cayon Street, Basseterre, Saint Christopher. The Applicant's address for service is that of his above-named Solicitors.

faith that we will continue to fight for justice, equality, and the empowerment of every worker in this nation."

Front Banner Image: (Right) President of the St. Kitts-Nevis Trades and Labour Union (SKNT&LU) Sydney Bridgewater talks with Prime Minister Dr. Terrance Drew following the public session of the Union's 85th annual conference held on Sunday 27th October 2024 at the SWMC Conference Room in Taylor's Range in Basseterre (Spokesman Snap)

Tourism Official Responds To Criticism About Lookout Design

By: Spokesman Newsroom

BASSETTERRE, ST. KITTS (Thursday 31st October 2024) - Following public criticism of recent design choices at the lookout point at Timothy Hill located at the South East Peninsula, Permanent Secretary in the Ministry of Tourism, Tivanna Wharton, has addressed such concerns.

At the Ministry's press conference held on Thursday 31st October, 2024, Wharton acknowledged the public's dissatisfaction noting that the results did not fully align with the intended vision for the project.

"Unfortunately, we accept that the results did not fully align with our collective vision, and we understand the concerns raised by you, our community," Wharton stated.

Notably, a lookout platform dubbed a "bedframe" by some people as well as the pastel-painted rocks- shades of pink, yellow and green- quickly became the subject of online criticism. Photos were circulated widely on social media platforms, including Facebook and WhatsApp, as individuals voiced their disapproval and humorously commented on the unexpected color scheme.

This media house has observed that following the public outcry, the platform and rocks have since been repainted in neutral tones that blend more naturally with the surrounding landscape.

"Timothy Hill is a location cherished for its panoramic views, and the initiative was undertaken to increase its visibility as a branded landmark. The objective was to ensure that when people see Timothy Hill in photographs, they immediately recognize it as part of St. Kitts," Wharton shared.

She emphasized that community feedback was essential, confirming that the Ministry is taking swift action to address the criticism.

"We are in further discussions to find a balanced approach to branding that preserves the area's natural beauty," she assured. "Your feedback is invaluable, and we are committed to solutions that respect our shared landscape."

Wharton highlighted progressive initiatives by the Ministry aimed at advancing the tourism sector.

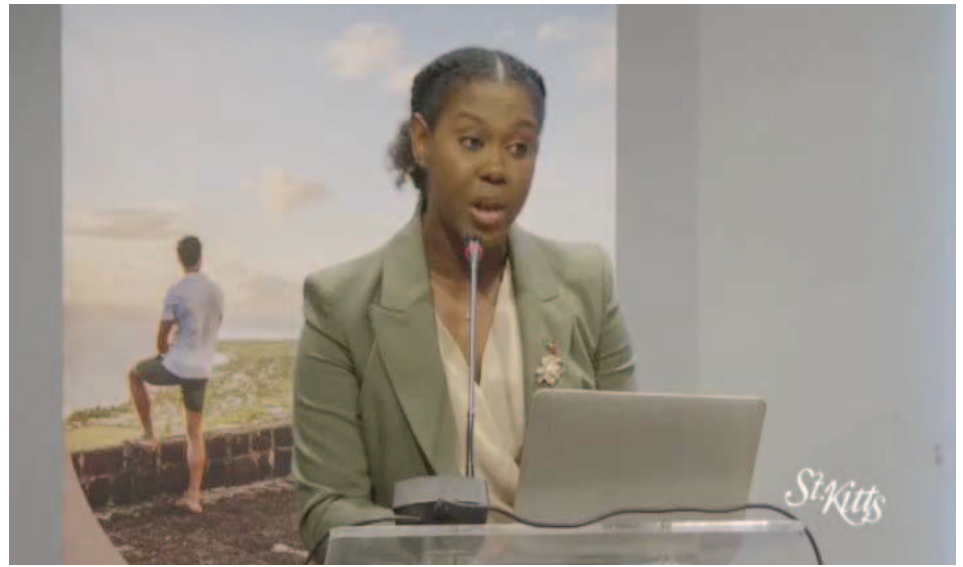
She detailed the Ministry's commitment to diversifying St. Kitts' tourism offerings, noting efforts to strengthen service delivery through ongoing training and support for local stakeholders.

"The Ministry of Tourism continues its work to diversify our product, laying the groundwork for a thriving and resilient industry. Through ongoing training initiatives and efforts to enhance service delivery, we are ensuring that St. Kitts remains competitive and appealing to a wide range of travelers. By equipping our stakeholders with the skills needed to meet evolving visitor experiences, visitor expectations, we are building a foundation that supports sustainable growth across the sector,"

Wharton explained.

She also underscored the importance of diversification to attract a wider range of travelers and ensure that tourism benefits are consistent throughout the year.

As understood, as part of such diversification, the Ministry is expanding its



Permanent Secretary in the Ministry of Tourism Tivanna Wharton speaking at the Ministry's press conference held on Thursday 31st October 2024 (Credit:Facebook/KittitianHeartbeat)



The 'After' look following changes made to the Timothy Hill lookout point following public criticism circulated via social media

focus on the yachting sector, which capitalizes on the island's pristine waters and natural harbors to cater to travelers seeking marine-based experiences.

Wharton stated: "And so diversification is essential, not only to attract a broader range of travelers but also to ensure that tourism's benefits are widespread and consistent throughout the year. And so the yachting sector, we are tapping into this sector because it taps into the allure of our pristine waters and natural harbors. This sector will cater to the growing segment of travelers seeking marine base experiences bringing an influx of high-value visitors while respecting our coastal ecosystems."

Front Page Image: A look at the design at the lookout point at Timothy Hill located at the South East Peninsula in St.Kitts which was publicly criticized on social media

View from Timothy Hill (Credit: afar.com)



Pageant Contestant Among Newly-Elected Workers Union Executive Committee Members

By: Spokesman Newsroom

BASSETERRE, ST. KITTS (Monday, October 28, 2024)-The St. Kitts-Nevis Trades and Labour Union (SKNT&LU) has welcomed three newly-elected young members in their 20s and 30s, including a St. Kitts and Nevis National Carnival Queen Pageant contestant Ms. Jutambien Kelly, to its executive committee for the 2024-2025 term.

21-year-old Ms. Kelly, alongside Mr. Keyshaun Jones and Mr. Jereth Morton, joins 13 returning members in rounding out the 16-member committee following their installation during the business session of the 85th annual workers’ conference held on Sunday 27th October 2024, at the SWMC Conference Room in Basseterre.

The Union’s executive committee members for the 2024-2025 term are:
The six (6) officers are: President-Mr. Sydney Bridgewater, First Vice President-Mr. Curtis Francis, Second Vice President- Mr. James Pemberton, General Secretary- Ms. Precious Mills and Assistant General Secretary- Ms. Kirsty Lennon and Treasurer- Ms. Tanessa Caines Charles.

The ten (10) floor members: Mr. Sean Kelly, Mr. Lloyd Rouse, Mr. George Dixon, Ms. Nadine Natta, Ms. Eva Henderson, Mr. Kevion Hodge, Ms. Vanessa Browne, and newly-elected members Ms. Jutambien Kelly (daughter of Sean Kelly), Mr. Keyshaun Jones and Mr. Jereth Morton.

Under the theme **‘Empowering Workers: Strategies for Success in 2025 and Beyond’**, the conference welcomed participants including workers from Carib Brewery (St. Kitts-Nevis Ltd.) and Harowe Servo Controls (St. Kitts) Ltd., companies that hold Collective Bargaining Agreements with the Union.

Remarks (during the public session) from Acting Labour Commissioner Jeneve Mills in representing the Ministry of Labour and Employment commended the Union’s dedication, saying: “The government and ministry commend the union for its dedication and continued efforts in creating spaces like this where we can engage in meaningful dialogue and foster collaboration between workers, employers and stakeholders.”

“Together we build a more resilient and empowered workforce, one that is not



Section of the audience listening to Dr. Sharon Osborne’s health presentation on hypertension, the “silent killer,” during the Union’s conference.

only capable but one that is motivated to excel. As we move forward on a path of sustainability, let us remember that our collective efforts will shape the future of work. Let us remain proactive, united and unwavering in our commitment to bettering the lives of the workers and enhancing productivity in our sectors,” he added.

In addition, the union’s conference received fraternal greetings from: Founder and President Jamaica Household Union (JHWU) and Chairperson of the Caribbean Domestic Workers Network (CDWN) Shirley Pryce, Political Leader of the St Kitts and Nevis Labour Party- Prime Minister Dr. Terrance M. Drew, Former General Secretary and Assistant General Secretary of the Caribbean Congress of Labour (CCL) Asokore Beckles from Barbados-the 2023 Union Conference guest speaker and also Dean of the Labour Studies Department in Cipriani College of Labour and Co-operative Studies Ian Daniel (Trinidad and Tobago).

The event’s public session programme also included a Youth Call to Action from Kevion Hodge, the youngest executive committee member, and a presentation on health and wellness by Dr. Sharon Osborne, who highlighted hypertension as a “silent killer.”

Further coverage of the Union conference will be provided in next week’s publication.

Front Banner Image: (Right to Left)-Newly elected executive member of the St.Kitts-Nevis Trades and Labour Union (SKNT&LU) Keyshaun Jones, executive committee member Vanessa ‘Vandel’ Browne, and Union member Naomi Mulraine-all employees of Harowe Servo Controls (St. Kitts) Ltd.â€”pose for a photo following the business session of the Union’s 85th annual conference held on Sunday 27th October 2024 at SWMC Conference Room. (Spokesman Snap)



SKNT&LU Executive Committee members for the 2024-2025 term following the business session (Left to Right): Sean Kelly (floor member), Second Vice President Mr. James Pemberton, General Secretary Ms. Precious Mills, Keyshaun Jones (newly-elected floor member), Assistant General Secretary Ms. Kirsty Lennon, Ms. Vanessa ‘Vandel’ Browne, President Mr. Sydney Bridgewater, a St. Kitts and Nevis National Carnival Queen Pageant contestant-Ms. Jutambien Kelly (newly-elected floor member), Ms. Eva Henderson(floor member), Treasurer Ms. Tanessa Caines Charles, Ms. Nadine Natta, First Vice President Mr. Curtis Francis, Mr. Kevion Hodge, Huggins Mr. Lloyd Rouse and Mr. George Dixon (Spokesman Snap)

St. Kitts and Nevis' Inclusive Approach To Budget Development Commended By EEC Governor

Basseterre, St. Kitts, October 30, 2024 (SKNIS): Governor of the Eastern Caribbean Central Bank (ECCB), Timothy Antoine, applauded the Government of St. Kitts and Nevis for its inclusive and collaborative approach in shaping the budget for the 2025 fiscal year.

His comments were made at the 2025 Budget National Forum held at the St. Kitts Marriott Resort on Monday, October 30, 2024. The consultation brought together public and private sector officials, civil society representatives and students from the C. F. Bryant College.



ECCB Governor Antoine

"These consultations are important and I see them as an instrument of good governance," he stated, noting that this is the second time he has been invited to share at a budget discussion. "Get other people involved, get them around the table and hear their views and help you to shape the national agenda, so I commend the government on this."

During his presentation at the Budget 2025 National Forum, titled "Innovation, Inclusivity, and Sustainability: Our Path Forward," Governor Antoine shared crucial insights into the region's economic health and outlined steps for St. Kitts and Nevis to consider as it transitions to a sustainable island state.

Three key elements identified to drive this transition include fostering the right mindset, emphasising critical and strategic thinking alongside the development of essential skills through education and training; establishing a robust and flexible policy framework to support growth and sustainability; and securing investments to fund crucial projects and innovations.

Key pillars include digital transformation, energy security, food and nutrition and wealth creation.

Under the heading wealth creation, the ECCB governor further commended the government on the innovative "Achieving Success through Personal Investment, Resources and Education" (ASPIRE) initiative, which is a ground-breaking financial education, savings and investment programme for the nation's youth.

"It aligns with what we [the ECCB] want to do to get our youth trained in a culture of investing," said Governor Antoine. "At this moment, in our currency union, only four percent are invested in the regional and international market."

The number is significantly low compared to the United States, where, in some cases, up to 60 percent of the population engages in investments. With over 25 billion dollars in savings accounts across the currency union, ASPIRE aims to foster a generation of investors in St. Kitts and Nevis, enhancing wealth creation and positively impacting the Federation's economic trajectory in the



medium and long term.

Governor Antoine said that the Sustainable Island State Agenda must have buy-in from all of society to ensure a smooth and successful transition.

Photo - Prime Minister the Hon. Dr. Terrance Drew (left) shares a thought with Governor Antoine



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2. Evaluation and acceptance:

- Quotations will only be accepted from established businesses with proof of registration and a track record of supplying/selling large equipment.
- Quotations will be evaluated by senior personnel from the Public Works Department, with recommendations to be submitted to the Procurement Board.
- Quotations must be submitted by **Friday, December 6, 2024.**

3. Quotations must include the following:

- a. Technical specifications of the machine.
- b. Total costs and payment terms and conditions, including a payment structure of:
 - i. 40% deposit upon approval,
 - ii. 40% prior to shipping and
 - iii. 20% once the machine is landed and commissioned on St. Kitts or any other structure agreed to by the Government of St. Kitts and Nevis.
- c. Shipment timeline from purchase to landing at the cargo port in Basseterre.
- d. Company background and eligibility to participate in this quotation.
- e. Vendors must be able to hold the price for at least three (3) months, pending purchase evaluations by the procurement board.

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George Gilbert (Mr.)
Director - Public Works Department

PM Drew and Minister Duggins hail Guinness Ambassadors Football Cup 40+ League

BASSETTERRE, ST. KITTS, October 25, 2024 (MMS-SKN) — In a gesture that has been hailed by Prime Minister and Minister of Health the Hon Terrance Drew and the Minister of Sports the Hon Samal Duggins, a football league featuring men over 40 years was launched on Sunday evening October 20, at the Warner Park Football Stadium in Basseterre.

The Guinness Ambassadors Football Cup 40 and Over League, which is the brainchild of Ambassadors His Excellency Kenneth Douglas (who is also the Sports Ambassador), and His Excellency Leon Natta-Nelson, has eight teams whose origins roughly match with the existing constituencies on St. Kitts.

“A tournament like this ensures that we have social cohesion and togetherness among our population, especially our men,” said Prime Minister Drew before he kicked the first ball to declare the tournament open.

Teams taking part in the Guinness Ambassadors Football Cup 40 and Over League are Legacy Ballers, CP Legends, Generation Ballers, Old School, Sandy Point, Capisterre, Molineux, and Monkey Hill.

“An activity like this says that the men of St. Kitts and Nevis believe in living together in harmony - an activity like this says that we are for healthy living,” said the Prime Minister who is also a medical practitioner. “A lot of our men suffer from high blood pressure and diabetes, and strokes and heart attacks, and all sorts of kidney ailments after forty, and many of whom would have been excellent sportsmen.”

Dr Drew, who turned out in a player’s uniform, lamented that because there are hardly any organised activities for men to participate in after forty, they become sedentary which leads to their gaining weight, and their pressure and blood sugar going up, and all sorts of health issues.

The Prime Minister emphasised that Ambassadors His Excellency Leon Natta-Nelson and His Excellency Kenneth Douglas, who came up with the idea of the Over-40 football league for men, are themselves not potential sportspeople, but rather real sportsmen who would have represented St. Kitts in cricket, football and basketball.

He thanked the sponsors of the tournament, who according to Ambassador Douglas, include Guinness through Carib Breweries, Office of the Prime Minister, Ram’s Supermarkets, and the Department of Sports. He also thanked the St. Kitts and Nevis Football Association for providing referees and lines-persons, and all the players who offered to take part in the tournament.



Prime Minister the Hon Dr Terrance Drew, with foot on the ball, as he declared the tournament open. Watching are L-R: Ambassador Natta-Nelson, (partly hidden) Deputy PM Hon Dr Geoffrey Hanley, Ambassador Douglas, and the Hon Samal Duggins.

In attendance included the Deputy Prime Minister, the Hon Dr Geoffrey Hanley, Minister of Sports, et al. the Hon Samal Duggins, Attorney General and Minister of Justice and Legal Affairs, the Hon Garth Wilkin (who also played), Minister of Sustainable Development, et al. the Hon Joyelle Clarke, and Permanent Secretary in the Ministry of Health, Mr Curtis Martin.

While delivering remarks at the League’s opening ceremony, Minister of Sports the Hon Samal Duggins also recognised the importance of actively engaging men over 40 through sports, stressing that movement and exercise and physical activity are important for them at any age.

“This is a showcase of the proud moment of St. Kitts and Nevis,” said the Hon Duggins. “We ensure that there is room for all, no matter your age, no matter the stage - we have something for everyone, and I want to thank the Ambassadors for the thoughtful thought and making sure that we are going to have something for our citizens who may not be as agile as they once were.”

He pointed out that a number of persons taking part in the league are veterans who would have spent many years in the sport, and playing at the highest level. And while lamenting that some of them would have spent some years out of the sports, he said he was

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FEDERATION OF SAINT CHRISTOPHER AND NEVIS

SAINT CHRISTOPHER CIRCUIT

TITLE BY REGISTRATION ACT, CAP. 10.19

A. D. 2024

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In the matter of an application by Bryant & Liburd Solicitors on behalf of Winston Antonius Caines for the replacement of a lost Certificate of Title to land contained in **Book U3 Folio 304** of the Register of Titles for the Island of St. Christopher

and

In the matter of Section 144 of the Title by Registration Act, Cap. 10.19

NOTICE FOR REPLACEMENT OF LOST CERTIFICATE OF TITLE

It is hereby notified that an Application has been made to the Registrar of Titles for an Order for the issue of a new Certificate of Title in lieu of a lost Certificate of Title to land being **ALL THAT** lot of land hereditaments and premises known as **Lot No. 218 of Shadwell West Housing Development** in the Parish of St. George in the Island of St. Christopher and bounded and measuring as follows: On or towards the North-North-East by Shadwell West Lane 26.79 feet and 24.63 feet, On or towards the East-South-East by Lot No. 219 120.22 feet, On or towards the South-South-West by Lot No. 217 64.25 feet, On or towards the West-North-West by Market View Drive 90.32 feet, On or towards the North-West by a convergence of Market View Drive and Shadwell West Lane 15.90 feet and On or towards the North-North-West by Shadwell West Lane 23.69 feet containing by admeasurement **8,296 square feet**, all as the same is delineated and set forth on the plan of James R. Buchanan, Licensed Land Surveyor dated the 4th day of March 2016.

Any person knowing the whereabouts of or having any information concerning the said duplicate Certificate which may lead to its recovery is requested to notify the Registrar of Titles at the Land Registry Department, Independence House, North Independence Square Street, Basseterre St. Kitts or Bryant & Liburd, Solicitors, Shear Lane, Basseterre, St. Kitts, Tel. No. (869) 465-2756/1047 or email bryantandliburd@hotmail.com.

DATED the 7th day of October 2024

Bryant & Liburd
Solicitors

PM Drew and Minister Duggins hail Guinness Ambassadors Football Cup

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excited to see them in action from that Sunday evening and onwards.

Some of the veteran players include, but not limited to, Elvis 'Pepe' Isaac who would have performed duties as the Captain of the St. Kitts team in the period 1980/81, George 'Yellow Man' Isaac, Dwight Allers, and Jevon Francis.

According to the Tournament's rules, all players must be 40 years or older by December 31, 2024. Each match consists of two 30-minute halves, and teams must wear matching uniforms with numbers on the back.

Group stage of the tournament will have teams playing in a round-robin format, with each team playing the other twice, where a win will earn a team three points, draw one point and nil for a loss. The top four teams from each group will advance to the Final Four knockout stage. According to the current schedule, finals will be played on Sunday December 15 at 8:00 p.m.

In the first game on Sunday evening October 20, Old School, which was

captained by T'Sean Flemming, beat Generation Ballers, which was captained by Calvin Hicks assisted by Livingston Huggins, 2-0. The goals were scored by Conroy Ottley, and Sheldon Burnham.

In the second game, CP Legends beat Legacy Ballers which was captained by Jevon Francis, 3-1. Goal

scorers were Steven Clarke, Calvin Williams, and Shervin Allen for CP Legends, while the sole goal for Legacy Ballers was scored by Dwight Allers. Attorney General and Minister of Justice and Legal Affairs, Hon Garth Wilkin played for the Legacy Ballers of

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Prime Minister the Hon Dr Terrance Drew (centre) with Constituent Ms Terresita Butler (right), are joined by Ambassador His Excellency Kenneth Douglas, as they watched the second game on Sunday at the Warner Park Football Stadium.

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THE EASTERN CARIBBEAN SUPREME COURT
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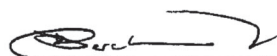
In the Estate of **NELCIA FRANCIS**
Late of Market Street, St. Kitts, deceased.

AMENDED ADVERTISEMENT OF APPLICATION FOR LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION

TAKE NOTICE that an application has been filed by **VERNELL ALESTER ROHAN CROSSMAN** and **NYOKA AMANDA ANISHKA HARRIS** both of Market Street, Basseterre, St. Kitts for the Grant of Letters of Administration to the applicants who are the children of the deceased, the deceased having died on the 14th day of October, 2021.

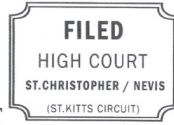
Any person having an objection to the Grant of Letters of Administration to the applicants shall file an objection within 14 days of the publication of this Notice.

Dated this 10th day of July, 2024


Dr. Dennis Merchant
MERCHANT AND ASSOCIATES
Attorneys-at-Law for the Applicants

Filed by Dr. Dennis Merchant of Merchant and Associates Law Office, 28 Shear Lane, Basseterre, St. Kitts, Attorneys-at-Law for the Applicant.

Case Number :SKBHPB2024/0129



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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE
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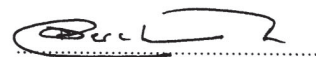
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In the estate of **JOSEPH ALFONSO HAMILTON** late of Leeds, United Kingdom, deceased.

ADVERTISEMENT OF APPLICATION FOR LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION

TAKE NOTICE that an application has been filed by Merchant and Associates on behalf of **RANDOLPH HAMILTON** of Leeds, United Kingdom, for a of Grant letters of Administration of the above deceased who died on 24th February 2019, wherein the applicant is the son of the deceased. Any person having an objection to the Grant of letters of Administration with the application shall file an objection within **fourteen (14) days** of the second publication of this Notice.

Dated this 3rd day of October, 2024.


Merchant and Associates

Solicitors for the Administrator of the Estate of **JOSEPH ALFONSO HAMILTON**

Filed by: **Dennis Merchant**
Merchant & Associates Law Office
#28 Shear Lane
Basseterre
St. Kitts
Solicitor for the Intended Administrators

PM Drew and Minister Duggins hail Guinness Ambassadors Football Cup

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Newtown.

On Thursday evening October 24, the two ambassadors (H.E. Natta-Nelson and H.E. Douglas) faced each other in the first game where in a tightly contested game Molineux beat Sandy Point 3-2.

Molineux, which was captained by Elroy Richard, drew the first blood when in the early minutes of the game Tyrone Jefferson scored through a penalty kick, but Sandy Point who were captained by Ambassador Kenneth Douglas made an equaliser through Kishon Liburd. The other goals were scored in the second half, with Ashton Liburd, and Jamo Liburd scoring for Molineux, and Wayne Phillip scoring for Sandy Point.

The second game saw Capisterre, which was captained by Shavon Douglas, beat Monkey Hill, which was captained by Delroy Carey, 2-0. The goals, one in each half, were both scored by former Kittitian national player, George 'Yellow Man' Isaac.

The Guinness Ambassadors Football Cup 40 and Over League continues on Tuesday October 29 at 7:00 p.m. where two winners from the first game, Capisterre and Old School will come up against each other in the first game, while two losers in the first game, Legacy Ballers and Generation Ballers will face each other in the second game at 8:00 p.m.



Top picture: PM Drew (in white shorts), accompanied by Ambassador His Excellency Kenneth Douglas, greets players of the first game between General Ballers and Old School. Bottom left: PM Drew watches the first game. Bottom right: Scene from the second game.



Action on Thursday October 24: Top pictures show encounters between Sandy Point and Molineux, while bottom pictures show encounters between Monkey Hill and Capisterre.

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Cape Air Introduces New Service to St. Kitts, Connecting Nevis and St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands

Basseterre, St. Kitts - October 31, 2024 - The St. Kitts Tourism Authority is thrilled to announce that Cape Air, a leading regional airline, will commence flights to St. Kitts on December 7, 2024. This exciting new service will strengthen the connections between St. Kitts, Nevis, and St. Thomas in the U.S. Virgin Islands, enhancing travel flexibility and convenience for both locals and visitors. Flights will operate on Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays, offering timely options for inter-island travel.

The schedule is as follows:

- Nevis to St. Kitts (NEV-SKB): **Departs at 8:30, arrives at 8:40**
- St. Kitts to Nevis (SKB-NEV): **Departs at 18:35, arrives at 18:45**
- St. Kitts to St. Thomas (SKB-STT): **Departs at 9:40, arrives at 10:45**
- St. Thomas to St. Kitts (STT-SKB): **Departs at 16:30, arrives at 17:35**

The Honorable Marsha T. Henderson, Minister of Tourism for St. Kitts, expressed



her enthusiasm for this new service, noting its importance in boosting regional tourism and fostering greater economic and cultural ties across the islands.

"We are delighted to welcome Cape Air to St. Kitts as they expand their network to include these key destinations. This new service will greatly enhance inter-island connectivity, making travel more accessible for our residents and tourists alike," stated Minister Henderson. "As we continue to focus on strategic initiatives that support our tourism industry, Cape Air's arrival is a positive step in making St. Kitts a more attractive destination in the region. We look forward to a fruitful partnership that will further highlight the beauty and vibrancy of our islands."

Cape Air's flights are now available for booking through their website and ticketing agents, providing passengers with greater flexibility to explore the Eastern Caribbean.

National Assembly Meets For A Special Sitting To Present Awards To 25 Most Remarkable Teens On Wednesday, November 06

Basseterre, St. Kitts, October 31, 2024 (SKNIS): The Order Paper has been circulated for a special sitting of the National Assembly to be held at the National Assembly Chambers, Government Headquarters, Basseterre, on Wednesday, November 06, 2024, at 6:30 pm. Notice has been given.

At this Special Sitting, the Department of Youth Empowerment will present The 25 Most Remarkable Teens in St. Kitts and Nevis.

The Honourable Senator Isalean Phillip will make a statement in her capacity

as Junior Minister of Youth.

The Public Business will take the form of video presentations of individual profiles followed by an Award Presentation by Members of Parliament.

The Special Sitting of the National Assembly will be carried live on ZIZ Radio (96 FM) and participating radio stations. It can also be viewed live on TV Channel 5 in St. Kitts and Channel 98 in Nevis. It will also be streamed live via www.zisonline.com and the SKNIS Facebook page.



Joining hands with Taiwan to build a safer global village: Supporting Taiwan's participation in INTERPOL

Commissioner Yew-Woei Chou, Criminal Investigation Bureau, Ministry of the Interior, Republic of China (Taiwan)



Timely intelligence sharing is key to combating transnational crime

Taiwan enjoys strong law enforcement capabilities and cooperates with friendly partners in criminal investigations. Being able to exchange information in real-time is crucial to combating transnational crime. However, due to its exclusion from INTERPOL, Taiwan can only access critical intelligence indirectly. By the time that information is received, it is often outdated, creating a challenging situation that allows transnational crime to thrive and exacerbates the harm caused.

INTERPOL espouses international cooperation in law enforcement

According to Article 2 of the Constitution of the International Criminal Police Organization (INTERPOL), one of the organization's aims is to ensure and promote the widest possible mutual assistance between all criminal police authorities. In recent years, transnational crime has evolved, exacerbated by the rapid advancement of information and communications technology. Criminal activities are increasingly of a cross-border, organized, and anonymous nature, with financial transactions taking place online. This puts all countries and peoples at risk. To combat transnational crime, nations must work together, engage in mutual assistance, and share information - notions fully commensurate with the INTERPOL Constitution.

Strengthening cross-border cooperation, enhancing law enforcement capabilities, and building capacity to safeguard justice have become key goals of the international community. In addressing new types of transnational crime, INTERPOL President Ahmed Naser Al-Raisi stated on September 7 during International Police Cooperation Day that "by openly sharing intelligence, strategies, and resources, we are better equipped to confront global threats like transnational crime, human trafficking, and terrorism." Although specific criminal cases may not impact the entire world, the analysis of crime trends can help identify investigation opportunities. Countries should learn from one another, cooperate, share intelligence, and work together to find solutions.

This year's theme for international police cooperation is "police integrity, accountability, and oversight," which are values crucial to law enforcement and global security. These values form the foundation of public trust; are essential to preventing crime, protecting the vulnerable, and upholding justice; and play a vital role in international police cooperation. Taiwan, strategically positioned and committed to strengthening international ties, is eager to share information and work with other countries to build a more peaceful, secure, and prosperous future for all.

Taiwan's public safety is recognized globally

Taiwan operates its own policing and justice, financial and trading, aviation and

maritime transport, and border control systems. Having garnered extensive experience in combating transnational crime such as telecommunication fraud, drug trafficking, cyberattacks, organized crime, and terrorism, Taiwan's law enforcement authorities have demonstrated their commitment to promoting peace and helping vulnerable people. Its well-trained officers have also made Taiwan a significant partner to the international community, which has highly recognized Taiwan's crime-fighting achievements. Combating transnational crime is a critical mission of Taiwan. As global security is interconnected, cooperation between Taiwan and INTERPOL would help make the world a safer place.

The American Chamber of Commerce in Taiwan's 2024 Business Climate Survey reported that the high degree of personal safety was the most attractive aspect of life and work in Taiwan to foreign business professionals. Indeed, this has been cited as the biggest attraction for eight consecutive years. Former Director of the American Institute in Taiwan (AIT) Sandra Oudkirk also said that "Taiwan is the safest place I've ever lived." According to the Numbeo safety index, Taiwan ranks as the fourth-safest country in the world, with a crime rate fourth-lowest among 146 countries, following only Andorra, the United Arab Emirates, and Qatar. Moreover, in 2023, the Expat Insider annual survey published by InterNations ranked Taiwan the fifth most livable country - second for quality of life, eighth for safety, and first for quality of healthcare.

Without Taiwan, the international security network is incomplete

With Taiwanese passports providing visa-free entry to more than 160 countries and areas around the world, there have been numerous cases of such passports being illegally traded by crime syndicates in other countries. Criminal elements in a number of countries have fraudulently used Taiwanese passports to engage in illegal activities, thereby threatening international security and seriously disrupting the global order. However, currently, Taiwan can neither obtain the latest information on crimes nor share intelligence on suspects of major crimes such as fraud and drug trafficking in a timely fashion. Likewise, Taiwan is unable to provide other countries with crucial information regarding emerging criminal methods, its experiences in investigating related crimes, and details on forged passports. Taiwan's absence hampers efforts to prevent and stop criminal activities at their source.

Taiwan is willing and able to engage in joint law enforcement efforts

In 2017, for example, after Australian national Lisa Lines allegedly convinced a lover to attack her ex-husband with an ax, seriously injuring and paralyzing him, she fled to Taiwan to hide and work. In September 2022, INTERPOL issued a red notice for Lines and a yellow notice for her young children. However, Taiwan was not notified and remained unaware of the case until October 2023, when Australia contacted Taiwan to request assistance with the matter. Subsequently, Taiwan conducted an investigation and alerted both Australia and Palau, leading to the arrest of Lines when she travelled to Palau with her children. She was then extradited to Australia to face trial, and her children were escorted back to Australia.

In 2024, the INTERPOL Stop Internet Piracy (I-SOP) initiative sought to address copyright violations and piracy crimes, issuing a report entitled Paris 2024 Olympic Games: Awareness for Potential Digital Piracy Services. The report highlighted a Taiwanese police investigation into the illegal broadcasting of Olympic events through the Unblock Tech TV box (also known as the Anbo box). INTERPOL later asked Taiwan to share its related experiences and suggest potential measures for combating set-top box and other digital piracy services in the future so as to better protect intellectual property rights.

Taiwan urges countries to support its participation in INTERPOL and make the global security network more comprehensive

On June 27, the Australian Strategic Policy Institute published an article by Dr John Coyne titled "Taiwan's exclusion from INTERPOL is the world's loss." The article highlighted Taiwan's strong law enforcement capabilities and important role in combating transnational crime, particularly human trafficking. Despite widespread international support, Taiwan remains unable to access INTERPOL's intelligence databases and cooperation systems, limiting the effectiveness of cross-border crime investigations. Granting Taiwan observer status in INTERPOL would further strengthen global security, uphold justice, and minimize the negative effects of political factors on efforts to fight crime worldwide.

We urge all countries to support Taiwan's participation as an observer at INTERPOL's annual assembly, enabling Taiwan's law enforcement agencies to engage with those of member states, attend training sessions, and share expertise. Taiwan remains committed to promoting security, reducing harm to people and property, and working tirelessly with the international community to combat transnational crime.

Russia fines Google more money than there is in entire world

Graham Fraser - Technology reporter

BBC Business



Getty Images - A Russian court has imposed the fine on the US Tech giant

A Russian court has fined Google two undecillion roubles - a two followed by 36 zeroes - for restricting Russian state media channels on YouTube. In dollar terms that means the tech giant has been told to pay \$20,000,000,000,000,000,000,000,000,000,000.

Despite being one of the world’s wealthiest companies, that is considerably more than the \$2 trillion Google is worth.

In fact, it is far greater than the world’s total GDP, which is estimated by the International Monetary Fund to be \$110 trillion.

The fine has reached such a gargantuan level because - as state news agency Tass has highlighted - it is rapidly increasing all the time.

According to Tass, Kremlin spokesman Dmitry Peskov admitted he “cannot even pronounce this number” but urged “Google management to pay attention.”

The company has not commented publicly or responded to a BBC request for a statement.

A fine mess

Russia media outlet RBC reports the fine on Google relates to the restriction of content of 17 Russian media channels on YouTube.

While this started in 2020, it escalated after Russia’s full-scale invasion of Ukraine two years later.

That saw most Western companies pull out of Russia, with doing business there also tightly restricted by sanctions.

Russian media outlets were also banned in Europe - prompting retaliatory measures from Moscow.

In 2022, Google’s local subsidiary was declared bankrupt and the company has stopped offering its commercial services in Russia, such as advertising.

However, its products are not completely banned in the country.

This development is the latest escalation between Russia and the US tech giant.

In May, 2021, Russia’s media regulator Roskomnadzor accused Google of restricting YouTube access to Russian media outlets, including RT and Sputnik, and supporting “illegal protest activity”.

Then, in July, 2022, Russia fined Google 21.1bn rouble (Â£301m) for failing to restrict access to what it called “prohibited” material about the war in Ukraine and other content.

There is virtually no press freedom in Russia, with independent news outlets and freedom of expression severely curtailed.

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IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
JOSEPH NATHANIEL CLARKE, late of Buckleys
Site, Basseterre, St. Kitts, Deceased

IN THE MATTER of Section 8 of the Eastern
Caribbean Supreme Court (Non-Contentious
Probate and Administration of Estates) Rules 2017

TAKE NOTICE that an Application has been filed by DENISE WILLIAMS for a Grant of Probate to the Applicant who Is the issue of the deceased JOSEPH NATHANIEL CLARKE late of Buckleys Site, Basseterre, St. Kitts, the deceased having died testate on 18th day of August 2022.

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 22nd day of October day of 2024.

Filed by HAMILTON CHAMBERS of Unit #1 , N. W. Thomas Building , Lime Kiln
Commercial and Industrial Park, Basseterre, St. Kitts.

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IN THE MATTER of the Estate of TEJSINGH ARJOON of Race Course, Newton Ground, in the island of St. Christopher (Deceased)

IN THE MATTER of the Real Representatives Act Chapter 10.16 of the 2002 Revised Edition Laws of the Federation of St. Christopher and Nevis

IN THE MATTER OF Section 13 of the Eastern Caribbean Supreme Court (Non-Contentious Probate and Administration of Estates) Rules 2017

TAKE NOTICE that an Application has been filed by ROSALINE ELVIRA ARJOON nee WILKINSON and ANGELA MARION WILKINSON for a Grant of Letters of Administration to the Applicants who are the wife and issue of the deceased TEJSINGH ARJOON, late of #34 Lodge Project, St. Kitts, the deceased having died intestate on 15th May 2023.

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 22ND day of October 2024

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Spain mourns as death toll passes 150 in catastrophic floods

Bethany Bell - Europe Correspondent
Frances Mao - BBC News
‘We all know someone who has died’ - Valencia residents tell BBC correspondent

At least 158 people have died in Spain’s worst flooding disaster in generations as rescuers battle odds to find survivors.

On Thursday more than 1,200 workers, aided by drones, were deployed to the rescue mission as rains continued to threaten parts of the country.

“Right now the most important thing is to save as many lives as possible,” Prime Minister Pedro Sanchez told victims in a visit to affected communities.

But in some of the towns worst- hit in Tuesday night’s floods, people were left to the task of recovering bodies from the mud and wreckage.

A least 155 deaths were recorded in Valencia, while another two have been recorded in Castilla-La Mancha to the province’s west, and another, a British man, in Andalusia.

In the town of Paiporta, Valencia where a river burst its banks, at least 40 deaths have been recorded so far.

“We all know someone who has died,” said pharmacist Miguel Guerrilla, standing outside his chemist shop which has been covered in thick mud.

“It’s a nightmare.”

On Thursday, the BBC saw undertakers and funeral vans retrieving bodies from the street, while on nearby roads, cars swept away by the storm surge were piled on top of each other.

Motorists have recounted the horror of being trapped by the surging tides on Tuesday which turned highways and streets into rivers - many who survived climbed trees or bridges to escape.



Pharmacist Miguel wearing mud-caked gloves and shoes and a head torch steps through his mud-drenched shop after the floods
Pharmacist Miguel assessing the destruction in his shop on Thursday in Paiporta, Valencia



Reuters - People gather in a mud-covered street with damaged cars piled on top of each other in Paiporta on 31 October Reuters
The force of the floods swept cars away - residents are having to deal with the clean up

Officials haven’t disclosed the number of people still missing but said there are “many”, as the toll rose by about another 60

deaths on Thursday.

More than 90 deaths were recorded on Wednesday alone in the immediate aftermath of the torrential rains and flash floods, which largely affected Valencia, as well as Castilla-La Mancha in Andalusia, and as far south as Malaga.

The town of Chiva near Valencia received the equivalent of one year’s rainfall in just eight hours according to the Spanish meteorological agency Aemet.

As further rain warnings were issued for the south and east of the country on Thursday, King Felipe VI warned the emergency was “still not over” and PM Sanchez warned citizens to take shelter where necessary.

Meanwhile in flood-affected areas, hundreds are sheltering in temporary accommodation and beginning the slow, arduous task of clearing streets and recovering homes and businesses.

Many roads and the rail network connecting Valencia to the rest of Spain remain cut off.

Spain began an official three-day national mourning period on Thursday with flags at half-mast on government buildings and minutes of silence held.

Public anger is growing over how a developed European country appeared to fail to warn many communities of the flood danger in time.

Questions have been asked

over whether disaster management services issued warnings too late.

The civil protection agency, deployed during national disasters, did not issue an alert until 20:15 on Tuesday evening local time, by which time several places in Valencia had been flooded for hours.

Authorities have called the downpours and flooding “unprecedented”.

Many factors contribute to flooding, but a warming atmosphere caused by climate change makes extreme rainfall more likely.



Reuters An aerial view of the destruction and flooding near Valencia on 31 OctoberReuters
An aerial view of the destruction and flooding near Valencia on Thursday

Weather researchers have identified the likely main cause of the intense rainfall as a “gota fria - a natural weather event that hits Spain in autumn and winter when cold air descends on warmer waters over the Mediterranean.

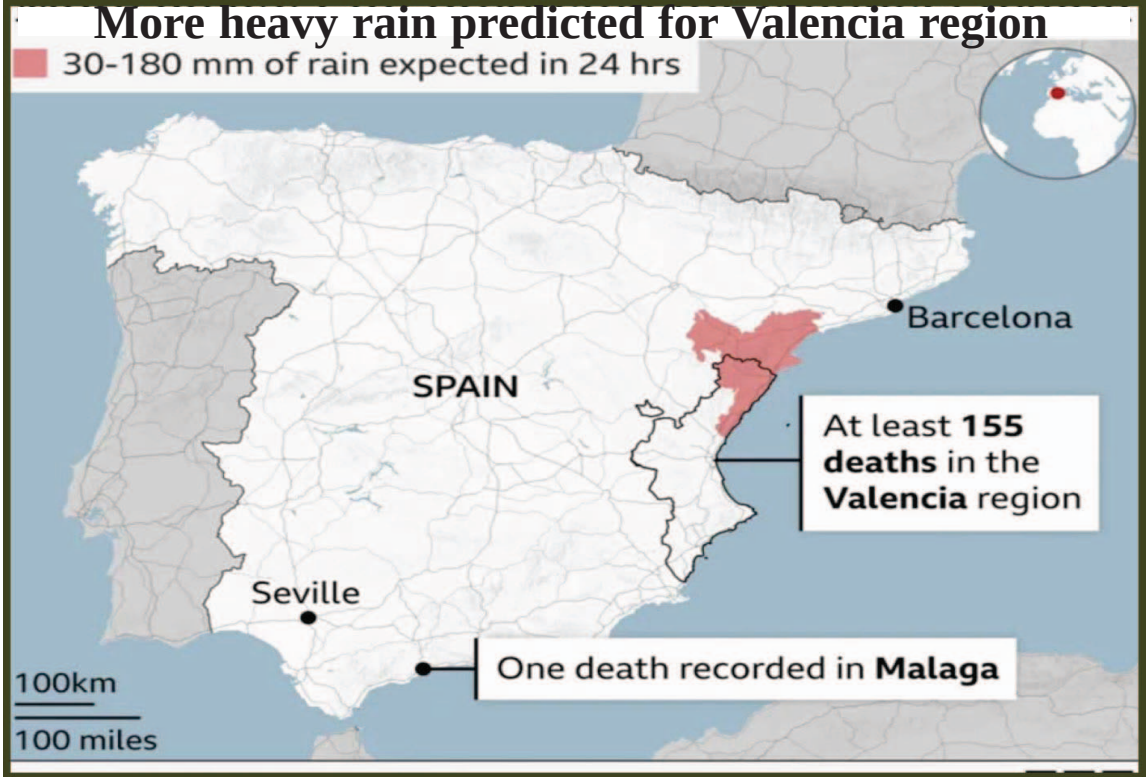
However, the increase in global temperatures had led to the clouds carrying more rain, scientists told the BBC.

The world has already warmed by about 1.1C since the industrial era began and temperatures will keep rising unless governments around the world make steep cuts to emissions.

“No doubt about it, these explosive downpours were intensified by climate change,” said Dr Friederike Otto, from Imperial College London, who leads an international group of scientists who try to understand the role that warming plays in these type of events.

The death toll is the worst from floods in Spain since 1973, when at least 150 people were estimated to have died in the southeastern provinces of Granada, Murcia and Almeria.

Map highlighting the affected Valencia region with a label marking the 155 deaths in the province



'I will be back' - young golfer blinded in one eye by freak accident



Jeffrey Guan hits a drive at the Procore Championship 2024

Getty Images source - Jeffrey Guan made his PGA Tour at the Procore Championship in California last month

Jonathan Jurejko

BBC Sport senior reporter

Australian golfer Jeffrey Guan has lost sight in his left eye after being hit

by a ball in a freak accident at a pro-am tournament last month.

The incident happened a week after the 20-year-old had made his debut on the PGA Tour.

Guan had surgery in New South

Wales and spent two weeks in intensive care after being transferred to Sydney for a second operation.

Speaking publicly for the first time since the accident, he revealed doctors said he is unlikely to ever regain vision in the eye.

Nevertheless, Guan - who had been playing professionally for a year - is targeting a return to the elite level of the game.

"As a kid, I always had a lot of perseverance and persistence. I will continue to work hard and do my best to achieve my dream," Guan wrote in a statement.

"I will be back."

Guan is a two-time Australian junior amateur champion, following in the footsteps of major champions Adam Scott, Jason Day and Cameron Smith by winning the title.

He then achieved a long-held dream by making his PGA Tour debut, at the Procore Championship in California, playing in a field featuring American Ryder Cup pair Wyndham Clark and Max Homa, plus English former Masters champion Danny Willett.

Guan had recently signed a deal with sports agency Sportfive, who also represent Spanish former world number one Jon Rahm.

A week after his Tour debut, he was back in New South Wales playing the pro-am at Catalina Club - where the unthinkable happened.

Having hit his second shot from the third fairway, Guan turned towards his buggy to put the iron back in his bag.

"That was when I was struck," Guan said.

"The instant ringing and pain rushed to my head, and I dropped to the ground."

Guan said there has been "very little good news" in the four weeks since the incident.

He revealed the extent of the damage on Thursday after receiving a full assessment from eye specialists.

"These four weeks have been the toughest of my life, but I am stronger mentally and will be ready to conquer any obstacle in the future," he added.

Kejelcha sets new world half-marathon record



Ethiopian Yomif Kejelcha in action on the track earlier this summer

Getty Images source

Yomif Kejelcha won 10,000m silver at the 2019 World Championships

Published BBC Sport

Ethiopian Yomif Kejelcha has set a new world record on his way to winning the Valencia Half Marathon.

Kejelcha, who also holds the indoor mile world record, set in Boston in 2019, finished in 57 minutes 30 seconds in wet conditions in the Spanish city.

The 27-year-old's time was one second quicker than Ugandan

Jacob Kiplimo's mark from Lisbon three years ago.

The women's race was won by Agnes Ngetich of Kenya, who moved to second in the world all-time rankings with a time 63:04.

In only his sixth half marathon, Kejelcha settled in behind the pacemakers from the start, making his move around the three-kilometre mark and eventually breaking away from Kenyans Daniel Mateiko and Isaia Kipkoech for victory.

Kejelcha is a two-time world indoor 3000m champion but could only finish sixth in the 10,000m final at the Paris Olympics earlier this year.

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Sugar Mas 53 Calypso Season Begins: Over 50 Calypsonians Ready to Set the Stage Ablaze

The calypso spirit is alive and thriving as we prepare to celebrate one of the most cherished traditions of Sugar Mas. Over 50 registered calypsonians are set to take the spotlight, bringing their voices, lyrics, and passion to the vibrant calypso tents. This season

kicks off at the Proud Sounds Calypso Tent on Sunday 10th November at Sprat Net, where the first soulful notes of calypso will echo across St. Kitts and Nevis.

This year's Calypso Eliminations, scheduled for November 29th and 30th, will be an electric display of talent and tenacity, as competitors battle for a coveted spot in the Semi-Finals. From these fierce eliminations, 16 exceptional calypsonians will advance to the Semi-Finals on December 12th, and from there, the best of the best will rise to compete in the Grand Finals on December

29th.

In the Finals, seven of the most compelling voices in calypso will attempt to dethrone the reigning monarch, Queen Independent, whose unforgettable performances and razor-sharp lyrics have set a high standard for this year's hopefuls. Each calypsonian brings their own unique flavour and storytelling prowess, promising an explosive celebration of the art form that continues to define and unite our nation.

The SKNNCC invites everyone to join us in celebrating the rich cultural legacy of calypso - a powerful blend of history, storytelling, and music that captures the essence of St. Kitts and Nevis. This Sugar Mas season, be part of the magic as we witness the rhythm, the rivalry, and the sheer artistry that makes our carnival extraordinary.



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To the Magistrate,
District "B"

To the Superintendent of Police.

I, Studley Francis now residing in the town of Sandy Point do hereby give you notice that it is my intention to apply on 06th day of January 2025, to the District Magistrate at Sandy Point for a Retail Liquor Licence in respect of my premises in West Moland Bar in Bradshaw Avenue in St. Paul's Village in St. Kitts.

Dated this
17th day of October, 2024.

Signed: Studley Francis

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Cricket West Indies and Apex Group renew exciting and Innovative Partnership

ST JOHN’S, Antigua - Cricket West Indies (CWI) has renewed its exciting and long-standing partnership with Apex Group Ltd. (‘Apex’), the global financial services provider. Starting from the first CG United ODI match in Antigua, the partnership will see the Apex brand on the front of the Men’s team shirts for the next fourteen (14) White Ball matches across the Caribbean as the West Indies close out 2024.

The extension of the partnership, which started in 2021, reaffirms Apex’s strong support and advocacy for West Indies cricket. Additionally, a new and innovative association with Apex - the Apex Shot Tracker - will feature during the live global TV broadcast, creating an elevated viewing experience for the audience and aligning with Apex’s strong innovative approach to delivering their global services.



West Indies ODI shirt co-branded with Apex



West Indies T20 shirt co-branded with Apex

The Apex Shot Tracker, which uses virtual reality to visualize the trajectory of the ball when a six is hit, will provide fans with key data around the distance hit and height reached of each Maximum. The Apex Shot Tracker will be used in the global

broadcast of the eight (8) white ball matches against England and six (6) against Bangladesh. Of the renewed partnership, CWI’s Chief Commercial Officer Rupert Hunter said, We are very excited to partner with Apex again. It is a natural alignment that reinforces Apex’s continued support and interest in the growth of West Indian cricket through innovation. With the Apex brand on the front of the Men’s team shirts, we are confident that this will significantly boost brand awareness on a global level. With the added integration of the Apex Shot Tracker across all our platforms, we will also deliver fans differentiated and engaging content, thanks to the support of Apex. Peter Hughes, Apex Group’s founder and CEO said, We are extremely pleased to renew our partnership with the West Indies cricket team. This is an important partnership for us, as we continue to make cricket more sustainable in order to help build the next generation of Caribbean cricketers. We wish the team every success during this tournament. Cricket West Indies is committed to the commercial growth of the hallmark regional brand and looks forward to increased partnerships, both at home and abroad.

The upcoming One Day International schedule is as follows:

West Indies vs England CG United ODI Series Schedule

1st CG UNITED ODI: 31 October 2024-	Sir Vivian Richards Stadium, Antigua
2nd CG UNITED ODI: 2 November 2024-	Sir Vivian Richards Stadium, Antigua
3rd CG UNITED ODI: 6 November 2024-	Kensington Oval Barbados

West Indies vs England T20I Series Schedule:

1st T20 International: 9 November 2024-	Kensington Oval, Barbados.
2nd T20 International: 10 November 2024-	Kensington Oval, Barbados
3rd T20 International: 14 November 2024-	Daren Sammy Stadium, St Lucia
4th T20 International: 16 November 2024-	Daren Sammy Stadium, St Lucia
5th T20 International: 17 November 2024-	Daren Sammy Stadium, St Lucia

West Indies vs Bangladesh Home Series Schedule:

First Test- West Indies vs Bangladesh:	November 22-26, 2024, Sir Vivian Richards Stadium, Antigua.
Second Test- West Indies vs Bangladesh:	November 30- 4 December 2024, Sabina Park, Jamaica
First CG UNITED ODI - West Indies vs Bangladesh:	8 December 2024, Warner Park, St Kitts & Nevis.
Second CG UNITED ODI - West Indies vs Bangladesh:	10 December 2024, Warner Park Stadium, St Kitts & Nevis.
Third CG UNITED ODI- West Indies vs Bangladesh:	12 December 2024, Warner Park Stadium, St Kitts & Nevis.
1st T20 International: West Indies vs Bangladesh:	15 December 2024, Arnos Vale Stadium, St Vincent & The Grenadines.
2nd T20 International: West Indies vs Bangladesh:	17 December 2024, Arnos Vale Stadium, St Vincent & The Grenadines.
3rd T20 International: West Indies vs Bangladesh:	19 December 2024, Arnos Vale Stadium, St Vincent & The Grenadines.

About Apex Group Ltd

Apex Group is dedicated to driving positive change in financial services while fueling the growth and ambitions of asset managers, allocators, financial institutions, and family offices. Established in Bermuda in 2003, the Group has continually disrupted the asset servicing industry through its investment in innovation and talent. Today, Apex Group sets the pace in asset servicing and stands out for its unique single-source solution and unified cross asset-class platform which supports the entire value chain, harnesses leading innovative technology, and benefits from cross-jurisdictional expertise delivered by a long-standing management team and over 13,000 highly integrated professionals. Apex Group leads the asset servicing industry with a broad and unmatched range of services, including capital raising, business and corporate management, fund and investor administration, portfolio and investment administration, ESG, capital markets and transactions support. These services are tailored to each client and are delivered both at the Group level and via specialist subsidiary brands. The Apex Foundation, a not-for-profit entity, is the Group’s passionate commitment to empower sustainable change.