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Editorial

Kudos To Survivor Shaville Hodge For Spreading Awareness About Fireworks Danger

In last week's editorial, we highlighted the dangers of fireworks, particularly bombs, following a Guy Fawkes activity related incident that left two male teenagers-ages 19 and 16- seriously injured.

This week, we are compelled to applaud the courage of one of those young men, 16-year-old Shaville Hodge, who, despite his injuries, has chosen to speak out and warn the public about the potential hazards of these dangerous explosives while calling on those in authority to enforce the ban

He has taken an incredible step in advocating for the safety of others by sharing his story and calling for greater regulation and enforcement around banned fireworks. He spoke candidly about the importance of ensuring these items are strictly monitored to prevent others from experiencing similar injuries.

It is so heartwarming to see such determination and strength, especially in the face of personal suffering. Shaville's resolve to turn his painful experience into a message of prevention is a testament to his character.

Leadership like Shaville's shines through actions, and his decision to speak out through popular vlogger Shaq 'Model Cop' Bassue-Benjamin on the 'Model Cop News

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In the Estate of **Benilda Griffin otherwise Benilda Jeffers** late of Eden Brown Estate, St. James' Parish, Nevis

TAKE NOTICE that an application has been filed by **MORELLA GRIFFIN** of Eden Brown Estate, St. James' Parish, Nevis for a Grant of Letters of Administration to the applicant who is the daughter of the deceased, the deceased having died intestate on the 8th day of October, 2024.

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

Dated this 30 day of October, 2024.


Belva L. Nisbett
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(MCN)' Facebook platform is commendable. This young man understands the power of the media to drive change, and his family, particularly his mother, should be acknowledged for raising a young man with such a clear sense of responsibility to his community. Kudos to other positive role models and others alike who are equally involved in his life by way of nurturing his development and upbringing.

As we reflect on the recent incident, let Shaville's bravery serve as a reminder of the importance of community

vigilance and personal responsibility. It is our hope that his message resonates widely, sparking discussions that lead to safer practices and stronger regulations around fireworks.

In Shaville, we see not only a courageous survivor but also a true community leader in the making. We thank him for his bravery and commitment to spreading awareness and hope his efforts inspire action for a safer future.

We wish him and the other young man a speedy recovery and best wishes for their future endeavours.



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Customs Official Warns Against Invoice Tampering During Duty-Free Season

By: Spokesman Newsroom

BASSETTERE, St. Kitts (Thursday 14th November 2024) - As the holiday duty-free period approaches, the St.Kitts and Nevis Customs & Excise Department is cautioning the public against invoice tampering during the busy season.

Administrative Research Assistant at Customs Desraul Hazel, issued a clear warning to residents during an appearance on Freedom FM on Wednesday 13th November 2024, with host Maurice 'EK' Flanders- urging everyone to follow the rules to avoid penalties.

"We get a lot of tampered invoices; everything comes in at US\$250," Hazel noted. "I am telling the general public, you will be caught, you will be charged. You're getting \$250 off. Please don't tamper with the invoices and make sure you upload your invoice. The process is expedited when you upload your invoices."

Hazel, joined by his colleague Public Relations Officer Kersha Martin, provided insights into the annual duty-free concession that will run from November 15th 2024 to January 31st 2025.

Such an allowance allows residents to import certain food and personal items for non-commercial use, exempt from duty and taxes under specified guidelines, provided the goods arrive within the stipulated dates.

Martin outlined the scope of the duty-free allowance, emphasizing that timing is essential.

"The goods must be landed between the 15th of November to the 31st of January. If you order today and they come on Thursday, you have to pay your duties and taxes. So once your goods land in St. Kitts, between those stipulated dates, that is when they would qualify for the concession," she said.

Residents are allowed to bring in food items and personal effects under the duty-free concession, with allowances covering up to 400 pounds of foodstuffs-the equivalent of four barrels-and up to US\$250 (EC\$675) off the CIF (Cost, Insurance, and Freight) value.

Martin explained: "So what it is, is that you get the first 400 pounds of foodstuff... [For] non-commercial imports, you get US\$250... So if, for example, you go on Amazon or Shein or Temu and order some clothes for \$200, within the concessionary, there's no duties and taxes applied to that shipment."

For items that exceed the allowance slightly, the duty-free benefit still applies to a degree. "If your goods come up to \$255 USD, you just pay the duties and taxes on the \$5 during this period," Martin clarified.

Hazel further advised residents on the benefits of uploading invoices to streamline the customs clearance process, explaining that delays frequently occur when invoices are not promptly submitted.

"The process is expedited when you upload your invoices," he explained, adding, "If you do upload the invoice, when the manifest is sent to my team..., we do the initial assessment. If the manifest is processed today, more than likely you will get your cargo tomorrow."

The Customs officials underscored the importance of utilizing online platforms for quick processing. Hazel recommended pre-alerting Customs with invoice details using the online portals provided by courier services such as SKrave, Ezone, Ship It For Less, and West Tech Shipping, as this expedites customs checks and minimizes delays.



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"Some of the couriers even cater for that... if you're busy as you do the order, I think Ezone is called Easy Elite and West Tech is called Pre-Alert.. it is automatically updated so that saves you the time of going to check your email all the time and all the time but it is imperative that you upload the invoices," he explained, noting that customers should upload invoices immediately after purchasing items to avoid processing delays.

"It is in your best interest" to upload invoices promptly, Hazel emphasized.

Front Page Photo: Administrative Research Assistant at the St.Kitts and Nevis Customs & Excise Department Desraul Hazel



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Bomb Injury Victim Warns Youth on Dangers, Urges Ban on Explosives

By: Spokesman Newsroom

BASSETERRE, St. Kitts (Wednesday 13th November 2024) - Sixteen-year-old Shaville Hodge, who recently suffered severe injuries from a Guy Fawkes activity bomb, is speaking out to warn others about the dangers of fireworks while making an appeal for stricter banning measures.

Additionally, he has clarified that the item was not homemade, contrary to rumours.

In an exclusive sit-down Facebook interview on Model Cop News (MCN) hosted by Shaq 'Model Cop' Benjamin-Bassue on Tuesday 12th November 2024, Hodge recounted the incident that nearly cost him his life and called on the government to enforce stricter regulations on fireworks, including banning.

It was highlighted that the young man told his mom that he wanted to do such a social media interview out of concern in warning others by way of helping to prevent another incident.

When asked if the government should intervene to stop the sale of these specific types of bombs, Hodge replied: "Yeah Shaq, definitely because dem there [the bombs] could take a life. You see it happen to us now so they should ban it," he said during the interview at his family's home in McKnight. While initially concerned about his vision due to eye damage from the blast, he shared that his eyesight was slowly returning with medical care, saying, "I'm just thankful for life," and adding that he is now focused on protecting others from similar harm.

On the day of the incident, Hodge explained that he was at home and went by his grandmother's to see if she was ready to wash his hair. Having indicated that she was not, he decided to "run a lil time," and went down the road where he saw a friend who had the bomb. Hodge said his curiosity got the best of him: "I got curious because he got de bombs and ah say ah want light it; main know how it go so when we light it now... and in a half a second, it just blow up, and all I coulda see was like flash."

In a message to the youth, he cautioned: "What ah trying to say is to tell de youths dem to try keep from these

bombs because I only light it, and you see what happen to me... and de next pardna hand... People ain't gonna stop lighting dem but sometimes de Customs [department] got to watch and see what coming inâ€¦ because da dere could a tek both of us livesâ€¦ but just thank God for life, you know... Speedy recovery to me and me friend you know, and am glad we home too out de hospital."

Addressing rumors that the bomb was homemade, he clarified, "No Shaq, main know where de bomb come from; it was a bought bomb, not a homemade bomb... He pointed out that Adults was around the are "so we ain't goin make a bomb."

Hodge's mother, Sherlita, shared her own account of the terrifying event, describing how she rushed from work after receiving an urgent call from her mother. "She said 'Come quick, come quick, it look like something happen to Shaville!' And with that I took off wid a speed out de park..."

On her way, she heard a car start and asked for a lift to the scene. She arrived to find her son covered in blood with a "tear back" injury to his mouth and did not realize immediately that the other young man was also injured.

Expressing gratitude to God for spared lives, she thanked medical personnel and supporters during her son's recovery.

The interview concluded with a heartfelt note of gratitude from Hodge and his family to the doctors, nurses, teachers, students, and friends who supported them during the ordeal, including Prime Minister Dr. Terrance Drew and Parliamentary Representative for St. Christopher Two, Marsha Henderson.

Front Page Image: Sixteen-year-old Shaville Hodge, who recently suffered severe injuries from a Guy Fawkes activity bomb (Credit: Facebook/Model/Shaq)



Photo: Sixteen-year-old Shaville Hodge, who recently suffered severe injuries from a Guy Fawkes activity bomb (left) seen with his mother Sherlita and interviewer hosted by Shaq 'Model Cop' Benjamin-Bassue of MCN-Model Cop News (Credit: Facebook/Model/Shaq)

Renewable biofuels not only contribute to climate change mitigation, but also have a positive impact on public health, stated specialists at the IICA Pavilion at COP29

Baku, Azerbaijan, 14 November 2024 (IICA) - Renewable biofuels can make a significant contribution not only to climate change mitigation but also to public health, explained civil society and academic representatives during COP29, where thousands gathered in Baku, Azerbaijan.

The Home of Sustainable Agriculture of the Americas, a pavilion set up for the third consecutive year by the Inter-American Institute for Cooperation on Agriculture (IICA) at the largest global forum for environmental discussion, was the venue for a conversation organized by Solutions from the Land, drawing significant attention at COP29.

The discussion was led by Ernie Shea, President of Solutions from the Land, whose team includes industry leaders and academic experts in agriculture, forestry,

and conservation. Their mission is to promote nature-based solutions for food security, economic development, climate change mitigation, and biodiversity conservation.

Shea emphasized that in addition to reducing greenhouse gas emissions, renewable biofuel have recently shown benefits for public health. "Renewable fuels make a decisive contribution to pollution reduction, and the opportunities for agricultural production are vast," said Shea.

Manuel Otero, IICA Director General, opened the debate, underscoring the importance of bringing the topic of biofuels to the Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change. He highlighted the economic and social significance of biofuels for various Latin American countries. "Today, agriculture is key to global energy security," he added.

In support of the Paris agreement

Linda Schmid, from the U.S. Grains Council, highlighted that ethanol should be considered by countries as part of their greenhouse gas emissions reduction commitments under the Paris Agreement.

"In the United States, we have reduced 140 million tons of carbon dioxide equivalent in recent years thanks to a 10% ethanol blend in petroleum-derived

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Muir hopes retrospective medal sends message to dopers

Published BBC News



Laura Muir received her European bronze medal nine years after the race

Great Britain’s Laura Muir says she hopes receiving her 2015 European Athletics Indoor Championships bronze medal retrospectively sends a message to dopers they will be punished.

The Scot was 21 when she finished fourth in the 3,000m in Prague, but was upgraded to bronze in January after race winner Yelena Korobkina of Russia was found guilty of doping offences.

Now 31, Muir collected her medal at the Lindsays Short Course cross-country event at Kirkcaldy on Saturday.

“It’s better late than never. It’s an odd feeling but lovely to have so many friends and family here too,” said Muir.

“When people are held accountable it hopefully sends a message [doping] is unacceptable and hopefully people in the end will get the results they deserve.

“It’s a shame you have to wait a long period of time. It would have been my first international medal and I didn’t get the chance to get the medal and stand on the podium.

“But I’m very grateful I’ve got it now.”

Sviatlana Kudzelich of Belarus had her silver medal upgraded to gold and Netherlands’ Maureen Koster was promoted to silver.

Korobkina was banned for four years from September 2023, and had her results between July 2013 and July 2016 expunged after being found guilty of doping last year.



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Please send applications with two (2) references by Tuesday, 19 November 2024 to nciapplications@sknanb.com or addressed to the following. Please note that only shortlisted candidates will be contacted for an interview. An attractive remuneration package will be offered to the successful candidate.

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Prime Minister Drew Urges Citizens to Take Advantage of Sanitation Assistance Program

BASSETTERRE, St. Kitts - November 13, 2024 (PMO) -

At an event promoting the government's Sanitation Assistance Program (SAP), Prime Minister Hon. Dr. Terrance Drew in emphasizing the initiative's transformative impact, called on citizens without proper bathroom facilities to register and take full advantage of the program. SAP, which focuses on eliminating pit latrines throughout St. Kitts and Nevis, underscores the government's dedication to providing every citizen with access to modern, dignified living conditions.

"This program, the Sanitation Assistance Program, is really taking St. Kitts and Nevis to the next level," Prime Minister Drew said. "The objective really is to eradicate pit latrines from our country. Our country is a modern country, a high-income country, one of the most educated in CARICOM, ranking highest in the Human Development Index. It means we must do what is necessary to reflect that status."

During his remarks, Prime Minister Drew shared personal stories to underscore the importance of SAP and how it uplifts communities by providing basic, yet life-changing, amenities. He recounted a visit to Keys Village in late 2013 that inspired the inception of SAP, where he encountered a man living in a small, rundown wooden house without access to basic sanitation. The man relied on a plastic bag for his needs, an experience that deeply affected the Prime Minister and catalyzed the program's launch.



Prime Minister Hon. Dr. Terrance Drew

"I realized there was no toilet facility," Dr. Drew shared. "What he did was use a plastic bag and throw it out the window. To think that in 2013, in St. Kitts and Nevis, someone was living like that... it was unimaginable." The Prime Minister described how community members came together to paint the new structure built for the man, symbolizing community solidarity and shared pride.

The Sanitation Assistance Program, managed by the National Housing Corporation (NHC) in collaboration with the Ministry of Human Settlement and the Department of Constituency Empowerment, seeks to ensure that even the most vulnerable citizens have access to sanitary bathroom facilities. Prime Minister Drew underscored the significance of this program in upholding the nation's vision of a sustainable and equitable society.

"You cannot imagine what a bathroom with a flush toilet does to the dignity and pride of one of your fellow citizens," he said,

stressing the profound impact of providing such facilities to those in need. "This is why NHC was created - so that nobody in St. Kitts and Nevis will live like this again."

The Prime Minister used the opportunity to commend the tireless efforts of the NHC and related ministries in driving the SAP forward. He emphasized

that while this initiative does not generate profit for the organization, it fulfills the NHC's core mission of serving the public good.

"These bathroom facilities are free. But it is significant because when you look at where we have come from, this is why NHC exists. Each time you want to be inspired as to why NHC is here, just take a look and say to yourself, never, ever again."

The Prime Minister urged citizens to take advantage of the program and register, highlighting the government's dedication to fostering a society where all people can live with dignity and security.



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October 14, 2024

Request for quotations for one (1) JCB JS370 excavator along with a Hydraulic Rock Breaker and appropriate fittings

The Public Works Department is seeking quotations for purchasing one (1) JCB JS370 excavator with attachments, including one (1) hydraulic rock breaker/hammer for the Quarry Division at Canada Estate for the new financial year 2025.

1. Parameters:

- The excavator must be a JCB brand machine of at least 37 tons.
- The total purchase cost must include the original price, insurance, and shipping (CIF).
- The machine must be on track. Spare parts for the excavator must be readily available for purchase.
- A warranty of at least one (1) year must be included in the accepted quotation.
- There must be sufficient parts for three (3) routine maintenance checks of the machine, including such filters as for air, oil, and hydraulics, for the first year of the machine's operations.

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.

The hard copy of the completed Quotations shall be delivered in a sealed envelope to the office of:

**Director of Public Works
Wellington Road
Basseterre
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By 1:30pm Friday December 6, 2024.

Kindly submit a soft copy via email to the following email addresses: George.Gilbert@gov.kn, Jermaine.lake@gov.kn and copy to secretary.adminpwd@gov.kn.

Winning bidders will be notified thereafter.

Please note that solicitations, receipt, and consideration of cost quotations **DO NOT** constitute a binding agreement to purchase equipment from any responding party or company.



“We Are On Schedule”: Prime Minister Drew and Minister Maynard Assess Progress of St. Peters Main Road Rehabilitation

Basseterre, St. Kitts and Nevis, November 14, 2024 (PMO) - Prime Minister Hon. Dr. Terrance Drew, accompanied by the Hon. Konris Maynard, Minister of Public Works et al, and Mr. Alexis Hazel, contractor of the road works project, conducted a site visit on November 13th, 2024, to evaluate the ongoing rehabilitation of the St. Peters Main Road. This critical infrastructure project underscores the government’s commitment to enhancing transportation networks in the nation’s fastest-growing community.

The St. Peters Main Road serves as a vital artery for residents and commuters, linking the rapidly expanding St. Peters area to Basseterre and other regions. Recognizing its significance, the government prioritized this project to address the increasing traffic demands and to improve safety and accessibility for all users.



During the site visit, Prime Minister Drew, who also serves as the elected representative for the area and is a resident of St. Peters, expressed his satisfaction with the project’s progress. “I am very pleased with the advancements made on this massive undertaking. This road leads to the fastest-growing area in St. Kitts and one of the largest outside of Basseterre in terms of population. Not addressing this road would stifle the movement of people, affecting their lives in many ways.”

The Prime Minister acknowledged the efforts of the Ministry of Public Works and the contractor,

Mr. Hazel of Rock and Dirt, in adhering to the project’s timeline. He reassured residents, “We are on schedule. I know there are some concerns about things seeming to go slow, but this is a massive undertaking, and it is on time. I want to reassure them of that.”

Minister Maynard provided insights into the project’s scope and the meticulous planning involved. He explained, “At the start, we did all of the work that you don’t see because the design of roads takes a tremendous amount of time. All of the analysis has to be done, etc. That took quite a number of months.” He further elaborated on the complexities encountered, particularly concerning underground infrastructure, stating, “There is a lot of underground infrastructure and things that have to happen. You have to build sidewalks, you have to build retaining walls... Paving is the last thing.”

The rehabilitation project extends from the airport roundabout to Ogees, encompassing significant improvements to road surfaces, drainage systems, and pedestrian pathways. These enhancements aim to accommodate the area’s growth and to ensure the safety and convenience of all road users.

Prime Minister Drew emphasized the importance of patience and understanding from the community during the construction phase. He stated, “I want to apologize for the inconvenience, but they would understand that to get such a massive project done would require some inconvenience and some patience.” He assured residents that upon completion, they would be “immensely proud” of the collaborative efforts that brought the project to fruition.

The government remains steadfast in its dedication to improving national infrastructure, with the St. Peters Main Road rehabilitation serving as a testament to its commitment to fostering sustainable development and enhancing the quality of life for all citizens.

Keys Road Fatality Under Investigation

The Police are investigating a road fatality that occurred on November 13th, 2024, in Keys Village, St. Kitts that claimed the life of Joyeclyn Straun of Keys Village. Initial inquiries indicate that while crossing the road, Ms Straun was struck by a vehicle travelling from Basseterre’s direction. She was shortly thereafter transported via ambulance to the Joseph N. France General Hospital where regrettably, she succumbed to her injuries. An investigation into the matter is now in progress and the general public will be kept appropriately abreast of its developments.

The Royal St. Christopher and Nevis Police Force expresses heartfelt condolences to all who have been negatively impacted by this tragic incident.

Community Notice

In celebration of International Men’s Day, the Antioch Baptist Church invites all men across St. Kitts and Nevis to its annual ***Men of Influence Forum*** on Sunday, November 17, at 9 a.m. This year’s theme is “Fear Not, Stand Firm.”

The service will feature Timothy N. J. Antoine as the keynote speaker, offering powerful insights and inspiration.

Join us at the Antioch Baptist Church, Lime Kiln Commercial Development, and be empowered for every good work. Don’t miss this opportunity to connect, grow, and stand firm in faith.

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IN CELEBRATION OF INTERNATIONAL MEN'S DAY.

TVET Official Talks Certification Through Prior Learning Assessment

By: Spokesman Newsroom

BASSETERRE, St. Kitts (Wednesday, 13th November 2024)-The St. Kitts and Nevis Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET) Council is empowering skilled individuals to gain formal recognition through a program that assesses prior learning and experience.

Chief Executive Officer of the TVET Council Secretariat, Dr. Kertney Thompson, shared details about such in a recent interview with Ian Richards on an episode of ‘In Focus’ by the St.Kitts-Nevis Information Service (SKNIS) on the topic ‘Empowering Sustainable Development Through Education and Vocational Training’ on Wednesday 13th November 2024.

The Prior Learning and Assessment Recognition programme allows individuals with on-the-job experience to be evaluated against industry standards and potentially receive certification without undergoing traditional classroom training.

Speaking to the value of PLAR, Dr. Thompson said, “What we would do is basically take someone who has experience out there in the field... and you basically assess them against a set of industry-developed standards... We certify them, validate that they can do it. And we certify them, validate that they can do it.

Dr. Thompson explained that the TVET Council assesses skills in fields as varied as carpentry, mechanics, and masonry. Skilled tradespeople are evaluated based on practical demonstrations of their abilities.

“They can demonstrate it in real time or if they have work related videos and those things that we could use to show that yes, that person could actually do that,” he noted.

He went on to say: “For example, with a mason, if it says, if part of the job says, well, obviously part of the job is going to be, you have to be able to run blocks. You have to be able to put up a wall, a certain length, and it has to be within standard, within specification. So if you have a video showing that, we could use that as



Students of the Washington Archibald High School seen gathering during an information session school visit by The St. Kitts and Nevis Technical and Vocational

evidence against that or if they don’t have anything, we could actually go on the job and watch them do it to sign off and say, yes, that person is competent in that area. And with a TVET certification like this, it’s not they go to school, someone lectures, they take a written test. They have to demonstrate that they could actually perform this work.”

According to Dr. Thompson: “So if you say you’re a mechanic and you have to replace a transmission, you’re going to have to replace a transmission. You have to show you can replace the transmission. So when you do go for an interview, now you’re not telling the employer that, yeah, I know how to install the transmission. You could actually tell them, I can actually install the transmission. I can demonstrate to you how it’s done, and I can actually do it in real time. And you have your certification. And you have your certification to prove it.”

“With a TVET certification like this, it’s not that they go to school, someone lectures, they take a written test. They have to demonstrate that they could actually perform this work,” he emphasized.

Beyond providing certification, TVET in St. Kitts and Nevis has broader goals. In his conversation with Richards, Dr. Thompson defined TVET in 2024 as a cornerstone of national development.

“TVET is a driver for economic development. It’s a way of ensuring that we have a workforce that is highly skilled and certified for the world of work. And here in St. Kitts and Nevis, that’s our goal-pushing TVET into those higher stream areas that can really drive the sustainable development of St. Kitts and Nevis.”

Dr. Thompson highlighted, individuals with skills certification can enhance their professional standing, particularly in government roles where qualifications can influence pay scales.

“Someone who’s been working, let’s take [the] water department, for example, [who has] been working as a linesman or whatever, and may not have a particular certification...might be able to get appointed to a different scale based on those types of certifications.”

As informed, the TVET Council, which was established under the Education Act of 2005, is tasked with advising the Minister of Education on matters relating to technical and vocational training.

The Council, comprising representatives from key industries like tourism, construction, workers unions including the St.Kitts-Nevis Trades and Labour Union, and the Clarence Fitzroy Bryant College (CFBC), brings a wide range of expertise to guide the development of the workforce.

Dr. Thompson also touched on the Council’s ambitious plans for growth, noting, “We have a robust work plan. A lot of things to do within these three years.”

As understood, since Dr. Thompson began leading the Secretariat nearly a decade ago, he has overseen transformative changes, implementing quality assurance, certification, and monitoring systems that have laid the foundation for St. Kitts and Nevis’ skilled workforce to thrive.

Notably, the PLAR programme reflects the Council’s commitment to inclusivity, as it allows individuals who might not have pursued formal education to gain valuable credentials based on their skills and experience.

Dr. Thompson remarked: “It is in today’s age very important... to have that certification,” whilst pointing out that the TVET certification validates an individual’s expertise, enabling them to present a recognized qualification when seeking employment or advancement.

The TVET Council is currently hosting a month of activities.
Front Page Photo: Chief Executive Officer of the TVET Council Secretariat, Dr. Kertney Thompson seen while speaking on an episode of ‘In Focus’ by the St.Kitts-Nevis Information Service (SKNIS) on the topic ‘Empowering Sustainable Development Through Education and Vocational Training’ on Wednesday 13th November 2024

SAINT CHRISTOPHER AND NEVIS
NEVIS CIRCUIT
A. D. 2024

In the Matter of the Title by Registration
Act 10.19

And

In the Matter of a Certificate of Title
registered in Book 25 Folio 40 in respect
of lands situated at Hamilton Estate in
the parish of St. John in the island of
Nevis

And

In the Matter of an application in respect
of a replacement Certificate of Title
pursuant to Section 144 of the Title by
Registration Act 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 lost Certificate of Title dated the 10th April, 1987 and registered in the Register of Titles of the Nevis Circuit at Book 25 Folio 40 in favour of **RUPERT W. TYRELL** of Hermitage Road in the Parish of Saint John in the Island of Nevis for ALL THAT lot piece or parcel of land situate at Hamilton Estate in the Parish of St. John in the island of Nevis measuring 0.88+ acre and bounded and measuring as follows, that is to say:- On or towards the North by Lot 57, 336.15 feet; On or towards the East by a Public Road, 118.95 feet; On or towards the West by lands of Ermyrn A. Tyrell, 104.15 feet and On or towards the South by S.E. ¼ of Lot 58 On the Hamilton Settlement Plan, 386.30 feet all as the same is delineated and set forth on the plan by Hilton Lawson and copied by S.A. Douglas, Licensed Land Surveyors dated the 09th day of June, 1986.

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 Registrar’s Office, Charlestown, Nevis or Nisbetts Solicitors, Chapel Street, Charlestown, Nevis.

Dated the 4th day of November, 2024


Nisbetts
Solicitors



Law Enforcement Recovers Illegal Firearm on St. Kitts

A joint search operation has led to the seizure of a high-powered firearm and ammunition in Newtown, St. Kitts. Between 12 PM and 12:30 PM on conducted on November 12th, 2024, Royal St. Christopher and Nevis Police Force (RSCNPF) officers from the Special Services Unit (SSU), and soldiers from the St. Kitts - Nevis Defence Force (SKNDF) carried out a search of an abandoned building as part of an ongoing effort to enhance public safety and reduce illegal firearms in the community. During the operation, an AK-47 assault rifle, accompanied by two (2) magazines and thirty-three (33) rounds of 7.62mm ammunition, was recovered. The contraband has since been taken into police custody.

No arrests have been made in connection with the contraband recovery at this time. The RSCNPF is committed to continuing its investigations and ensuring that those responsible are brought to justice. Should anyone have any information concerning this or any other criminal matter, we strongly encourage you to contact the nearest Police station, or call the Crime Stoppers' hotline, 707.

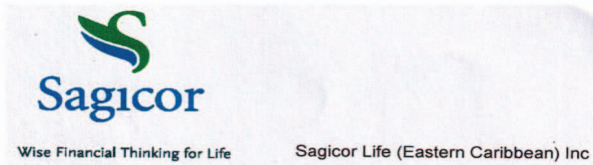
SAGICOR LIFE (EASTERN CARIBBEAN) INC.

Yuleisa Medrano Satana of New Castle, St. James Parish, Nevis being Beneficiary, having made sworn deposition that Policy No. J554005640 issued by Sagicor Life (Eastern Caribbean) Inc. on the life of Kurlis Liburd (deceased) has been lost and having made application to the Directors to grant a duplicate of the same, notice is hereby given that unless objection is raised within one month of the date hereof, the duplicate policy asked for will be issued.

Dated: 22nd October, 2024.

By Order

Andrew Greaves
Corporate Secretary



November
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Blue Economy Virtual
Investment Forum
A WEALTH OF OPPORTUNITIES IN GRENADA,
SAINT LUCIA, AND SAINT VINCENT AND THE GRENADINES

Business

Investors Invited to Blue Economy Virtual Investment Forum with Focus on Sustainable Development Opportunities

Joint Media Release November 14, 2024

The Blue Economy Virtual Investment Forum, set to take place on November 26, 2024, promises to be a pivotal event for those interested in the intersection of sustainable development and investment opportunities within the Eastern Caribbean economy.

The Blue Economy is a US\$ 1.5 trillion industry and the Caribbean is well suited to sustainably leverage its collective Exclusive Economic Zones (EEZ) to benefit from this emerging industry. Co-hosted by the Grenada Investment and Development Corporation, Invest Saint Lucia,

and Invest Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, this forum will highlight the potential of the blue economy as a critical component of sustainable growth and a viable option for addressing several vulnerabilities exacerbated by climate change.

The forum will bring together an esteemed panel of experts, policymakers, and industry leaders to explore the myriad possibilities within the blue economy. Attendees will have the chance to engage with thought leaders and innovators who are shaping the future of ocean-based industries, including fisheries, aquaculture, and marine biotechnology.

The key draw of the Forum is giving investors the chance to discover new and valuable opportunities and connect with the Investment Promotion Agencies of each country. These agencies are well experienced in supporting investors every step of the way, by offering invaluable insights and guidance. This makes this event a fantastic opportunity for investors to learn, network, and make connections that could lead to incredibly successful developments. As the world increasingly turns its focus to sustainable solutions, the blue economy stands out as a key driver of both economic resilience and ecological balance.

“We are thrilled to host this virtual forum and shine a spotlight on the incredible potential of the blue economy,” said Dr. Didacus Jules, Director General, of the Organisation of Eastern Caribbean States (OECS). “The forum underscores the importance of leveraging our ocean resources responsibly. By fostering investment and innovation in the blue economy, we can pave the way for sustainable development and enhance foreign investment in the Caribbean.”

The virtual forum will be hosted via Zoom Events and will also facilitate networking sessions, allowing attendees to connect with key stakeholders.

Pinney's Beach Enhancement Project Complete, Creating a Mecca for Leisure, Business, and Entertainment on Nevis

NIA CHARLESTOWN NEVIS (November 12, 2024) - The completion of the Nevis Island Administration's (NIA) Pinney's Beach Enhancement Project, located west of the Malcolm Guishard Recreational Park, has transformed Nevis' premier beachfront area into a mecca for business, leisure, and entertainment for the enjoyment of locals and visitors alike.



Nevis' newly upgraded Pinney's Beach strip offers top-notch leisure, business, dining and entertainment options for locals and visitors

During a recently-held ceremony to mark the occasion, Permanent Secretary in the Ministry of Tourism in the Nevis Island Administration (NIA), Mr. John Hanley celebrated the accomplishment as a testament to 16 months of dedicated work. Mr. Hanley praised the collaborative efforts that have gone into transforming Pinney's Beach into a welcoming, vibrant destination for all.

Project Manager Mr. Michael Perkins said the project began in December 2022 and was successfully completed ahead of schedule in August 2024. With a contract cost of USD \$3.3 million, a major portion was allocated to state-of-the-art smart lighting and electronic systems, ensuring that the site remains safe, well-lit, and technologically advanced. This endeavor was made possible through the valued partnership of the Republic of China (Taiwan) and the Nevis Island Administration.

"The idea with all the touches, the colors, and the landscaping was to create a destination," explained Perkins. "Whether it's Sunday after church, a weekend gathering, or a weekday escape, this space was designed as a safe and attractive



Premier the Honourable Mark Brantley, Minister of Tourism in the Nevis Island Administration and His Excellency Michael Lin, Republic of China (Taiwan)'s Resident Ambassador to St. Kitts and Nevis (r), cut the ribbon to signal the completion of the Pinney's Beach Enhancement Project

FEDERATION OF SAINT CHRISTOPHER AND NEVIS
TITLE BY REGISTRATION ACT, CAP. 10.19
SAINT CHRISTOPHER CIRCUIT
A.D. 2024
SKBLRD2024/0050



IN THE MATTER of Section 144 of the Title
by Registration Act, Cap. 10.19.

and

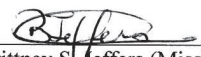
In the Matter of the Certificate of Title
registered in Register Book **M3** folio **188** in the
name of **RICHARD DWIGHT WILKINSON**
AND CHARLENE WILKINSON.

NOTICE FOR REPLACEMENT OF LOST CERTIFICATE OF TITLE

It is hereby notified that an application has been made to the Registrar of Titles in Chambers for an Order for the issue of a new Certificate of Title in lieu of a lost Certificate of Title for 12,101 square feet of land known as Lot No. 153 situate at New Road Housing Development, in the Parish of St. Peter, in the Island of Saint Christopher and bounded and measuring as follows, that is to say:- **ON** the North East by the Lot No. 155, 39.90 feet; **ON** the East by a Development Road, 20.35 feet and 104.40 feet respectively; **ON** the South by Lot No. 150, 121.00 feet; and **ON** the North West by Lot No. 152, 73.00 and Lot No. 154, 90.00 feet all as the same is delineated and set forth on the plan by T.R. Molyneux License Land Surveyor dated 30th April, 1990 and copied by Calvin R. Esdaille License Land Surveyor dated 23rd April, 2013.

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 Registrar's Office, North Independence Square Street, Basseterre, St. Kitts or Henderson Law Chambers, Attorney-at-Law, Unit 7 The Sands Complex, Bay Road, Basseterre, St. Kitts.

Dated the 7th day of November, 2024.


Brittney S. Jeffers (Miss)
HENDERSON LAW CHAMBERS
Unit 7 The Sands Complex
Bay Road, Basseterre
ST. Kitts

environment for our community to enjoy."

His Excellency Michael Lin, Republic of China (Taiwan)'s Resident Ambassador to St. Kitts and Nevis expressed his pride in supporting this unique eco-tourism project.

"We are turning Pinney's Beach to be as practical as it is beautiful, ensuring the ease and comfort for all who visit. Moreover safety and innovation take center stage here with street lighting and expanded CCTV coverage. Our aim is to ensure that everyone can enjoy Pinney's beach with peace of mind.

"Every part of the facility, from drainage to round-off systems, has been carefully crafted to create a harmonious whole. These essential upgrades will help this area weather the storms for generations to come," said Ambassador Lin.

He noted that, with phases one and two, ROC Taiwan has contributed nearly US \$6 million to the project.

Premier and Minister of Tourism, the Honourable Mark Brantley, expressed pride in the success of the project and the partnerships that made it possible.

"It makes me proud to see what we, as Nevisians, have achieved for the benefit of all of us. This end product, achieved through diplomacy and collaboration, is something we can all be satisfied with. I invite everyone to come enjoy this beautiful space, to gather here with family and friends, and make lasting memories."

The newly upgraded Pinney's Beach area welcomes visitors and the Nevisian community to experience the island's enhanced beachfront- a beacon of beauty, safety, and community pride.



Upgraded Pinney's Beach strip, Nevis

Ministry of Communications and Posts Honours Three Nevisians with Centenarian Stamps

NIA CHARLESTOWN NEVIS (November 13, 2024) - The Ministry of Communications and Posts celebrated the remarkable lives and legacies of three Nevisian centenarians- Ms. Olga Jeffers Francis, Ms. Leonora Wenham-Herbert, and Ms. Irene Stapleton- who were each honoured with a commemorative stamp.

The Ministry recently hosted its 4th Annual Centenarian Stamp Issue Ceremony at the Malcolm Guishard Recreational Park where the Honourable Spencer Brand, Minister of Communications and Posts in the Nevis Island Administration (NIA), shared heartfelt reflections on the honorees.

Speaking about Ms. Wenham-Herbert of Bath Village, Minister Brand reminisced on her love for sharing Nevis with the world during her travels abroad.

“I believe that I know Ms. Wenham-Herbert well enough to know that when she went to the United Kingdom, she would have told everyone she met about Nevis. When she traveled to Europe and the Far East, she would let everyone know about our beautiful island in the Caribbean,” he said. “That was her way of communicating and empowering peoples across nations.”

Minister Brand then spoke fondly of Ms. Irene Stapleton of Brown Hill and her passion for crocheting, a beloved art among the island’s elderly.

He reflected, “I’ve lived long enough with some very wise and dear elderly ladies who love to crochet. I wonder if that wonderful art is now becoming a lost



The Honourable Spencer Brand, Minister of Communications and Posts in the Nevis Island Administration presents a commemorative plaque of her stamp to centenarian Ms. Leonora Wenham-Herbert



The Honourable Spencer Brand, Minister of Communications and Posts in the Nevis Island Administration presents a commemorative plaque of her stamp to centenarian Olga Jeffers Francis



Nevis Philatelic Bureau issued 2024 Centenarian Stamp in honour of Ms. Irene Stapleton of Brown Hill

tradition on Nevis. I hope it’s not. There are still some people who carry on this beautiful skill.”

In his tribute to Ms. Jeffers Francis of Liburd Hill, Minister Brand highlighted her philosophy on kindness.

“Ms. Jeffers once said, ‘You don’t have to have much to do good, but you have to do good to have much.’” Some people feel they must have millions or billions to make an impact on humanity, but Ms. Jeffers’ words remind us that meaningful contributions come from the heart.”

Minister Brand offered his personal congratulations to all the honorees, stating, “I want to place on record my personal delight and congratulations to our honorees. I extend my heartiest congratulations to Ms. Irene Stapleton, Ms. Leonora Wenham-Herbert, and Ms. Olga Jeffers Francis of St. James Parish.”

Following his remarks, Minister Brand presented plaques to each honoree. Patricia Blake of the Nevis Philatelic Bureau then unveiled the 2024 Centenarian Stamp issue. The profiles of the honorees were read by Tasha Parry from the Ministry of Communications, and Deputy Post Mistress General Rhonda Forbes Williams chaired the ceremony.

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(ST.KITTS CIRCUIT)

THE EASTERN CARIBBEAN SUPREME COURT

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE

FEDERATION OF SAINT CHRISTOPHER AND NEVIS

SAINT CHRISTOPHER CIRCUIT

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THE TITLE BY REGISTRATION ACT CAP. 10:19 Paid:12.00

CLAIM NO. SKBHCV2024/

IN THE MATTER of Section 12 (1) (d) of The Title by Registration Act Cap. 10:19

And

IN THE MATTER of an application for a FIRST CERTIFICATE OF TITLE by CHRISTOPHER SEAN DICKER, Executor of the Estate of Barbara Lyn Fernandes also known as Barbara Lyn Wiggins on behalf of the Estate of Barbara Lyn Fernandes also known as Barbara Lyn Wiggins

NOTICE

TAKE NOTICE: that, CHRISTOPHER SEAN DICKER of St. Christopher and Nevis but presently residing at 4362 Rue Gilles, Pierrefonds, Quebec, H9H 2N2, Canada, the Executor of the Estate of Barbara Lyn Fernandes also known as Barbara Lyn Wiggins (deceased), has applied to the Registrar of Titles by presenting a Request for the issue of a First Certificate of Title to all that lot piece or parcel of land hereditaments and premises situate at Scotch Bonnet, South East Peninsula, in the Island of St. Christopher and bounded and measuring as follows, that is to say: On or towards the North-East by Caribbean Sea, 213.90 feet; and 363.83 feet; On or towards South-East by Caribbean Sea, 151.97 feet and 174.14 feet; On or towards the East by Caribbean Sea, 197.32 feet; On or towards the South-East by Caribbean Sea, 262.71, 170.76, and 245.62 feet; On or towards the South by Caribbean Sea, 135.61 feet; On or towards the South-West by Kenneth Kelly, 438.86 feet; On or towards the North-West by Lot Nos. 6,7 (Faron Lawrence), 8 (Wendell Lawrence), 9, and 19 (Justin Dickie) (Heritage Plantation Ltd) and by a private development road, 965.51 feet; On or towards the South-West by Lot No. 6 (Heritage Plantation), 255.51 feet and On or towards the North-West by Heritage Plantation Condominium (Scotch Bonnet), 263.43 feet and containing by admeasurement 15.71 acres.

Dated 29th day of August 2024

for

HENRY Browne

Browne & Associates

Solicitors for the Applicant

To: Kenneth Kelly, Shadwell, Basseterre, St. Kitts
Heritage Plantation Development and Heritage Plantation Condominiums, St. Kitts
Justin Dickie, Leeward Cove, Frigate Bay, St Kitts
Wendell Lawrence, Frigate Bay St. Kitts
Faron Lawrence, Frigate Bay, St Kitts.
The Attorney General Chambers, Porte Zante, St. Kitts

'Hospital robot helps me feel like a mum again'

Ken Banks and Ben Philip

BBC Scotland News

Reporting from Aberdeen



NHS Grampian Woman with hand on head of teenage son in hospital bed, with nurse holding his hand
NHS Grampian
Kirsty Mair's son Jacob has spent the last 16 months in hospital

A mother whose son has been in hospital for more than a year has praised trials of a new technology which dispenses medication and has helped her "feel like a mum again".

The so-called bedside intelligent cabinet securely stores routine medicines and alerts patients or guardians when it is time to take them.

NHS Grampian is describing the trial at Royal Aberdeen Children's Hospital (RACH) as a world first.

Kirsty Mair's son Jacob, 13, has spent the last 16 months in hospital due to the various conditions he has. She said the new equipment takes pressure off staff and helps her feel more part of his treatment, as well as preparing her for his eventual discharge.

Three of the Kinetic-ID machines are being trialled at RACH.

After a risk assessment has been done, medical staff input information into the machine including what drugs the patient is taking, the dosage and what time they should be taken.



Robot trolley - white cabinet with blue markings and a screen, in a hospital room

Three of the machines are on trial

Case Number :SKBHCV2022/0037

EASTERN CARIBBEAN SUPREME COURT
SAINT CHRISTOPHER AND NEVIS
SAINT CHRISTOPHER CIRCUIT

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE

CLAIM NO. SKBHCV2022/0037

NATIONAL CARIBBEAN INSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED

and

MARIO RILEY

NOTICE OF SALE

The Property described below will be offered for sale by The Registrar of the Supreme Court by public auction at the Charles Amory Building, Fortlands, Basseterre, St Kitts, on the 28th day of Nov. 2024 at 2:00 o'clock in the afternoon.

The successful bidder will be required to pay at the time of sale a deposit of one fourth of his accepted bid and the balance within one month from the day of sale.

Possession of the property will be given to the purchaser on payment of the deposit. Any taxes due on the said property must be paid by the Purchaser.

The Purchaser will, after payment in full of the purchase price, obtain from the High Court of Justice, a Certificate of Title to the property.

The Property will be available for inspection prior to the date of sale by appointment with the Registrar of the Supreme Court.

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY

ALL THAT lot piece or parcel of land with building thereon situate at Lower Stone Castle Housing Development known as Lot No. 32 and bounded and measuring as follows, that is to say:- On or towards the North East by a Road, 45.05 feet; On or towards the South East by Lot No. 33, 79.02 feet; On or towards the South West partly by Lot No. 28 and partly by Lot No. 30, 45.10 feet and on or towards the North West by Lot No. 31, 78.82 feet and containing by admeasurement 3,557 square feet, all as the same is described in a Certificate of Title dated the 20th day of September, 2002 and registered in Book B3 Folio 408 of the Register of Titles of the Saint Christopher Circuit in favour of MARIO RILEY of Central Fiennes Avenue in the Island of Saint Christopher registered proprietor thereof.

UPSET PRICE

The Upset price for the above property shall be EC\$228,903.00.

Dated the 8th day of October 2024

Registrar of the Supreme Court



The machine issues a reminder and a parent or guardian presses a notification button. They then scan a wristband on the machine, as it is locked, and this opens the medication drawer.

It can only be accessed by patients, guardians and staff who have the correct pass to scan.

It is not refrigerated so can only be used for routine medication.

NHS Grampian believes the technology can encourage independence and prepares patients for taking medication at home.

NHS Grampian's medication safety advisor Lindsay Cameron said: "Self-administration of medicine is about supporting individuals to take their own medication while in hospital.

"It's not suitable for every patient or every medicine, but it can improve patient satisfaction and confidence, encourage independence and self-care in a safe environment, and improve an individual's knowledge and understanding of their medication.

"This can help those already on medicines to continue to self-administer while they are admitted to hospital and others getting used to new medications to feel better prepared when it's time to go home."

'Absolutely brilliant'

Kirsty's son Jacob has conditions including Arnold Chiari Malformation.

His brain is pushing downwards towards his spinal cord affecting his breathing and swallowing.

His mother said she was happy to take part in the trial.

"He has spent most of his life in and out of hospital," Kirsty, 39, of Aberdeen, told BBC Scotland News.

"Being a parent, obviously when you're at home you've got a set routine for everything - medications, a bedtime routine.

"When you come into hospital, some of that is taken away, because you can't obviously get all the medications at the right time, and the staff are in charge of them, it's a hospital and they are so run off their feet.

"So since the new cabinet has come on the go and I got asked to trial it, I was more than happy to help. And it's just absolutely brilliant.

"If you're late giving medication it flashes up red.

"It takes pressure off the

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MOFA releases video on Taiwan's commitment to addressing climate crisis

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A short film showcasing Taiwan's dedication to combating climate change was released Nov. 11 by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

Taiwan's efforts to fight climate change are at the center of

the Ministry of Foreign Affairs' short "Our Pale Blue Dot," released in the run-up to the 29th Conference of the Parties to the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change in Baku, Azerbaijan. (MOFA)

A short film showcasing Taiwan's dedication to combating climate change was released Nov. 11 by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

Titled "Our Pale Blue Dot," the short shows the ways Taiwan is assisting its allies, including helping Belize establish flood early warning systems to strengthen urban resilience, introducing climate resilient crops and smart agriculture mechanisms to Eswatini to boost hectare yields, and helping Palau restore coral reefs and develop diverse aquaculture measures to promote a blue economic

transformation.

The short demonstrates the country's contributions to the fight against climate change, the MOFA said, adding that it also aligns with this year's theme for the U.N. Framework Convention on Climate Change's Conference of the Parties: "In Solidarity for a Green World." COP29 takes place Nov. 11-22 in Baku, Azerbaijan.

According to the MOFA, a new slogan and logo incorporating the COP29 theme were released as part of this year's campaign to convey Taiwan's readiness to collaborate with members of the international community on the strength of its technology and innovations.

The short also has a 30 second version, and is available on the MOFA's official social

media pages, as well as on the ministry's affiliated Trending Taiwan YouTube channel. It can now be viewed with subtitles in Chinese and English, with Arabic, French, German, Indonesian, Japanese, Portuguese, Spanish, Thai, Ukrainian and Vietnamese underway and set to be offered soon.

Echoing the MOFA's campaign, the Ministry of Environment has established a situation room to watch COP29 key meetings live and gather reports of local observations and negotiation progress every day. The ministry added that Taiwan's delegation has arrived in Azerbaijan, and the country's businesses and civil groups will hold meetings and activities alongside the main event. (YCH-E)

EASTERN CARIBBEAN SUPREME COURT
SAINT CHRISTOPHER AND NEVIS
SAINT CHRISTOPHER CIRCUIT

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE

SKBHCV2017/0316

ST KITTS NEVIS ANGUILLA NATIONAL BANK LIMITED

- Applicant

and

DENNIS PHILLIP

-Respondent

NOTICE OF SALE

The Property described below will be offered for sale by The Registrar of the Supreme Court by public auction at the Charles Amory Building, Fortlands, Basseterre, St Kitts, on the **28th** day of **Nov. 2024** at **2:30** o'clock in the afternoon.

The successful bidder will be required to pay at the time of sale a deposit of one fourth of his accepted bid and the balance within one month from the day of sale.

Possession of the property will be given to the purchaser on payment of the deposit. Any taxes due on the said property must be paid by the Purchaser.

The Purchaser will, after payment in full of the purchase price, obtain from the High Court of Justice, a Certificate of Title to the property.

The Property will be available for inspection prior to the date of sale by appointment with the Registrar of the Supreme Court.

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY

ALL THAT lot piece or parcel of land situate at **C.A. Paul Southwell Industrial Site, in the Town of Basseterre in the Parish of St. George in the Island of Saint Christopher (St. Kitts) bounded and measuring as follows: On or towards the North North-East by land occupied by the Reformation Fellowship Center, 34.26 feet, and by land occupied by the Department of Marine Resources, 1.50 feet; On or towards the East South-East by land occupied by the Department of Marine Resources, 73.11 feet and 90.90 feet; On or towards the South South-West by the Bay Road, 34.65 feet; and On or towards the West North-West by land occupied by the Craft House, 164. 70 feet; and comprising by admeasurement 5,692 square feet, all as the same is described in a Certificate of Title dated the 12th day of December, 2014 and registered in Book N3 Folio 532 of the Register of Titles of the Saint Christopher Circuit in favour of DENNIS PHILLIP of Frigate Bay, in the Island of Saint Christopher as registered proprietor thereof.**

UPSET PRICE

The Upset price for the above property shall be **EC\$1,397,488.00**

Dated the **5th** day of **October** 2024

Registrar of the Supreme Court (Ay)



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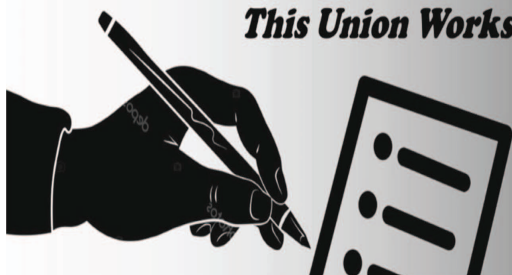
Masses House, Church Street, Basseterre
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The St. Kitts-Nevis Trades and Labour Union

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Caribbean Society of Endoscopic Surgeons Conference Brings Advanced Surgical Techniques to St. Kitts and Nevis

Basseterre, St. Kitts and Nevis - November 14, 2024 (PMO) - The Federation of St. Kitts and Nevis is proud to host the 12th Annual Scientific Conference of the Caribbean Society of Endoscopic Surgeons (CaSES), marking a significant milestone as the conference is held here for the first time. The event, spanning three days, November 14 - 16, brings together leading surgeons and medical professionals from across the Caribbean and beyond to promote safe and accessible laparoscopic surgery throughout the region.

Dr. Lindberg Simpson, President of CaSES and Head of Surgery at Kingston Public Hospital in Jamaica, emphasized the importance of the conference in expanding the reach of minimally invasive surgical techniques. "Our goal at CaSES is to increase the accessibility of laparoscopic surgery to the Caribbean people. We aim to promote safe laparoscopic surgery and spread its reach, especially to smaller island states like St. Kitts and Nevis."



Laparoscopic surgery, also known as minimally invasive surgery, offers numerous benefits over traditional open surgery, including reduced pain, shorter hospital stays, and faster recovery times. By bringing this conference to St. Kitts and Nevis, CaSES is highlighting the nation's commitment to advancing healthcare services and ensuring that residents have access to the latest surgical innovations.

The conference kicked off with live surgical demonstrations, showcasing procedures such as laparoscopic gallbladder removal, hysterectomy for cancer patients, and hernia repairs - some performed for the first time in St. Kitts and Nevis. "Today is a highlight," Dr. Simpson remarked. "We did a hysterectomy for a patient with cancer, which is probably the first time this was done in St. Kitts."

These live surgeries not only benefit the patients but also provide invaluable learning opportunities for local medical professionals. By observing and participating in these procedures, local surgeons can gain hands-on experience with advanced techniques, ultimately improving patient care within the Federation.

One of the key objectives of the conference is to foster collaboration among surgeons in the region. "We are one people, but sometimes there are physical and educational boundaries that prevent us from having this access. We think it's important that the Caribbean laparoscopic body can come on board, come to their hometown, offer assistance, offer expertise, and do surgeries which may be less common on the island where they are."

The conference features attendees from Jamaica, Trinidad, Saint Lucia, Barbados, the United States, and other nations, both in person and virtually. This diverse representation underscores the collaborative spirit of CaSES and its dedication to improving surgical care across the Caribbean.

The remaining days of the conference will focus on educational sessions where surgeons will share their expertise, discuss challenges, and explore cutting-edge



Prime Minister Hon. Dr. Terrance Drew logged in to the live surgeries during the conference

technologies like robotic surgery. "The theme of the conference is 'Back to Basics' or 'Back to the Future,'" Dr. Simpson explained. "We'll have people talking about trying to do the everyday things well, but we also have people who are discussing looking to the future and what that may entail for surgery and laparoscopic surgery."

Dr. Simpson expressed deep appreciation for the support received: "We want to thank all our sponsors for being with us for many years, the local organizing committee, and the government of St. Kitts and Nevis for their tremendous support. Everybody here on the ground in St. Kitts who has helped—we are really thankful. We feel the support and are looking forward to a very exciting final two days of the meeting."

CaSES is dedicated to promoting safe and effective laparoscopic surgery throughout the Caribbean. By hosting conferences, workshops, and collaborative events, the society aims to educate both medical professionals and the general public about the benefits of minimally invasive surgery.

Renewable biofuels not only contribute to climate change mitigation

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fuels. This is crucial as there are many ways to contribute to climate change mitigation, and policymakers need to pay attention to renewable biofuels," she stated.

Michael Crinion, a U.S. dairy farmer and President of US Farmers and Ranchers in Action (USFRA), noted that he and other farmers have been particularly active in reducing their carbon footprint.

"In our dairy farm, we have lowered our emissions and resource use by 19% compared to the average through various practices," he revealed.

Gail Dennison, a scientist from the Hormel Institute at the University of Minnesota, provided details on research that this academic institution has been conducting with various partners in the United States over the past two years. Dennison revealed that fossil fuels impact the progression and treatment of cancer, according to data that will be published soon.

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Some teams ‘yet to pay players World Cup prize money’



T20 World Cup branding at Daren Sammy Stadium - Image source, India won the 2024 men's T20 World Cup

Matthew Henry
BBC Sport Journalist

Some teams from this year's men's T20 World Cup are yet to pay players their full prize money, according to the World Cricketers' Association. Sources have told BBC Sport the issue affects five of the 20 teams that competed in the tournament in the United States and Caribbean in June. Each nation is awarded prize money by the International Cricket Council (ICC) with individual governing bodies responsible for distributing the funds to their players. The WCA - the sport's global players' union - says there has also been "threatening and intimidatory behaviour" by some national governing bodies towards players. BBC Sport has been told the

ICC is working with the relative boards in an attempt to resolve the issue. "We are extremely concerned with a number of countries who are still yet to pay players their prize money," said WCA chief executive Tom Moffat. "We appreciate the ICC's efforts to date in ensuring the players involved are paid in full and are certain the ICC will continue to take all appropriate steps against any boards who do not do so and to enforce their own terms of participation." The ICC awarded a record prize pot of £8.8m for this year's expanded tournament, which was a 20-team competition for the first time. Teams that finished between 20th and 13th were awarded £177,000, with an extra £24,500 given for each match won. Those that finished between ninth and 12th were given £195,011 while £301,400 went to the teams who were eliminated at the Super 8 stage. Losing semi-finalists received £620,500, the runners-up £1m and champions £1.9m. India, South Africa, England, Afghanistan, West Indies, the United States, Bangladesh, Australia, Sri Lanka, Netherlands, Nepal, Scotland, Namibia, Oman, New Zealand, Uganda, Papua New Guinea, Pakistan, Canada and Ireland took part in the tournament. BBC Sport has been unable to confirm which teams' players are affected.

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Signed : K. Moses

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India will not travel to Champions Trophy - PCB



Rohit Sharma and Babar Azam - Getty Images

India and Pakistan last met in June at the T20 World Cup in New York

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India has informed the International Cricket Council it will not travel to the Champions Trophy, according to hosts Pakistan.

Ongoing political tensions mean the two countries have not played each other outside of men's major tournaments since 2013, while India have not played in Pakistan for 16 years.

Pakistan are due to host a global event for the first time since 1996 in February and March next year, the eight-team, 50-over Champions Trophy.

But the Pakistan Cricket Board (PCB) said the Board of Control for Cricket in India has told the ICC the India team will not cross the border.

"The PCB has received an email from the ICC, stating that the BCCI has informed them that their team will not travel to Pakistan for the ICC Champions Trophy 2025," said a PCB spokesperson. "The PCB has forwarded that email to the government of Pakistan for their advice and guidance."

The tournament is due to begin in one hundred days, on 19 February. A schedule is still to be confirmed by the ICC.

The ICC has not responded directly to the PCB statement but is in discussions with Pakistan and the other seven competing nations over a schedule. The BCCI has been asked for a response.

One possible solution would be for a 'hybrid' staging of the tournament, with India playing its matches outside of Pakistan, possibly in the United Arab Emirates. A similar model was employed when Pakistan staged last year's Asia Cup.

However, this throws up the possibility of uncertainty over where knockout matches would be played if India progress to the semi-finals.

And, on Friday, chairman Mohsin Naqvi said the PCB is not prepared to accept a hybrid solution.

Pakistan travelled to India to play in the 2016 T20 World Cup and 2023 50-over World Cup.

Last month, any suggestion that the tournament could take place without India was dismissed by England and Wales Cricket Board chief executive Richard Gould.

"If you play the Champions Trophy without India or Pakistan, the broadcast rights aren't there, and we need to protect them," he said.

"There are a variety of different options available if those circumstances come along. This is a big moment for Pakistan, and hopefully we can have the fullest possible competition in Pakistan. If that's not possible, we know there are options available."

Pakistan did not host any international cricket between 2009 and 2015 after gunmen attacked the Sri Lanka team 15 years ago.

Former England assistant coach Paul Farbrace was part of the Sri Lanka staff and told BBC Sport Pakistan "deserves to host international cricket".

"I completely understand that historical events have muddled the water between the two countries, but the BCCI has to realise this is a bigger picture than whether or not they want to go to Pakistan," he added.

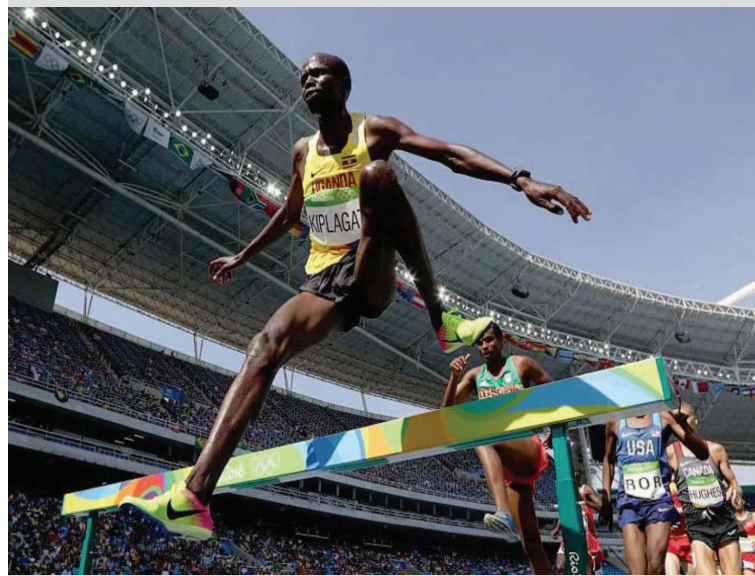
"In terms of sport, this is a fantastic opportunity for India to show it wants cricket to flourish, rather than saying 'no, we don't fancy going to Pakistan'. Every one of the big nations need to travel to all of the other countries in order to grow the game and in that respect, India has too much clout."

Additional reporting by Henry Moeran

Killers of Ugandan Olympian sentenced to 35 years

Damian Zane

BBC News



Getty Images Benjamin Kiplagat leaps over a hurdle during the steeplechase at the Rio Olympics. Getty Images Benjamin Kiplagat competed at the 2016 Rio Olympics, as well as in London and Beijing before that

A court in Kenya has sentenced two men to 35 years each for the murder of Ugandan athlete Benjamin Kiplagat at the end of last year.

The Olympic steeplechaser was stabbed to death on New Year's Eve in the town of Eldoret, known as a top training centre for athletes.

"Your actions were cruel to a defenceless person whose life you cut short," Justice Reuben Nyakundi told Peter Ushuru Khalumi and David Ekai Lokere during the sentencing hearing in the High Court in Eldoret.

Kiplagat's murder shocked people in Kenya, which has seen the killing of a number of other elite athletes in recent years.

The judge said that Khalumi and Lokere had followed Kiplagat, who was in his car, and then CCTV footage showed that they had intentionally killed him in a premeditated act. The exact motive for the murder was not clear but at the time of the arrests the police had said it was robbery.

On Monday, in an emotional request to the court, the athlete's mother had asked Justice Nyakundi to hand down life sentences.

She talked about how her son, who started his career running barefoot, had worked hard to become an international runner and the family's breadwinner, the Nation newspaper reports.

"My son had 8,000 [Kenyan] shillings (\$62; £48) and an expensive mobile phone, but the killers did not take any of the property from him. Their mission was to painfully finish him," the newspaper quotes her as saying.

Despite not acceding to the family's request for life sentences, they said they were happy with the outcome and that justice had been served.

Kiplagat, who was 34 when he died, reached the final of the 3,000m steeplechase at the 2008 Beijing Olympics. He also competed in the following two Games and is the holder of the Ugandan record at the event.