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Editorial

Loss of Lives Not 'Speed Bumping' Careless Driving?

How many more warnings, cautionary messages, or tragic incidents do we need before we fully comprehend the vital importance of careful driving? Despite living in a social media age, where graphic images and video footage of road accidents are shared instantly, the frequency of reckless driving and resulting serious injuries including fatalities suggests that we are yet to learn. Why is this?

Another heartbreaking tragedy has gripped the Federation of St. Kitts and Nevis with the recent death of a 4-month-old baby following a devastating two-vehicle collision- the first recorded fatality for 2025 which has seen the driver being charged with three (3) dangerous driving offences. From that same accident, others have been injured, and one-a young woman-is reportedly in critical condition, prompting a public appeal for blood donations.

This tragedy, like many before it, has reignited public discourse about road safety and the human toll of traffic accidents. Yet, the same questions remain unanswered: When will we, as drivers and road users, recognize our critical role in preventing these tragedies? Why do we continue to shift blame outward, focusing more on government measures rather than our individual actions?

Let us be honest: the responsibility lies squarely with us as drivers. While government provisions for road safety-including road signs, speed bumps, traffic lights, and other infrastructure-are important, these measures are only as effective as the people who choose to follow them. Reckless driving, speeding, distractions behind the wheel as well as a blatant disregard for

Driver Charged With Causing Baby's Death, Injuring Others

By: Spokesman Newsroom

BASSETERRE, St. Kitts (Thursday 15th January 2024)- A driver who was arrested on suspicion of Causing Death by Dangerous Driving in the recent fatal traffic accident which claimed the life of 4-month-old baby has been slapped with three offences of causing death and injury of two individuals; one being a well-known reigning pageant winner Kadedra Lewis.

Charged is Glenkeet Richardson of Wingfield Road, Old Road, St. Kitts, for the commission of three (3) offences, namely Causing Death by Dangerous Driving (in the person of four (4)-month-old Mekairi Edwards of Half Way Tree, St. Kitts); Injuring a Person namely T'an Phipps by Wanton Driving; and Injuring a Person namely Kadedra Lewis by Wanton Driving.



RICHARDSON, GLENKEET

Photo: Glenkeet Richardson (Police Image)

The offences were committed on Saturday 11th January 2025, at Johnson's Long Path on the island main road at West Farm. Richardson was charged three days after on January 14th, 2025, at the

Basseterre Police Station.

Police say preliminary investigations reveal that between 4PM and 4:30PM,

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the rules of the road are choices made by individuals, not governments.

The popular phrase "Speed Kills" is not just a saying; it is a proven reality. Excessive speeding reduces a driver's ability to react to sudden changes in road conditions or avoid potential hazards. It transforms what could have been minor accidents into catastrophic events. Similarly, driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs, using mobile phones while driving, or disregarding traffic signs all demonstrate a lack of accountability that endangers everyone on the road.

Moreover, the human cost of careless driving extends beyond the victims. Families are torn apart, communities are left in mourning, and survivors of road accidents often endure life-changing physical and emotional scars. It is a ripple effect that no amount of government

intervention can fully address.

The solution, therefore, must begin with individual responsibility. Drivers must consciously choose to slow down, pay attention, and respect the rules of the road. The public must hold themselves accountable, understanding that their actions behind the wheel have real consequences.

Educational campaigns, stricter enforcement of traffic laws, and stiffer penalties for violations are essential tools to combat this issue. However, no campaign or regulation can replace the commitment each driver must make to prioritize safety over convenience or haste.

The loss of even one life on our roads is one too many. Let us not wait for the next tragic headline to change our behavior. The time to act is now-before another innocent life is needlessly lost.



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Government Official Provides Reasoning Behind Using Digital Currency Instead Of Cash For Budget Boost Wallet

By: Spokesman Newsroom

BASSETERRE, St. Kitts (Thursday 16th January 2025) - The government’s decision to use a digital payment platform for its Budget Boost Wallet (BBW) programme, rather than actual cash, has been explained by Cabinet Secretary Dr. Marcus Natta, citing long-term benefits and targeted support for citizens.

Speaking on the In Focus programme, produced by the St. Kitts and Nevis Information Service (SKNIS), aired live on Wednesday 15th January 2025, he addressed the rationale behind the move when quizzed by host Ian Richards.

“Our country, I think, is a blessed country. Let me say that,” Natta remarked. “And I always ask people to look at, without comparing per se, their neighboring countries or even other countries outside of the region, as to what governments try to do to alleviate certain burdens of our people. Over the years, many administrations have come and gone and have just given cash payments, cash handouts for various reasons, and we want to sort of trend away from that. Yes, we want to uplift and empower, but we don’t feel that just giving cash is something that serves persons in the long term. It’s a short-term fix.”

Natta explained that while the BBW programme provides funds digitally, conditions have been placed to ensure the money stays within the local economy and addresses essential needs.

“We felt that if we put some sort of conditions and make sure that the funds stay local and not go overseas to some online shopping sites and those sorts of things, the economy benefits while at the same time reducing the financial burden on individuals and households.”

He also emphasized the importance of restricting non-essential purchases such as alcohol, tobacco and cosmetics saying: “One [restriction] helps, hopefully, to cut our health bill because, you know, persons would have to go to the hospital and so on for various reasons associated with those products.”

Dr. Natta added: “Things like cosmetics, which are not essential-you don’t need cosmetics to survive, per se, right? Even though some persons maybe don’t want to leave the house without a little makeup on their face, you can still survive without it.”

He went on to highlight that instead, the programme prioritizes essentials such as food, water, electricity, and housing.

“You cannot live without those,” Dr. Natta stressed. He pointed out the ability for individuals to use the funds to pay off arrears on mortgage payments to institutions like the National Housing Corporation (NHC) or the Nevis Housing and Land Development Corporation.

Adding her perspective, Permanent Secretary within the Ministry of Social Development and Gender Affairs Azilla Clarke said the programme aligns with a fundamental understanding of human needs.

“The conditions are worthwhile because you definitely want to be able to focus on basic needs. Maslow’s hierarchy of needs says it is housing, shelter[and] clothing... preferences are not to buy-local clothing, so that’s why that one was off the list. But I think streamlining within that is a valuable point that, again, sets those persons for better.”

“The healthier you are, the better you’re able to do so. Your electricity and water-basic for anything you want to do in your household. And then again, bringing relief in housing,” she added.

Addressing concerns about the perception of government services being leniently treated compared to private companies, Richards noted that some individuals neglect utility payments to government agencies.

Dr. Natta responded, underscoring the importance of responsibility. “You want to go home and turn on your light switch and get light, plug in something, get your phone charged. And if you, in the same breath, don’t want to pay an electricity bill or a water bill but want to receive quality service, then there’s a bit of a disconnect



Cabinet Secretary Dr. Marcus Natta seen while speaking on the In Focus programme, produced by the St. Kitts and Nevis Information Service (SKNIS) aired live on Wednesday 15th January 2025 (Screenshot via: Facebook/ St. Kitts and Nevis Information Service-SKINS)

there.”

He also expressed hope that citizens would use the BBW programme responsibly, using it to pay essential bills while reallocating their personal funds to other necessities.

“We really hope with this particular programme and the fact that you’re allowed to pay utilities, in particular water and electricity, that people will take the onus upon themselves to do so.”

Notably, From January to June 2025, eligible persons making less than \$5000 monthly, will receive the \$250 monthly BBW assistance which total \$1500 over the six-month period.

Individuals can register via: <https://budgetboostwallet.JAD.cash>

Front Banner image used for illustration purposes only shows a vendor conducting a digital wallet transaction with a customer (synchrony.com)



CIBC Caribbean Bank Limited Notice of Record Date

In accordance with section 106(2) of the Companies Act, Cap 308 of the Laws of Barbados and section 110(2) of the Companies Act, Chap 81.01 of the Laws of Trinidad and Tobago, notice is hereby given that the directors of the above named company have by resolution fixed **Friday, January 24, 2025** as the record date for the determination of shareholders entitled to receive notice of the annual meeting of shareholders to be held on **Friday, March 14, 2025**.

Dated this 16th day of January 2025.

Brian Clarke, KC
General Counsel & Group Corporate Secretary

Accident Victim Ian 'TS' Jules Remembered as Family Man, Outstanding Worker

By: Spokesman Newsroom

BASSETTERRE, St. Kitts (Wednesday 15th January 2025) - Fatal traffic accident victim 35-year-old Ian Sylvester Jules, affectionately known as 'TS' (of St. Paul's), is being remembered for his many positive qualities including being a good father, loving son and overall hardworking, caring family man.

Jules, who was employed at Harowe Servo Ltd. manufacturing plant (located in Sandy Point) since 2007, was a member of the workers' representative organization, the St. Kitts-Nevis Trades and Labour Union (SKNT&LU), which has a longstanding Collective Bargaining Agreement relationship with the company. He became the first beneficiary of paternity leave under the contract following the birth of his second child in 2018, a clause he played a key role in introducing at the female-dominated workplace.

"Ian's love for his children was evident even in the workplace. After the birth of his first child, Ian made a bold move to propose to the union that they should add paternity leave to the contract. This proposal was accepted and included in the 2018 union contract. Soon after the birth of his second child, he became the first worker to receive paternity leave. This was simply Ian: a devoted, determined, and dedicated father, son, employee, and friend," said Harowe Servo Ltd. General Manager Carol Evelyn while delivering the formal remembrance during Jules' life thanksgiving service held at the St. Paul's Methodist Church on Tuesday 14th January 2025.

Of note, Jules was buried (at the church yard) days before what would have been 36th Birthday (on 26th January).

Scores of people were in attendance.

Among his loved ones are his parents Brenda Jules and Joseph Williams, as well as his significant other Marsha and their two young children, Iyansha, 7, and Iyan'Jai, 5.

For the occasion of giving thanks for Jules's life, his relatives wore teal blue t-shirts with his tribute photo at the front and the relationship title printed at the back.

Additionally, some staff members at Harowe Servo Ltd. wore purple and also white tribute t-shirts.

SKNT&LU executive members who attended the service were President Sydney Bridgewater (who laid a wreath on behalf of the union), General Secretary Precious Mills as well as Sean Kelly (field officer), Eva Henderson and Lloyd Rouse.

Vanessa Browne, an employee at Harowe Servo Ltd. (who is also an SKNT&LU executive committee member) was also present as well as the two Union Shop Stewards at Harowe Servo Ltd. Yvette David and Jacqueline Francis; all of whom were Jules' fellow associates on the job.

Parliamentary Representative for St. Christopher Six and former Prime Minister Dr. Denzil Douglas also attended.

As further shared in the remembrance, Jules was the fourth child and his mother's first son.

Ian attended the St. Paul's Primary School and later the Sandy Point High School.

More details as read by Evelyn highlighted:

Upon leaving school, Ian worked as a landscaper for Timothy Beach Resort. Then, on May 15, 2007, Ian joined API Harowe Servo as a machine operator. In this role, he operated honing, molding, [and]... grinding machines. Ian quickly mastered operating these machines and was soon promoted to the senior machine operator position.

In 2012, Ian wanted to pursue training in electrical maintenance at the Clarence Fitzroy Bryant College division. Though his application was not successful, he was determined to elevate himself within his career. In 2016, Ian was given the opportunity to lead a project that entailed outfitting all electrical drops which train relief attached. His leadership skills could be seen throughout this project.

After completion, Ian marveled at his work, which solidified his career path in electrical maintenance. Over the next few years, Ian continued working in Harowe's maintenance department. He was the go-to guy for many things at Harowe. If you needed a solder pot fix, Call Ian. If you needed a machine fix, Call Ian. If you needed some boxes from the other building and foam, Call Ian. If you had shipments there to go out and other people running, Call Ian. He was an overall outstanding worker. Sometimes when we were on projects and everyone needed a short break to rest, Ian would get up and say, 'Fellas, let's go. We need to finish this job today.'

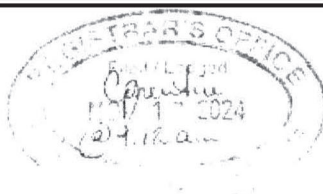
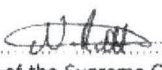
Ian was a family-oriented type of guy. His mother remembers him fondly as a joyful person who respected those around him. Ian never lamented on being angry. He was a glass half full type of person. She remembers every parent-teacher meeting, the overall feedback that it was Ian was a nice student but he is always energetic and couldn't stay still for too long. Ian would roam the school while classes were in session.

Brenda recalls a day she sat down worried about the many challenges she had with raising her children and wondering what she should do. Ian, being a helpful child that he was, said: 'Mommy, what are you worried for? Arwe ah get big? Arwe soon go work? Don't worry, Mommy.'

What level of comfort a young son gave to his mother that day.

Ian's love for family grew when he started his own with the love of his life, Marsha. From this 14 year union came two children, seven-year-old Iyansha and five-year-old Iyan'Jai. In Marsha's word, Ian was more than just her partner. He was her best friend. He was a leader and provider of the house, who would drop everything to take care of his children. He worked tirelessly to create a home full of love and happiness. Ian always spoke highly of his children and the immense joy in being their father.

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EASTERN CARIBBEAN SUPREME COURT SAINT CHRISTOPHER AND NEVIS SAINT CHRISTOPHER CIRCUIT		
IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE CLAIM NO. SKBHCV2016/0172		
ST KITTS NEVIS ANGUILLA NATIONAL BANK LIMITED and AUSTIN JULIUS and GERALDINE JULIUS		- Applicant - Respondents
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 <u>30th</u> day of <u>January</u> 2025 at <u>2:30</u> 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 known as Lot No. 221 situate at Saddlers Housing Project, in the Parish of Saint John, in the Island of Saint Christopher bounded and measuring as follows, that is to say:- On the North by Lot No. 216, 40 feet; On the South by a Public Road 40 feet; On the East by Lot No. 222, 75 feet; and On the West by Lot No. 220, 75 feet and containing by admeasurement 2,999.2 square feet, all as the same is described in a Certificate of Title dated the 5th day of January, 1994 and registered in Book T2 Folio 18 of the Register of Titles of the Saint Christopher Circuit in favour of AUSTIN JULIUS and GERALDINE JULIUS both of Saddlers, in the Island of Saint Christopher as Registered Proprietors thereof.		
UPSET PRICE The Upset price for the above property shall be EC\$242,612.00 Dated the <u>28</u> day of <u>November</u> 2024		
 Registrar of the Supreme Court (Ag)		

Accident Victim Ian ‘TS’ Jules Remembered as Family Man, Outstanding Worker

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Photo: President of the St.Kitts-Nevis Trades and Labour Union Sydney Bridgewater seen holding wreath at the graveside of the late Ian ‘TS’ Jules who was employed at Harowe Servo Ltd. and a union member (Spokesman Snap)

He carried his daughter to school at mornings and picked her up in the evening. He had a great sense of humor that lit up their darkness on any day.

Ian’s love for his children was evident even in the workplace. After the birth of his first child, Ian made a bold move to propose to the union that they should add paternity leave to the contract. This proposal was accepted and included in the 2018 union contract. Soon after the birth of his second child, he became the first worker to receive paternity leave. This was simply Ian: a devoted, determined, and dedicated father, son, employee, and friend.

He will be greatly missed by all of us. Those special memories of you will always bring a smile. If only I could have you back for just a little while, then we could sit and talk again, just like we used to do.

You always meant so much to us and always will do too. The fact that you are no longer here will always cause us pain, but you are forever in our hearts until we meet again.

May his soul rest in eternal peace.

Jules was one of five individuals who tragically lost their lives in a traffic accident near Brimstone Hill that took place on Wednesday 11th December 2024 following a collision between an omnibus carrying five passengers and a jeep (of which Jules was a passenger).

Four individuals, including Jules, were pronounced dead at the scene: Rozina Herbert, Dijorn Davis (jeep driver) and Belinda Paul while Malique Rawlins later succumbed to his injuries in the hospital.

Front Photo - : Family members of fatal traffic accident victim 35-year-old Ian Sylvester Jules, affectionately known as ‘TS’ (of St. Paul’s) take a graveside photo following a thanksgiving service for his life held at the St. Paul’s Methodist Church on Tuesday 14th January 2025 (Spokesman Snap) with inset image of deceased sourced from service leaflet.

FEDERATION OF SAINT CHRISTOPHER AND NEVIS
ISLAND OF SAINT CHRISTOPHER
TITLE BY REGISTRATION ACT CAP.10.19
A.D. 2024

CLAIMNO. SKBLRD2024/0059

LAND REGISTRY
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In the Matter of Section 144 of the Title By Registration Act Cap. 10.19
And
In the Matter of an Application by **WALFORD QUEELEY** for the issue of a new Certificate of Title for a lot of land being No. 61 Greenlands Housing Development in the town of Basseterre, in the Island of St. Christopher to replace a Lost Certificate of Title recorded in Register Book E2 Folio 14.

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR REPLACEMENT OF LOST
CERTIFICATE OF TITLE**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that WALFORD QUEELEY formerly of Buckley's Site, Basseterre, St. Kitts but now residing at 25 Amanda Drive, Toronto, Ontario, Canada has applied to the Registrar of Titles for the issue of a replacement Certificate of Title in lieu of the following Certificate of Title, on the basis that the said Original Duplicate Certificate of Title has been irrecoverably lost by misadventure namely a Certificate of Title dated the 9th day of February 1978 and recorded in Book E2 Folio 14 of the Register of Titles for Saint Christopher, the land contained in the said Certificate of Title being ALL THAT lot piece or parcel of land situate at No. 61 Greenlands Housing Development, in the town of Basseterre in the Island of St. Christopher containing by admeasurement 5,250.0 square feet.

Any person who may be in possession of the aforesaid Certificate of Title or may have any information that may lead to its recovery is asked to contact the Registrar of Titles at the Registrar's Office, Independence House, North Independence Square Street, Basseterre, St. Kitts.

Dated the 12th day of December 2024

LEON CHARLES
LIBURD CHARLES
Solicitors for the Applicant

Case Number :SKBHCV2024/0034

FEDERATION OF SAINT CHRISTOPHER AND NEVIS
SAINT CHRISTOPHER CIRCUIT
TITLE BY REGISTRATION ACT, CAP. 10.19
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LAND REGISTRY
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In the Matter of Sections 1 and 12 of the Limitation Act Cap. 5.09
And
In the Matter of Section 34 of the Title by Registration Act Cap. 10.19
And
In the Matter of a Request for the Issue of a Certificate of Title for all that lot of land and parcel of land with building thereon situate at The Alley, Sandy Point, in the Parish of St. Anne in the Island of St. Christopher

SCHEDULE OF APPLICATIONS

for Certificate of Title, and noting thereon, and Caveats, for the week ending the 10th day of January 2025.

Date of Request	Persons presenting	Nature of Request, whether for Certificate of Title, or noting thereon, or Caveat.
February 21, 2024	LIONEL BENJAMIN of Sandy Point in the Parish of Saint Anne in the Island of Saint Christopher in the Federation of Saint Christopher and Nevis	ALL THAT lot piece and parcel of land with building thereon situated at The Alley, Sandy Point, in the Parish of Saint Anne in the Island of Saint Christopher, and bounded and measuring as follows, that is to say:- On or towards the North West by lands of Charles & Sylvia Mills, 82.42 feet and 13.96 feet; On or towards the North East by lands of Charles & Sylvia Mills, 46.47 feet; On or towards the South East by lands of Charles & Sylvia Mills, 63.71 feet; On or towards the South West by an Alley, 5.69 feet; On or towards the South East by lands of Barbara Heyliger, 47.21 feet and On or towards the South West by lands of Alton Harris, 45.51 feet and containing by admeasurement 5,102.39 square feet

Dated the 9th day of January 2025.

REGISTRAR

N.G.P.S. Receives Sportswear Courtesy Platinum Alumni

Basseterre: St. Kitts, Monday, January 13, 2025: The sports term for Newton Ground Primary School (NGPS) started on a high note as the school on Monday, January 13 unveiled the NGPS Bulldogs sportswear. 25 individual sportswear kits were donated to the institution by former student and platinum alumni, Mr. Warren Stuart Leader.

Principal, Ms. Michelle Rochester shared, "I would like to thank Mr. Warren Stuart Leader a past student of the Newton Ground Primary School for his generous donation and gift to the school. Today we have 25 suits; we have the running gear, the full body suits, and the warmup suits. Through his sponsorship, Mr. Leader ensured that the Newton Ground Primary School this year is going out in grand style and fashion."

President of the school's Parent Teacher's Association (PTA), Ms. Mechelle Johnson expressed, "I would like to present to you our new athletic uniforms courtesy of Mr. Warren Leader. This showcases our wonderful Bulldogs our dynamic Bulldogs. This shows the collaboration between community and school and for



this, we are so very proud."

Teacher and Sports Master, Mr. Lincon Wattley conveyed, "As sports master of the Newton Ground Primary School, I would like to express my profound gratitude to Mr. Warren Stuart Leader for his

charitable contribution of our well-needed athletic jerseys. They are coming at a time when we really need them as this is the athletic term. Once again, I express my gratitude to Mr. Leader, a pillar in the community, who is no stranger to giving back to the Newton Ground Primary School."

Farmers Invited To Sign Up For Goat Breeding Program Distribution

(MOA, St. Kitts, January 14th, 2025):

The Livestock Program through the Department of Agriculture, St. Kitts, is excited to announce a unique opportunity for farmers to enhance their herds through a Goat Breeding Program Distribution. The program will distribute 20 Boer Cross goats, ranging from juvenile animals to possibly pregnant 1st parity does, to participating farmers.

This initiative provides a fantastic opportunity for farmers looking to improve their livestock and contribute to the growth of the agriculture community.

The distribution will take place at a Small Ruminants Farmers Meeting set for Thursday, January 23rd, 2025, at 5:30 pm at the Department of Agriculture's Large Conference Room. The selection process will be conducted randomly and in person, therefore it is essential for all interested farmers to be present at the event in order to claim their prize. If a farmer is absent, their name will be returned to the pool.

Farmers are urged to take advantage of this opportunity to increase their livestock and

ensure a sustainable future for their farms. Don't miss your chance to participate in this exciting event and potentially walk away with a Boer Cross goat to support your agricultural goals!

Interested farmers can submit their names by visiting the Veterinary Service Office in person or call 465-2110.

For more information, visit the Veterinary Service Office or call 465-2110.

Submission Deadline: January 21st, 2025.

FEDERATION OF SAINT CHRISTOPHER AND NEVIS
TITLE BY REGISTRATION ACT, CAP. 10.19
SAINT CHRISTOPHER CIRCUIT

A. D. 2025

SKBLRD2025/0001

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

and

In the Matter of the Certificate of Titles registered in
Register Book F3 Folio 582, F3 Folio 583 and F3
Folio 584 in the names of **RALPH SCHALLER
AND MARIANNE SCHALLER.**

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 new Certificate of Titles in lieu of a lost Certificate of Titles dated 14th day of October, 2006 and registered in the Register of Titles at Book F3 Folio 582 of Saint Christopher circuit for ALL THAT lot piece or parcel of land known as Lot No. 5, 6, 7, & 8 situate at **FRIGATE BAY HOUSING DEVELOPMENT DA/14** in the Parish of St. George, in the Island of Saint Christopher and bounded and measuring as follows, that is to say: **ON** or towards the North North East, East and South East by Lands of Frigate Bay Development, 174.0 feet, 154.8 feet, 90.8 feet, 69.4 feet and 66.2 feet; **ON** or towards the South by Lot No. 9, 175.4 feet and 122.1 feet and by a Public Road, 38.0 feet and 78.8 feet and **ON** or towards the West by Lot No. 4, 114.1 feet and 123.0 feet and containing by admeasurement 78,706 square feet, all as the same is delineated and set forth on the plan by T.R. Molyneaux License Land Surveyor in December, 1982 and copied by J.R. Buchanan License Land Surveyor dated 19th June, 2006.

AND Certificate of Title dated 14th day of October, 2006 and registered in the Register of Titles at Book F3 Folio 583 of Saint Christopher circuit for ALL THAT lot piece or parcel of land known as Lot No. 4 situate at **FRIGATE BAY HOUSING DEVELOPMENT DA/14** in the Parish of St. George, in the Island of Saint Christopher and bounded and measuring as follows, that is to say: **ON** or towards the North by an open area, 91.7 feet; **ON** or towards the East by Lots Nos. (5, 6, 7 & 8), 237.1 feet; **ON** or towards the South by a Proposed Road, 146.4 feet and **ON** or towards the West by a Lot No. 3, 209.1 feet and containing by admeasurement 26,147 square feet, all as the same is delineated and set forth on the plan by T.R. Molyneaux License Land Surveyor in October, 1982 and copied by J.R. Buchanan License Land Surveyor dated 19th June, 2006.

AND Certificate of Title dated 14th day of October, 2006 and registered in the Register of Titles at Book F3 Folio 584 of Saint Christopher circuit for ALL THAT lot piece or parcel of land known as Lot No. 9 situate at **FRIGATE BAY HOUSING DEVELOPMENT DA/14** in the Parish of St. George, in the Island of Saint Christopher and bounded and measuring as follows, that is to say: **ON** or towards the North by Lots Nos. (5, 6, 7 & 8), 122.1 feet and 175.4 feet; **ON** or towards the East by Road No. 1 to Basseterre, 138.6 feet; **ON** or towards the South by Lot No. 10, 116.1 feet and **ON** or towards the West by a Proposed Road, 53.6 feet and 46.8 feet and containing by admeasurement 15,528 square feet, all as the same is delineated and set forth on the plan by T.R. Molyneaux License Land Surveyor in December, 1982, copied by C.R. Esdaille License Land Surveyor in September, 1987 and recopied by J.R. Buchanan License Land Surveyor dated 19th June, 2006.

Any person knowing the whereabouts of or having any information concerning the said Duplicate Certificate of Titles which may lead to its recovery is requested to notify the Registrar of Titles at 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 10th day of January, 2025.

HENDERSON LAW CHAMBERS
Unit 7 The Sands Complex, Bay Road
Basseterre, St. Kitts

Crime Decreases by 11% in Nevis with Improved Detection Rates, Reports Superintendent Alonzo Carty

NIA CHARLESTOWN NEVIS (January 14, 2025) - Superintendent Alonzo Carty, Divisional Commander of District C (Nevis), has reported an 11 percent reduction in reported crimes and an improvement in crime detection rates for Nevis in 2024.

Superintendent Carty disclosed the positive news while delivering remarks at the Royal St. Christopher and Nevis Police Force (RSCNPF) Nevis Division New Year's Service held on January 09, 2025 at the Nevis Disaster Management Department conference room.



Superintendent Alonzo Carty, Divisional Commander of District C (Nevis) announces a decrease in reported crimes and an increase detection rate on Nevis

He highlighted the reduction in crime as a key accomplishment for the Division.

“As it relates to crime statistics, I can report that 2024 ended with a total of 171 reported crimes. Of that figure, 82 were detected, which translates to a 48

percent detection rate. In comparison to 2023, there was a total of 192 reported crimes, of which 89 were solve- a 46 percent detection rate. This represents an 11 percent reduction in reported crimes.”

The Superintendent acknowledged the challenges faced in addressing various crimes, including larcenies, malicious damage, and break-ins, but expressed pride in the progress made.

“I know that we had many challenges with respect to other crimes such as larcenies, the malicious damage, the breakings and the like, but I say to you, that we would have made significant headway as it relates to solving a number of these matters and putting the offenders behind bars.”

Other notable achievements in the Division's traffic and tactical operations included the successful removal of three illegal firearms and a significant

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amount of ammunition from the streets of Nevis.

Superintendent Carty also emphasized the impact of their ongoing commitment to community engagement through the “Community Policing” initiative.

“We sought to engage the communities around Nevis, to hear what their needs are, and how we can better serve them. We also sought to build and further consolidate relations with other agencies as we take a multi-pronged approach to crime fighting.”

Additionally, the School Liaison Officer Programme has fostered positive connections with students at the primary and secondary levels. These efforts, the Superintendent said, are in alignment with the Commissioner's seven pillars of policing.

Superintendent Carty took the opportunity to express profound gratitude to his colleagues and partners for their unwavering support, resilience and dedication.

“I want to extend profound appreciation to the Inspectors for their support and commitment in the effective management of this Division. I also want to express thanks to the entire rank and file- the Traffic Department, Task Force, the Criminal Investigation Department, the out-stations, the Beat and Patrol Unit, Forensic Services Unit, the Divisional office, Local Intelligence Office, the Criminal Records Office, the Special Victims Unit, the Court and Process Department, and of course our partners, the St. Kitts and Nevis Defense Force.”

The RSCNPF remains committed to ensuring the safety and security of the island and will continue to adapt its strategies to address the challenges of crime-fighting in 2025.



Members of the Royal St. Christopher and Nevis Police Force (RSCNPF) District C (Nevis) attend the New Year's Service on January 09, 2025 at the Nevis Disaster Management Department conference room

January 15, 2025

A Farewell Message from U.S. Ambassador Roger Nyhus

Serving as President Biden's U.S. Ambassador to Barbados, the Eastern Caribbean, and the OECS has been the honor of a lifetime. On January 20, 2025, I will step down, following the standard process for a change in presidential administration.

From the start of my tenure, I was guided by three core priorities: address climate change, strengthen regional security, and promote economic prosperity for all. Together, through genuine partnership and collaboration, we have made significant progress on all three.

Addressing Climate Change

When disaster struck with Hurricane Beryl, our strong bonds with the region showed their true strength. The United States provided \$2 million in immediate disaster-response funding, helping communities rebuild and recover. This effort is part of our broader



commitment through the U.S. Caribbean Partnership to Address the Climate Crisis 2030 (PACC2030), launched in 2022. Under PACC2030, the United States has committed nearly \$100 million in new resources to expand access to climate finance, accelerate the transition to renewable energy, and enhance resilience to

climate change and natural disasters across the Caribbean.

Enhancing Regional Security

The United States continues to strengthen security by engaging with partners through initiatives like the Tradewinds military exercise, which brought together 26 nations with \$8 million in U.S. support. Additionally, the U.S. provided security training and investment for the SIDS4 conference in Antigua and Barbuda and the T-20 Men's Cricket World Cup throughout the Eastern Caribbean. These efforts enhanced disaster-response capabilities and helped build a more secure, resilient region.

Promoting Economic Prosperity for All

Our economic partnership has grown stronger, opening doors for businesses and communities. Partnerships like the agreements signed by EXIM President and Chair Reta Jo Lewis stand out. These record agreements unlock up to \$800 million in potential financing for Barbados and Saint Kitts and Nevis, focusing on transformative areas such as renewable energy, infrastructure, and cybersecurity. This is what happens when nations work together-opportunity and prosperity grow for everyone.

We have also worked hard to improve air connectivity throughout the region. The Caribbean Aviation Working Group, launched by the U.S. Embassy in Bridgetown and expanded to include U.S. Embassies in Guyana, Suriname, and Trinidad and Tobago, is making real strides in better connecting the region through harnessing the power of the U.S. private sector. Improved travel means more opportunities for tourism, business, and cultural exchange - benefits that ripple out to communities across the Eastern Caribbean and the United States.

As a Native American who grew up on the Pacific Ocean, the Eastern Caribbean has captured my heart. The amazing people, places, issues and opportunities speak to me and my expertise. As I depart my post, I express my sincere gratitude to the people and governments of the Eastern Caribbean for your hospitality, partnership, and friendship. I leave confident knowing that the partnership between the United States and the Eastern Caribbean is strong and will continue to grow, guided by the values and aspirations that unite us.

*U.S. Ambassador
Roger Nyhus*

No more miners trapped underground in South Africa, volunteers say

Mayeni Jones
BBC News, Johannesburg

No more illegal miners are believed to be trapped underground at a gold mine in South Africa, volunteers working with rescue teams have said.

At least 78 bodies and more than 200 survivors have been pulled out since Monday after a court ordered the government to facilitate rescue operations at the mine, the site of one of the most extraordinary tragedies to hit the industry.

Police said they would check that no-one was left on Thursday, when a rescue cage would be sent down the mine.

The stand-off began in November when the



EPA An emancipated miner is brought to a waiting ambulance after being rescued EPA

Rescued miners have been taken for medical checks

government ordered police to arrest any miner who surfaced, saying it was determined to end illegal mining.

During a visit on Tuesday, the police and mines ministers were insulted and told to leave by an angry crowd that blamed the government for the deaths.

Police said that more than 1,500 miners had come to the surface before the rescue operation began, Reuters news agency reports.

However, others remained underground, either because they feared arrest or were forced to stay there by gangs that control the mine.

A South African Police Service spokesman said of the volunteers' statement that no-one was now still underground: "We will rely on the Mine Rescue Service to confirm this with their state-of-the-art equipment that will hopefully be able to give us a picture of what is happening underground."

"The Mine Rescue Service have confirmed that they will send the cage underground in the morning to see if any illegal miners surface with the cage. We cannot say for sure that the operation has been called off at this stage."

Many mines in South Africa have been abandoned over the last three decades by companies that did not find them economically viable.

The mines have been taken over by gangs, often former employees, that sell minerals they find on the black market.

This includes the mine in Stilfontein, some 145km (90 miles) south-west of the country's biggest city, Johannesburg, which has been the focus of government efforts to clamp down on the illegal industry.

A rescue cage has been making trips down a shaft to reach scores of miners thought to be at least 2km (1.2 miles) underground.

Many of the survivors had been without food and water since November, leaving them emaciated. They are now receiving medical care.

The authorities say they will be charged with illegal mining,

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Five to vie for ‘Miss OECS Queen 2025’ title

Courtesy of Loop News
January 14, 2025



Five talented women from across the Eastern Caribbean will compete for the coveted title of Miss OECS 2025.

The contestants, who will represent Antigua, Dominica, Montserrat, St Lucia, and St Vincent and the Grenadines are ready to showcase their grace, intelligence, beauty, and talent under the theme “Elysian Elegance and Empowerment,” the pageant committee indicated in a statement.

The contestants for this year’s pageant are:
Shania Samuel - Antigua & Barbuda
Kyanna Dyer - Dominica
Mauricia Barzey - Montserrat
Timiqua B. Deterville - St Lucia

No more miners trapped underground in South Africa, volunteers say

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trespassing and contravention of immigration laws, as the majority of the miners are undocumented migrants from neighbouring countries.

“It’s a crime against the economy, it’s an attack on the economy,” Mines Minister Gwede Mantashe said on Wednesday as he defended the hard line taken against the miners.

South Africa relied heavily on miners from countries such as Lesotho and Mozambique before the industry went into decline.

Unemployment in South Africa is currently more than 30% and many former miners say they have little alternative source of income.

Lisha Beache - St Vincent and the Grenadines

The committee describes the pageant as a celebration of Caribbean womanhood, highlighting the qualities that define the region’s women. Through the competition, contestants will have the opportunity to represent their countries, boost their confidence, and promote their cultures on a regional stage.

The pageant will feature six segments: a promotional video, creative national wear, a speech, a talent performance, swimwear, and evening wear.

Reigning Miss OECS, Claire Marissa Smart of St Lucia, will participate in the official opening parade of Mas Domnik on January 18.

“The other contestants will arrive in Dominica the weekend before the show and will receive the opportunity to meet - dignitaries and the media, explore Dominica’s tourist sites, witness our spectacular culture and promote our country,” the committee indicated.

The Miss OECS Queen Pageant is set 8:00pm on January 31 at Carnival City.

This article is courtesy of Loop News.



NOTICE OF DELAY OF THE BANK OF NEVIS LIMITED’S FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The Board of Directors of The Bank of Nevis Limited sincerely apologizes to our shareholders and stakeholders for the delays experienced with the completion and publication of the financial statements for the Bank for the financial years ended 30th June 2022, 30th June 2023 and 30th June 2024.

The delays are mainly predicated on post Royal Bank of Canada (RBC) Acquisition-related matters. These matters are being addressed by the members of the Consortium of Banks that acquired the assets and liabilities of the former RBC throughout the Eastern Caribbean in April 2021.

Delays of this nature can occur with significant acquisition transactions, and we will continue to work with our External Auditor and Regulators to ensure that the Bank fulfils its regulatory requirements under the Banking Act 2015 (as amended) and the Securities Act and Regulations 2002 (as amended) including but not limited to obtaining the requisite extensions.

We have recently completed the financial statements for the financial year ended 30th June 2022 and will notify the shareholders of the date for the 36th Annual General Meeting (AGM) in a subsequent notification in accordance with the Bank’s by-laws.

Shareholders who may have any queries and/or concerns, should contact the Office of the Corporate Secretary at 469-5564 extension 330 or email at cherbert@thebankofnevis.com.

The Board of Directors expresses its appreciation to our shareholders and stakeholders for your understanding and patience under these circumstance. We regret any inconvenience caused and look forward to engaging with you at the 36th AGM.

By Order of the Board



CINDY C.T HERBERT (MRS)
CORPORATE SECRETARY

Drivers Get Fines Amounting Over \$11,000 Plus Jail Time Warnings

By: Spokesman Newsroom

BASSETERRE, St.Kitts (Thursday 16th January 2025)- Police have disclosed information about eight (8) drivers who recently appeared before the Basseterre Magistrate Court between January 7 and 10 2025 for a range of traffic-related offenses, resulting in a total of \$11,800 in fines with various possible jail time at a maximum of ten (10) days.

Offences include Driving without due care and attention, Driving without a relevant license, Driving while using a cell phone and also Failing to comply with a traffic sign

As issued by local authorities: “The Royal St. Christopher and Nevis Police Force remains committed to enforcing road safety and upholding the law. Drivers are urged to comply with traffic regulations to ensure public safety and avoid legal consequences.”

The individuals convicted and fined during the January period are as follows (provided by police):

Matters Heard Before Her Honor, Ms. Yasmine Clarke (January 7, 2025)

- 1. Dylan Matthews of Frigate Bay
Driving without due care and attention: fined \$1,500.00 payable in three months or one-month imprisonment.

Matters Heard Before Her Honor, Mrs. Sherry-Anne Liburd-Charles (January 9, 2025)

- 1. Jason McKoy of Douglas St.
Driving without due care and attention: fined \$1,000.00 payable in one month or 14 days imprisonment.
- 2. Wilfred Pollock of Saddlers
Driving without due care and attention: fined \$2,000.00 payable in three months or 30 days imprisonment.
- 3. Estevan Lawrence of St. Peters
Driving without a relevant license: fined \$400.00 payable in one month or 14 days imprisonment.
- Driving without insurance: fined \$1,000.00 payable in two months or 14 days imprisonment.
- Indecent language: Fined \$1,000.00 payable in four months or 14 days imprisonment.
- 4. Kindra Rawlins of Ottley’s

- Driving without due care and attention: fined \$2,000.00 payable by January 31, 2025, or 30 days imprisonment.
- 5. Vincent Lewis of Middle Island
Driving without due care and attention: fined \$750.00 payable in one month or 14 days imprisonment.

Matters Heard Before His Honor, Mr. Reynold Benjamin (January 10, 2025)

- 1. J’Moi Caines of Taylor’s
Driving while using a cell phone: fined \$500.00 forthwith or 14 days imprisonment.
Driving without a valid and unexpired license: fined \$650.00 forthwith or 21 days imprisonment.
Failing to produce a license immediately: Convicted and cautioned.
- 2. Shamar Stapleton of Lodge
Failing to comply with a traffic sign: fined \$100.00 forthwith or 10 days imprisonment.

Driver Charged With Causing Baby’s Death, Injuring Others

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two vehicles travelling in opposite directions were involved in a head-on collision. The vehicle heading east toward Basseterre was driven by Glenkeet Richardson of Wingfield Road, Old Road, while the westbound vehicle was operated by T’An Phipps from Farms Project, Sandy Point.

Both drivers sustained minor injuries and bruises and received treatment at the Joseph N. France Hospital. Phipps’ two (2) passengers, namely Baby Mekairi Edwards and Kedendra Lewis, aged twenty-three (23), from Sandy Point/Conaree, suffered severe injuries. Lewis required emergency surgery for two broken legs, while, unfortunately, Baby Edwards succumbed to his injuries shortly after the incident.

Notably, Lewis is the reigning 2024-2025 Miss Culturama Swimwear Queen. Via its official Facebook page, the Nevis Culturama Festival posted the following: “Our reigning Culturama 50 Ms. Culture Swimwear winner, Ms. First Federal Co-operative Credit Union, Kadedra Lewis needs our prayers at this time. May God grant her a speedy recovery.”

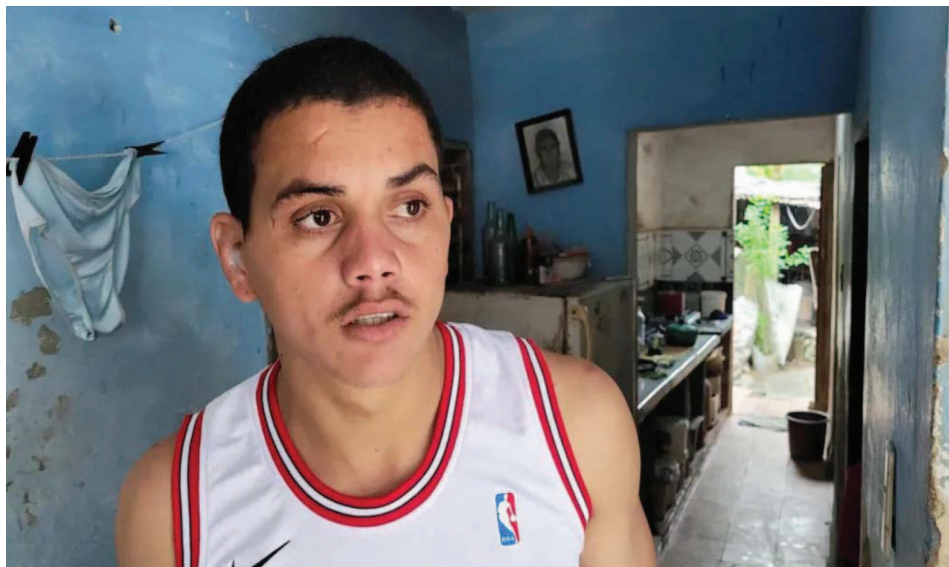
A poster has been recently circulating via social media seeking urgent blood donations for types A+ or A-, O+, O-. Contact information: 762-5541 (Unella Henry) and 664-2711 (Dexter Lewis).



Front Page Image: Fatal traffic accident scene on the island main road at Johnson’s Long Path on Saturday 11th January 2025 in the vicinity of Ross University which resulted in the death of four (4)-month-old Mekairi Edwards of Half Way Tree, St. Kitts. A driver Glenkeet Richardson of Wingfield Road, Old Road has been charged with three (3) offences, , namely Causing Death by Dangerous Driving and two instances of Injuring.

Cuba frees first jailed anti-government protesters after US deal

Vanessa Buschschluter
BBC News



Reuters Dariel Cruz Garcia, wearing a white basketball shirt, poses for a photo at his home in Havana, Cuba, after being released from prisonReuters

Dariel Cruz Garcia was among the first to be released by the Cuban government after the Vatican-brokered deal

Cuba has started to release the first of hundreds of prisoners it agreed to free following a deal with the United States.

Under the agreement brokered by the Catholic Church, President Joe Biden removed Cuba from the US list of state sponsors of terrorism just days before his term ends.

In return, the Cuban government said it would free 553 people, many of whom were detained during anti-government protests that swept through the Communist-run island in 2021.

While Havana has cautiously welcomed the deal, there are doubts as to how long it will last after President-elect Donald Trump's pick for secretary of state, Marco Rubio, appeared to hint that it could be reversed.

Speaking at his Senate nomination hearing on Wednesday, Rubio said referring

to some of the sanctions on Cuba that the Biden administration rescinded on Tuesday that "the new administration is not bound by that decision".

Earlier, Trump's choice for national security adviser, Mike Waltz, had said on Fox News that "anything they [the Biden administration] are doing right now, we can do back, and no one should be under any illusion in terms of a change in Cuba policy".

Despite the doubts raised by Trump administration officials, Cuba released about 20 prisoners on Wednesday, according to local NGOs.

One of those released was 53-year-old Donaida Perez Paseiro, who had been sentenced to eight years in prison for taking part in the 2021 anti-government protests, during which citizens demanded that the Cuban government do more to ease widespread food shortages and lower spiralling prices.

In a video she posted on social media, Ms Perez Paseiro said that the Cuban government had used her and her fellow prisoners as "a bargaining chip" to leverage Cuba's removal from the US list of state sponsors of terrorism.

In the recording, she also said she would continue to "fight for Cuba's freedom".

Dariel Cruz Garcia was also among those who were freed on Wednesday.

The 23-year-old had been sentenced to 15 years in prison for sedition after joining in the 2021 protests.

He told Reuters that officials had announced that he could serve the remainder of his sentence - which has been reduced since he was originally sentenced - at home.

"I escaped from hell to be with my family. I'll behave myself so I can move on," he told the news agency.



Reuters Dariel Cruz, 23, flanked by his mother Yaquelin, speaks to Reuters in their home in Havana, Cuba, 15 January 2025Reuters

Yaquelin is relieved her son Dariel was among those released

The vice-president of Cuba's highest court, Maricela Sosa, said on TV that those freed had neither received an amnesty nor had they been pardoned and warned that they could be re-arrested if they broke the terms of their parole.

There are also still hundreds of families awaiting news as to whether their loved ones will be among the 553 the government has agreed to release.

"They're desperate, all waiting with tremendous anxiety for a call from their children," Dariel Cruz Garcia's mother told Reuters.



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St. Kitts and Nevis To Share Report on Child Protection Efforts With International Community In Geneva

Basseterre, St. Kitts, January 14, 2025 (SKNIS): Efforts to protect children in St. Kitts and Nevis, in alignment with the obligations set forth in the Convention on the Rights of the Child, will be shared with international stakeholders in Geneva on Thursday, January 16 and Friday, January 17, 2025.

Azilla Clarke, Permanent Secretary in the Ministry of Social Development and Gender Affairs, will head the delegation that will virtually present the country report to the Committee of Experts. The Committee on the Rights of the Child comprises 18 independent experts who monitor how States and Parties implement the Convention.

This will be St. Kitts and Nevis' third report to the Committee. The first was submitted in 2019, followed by a reformatted version



Azilla Clarke, Permanent Secretary of Social Development and Gender Affairs

in 2021, incorporating suggestions from officials on the report's format.

At Friday's meeting, the country report will outline to the Committee how the government, working with partners, are protecting the rights of children. It will also highlight measures taken to further educate individuals and civil society on the rights of children, outlined in the

landmark Convention.

Other members of the delegation include representatives from the Federal Ministries of Health, Legal and Justice Affairs, Education, Foreign Affairs, and the Department of Probation and Child Protection Services. Delegates from Nevis will represent the Ministry of Health and Social Services and other support agencies.

The interactive dialogue begins at 10 a.m. on Thursday and Friday and will last for two hours. Interested persons can follow the presentation's livestream at <https://webtv.un.org/live/>



Teenager Tien stuns Medvedev in late five-set thriller



Learner Tien

Image source, Getty Image - Tien is the youngest American man to reach the third round at the Australian Open since an 18-year-old Pete Sampras in 1990

**Published BBC Sport
Australian Open 2025**

Dates: 12-26 January Venue: Melbourne Park

Fifth seed Daniil Medvedev is out of the Australian Open after losing a five-set thriller to teenager Learner Tien in the biggest upset of the tournament so far.

Medvedev, a three-time finalist in Melbourne, saved match point in the third set and forced a decider, but ultimately fell to a 6-3 7-6 (7-4) 6-7 (8-10) 1-6 7-6 (10-7) defeat by the 19-year-old

qualifier.

American Tien, ranked 121st in the world, celebrated in front of a largely empty Margaret Court Arena after wrapping up the win at 02:54 local time in Melbourne.

"I was definitely hoping it wasn't going to a fifth-set breaker but either way I'm just really happy to get the win,"

Tien said after four hours and 49 minutes on court.

"I know I made it a lot harder than what it could have been but, you know, whatever."

Before this week's tournament Tien had never won a Grand Slam match, losing in the first round in all three of his US Open appearances.

Medvedev, who lost to Jannik Sinner in last year's final, seemed like the clear favourite to win the match after steamrolling his way through the fourth set in 27 minutes, with Tien looking fatigued.

But, after a brief rain delay, the left-handed Californian dug deep to break back in the decider and force a 10-point tie-break.

"Losing the third [set] was tough after playing for that long. I had a match point so that was a little disappointing to see a fourth [set]," Tien said.

"In the fourth set I just had to pee so bad, so I was trying to finish it up fairly quick.

"I also wanted to start the fifth [set] serving first so I scrapped out that game at 0-5 and it all worked out."

He is the third teenager this week, after Joao Fonseca and Jakub Mensik, to have beaten a top-10 player.

Fonseca stole the headlines with his first-round win over ninth seed Andrey Rublev, but it is Tien, who finished runner-up to the Brazilian in December's Next Gen ATP Finals, that has gone further of the two in Melbourne.

Tien will face France's Corentin Moutet, ranked 69th, in the third round.

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ECCAA Conversion of a Foreign Pilot's Licence by ECCAA

Courtesy of the Eastern Caribbean Civil Aviation Authority

January 15, 2025

When you think of the Eastern Caribbean Civil Aviation Authority (ECCAA), what likely comes to mind are the duties and services provided by this organization to its Participating States. It is the governing body of the Eastern Caribbean skies. - Aviation safety is its main business. But did you know that the Authority facilitates conversion of foreign licensing in accordance with the requirements of the International Civil Aviation Organisation (ICAO)? It's among the services offered by ECCAA. Just ask Mr. Carrington, a pilot who successfully completed the process and is now the proud holder of an Antigua and Barbuda Commercial Pilot's Licence.

Mr. Carrington, who underwent flight training in the United States, obtained his licence to fly there. However, he wanted the option of flying in the Eastern Caribbean. For this, he needed the right documents.

"I have an FAA (Federal Aviation Administration) licence - an American licence issued by the US," Mr. Carrington explains. "However, in the Caribbean, the OECS (Organisation of Eastern Caribbean States) has its own civil aviation body... - ECCAA.

"So, after job hunting, [I realized] there aren't many jobs you can get with an American pilot's licence in the region. And if you are not a US citizen, it's almost impossible to penetrate the U.S. job market coming from flight school."

Mr. Carrington said friends and family encouraged him to convert his F.A.A. licence to one recognized and used in the Eastern Caribbean - an ECCAA licence. So earlier this year, that is what he set out to do. The process, he noted, was not exactly straight-forward but he adhered to the steps laid out for him by ECCAA and was successful.

"It's an examination you have to take — a theory exam; there's Aircraft General and Air Law," Carrington said of ECCAA's licence conversion process. -

He further explained that the conversion process entails a certain number of documents and exams. Some of the documents include current and valid foreign licence and Medical Certificate, pilot logbook, ECCAA's application forms and fees and proof of nationality. He added that details could be found on ECCAA's Website, www.eccaa.aero, under the subhead of Personnel Licensing.

"When I was comfortable enough and I felt that I was capable - I got the prerequisites for the exam and scheduled an exam date."

That date was April 28, 2024. The St Lucia resident said he got study material from various sources, including pilots who had already done the exam and friends, and through communication with ECCAA.

"They (ECCAA) worked with me even though I work and live in St Lucia," he said. "It was a seamless process going into Antigua and Barbuda, where I took the exam. The exam was definitely

challenging. However, with the help of ECCAA, I was able to complete the process with ease. It's not a straightforward one but once you go with the guidance ECCAA, it becomes easy."

After about two weeks, mid-May 2024, Mr. Carrington found out that he was successful. By the end of May 2024, his new licence was ready, and what was convenient, he noted, is that the ECCAA allowed for the authorization for another person to collect the documents on his behalf.

"I believe that ECCAA listens, and they try to work with you as much as possible," Mr. Carrington said. "They will give you the information that you need, and I think that is the most important thing."

Mr. Carrington is excited and looking forward to beginning his piloting career in the Caribbean.

For this process, Mr. Carrington had to liaise closely with ECCAA's division of Flight Safety, in the section of Personnel Licensing. This division is responsible for the certification of air carriers and licensing of personnel who provide air transportation including pilots, engineers and air traffic controllers.

Staff members of the Personnel Licensing Division comprise Ms. Inverary, Mrs. Paul-Simon and other technical officers who coordinate with the applicants regarding the scheduling of the exams, application requirements and offer necessary advice to ensure a seamless application process. Mrs. Paul-Simon assures us that anyone interested in obtaining the right documents for flying in the Eastern Caribbean can do it also.

"Generally, people think the process is very complicated and very difficult but following the procedure makes it smooth and very possible," Mrs. Paul-Simon said. "In Mr. Carrington's case, he researched, communicated and followed procedure, and was successful in receiving the speedy result of a converted licence. Mr. Carrington was successful on his first attempt of both exams."

The Eastern Caribbean Civil Aviation Authority is the regulatory agency for civil aviation activities within the Organisation of Eastern Caribbean States and provides services to associate States. In addition to issuing licences to aviation personnel, including pilots, aeronautical engineers, and air traffic controllers and others, it also provides certification for airports, aircraft, air operators and ancillary services; it ensures compliance in civil aviation safety and security through audits, inspections, surveys and tests; it ensures the existence of and compliance with civil aviation legislation, in addition to many other responsibilities.

The Participating States are Antigua and Barbuda, St Kitts and Nevis, Commonwealth of Dominica, St Lucia, St Vincent and the Grenadines and Grenada. Other states that are in receipt of communication navigation and surveillance and support services from the ECCAA are Montserrat, Anguilla and The British Virgin Islands.

This feature story is courtesy of the Eastern Caribbean Civil Aviation Authority.

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**To the Magistrate,
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To the Superintendent of Police.

I, Alfred Saroufim now residing in Seaview Gardens Apartment 6 #12, Camps in the town of Basseterre, do hereby give you notice that is my intention to apply on 02nd day of April, 2025, to the District Magistrate at Basseterre for a Retail Liquor Licence in respect of my premises in Maggie's Coffee Shop in #3 Seaview Garden in Basseterre.

Dated this
16th day of January, 2025.

Signed: A. Saroufim



SKNFA Announces the 2025 Football Season Kick-Off

Basseterre, St. Kitts - The St. Kitts-Nevis Football Association (SKNFA) is excited to announce the official commencement of the 2025 Football Season, which will begin on Sunday, February 16th, 2025, with the much-anticipated SKNFA President's Cup.

The opening match will feature a thrilling showdown between the SL Horsfords St. Pauls United, the reigning Premier League Champions, and the MFCR United Old Road Jets, the current FA Cup Champions. The match will take place at Warner Park Football Stadium at 6:30 PM.

In addition to the President's Cup, the SKNFA has confirmed the following start dates for the 2025 Football

Leagues:

- *• **Division I League** - Friday, February 21st, 2025
- *• **Premier League** - Saturday, February 22nd, 2025
- *• **Women's League** - Saturday, March 1st, 2025

Start dates for additional leagues will be communicated in a follow-up announcement.

The SKNFA wishes all participating teams the best of luck in the upcoming season and looks forward to a year of competitive and exciting football.

Photo Caption: 2024 NBGC Premier League Champions St. Paul's United.

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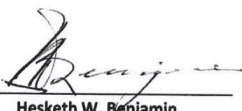
In the Estate of the late ETELIA A. BOYD of Sandown Road in the Parish of St. George, in the Island of Saint Christopher, deceased

ADVERTISEMENT OF APPLICATION FOR GRANT

TAKE NOTICE that an application has been filed by HESKETH W. BENJAMIN, Attorney-at-Law for JUDY BOYD of Sandown Road in the town of Basseterre in the Parish of St. George in the Island of Saint Christopher and STAFFORD PHIPPS of Bamboo Terrace, Molyneaux, in the Parish of Christ Church, in the Island of Saint Christopher for a Grant of Letters of Administration to the applicant who are the children of the deceased, the deceased having died intestate on the 23rd day of March, 2024.

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

Dated this 17th day of OCTOBER, 2024

Filed by: 
Hesketh W. Benjamin
Attorney-at-Law
Chambers
West Independence Square Street
Basseterre
St. Kitts



Notice 1: VAT Filing Deadline Extended

The Inland Revenue Department (IRD) is committed to supporting our valued clients and ensuring compliance. As such, we have extended the Value Added Tax (VAT) filing deadline to January 22, 2025. This extension accommodates all taxpayers as we address technical challenges impacting the usual effectiveness and efficiency of filing through the SMARTS system.

We appreciate your patience and cooperation as we work diligently to resolve these issues.

Notice 2: Update Prices on Shelves for VAT Reduction

The IRD reminds all VAT-registered taxpayers to update the prices displayed on their shelves to reflect the recent VAT rate reduction from 17% to 13%. This adjustment must be completed by February 17, 2025.

Clear and accurate pricing ensures transparency for customers and supports compliance with VAT regulations.

For assistance or further clarification, please contact the Inland Revenue Department. We are here to guide you and address your concerns.

For inquiries:

St. Kitts: Tel:(869) 465-8485, Ext: 3454/3405/3442/3443/3466, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Nevis: Tel: (869) 469-5856, Ext: 6018/5013, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Mobile numbers:

(869) 663-6456, (869) 662-8827, (869) 663-7563

Email Assistance:

Email: sknhelpdesk@ird.gov.kn

**LIQUOR LICENCES
ORDIANANCES, 1906
SCHEDULE A**

**To the Magistrate,
District “A”**

To the Superintendent of Police.

I, Decai Liang now residing in Sprott Street in the town of Basseterre do hereby give you notice that is our intention to apply on 02nd day of April, 2025, to the District Magistrate at Basseterre for a Beer Licence in respect of my premises in Lucky Restaurant in Sprott Street in Basseterre in St. Kitts.

Dated this
06th day of January, 2025.

Signed: Decai Liang

Required a

Manager

at

Seven Day Supermarket

Contact: 661-2738

Phone Doctor

Victoria Road, Basseterre, St. Kitts

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**LIQUOR LICENCES
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**To the Magistrate,
District “A”**

To the Superintendent of Police.

I, Richard Charles now residing in Gillard Meadow in Douglas Estate in St. Peters do hereby give you notice that is our intention to apply on 02nd day of April, 2025, to the District Magistrate at Basseterre for a Retail Liquor Licence in respect of my premises in Fun Times Event in Fort Street in Basseterre.

Dated this
08th day of January, 2025.

Signed: Richard Charles

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One Manager & One Cashier

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Big Sale Two Inc.

Fort Street, Basseterre, St. Kitts

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- For more information -

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Newtown, Basseterre, St. Kitts

Requires

One Sale Person

Call: 669-9477

For more information

**LIQUOR LICENCES
ORDIANANCES, 1906
SCHEDULE A**

**To the Magistrate,
District “A”**

To the Superintendent of Police.

I, Recia Caines now residing in Black Rocks in the village of Belle Vue do hereby give you notice that is our intention to apply on 02nd day of April, 2025, to the District Magistrate at Basseterre for a Beer Licence in respect of my premises in Reci’s On The Rock Chill Spot in Black Rocks in Belle Vue in St. Kitts.

Dated this
06th day of January, 2025.

Signed: Recia Caines

Night Life BBQ & Grill

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Contact: 664-1935

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Requires

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We are seeking a dedicated childcare specialist with a proven track record in caring for young children.

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Lions on ice - Kenya's foray into ice hockey

Priya Sippy
BBC World Service

In Nairobi, the average temperature is more than 20C, yet there is one place in Kenya's capital where it does not even reach zero.

Overlooking the city's wildlife park, home to lions, giraffes and zebra, lies the Panari Hotel.

Inside is the sole ice rink in east and central Africa, a training base for the Kenya Ice Lions, the country's first and only ice hockey team.

For a sport predominantly played in colder climates, getting on the ice for the first time was an "out of this world" experience for captain Benjamin Mburu.

"I never imagined I could play ice hockey in Kenya," he told BBC Sport Africa.

"You see snow and ice on Christmas movies. That happens somewhere else, not in Kenya.

"Stepping on the ice was so slippery - I couldn't control the skates. But it was exciting."

Formed in 2016, the Ice Lions recently reached a significant milestone by becoming the fifth African team to gain membership of the International Ice Hockey Federation (IIHF).

Their admission to the sport's world governing body will allow them to access more funding and coaching expertise as well as enter international competitions.

Ice hockey on the equator



Benjamin Mburu, wearing a green T-shirt, black shorts, rollerblades and black ice hockey gloves, holds a stick and tries to control a puck on a tiled floor in his house
Image source, Getty Images

Benjamin Mburu was forced to practice his stickhandling skills at home when he could not access the Panari Hotel ice rink during the Covid-19 pandemic.

Kenya has joined Algeria, Morocco, Tunisia and South Africa among the African cohort in the IIHF, which has 84 members, but captain Mburu says the next step will prove hardest.

"We must now reach IIHF standards, and that is where our work is cut [out]," he explained.

But this is a team that has already faced many challenges, not least establishing itself in a sport virtually unheard of in east Africa.

The Ice Lions were started by a group of expats from the United States and Canada, who mounted a recruitment drive.

With roller hockey being more accessible and popular in Kenya, many newer members were scouted when wearing skates with wheels on them rather than blades.

Tim Colby, who has coached the Ice Lions since their inception, says love for the sport and dedication has brought the

squad this far.

"Playing ice hockey on the equator is not easy," the Canadian told the BBC.

"The biggest challenge is ice time. Access to ice is expensive."

Just one hour at the ice rink in Panari Hotel costs nearly \$100.

Those high rates mean that the team are only usually able to train once a week.

Their home is also one quarter of the size of an Olympic rink, so the Ice Lions are restricted to playing four-on-four matches (including goaltenders).

Full games are six-a-side and require a goaltender, two defenders and three forwards.

Colby adds that getting enough protective equipment for the team proves difficult.

"We need a lot of specialised gear and that is only available in Europe and North America," he said.

For the first few years many players



A group of 10 Kenya Ice Lions players, mostly wearing green and red striped ice hockey jerseys, pose for a team photo while standing on an ice rink and holding a gold trophy

Image source, Cecilia Mena/Friendship League

The Ice Lions won an exhibition tournament in South Africa which was arranged by the Friendship League, a tourism organisation which uses sport to foster cross-cultural engagement

only wore shin pads, forgoing equipment such as helmets.

Replacing hockey sticks could also take several months.

International exposure

Over time, the Ice Lions caught the eye of local media and through this exposure they received interest from international brands and companies.

From these partnerships, the squad got the opportunity to play abroad.

One trip to Canada, where players met with National Hockey League (NHL) stars Sidney Crosby and Nathan Mackinnon, proved transformational.

The Ice Lions went on to receive donations for equipment, funds for ice time and found more sponsors, which has helped the team to grow.

"The trip to Canada was an eye-opener, people realised there was ice hockey in Kenya and we were able to recruit more locals into the sport," said Mburu.

"Our skill level has grown tremendously."

They are now soaring to new heights, recently winning an exhibition tournament on a full-size rink in South Africa.

"This proved to us, and everyone, that we can do this," Mburu added.

Training the next generation

Alongside their dream of competing internationally, the Ice Lions are keen to grow the sport in Kenya and develop the next generation of players.

Every Saturday morning there are coaching sessions for children.

Liam Pashari, who dreams of becoming a professional, is among those who attend.

"I love ice hockey very much, because the coaches push us to be our best, and you make friends along the way," the 12-year-old said.

"When you're playing on the ice, you just forget about everything else."

The Ice Lions also have plans for a female team, but only have four women currently playing alongside the men.

With associate membership of the IIHF, the team are more motivated than ever to win more tournaments and reach their ultimate goal - the Winter Olympics.

"The Kenyan flag must fly on ice," said Mike Carlos, a winger with the Ice Lions.

"There are people that think Kenyans cannot play ice hockey. But we must show them that we have arrived."



A child, wearing predominantly black ice hockey gear, controls a puck on an ice rink while another player is seen out of focus wearing white in the background

Image source, Getty Images

Ice Lions players run training sessions for children every weekend