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Editorial

Remembering the Unseen Mothers: The Meaning of International Bereaved Mother's Day

How many of us are aware that there is an occasion called International Bereaved Mother's Day?

Observed annually on the first Sunday in May, and officially recognized in 2010, this day exists to honour mothers who have lost children, as well as women who are unable to have children due to infertility or other health challenges. It was founded by Australian mother Carly Marie Dudley in memory of her stillborn son, Christian, whom she lost in 2007. From personal grief emerged a global moment of recognition-one that continues to speak to a quiet, often overlooked reality.

The timing is deliberate. Positioned just one week before the traditional Mother's Day, Bereaved Mother's Day serves as both an alternative and an addition. It acknowledges that motherhood is not erased by loss. The bond between a mother and her child, even in death, remains deeply rooted-emotional, enduring, and lifelong. Yet, for many, that bond is not always publicly recognised or validated.

As noted by pregnancyafterlosssupport.org, Dudley explained the need for such a day: "The traditional Mother's Day has proven to be an emotionally exhausting day for so many mothers around the world. Just because your child died does not mean that you are not a mother anymore. You are your child's mother forever, and people need to start recognizing this fact. On Bereaved Mother's Day each year, we come together to celebrate our connection, our babies and children, and our hope for the future."

These words challenge us to rethink how we define and honour motherhood. Society often celebrates the visible-the laughter, the gifts and the family photos.

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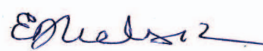
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In the Estate of LUENDINA
BLIZNIK, late of 14 Evans Street,
Binghamton, New York 13903 in the
United States of America, Deceased

TAKE NOTICE that an application has been filed by BRIAN BLIZNIK of 1904 Jenkins Street, Endicott, New York 13760, in the United States of America for a Grant of Letters of Administration of the estate of LUENDINA BLIZNIK to the Applicant who is the son of the Deceased, the deceased having died intestate on the 7th day of January, 2024.

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

Dated this 21st day of April, 2026.



M. ELIZABETH A. KELSICK, Partner
KELSICK, WILKIN & FERDINAND
Attorneys-at-Law for the Applicant

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But what of the mothers whose love exists in memory, in longing, in absence? What of those who carry the weight of loss quietly, often in spaces where their grief is not fully understood?

According to the same source, the day also seeks to break the silence surrounding child loss. Too many mothers feel that their grief is dismissed or minimized, making an already painful journey even more isolating. Recognition, even in its simplest form, can offer comfort. It sends a message that their pain is real, that their identity as mothers is valid, and that they are not alone.

As we approach the traditional Mother's Day, many will rightfully celebrate-taking their mothers out, showering them with love, and expressing gratitude for their presence. These moments are important. But alongside

the celebration, there must also be space for reflection.

There are mothers who will spend that day grieving-not only the loss of a child, but in some cases, the loss of their own mothers. There are women who long to be called "Mom" but cannot. There are others who now carry the quiet title of bereaved mother, a title they never imagined holding.

International Bereaved Mother's Day invites us to broaden our compassion. It calls on us to recognise that motherhood is not only defined by presence, but also by love-love that endures beyond loss.

Let us remember them. Let us acknowledge them. And in doing so, let us ensure that no mother feels unseen.

***Happy Mother's Day to all
including the mommy figures
and expectant mom!***

Young Union Member Says: “Understanding Your Rights Is Not Optional, It Is Practical”

By: Spokesman Newsroom

BASSETERRE, St. Kitts (Thursday 7th May 2026)-

“As much as I believe in the Union, and as much as I want you to be part of it, my first priority is you. Know your rights. Learn them. Understand them. Understanding your rights is not optional, it is practical. It is personal.”

Those were among the remarks delivered by 22-year-old executive committee member of the St. Kitts-Nevis Trades and Labour Union (SKNT&LU), Jutambien Kelly, during the Union’s post-Labour Day march event held at the Patsy Allers Play Field on Monday 4th May 2026 following the annual Labour Day march.

Addressing the gathering, Kelly reflected on the significance of the occasion and the role of workers within society.

“Just take a moment and look around you, at the red, the energy, and the pride in this space. As a young person in the St. Kitts-Nevis Trades and Labour Union, standing here today and seeing this, it means

something. It truly does,” she said.

She added: “But I want you to understand something; today is not about a banner, a title or an organization. Today is about you. Labour Day belongs to the worker.”

Kelly told attendees that workers remain central to the country’s functioning.

“To the person who shows up even when they are exhausted. To the person holding it together for their family. And to the individual whose effort keeps the heart of this country beating. Today is your day,” she stated.

Speaking on the role of the Union, Kelly remarked: “And here is the truth we cannot afford to forget, when the crowd leaves when the music fades and when tomorrow morning comes, we all have to go back to work.”

“And that is where the Union lives. We live in the quiet moments, the ones without the crowds or the cameras. We live where your rights are tested, where your voice needs to be heard, and where fairness is not guaranteed unless someone stands up and demands it. That is our space.”

Kelly also addressed the relationship between government and unions.

“You know, people often ask me: ‘Where does the real power sit? Is it in the government, or is it in the Union? To be honest that question misses the mark for me. These two were never meant to be rivals; they were designed to be partners.’”

Using an analogy, he said: “Now think of it like building a house... You have a house and it has a foundation. That is the government; they are the ones who set the policies, the legislation, the structure, they are the ones that define what is possible.”

“The roof and walls, that is the Union. We are the ones standing with you every day, making sure that when the pressures of life come down, you are covered, protected, and never standing alone.”

“A foundation without a roof leaves you exposed but a roof without a foundation cannot stand. It takes both.”

Directing part of his message to younger workers and citizens, Kelly stressed the importance of being informed.

“As much as I believe in the Union, and as much as I want you to be part of it, my first priority is you. Know your rights. Learn them. Understand them. Understanding your rights is not

optional, it is practical. It is personal.”

He further stated: “And as you learn and understand them, know that the Union is here to stand with you as your partner, to support you, to guide you, and to make sure you are never navigating any of these issues alone.”

Kelly also encouraged workers to formally join the Union.

“But since I’m here representing the Union, I have to. For the betterment of workers, I urge you to join the Union... [for] formal representation. Togetherness makes us stronger, and the Union is what turns individual voices into a collective force.”

Referencing the affordability of union dues, she added that such “cost less than a number one from KFC monthly so you can afford it.”

She ended by inviting persons to engage with the organization as she pointed to the union’s ‘Working For Workers’ booth and asked that workers visit the union’s headquarters located at Masses House.

Front Page Photo - top: Members of the St.Kitts-Nevis Trades and Labour Union executive committee (Left to Right)-Precious Mills (General Secretary), Kirsty Lennon (Assistant General Secretary), Curtis Francis (First Vice President), Sydney Bridgewater (President), Jutambien Kelly (Treasurer), Nadine Natta (Second Vice President) and floor members Eva Henderson, Jereth Morton and Nalissa Sewnauth seen while the march on Monday 4th May 2026 during the Labour Day (International Workers Day) march making their way along George Street in Newtown (Credit: SKNLP)

Front Page Photo - left: Members of the St.Kitts-Nevis Trades and Labour Union executive committee (Left) Jutambien Kelly (Treasurer) and Field Officer Sean Kelly pose with sign that reads ‘HAPPY LABOUR DAY 2026 , ‘ASK THE UNION’ while going about Cayon Street on Monday 4th May 2026 during the Labour Day (International Workers Day) march (Spokesman Snap)

Front Page Photo - right: A highlight moment captured during the annual wreath laying ceremony held on Sunday 3rd May 2026 at the Springfield Cemetery in Basseterre while visiting the graveside of Sir Robert L. Bradshaw. Executive committee member Kevion Hodge Huggins (right end) seen making some remarks about the late Union President while First Vice President Curtis Francis (center) and General Secretary Precious Mills look on. Credit: SKNLP)

Saint Kitts And Nevis To Establish High Commission In Singapore

Basseterre, Saint Kitts, May 07, 2026 (SKNIS): Saint Kitts and Nevis is expected to expand its diplomatic influence in Southeast Asia with the establishment of a High Commission in Singapore.

On Wednesday’s (May 06, 2026) edition of InFocus, Senior Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs, the Right Honourable Dr. Denzil Douglas, announced that the twin-island Federation has secured an Agrément from the government in Singapore and will “very shortly” open the new diplomatic facility. This is significant as no other Caribbean country has such a facility in the country.

“Singapore is one of the more successful states financially and otherwise, and it is small,” the senior minister stated, noting

that there are some similarities between the two countries.

Both countries have a mutually respectful relationship, which is being enhanced in various areas of cooperation. Saint Kitts and Nevis currently has diplomatic representation in an appointed Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary based in Singapore to facilitate dialogue and advance areas of cooperation.

Plans to establish a High Commission in Singapore follow the recent opening of the Saint Kitts and Nevis High Commission in India. The resident representatives in Singapore and India are both citizens of the twin-island Federation.



“Who Taking It?” - Constituency Four’s Destiny Huggins Crowned Miss Labour 2026

By: Spokesman Newsroom

BASSETERRE, St. Kitts (Tuesday 5th May 2026)- With a festive opening number asking “Who taking it?...who taking the crown tonight!”, contestant number one Destiny Huggins of Constituency Four answered the question in winning fashion as she emerged victorious from a field of eight contestants to capture the Miss Labour 2026 crown on Saturday 2nd May night at Carnival Village.

The annual pageant, held under the theme “Investing In People and Progress,” formed part of the St. Kitts-Nevis Labour Party’s (SKNLP) yearly

pre-Labour Day activities and attracted scores of party supporters, pageant enthusiasts and energetic constituency cheering sections.

Huggins secured the title with 1152.5 points, earning loud applause from supporters as she was crowned during the wee hours of Sunday

morning by Party Leader and Prime Minister Dr. Terrance Drew.

The Constituency Four representative stood out throughout the competition which featured appearances in several judged segments as contestants vied for the coveted crown before an enthusiastic audience at Carnival Village.

Finishing as first runner-up was Azalea Juman of Constituency One with 1108.5 points, while Eushadika Frances of Constituency Three secured the second runner-up position with 1081.5 points. Dennidra Evelyn of Constituency Six placed third runner-up with 1062.5 points.

The pageant showcased contestants from across the constituencies in what has become one of the major entertainment highlights leading into the Labour Day celebrations each year. Supporters waved party colours, chanted for their representatives and filled the venue with excitement throughout the evening.

The event combined political wit, culture, fashion, confidence and stage presence as contestants competed for top honours while representing their constituencies on one of the party’s biggest stages ahead of Labour Day.



Miss Labour 2026 Destiny Huggins of Constituency Four (seated), poses following her coronation at the Miss Labour Pageant held on Saturday 2nd May 2026 at Carnival Village. Also pictured are second runner-up Eushadika Frances of Constituency Three (left) alongside Parliamentary Representative for Constituency Three Konris Maynard; St. Kitts-Nevis Labour Party (SKNLP) Leader and Prime Minister Dr. Terrance Drew, Parliamentary Representative for Constituency Eight, and his wife Mrs. Diani Prince-Drew; Deputy Party Leader and Parliamentary Representative for Constituency One Dr. Geoffrey Hanley standing next to first runner-up Azalea Juman of Constituency One; and third runner-up Dennidra Evelyn of Constituency Six. (SKNLP Photo)

WFP Technical Mission Engages Stakeholders To Strengthen St. Kitts' School Meals Programme

Basseterre, St. Kitts, Wednesday, May 06, 2026: A technical mission from the World Food Programme (WFP) is currently in St. Kitts conducting a comprehensive assessment aimed at identifying gaps and opportunities to enhance the effectiveness of school meals and nutrition initiatives across the island.

As part of their engagement, the delegation made a courtesy call on Prime Minister, Hon. Dr. Terrance Drew. Also present at that meeting was Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Education, Hon. Dr. Geoffrey Hanley, along with Permanent Secretaries from the Ministry of Education, Health, and Agriculture. Discussions focused on the importance of nutrition in education and the government’s continued commitment to supporting school feeding initiatives.

The mission also held an introductory meeting with senior officials within the Ministry of Education and related departments. Among those in attendance were Permanent Secretary, Mrs. Lisa-Romayne Pistana; focal point on the mission, Nutritional Surveillance Officer, Mrs. Lotaya Matthew-Duncan; CEO, Mr. Francil Morris; School Meals Coordinator, Mr. Leon Williams; and other ministry representatives. These discussions provided an opportunity to align priorities, share insights, and outline the scope of the technical assessment.

Mrs. Latoya Matthew-Duncan, Nutrition Surveillance Officer, Ministry of Health and Focal Point on the mission, underscored the importance of the initiative in advancing and improving the Federation’s approach to student nutrition.

“The Technical Mission represents an important opportunity for the Federation to not only look at our national school meals programme from a much wider angle, but also to assist us with identifying gaps and challenges, as well as look at ways to adjust them. I think this mission is timely, as school nutrition in the Caribbean is a big deal. I think that it is a great vessel to look at nutrition interventions for St. Kitts and Nevis overall.”

Mr. Alessio Orgera, Regional Adviser, School-based

Programmes, WFP, outlined the mission as an assessment effort aimed at giving a detailed report to guide future action.

“This is an observatory exercise, so we will be here

visiting schools and facilities and meeting stakeholders from different areas. The main outcome of this exercise will be a comprehensive analysis report that will contain recommendations and set the path for the next steps.”

A series of field visits and stakeholder engagements is also being undertaken as part of the mission. This includes tours of central kitchen facilities, visits to schools, and consultations with supermarkets, wholesalers, and local farmers. The team is also facilitating workshops designed to gather data, build capacity, and encourage collaboration among key players in the food supply chain.

The Government of St. Kitts and Nevis continues to prioritize child nutrition as a critical component of its education agenda, and collaboration with WFP underscores a shared commitment to building resilient and inclusive food systems in schools.

FEDERATION OF SAINT CHRISTOPHER AND NEVIS
ISLAND OF NEVIS
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A.D. 2026

ACT OF SEIZURE
PURSUANT TO SECTION 73

BE IT KNOWN TO ALL MEN THAT, by virtue of powers on me conferred by ASCENDANCY CARIBBEAN I LTD is a limited liability private company incorporated under the laws of the Cayman Islands with registered office at Ugland House, Grand Cayman, KY1-1104, which is duly registered as an external company under the Companies Act Cap 21.03 of the laws of the Federation of St. Kitts and Nevis, with a local office for service situated at Ground Level Unit A9, The Sands Complex, Basseterre, in the Island of Saint Christopher,

I, PHILROY WALTERS, Bailiff of the High Court of Justice,
on the 29th day of April 2026,

did proceed to the lands of **ROLSTON WALTERS and JULIET WALTERS** both of Rawlins Village, in the Parish of St George, in the Island of Nevis, and, there being at 1:24pm o'clock on the day and date above written,

did seize ALL THAT lot piece or parcel of land situate at Farms Estate in the Parish of St. John, in the Island of Nevis being Lot No. 22 bounded and measuring as follows that is to say: On or towards the North West by a Ghaut, 64.55 feet; On or towards the East by lands of Debra Morton, 166.39 feet; On or towards the South East by a Public Road, 62.20 feet and On or towards the South West by lands of Irene Marjorie Parris, 183.77 feet and containing by admeasurement 10,890 square feet, comprised in a Certificate of Title dated February 16, 2005 and registered in Book 43 Folio 52 of the Nevis Registry of Title

the said land to be held for sale in due course of law (leaving the said **ROLSTON WALTERS and JULIET WALTERS** in charge of the above described property until it is sold or until a receiver be appointed by the High Court, whichever be sooner) for non-payment of the sum **EC\$1,511,634.59**, the balance due and owing as at January 31, 2026, consisting of:

- i. the principal balance in the sum of **EC\$566,926.57** and interest thereon in the sum of **EC\$702,774.00** with interest continuing at the effective current rate of **8.00%** per annum being a per diem of **EC\$124.26**; and
- ii. other charges in the sum of **EC\$149,121.92** and interest thereon in the sum of **EC\$92,812.10** with interest continuing at the effective current rate of **8.00%** per annum being a per diem of **EC\$32.68**

from January 31, 2026, until payment in full,

due to the said ASCENDANCY CARIBBEAN I LTD by virtue of a Mortgage duly noted on October 18, 2023 upon the Certificate of Title dated February 16, 2005 and registered in Register Book 43 Folio 52 of the Register of Titles for the Island of Nevis of which seizure I do, by this Act, give notice to you the said **ROLSTON WALTERS and JULIET WALTERS** and to all concerned.

DONE by me at Lot No. 22 of Farms Estate in the Parish of St John in the Island of Nevis on the day and date above written, before and in the presence of the witness who subscribed this act of seizure with me.

BAILIFF

Done in the presence of:-

Arday
Junior Bailiff
29-04-2026.



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Senator Isalean Phillip Tables Saint Kitts And Nevis' First Ever National Disability Policy

Basseterre, Saint Kitts, May 01, 2026 (SKNIS): The Government of Saint Kitts and Nevis continues to advance efforts to expand opportunities for persons living with disabilities, fostering a society rooted in equity and inclusion for every citizen and resident.

In a major milestone, the first National Disability Policy was laid in the Federal Parliament by Minister of State responsible for Ageing, Disabilities et al, Senator the Honourable Isalean Phillip, on Thursday, April 30, 2026. The national policy covers the period 2026-2030. It provides a framework with guiding principles and an action plan to ensure the full inclusion of persons with disabilities, as echoed in the National Development Planning Framework, which is a crucial component of the Sustainable Island State Agenda.

The National Disability Policy has ten policy imperatives that will guide continued work for the improvement of the lives and living standards of persons living with a disability in the Federation.

1. Removal of Environmental Barriers – equal access to public spaces, transportation, information and assistive devices.
2. Education, Training and Lifelong Learning – students and adults with disabilities have equal opportunities to attain educational certifications.
3. Economic Inclusion and Financial Security – a right to work, earn, and build a future.
4. Public Awareness and the Attitudinal Barrier – disability rights embedded in the national curriculum in schools, and a national public awareness campaign launch.
5. Health and Wellness – a disability inclusive sector with equitable access to quality healthcare and mental health services.
6. Inclusive Housing and Liveable Communities – a quota for public housing options as well as a grant programme to retrofit homes. Ensuring spaces such as

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I, PHILROY WALTERS, Bailiff of the High Court of Justice,
on the 29th day of April 2026,

did proceed to the lands of OTTILIE MYERS and EUZELLA ZAMIRA MYERS NEALE both of Craddock Road, in the Parish of St. Thomas, in the Island of Nevis, and, there being
at 11:30am o'clock on the day and date above written,

did seize ALL THAT lot piece or parcel of land situate at Craddock Road in the Parish of Saint Thomas in the Island of Nevis, bounded and measuring as follows, that is to say:- On the North by lands of George Smithen, 99.73 feet; On or towards the East by an Access Road, 133.25 feet, On or towards the South by lands of V. Hendrickson, 87.93 feet and On or towards the West by lands of Anthony Smithen, 126.02 feet and containing by admeasurement 12,140+ square feet (or 0.2787 Acre), comprised in a Certificate of Title dated September 30, 2008 and registered in Book 46 Folio 363 of the Nevis Registry of Title

the said land to be held for sale in due course of law (leaving the said OTTILIE MYERS and EUZELLA ZAMIRA MYERS NEALE in charge of the above described property until it is sold or until a receiver be appointed by the High Court, whichever be sooner) for non-payment of the sum EC\$533,634.75, the balance due and owing as at January 31, 2026, consisting of:
i. the principal balance in the sum of EC\$179,552.68 and interest thereon in the sum of EC\$206,634.10 with interest continuing at the effective current rate of 8.00% per annum being a per diem of EC\$39.35; and
ii. other charges in the sum of EC\$116,899.85 with interest thereon in the sum of EC\$30,548.12 with interest continuing at the effective current rate of 8.00% per annum being a per diem of EC\$25.62
from January 31, 2026, until payment in full,

due to the said ASCENDANCY CARIBBEAN I LTD by virtue of a Mortgage duly noted on October 18, 2023 upon the Certificate of Title dated September 30, 2008 and registered in Register Book 46 Folio 363 of the Register of Titles for the Island of Nevis of which seizure I do, by this Act, give notice to you the said OTTILIE MYERS and EUZELLA ZAMIRA MYERS NEALE and to all concerned.

DONE by me at Craddock Road, in the Parish of St Thomas in the Island of Nevis on the day and date above written, before and in the presence of the witness who subscribed this act of seizure with me.

BAILIFF

Done in the presence of:-
Junior Bailiff
29-04-2026

- emergency shelters, sporting facilities, community centres, etc. are accessible.
7. Social, Cultural and Public Participation – a right to participate in cultural life, play sports, vote, etc. and to have a say in decisions affecting their community and family.
 8. Legal Capacity, Protection and Access to Justice – review of legislation and procedures that, by omission or design, discriminate against persons with disabilities. Establish a Disability Commission to receive and investigate complaints and violations of the rights of persons with disabilities.
 9. Disability Data and Research for Planning – structured disability disaggregated data collection and analysis, allowing for continuous monitoring and evaluation of policy goals.
 10. Accountability Implementation and Governance – establish a National Disability Council with a functioning Secretariat to coordinate policy implementation and foster accountability.
- Honourable Phillip said that the National Disability Policy demonstrates the government’s commitment to working towards a fully inclusive society that embraces and values every person regardless of their ability.



Nevis FSRC Bolsters Financial Oversight Capabilities at Regional RSS Summit

NIA CHARLESTOWN, NEVIS (May 06, 2026)- Andre Cadogan, Senior Regulator at the Financial Services Regulatory Commission (FSRC), Nevis Branch, recently represented the jurisdiction at the RSS Meeting of Heads of Financial Intelligence Units, Specialized Units, and Supervision Authorities.

Held from April 30 to May 1, in St. Vincent and the Grenadines, the summit convened regional experts to synchronize efforts against financial crime under the theme “From Intelligence to Disruption: Improving Supervision, Investigations and Asset Recovery”.

Mr. Cadogan participated in high-level strategic sessions designed to bridge the gap between financial intelligence and operational enforcement. He highlighted the strategic importance of the Nevis FSRC’s presence at the meeting.

“Participating in this RSS summit is fundamental to maintaining the integrity of the Nevis financial services sector. As the global regulatory environment shifts toward more aggressive asset



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THE BANK OF NEVIS LIMITED

Applicant

and

LEONARD GRANT and MERVIN GRANT

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 Bath Village, Nevis
on the 22nd day of May, 2026 at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon.
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.

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY

ALL THAT lot piece or parcel of land being Lot No. 3 situate at Colquhouns Estate in the parish of St. Thomas in the island of Nevis bounded and measuring as follows, that is to say:- On or towards the North by East partly by Lot Nos. 4 & 5, 61.67 feet and 53.55 feet; On or towards the East by the Public Road 39.59 feet; On the South by Lot No. 2, 104.95 feet; On the West partly by an access road and Octavia Hill 45.11 feet and containing by admeasurement 5,043 square feet.

UPSET PRICE

The upset price for the above property shall be EC\$279,334.00.

Dated the 13th day of March, 2026.

Asst REGISTRAR

Registrar of the Eastern Caribbean Supreme Court
High Court of Justice

recovery and tighter supervision of virtual assets, our attendance ensures that Nevis remains at the forefront of these standards. By aligning our local supervisory framework with regional intelligence and FATF [Financial Action Task Force] guidance, we are not just reacting to financial crime- we are building a proactive disruption model that protects our jurisdiction’s reputation and ensures a secure, transparent environment for international business.”

The conference facilitated a rigorous exchange of technical knowledge, focusing on several key pillars of modern financial oversight:

- Regional Trend Analysis: Presentations covered current trends in financial investigations and the specific risks posed by the free movement of people and capital across member states.
- Strengthening Frameworks: Expert-led discussions focused on the effective Anti-Money Laundering/Countering the Financing of Terrorism/Countering Proliferation Financing (AML/CFT/CPF) framework for Designated Non-Financial Businesses and Professions (DNFBPs), ensuring that sectors beyond traditional banking meet international 4th Round Perspective standards.
- Asset Recovery & Virtual Assets: Delegations reviewed the implications of the FATF Asset Recovery Guidance and engaged in simulations regarding the enforcement and management of digital assets.
- Collective Response: The agenda included the creation of a Regional Typology Repository to help FIUs and specialized units identify and close operational gaps across the Caribbean.

The participation of the FSRC in regional summits underscores Nevis’ commitment to maintaining its status as a premier international financial center. The Nevis financial services sector continues to experience robust growth, driven by a diverse portfolio of attractive products including international trusts, multiform foundations, and limited liability companies.

By prioritizing a well-regulated environment that strictly adheres to global compliance standards, Nevis offers a secure and sophisticated platform for investors seeking stability and transparency in their financial affairs.

Photo caption: Andre Cadogan, Senior Regulator at the Financial Services Regulatory Commission, Nevis Branch, at the RSS Meeting of Heads of Financial Intelligence Units, Specialized Units, and Supervision Authorities held in St. Vincent and the Grenadines

Festival Fever Builds with Culturama 52 Senior Pageant Contestant Reveal

NIA CHARLESTOWN, NEVIS (May 06, 2026)- The Nevis Culturama 52 Committee has officially unveiled the contestants who will compete in the festival's senior pageants for 2026.

The contestants were introduced to an enthusiastic crowd at

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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE

CLAIM NO. SKBHCV2017/0012

IN THE MATTER of Section 81 of the
Title by Registration Act, Cap. 10.19
and

IN THE MATTER of an Application to
Settle the Scheme of Division of the sale
price of land described in Certificate of
Title dated the 24th day of February,
1994 and registered in Book T2 Folio
111 of the Register of Titles of the Saint
Christopher Circuit

BETWEEN:

ST. KITTS-NEVIS-ANGUILLA NATIONAL BANK LIMITED

Applicant

and

MELFORD PHILLIP

Respondent

NOTICE OF APPLICATION
TO SETTLE SCHEME OF DIVISION

LET ALL PARTIES APPEAR before the Honourable *Master Mr. Saunders* in Chambers
at the High Court of Justice, Basseterre, St. Kitts on the 14th day of *May*
2026 at 9:00 o'clock in the forenoon or so soon thereafter as Counsel can be heard
on the hearing on an application by the Applicant, ST. KITTS NEVIS ANGUILLA
NATIONAL BANK LIMITED of Central Street, Basseterre in the Island of Saint
Christopher for Orders

1. That the Registrar grant certificate of title in favour of **TANIQUE WYATT THOMAS** and **ANDRES THOMAS** both citizens of the Federation of Saint Christopher and Nevis who are the purchasers of the property described in Certificate of Title dated the 24th day of February, 1994 and registered in Book T2 Folio 111 of the Register of Titles of the Saint Christopher Circuit; and
2. That the Scheme of Division herein be settled.

Dated the 1st day of *May* 2026

Natika M. Rawlins
Solicitor for the Applicant

NOTICE

This application will be heard by the Honourable *Master Mr. Saunders* in Chambers on
the 14th day of *May* 2026 at 9:00 o'clock in the forenoon.

If you do not attend this hearing an order may be made in your absence.

The court office is at the Sir S.W. Tapley Seaton GCMG, CVO, QC, JP, LL.D. Annex,
East Independence Square Street, Basseterre, in the Island of Saint Christopher,
telephone number 467-1102. The office is open between 8:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m.
Monday to Friday except public holidays.

To: MELFORD PHILLIP



This Application is filed on behalf of the Applicant by Natika M. Rawlins, National Bank Legal Unit, Central Street, Basseterre, Solicitor for the Applicant.

Festival Fever Builds with Culturama 52 Senior Pageant Contestant Reveal

(cont'd from last page)

the Pinney's Beach strip on Friday, May 01, marking an exciting start to this year's festival season.

Competing in the Culturama 52 Miss Culture Swimwear Contest are Kadijah Mulley, Thia Claxton, Carlissa Pluck, Kianna Nicholas, and Esther Gomez. The Mr. Kool Contest will feature four participants: Devaughn Browne, Orzel Webbe, David Morgan, and Degen Elliott. Both the Miss Culture Swimwear Contest and the Mr. Kool Contest will be held on July 24 at the NEDACS Cultural Complex.

The highly anticipated Bank of Nevis Miss Culture Queen Pageant, scheduled for August 02, will see five contestants vying for the crown: Cleo Fahie, Jareecia Browne, Calida Smithen, Tarihana Maynard, and Mia Alexander.

Deputy Premier and Minister of Culture in the Nevis Island Administration (NIA), the Honourable Eric Evelyn, noted that preparations for the festival are already well underway. He also called on the public to support the contestants, acknowledging their dedication and courage in participating.

"I want us all who are here, and those of us who are not here, to spread the word for us to encourage all of the contestants this year. They have made a very bold move in entering the pageants. We all know it's not very easy going on stage, but our contestants made that bold move.

"I want us from today, wherever we see these contestants, we give them some encouragement, show them some love and let us all make Culturama 52 the best ever.

The Culturama 52 Committee, led by Chairman Swain Evelyn, released the festival's calendar of events in March. The schedule features a wide range of core and fringe activities, including senior and youth pageants, street events, pan competitions, fetes, cultural showcases, and the Grand Parade.

Nevis Culturama Festival 52 will run from July 23 to August 4 under the slogan: "Our heritage proud and true. It's Culturama 52."



Case Number :SKBHCV2024/0136



EASTERN CARIBBEAN SUPREME COURT
SAINT CHRISTOPHER AND NEVIS
SAINT CHRISTOPHER CIRCUIT

Submitted Date:05/05/2026 15:56

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE

Filed Date:05/05/2026 15:56

CLAIM NO. SKBHCV2024/0136

Fees Paid:12.00

ST KITTS NEVIS ANGUILLA NATIONAL BANK LIMITED

- Applicant

and

GOLDEN ROCK DEVELOPMENT COMPANY LIMITED
SCOTT CAINES

- 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 28th day of May, 2026 at 9:15 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 Pond Pasture, in the town of Basseterre, in the Island of Saint Christopher, bounded and measuring as follows, that is to say:- On or towards the North by a Public Road 123.38 feet and by an Old Telephone Hut 10.60 feet; On or towards the North East by the junction of two Public Roads 33.26 feet and by a Public Road 110.64 feet; On or towards the South East by the junction of two Public and a Public Road 28.2 feet and 145.82 feet respectively; On or towards the West by lands of the Central Marketing Corporation vested by Act 19 of 1973, 162.29 feet containing by admeasurement 28,566.58 square feet, all as the same is described in a Certificate of Title dated the 5th day of May, 2010 and registered in Book J3 Folio 212 of the Register of Titles of the Saint Christopher Circuit in favour of SCOTT CAINES of Frigate Bay, in the Island of Saint Christopher Registered Proprietor thereof.

UPSET PRICE

The Upset price for the above property shall be EC\$2,750,000.00

Dated the 5th day of May 2026

[Signature]
Registrar of the Supreme Court



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MOE Launching Training For School Bus Drivers Ahead Of Electric Bus Rollout

Basseterre, St. Kitts, Wednesday, May 06, 2026: The Ministry of Education has officially commenced training for school bus drivers as part of preparation for the introduction of newly acquired electric school buses.

The training is aimed at ensuring that drivers are fully equipped with the knowledge and skills required to operate

modern electric vehicles safely and efficiently. It also forms part of the broader transition toward cleaner and more technologically advanced student transportation services.

The initiative comes as the education sector prepares to integrate two new electric buses donated by the government of the Republic of China (Taiwan), which will be used to enhance the safe and reliable transport of students across St. Kitts.



The training covers key areas such as vehicle operation, charging procedures, safety protocols, and the use of onboard monitoring systems. Drivers are also being introduced to the technological features of the buses, which allow for real-time tracking and performance monitoring.

The introduction of the electric buses, alongside the driver training initiative, reflects ongoing efforts to modernize education support services while promoting environmental responsibility and operational efficiency in St. Kitts and Nevis.



THE EASTERN CARIBBEAN SUPREME COURT
IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE
FEDERATION OF ST. CHRISTOPHER AND NEVIS
ST. CHRISTOPHER CIRCUIT
A.D. 2024

SKBHPB2025/0019
SKBHPB2024/7

In the matter of the Application of **HEATHER ANDREA PHILLIP** for the issue of a Grant of Letters of Administration in the Estate of **JOSEPH EMMANUEL WILKES** late of BIRD ROCK HOUSING EXTENSION, in the island of St. Christopher, deceased

And

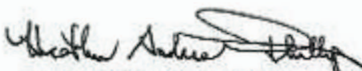
In the Matter of Rule 13 of the Eastern Caribbean Supreme Court (Non-Contentious Probate and Administration of Estates) Rules

ADVERTISEMENT OF APPLICATION FOR GRANT

TAKE NOTICE that an application has been filed by **HEATHER ANDREA PHILLIP**, of 18 Birdie Road, Frigate Bay, St. Kitts, for a Grant of Letters of Administration to the applicant who is the daughter of the deceased, the deceased having died intestate on the 25th day of May, 1993.

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

Dated the 11th day of January, 2024.


HEATHER ANDREA PHILLIP
In Proper Person

Filed by Heather Andrea Phillip, In Proper Person whose address for service is 18 Birdie Road, Frigate Bay, Basseterre, St. Kitts.

Case Number :SKBHCV2026/0008

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(ST. JAMES CIRCUIT)

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FEDERATION OF SAINT CHRISTOPHER AND NEVIS
TITLE BY REGISTRATION ACT, CAP. 10:19
SAINT CHRISTOPHER CIRCUIT

SKBHCV2026/0008

SCHEDULE OF APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATES OF TITLE AND NOTING THEREON FOR THE WEEK ENDING THE 8th DAY OF May, 2026.

Date of Request	Person Presenting	Nature of Request for Certificate of Title and Noting Thereon
10 th December, 2025	MAGDALENE HAZEL by her Attorneys, Henderson Law Chambers	A First Certificate of Title to be issued in respect of a lot of land situate at St. Johnston Village, Basseterre, in the Parish of Saint George in Island of Saint Christopher.

ON or towards the North by a Public Road, 33.34 feet; ON or towards the East by Dora Liburd (Deceased), 40.79 feet; ON or towards the South partly by Lot No. 18 and Lot No. 20, 33.35 feet and ON or towards the West by Enid Sutton (Deceased), 41.61 feet and containing by admeasurement 1,372.46 square feet.

Dated the 6th day of May, 2026.


Registrar of Titles



Shell latest oil giant to see profits surge due to Iran war impact

Nick Edser and Jennifer Meierhans, Business reporters
BBC Business



Getty Images A shell branded petrol tanker with a woman wearing a white safety hat and hi-viz vest standing next to itGetty Images

Shell has become the latest energy giant to report a jump in profits following the sharp increase in oil prices since the beginning of the Iran war.

It reported profits of \$6.92bn (£5.1bn) for the first three months of the year, which was higher than analysts had expected and up from \$5.58bn in the same period a year earlier.

The price of oil has soared since the start of the US-Israel war with Iran as the key Strait of Hormuz, which usually carries about 20% of the global supplies of oil and liquid natural gas (LNG), has been effectively closed.

Last week, rival oil giant BP said its profits for the first three months of the year had more than doubled.

Other oil firms have also reported bumper results. On Wednesday, Norway's Equinor said profits in the first three months of the year had hit \$9.77bn, its highest quarterly profit for three years.

Traders profit

Shell chief executive Wael Sawan said: "Shell delivered strong results enabled by our relentless focus on operational performance in a quarter marked by unprecedented disruption in global energy markets.

"The safety of our people remains our priority as we work closely with governments and customers to address their energy needs."

Like BP, one of the factors behind Shell's profits rise was better results from its oil trading business.

Before the conflict began, the price of Brent crude, the global benchmark for oil prices, was around \$73 a barrel.

Since then, oil has seen sharp swings - peaking above \$120 at one point, but also falling below \$100 on other occasions as speculation has swirled over when the Strait of Hormuz will reopen.

The big movements in the oil price that have been seen since the Iran war began can widen the gap between buying and selling prices. This typically enables traders to make bigger profits.

Shell's profits were also boosted by higher margins at its refining business, which turns crude oil into finished products such as petrol and jet fuel.

However, the company said its oil and gas output had fallen by 4% compared with the final three months of last year due to the conflict.

Shell's LNG production in Qatar has been shut down since early March because of the conflict, and its Pearl GTL site in Qatar has been damaged by attacks.

Last week, Shell announced it was buying Canadian shale producer ARC Resources for \$16.4bn, which Sawan said would "deliver value for decades to come".

Call to strengthen windfall tax

The surge in profits being reported by energy firms has led to criticism from environmental groups.

Danny Gross, climate campaigner at Friends of the Earth, said: "Once again, fossil fuel giants are pocketing monstrous profits while drivers are being squeezed at the petrol pump and households are set to pay higher energy bills.

"The answer is clear: strengthen the windfall tax on these indefensible profits and break our dependence on fossil fuels by powering our economy with homegrown renewables."

What is the windfall tax?

Energy firms operating in the UK are subject to a windfall tax, called the Energy Profits Levy, that was introduced in 2022 as a response to soaring profits following Russia's full-scale invasion of Ukraine. Labour extended the life of the tax to March 2030.

However, the levy only applies to profits made from extracting oil and gas in the UK, whereas the bulk of energy giants' earnings are made overseas. The UK accounts for less than 5% of Shell's global oil and gas production.

Gas and electricity bills for most households in Britain are protected for the moment by the energy price cap.

Until 30 June, the typical annual bill for dual-fuel households who pay by direct debit will be £1,641.

However, the jump in wholesale oil and gas prices since the Iran war began means the cap is currently estimated to rise by about £200 when it is revised in July.

Shipping giant passing on costs



AFP via Getty Images A stack of shipping containers with Maersk signs on the side
AFP via Getty Images

Meanwhile, the chief executive of Danish shipping giant Maersk told the BBC it was passing on rising costs due to the war to its customers.

Vincent Clerc said the sharp rise in energy prices was adding half a billion dollars of extra costs per month to the business.

"What is really important is actually to pass on these cost increases to our customers as much as possible, so that we can protect our margin and the operations' integrity going forward," he said.

He added there was uncertainty over whether this would eventually lead to inflation and lower demand.

Maersk's latest earnings show operating profits slightly above analysts' forecasts, although that was mostly for the period just before the Iran war started.

On Monday, Maersk said its US-flagged vessel, the Alliance Fairfax, which had been stranded in the Gulf since the end of February, had managed to exit the Strait of Hormuz accompanied by US military assets.

Clerc said Tehran's ambition for control of the Strait and eventual toll charges would be a significant change for the industry, "similar to the canals in Suez and in Panama, where we also pay to go through".

But he said at this stage any toll charges on the Strait of Hormuz were "very, very speculative" and it would have to reopen first.

BP profits more than double as Iran war sends oil prices higher



Five killed in huge fire at packed Mexico fairground

Jaroslav Lukiv
BBC News

At least five people have died in a huge blaze at a crowded fairground in south-eastern Mexico, local officials say.

They say the blaze in the city of Villahermosa, Tabasco state, erupted during a concert in the early hours on Thursday.

Mexico's El País said that, according to official information, as many as 135,000 people were attending the concert that started on Wednesday night. Footage has emerged on social media showing screaming crowds fleeing the grounds in panic.

The cause of the fire is unknown.

In a post on X later on Thursday, Tabasco Governor Javier May said that "the flames have already been brought under control by emergency services".

He expressed condolences to the victims' families, offering them full support from the state authorities.

May said he was "grateful to the public who helped evacuated the area".



Reuters A drone view shows the aftermath of a deadly fire at a fairground in Mexico's south-eastern city of Villahermosa, Tabasco state. Photo: 7 May 2026 Reuters

A drone footage later showed the scale of the disaster in Villahermosa, revealing the gutted premises at the local fairground

The governor also announced an economic recovery programme for businesses affected by the fire.

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MFCR Old Road United Jets

Old Road Advance To Premier League Finals With Dominant Win Over Newtown

MFCR Old Road United Jets have secured their place in the National Bank Group-sponsored SKNFA Premier League Finals after a commanding 3-0 win over Honda Newtown United in Final Four Playoff action on Wednesday, May 6, at the National Bank Group Technical Center. Old Road talisman Tiquanny Williams scored a hat-trick in the 46th, 56th and stoppage time to secure dominant victory. Both teams ended the match with players sent off—Old Road losing Trevor Hanley and Nejohn Brown sent off in the second half picking up two yellow cards and Newtown's Kimron Browne being sent off in the first half.

Following the victory, Old Road Coach Alexis Morris praised his team's resilience in a hard-fought contest.

"I will just use one word to summarize tonight's game. It was pressure. If I stay here and say like that it was not a pressure situation, I'd be lying," he said. "I told my guys in the locker room before we came out, that you will be pressured. We will have some sort of pressure because there's a lot of things that we are trying to solidify. You're talking about going on unbeaten season. You're talking about getting into a final two. You're talking about a lot of firsts. And so therefore, there must have been some sort of pressure."

Morris noted that at halftime, he addressed the team about their mentality and approach, which led to a significant improvement in the second half.

"But like I told my guys, yes, there'll be pressure, but you have to use the pressure as motivation, as momentum. And I thought that after the first 45, being able to talk to them in the locker room, we saw a big difference. We saw a drastic change in the team," he added. "We were determined to ensure that we solidify ourselves in the finals and win the second ballgame. And I must say that my guys went out there, they stuck to the task, they rode the wind, they stood the tide, and we were victorious tonight. So, kudos to the MFCR, Old Road United Jets. Finals, here we come."

The result also keeps Old Road unbeaten in the Premier League heading into their final preliminary-round match before the finals.

Meanwhile, the race for the second finals spot remains wide open after Azul Cayon Rockets surrendered a 1-0 lead to draw 1-1 with Development Bank St. Peters in the earlier match. Malik Hendrickson gave Cayon the advantage late in the second half, but Rocco Browne capitalized on a defensive mistake minutes later to rescue a point for St. Peters.

Cayon Assistant Coach Anthony Isaac admitted his side struggled under pressure and said they must now deliver against Old Road in their next outing.

"Even though we were trying to go ahead with two goals, we pressed forward and slip up and we got caught on a counter-attack," Isaac explained.

St. Peters Technical Director Austin Huggins commended his players for their determination and pressure on Cayon, which earned them a crucial point.

"We would have liked to get three points... and at least score a few goals so that in the event we might have to come down to goal average, we would have been in a more favourable position. But the guys did well to pull the game back, especially in the latter part of the game. We changed the formation and pushed more men forward. We were able to get a goal. But like I said, we're going to keep working and looking towards the next game and trying to win and score as many goals as possible," Huggins said.

The preliminary round of the Final Four Playoffs concludes on Saturday, May 9, when Development Bank St. Peters take on Honda Newtown United. Although Newtown have already been eliminated, St. Peters can still mathematically qualify for the finals with a convincing victory and for the other result to go their way.

The feature match will see already-qualified MFCR Old Road United Jets face Azul Cayon Rockets. Cayon need a win to guarantee a spot in the finals, though a draw could be enough depending on the outcome of the St. Peters/Newtown clash. Gates open at 4 p.m. for both matches.

2026 World Press Freedom Day Statement

As we observe World Press Freedom Day under the theme “Shaping a Future at Peace,” the Media Association of St. Kitts and Nevis (MASKN) underscores the vital role of a free and independent press in strengthening and sustaining democracy. In today’s rapidly evolving global landscape, the demand for accurate, timely information—free from bias and political interference—has never been greater. Independent journalism and access to credible information are essential to promoting peace, defending human rights, and holding those in power accountable, particularly in an era marked by conflict and information disorder.

In St. Kitts and Nevis, we acknowledge that press freedom is largely upheld. However, there have been instances over the years that highlight the fragility of these rights. As the professional body representing the media fraternity, MASKN remains vigilant and committed to addressing any threats to press freedom. Our goal is to ensure that freedom of the press is not merely an ideal, but a defining feature of our democracy—one that also safeguards the wellbeing of journalists and media practitioners in our Federation.

Since the revitalization of the Association in 2022, MASKN has consistently raised concerns about the sustainability of local media entities. Many are facing significant challenges brought on by technological advancements, the rise of artificial intelligence, and the growing presence of “social media reporters” and platforms presenting themselves as legitimate news sources. Coupled with increasing media illiteracy and the spread of AI-generated misinformation, these factors pose a serious threat to credible journalism.

Over the past year, MASKN has been actively engaging with media stakeholders through consultations aimed at identifying key challenges and exploring practical solutions to enhance sustainability, efficiency, and professionalism within the sector. While progress will take time, the Association remains steadfast in its commitment to supporting and strengthening the media landscape in St. Kitts and Nevis.

Ethical journalism is fundamental to national development, and its protection must remain a shared priority. On this World Press Freedom Day, MASKN extends best wishes to all media workers and encourages them to continue their work with courage, integrity, and independence—without fear or favour.

Advancing Peace, Human Rights, and Global Security: World Press Freedom Day Underscores the Vital Role of a Free Press

WASHINGTON, D.C., May 5, 2026 — World Press Freedom Day highlights the essential role of a free, independent press in supporting human rights, development, and global security. The day also draws attention to ongoing challenges facing journalists, including censorship, misinformation, and threats to journalist safety.

This year’s theme, “Shaping a Future at Peace: Promoting Press Freedom for Human Rights, Development, and Security,” underscores a growing recognition that press freedom is fundamental to peaceful and resilient societies. When journalists can report freely and accurately, they help prevent conflict, strengthen accountability, and foster informed public dialogue.

As the media landscape evolves amid disinformation and public disengagement,

PLP Opposition Gives Reasons For Central Street Centre Location

By: Spokesman Newsroom

BASSETERRE, St. Kitts (Thursday 7th May 2026)-Deputy Political Leader of the People’s Labour Party and caretaker for St. Christopher Two (Central Basseterre), Dameon Lawrence, has outlined three reasons why the party has chosen the location for its newly opened Central Basseterre Office and People’s Centre (national secretariat) located on Central Street in the old CEMACO building.

Speaking at the official opening ceremony held on Saturday 2nd May 2026, he linked the location to the memory of the late Azziwah Niles Jones, also known as ‘Milk’, who was killed in a shooting incident in August 2024 as well as his mother Joyce Niles Jones, who passed away in January 2026.

“Our location is symbolic to our closeness to the two people who contributed to the work that begun ... ‘Milk’ represented for us a change in what was politics and what was possible. ‘Milk’ resembled legitimate and honest love for his community and his people. ‘Milk’ exhibited that because he had an amazing example in Joyce Niles Jones,” Lawrence said.

He also pointed to the historical significance of the building itself.

“Today we open the People’s Centre in a location that was once the CEMACO depot, and if you grew up here and if you ever shopped there, you know that the CEMACO depot was our opportunity for better prices-located in this community...the People’s Labour Party is now occupying the space that was used to help others because the People’s Labour Party is the party that helps others,” he stated.

Lawrence further declared that the PLP “has delivered and will deliver again” and said the party “exists because of the people; because of you and we will continue because of you.”

“We’ve also chosen this location for a very particular reason-we want the world to know that we reach and we ain’t going no way. I stand here being the change I always talk about and no party should pretend to make you happy. We deserve better, and we will get better because we are serious about the change; the change is orange; the change is PLP,” he added.

Also addressing the gathering was PLP Leader and former Prime Minister Dr. Timothy Harris, who described the event as a “special occasion.”

“You would be very clear that there is only one alternative to the chaos in government. There is only one party that is holding this government to account,” he stated.

“Tonight marks another advance forward for victory. Today we further prepare ourselves to be of service to all the people of St. Kitts and Nevis. Today we can say confidently that this election will be determined by you-you the voters of St. Kitts and Nevis who are living here and feeling the squeeze day after day, and I want to urge you to take it as your sacred duty day after day to ensure that you bring a better government,” Dr. Harris added.

journalism is increasingly shifting toward solutions-oriented reporting, helping audiences better understand complex issues while highlighting paths forward.

In line with these priorities, Heavenly Culture, World Peace, Restoration of Light (HWPL) continues to promote peace journalism as a practical extension of press freedom. This approach emphasizes reporting that explores root causes of conflict, includes diverse perspectives, and highlights opportunities for resolution.

HWPL has long been promoting peace journalism through work in DC and abroad, reflecting the heart and intention of HWPL Chairman Lee Man-hee: “To attain world peace, all journalists must frequently report on peace.” Journalists are now answering this call to support the efforts being made for world peace.

HWPL convened approximately 220 journalists from around the world for its International Workshop on Peace Journalism Studies. Discussions focused on rebuilding trust in media, addressing polarization, and advancing accurate, balanced, and solutions-based reporting. The event also reflected on the need to rebuild public trust in media and ensure that journalism contributes positively to society, which are principles that align with the objectives of World Press Freedom Day.

“As we observe World Press Freedom Day, we are reminded that press freedom is inseparable from peace,” an HWPL representative stated. As global challenges intensify, World Press Freedom Day remains both a celebration and a call to action - urging continued support for press freedom and responsible journalism that advances human dignity and lasting peace.

A Defining Moment in the History of Women's Cricket in the West Indies

Statement by Dr. The Hon. Kishore Shallow, President of Cricket West Indies

Today, we proudly commemorate the 50th anniversary of a defining moment in Caribbean cricket, the first international match played by the West Indies Women's team in 1976. That historic encounter against Australia marked far more than the start of a series; it signalled the arrival of West Indies women on the global stage and the formal beginning of a journey that continues to inspire generations.

Led by the pioneering Louise Browne, who had the honour of captaining the side and facing the very first ball, that team embodied courage, resilience, and belief at a time when opportunities for women in cricket were limited.

Their efforts laid the foundation for the growth and recognition of women's cricket across the Caribbean. From those early days to World Cup triumphs and global competitiveness, the progress of the West Indies Women's game is a testament to the vision and determination of those trailblazers.



As we reflect on this milestone, Cricket West Indies honours the legacy of those pioneers whose contributions continue to shape our game. Their story is one of breaking barriers, building pathways, and defining a proud and enduring chapter in West Indies cricket history.

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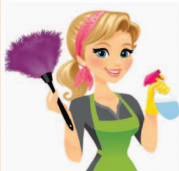
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Dated this
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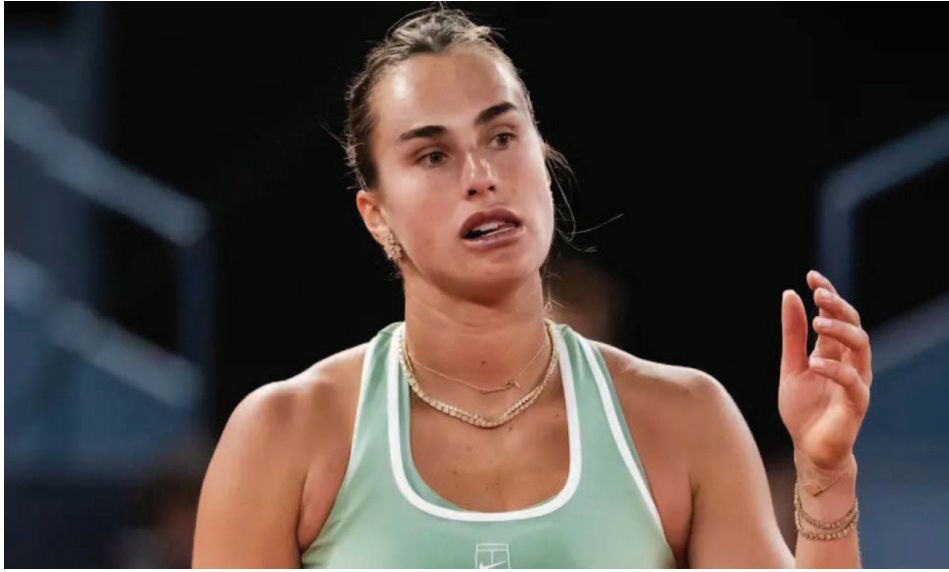


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Players will boycott a Slam 'at some point' - Sabalenka



Aryna Sabalenka watches on during the Madrid Open

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Aryna Sabalenka is a four-time Grand Slam singles champion

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World number one Aryna Sabalenka believes players will boycott a Grand Slam "at some point" because of the ongoing dispute over prize money.

The men's and women's top-10 players are demanding a higher percentage of the revenue generated by the four majors, as well as benefit contributions and a greater say in areas such as scheduling.

But until Sabalenka spoke to the media in Rome before the Italian Open, players had been circumspect on the subject of strike action.

"I think at some point we will boycott it. I feel like that's going to be the only way to kind of fight for our rights," the Belarusian said.

"I feel like the show is on us. I feel like without us there wouldn't be a tournament and there wouldn't be that entertainment."

Fourth-ranked Coco Gauff said she could "100%" see herself boycotting a Grand Slam "if everyone were to move as one and collaborate".

However, world number three Iga Swiatek said she supports the call for increased prize money but a boycott would be a "bit extreme", while Britain's Emma Raducanu said she "would not be a part" of any boycott.

On Monday, a number of leading players expressed their "deep disappointment" at the prize money at this year's French Open.

The fund at Roland Garros has increased by 9.5% - but the players believe that is some way below the 22% of tournament revenue they feel they are entitled to.

"I just really hope that we at some point are going to get to the right decision, to the conclusion that everyone will be happy with," Sabalenka, 28, said.

"I feel like nowadays, we girls can easily get together and go for this because some of the things I feel like it's really unfair to the players."

The financial pot at last year's US Open rose by 20%, with the figure for January's Australian Open nearly 16% higher.

Wimbledon will announce its prize money next month.

How likely is a player boycott?

French Open champion Gauff thinks strike action would be a genuine possibility if the players come together as one.

"If we all collectively agree, then yes," the American said.

"I wouldn't want to be the only one, but we definitely can move more as a collective.

"From the things I've seen with other sports, usually to make massive progress and things like this, it takes a union. We have to become unionised in some way."

World number two Elena Rybakina said she has not been involved in the campaign, but would go with the majority.

"If the majority say we are boycotting, then of course I'm up for it. It's not an issue," the Australian Open champion said.

However, Poland's Swiatek said she would prefer continued discussions and

Mickelson withdraws from PGA Championship



Golfer Phil Mickelson

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Phil Mickelson has played just once in 2026

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Six-time major winner Phil Mickelson has withdrawn from next week's PGA Championship because of "a personal health matter with his family", organisers have said.

The 55-year-old American also missed last month's Masters, saying at the time he would be out for an "extended period of time as my family continues to navigate a personal health matter".

Mickelson, winner of the PGA Championship in 2005 and 2021, had been listed among the 154-strong field released on Tuesday for the tournament at Aronimink Golf Club in Newton Square, Pennsylvania from 14-17 May.

But his withdrawal was announced later in the day, with fellow American Max Homa replacing him.

Mickelson also sat out the first four events of the 2026 LIV Golf season, at Riyadh, Adelaide, Hong Kong and Singapore. He also cited a "family health matter" when announcing his initial absence on 1 February.

Although he returned to action in March at Steyn City in South Africa, where he finished tied for 48th place, he later announced his break from golf in early April.

Mickelson's 2021 PGA Championship victory meant he became the oldest major champion at the age of 50.

negotiations with the majors instead of a boycott.

"I think the most important thing is to have proper communication and discussions with the governing bodies so we have some space to talk and maybe negotiate," the Wimbledon champion said.

"Hopefully before Roland Garros there's going to be opportunity to have these type of meetings and we'll see how they go.

"But boycotting the tournament, it's a bit extreme... I guess we as players are here to play as individuals, and we're competing against each other.

"So it's really hard for me to say how it would work, if it's even there on the picture. For now, I haven't heard anything."

Raducanu, who withdrew from the Italian Open shortly after her news conference on Tuesday with a post-viral illness, said she wanted to play at the majors because "to me, they are tennis".

"It gives you something that money can't and that is what is the most important to me, and what I value the most," she told BBC Sport.

"I wouldn't be a part of [a boycott] but each to their own."

World number five Jessica Pegula has been an articulate advocate of the players' campaign, but virtually ruled out strike action during a BBC Sport interview in Indian Wells in March.

"We love playing the Slams - I don't think anyone's going to strike against the Slams," the American said.

"I just think it's us asking for what we think we deserve, but I do think that if the men and the women can come together - which we have on that front - and keep pushing, there's nothing wrong with us just asking for what we think is right."