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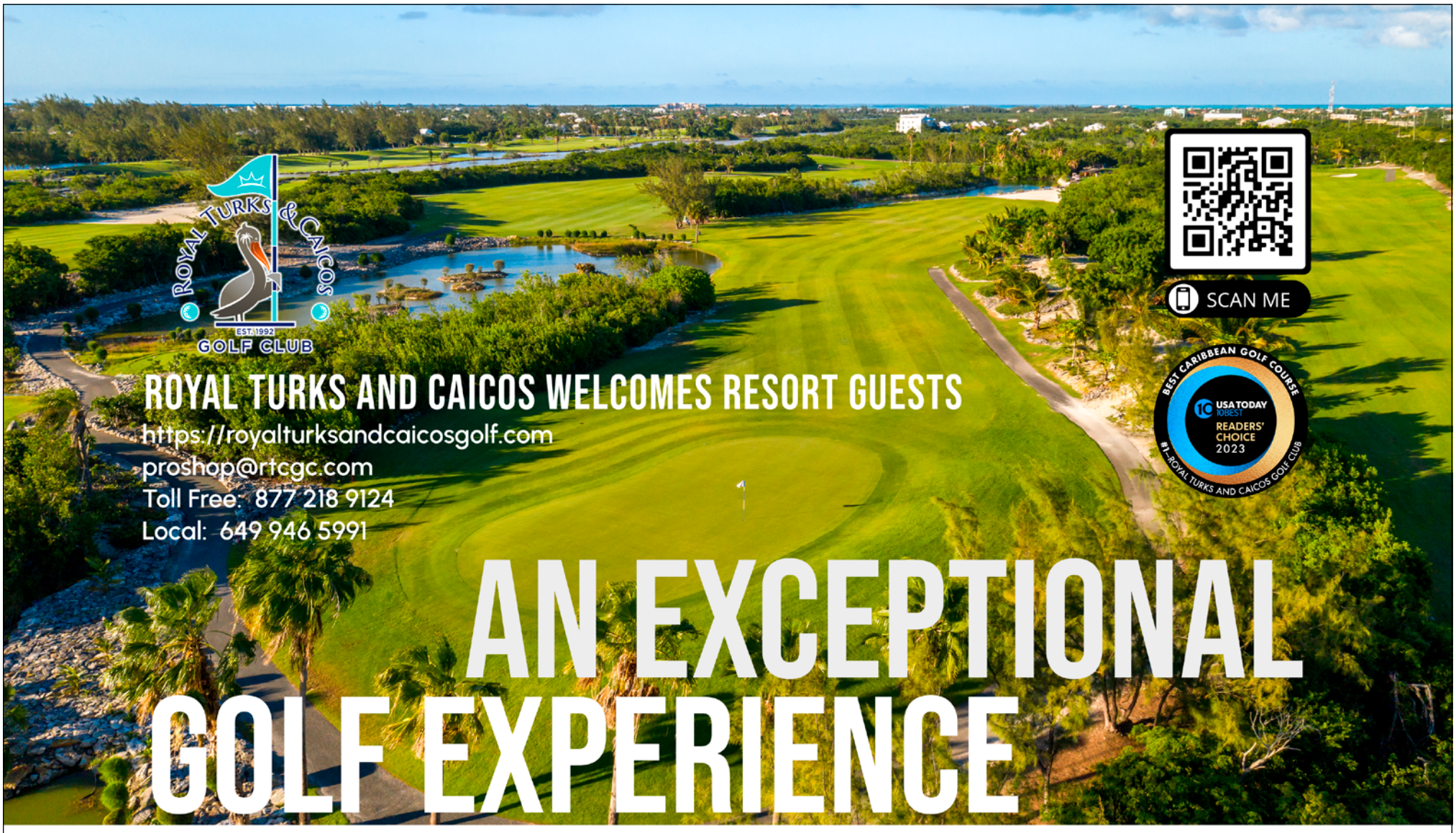












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‘Three years in jail, $50,000 fine’: MP Missick warns of criminal crackdown on ‘fronting’

BY OLIVIA ROSE

The days of tolerating ‘fronting’—a long-ignored and sometimes encouraged practice which has disenfranchised many Turks and Caicos Islanders—are now over, and a new era of strict business enforcement has begun.

On Thursday last, the Turks and Caicos Islands Parliament officially passed the long-awaited Business Licensing Amendment Act 2026, legislation designed to eradicate the practice of ‘fronting’, where non-Islanders illegally use local names to operate businesses, by introducing severe criminal penalties that include both substantial fines and multi-year prison sentences.

Putting the gravity of the new legislation into perspective, MP of Leeward and Long Bay, Hon Akierra Missick, highlighted the consequences for those determined to circumvent the new rules on business ownership.

During the debate, Hon Missick told Parliament that she was “inundated” with messages from the public, which prompted her layman’s explanation of the Act to foster greater understanding among the general public.

She said: “A criminal offence claim can be brought for fronting, which carries a fine of $20,000 in the Magistrates’ Court or two years’ imprisonment, or a fine of $50,000 in the Supreme Court or three years’ imprisonment, if it is determined that this company structure is a fronting mechanism in order to get around the rules that have been provided for and guidance in this amendment we are doing today.”



Member of Parliament for Leeward and Long Bay, Hon Akierra Missick

Missick continued: “Just for the sake of tying a nice ribbon around the work that we have just completed, the Notice of Motion to Amend which we have now approved provides a clear definition, Mr Speaker, to the colloquial term of fronting that has plagued many businesses throughout our islands.”

She further explained that the age-old issue is rooted in non-Islanders who “arrive on our shores and maybe exploit Turks and Caicos Islanders, because the country is ripe for business development, business growth, especially in the last 25 years, where we’ve seen an explosion of inward investment in these islands.”

Hon Missick stressed that the new law introduces four distinct categories for business licences:

- Exclusive Category: 100% ownership by Turks and Caicos Islanders.
- Reserved Category: Minimum 60% Turks and Caicos Islander ownership.
- Restricted Category: Minimum 50% Turks and Caicos Islander ownership, allowing Cabinet review for specialised industries.
- General Category: No ownership restriction, for major operations such as large hotels and cruise centre licences.

Coupled with this, the amendments also grant the Inland Revenue business licence team, under the Permanent Secretary of Finance, a “greater ability… to test the actual effective control of a company,” Missick stressed.

She posited that this new level of scrutiny allows the ministry to demand sensitive internal documents to verify genuine ownership, essentially empowering the government to “go behind the corporate veil.”

The MP, who is an attorney, elaborated on the new authority this Act gives the Permanent Secretary of Finance.

She said: “And a way that they’re testing that control is in determining if there is, in the shareholder agreement—if there’s one—how quorum is to be determined, how voting rights are to be expressed, the composition of a board of directors… I don’t practise in this area of law. But as someone who has studied company law, it makes me a little bit nervous that the PS has all of this authority to go behind the corporate veil. But if you want a business licence in this category, you must comply with the legislation which provides that you may now have to open your behind-the-corporate-veil documents to the Permanent Secretary of Finance so that she can be satisfied, in her mind, that the ownership of this company is genuinely Turks and Caicos Islander.”

Crucially, she noted that the transitional provisions require existing non-compliant companies to either change their ownership structure to meet the new minimum requirements or pay an annual surcharge.

After due diligence is conducted into a company’s affairs, if the Permanent Secretary of Finance determines that the company structure is a ‘fronting arrangement’, the licence can be suspended or revoked, leading directly to the criminal charges and severe penalties detailed in the Act.

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APPOINTMENT

FSC appoints Courtney Robinson as Communications Advisor

The Turks and Caicos Islands Financial Services Commission (FSC) is pleased to announce the appointment of Mr Courtney Robinson as Communications Advisor, reinforcing the Commission’s strategic communications, public engagement, and stakeholder relations capacity.

Mr Robinson brings extensive experience in public relations, strategic communications, media management, and public sector advisory, having served in senior leadership roles across government, statutory bodies, and international markets. His professional background includes leading high profile communications initiatives, managing crisis communications, shaping policy focused messaging, and serving as an official spokesperson in complex and highly visible environments.



Courtney Robinson

Most recently, Mr Robinson worked within the tourism and travel sector for over a decade with the Turks and Caicos Islands Government (Experience Turks and Caicos and the Turks and Caicos Tourism Board), where he led international, high impact brand, marketing, and communications strategies that

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Appropriations Committee sounds alarm on staffing, backlogs and accountability

BY DELANA ISLES

Following two and a half days of intense scrutiny of public spending, the Appropriations Committee has delivered a stark warning to the government: chronic staff shortages, mounting backlogs and weak accountability are threatening the effective delivery of public services.

Presenting the committee's report to Parliament on Wednesday, January 14, Hon Sharon Simons, 8th All Island Member, outlined a series of findings and recommendations arising from the committee's examination of the 2024–2025 Estimates of Expenditure.

The Appropriations Committee met on January 12-13, hearing from 16 ministries, departments and statutory bodies, Hon. Simons told the House.

At the heart of the report is a concern that, despite growing demands on government, key positions remain vacant, reliance on temporary staff is high, and critical systems remain under-resourced.

NEW DIRECTOR OF BUSINESS TRANSFORMATION

One of the central structural changes proposed by the committee is the repositioning of the Director of Business Transformation.

"The committee recommends that the position of director of business transformation be placed within the Ministry of Innovation, Technology, and Energy, under the Department of Economic Transformation in Information and Innovation, with a direct line of reporting to the deputy governor's office, to ensure coordination and accountability across government," Hon. Simons said.

The move is intended to create a clear, high-level focal point for driving reform across the public service, ensuring that efforts to modernise government are better coordinated and more effectively monitored.

SERIOUS CONCERNS AT IMMIGRATION AND BORDER CONTROL

Among the most urgent issues raised is the ongoing backlog at the Ministry of Immigration and Border Control and the heavy reliance on temporary workers to keep the system moving.

"The committee expresses serious concern regarding the reliance on approximately 30 temporary staff members to address existing backlogs," the report states.

While acknowledging that the ministry has made efforts to address current delays, the committee is clear that this approach is not sustainable.

Hon Simons noted that proactive measures must be taken "to mitigate future backlogs, particularly in light of increased development and investment activity anticipated across the Turks and Caicos Islands."

The education sector also features prominently in the committee's report. With shortages already affecting schools, the committee is calling for swift and coordinated action to recruit more teachers.

"The committee recommends that urgent attention be given to the recruitment of teachers to address existing shortages," Hon. Simons reported. "Further, the committee recommends the establishment of a regional and international teacher recruitment database, for the purpose of substitute teachers, supported by appropriate budgetary provisions, to ensure a sustainable and timely supply of qualified educators."



Hon Sharon Simons, 8th All Island Member

DATA PROCESSING, DOCUMENT MANAGEMENT AND SERVICE EFFICIENCY

The committee has also identified weaknesses in how the government handles information and documents, with potential effects for service delivery.

"The committee recommends the approval of two data processing positions to oversee the systematic collection, management, and distribution of departmental documents," the report reads.

In addition, the current system of documents being collected by the Customer Service/One Stop Shop is to be formally evaluated "to determine the effectiveness and efficiency" of this approach.

The report also shines a light on departments working with vulnerable populations.

The committee "strongly recommends that the Department of Community Support and Engagement and the Department of Family and Children's Services conduct a comprehensive strategic review of their policies and procedures, staffing levels and departmental structure."

"This review should be completed before the 2026/27 budget," Hon. Simons added, "to promote transparency, accountability, and improve service delivery."

In the area of faith-based support, the committee has urged the Department of Faith and Religious Affairs to "move towards the full implementation of its policies and procedures, particularly as they relate to the application, approval, and disbursement of funds, to ensure greater accountability and transparency."

PPID, NHIB AND THE COST OF DELAYS

On infrastructure, the committee turns its attention to the Ministry of Physical Planning and Infrastructure Development (PPID).

"The committee recommends that the Ministry of Physical Planning and Infrastructure Development undertake a realistic assessment of its recruitment and retention challenges, particularly as they relate to the execution, monitoring and evaluation of government projects," the report states.

It further recommends that the ministry consider "entering into a formal maintenance agreement to safeguard government properties and reduce long-term costs."

At the National Health Insurance Board (NHIB), the committee expresses concern about "the continued request for supplementary funding to address backlogs".

It recommends "that a full reconciliation be conducted before the 26/27 financial year, and that the findings be tabled in Parliament.

PUBLIC SERVICE STAFFING CRISIS AND OVERALL FUNDING

The most far-reaching concern raised by the Appropriations Committee is the state of the public service overall.

"The committee is deeply concerned about staffing and recruitment challenges across the Turks and Caicos Islands public service," Hon. Simons reported. "Noting that a significant number of approved positions remain vacant, and that productivity has declined. This situation is hindering the ability of ministries and departments to operate effectively and meet their key performance indicators."

To address this, the committee recommends "that the government undertake a comprehensive review of the recruitment process to improve efficiency, timeliness, and outcomes."

Despite these concerns, the committee ultimately recommended that the government be given authority to proceed with substantial spending for the period.

It advised that "a further issue of funds is authorized from the consolidated fund of a sum not exceeding $27,368,199.65 to be applied to the service of the financial year ending 31st of March 2026."

It also recommended "that a further issue is authorized from the development fund of a sum not exceeding $861,250 to be applied to the service of the financial year ending 31st March 2026."

FSC appoints Courtney Robinson as ...

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enhanced market positioning and strengthened stakeholder engagement for the destination. He previously served as Director of the Turks and Caicos Islands Government Information Service (GIS), where he was responsible for government wide communications, crisis response, and media relations.

In his new role, Mr Robinson will provide strategic counsel on internal and external communications, support public education and outreach initiatives, strengthen media relations, and contribute to building public confidence in the regulatory framework governing the financial services sector.

Commenting on his appointment, Mr Robinson said: "Joining the Financial Services Commission at this important juncture in its evolution is both an honour and a responsibility. I am deeply committed to serving the Turks and Caicos Islands through clear, transparent, and purposeful communication that builds trust, strengthens institutional credibility, and ensures stakeholders are informed and engaged."

Kenisha Bacchus, Managing Director (Ag) of the Financial Services Commission, welcomed the appointment, stating: "We are pleased to welcome Mr Robinson to the Commission. His depth of experience in strategic communications and public sector advisory will be a valuable asset as we continue to strengthen stakeholder engagement and maintain confidence in the Turks and Caicos Islands' financial services regulatory framework.

Talk Back

A Weekly News column that puts you on the spot for your opinions on the issues of the day

THE SECOND SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES

Premier Hon Washington Misick announced recently that the Government's second supplementary estimates will channel $27.3 million into healthcare and land acquisition. Although this prioritises life-saving treatment and national assets, the temporary deferral of the Aged Care Home refurbishment and the Wheeland Enhancement Project raise some concerns.

While fiscal prudence demands discipline, more often than not, postponing social infrastructure can erode public confidence in the system and leave vulnerable citizens under-served.

It is true that using reserves avoids new borrowing, which is a commendable safeguard for long-term stability. Still, the measure underscores the tension between immediate national priorities and community needs.

What are your thoughts?

Community needs

Although the measure may save money, as a small and closely knit nation we must always keep our focus on the people, especially those who are ageing.

Equally, investment in social infrastructure such as aged care homes and community enhancement projects is not simply about bricks and mortar—it is about dignity, trust, and the assurance that we in the Turks and Caicos value.

Rich country

We live in a rich country and that should guide government policies.

The absence of accountability

Let us dispense with abstractions. This fiscal breakdown did not happen on its own. It has names, offices, and signatures attached to it. Somebody must accept responsibility for this fiscal debacle.

The Premier, Hon. Washington Misick, owns this. Responsibility begins—and ends—with Premier Hon. Washington Misick. The "buck stops" on his desk and nowhere else. He presented the 2025/26 Budget to Parliament and assured the country it was sound to justify its passage. He now returns months later demanding an additional $27.3 million, presenting this as prudent adjustment rather than proof that the Budget was fundamentally flawed.

Healthcare costs did not ambush this Government. The belated land acquisition was not a surprise. These are long-standing, recurring obligations that any competent administration would have fully costed and disclosed before Budget approval.

When the Premier asks Parliament to fix what should never have been broken, he is not exercising leadership—he is retroactively correcting his own failure. This is not stewardship. It is mismanagement.

Collective silence, collective guilt

The Cabinet cannot hide behind the Premier.



Premier Hon Washington Misick

Every Minister around that Cabinet table approved a Budget that failed to account for predictable healthcare overruns, a fiscal plan now patched together with reserves, and the deferral of important social projects affecting the elderly and working communities. No Minister has publicly objected.

This is callous dereliction of duty. No Minister or elected backbench PNP MP has resigned. No Minister has warned the public. That silence is not unity; it is collective abdication of responsibility. Cabinet government means collective accountability. And collectively, this Cabinet has endorsed after-the-fact budgeting, reserve-raiding, and the quiet postponement of commitments to the people.

In sum, they do not care. They are there to be paid—nothing else.

The greatest disgrace

The most shameful conduct lies with the Government backbench MPs—the elected members without ministerial portfolios. In the days when MPs knew their roles, the late Hon. Hilly Ewing crossed the floor and joined the PDM, and the late Hon. Walter Cox also crossed the floor. These MPs were not elected to clap, nod, and disappear. Statements of the calibre and quality of Hon. Ewing and Hon. Cox showed this. Men of conviction, they did not simply sit and allow the "foolishness."

These elected backbench MPs today, in 2026, have no Cabinet secrecy obligation, no ministerial burden, and a direct duty to the electorate. Yet not one of them has meaningfully challenged the questions of:

Why were predictable costs excluded from the Budget?

Why are reserves being drained so early in the term?

Why was the Aged Care Home refurbishment deemed expendable?

Their silence is not ignorance; it is dereliction of solemn duties to the people. In a Parliament of 19 members, the Opposition cannot alone restrain a reckless executive. Backbenchers are the constitutional safety valve. When they refuse to act, democracy fails quietly. If they cannot bring themselves to question their own party when the elderly are sidelined and reserves are raided, then they have no business occupying parliamentary seats.

Rubber stamp

What Premier Misick and his Cabinet are now asking is simple: approve this money first, ask questions later—if at all. That is not parliamentary democracy; it is executive convenience masquerading as governance.

Supplementary estimates have become routine because this Government no longer treats the Budget as a binding plan, but as a suggestion to be corrected later. This is not proper fiscal governance; it is a joke.

One-sided

Let us be clear: compassion would have planned for healthcare properly; prudence would have protected reserves; leadership would not have sacrificed seniors and communities; and accountability would have produced resignations or dissent.

Instead, we have a Premier correcting his own Budget, a Cabinet shielding itself in silence, and backbenchers hiding from their duty. They are content to collect salaries, wait on pensions, and go silently into the night.

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Judge grants AG leave to appeal ruling in Crown land fiduciary case

BY DELANA ISLES

The Supreme Court has granted the Attorney General permission to appeal a key procedural ruling in a long-running civil claim arising from the alleged improper transfer of Crown land nearly two decades ago.

In a written decision on Wednesday, January 14, Justice Anthony Gruchot allowed the Attorney General's application for leave to appeal a 2022 ruling by acting Judge B. St Michael Hylton KC.

The earlier ruling had refused the government permission to amend its statement of claim to add a new cause of action for dishonest assistance against businessman Anthony Steve Been.

The underlying claim centres on a December 3, 2007, transaction involving the transfer of Crown land to Navigation Limited, a company then owned by Been.

The Attorney General alleges that the then Minister for Natural Resources and/or the then Chief Minister transferred the land to Navigation in breach of their fiduciary duties, and that Been is liable in knowing receipt as a constructive trustee of trust property.

The government says the land was sold to Navigation at a substantial undervalue, and that the purchase formed part of an arrangement under which the parcel would be immediately on-sold to a third party at a significant profit.

On that basis, the Attorney General claims that the Turks and Caicos Islands government suffered a loss equal to the profit allegedly made by Been and/or Navigation on the resale of the land.

The case has progressed to the discovery stage. Documents have been exchanged, and the defendant has filed a witness statement.

The plaintiff, however, has not filed any witness statements and appears to intend to rely instead on hearsay notices.

It was in light of three developments — the defendant's defence, disclosure of a valuation prepared by Construction Advisory Services Limited (CAS), and the defendant's witness statement — that the government concluded it needed to amend its pleadings to introduce a new cause of action in dishonest assistance.

A summons was filed on August 24, 2022, just days before acting Judge Hylton's term on the bench was due to end.

The Attorney General's office asked for leave to amend the Statement of Claim in terms of a draft exhibited to an affidavit from Principal Crown Counsel Yaa McCartney, and for corresponding leave for the defendant to amend his defence.

The application did not clearly identify the rule under which it was brought, though the supporting affidavit expressly referred to Order 20, rule 5(5) of the Civil Rules 2000, which governs amendments adding new causes of action after expiry of a relevant limitation period.

The matter was urgently listed before Hylton J on August 29, 2022.

On that day, counsel for Been, King's Counsel Stephen Wilson, complained of short service and limited time to take instructions. The matter was adjourned to the next day.

On August 30, 2022, less than an hour before the rescheduled hearing, junior counsel for the Attorney General, Ernette Kangal, received a 17-page skeleton argument from Wilson opposing the application.

She indicated she had insufficient time to respond. The judge permitted Wilson to address the court and then granted Kangal four hours to prepare written submissions in reply before adjourning for decision.

In a written ruling dated August 31, 2022, Hylton J dismissed the Attorney General's application.

He accepted two core arguments advanced on behalf of the defendant: that the original claim was already out of time, and that the proposed dishonest-assistance claim was an even more hopeless attempt to add a new cause of action after the expiry of a relevant limitation period; and that in any event the new cause of action did not arise out of the same or substantially the same facts as the existing claim, as required by Order 20, rule 5(5).

Before Justice Gruchot, the Attorney General sought leave to appeal that decision.

Because the refusal to amend was an interlocutory order, section 5(f) of the Court of Appeal Act required the plaintiff to obtain permission from either the Supreme Court or the Court of Appeal.

With no domestic test for granting leave set out in local legislation or rules, the court, applying section 23 of the Court of Appeal Act, turned to English law.

Following recent local appellate authority, Justice Gruchot applied the English Court of Appeal's test under CPR 52.6: leave may be granted if the proposed appeal has a real prospect of success or there is some other compelling reason for it to be heard.

The Attorney General advanced three grounds of appeal: that the acting judge had misapplied the Trusts Act in finding that a limitation period barred the new claim; that he misdirected himself in applying Order 20, rule 5(2) and (5) by holding that the dishonest-assistance claim did not arise out of the same or substantially the same facts as the knowing-receipt claim; and that he wrongly applied those limitation provisions to the existing claim at all.

Central to the limitation argument is section 69 of the Trusts Act, which stipulates that no limitation period applies to actions against a trustee in respect of fraud or to recover trust property in the trustee's possession or control or previously converted to his own use, but otherwise imposes a three-year limitation period for actions founded on breach of trust brought "against a trustee by a beneficiary".

Justice Hylton had held that the dishonest-assistance claim was not such a claim against a trustee, but concluded that a limitation period applied.

In the leave application, the Attorney General argued that the acting judge's own finding — that dishonest assistance is not an action against a trustee for breach of trust — was inconsistent with applying the three-year limitation in section 69(2).

The defendant, in turn, relied heavily on section 70 of the Trusts Act, which deems a person who makes or receives any profit, gain, or advantage from a breach of trust to be a "constructive trustee", thereby, Wilson KC submitted, bringing dishonest assisters within the scope of section 69.

Justice Gruchot noted that this interaction between sections 69 and 70 raised an arguable point of law that is not "hopeless".

He emphasised that his role on a leave application was not to decide whether Hylton J was right or wrong on the merits, but to determine whether the proposed appeal would "inevitably fail".

On the limitation issue, he concluded it would not and therefore granted leave.

The judge took a similar view on the proposed ground that Hylton J erred in deciding that the new dishonest-assistance claim did not arise from the same or substantially the same facts as the existing knowing-receipt claim.

While recognising the three-stage test that applies to late amendments adding new causes of action, he found there was at least an arguable basis for saying that the dishonest-assistance pleading was rooted in factual material already in issue, particularly once the defence and disclosure were taken into account.

Justice Gruchot also accepted that the Attorney General was now putting the case in a somewhat different way: arguing that certain amendments relating to the CAS valuation and communications with ministers in fact went to strengthening the original knowing-receipt claim, and so should be treated under the more generous Order 20, rule 5(1), rather than as part of a time-barred new cause of action.

As a result, Justice Gruchot granted leave to appeal on all three grounds, with costs of the leave application to be costs in the appeal.

Talk Back *Continued*

This is what a government looks like when it is already spent—politically and administratively.

Premier has a plan

I'm sure the Premier knows what he is doing, let's give him a chance.

Are they fit to govern?

If Premier Washington Misick, his Cabinet, and his backbench MPs cannot manage foreseeable obligations without ambush budgeting, reserve depletion, and social deferrals, what justification remains for their continued control of the public purse? At this point, the issue is no longer money but rather their fitness to govern.

They should fall on their dull swords and resign in the interests of the welfare of the people. They are of little use beyond collecting a cheque and preparing for a pension.

Consultation necessary

Honestly, being in government is hard. There are many checks and balances, and in the end you can never please all the people. But this is TCI, and as a community we are vocal, honest, and always place the best interests of the country first.

It might therefore have been important for the government to hold some consultation with the people to weigh these decisions. We all want what is best for our people and for the country.

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Robinson and Saunders laud "Islander-friendly" Business Licensing Amendment

Deputy Premier and Minister of Immigration and Border Services, Hon Jamell Robinson, and Minister of Information and Technology, Hon Erwin Jay Saunders, have lauded the passage of the Business Licensing Amendment Bill 2026 as a victory for local empowerment and a moment of unity for Turks and Caicos Islanders.

During his contribution to the parliamentary debate, Robinson said: "It's been a long journey. It's been a very constructive journey. And Mr Speaker, I would like to say it pleases me, and it makes me happy to be a part of this great progressive, people-centred government."

The Turks and Caicos Islands Parliament officially passed the long-awaited Business Licensing Amendment Bill on Thursday, 6 January 2025.

The legislation, which initially received pushback from various sectors of society, is designed to eradicate the practice of "fronting" — where non-Islanders illegally use local names to operate businesses — and to strictly enforce Turks and Caicos Islander ownership across key business sectors.

The new law revamps the territory's existing business licensing framework by creating four restrictive ownership categories, directly anchoring licence eligibility to the percentage of Turks and Caicos Islander ownership: Exclusive (100% Islander-owned), Reserved (60% Islander-owned), Restricted (50% Islander-owned), and General (no restrictions).



Deputy Premier and Minister of Immigration and Border Services, Hon Jamell Robinson



Minister of Information and Technology, Hon Erwin Jay Saunders

Additionally, the Act introduces new measures to test effective control, enforce compliance, and heavily penalise those caught fronting.

In his remarks, Minister Robinson underscored the immediate impact of the new Exclusive category, which reserves over 120 businesses entirely for Islanders, and stressed the government's commitment to resource the Ministry of Finance for rigorous enforcement.

He said: "Fronting is a big issue in this country. We all know it. Unfortunately, for some of those who might have their salon fronting and businesses taking place, we can look into you, unfortunately, but hey, we have to make sure that fronting is a thing of the past… So now is the time to resource the Ministry of Finance properly so they can be able to deal with all the enforcement issues."

Robinson urged Turks and Caicos Islanders to seize the opportunities being created for them: "Turks and Caicos Islanders, get ready, put yourself forward. Take advantage of this opportunity, because in the next five to ten years, we want to have Turks and Caicos Islander-owned businesses as the leaders in every category and every segment of our economy. The opportunity for that starts today with the passage of this bill, Mr Speaker."

Minister Saunders, echoed similar sentiments, stressing that the Bill's passage was the result of deliberate strategic action and not happenstance.

Saunders pointed out that the legislation continues previous efforts, such as the MSME Enhancement Bill, to ensure Islanders can thrive in business.

He said: "These things are done not by luck, but by design. You know, they don't pop out of heaven, already done perfectly and everything. And so this took a long time, a long time, to get here. And one of the reasons why is because when you go around, you see some of our experiences, but a lot of people talk about opportunities for Turks and Caicos Islanders. Lots of times it's very difficult to get into businesses and be able to do well in a lot of these categories, and there are a lot of obstacles. And so the Bill was picked up in 2022 to correct that, to strengthen Turks and Caicos Islanders' ability not just to survive in business, but to thrive in business."

Minister Saunders issued a stern warning to those tempted to sell their birthright and a rallying cry to local entrepreneurs to take proper control of their businesses: "There's no need to front. I know fronting seems to be very easy, since it's one of the easiest things to do — to sell out your birthright for a couple of thousand dollars every month. But I want people to know that if you want to do very well, if you want to become, as I said during the campaign, millionaires, the first thing to do is to hold on to your licence, to ensure that you are on the board, to ensure that more of you are on the board than them. If it's inside the category, we're in a Reserved category where you have 60%, make sure that you have more people on the board… You're going to look back years later and think, I can't believe I signed it. You're now in control. Exercise that control. Let them know that you're in control."

Acknowledging the complexity of legislating against sophisticated evasion tactics, Saunders promised continuous revision of the law: "I want the public to know that this is a living Bill. This is not necessarily a perfect Bill, and that's not saying anything bad, but it's the fact that we're going to look at this Bill because we know that the other side is always going to find loopholes. So if we didn't get it with this passage, we're going to come back and make amendments to tighten it up. So we're going to keep coming back and keep coming back to make it stronger and stronger for Turks and Caicos Islanders."



The TCHTA meeting was well attended (Photo: TCHTA)

TCHTA starts year with emphasis on sustainability, advocacy and growth strategy

The Turks and Caicos Hotel and Tourism Association (TCHTA) has launched its 2026 agenda with a general meeting that placed a firm focus on advocacy, sustainable development, and closer alignment between tourism, real estate, and national infrastructure planning.

Held at Blue Haven Resort, the session brought together industry leaders and stakeholders for strategic updates from key TCHTA committees, an outlook on the evolving tourism and real estate environment, and a preview of major events, marketing initiatives, and training programmes scheduled for the year ahead.

TCHTA President James McAnally delivered an advocacy briefing, underscoring the Association's ongoing engagement with both public- and private-sector partners on issues that

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‘Skinner’ walks free

– Judge slams ‘tenuous’ evidence as murder accused acquitted

BY DELANA ISLES

Justice Tunde A. Bakre has acquitted Dwight Simmons of the 2023 murder of David McIntosh, after ruling that the prosecution failed to establish a prima facie case and that the matter should not be left to the jury.

In a written ruling delivered on January 12, 2026, in the Criminal Division, Judge Bakre upheld a no-case submission made on behalf of Simmons, who had been facing a single count of murder contrary to section 3 of the Offences Against the Person Act.

The charge alleged that on July 19, 2023, at Cerasee Court, Kew Town, Providenciales, Simmons murdered David McIntosh.

The trial, heard before a jury, began on December 8, 2025. At the close of the prosecution’s case on December 14, 2025, defence counsel Lara Maroof applied for a ruling of no case to answer, arguing that the Crown had failed to prove key elements of the offence.

Justice Bakre’s ruling turned on the well-established principles governing a submission of no case to answer, most notably as set out in the English Court of Appeal decision of R v Galbraith [1981] 2 All ER 1060.

Under Galbraith, a trial judge must stop a case and direct an acquittal where there is no evidence that the crime alleged was committed by the accused, or where the evidence is so weak, vague or inconsistent that no reasonable jury properly directed could safely convict. Only where the prosecution’s evidence, taken at its highest, could properly sustain a conviction should the matter be left to the jury.

Justice Bakre also referred to supporting authorities including R v Baker (1977), R v Ralph Sonny Samedi CR13/2015, Green v R [1972], R v Stiven [1971], R v Olsen [1973] and Daley v R [1998] 1 WLR 494, as well as commentary in Blackstone’s Criminal Practice 2025 on the proper approach to such submissions.

“The court is not, at this stage, concerned with whether it will ultimately convict or acquit,” the judge emphasised, “but rather whether a reasonable tribunal might convict on the evidence already led.”

Questions of credibility and weight are ordinarily for the jury, but where the evidence is incapable of supporting a conviction, the judge is duty-bound to intervene, he noted.

The prosecution, led by R. Richardson, alleged that McIntosh, having been shot in Kew Town in the early hours of July 19, 2023, staggered into his home bleeding and in distress. His girlfriend, Joann Tucker, called 911 and, during that call, asked McIntosh who had shot him. Through Tucker, the deceased was said to have responded with a single word: “Skinner”.

According to the evidence, when police officers later attended the residence, McIntosh again uttered “Skinner” when asked who shot him. At Cheshire Hall Medical Centre, when questioned by Inspector Delton Robinson about who had done this to him, he is said to have repeated “Skinner” and added a reference to “Tavron… Black’s boy Tavron”.

The 911 operator, Laquisha Missick, and police officer Emeail Shepherd both testified that they knew the defendant, Dwight Simmons, by the nickname “Skinner”. In a subsequent interview under caution, Simmons accepted that “Skinner” was indeed his nickname.

However, Simmons also told police that at the material time he had been at Clifford’s Bar in Kew Town with his cousin and others. That alibi was checked by investigators and supported by independent witnesses, including the bar owner’s wife and a staff member.

Forensic evidence, including DNA analysis of exhibits, did not implicate Simmons, and no weapon or other physical evidence was linked to him.

Defence counsel argued that the prosecution’s case rested “entirely” on the deceased’s unelaborated utterances of the nickname “Skinner”, and that there was no proper identification of Simmons as the shooter.

She said the deceased never gave the defendant’s full name, never described him, and did not answer repeated police questions about who “Skinner” was.

Maroof submitted that the link between the nickname and Simmons came solely from third parties – the 911 operator and police – based on their prior knowledge, leaving what the judge later described as an “evidential gap”.

There was no evidence that the deceased himself meant Simmons or that no one else might have been known as “Skinner”.

The defence also highlighted that the deceased’s statements were hearsay admitted as dying declarations – an exception to the hearsay rule – and relied on Horncastle and Others [2009] EWCA Crim 964 to stress that admissibility does not equate to reliability or sufficiency. A bare nickname, without clarification or corroboration, was said to be too weak a foundation for a murder conviction.

On top of that, the alibi advanced by Simmons was promptly raised, independently confirmed and never effectively challenged by the prosecution.

The defence argued that an unshaken alibi substantially undermined the prosecution’s case.

JUDGE’S FINDINGS

In his analysis, Justice Bakre began by noting that one element of murder – that the victim died – was not in dispute. But he stressed that the Crown was also required to prove that the death was caused by the accused, that the accused acted intentionally, and that the act was unlawful.

The judge found that the “main connection” between Simmons and the offence was the repeated mention of the nickname “Skinner” by the deceased. The central question, he said, was whether the prosecution had proved that the “Skinner” referred to by McIntosh was in fact Simmons.

He concluded that the identification evidence was “tenuous and speculative”, resting on an ambiguous nickname interpreted by others rather than on clear, direct evidence from the deceased.

He pointed out that there were no eyewitnesses, no forensic or DNA evidence implicating Simmons, no weapon, and no independent evidence placing him at the scene. Meanwhile, his alibi had been corroborated and not displaced.

On the issue of intent, the judge noted disputed evidence about whether McIntosh had been shot in the leg alone or also in the chest, and that no clear medical evidence of an intention to kill had been advanced. But he held that even if intent could be inferred, it could not substitute for the failure to prove that this particular accused was the shooter.

“Taking the prosecution case at its highest,” Justice Bakre wrote, “the evidence is so tenuous and speculative that no reasonable jury properly directed could safely convict and to leave this case to the jury would invite conjecture rather than deliberation on evidence.”

ACQUITTAL ORDERED

As a result, the court held that the prosecution had failed to establish a prima facie case capable of sustaining a conviction. The identification evidence was found to be fundamentally deficient, the hearsay evidence weak and uncorroborated, and the accused’s alibi undisturbed.

Applying the principles governing a no-case submission, Justice Bakre ruled that there was no case to answer.

He ordered that the matter be withdrawn from the jury and that Dwight Simmons be discharged and acquitted of the charge of murder.

TCHTA starts year with emphasis on sustainability …

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directly influence the performance of the tourism industry and the broader economy.

“Our role as an Association is to remain proactive, informed, and engaged on behalf of our members,” McAnally said. “Strong advocacy and collaboration are essential to ensuring that tourism continues to deliver long-term value for the Turks and Caicos Islands.”

A major portion of the meeting was dedicated to committee reports, led by the Sustainable Tourism Committee, which outlined a 2026 work plan centred on environmental awareness, waste reduction, recycling, and strengthened cooperation on responsible tourism practices across the sector.

The committee confirmed the continuation of TCI Shines, TCHTA’s bi-annual clean-up programme, and announced plans for campaigns aligned with global environmental observances, supported by coordinated participation from member properties. Animal welfare was also elevated as a key priority for the year, with the committee noting its importance to destination image, visitor satisfaction, and community wellbeing.

An example of concrete sustainability action was presented by Grace Bay Resorts, which detailed its transition away from plastic bottled water to canned water, in partnership with local producer Provo Beverages. The shift was highlighted as a scalable model for reducing single-use plastics within the tourism sector.

“The focus for 2026 is on practical action and collaboration,” Craig James, co-Chair of the TCHTA Sustainable Tourism Committee, said. “Through coordinated initiatives, awareness campaigns, and industry participation, we are working to strengthen responsible tourism practices in ways that support our environment, our communities, and the long-term resilience of the destination.”

The meeting’s featured presentation came from Andrew Ashcroft, President of the Turks and Caicos Real Estate Association, who provided a high-level assessment of the real estate market and its close linkage with tourism performance.

Ashcroft pointed to the continued maturation of the Providenciales market, growing development beyond traditional hubs, and rising interest in walkable, mixed-use communities designed to enhance both resident and visitor experiences. He also highlighted the increasing role of the outer islands in the next stage of national growth.

“Tourism and real estate are fundamentally linked,” Ashcroft said. “The strength of the tourism product, the quality of the hotel sector, and the work of the Association all underpin long-term confidence, value creation, and national development.”

Members also received an official update from the Turks and Caicos Islands Airports Authority (TCIAA), delivered by TCHTA Chief Executive Officer Stacy Cox, outlining the current status of airport redevelopment planning.

Delegates were given a forward-looking review of TCHTA’s 2026 calendar, including signature events, destination marketing activities, training opportunities, and webinars aimed at enhancing member visibility, professional development, and industry alignment.

TCHTA has also reaffirmed its commitment to acting as a strategic partner to government and industry, maintaining a strong emphasis on advocacy, sustainability, and collaboration, and working to ensure that growth in tourism, real estate, and infrastructure remains aligned with the long-term interests of the Turks and Caicos Islands.



TCICC executives, Minister of Education Hon Rachel Taylor, the Clares, and students share a memorable moment at the dedication of the new West Campus Wing (Photos: Olivia Rose



Mrs Claudette Deborah Clare; Minister of Education, Hon Rachel Taylor, and Mr William Clinton Clare accompanied by MPs and TCICC President, Dr Candice Williams cut the ribbon to officially open the TCICC's new West Campus Wing



The Turks and Caicos Islands Community College Providenciales Campus



Attendees at the ribbon-cutting event

TCI Community College dedicates New West Campus Wing to Mr and Mrs Clare

BY OLIVIA ROSE

The Turks and Caicos Islands Community College (TCICC) officially dedicated its new West Campus Wing on Tuesday, 13 January 2026, to Mr and Mrs William (Bill) Clare. This comes even as the Turks and Caicos Government advances plans for a major long-term relocation.

The new West Wing is a dedicated space leased from two civic-minded Islanders, Mr William Clinton Clare and his wife, Mrs Claudette Deborah Clare.

The expansion of the College seeks to address an "unprecedented 32% increase in enrolment" witnessed during the Fall 2025 semester and ensures the College remains fully equipped to serve its growing student population.

A simple but significant ribbon-cutting ceremony was held on Tuesday, 13 January, at the campus on Providenciales.

Speaking at the ceremony, Dr Candice Williams, President and CEO of the Turks and Caicos Islands Community College, declared the dedication a pivotal moment for the institution.

She said: "Today is more than an unveiling of additional space. It is a visible declaration of momentum, resilience and belief in the power of education to shape lives and nation builders."

She stressed that the new wing comes at a pivotal moment in the College's journey. For the Fall 2025 semester, TCICC experienced an unprecedented 32% increase in enrolment.

"This remarkable growth reflects renewed confidence in our institution, the relevance of our programmes and the determination of our people to choose their local community college as their pathway to higher education. Growth of this magnitude demands swift and responsible action, and this expansion represents an immediate and necessary correction to ensure that quality access and student experience are not compromised."

Dr Williams acknowledged the new wing as an interim but essential measure as the Turks and Caicos Islands Government advances the process of renovating the Alliance Business Center in Grace Bay, which is slated to become the future home of TCICC.

She said: "We wish to express our profound gratitude to the owners, Mr and Mrs Bill Clare, whose unwavering support over the past 14 years has gone far beyond the bounds of a standard rental arrangement. Their partnership with TCICC has been marked by trust, professionalism and genuine care for the mission of the College. The relationship we share is a testament to what can be achieved when mutual respect and shared purpose guide collaboration. This new wing stands, therefore, as more than steel and bricks; it symbolises responsiveness to growth, stewardship of opportunity and a collective commitment to investing in people."

The decision of the Clare family, who have leased their building to the College and supported the development of the tertiary institution for 14 years, was cemented by a personal and moving tribute from Mrs Yesicha Robinson, the daughter of Mr and Mrs Clare.

Highlighting the deep personal sacrifice that underpinned the project, she said: "This moment stands as a testament to my mum's vision, perseverance and lifelong commitment to education. Long before construction began, her passion for learning extended far beyond the classroom and grew into a dream to create a place that would uplift students and serve the wider community.

"Our family witnessed the sacrifices and determination it took to bring this vision to life. Throughout this journey, my stepfather stood alongside her. We are especially grateful for the technical support and guidance of some very dear friends whose expertise and encouragement were essential to turning this vision into reality… Thank you, Mum. We are incredibly proud of you. May this building continue to be a place of learning, growth and opportunity for generations to come."

In her speech, Hon Rachel Taylor, the Minister of Education, underscored the Government's "intentionality" in supporting the College's expansion and its future plans, including the purchase of a new site for the College's main campus.

She pointed out that the new wing would immediately address a national need.

She said: "We gather to dedicate a new campus wing that represents growth, partnership and a shared investment in the future of our people. While we celebrate expanded learning space and opportunity, we also recognise that this achievement was made possible through the generosity and civic commitment of two remarkable Islanders — Mr William Clare and Mrs Claudette Clare, the owners of the building which the Community College is leasing to support our continued development and service to students."

Acknowledging her long-standing history with the College, which dates back to before 1994 when she served as Vice Principal at Clement Howell High School and later became the Coordinator for Providenciales and Chair of the TCICC board in 2013, Mrs Claudette Deborah Clare expressed her reflections.

Mrs Clare underscored the financial burden of education, particularly for a small island developing state such as the Turks and Caicos Islands, and lauded the Government's efforts to ensure all children have access to education.

She said: "Education provision is not cheap. It's not cheap for the Turks and Caicos as a small island developing state, neither is it cheap for giants like the United States. The Government has seen it wise to contribute financially to this by renting such a facility, and I am forever grateful."

Signalling a bold new chapter for the institution, Minister Taylor confirmed that the Government has purchased a building in Grace Bay, which will be retrofitted to become the College's future home.

The new West Campus Wing, however, serves as the vital link to ensure the College continues to deliver quality education during this period of transition and growth.

‘No more pretence’

– Minister Taylor hails Business Licensing Act as an end to usurped local ownership

BY OLIVIA ROSE

Minister of Education and Member of Parliament for Five Cays, South Dock and Chalk Sound Hon Rachel Taylor recently threw her weight behind the Business Licensing Amendment Act 2026, painting it as a crucial step towards “fairness, integrity and opportunity” within the territory’s economy.

The Turks and Caicos Islands government made a definitive move against the illicit practice of “fronting” — which has undermined local entrepreneurship for years — with the passage of the Business Licensing Amendment Act 2026. In her contribution to the debate, Minister Taylor was candid about the disadvantages of this vexing issue.

She emphasised that the Act goes to the very “heart of fairness” by confronting a disturbing reality.

“Mister Speaker, I rise to support the Business Licensing Amendment Act 2026, an Act that goes to the heart of fairness, integrity and opportunity within our national economy. At its core, this Act confronts a long-standing reality. Mister Speaker, this is it.

“Ownership on paper has not always meant ownership in practice. Where fronting exists, Turks and Caicos Islanders appear to benefit, while real control, decision-making and profits lie elsewhere. This Bill says clearly and unapologetically that practice ends here, Mister Speaker.”

Taylor lauded the Bill’s explicit statutory definition of the offence, which she explained will now focus on the reality, not just the appearance, of ownership.

She further pointed out the long-lasting damage caused by these deceptive arrangements: “I must say that fronting arrangements undermine local entrepreneurship, fair competition, and public confidence in our licensing system. So therefore, Mister Speaker, no serious economy ignores this problem.”

The Minister compared the Turks and Caicos Islands with other nations taking decisive



Minister of Education and Member of Parliament for Five Cays, South Dock and Chalk Sound, Hon Rachel Taylor

action, citing regional examples.

She said: “Jamaica criminalises fronting arrangements and applies substance-over-form tax. And in the Bahamas, they actively investigate nominee arrangements designed to circumvent ownership laws. So therefore, Mister Speaker, this Bill places the Turks and Caicos Islands firmly in that category of serious rules-based economies.”

She further underscored that “one of the most important” aspects of the Act is the introduction of four distinct licensing categories, replacing previous ambiguity with clarity and predictability for all investors.

“This replaces uncertainty with clarity, and of course, predictability. Foreign investors, Mister Speaker, know where they can invest, and local entrepreneurs know where they are protected — not just protected, Mister Speaker, but also supported.”

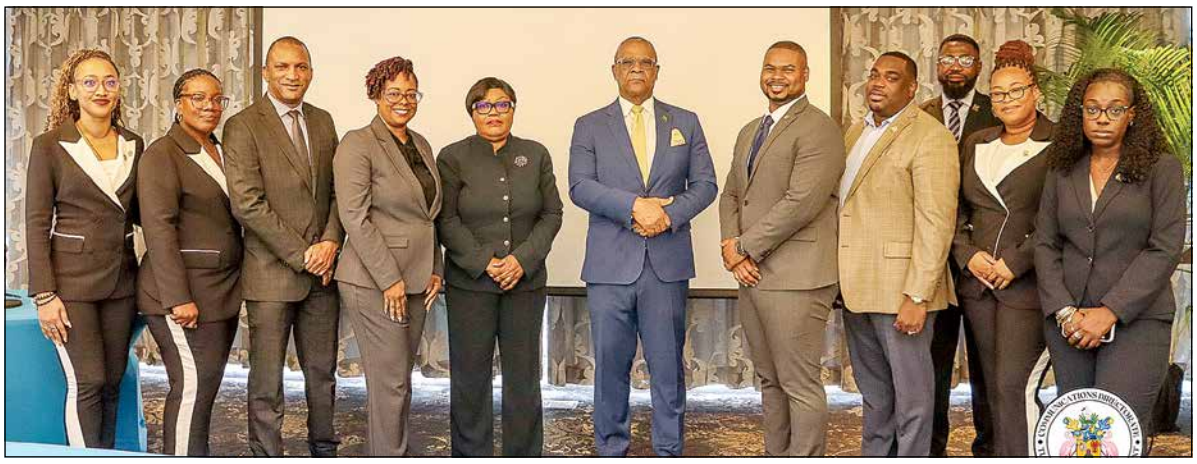
Minister Taylor detailed the specific factors that will now be under regulatory scrutiny as the new legislation introduces a “clear test of effective control”, which gives the regulator new powers to look past documents and determine who genuinely runs the business.

She said: “In these regards, the regulator will look at who makes strategic decisions, ensure that Turks and Caicos Islanders receive profits, who carry commercial risk, and where loan and management agreements quietly transfer control.”

She stressed the “intentionality” of the provisions, which are designed to prevent situations “where a local partner holds shares but has no voice”, ultimately strengthening “both regulatory integrity and economic justice”.

Minister Taylor framed the Bill’s provisions as a crucial step towards empowering the next generation of Turks and Caicos Islanders, tying the legislative reform directly to her role in education and youth development.

She said: “It prepares our young people not just to work, but to own, to lead and to build. With that said, Mister Speaker, I truly believe that an open economy must also be a fair economy, and this Bill helps to achieve both. It supports foreign investment, but it refuses to sacrifice local participation, and it’s important for our young people to understand that it encourages partnership.”





Premier opens Civil Litigation training seminar

– aims to strengthen govt decision-making

Premier Hon Charles Washington Misick has officially opened the Civil Litigation Training Seminar, a key initiative aimed at strengthening legal decision-making, litigation readiness, and institutional accountability across the Turks and Caicos Islands government.

Addressing attendees at the opening, this week, the Premier stressed that litigation poses a significant financial and reputational risk to the country, with consequences that can be felt in public finances for years.

“Litigation is not only a legal challenge; it is a long-term financial and reputational risk to our country,” the Premier noted. “We must ensure that the decisions we make today are legally sound, financially defensible, and capable of withstanding scrutiny.”

He described the seminar as an important leadership intervention, urging ministers and senior officials to prioritise legal literacy, evidence-based decision-making, and strict adherence to lawful processes.

These elements, he said, are vital to ensuring that government actions are both legally and financially defensible, protect the public purse, and reinforce public confidence in public institutions.

The Civil Litigation Division Training Seminar: Civil Litigation Protocol was hosted by the Attorney General’s Chambers and is focused on strengthening litigation preparedness and decision-making across government.

The two-day seminar is being held on January 12–13, at Beaches TCI in Providenciales.

Designed as a practical, hands-on training, the seminar supports “improved decision-making across Ministries and Departments; strengthened record-keeping and documentation practices; earlier referral of matters for legal advice; and more effective management of litigation involving the government”.

According to an update from the Attorney General’s Office outlined before its hosting the training forms part of broader preparation for the April 2026 Civil Litigation Blueprint, which is expected to further formalise and enhance the government’s approach to civil litigation risk, governance, and accountability.

Participants included ministers, permanent secretaries, senior public officers, and legal officials, all of whom play a critical role in ensuring that government actions are aligned with the law and in the best interest of the public.

By investing in legal literacy and litigation readiness at the leadership level, the government said it aims to reduce exposure to costly legal challenges, safeguard public resources, and build greater trust in public administration.

COMMENTARY

God may allow it, but did he approve it?

So be careful what you ask for



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INTRODUCTION

Sometimes you get exactly what you ask for and then you say it is God. You see God may allow you to get something, but it does not mean that He approves of it. For example, when the people of Israel demanded a king like the other nations, they got Saul, a tall, impressive, confident and publicly chosen. However, Saul was full of insecurity, ego and poor judgement. It took years before David emerged as the real deal. He was grounded, accountable and led by purpose rather than image.

IT MAY NOT BE ORDAINED BY GOD

What is often overlooked, however, is that not everything we ask for is ordained by God. The Bible makes a careful distinction between God's permission and God's will. Israel demanded a king, and God allowed it, even though it was not His original intention for them. Saul's rise was not divine endorsement but divine allowance. Being granted something does not mean it is God's best. God may give us what we insist on, even when it is not what He intended. We should never confuse permission with purpose. I think we can learn something from this biblical lesson. You may think it only applies to politics but also to the personal decisions we make.

BE CAREFUL WHAT YOU ASK FOR

In public life, the parallel is clear. In moments of frustration, voters often cry out for change at any cost. They demand leaders who look strong, sound decisive, and promise quick fixes. These figures often stand out through confident speeches, bold slogans, and strong personalities. Yet leadership is not proven at the ballot box alone. It is proven in restraint, competence, respect for institutions, and the ability to govern when applause fades. When citizens choose image over character, they may get what they want, but not what they need.

The same dynamic plays out in marriage. People sometimes pray for a partner who looks right, earns well, or impresses others, while ignoring warning signs about character, faithfulness, or emotional maturity. In time, the excitement fades and the consequences remain. A relationship can be entered with passion and public approval, yet lack the depth, commitment, and humility required to endure. Like Saul's reign, what looked good at first can slowly unravel when tested.

Careers follow a similar pattern. Many people chase titles, salaries, and status, asking for promotions or opportunities that elevate their image but drain their values or family life. Doors may open, and success may appear evident, yet fulfilment remains elusive. The job was granted, but the cost was never counted. What was achieved by ambition alone may later require healing, correction, or a difficult change of direction.

David's story offers a different model. He was not chosen because he fit expectations, but because of character developed in obscurity. His preparation happened away from applause, tending sheep, facing failure, learning humility. He made serious mistakes, but he accepted accountability and grew from them. Over time, his leadership proved deeper than appearance.

CONCLUSION

Whether in government, marriage, or career, the message is the same: life suffers when choices are driven by impatience and image rather than wisdom and character. What we demand in haste may be granted, but that does not mean it will sustain us or is ordained by God.

Standing firm when the world shakes



KENYATTA E. LEWIS

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Uncertainty is a constant companion in our daily lives. Sometimes it disrupts us with a phone call, a rush to the hospital, or breaking news of another crisis. In these moments, how do we remain grounded and steadfast when the foundations seem to shake?

To answer this, Proverbs 3:25 offers a steadying anchor for our times: "Do not be afraid of sudden terror or of the ruin of the wicked, when it comes, for the Lord will be your confidence and will keep your foot from being caught." Like much of Proverbs, this wisdom was written to help people live wisely in a chaotic world. The message is clear: When bad news comes, don't panic, don't be fearful—remember where your confidence lies.

Jesus himself lived in a wildly unpredictable and unjust world. Living under Roman rule was a harsh reality: the occupying Romans were capricious, cold, and powerful. Justice only existed for Roman citizens, while the powerful seemed unstoppable. This backdrop helps us understand Luke 13:1-5, when Jesus was confronted with two disasters—one natural (a tower collapse) and one man-made (Romans killing worshippers at the temple). Jesus' response gives us a valuable lesson in dealing with such "sudden terror."

1. First, gain perspective. We may be tempted to divide people into the camps of good and bad, believing that bad things happen to the bad and good things happen to the good. Yet Jesus reminds us that we are all sinners in God's sight, made in His image, and recipients of God's common grace. When bad news comes, pause and seek to renew your perspective before God.
2. Focus on what you are called to do. Jesus turned from the incidents to a challenge: "Repent." For us, we must turn "sudden terror" into reflection. This does not dismiss compassion for those who are affected. Jesus calls us and exemplifies the need to care for those in need several times. Reflection during times of sudden terror allows us to take proper stock of our lives and pursue the right course of action.
3. Finally, have confidence—not in yourself or your own efforts, but in God, who calmed storms, brought hope for the future, and faced injustice with unwavering resolve.

More bad news may come your way this year. Yet, this is not pessimism; it is a reminder to trust in Jesus. When hardship comes, lean on His strength to do what you cannot do alone.



COMMENTARY

Disaster at 'Provo International Airport'

BY JOHN PHILLIPS

During this holiday season, I have met and engaged with a significant number of visitors to the Island, including resort guests, villa guests, business people, and management companies. The most common complaint among them all has been the dreadful situation at the Howard Hamilton International Airport (Providenciales International Airport).

When I was young my mother's family were hoteliers and, during most holidays, I would stay at one or other of the hotels. An old head waiter told me that the most important thing about guest satisfaction is the first impression, and the second most important is the last impression. If the starter is impressive and the coffee is excellent, the guest will generally be very happy. The main course and dessert are always judged more kindly if the starter is good, and any slight complaint is insignificant if the coffee and cheese are top quality. The same applies to visitors to our islands.

After a lengthy flight the greatest irritation comes from a delay in landing; if that is then followed by a long wait to process through immigration the situation is worse. Somehow even the long wait in the immigration line does not always mean that the baggage is ready to collect.

I realise that the present airport was poorly designed by an architect with no previous experience in airport design and no clear understanding of logistics. As the volume increases the cracks keep getting wider.

The facilities on arrival are woefully inadequate and uncomfortable, and when a passenger eventually gets out of the building he then has to contend with the mess outside to find transportation. The logistics setup is back to front. In most airports passengers walk through the building and exit on a taxi ramp specific to the purpose, but instead we have pick up and drop off on the same short stretch of roadway. The building is back to front; the taxi parking area should be the pick up area. If arrivals were set up where departures presently exist, passengers could exit directly into the taxi parking lot. That lot should also serve hotel transports. Allow limousines to pick up closer to the front door.

In the meantime, arrivals could be converted to departures, and drop off would be on the south end of the building, with vehicles completing the circle and moving out of the way.

Last year we heard much discussion about moving the terminal and building a new facility, but it seems, for one reason or another, that has not happened and the plan is back to the drawing board. Our tourism product has not yet fully developed, but to retain our position and advance we must deal with the airport as a major priority. Tourism is fickle, and bad experiences are now shared quickly on social media. Let me alter a famous quote mostly attributed to the wrong people. Jonathan Swift said "Falsehood flies and truth comes limping after it." Mark Twain and Winston Churchill are also credited with variations over the years, but the basic message is the same. On social media, bad news gets halfway round the world while good news is still putting its pants on. As a major destination we must always strive to mitigate circumstances which result in bad news. Delays and poor service at the airport destroy the first impression. Although most tourists were very pleased with the resorts they stayed in and the standards of food and service they experienced, and were totally in awe of the beaches and the waters, they will tell their friends and post their stories about the terrible experience at the airport.

Resolving this problem must be our highest priority in order to remain at the top of a very competitive industry.

We should begin immediately seeking the best operators we can find in Europe and the Americas and, for that matter, in South East Asia where there are some outstanding airports like Changi in Singapore. The experience that will bring us efficient design and effortless flow of passengers through the facility will stand us in good stead. Another aspect we must consider is scale and the ability to absorb growth. In 2010, when the present facility was poorly conceived by people with little or no experience of the tourist industry, there was no concept of development of the industry. Now we find ourselves trying to fit a quart into a pint pot.

The airport should be a PPP, but the private partner we need is a company with a proven track record in the operation of a top class airport facility in a top class destination.

At the moment we waste a huge amount of space by allowing car rental companies to use the airport car park. These rental companies make significant profits and I see no reason why they should not have their own premises and use shuttle buses to get their customers to and from the airport, as is the case in most airports. With all the new developments on the books at present, the volume of tourists will increase significantly over the

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I don't believe in germs



BY DAVIDSON LOUIS

Rachel Wolchin once said: "If we were meant to stay in one place, we'd have had roots instead of feet." On this quest to self-discovery, TC Islander Davidson Louis vowed to travel, write, paint, laugh and forgive. Subsequently, he hopes to find himself and or, leave behind a few pieces of himself. Contact him at hello.octopen@tcinews.tc

I've come to a controversial conclusion after years of deep research in every club in Manchester, and making out with people I met 12 minutes earlier: I don't believe in germs. Or rather, I don't believe in germs when the person carrying them is hot. Science may disagree, doctors may panic, but my immune system and my bad decisions have formed a very strong alliance.

This belief was not formed overnight. It was built slowly—one shared cocktail straw at a time, one "try my drink" moment after a stranger licked the rim, one ill-advised kiss outside a club while Tina Turner was still Rolling on the River. And yet? I live. Thrive, even. Coincidence? I think not.

Don't get me wrong—I respect germs. I acknowledge their existence. I wash my hands… selectively. But there is a very specific loophole in my personal health philosophy, and it opens the moment someone with good bone structure smiles at me. Suddenly, germs feel like a rumour. A myth. A conspiracy theory started by all the haters.

So in the spirit of honesty, vulnerability, and questionable logic, here are the truths I live by—the unscientific, wildly biased rules that govern my daily life. Call it delusion. Call it confidence. Call it natural selection with Wi-Fi.

Hot people don't carry germs, they carry vibes If you're attractive, whatever you're spreading is clearly just good energy. Possibly charisma. Definitely not bacteria. I want it.

Sharing drinks is basically a trust exercise. If I sip after you, it means I believe in us. Or at least in your skincare routine. I sip, flick my short hi lashes, and hope for the best.

Immunity is directly linked to attractiveness. The hotter the person, the stronger my immune system becomes. This is not peer-reviewed, but it is spiritually confirmed. And Lord, let it be a tall somebody too!

The five-second rule extends to five minutes when you're cute. Food fell on the floor? Tragic. But if a hot person hands it back to me? Sanitised. Blessed. Approved. Licked. Eaten.

Germs respect confidence. I walk through life with the energy of someone who refuses to get sick. Germs sense that and move on to weaker hosts.

If I didn't see you cough, it didn't happen Out of sight, out of mind, out of lungs.

Kissing is a risk I'm willing to take for the plot Every good story starts with, "I probably shouldn't have, but—"

I only get sick from people I wasn't that into. This one feels personal. And accurate.

So do I believe in germs? Sure—academically. Emotionally? Absolutely not. Especially not when charm, chemistry, and a great smile are involved. Life is short, attraction is fleeting, and hand sanitiser ruins the moment. So until proven otherwise, I will continue living my truth: cautious when necessary, reckless when hot, and blissfully unaware of whatever science has to say about it.

Spread germs, not legs—and have fun. Tell me all of your delusional truths. I live for them!

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Letters

A Turks and Caicos we can all be proud of

Dear editor,

What's on my mind is a Turks and Caicos that deserves to be celebrated, not reshaped into something unrecognisable.

Yes, Providenciales has grown. It has welcomed businesses, ideas, and people from all over the world, and in many ways, it reflects the beauty of a melting pot. But growth should not mean erasure. Progress should not require us to trade away the very soul of who we are.

There is a moment we are standing in right now that calls for intention. Stop. Pause. Preserve. Think ahead for the generations to come. All is not lost, but it can be, if we do not choose wisely.

Each Islander is unique to the island they are from. Even our dialogue carries the imprint of where we come from. Our accents, expressions, rhythms, and ways of telling stories quietly reveal our home islands. That is our power. That is our beauty. The true richness of Turks and Caicos lives in its people as much as in its landscapes. Exploring and preserving our islands must also mean exploring and preserving their inhabitants, their knowledge, their traditions, and their ways of life. We are not here to invent something foreign. We are here to shape and mould what we have already been given. God has already provided the blueprint. We only need to slow down long enough to see what is right in front of us.

No one knows your country or your product better than you who have lived it. Why try to be something we are not? Each time we attempt to imitate another place, we lose a piece of our own lifestyle. A lived experience is what gives us the authority to shape our present and our future.

I envision the marketing and development of our Family Islands not as replicas of somewhere else, but as island treasures. Places where businesses rise from culturally focused initiatives, designed first with residents in mind, and where visitors are welcomed into an authentic haven that reflects what Turks and Caicos truly represents.

North Caicos as a living sanctuary. Lush, green, and respected. A place for nature trails, wildlife exploration, farming traditions, and environmental exhibitions, where development works with the land, not against it.

Middle Caicos safeguarded for its history and natural wonders. Its caves protected not only as attractions, but as classrooms. Its flamingos preserved as symbols of the fragile beauty we are responsible for protecting.

South Caicos honored as the salt and fishing capital. The rhythm of boats, salt ponds, and sea life forming the heart of its identity. A working island where maritime culture and sustainable fishing are supported, celebrated, and passed down.

Grand Turk restored and respected as a cultural and historical anchor. Front Street with its light and British flair revived with intention. The return of a strong public library and cultural spaces for those who adore history, storytelling, and research.

Salt Cay protected in its quiet uniqueness. A picturesque island lifestyle centered on stillness, craftsmanship, heritage, and community.

The heart of this vision is not tourism alone. It is our people.

Celebrate our island cultures. Create small businesses that allow islanders to thrive with dignity, love, and respect. Build economies that sustain us without displacing us. Let development work in service of community, not the other way around.

Teach our youth the trades, the arts, the skills, and the stories while our elders are still here to pass them on. Boat building, straw work, farming, fishing, cooking, music, storytelling, herbal knowledge, construction, and design. These are not relics. They are foundations.

From this, innovation is born. When young people are rooted, they can modernize tradition without losing it. They can bridge yesterday and today. They can create futures that honor the past instead of replacing it.

We do not need to become a concrete jungle to be successful. We do not need to mirror other places to be worthy. We do not need to sacrifice our identity to attract the world.

What we need is the courage to protect what is left, the wisdom to shape what is coming, and the commitment to ensure that being a Turks and Caicos Islander is not just a title, but a living experience our people can still feel, recognize, and pass on.

Alicia Swann
Turks and Caicos Islander

The new Immigration Act is creating a police state. Is that really what we want?

"A border force officer has the following general powers—(a) without warrant, to enter and search any premises, (b) without warrant to seize and detain any thing." That's the power granted to Border Force agents in the new Immigration Bill 2025 (see §72 (1) (a)).

Agents are now able to enter any home in the Islands without a warrant and seize anything, explicitly including electronic devices. There is no oversight or requirement for court orders. For example, if they break into your home in the middle of the night and you try to record them, they are able to legally seize your phone, cameras, DVR, documents, and anything else they want.

This unbelievable power should concern any reasonable person.

The government's justification is probably: "we need to deal with the informal settlements, and we don't like having to get court orders and warrants as it's too much effort." But those legal safeguards exist for a reason. Critics warn that there are countless examples of countries that granted extreme powers to police, and it was always a matter of time before those powers were abused.

In South Africa, police were granted extreme powers to search homes without warrants. Who was a common target? Black South Africans organising political resistance.

In East Germany, the Stasi were granted power to enter homes without warrants. Who were their targets? Political dissidents.

In the Soviet Union, the NKVD had power to enter homes without warrants. What was the effect? Creating a reign of terror and forcing individuals to "fall in line or face the consequences."

History shows how easily such powers can be abused. When combined with the "ability to take any thing" from your house (such as a recording of them busting in your home in the middle of the night), that means it will be your word against that of several agents. Whose version of events do you think will hold up in court?

Do we want to live in a society where the rule of law and privacy are things of the past? In my view, trusting the "discretion" of agents to decide whether to invade your home and privacy is not enough.

Unfortunately, the proposed changes don't stop there. Border Force agents will also have the ability to collect your DNA, without any requirement for cause or legal justification. They simply have this new power (see §130 (1)).

In my view, DNA is incredibly private, as it shows ancestry, parentage, susceptibility to hereditary diseases, and many more attributes. We have seen many DNA databases hacked, such as the recent 23andMe breach, along with the national database in Libya (under Gaddafi, nationals were required to provide DNA when applying for a passport).

How long will it be until the government's DNA database is compromised? Will they even admit it if there is a breach? We never got any real details on the recent government hack, so it's unlikely.

Competent policing does not require unchecked power. The police have the ability to obtain warrants. The police can enter premises in exigent circumstances, such as pursuing a criminal. They do not need the power to randomly enter your home without cause just because they want to or don't feel like getting a warrant.

Once you give up your rights and privacy, a population rarely gets those back. So ask yourself: should a random Border Force agent have the right to break into your home in the middle of the night and take whatever they want? In my view, the answer is no. If they have a reason, they should go to court and get a warrant. We don't want to live in a police state.

A CONCERNED CITIZEN

Disaster at Provo International ...

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coming years and we must take action to preserve this essential service and keep the space we need for current needs and expansion. There is available land in the vicinity and the rental companies should be removed from the airport facilities and pushed to find suitable premises for themselves.

There is another aspect we must address in order to have efficient flow of passengers through the airport. Having a single runway is an obvious problem but little can be done about that for now. The more significant problem is the airspace. As the volume of flights increases we must start to dictate to the airlines rather than the historic situation where they chose their flight schedules. If they wish to fly here, they must be willing to schedule arrivals and departures in a sensible spread from our point of view. At present we have concentrations of flights during certain time periods and the rest of the time the schedule is sparse. Any weather problem in North America which causes delays and reschedules arrivals causes a further impact on our limited resources. At times planes have to circle, sometimes for 30 minutes or more because the plane is late and, in many cases, the same happens if the plane is early.

There is no easy solution to the airspace problem, but with the cooperation of the airlines I am sure there are ways to ease the congestion and create a more effective and efficient system.

If we do manage to get back on track for a new terminal I sincerely hope that we can create a PPP with international expertise from the private sector and welcome them into boardroom positions on TCIAA.

The latest announcement indicates that the Government intends to build a new arrivals facility and use the old one as departures only in order to fill the gap until the entire project goes back out to tender. I sincerely hope that the new arrivals facility is built using sound advice from specialists and in such manner as to be seamlessly incorporated within the entire new complex.

EXPLORING AI

Checking without building



BY DAVE KEIL
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Exploring AI is a fascinating hobby for me. My chemical and mechanical engineering roots taught me mathematics and system dynamics, finance sharpened my understanding of mathematical modeling and the economics of information, project management honed the orchestration of interconnected systems, and ham radio demystified how signals can be transformed, processed, and propagated. This all aids my intuition around how AI systems optimize, learn, and evolve. Come headfirst with me down this rabbit hole.

Have you ever grabbed an AI's quick answer and run with it, only to hit a snag because you didn't test it out? I explored to try to get to the root of the issue—why checking AI facts feels tough when it can be simpler than making the answer from scratch, and how thinking of your chats as a search for hidden treasure can help you spot the real deal.

THE CHECK GAP

Lots of folks chat with AI like it's a super-smart buddy. It spits out facts, plans, or ideas fast. In online groups buzzing about tech, people share AI wins but skip the "Is this true?" step. They figure that if the AI built the answer, checking it must be just as hard. But that is not the case. For many things, spotting if it's right, takes way less work than making it up.

Picture this example. You ask for a quick way to fix a bike chain. The AI says to use oil X. It is easy to test. Just try it or look it up. You do not need to know every bike part. But if no one checks, bad tips spread like wildfire.

WHY IT HAPPENS

First, AI acts confident even when it is wrong. It pulls from tons of data, but it mixes real stuff with guesses. We can call it overeager. It wants to help, so it fills gaps without saying "I'm not sure."

Second, users assume depth. If AI nails tough stuff, like writing a poem, we think it aces basics too. But it is jagged. It has peaks in creativity and dips in simple facts.

Third, in excited communities, the thrill skips checks. People say, "AI said it, so cool!" But without tools, mistakes slip by. Hype outruns know-how.

THE FIX

See your AI chat as a treasure hunt. Your prompt is the map. It searches a huge space of ideas for paths to an answer. Verification is different. You just follow a few clues to see if the treasure is real. You do not need to remap everything.

Here is trick one. Go adversarial. Tell the AI, "Give me an answer, then list ways it could be wrong." Or say in a new thread, "Fact-check this step-by-step." It is like the AI argues with itself. This is quick and catches slips. For math-related stuff, this echoes big ideas. Solving a puzzle can be hard, like finding a hidden code. But checking one is easy. You just plug it in and see.

Trick two is to cross-check lightly. Ask for sources, then spot-scan one or two. Or rephrase your question differently. If answers match, that is a good sign. There is no need to rebuild. Just poke around.

This flips chats from blind trust to smart searches. You will catch more and learn more. You will keep the fun. Next time an AI answers, hunt those clues. It doesn't have to be hard.

How what children eat affects asthma and breathing allergies



Asthma and breathing allergies, such as allergic rhinitis, are becoming more common in children. While genetics and the environment are important, research shows that everyday food choices also affect children's breathing health.

Many children with asthma or allergies continue to have symptoms even when they take their medications correctly. In many cases, diet plays a role. Eating a lot of ultra-processed foods, (such as packaged snacks, cookies, candy, sugary drinks, and fast food) is linked to more inflammation in the body and poorer asthma control. These foods are high in sugar, unhealthy fats, and additives that can make breathing problems worse.

In contrast, fresh and natural foods help protect children's lungs. Fruits, vegetables, beans, whole grains, nuts, fish, and olive oil provide vitamins and minerals that support the immune system and help reduce inflammation. Studies show that children who eat healthier diets have fewer asthma attacks and fewer breathing symptoms.

Researchers are also learning more about the gut–lung connection. The gut contains billions of helpful bacteria that support the immune system. When children eat fiber-rich foods, such as fruits, vegetables, and beans, these bacteria produce substances that calm inflammation. This can help keep airways less sensitive and reduce allergic reactions.

Body weight is another important factor. Children who are overweight often have ongoing inflammation, which can worsen asthma and make breathing harder. Regular physical activity and balanced meals support healthier lungs.

For children with food allergies, some families remove many foods without medical guidance. When diets are too restrictive, children may miss key nutrients needed for growth and immune health. Food restrictions should always be supervised by healthcare professionals.

Healthy eating does not replace asthma or allergy medications, but it helps them work better and improves quality of life.

PRACTICAL TIPS FOR FAMILIES

- Offer fruits and vegetables every day, aiming for a variety of colors.
- Limit ultra-processed foods, such as packaged snacks, fast food, and sugary drinks.
- Choose whole foods like beans, whole grains, fish, eggs, and nuts (when age-appropriate).
- Encourage active play every day, even simple activities like walking or playing outside.
- Eat together as a family and set a healthy example.
- Do not remove food without medical advice, especially in children with allergies.
- Follow asthma and allergy treatment plans and use healthy eating as extra support.



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Small daily changes can lead to better breathing and healthier children in the long term.

Regional News

US suspending immigrant visa processing from 75 countries

– the Bahamas, Jamaica and several other Caribbean nations included

The State Department said Wednesday it will suspend the processing of immigrant visas for citizens of 75 countries whose nationals are deemed likely to require public assistance while living in the United States.

The Bahamas is reportedly included on the list, joining other CARICOM states like Antigua and Barbuda, Jamaica, and Barbados.

The suspension, which will begin Jan. 21, will not apply to applicants seeking non-immigrant visas, or temporary tourist or business visas.

The State Department, led by Secretary Marco Rubio, said it had instructed consular officers to halt immigrant visa applications from the countries affected in accordance with a broader order issued in November that tightened rules around potential immigrants who might become "public charges" in the U.S.

"The Trump administration is bringing an end to the abuse of America's immigration system by those who would extract wealth from the American people," the department said in a statement. "Immigrant visa processing from these 75 countries will be paused while the State Department reassess immigration processing procedures to prevent the entry of foreign nationals who would take welfare and public benefits."

The list includes Russia, Iran and Afghanistan, as well as multiple countries in Africa, according to the State Department.



The Bahamas is one of 11 Caribbean nations on the suspension

President Donald Trump's administration has already severely restricted immigrant and non-immigrant visa processing for citizens of dozens of countries, many of them in Africa.

According to Fox News, the full list of countries comprises of: Afghanistan, Albania, Algeria, Antigua and Barbuda, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Bahamas, Bangladesh, Barbados, Belarus, Belize, Bhutan, Bosnia, Brazil, Burma, Cambodia, Cameroon, Cape Verde, Colombia, Cote d'Ivoire, Cuba, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Dominica, Egypt, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Fiji, Gambia, Georgia, Ghana, Grenada, Guatemala, Guinea, Haiti, Iran, Iraq, Jamaica, Jordan, Kazakhstan, Kosovo, Kuwait, Kyrgyzstan, Laos, Lebanon, Liberia, Libya, Macedonia, Moldova, Mongolia, Montenegro, Morocco, Nepal, Nicaragua, Nigeria, Pakistan, Republic of the Congo, Russia, Rwanda, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Somalia, South Sudan, Sudan, Syria, Tanzania, Thailand, Togo, Tunisia, Uganda, Uruguay, Uzbekistan and Yemen. (Tribune242)



Prime Minister Philip "Brave" Davis

Bahamas: VAT to be axed on all groceries

Prime Minister Philip Davis last night announced the complete removal of VAT on food sold in grocery stores, a major tax policy shift the government says is aimed at easing persistent cost-of-living pressures.

Speaking during a national address, Mr Davis said VAT on food will be reduced to zero as of April 1, applying to all grocery items sold in food stores, including fresh produce, baby food, frozen items and packaged goods. The exemption will not apply to hot or ready-to-eat meals.

The move represents the latest in a series of VAT adjustments under the Davis administration. After coming to office in 2021, the government reduced the standard VAT rate from 12 percent to ten percent, reversing an increase introduced in 2018. Last year, VAT on food was cut again, from ten percent to five percent. Last night's announcement eliminates the tax entirely on grocery food.

Mr Davis linked the policy to broader efforts to address affordability, pointing to high food prices, electricity costs and housing expenses as ongoing burdens for households. He said the VAT change would work alongside other initiatives, including energy reform, expanded domestic food production and new trade arrangements intended to reduce import costs.

Mr Davis also announced expanded property tax concessions, saying owner-occupied duplexes and triplexes will now qualify for residential exemptions.

He added that concessions for first-time homeowners have been widened, part of what he described as a broader effort to reduce housing-related costs and support asset ownership.

Before announcing the VAT cut, Mr Davis criticised the 2018 increase in the tax rate, arguing it weakened domestic spending ahead of a series of economic shocks, including Hurricane Dorian and the COVID-19 pandemic. He said his administration's approach since 2021 has been to provide targeted relief while stabilising public finances.

PM urges church partnership to help further reduce Jamaica's murder rate

Prime Minister Dr Andrew Holness is urging the church to partner with the Government in reducing Jamaica's murder rate to align with the regional average.

He noted that the country recorded a 31-year low of fewer than 700 murders in 2025; however, the Government's broader aim is to reach the regional benchmark of 15 murders per 100,000 population.

The Prime Minister added that Jamaica is nearing the target, with the country currently recording fewer than 25 murders per 100,000 population.

In pursuit of this goal, Holness emphasised that partnership is vital in tackling social violence, including intimate partner conflicts, domestic disputes, and petty quarrels between neighbours that too often turn deadly.

"These are the [forms of] social violence that we're going to need the help of the church [with]… not just in prayers but in action. We must now, as a society, from the pulpit preach the rejection of violence as a means of resolving conflict," Holness maintained.

He was speaking at the 20th staging of the 'Heal the Family, Heal the Nation' Day of Prayer Service, held at Power of Faith Ministries in Portmore, St Catherine on Wednesday, January 7.

Holness argued that the church is uniquely positioned to intervene swiftly in situations that could escalate to violence, by offering counselling and employing diversion measures.

"There are many youngsters in communities [who] could very well be in the church choir as they could be in a gang. It is only because the gangs reach out to them and not the church choir why they are in the gang and not the church choir. So, we are going to now need the army of the church to pull in those youngsters and divert them away from the gangs and the criminal activities," the Prime Minister further emphasised.



Prime Minister Dr Andrew Holness (right) greets Founder of Power of Faith Ministries International, Bishop Dr Delford Davis, during the 'Heal the Family, Heal the Nation' Day of Prayer service on Wednesday, January 7

He maintained that by working in tandem with the police force and the army, the church can help Jamaica attain peace – defined as the ability to resolve conflict without resorting to violence.

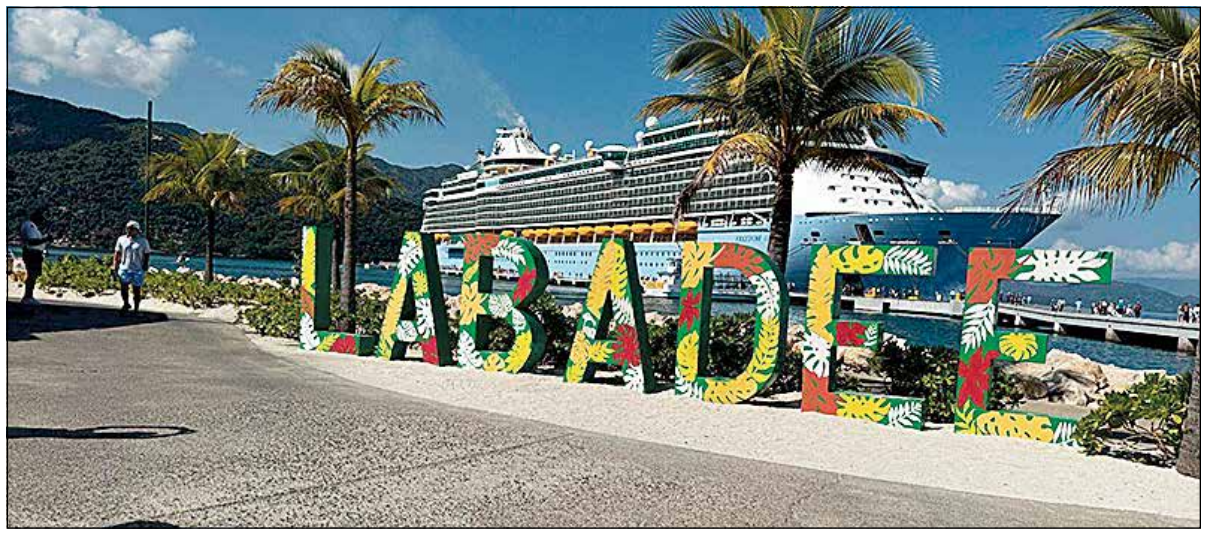
Holness appealed to those engaged in criminal activities to "save [themselves]" by turning away from violence and surrendering their guns.

He further urged the church to "pray for them so that their hearts will be touched so they will turn away from criminal activity".

The service was hosted by Power of Faith Ministries International under the theme 'Reunite and Build the Family with Love and Forgiveness', coinciding with the sixth Annual National Day of Prayer. (Jamaicainformationservice)

Regional News

Royal Caribbean continues to cancel stops to its private Haiti destination



Royal Caribbean Cruise Lines has extended the suspension of its northern Haiti cruise port stop in Labadee until the end of 2026

At a moment when Haiti's tourism continues to grind to a halt, the country is facing another setback. Royal Caribbean, which had suspended visits to its private destination of Labadee in northern Haiti until May of this year, says the service will now remain suspended through December 2026.

"Out of an abundance of caution, we have extended our pause to Labadee," a spokesperson for Royal Caribbean Group said, declining to elaborate on the concerns behind the decision. The Miami-based cruise line said it has already communicated the extension directly to affected guests. Last April, after cancelling scheduled visits in 2024, the cruise line informed travel agents that their ships would not make any visits to Labadee until at least May 2026.

The prospect of at least eight more months without cruise passengers visiting the northern coast of Haiti, which is hours away from the capital, comes as the country's second-largest city, nearby Cap-Haïtien, grows increasingly strained by an influx of people fleeing gang violence in Port-au-Prince and surrounding towns, as well as returnees from the United States and neighbouring countries, including the Dominican Republic. It also adds to the financial woes of the country, which remains under a State Department Level 4 "Do not travel" warning and, after years of welcoming several hundred thousand of visitors, only saw 175,000 foreign visitors last year, according to its tourism ministry. For 14 months the main international airport, Toussaint Louverture in Port-au-Prince, has remained off-limits to U.S. commercial flights, with American Airlines laying off its remaining workers. That has left only the smaller airports in Cap-Haïtien and Les Cayes available for international travel.

The Les Cayes facility, Antoine Simon International Airport, was finally authorized last month by the Transportation Security Administration as a "Last Point of Departure," meaning Florida-bound passengers no longer have to travel through Cap-Haïtien for secondary inspection before arriving in the U.S. While Royal Caribbean is re-routing its cruise passengers to other destinations like Grand Turk in the Turks and Caicos Islands and Nassau, Bahamas, hundreds of families in northern Haiti will continue to see their incomes dwindle as a result of the stoppage at what the cruise lines has long considered one of its exclusive port destinations. Hundreds of families depended on the stop to eke out a living through the sale of arts and crafts and guided excursions. (Miami Herald)

Bermuda govt launches island-wide electoral reform town halls

The Bermuda Government is inviting members of the public to take part in a series of island-wide town hall meetings aimed at shaping electoral reform and improving the territory's voting system.

The initiative, announced on January 12, 2026, is being led by the Minister for the Cabinet Office and Digital Innovation, Diallo Rabain, and forms part of the Government's broader effort to modernise Bermuda's electoral system while strengthening public trust and participation in the democratic process.



Minister for the Cabinet Office and Digital Innovation, Diallo Rabain

According to the Government, the town halls are designed to gather public input on how elections can be made easier, fairer and more accessible for all Bermudians. Each session will feature a short presentation followed by a moderated discussion, giving residents the opportunity to ask questions, share concerns and contribute directly to the reform process.

"These town halls are about listening," Rabain said. "Hearing directly from the public will help guide reforms that strengthen confidence, fairness, and accessibility in Bermuda's electoral system. I encourage everyone to attend, ask questions, and share their perspectives."

Discussions will focus on several key areas under consideration, including the introduction of absentee voting for eligible Bermudian students studying overseas, the establishment of clear and transparent standards for political parties and campaign financing, and ensuring the voters' register remains accurate, private and transparent. Other topics include modernising electoral systems and technology, as well as setting consistent and fair rules for polling day administration.

The Electoral Reform Town Hall Tour will take place at multiple locations across the island.

Government officials say feedback gathered during the meetings will help inform future electoral reforms and support efforts to ensure Bermuda's democratic system reflects the needs and expectations of its citizens. (Caribbeannewsweekly)

Premier Wheatley surprised at USVI's appeal to Trump over BVI charter fees

Premier Dr Natalio Wheatley said he was taken by surprise by an appeal from stakeholders in the United States Virgin Islands (USVI) to US President Donald Trump regarding recent charter fee changes introduced in the British Virgin Islands (BVI).

Speaking on the Talking Points programme, the Premier said the move came despite years of dialogue between the BVI and the USVI governments on the operation of the marine industry and proposed amendments affecting charter activity.

The Premier explained that discussions between the two administrations intensified following the COVID-19 period, when many charter operators relocated operations to the USVI while continuing to use BVI waters. He said the measures introduced at the time, including work permits and trade licence requirements, generated widespread industry complaints.

According to Dr Wheatley, his administration moved to ease those restrictions after taking office, including mutual recognition of business licences for water taxis and the removal of work permit requirements, while making clear that amendments would follow to address competitive imbalances.



St Thomas to Tortola is 18–22 miles by water route

He noted that charter fees in the BVI had not been revised for over three decades. "We hadn't amended our fees since 1992 when the legislation was passed by the late great Lavity Stoutt. So the fees were 30 years old," the Premier said. He added that the government believed the territory should receive a fair return from charter operations that largely rely on the BVI as the primary attraction.

Premier Wheatley said his government was transparent throughout the process and held discussions with USVI counterparts, believing its position was understood. Against that background, he described the appeal to Trump as unexpected.

"So certainly it would have come as a great surprise to me to see an appeal to Donald Trump to get involved in the USVI–BVI relationship. That certainly came as a surprise to me," Dr Wheatley stated.

World News

European military personnel arrive in Greenland as Trump says US needs island

A small French military contingent has arrived in Greenland's capital Nuuk, officials say, as several European states deploy small numbers in a so-called reconnaissance mission.

The limited deployment, which also involves Germany, Sweden, Norway, Finland, the Netherlands and the UK, comes as US President Donald Trump continues to press his claim to the Arctic island, which is a semi-autonomous part of Denmark.

French President Emmanuel Macron said the initial contingent would be reinforced soon with "land, air, and sea assets".

Senior diplomat Olivier Poivre d'Arvor saw the mission as sending a strong political signal: "This is a first exercise... we'll show the US that Nato is present."

Poivre d'Arvor said the initial French deployment involved 15 people, hours after Denmark and Greenland's foreign ministers travelled to Washington for a meeting with US Vice-President JD Vance on Wednesday.

Following the meeting, Danish Foreign Minister Lars Lokke Rasmussen said while the talks were constructive, there remained a "fundamental disagreement" between the two sides and later criticised Trump's bid to buy Greenland.

Trump, meanwhile, doubled down on his bid to bring Greenland under US control, telling reporters in the Oval Office, "we need Greenland for national security". Although he did not rule out the use of force, he said late on Wednesday that he thought something could be worked out with Denmark.



A Danish air force transport plane arrived in Greenland as European Nato allies deployed to the capital, Nuuk, for joint exercises

"The problem is there's not a thing that Denmark can do about it if Russia or China wants to occupy Greenland, but there's everything we can do. You found that out last week with Venezuela."

Polish Prime Minister Donald Tusk said Poland was not planning to join the European military deployment to Greenland, but warned that any US military intervention there "would be a political disaster".

"A conflict or attempted annexation of the territory of a Nato member by another Nato member would be the end of the world as we know it - and which for many years guaranteed our security," he told a press conference.

Russia's embassy in Belgium meanwhile expressed "serious concern" at what was unfolding in the Arctic, accusing Nato of building up a military presence there "under the false pretext of a growing threat from Moscow and Beijing".

However, the European Nato deployment consists of only a few dozen personnel as part of Danish-led joint exercises called Operation Arctic Endurance. While heavy in symbolism, it was not immediately clear how long they would stay.

Finland is sending two military liaison officers for what it said was a fact-finding mission during what was currently a planning stage of the operation.

"Right now we are not ruling anything out but we are not specifically considering anything," Janne Kuusela, head of the defence ministry's policy department, told the BBC.

Finland is also an Arctic nation, and Kuusela said the aim was to increase the and defence of an allied territory, following concerns about how firm a grip Nato had on Greenland.

Germany was sending an A400M transport plane to Nuuk on Thursday with a contingent of 13 soldiers, although officials said they would stay in Greenland only until Saturday.

Danish defence officials said they had decided with the government of Greenland that there would be an increased military presence around Greenland in the coming period to bolster Nato's "footprint in the Arctic for the benefit of both European and transatlantic security".

Macron, in his new year address to France's armed forces, said Europeans had a special responsibility to Greenland "because this territory belongs to the European Union and it's also one of our Nato allies".

The US already has a military base in Greenland, currently staffed by up to 150 people, and has the option of bringing in far greater numbers under existing agreements with Copenhagen. But the Danish-led initiative is seen as signalling to the Trump administration that its European allies also have a stake in security in the Arctic and North Atlantic.

Sweden's prime minister said Swedish army officers had been sent to Nuuk on Wednesday. Two Norwegian soldiers, one British military officer and a Dutch naval officer were also being sent.

Downing Street said the UK shared President Trump's concern about "the security of the High North", and said the deployment involved "stepping up with stronger exercising, to deter the Russian aggression and the Chinese activity."

Danish Prime Minister Mette Frederiksen said on Thursday that defence and protection of Greenland was a common concern for the entire Nato alliance. (BBC)

White House defends Trump over middle-finger gesture at heckler

The White House has defended US President Donald Trump after he aimed an offensive gesture at a heckler during his appearance at the Ford factory in Detroit on Tuesday.

Footage of the incident published by TMZ appears to show Trump responding to a man who shouted at him from afar.

The White House said: "A lunatic was wildly screaming expletives in a complete fit of rage, and the President gave an appropriate and unambiguous response."

The heckler has been suspended by Ford, the United Auto Workers union told the BBC's US partner, CBS News. Within 24 hours of the incident, two separate GoFundMe pages have raised nearly $700,000 (£521,000) for him from more than 27,000 donors.

A Ford spokesperson told CBS: "One of our core values is respect and we don't condone anyone saying anything inappropriate like that within our facilities.

"When that happens, we have a process to deal with it but we don't get into specific personnel matters."

According to the subtitles provided by TMZ, the heckler called Trump a "paedophile protector".

In the clip, which shows Trump from a distance, the president can be seen speaking back at the heckler, allegedly mouthing an expletive as well as using a middle-finger gesture.

A man who spoke to The Washington Post, named TJ Sabula, identified himself as the man who shouted. He said he had "no regrets" about what he did.



The incident occurred while Trump toured a Ford factory in Michigan

Sabula reportedly said he his remarks referred to Trump's handling of the Epstein files.

Trump has faced pressure for more transparency on what was uncovered by federal investigations into Jeffrey Epstein, the late convicted sex offender.

Trump signed a law that compelled the Department of Justice (DoJ) to release all the files that it held on Epstein by 19 December, although only a fraction of the files have so far been made public.

Trump was once friends with Epstein before they fell out, which Trump says was years before Epstein was first arrested. Trump has not been accused of any wrongdoing in connection with Epstein.

United Automotive Workers (UAW), the union that represents Sabula, defended his actions, saying: "He believes in freedom of speech, a principle we wholeheartedly embrace, and we stand with our membership in protecting their voice on the job."

Trump was in Detroit on Tuesday to give a speech to the Detroit Economic Club.

World News

Starmer does not rule out backing social media ban for under-16s

Prime Minister Sir Keir Starmer has not ruled out banning British under-16-year-olds from social media, saying "all options are on the table".

He said more needed to be done to protect children from social media and that he was watching "what is happening in Australia" where a ban has been recently introduced.

Privately, many Labour MPs and officials have said they expect the UK government to follow Australia's example.

Next week, the House of Lords is set to vote on proposals for a ban, which, if passed, could see pressure grow on the government to act.

Last week, the Conservatives announced they would block under-16s from social media platforms, as well as prohibiting smartphones in schools, if they won the next election.

Tory party leader Kemi Badenoch said "addictive" social media apps "correlates quite strongly" with a rise in mental health problems among young people.

Labour Greater Manchester Mayor Andy Burnham has said he agrees with "a lot of what Kemi Badenoch is saying" on social media use.

Earlier this week, Meta announced it had blocked about 500,000 accounts on its sites including Facebook and Instagram during its first week of compliance with the new law in Australia.

Asked if he would back a ban in the UK, Sir Keir said: "We need to better protect children from social media.



The Tories say they would keep their social media ban under review

"We're looking at what is happening in Australia - all options are on the table in relation to what further protections we can put in place - whether that's under-16s on social media or an issue I am very concerned about, under fives and screen time.

"Children are turning up age four at reception having spent far too much time on screens."

Some Labour MPs and officials have privately expressed frustration that Badenoch and Burnham have been able to get ahead of the government on the issue.

"It's where we will inevitably end up. It's what the public and parents want. I don't know what's keeping us so long," one senior government source said.

This week's confrontation with X over Grok AI, on which Downing Street is claiming "vindication", might embolden the government to have another battle with the big technology companies.

The issue could come to a head next week, with the House of Lords likely to vote on an amendment to the Children's Wellbeing and Schools Bill which would prevent under-16s from accessing social media.

It has been tabled by Lord Nash, a Conservative former education minister, but is jointly-sponsored by Baroness Benjamin, the Liberal Democrat peer and former children's TV presenter; the Labour peer Baroness Berger and Baroness Cass, an independent member of the House of Lords, who is a paediatrician.

Those involved in the amendment are optimistic it will pass.

If it does, the House of Commons would have to hold a binding vote on the issue in the next few months.

Asked if the government would implement a ban, Streeting told BBC Radio 4's Today programme that social media could create "greater connections and a sense of belonging" but also came with risks including the "harm of addling the developing mind of young people".

"And then there's really sinister, extreme stuff," he added citing exposure to pornography, grooming or violent extremism.

"We've got to think about traditional approaches in the modern setting.

"No one would dispute when I was growing up that being able to use tools like hammers or a saw was a good skill set for us to learn as young people.

"What would never happen was a nursery or primary school child being given a box of nails and left unattended with it. That's kind of what we have done with mobile phones."

The Molly Rose Foundation, a suicide prevention charity, has expressed concerns about the "unintended consequences of bans" arguing that they risk "pushing harm to unregulated areas rather than making products safe by design for children".

Andy Burrows, chief executive of the foundation, said: "Government should respond to overwhelming calls from parents for decisive action by fixing regulation with evidence-based solutions, not simplistic and populist calls for social media bans that would risk causing more harm than good.

"They should immediately publish the review into smartphones and social media that they have been sitting on for six months so parents can see what the evidence actually says, and government can act swiftly and decisively to protect children by doing what's right not simply what's easy."

A spokesperson for the Department of Science, Innovation and Technology said the study would be "published in due course" adding: "We are considering next steps in light of its conclusions."

"We are committed to keeping children safe online and will continue to develop policy informed by the best available evidence."

Under the Online Safety Act, tech companies are required to prevent young people from encountering harmful content relating to suicide, self-harm, eating disorders and pornography.

Platforms which do not comply with the law could face a fine, jail time, or in the most serious cases a ban in the UK.

Some social media companies already place limitations on how teenagers can use their platform; for example, Instagram requires users to be at least 13 years old.

Meta has set up Teen Accounts for its Instagram and Facebook apps, which allows parents to control the safety settings on their children's accounts and set time limits on how long the user can spend on the app.

The company also says it automatically blurs messages which it detects contain nudity and hides offensive messages sent to Teen Accounts. (BBC)

UK 'considering options' as Russia expels British diplomat over spy claims

The UK Foreign Office has said it is "carefully considering" a response to Russia expelling a British diplomat.

Moscow accused the unidentified man of being an intelligence agent working undercover at the embassy in Russia's capital.

He has been stripped of his accreditation and given two weeks to leave the country, according to a statement from Russia's foreign ministry. It added that Danae Dholakia, the British charge d'affaires, had been summoned over the matter.

In response, the UK government said Moscow was targeting diplomats out of "desperation" and "actions like this undermine the basic conditions required for diplomatic missions to operate".

Earlier on Thursday, Moscow said it would not tolerate "undeclared British intelligence officers" in its territory and warned that it would take further action if London escalates the situation.

A UK Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office spokesperson said this was not the first time the Kremlin had made "malicious and baseless accusations against our staff".

Diplomatic relations between the UK and Russia have worsened in recent years, with both countries expelling a number of each other's diplomats since Russia's full-scale invasion of Ukraine in 2022.

In March last year, Russia expelled two British officials over accusations of spying, with the UK Foreign Office accusing Moscow of "malicious and baseless accusations" against its staff.



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The UK, in response, revoked accreditation for a Russian diplomat and a diplomatic spouse, saying it would "not stand for intimidation of British embassy staff and their families". (BBC)

JOB VACANCIES

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GENERAL DESCRIPTION
Engineer responsible for daily technical supervision and planning support on a large-scale luxury hospitality construction project. We are currently seeking a highly skilled and technically proficient Site Engineer to join our team and support the delivery of complex, high-end construction works.

RESPONSIBILITIES:
- Oversee and manage construction activities from planning through execution.
- Coordinate closely with architects, engineers, and subcontractors to ensure strict adherence to specifications.
- Conduct detailed site inspections and ensure compliance with safety, quality, and technical standards.
- Prepare and maintain project documentation, including detailed reports, quality records, and schedules.
- Assist in planning and sequencing of works, identifying risks and proposing technical solutions.
- Monitor progress and implement corrective actions to maintain programme targets.

REQUIREMENTS:
- Bachelor's degree in Civil Engineering.
- Minimum 5 years of verifiable experience as a Site Engineer on large-scale commercial or hospitality projects.
- Advanced proficiency in Autodesk Construction Cloud (ACC), Procore (submittals, RFIs, daily logs), Navisworks Manage, and Microsoft Project.
- Strong understanding of construction methodologies, concrete works, and MEP coordination.
- Excellent analytical, organizational, and problem-solving skills.
- Ability to produce technical reports and work within a multidisciplinary team.
- English proficiency required.

HOW TO APPLY:
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2. FOREMAN

Structure Solutions TCI Ltd. is seeking an experienced and disciplined Foreman to supervise daily site operations and ensure the successful delivery of high-quality construction works.

RESPONSIBILITIES:
- Lead, supervise, and coordinate construction crews and subcontractors.
- Ensure works are completed according to schedule, budget, and required standards.
- Enforce site safety protocols and conduct toolbox meetings.
- Review and interpret drawings and schedules to plan daily work activities.
- Resolve onsite issues promptly and professionally.
- Conduct inspections to verify quality and compliance.
- Mentor crew members and promote a strong team environment.

Requirements:
- Minimum 5 years of experience as a Foreman on large commercial or hospitality projects.
- Strong leadership and communication skills.
- Ability to read drawings and understand technical details.
- Experience using Procore (daily logs, observations) or similar construction management platforms.
- Knowledge of TCI or international safety regulations; OSHA 30 preferred.
- Ability to enforce productivity and quality standards on site.

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3. PROJECT MANAGER
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Structure Solutions TCI Ltd. is seeking a highly qualified Project Manager to lead large-scale construction projects from initiation through completion, with a strong focus on luxury hospitality developments (5-star hotels and resorts) in Turks & Caicos.

The ideal candidate will have strong technical knowledge, leadership skills, and a proven record of delivering high-value projects.

KEY RESPONSIBILITIES:
- Lead planning, budgeting, scheduling, and execution of construction projects.
- Coordinate with architects, engineers, subcontractors, and clients to ensure alignment with project objectives.
- Oversee documentation, including contracts, RFIs, submittals, change orders, and progress reports.
- Conduct regular site visits and ensure compliance with safety, quality, and technical standards.
- Manage project risks, timelines, and resources proactively.
- Lead project teams and ensure high performance and accountability.

QUALIFICATIONS:
- Bachelor's degree in Construction Management, Civil Engineering, or related field.
- Minimum 7–10 years of experience managing large-scale commercial or hospitality projects.
- Proficient in Primavera P6, Microsoft Project, Procore, and ACC.
- Strong understanding of contract administration (FIDIC experience is an advantage).
- Excellent communication, negotiation, and leadership skills.
- Proven track record of completing projects on time and within budget.
- PMP certification.

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4. CONSTRUCTION SUPERINTENDENT

GENERAL DESCRIPTION
Responsible for daily field execution, coordination of work fronts, crews, and subcontractors on a large construction project.

RESPONSIBILITIES:
- Plan and coordinate daily and weekly construction activities (structure and/or finishes).
- Supervise foremen, crews, and subcontractors, monitoring productivity and performance.
- Ensure compliance with drawings and specifications, using BIM/Revit models when applicable.
- Report progress and deviations to the Project Manager, with basic support from Microsoft Project.
- Use Procore for daily reports, issues tracking, photos, and coordination.
- Coordinate with QA/QC and HSE teams to ensure quality and safety standards.

REQUIREMENTS:
- Civil Engineer, Master Builder, or equivalent technical qualification.
- 8–10 years of experience leading construction fronts on large-scale projects.
- Strong knowledge of planning and labor/equipment productivity.
- Experience with digital tools (basic MS Project, Procore).
- Strong leadership and decision-making skills in the field.
- Functional English.

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5. MEP ENGINEER / MEP COORDINATOR

GENERAL DESCRIPTION
Responsible for the technical coordination and execution of Mechanical, Electrical, and Plumbing (MEP) systems on a large construction project.

RESPONSIBILITIES:
- Review and coordinate MEP drawings with architecture/structure and Revit MEP/BIM models.
- Coordinate daily activities of MEP subcontractors on site.
- Verify installation of HVAC, electrical, plumbing, drainage, and fire protection systems.
- Integrate MEP activities into the master schedule using Microsoft Project.
- Record progress, testing, and commissioning activities in Procore and internal systems.
- Coordinate testing, inspections, and commissioning of MEP systems.

REQUIREMENTS:
- Degree in Mechanical, Electrical, Electromechanical Engineering, or related field.
- 8–10 years of experience in complex projects (hotels, hospitals, airports, large commercial).
- Experience with Revit MEP/BIM and Navisworks.
- Knowledge of NFPA, NEC, ASHRAE, and related standards.
- Proficiency in MS Project and Procore.
- Technical English.

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7. QA/QC ENGINEER – QUALITY MANAGER

GENERAL DESCRIPTION
Responsible for implementing and controlling the Project Quality Management System.

RESPONSIBILITIES:
- Develop and implement the Project Quality Plan.
- Define and execute inspection and test procedures (structural, architectural, and MEP).
- Coordinate with laboratories and suppliers to ensure material quality.
- Record inspections, tests, and non-conformities in Procoreand/or ERP systems.
- Review BIM/Revit models to validate critical construction details.
- Coordinate corrective actions with site teams and prevent recurrence.

REQUIREMENTS:
- Civil Engineer, Architect, or related profession.
- 8+ years of QA/QC experience on large-scale construction projects.
- Knowledge of ACI, ASTM, BS/EN, and quality control standards.
- Proficiency in Procore, ERP systems, and advanced Excel.
- Functional English.

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8. HEALTH, SAFETY & ENVIRONMENT (HSE) COORDINATOR

GENERAL DESCRIPTION
Responsible for the project Health, Safety, and Environmental (HSE) management system.

RESPONSIBILITIES:
- Develop and update the HSE Plan.
- Conduct periodic inspections and record findings.
- Investigate incidents and near-misses and define corrective actions.
- Deliver HSE inductions and training to all personnel.
- Coordinate PPE usage, work permits, and high-risk activity procedures.
- Maintain up-to-date HSE records.

REQUIREMENTS:
- Professional background in Engineering, Occupational Safety, or related field.
- 5–8 years of experience in HSE within construction or heavy industry.
- NEBOSH, OSHA, IOSH, or similar certifications (desirable).
- Experience implementing HSE systems on large-scale projects.
- Functional English.

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- Read and interpret construction drawings and specifications accurately.
- Operate tools and machinery safely and effectively.
- Assist with material handling, site preparation, and cleanup.
- Collaborate with foremen and team members to achieve daily production targets.
- Ensure strict compliance with safety protocols and company procedures.
- Monitor quality of work to meet project standards.

REQUIREMENTS:
- Proven experience in construction; trade specialization (carpentry, formwork, masonry, steel fixing, etc.) strongly preferred.
- Ability to read technical drawings.
- Knowledge of construction tools, methods, and materials.
- Strong understanding of safety practices; OSHA training is an advantage.
- Physical stamina and ability to perform manual labor.
- Ability to work efficiently in a fast-paced construction environment.

HOW TO APPLY:
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10. CONSTRUCTION LABORER

GENERAL DESCRIPTION
Provide support in general construction activities and maintain site order.

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RESPONSIBILITIES:
- Load, unload, and move materials.
- Assist with basic construction and cleaning tasks.
- Maintain cleanliness and organization of work areas.
- Use PPE and comply with HSE regulations.

REQUIREMENTS:
- Basic education (desirable).
- Previous construction experience is an advantage but not required.
- Good physical condition.
- Reliability and punctuality.

HOW TO APPLY:
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11. WAREHOUSE & INTERNAL LOGISTICS ASSISTANT

GENERAL DESCRIPTION
Support the receipt, storage, control, and dispatch of materials and equipment.

RESPONSIBILITIES:
- Receive materials and verify quantities and condition.
- Record inbound and outbound materials.
- Maintain warehouse organization and labeling.
- Prepare internal requests and coordinate delivery to work fronts.
- Comply with safety regulations.

REQUIREMENTS:
- High school diploma.
- Experience in warehouse/logistics (desirable).
- Organized, responsible, and team-oriented.
- Basic Excel skills are an advantage.

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12. ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

GENERAL DESCRIPTION
Provide administrative support to the project, managing documentation and assisting technical and HR teams.

RESPONSIBILITIES:
- Manage documentation (letters, contracts, forms, digital files).
- Handle calls, coordinate meetings, and support visitors.
- Register and file administrative/accounting documents.
- Prepare and update basic spreadsheets in Excel.

REQUIREMENTS:
- Technical or university studies in Administration, Accounting, or related field (desirable).
- Basic/intermediate proficiency in Word and Excel.
- Strong organizational and interpersonal skills.

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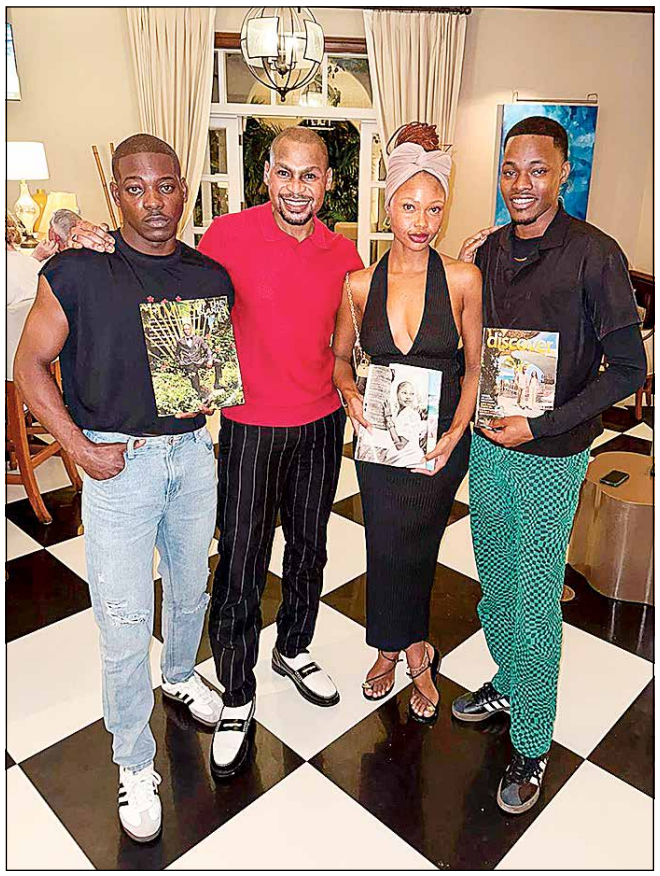
ENTERTAINMENT

Hu Prospere graces cover of Discover Turks and Caicos 2026

A new chapter in Turks and Caicos fashion history unfolds as Hubert "Hu" Prospere commands the cover of the Discover Turks and Caicos 2026 magazine, an arresting visual moment that celebrates local talent, elevated resort style, and the ever expanding global visibility of TCI Top Model.

Shot on location at the iconic Palms Resort, Providenciales, the editorial features three of the country's premier models: Shakem Charles, TCI Top Model Cycle 6 (2026); Hu Prospere, First Runner up (Cycle 6); and Brittney Bien Amie, TCI Top Model alum and longtime Discover favourite.

The cover and pictorial were photographed by Anita Marcus of Brilliant Studios, with editorial and styling by Courtney Robinson, Founder and Executive Producer of TCI Top Model, assisted by Layton Lewis, Sales and Marketing Specialist, The Hartling Group.



L-r Shakem Charles, Courtney Robinson, Brittney Bien Amie and Hu Prospere

Discover Turks and Caicos magazine is the region's premier luxury travel and lifestyle publication, distributed on select American Airlines flights, at resorts, and throughout Providenciales. It offers insider access to the islands' culture, fashion, dining, real estate, and events, serving as both a style authority and an aspirational guide to island life.

The cover image captures the sculptural wicker floppy roof at SiSi Restaurant, artfully draped over the pool bar like a piece of organic architecture. The

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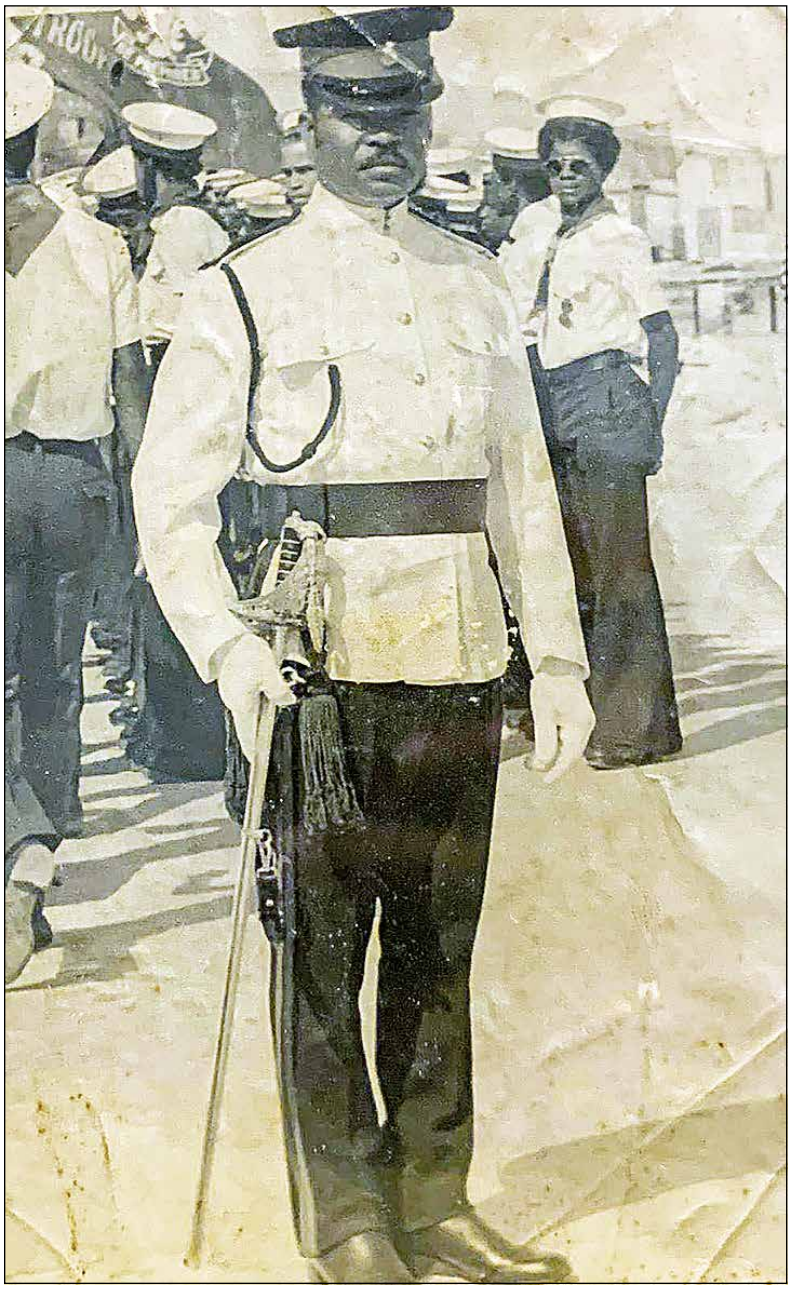
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Commissioner Williams remembered for bravery, leadership and dedicated service



Stanley Eustace Williams

A grateful nation remembers Mr Stanley Eustace Williams CPM on the occasion of his passing on Wednesday, January 14, for the life he led, one defined by exceptional service, courage, and unwavering commitment to public safety.

Mr Williams was the first Turks and Caicos Islander appointed as Commissioner of Police of the Turks and Caicos Islands.

Rodney Adams, Deputy Commissioner of the Royal Turks and Caicos Islands Police Force, reflecting on Williams's leadership, remarked: "He exercised a firm style of leadership grounded in uncompromising discipline and absolute commitment to the policing mandate of the Turks and Caicos Islands.

"He saw every police officer as a component of a strictly ordered organisation, where adherence to command, standards, and duty was non-negotiable."

Adams recalled that his leadership was driven by his belief in the importance of a disciplined police service as the cornerstone of public order and national security.

"His tenure is permanently recorded within the history of the organisation, reflecting a commissioner whose decisive command, high standards, and unwavering dedication help to shape the culture and operational posture of policing in the Turks and Caicos Islands," Adams added.

A life of service

Born and raised in Grand Turk, Mr Williams found his calling in law enforcement at the tender age of 17. He commenced his distinguished police career as a Constable on July 1, 1959, quickly establishing himself as a dedicated and principled officer.

Throughout the 1960s, Williams worked as a beat and patrol officer in both Grand Turk and South Caicos and was regularly called upon for assignments in the Family Islands, often collaborating with the Special Constables' Branch.

In 1968, Williams progressed to the Criminal Investigation Department in Grand Turk and undertook specialist police training with the Royal Bahamas Police Force, acquiring vital skills in fingerprinting, photography, and crime scene analysis. His thirst for professional development led him to England the following year for an advanced course at the West Yorkshire Constabulary, where he deepened his expertise in general police duties.

Upon returning home, Williams rose through the ranks, becoming Corporal-in-Charge in Providenciales, where he oversaw Immigration, Customs, and police operations. By 1976, he had completed a prestigious Command Course at the National Police College in Bramshill, England, courtesy of the British Government's Technical Assistance Programme.

Williams's career was punctuated by acts of remarkable bravery. In December 1976, while providing security for Barclays Bank in North Caicos, he courageously foiled an armed robbery, sustaining six gunshot wounds in the process. For his valour, he was awarded Her Majesty the Queen's Medal for Brave Conduct, an honour reflecting his steadfast dedication to duty.

On December 28, 1978, Williams assumed command as Commissioner of Police, leading the Force for 17 years. His tenure was marked by innovation and international collaboration, including training at Scotland Yard, the FBI at Quantico, and partnerships with the United States Southern Command, Coast Guard, and DEA. Williams also served as President of the Association of Caribbean Commissioners of

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HOUSEKEEPER
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TCI government officials at the launch of the Juvenile Prevention and Intervention Council (JPIC) and the 'Bright Horizons' initiative. (Photos: Olivia Rose)



The JPIC launch marks TCI's profound shift from 'reacting to preventing' the youth crisis

Juvenile Prevention and Intervention Council launched

BY OLIVIA ROSE

In a concerted effort to prevent juvenile delinquency and foster greater support for at-risk youths, the Turks and Caicos Islands government officially launched the Juvenile Prevention and Intervention Council (JPIC) along with its flagship programme, Bright Horizons, on Thursday, 15 January 2025.

The programme, hailed as a deliberate and profound shift in national strategy, was rolled out at the Gustavus Lightbourne Sports Complex in Providenciales and attended by government, education, judiciary and law enforcement officials, as well as students from various high schools across the territory.

The much-anticipated initiative moves the country's focus from punitive reaction to collaborative, early intervention to combat rising levels of youth disengagement, vulnerability and gun violence — issues plaguing the territory's youths for years.

To cement this, inter-agency partnership, several government bodies — including the Ministry of Education, Law Enforcement (Royal Turks and Caicos Police Force), the Governor's Office, Social Services, Behavioural Health, Youth Affairs and Rehabilitation — signed a Memorandum of Understanding at the event.

The launch, attended by the highest levels of national leadership, laid bare the urgent crisis facing the nation's youth while affirming a new commitment to guidance, structure and hope.

Deputy Premier, Hon Jamell Robinson underscored the severity of the crisis, including the tragic loss of young lives, bringing the sad reality of the situation into sharp focus while speaking on behalf of the Premier.

"Today's launch of the Juvenile Prevention and Intervention Council is both timely and profoundly important. We gather at a moment when too many of our young people have lost their way, and tragically we have lost too many of our young men to gun violence," the Deputy Premier stated.

He emphasised that these problems demand "not only our attention, but our decisive action," adding: "Prevention is not a peripheral strategy. It is a national imperative."

Robinson framed the Council's mission as an essential government priority to turn the tide against delinquency. "The establishment of this Council reflects a clear understanding that sustainable public safety begins long before a young person enters the justice system. It begins with guidance, opportunity, accountability and care. It begins with institutions that are coordinated, purposeful and committed to seeing our young people not as problems to be managed, but as futures to be protected and developed."

JUVENILE RESIDENTIAL FACILITY

Highlighting the initiative's immediate impact, Minister of Education, Hon Rachel Taylor announced that the government has secured full funding for the Bright Horizons juvenile residential facility, demonstrating a clear commitment to the programme's structural needs.

"Colleagues, just yesterday in Parliament, this government demonstrated its seriousness by passing the supplementary budget, a budget that includes full funding for the Bright Horizons juvenile residential facility.

"This facility will not warehouse our young people. It will rebuild them. It will provide the structure, therapy, education, discipline and mentorship needed to redirect lives."

Taylor also stressed the critical role of families, announcing the introduction of Zones of Impact. "The Bright Horizons programme will not only support at-risk youth, it will support parents. As a nation, we cannot tackle juvenile delinquency without strengthening the family. Parents, your role is indispensable. Without your engagement, your presence and your willingness to walk this journey, the Bright Horizons programme cannot achieve its full impact."

COLLABORATION AND ACCOUNTABILITY

Minister responsible for Public Safety and Utilities, Hon Otis Morris, said: "The signing of the Memorandum of Understanding is a powerful symbol of partnership and shared accountability. Government alone cannot accomplish this work. It requires collaboration — law enforcement, social services, education, healthcare, and non-governmental and faith-based organisations."

He affirmed the Council's guiding philosophy: "JPIC reflects our belief that early intervention saves lives and futures. It recognises that behind every at-risk child is a story that deserves attention, care and direction."

The Governor, HE Dileeni Daniel-Selvaratnam, praised the inter-agency structure, commending the concerted effort as "government in action" that puts "individual egos and individual agendas to the side."

She said: "From my perspective as Governor, the significance of this programme lies not only in what it does but in what it represents. It reflects a deliberate shift towards early coordinated intervention, recognising that the most effective way to reduce harm, crime and social breakdown is to act before young people become entangled in the justice system."

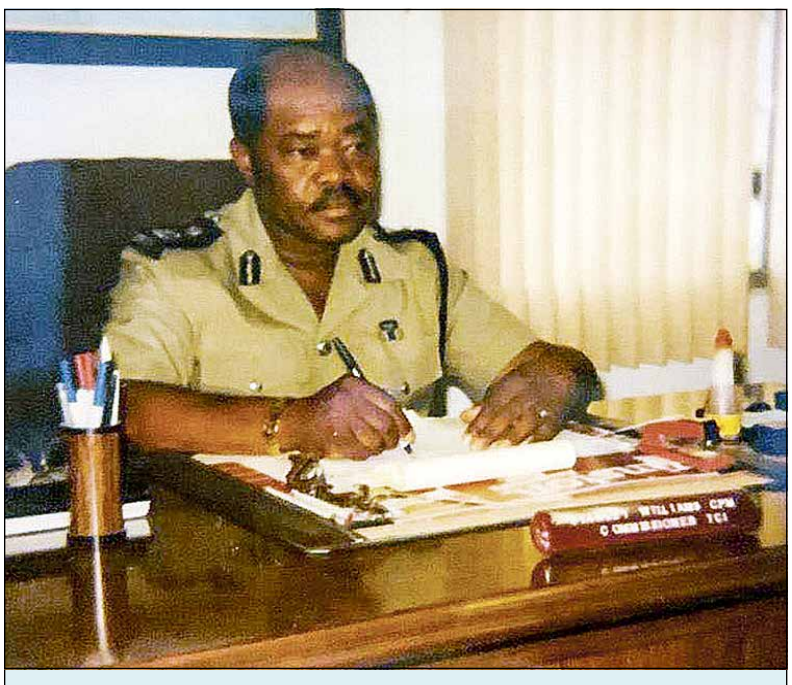
The Governor added: "I hope JPIC also sends an important message to our families and communities — that early support is available, that asking for help is not a failure, and that intervention can occur before mistakes become defining moments."

Deputy Governor HE Anya Williams echoed the call for transformation: "Today is more than a launch of a programme. There is a requirement for us to have a shift in mindset in the Turks and Caicos Islands. We've recognised the problem, we've diagnosed it, we've tried to put in place a solution, but now it requires collaboration and support."

BRIGHT HORIZONS PROGRAMME

The Bright Horizons programme, a name chosen by students in a national competition, is a multi-sectoral effort involving Education, Law Enforcement (Royal Turks and Caicos Police Force), Social Services, Behavioural Health, Youth Affairs and Rehabilitation.

Its core function is to ensure that once a young person is identified as moderate to high risk, partner agencies review the case, share information responsibly and develop a coordinated plan for the young person and their family.



Stanley Eustace Williams

Commissioner Williams remembered for bravery...

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Police for four terms, boosting the Islands' profile in regional policing circles.

Among his many contributions, Williams was instrumental in establishing the Police Band and founding the Marine Branch at North Creek, Grand Turk – key developments that strengthened policing capabilities across the territory.

After 26 years of distinguished service, Williams retired on March 10, 1995, leaving behind an enduring legacy.

Hu Prospere graces cover ...

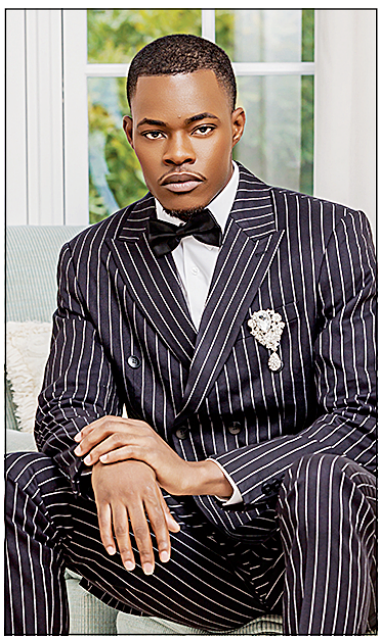
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editorial unfolds across the resort, showcasing resort wear from Wish Boutique — a visual narrative blending ease, elegance, and Caribbean sensuality.

TCI Top Model: Visibility, legacy and momentum

Since 2010, TCI Top Model alumni have been consistently featured in Discover Turks and Caicos, beginning with Davia Chambers, TCI Top Model (née Supermodel) 2009; Cortrina Cooper, First Runner up; and Brittney Bien Amie, who appeared in the magazine at just ten years old. With each cycle, the partnership has deepened, culminating in the 2026 issue, where Editor Marylou Vanderheide expanded editorial space and granted coveted cover placement to TCI Top Model.

Cycle 6 marks a groundbreaking moment for the franchise: the top two male placers appearing on individual magazine covers within a single cycle, and the show's first male winner, Shakem, on Times of the Islands autumn 2025 issue, and now Hu on Discover. The milestone reinforces TCI Top Model's ethos that winning is not the only measure of success — visibility, consistency, and professionalism are victories in themselves.



Hu Prospere

"This is the first of many covers, and it means more than I can put into words," says Hu Prospere. "To represent Turks and Caicos on an international platform, through a magazine that celebrates our beauty and culture, is a powerful milestone in my journey. This cover isn't just about fashion, it's about purpose, growth, and what's possible when you show up fully."

Courtney Robinson underscored the broader mission behind the moment: "TCI Top Model has always been about creating opportunity, not for one, but for many. Our goal is visibility and sustainability. We want as many working models as possible, locally and internationally. This cover is consistent proof that the platform works, and that when talent is nurtured, it thrives."

The Discover Turks and Caicos 2026 issue is now being distributed on American Airlines flights at select United States East Coast departure gates to Turks and Caicos, available online, and in print at Graceway Gourmet IGA, Providenciales.

TCI Top Model returns for Cycle 7 to the main stage on Saturday, 2 May 2026, at Brayton Hall, Providenciales. Renowned for its theatrical runway productions, bold creative direction, and commitment to cultivating globally competitive talent, the show promises another night of high fashion, spectacle, and star making moments. As the legacy deepens and the extravaganza continues, Cycle 7 stands poised to once again redefine the fashion landscape of the Turks and Caicos — where vision meets opportunity, and new icons are born.



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Salary: $10.00 hourly

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DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS

- A Bachelor of Science in Oceanography with Marine Biology and Construction will be an asset 10 years or more experience in Ocean Marine work as it relates to construction
- Developing company objectives Overseeing senior management staff Coordinating with sub-contractors
- Reporting to the board of directors or members
- Ensuring the business is com iant with industry regulations as it relates to the Marine Managing the company's investments, and other financial products and services Securing long term Project Contracts
- Directors salary is paid base on experience

You will be required to travel to various locations or countries to represent the company's business.

A COPY OR YOUR RESUME SHOULD BE SUBMITTED TO THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT OR ACCOUNTS@COASTALMDB.COM

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WELLNESS COACH

H2O Life.Style.Resort is looking for a dynamic and energic person to fulfill the position of Lifestyle consultant.

Consistently offering professional and friendly services for resort guests and being able to handle guest concerns and react quickly and professionally in any situation. The candidate must have good communication skills and be excellent at writing.

As a Wellness Coach, your job will include the but not limited to developing personalized lifestyle plans and strategies for guests. The candidate will provide ongoing support and guidance to guests to ensure successful implementation of lifestyle plans and stay up to date on the latest trends and research in the health and wellness industry. The applicant will conduct educational seminars and workshops on healthy lifestyle habits for individuals and groups and promote services and build a client base through networking and marketing efforts. The lifestyle consultant will ensure that the overall experience is organized, professional and will coordinate third-party services such as trainers, chef, meal plan, etc. The participant must be proactive in anticipating guest needs before they ask and be willing to learn new skills, grow and take responsibility at the resort. Must be available on weekends and evenings.

REQUIREMENTS:

The applicant must have excellent communication skills and ability to understand guests needs and provide personalized lifestyle plans. Knowledge of healthy lifestyle practices and trends needed. A minimum of 5 years' experience in creating and implementing luxury lifestyle plans is required. The candidate will have strong organizational skills to manage guest's schedules and needs. Proficiency in relevant software and tools. The applicant must have bachelor's degree in nutrition, culinary, Social work and Psychology.

Salary $2000 monthly. Position held by a work permit holder.

BELONGERS MAY APPLY WITH LABOR EMPLOYMENT DEPARTEMENT. SEND YOUR RESUME TO JULIE@H2ORESORTTCI.COM

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Turks & Caicos Real Estate Association Ltd

7/8 SALTMILLS PLAZA, GRACE BAY ROAD, PROVIDENCIALES

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Glass Shack
Is seeking to employ a

MAINTENANCE MAN

Fix and maintain mechanical equipment, buildings, and machines. Tasks include plumbing work, painting, flooring repair and upkeep, electrical repairs, heating, and air conditioning system.
Salary: $8.00 Hourly

CONTACT: 245-0503
BELONGERS APPLY TO THE LABOUR BOARD. RENEWAL
51453

JACKSON N JEAN
The Bight, Providenciales
Is seeking to employ a

LABOURER

Cleaning outside the property with sweeper, pick up yard waste and collect leaves, dispose of trash, clean windows, and doorframes.
Salary: 8.00 per hour

CONTACT: (649) 345-3264
BELONGERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY RENEWAL
51467

JOSEPH GRACIUS
Kew Town
Is seeking to employ a

DOMESTIC WORKER

Applicant must be honest, reliable and hard working. General housework, washing, ironing, cooking and cleaning.
Salary: $8.00 hourly

CONTACT: 345-7225
BELONGERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY TO THE LABOUR BOARD RENEWAL
51442

KENDAL HANDFIELD
South Dock
Is seeking to employ a

LABOURER

Cleaning outside the property with sweeper, pick up yard waste and collect leaves, dispose of trash, clean windows, and doorframes.
Salary: $8.00 Hourly

CONTACT: 331-3837
BELONGERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY TO THE LABOUR BOARD RENEWAL
51448

LYNIKA'S CLEANING AND MAINTENANCE SERVICES
Long Bay
Is seeking to employ a

LABOURER

Cleaning outside the property with sweeper, pick up yard waste and collect leaves, dispose of trash, clean windows, and doorframes.
Salary: $8.00 Hourly

CONTACT: 342-1075
BELONGERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY TO THE LABOUR BOARD RENEWAL
51477

MARIE HUTCHINSON
66 Apt. #1 Robinson St., Five Cays
Is seeking to employ a

DOMESTIC WORKER

Cleaning the house, laundering sheets, towels and personal clothing and other housework.
Salary: $8.00 hourly

CONTACT: 244-3581
BELONGERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO SEND A COPY OF THEIR RESUME TO THE LABOUR BOARD. RENEWAL
51464

MARIE JEANNA CHARLES
Five Cays
Is seeking to employ a

DOMESTIC WORKER

To perform various cleaning task and ensuring a high standard of cleanliness and customer satisfaction.
Salary: $8.00

CONTACT: 241-9189
BELONGERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY RENEWAL
51463

MYRNA-LISA'S DISPOSABLES & CLEANING
29 Parade Ave., Downtown, Providenciales, TCI
Is seeking to employ a

CLEANER

Stocking and supplying designated facility areas, dusting, sweeping, vacuuming, mopping, restroom cleaning etc.

CONTACT: (649) 347-3014
BELONGERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY TO THE LABOUR BOARD RENEWAL
51498

RA AND JH CONSTRUCTION
#20 Bible Road, Blue Hills
Is seeking to employ a

BACKHOE OPERATOR

Drives and manipulates the bucket of a backhoe to dig and move dirt, sand, and gravel.
Salary: $600.00 Weekly

CONTACT: 244-4542
BELONGERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY TO THE LABOUR BOARD RENEWAL
51470

RICARDO MISSICK
Long Bay, Providenciales
Is seeking to employ a

CLEANER

Stocking and supplying designated facility areas, dusting, sweeping, vacuuming, mopping, restroom cleaning etc.
Salary: $8.00

CONTACT: 331-7513
BELONGERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY RENEWAL
51443

ROBERT JOHNSON
Kew Town, Providenciales
Is seeking to employ a

CLEANER

Stocking and supplying designated facility areas, dusting, sweeping, vacuuming, mopping, restroom cleaning etc.
Salary: $8.00

CONTACT: 243-5512
BELONGERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY TO THE LABOUR BOARD RENEWAL
51479

RODY FRANCOIS
Apt. #1 Ralph Close Rd., Blue Hills
Is seeking to employ a

CLEANER

Stocking and supplying designated facility areas, dusting, sweeping, vacuuming, mopping, restroom cleaning etc.
Salary: $8.00 Hourly

CONTACT: 649-342-2705
BELONGERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY TO THE LABOUR BOARD RENEWAL
51478

RUEBEN ADAMS
Five Cays
Is seeking to employ a

LABOURER

Cleaning outside the property with sweeper, pick up yard waste and collect leaves, dispose of trash, clean windows, and doorframes.
Salary: $8.00 hourly

CONTACT: 345-4778
BELONGERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY TO THE LABOUR BOARD RENEWAL
51494

SAMMY'S SEAFOOD RESTAURANT
Five Cays
Is seeking to employ a

COOK

Setting up workstations with all needed ingredients and cooking equipment. Preparing ingredients to use in cooking chopping and peeling vegetables, cutting meat etc. Cooking food in various utensils or grillers.
Salary: $8.00 Hourly

CONTACT: 242-0952
BELONGERS ONLY APPLY RENEWAL
51490

SAMUEL CAMILLE
Blue Hills
Is seeking to employ a

CLEANER

Stocking and supplying designated facility areas, dusting, sweeping, vacuuming, mopping, restroom cleaning etc.
Salary: $8.00 hourly

CONTACT: 347-5418
BELONGERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY TO THE LABOUR BOARD RENEWAL
51469

SHAWN INGHAM
Long Bay, Providenciales
Is seeking to employ a

LABOURER

Cleaning outside the property with sweeper, pick up yard waste and collect leaves, dispose of trash, clean windows, and doorframes.
Salary: $8.00 Hourly

CONTACT: 341-7375
BELONGERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY TO THE LABOUR BOARD RENEWAL
51436

SIFFRAIL LORMINE
Back Rd., Blue Hills
Is seeking to employ a

DOMESTIC WORKER

Cleaning the house, laundering sheets, towels and personal clothing and other housework.
Salary: $8.00 hourly

CONTACT: 232-4352
BELONGERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY TO THE LABOUR BOARD RENEWAL
51437

STEVE NOEL
Kew Town, Providenciales
Is seeking to employ a

BABYSITTER

Ensuring a safe environment, preparing and giving meals, bathing and dressing children, administering medicine, doing housework, and etc.
Salary: $8.00 hourly

CONTACT: 344-1416
BELONGERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY RENEWAL
51452

SUNSET RIDGE HOTEL/ QUINTIN M. SELVER
#26 Aviation Drive, South Side Plaza, Providenciales
Is seeking to employ a

LABOURER

Cleaning outside the property, pick up yard waste and collect leaves, dispose of trash, clean windows, and doorframes.
Salary: $8.00 Hourly

CONTACT: 242-3173
BELONGERS ARE TO SEND A COPY OF THEIR RESUME TO THE LABOUR BOARD. RENEWAL
51451

TITO J BOYCE
Long Bay
Is seeking to employ a

LABOURER

Cleaning outside the property with sweeper, pick up yard waste and collect leaves, dispose of trash, clean windows, and doorframes.
Salary: $8.00

CONTACT: 241-4395
BELONGERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY RENEWAL
51449

W&R FIDELITY CONSTRUCTION
The Bight, Providenciales
Is seeking to employ a

DOMESTIC WORKER

To perform various cleaning task and ensuring a high standard of cleanliness and customer satisfaction.
Salary: $8.00hr

CONTACT: 343-7291
BELONGERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY TO THE LABOUR BOARD RENEWAL
51466

PALMS & PEARLS MANAGEMENT COMPANY
Is seeking an exceptional

EXECUTIVE CELEBRITY CHEF

TO JOIN OUR ELITE HOSPITALITY TEAM, DELIVERING WORLD-CLASS CULINARY EXPERIENCES ACROSS OUR EXCLUSIVE LUXURY VILLAS AND RESORT PROPERTIES.

REQUIREMENTS:

- Minimum 5 years of experience as an Executive or Private Chef in high-end luxury villas, resorts, yachts, or private estates
- Proven experience catering to celebrity, VIP, and UHNW clientele
- Expertise in international and fusion cuisines, fine dining, and custom menu development
- Exceptional presentation, attention to detail, and culinary artistry
- Strong leadership, kitchen management, and organizational skills
- Ability to maintain discretion, professionalism, and confidentiality at all times
- Knowledge of luxury service standards, food safety, and hygiene compliance

FOR CONSIDERATION PLEASE SEND YOUR RESUMES TO: ADMIN@PALMSANDPEARLSTCI.COM
51503

CAICOS CAFÉ
Providenciales, Seeks

DOMESTIC WORKER/ CLEANER
Cleaning floors, equipment, furniture, miscellaneous. Require works nights, holidays
Salary: $8.00

KITCHEN HELPER
Basic kitchen tasks, follow the chefs instructions
Require works nights, holidays
Salary: $8.00

QUALIFICATIONS MUST BE SENT TO CAICOSCAFERESTAURANT@GMAIL.COM
RENEWAL 51440

D & H CONSTRUCTION
Blue Hills, Providenciales, Seeks

1 HELPER
Clean the store, dusting, sweeping, mopping, stock shelves, etc. $8

2 PAINTER
Apply paints, stains, and coatings to interior and exterior walls. $10

1 MASON
Mixes mortar; lays bricks and stones and/or concrete sidewalk. $10

1 CLEANER
Stocking, supplying and cleaning designated facility areas. $8

CONTACT: 341-8493
BELONGERS ONLY / RENEWALS 51476

KRISCHAN KHALIL COX
14b Quarts Road, Phase 2, Blue Hills, Seeking

LIVE IN NANNY
- Ensuring a safe environment, preparing and giving meals, bathing and dressing children, administering medicine, doing housework, and etc. Must know how to cook.
- Minimum of 5 years' experience of watching children.

Pay: $10.00 per hour

CONTACT: 341-9296
BELONGERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY / FIRST TIME 51450

L & M CONSTRUCTION
South Dock, Seeks

REFRIGERATION TECHNICIAN
- Trouble shooting of electrical, mechanical and control system of a refrigerator
- Ensure the proper functioning of cooling systems in residential and commercial space
- Installing, maintaining and repairing appliance
- Salary: $14

CONTACT: 346-9216
BELONGERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY / RENEWAL 51492

VARIOUS

BABYSITTER
TENEUS LOUIS
347-4432 / Blue Hills
$8.00
Caring for my 3 years old, prepare her meals, bath and dress her, light housekeeping

BABYSITTER
BELFORT CHERY
347-4432
Blue Hills
$8.00
Babysitting my children and caring for them

GARDINER
LLOYD WELLINGTON HANDFIELD
231-5693 / Five Cays
Planting flowers, racking, pick up waste, dispose garbage. $8.00

51458

MR. GROUPER'S RESTAURANT
Lower Bight Road, Provo, Is seeking to employ a

LABOURER
- Assist with food preparation, cooking, meal service as assigned.
- Clean plates, cutlery and dining hall.
- Clean all food handling, food storage areas, and dish room.
- Salary: $8.00 Hourly

CONTACT: 649-241-5563
BELONGERS ONLY APPLY / RENEWAL 51439

RONAL SAINVILUS
South Dock Road, Is seeking to employ a

DOMESTIC WORKER
Cleaning, laundering linen and other housework. $8.00 hourly

LABOURER
Cleaning outside the property, yard waste pickup, dispose of trash, clean windows, and doorframes.
$8.00 hourly

CONTACT: 346-9919
BELONGERS APPLY TO THE LABOUR BOARD / RENEWAL 51495

CAICOS ENTERPRISE LTD.
Seeks

GENERAL LABOURER
- Duties include but are not limited to:
- Load, unload, materials
- Distribute tools and supplies
- Maintain and clean tools and equipment
- Keep work areas organized and accessible
- Assemble and dismantle scaffolding
- Clear debris, hazards and obstacles, level ground,
- Follow safety policies and procedures.

Entry-level role but requires reliability, stamina, and willingness to learn. Salary $8.00 per hour

PLEASE SEND RESUME AND IMMIGRATION STATUS TO INFO@CAICOSENTERPRISESLTD.COM WITH A COPY TO THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT. 51457

CAICOS TOURS

MERMAID WANTED
- Trained in freediving skills
- Wearing a monofin mermaid costume swim underwater around the boat in open water
- To educate guests above and below the water on reef ecology
- Must have STCW
- Professional attitude and communicate with guests of all ages
- Working hours Mon-Sat include bank holidays
- Start time 8h15 until last tour is completed
- Deep clean interior cabin daily
- Salary $1000 p/m

CONTACT CAICOSTOURS@CAICOSTOURS.COM
TC ISLANDERS NEED ONLY APPLY / RENEWAL 00000

SELFOLOGY
48 French Cay, Providenciales, Is seeking to employ

FITNESS & WELLNESS SPECIALIST
- Minimum 5yrs experience developing wellness programs
- Must travel to client's location and work various hours including nights and weekends.
- Knowledge of physical and lifestyle assessment
- Bachelors of Science
- Certification in physical exercise training & corporate wellness.
- Salary based on qualifications and experience

EMAIL: SELFOLOGYCOACHING@GMAIL.COM / CONTACT: 431-6099
BELONGERS ENCOURAGED TO SEND A COPY OF THEIR RESUME TO THE LABOR BOARD. POSITION CURRENTLY HELD BY A WORK PERMIT HOLDER 51438

SELEZNICK KEON RIGBY
The Bight
Is seeking to employ a

LABOURER
Cleaning outside the property with sweeper, pick up yard waste and collect leaves, dispose of trash, clean windows, and door frames.
Salary: $8.00 Hourly

CONTACT: 332-9284
BELONGERS ONLY APPLY RENEWAL 51374

SIGGIE TONYA DOMINGUEZ
South Dock
Is seeking to employ a

DOMESTIC WORKER
To perform various cleaning task and ensuring a high standard of cleanliness and customer satisfaction.
Salary: $8.00

CONTACT: 241-0098
BELONGERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY RENEWAL 51417

SJ CURRY CLUB
Glass Shack
Is seeking to employ a

KITCHEN HELPER
Preparing the workstation for the cook. Keeping the kitchen area clean and tidy at all times.
Knowledge in Indian Cuisine. Salary: $8.00

CONTACT: 244-7289
BELONGERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY FIRST TIME 00000

CAICOS VACATIONS LTD.
Is seeking

5 LABORERS
To start immediately. Job Requirements are Monday – Saturday with a salary of $320 usd per week. Job will be cleaning, moving, and maintaining homes and items for a property management company.

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GERALD VIP MOBILE CARWASH
Long Bay, Providenciales
Is seeking to employ a

CAR WASH ATTENDANT

Washing and cleaning vehicles using a variety of tools and cleaning products, vacuuming and scrubbing the interior of vehicles, and polishing the exterior.
Salary: $8.00 Hourly

CONTACT: 649-347-5225
BELONGERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY
RENEWAL 51510

GURVICH J. JOACHIM
Five Cays, Providenciales
Is seeking to employ a

LABOURER

Cleaning outside the property with sweeper, pick up yard waste and collect leaves, dispose of trash, clean windows, and door frames.
Salary: $8.00 hr

CONTACT: 345-3771
BELONGERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY TO THE LABOUR BOARD
RENEWAL 51517

HENRY WILSON
Kew Town
Is seeking to employ a

DOMESTIC WORKER

To perform various cleaning task and ensuring a high standard of cleanliness and customer satisfaction.
Salary: $8.00

CONTACT: 348-4913
BELONGERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY
RENEWAL 51560

JACQUELIN DESRONVIL
Blue Hills, Providenciales
Is seeking to employ a

LABOURER

Cleaning outside the property with sweeper, pick up yard waste and collect leaves, dispose of trash, clean windows, and door frames.
Salary: $8.00 Hourly

CONTACT: 244-9696
BELONGERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY TO THE LABOUR BOARD
RENEWAL 51515

JA'SAMS CONSTRUCTION
#6 Across the Dump, Wheeland
Is seeking to employ a

PROPERTY CARETAKER

Cleaning outside the property pick up yard waste and collect leaves, dispose of trash, clean windows, and doorframes.
$8.00 hourly

CONTACT: 341-8332
BELONGERS ONLY APPLY
RENEWAL 51485

JEAN BAPTISTE PETIT FRERE
The Bight, Providenciales
Is seeking to employ a

DOMESTIC WORKER

Cleaning the house, laundering sheets, towels and personal clothing and other housework.
Salary: $8.00

CONTACT: 344-4427
BELONGERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY
RENEWAL 51508

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POSITIONS AVAILABLE

The Turks and Caicos Islands oldest and leading publishing house is in need of additional staff to fill the following posts:

WRITERS/ PHOTO JOURNALIST

Candidates must have at least five (5) years' experience working full-time for daily newspapers and/or news/features magazines, reporting on hard news, features and parliamentary/court proceedings. Salary paid weekly will commensurate with experience.

FOR MAGAZINES AND OTHER PERIODICALS GRAPHICS PRODUCTION DESIGNER/ PAGINATOR

This position requires someone with at least five (5) years' experience working with Macintosh or PC computers. Must be skilled in the make-up of advertising and pagination. Proficiency using InDesign, Illustrator and Photoshop software for print is essential. Some technical, networking and web design knowledge an asset. Salary paid weekly will commensurate with experience.

COURT REPORTER

College or high school graduate with at least five (5) years' experience in community reporting. Ability to drive and use a camera a desirable asset. Salary paid weekly will commensurate with experience.

ADVERTISING SPACE SALES PERSON

Candidates must have had actual hands-on experience selling advertising space for newspapers and magazines. Ability to assist clients with the writing of copy for ads and gathering of collateral an asset. Salary is commission based.

FORWARD APPLICATIONS TO:

THE PUBLISHER
DUNCANSON PUBLICATIONS LTD.
EMAIL: TCNEWS@TCIWAY.TC
NO PHONE CALLS PLEASE
Preferences will be given to Belonger and Legal Residents

JEANRICK AGENOR
Residence, Five Cays, Providenciales
Is seeking to employ a

DOMESTIC WORKER

Cleaning the house, laundering sheets, towels and personal clothing and other housework.
Salary: $8.00 hr

CONTACT: 345-0324
BELONGERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY
RENEWAL 51507

JOEL MISSICK
Five Cays Rd
Is seeking to employ a

LABOURER

Cleaning outside the property with sweeper, pick up yard waste, dispose of trash etc.
Salary: $8.00

CONTACT: 649-245-2555
JELLOJELLO156@GMAIL.COM
BELONGERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY
RENEWAL 51555

JOSE OVANDO CONSTRUCTION
#101 Grace Bay Court,
Grace Bay
Is seeking to employ a

CONSTRUCTION LABOURER

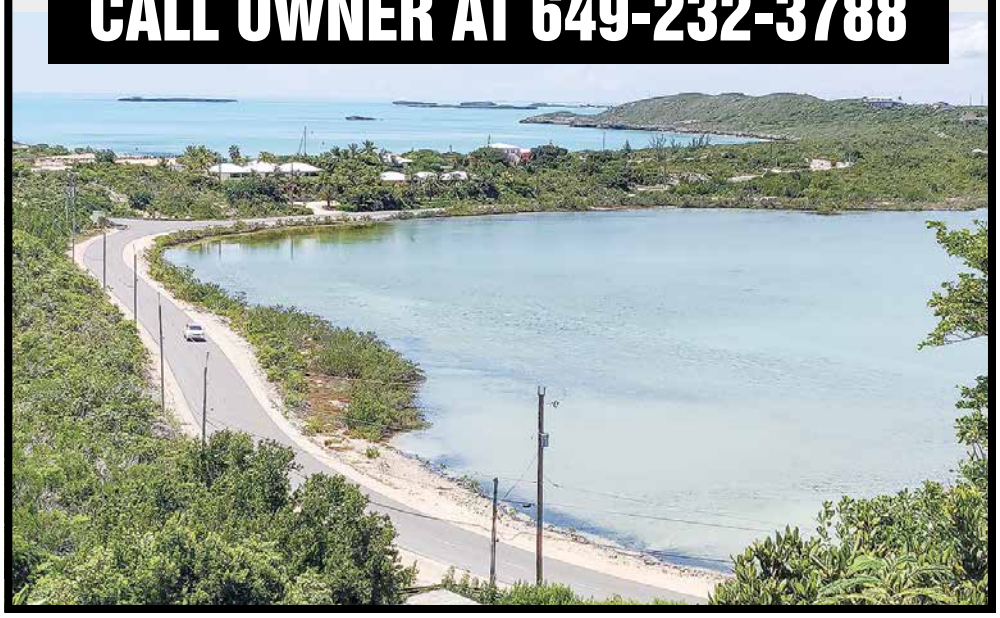
Remove rubble, dirt, and hazardous waste from the construction site.
$8.00 Hourly

CONTACT: 331-9854
BELONGERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY TO THE LABOUR BOARD
RENEWAL 51558

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Over 0.53 acres at
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EVOLIS LTD. (IN VOLUNTARY LIQUIDATION)

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT OF VOLUNTARY LIQUIDATOR COMPANIES ACT (CAP. 16.08)

SECTION 237

Notice is hereby given that Claire McAvinchey of M & S Trust Company Limited, Regent House West, Regent Village, Grace Bay, Providenciales, Turks and Caicos Islands was appointed as the voluntary liquidator of EVOLIS LTD. (solvent liquidation) on 30 December 2025.

All enquiries should be directed to the voluntary liquidator's attorney Miller Simons O'Sullivan, Regent House West, Regent Village, Grace Bay, Providenciales, Turk and Caicos Islands for the attention of Jonathan Katan, KC – jk@mslaw.tc.

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NOTICE

REGULATION 8 OF THE PHYSICAL PLANNING (DEVELOPMENT PERMISSION) REGULATIONS, 2021

An Application, REGISTERED PR 18942 by NORTHWEST TCI HOLDINGS LTD for

Outline Development Permission for the construction of a Resort and Residential Development consisting of an Arrival Lounge, Beach Club with Swimming Pool, Main Lodge with Restaurant, Spa/Wellness Centre, Farm to Table Restaurant, Garden Villas, Beach Villas, Guest Hotel Rooms, Staff Housing, RO System Building, Fitness Centre, Cinema, Security Buildings, Adventure Recreation Centre, Performance Pavilion, Basketball Court, Tennis Court, Padel Court, Pickle Ball Court, Staff Parking, Back of House Facilities, Lakes and Ancillary Facilities has been submitted to the Department of Planning on Block & Parcels 60000/825-860 which comprise of 60 acres of land and part of 60000/235 which comprise of 24.8 acres located in North West Point, Providenciales.

The proposed development is inconsistent with a plan which has been approved.

Anyone wishing to make representation(s) may do so in writing to the Director of Planning, South Base, Grand Turk or the Department of Planning, Emily House, Leeward Highway, Providenciales, within twenty-eight (28) days of publication of this Notice. You may also make representation(s) via in person or video conferencing at the sitting of the Physical Planning Board when this application would be considered. If you are desirous so to do via video conferencing or in person, contact the Secretary of Physical Planning Board.

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OSPREY SECURITY SOLUTIONS

Long Bay, Providenciales Is seeking to employ.

TECHNICIAN

SALARY $12 PER HOUR

RESPONSIBILITIES:
We are seeking a skilled Security Systems Technician with a minimum of five (5) years of hands-on experience working with electronic security systems, including intruder alarms, CCTV, and access control systems. The role involves designing, specifying, installing, programming, servicing, maintaining, and repairing a wide range of security systems, as well as working with low-voltage installations. The successful candidate must deliver excellent customer service while maintaining a professional attitude on every job, demonstrate strong attention to detail when diagnosing and resolving system issues, and confidently handle systems from multiple manufacturers with expertise.

REQUIRED:
Candidates must have a minimum of five (5) years' hands-on experience in the security systems field, with a deep understanding of intruder alarms, CCTV, and access control systems. Proficiency in low-voltage installations and familiarity with systems from various manufacturers are essential. Strong problem-solving skills and a customer-focused approach are required for success in this role.

SECURITY SUPERVISOR

SALARY $9.45 PER HOUR

RESPONSIBILITIES:
Set performance goals and deadlines aligned with the company's plans and vision. Organise workflows and ensure employees understand their responsibilities and delegated tasks. Monitor employee productivity and provide constructive feedback and coaching to support improvement.

REQUIRED:
Experience in providing advice and resolving critical situations. An understanding of basic police and other emergency services procedures. Willingness to commit to further training. Ability to operate surveillance equipment, including cameras, camcorders, and CCTV systems, is desirable.

Preferably: Former police or military personnel, or individuals with extensive security experience and a valid driver's license.

SECURITY OFFICERS

SALARY $9:00 PER HOUR

RESPONSIBILITIES:
Maintain a safe and secure environment for customers and clients. Conduct patrols, deter potential threats, monitor activities, and safeguard properties and business establishments. Demonstrate strong surveillance skills and the ability to address threats effectively. Exhibit excellent judgment, objectivity, and dependability. Handle conflicts professionally and with integrity. Ensure safety management and uphold professionalism in all duties. Provide clear and accurate reports. Knowledge of CCTV systems and security alarms is highly desirable.

REQUIRED:
A minimum of 5 years' experience as a Security Officer or in a related field. A valid Security Officer Training Certificate is mandatory. Candidates must be willing to undergo and provide a thorough background check.

Please Contact: 649-339 6577 or Email info@wcsstci.com
to fill out job application form
Turks and Caicos Islanders are encouraged to apply.

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JOB OPPORTUNITIES

BUGGY MECHANIC

Minimum of 5 years of experience in a club or golf workshop environment. Responsible for the maintenance, servicing, and repair of golf buggies and related equipment. Resolves mechanical and electrical issues, ensuring all buggies are operational and maintained to required standards. Must be detail-oriented, and able to work independently with strong electrical technician skills. Salary $27,600 per annum.

CHEF DE PARTIE

Minimum of 5 years of experience in a luxury resort environment. Run and supervise any kitchen section to the required standards. Ensure all preparation of the designated section is complete and ready for each service. Comply with all health and safety regulations, staff code of conduct and company policies. Must be self-motivated and have a passion for hospitality and cooking. Effective time management, pay attention to details. Salary $18,000 per annum.

HOMEOWNER ASSET MANAGER

Minimum of 5 years of experience in a luxury resort environment. Responsible for the day-to-day management of 37 private homes on the Island. Provide the first point of contact for all homeowners' requests and arrival and departure information, boats and vehicles, supplies and asset maintenance. Coordinate and oversee administration of Pine Cay residential operation. Salary $60,000 per annum.

MAÎTRE D'

Minimum of 5 years of experience in a luxury resort environment. Greet guests and create a professional and positive image. Assist in preparing the menus and creating new dishes. Coordinate with kitchen staff to ensure that meals are served promptly and correctly. Wine knowledge and pairing and fine dining table services. Knowledge of dining etiquette and health and safety standards. Exceptional customer service skills, good communication skills, able to work as a team and pay attention to details. Salary $18,000 per annum.

PASTRY CHEF

More than 5 years of experience in a luxury resort kitchen. Must prepare a wide variety of pastries along with creating new and exciting desserts. Must have in-depth knowledge of sanitation principles, food preparation and baking techniques and nutrition. Working knowledge of baking with ingredient limitations, dietary restrictions and food allergies. Certificate in culinary arts, pastry-making, baking or relevant field. Salary is
$24,000 per annum.

RESERVATION SUPERVISOR

The reservation supervisor must maintain a friendly and efficient atmosphere for the guests, homeowners, and staff members. To maintain accurate guest reservations, records, and bills. To serve as the communication focal point for the hotel and club. Must complete daily reservation duties and follow ups. Keep track of revenue management with fact sheets and packages updates. Following up with the IT technician on website maintenance, OTA's websites updates and Relais & Chateaux updates. Following up on regular rooms and villa bookings. Salary 36,000 per annum.

EXECUTIVE CHEF

More than 5 years' experience in a luxury hotel environment. Responsible for all kitchen operations. Develop unique and cuisine-appropriate menu. Assist and direct kitchen staff in meal preparation & creation. Responsible for preparing dishes, managing kitchen staff and inventory management. Cooperate with the Food and Beverage Manager for smooth operation. Advanced culinary skills including food preparation, flavor pairings and other cooking best practice Excellent comprehension and effective communication with others. Exceptional Leadership Skills, including motivation and goal setting. Salary 54,000 per annum.

HOUSEKEEPER

Knowledge relating to cleaning products and correct usage, responsible for the basic cleaning and sanitation in and around Pine Cay (assist in the daily operations of Hotel and Villa housekeeping duties) and providing tidy and sanitary amenities to guests and staff. Must pay attention to details, learn and adapt quickly, work diligently and independently and be organized. Some shifts may require staying on Pine Cay. Salary is $10.00 per hour.

SPORTS AND YOGA MANAGER

Develop personalized routines in consideration of individuals' needs, abilities and goals. Demonstrate practices and techniques. Transform energy during the warm-up, build-up and cool-down stages. Engage in administrative duties. Must possess certifications in yoga practice. Must have CPR/ First Aid certification. Must have a level of patience and empathy. Must have customer services skills, leadership skills, communication skills and ability to work under pressure. Salary $24,000 per annum.

SPA THERAPIST

Minimum 8 years' experience. Must be able to provide professional massage treatments to Hotel Guests and Homeowners. Swedish, Balinese, Deep Tissue, Reiki, Hot Stone, Sports, Body Wraps, Scrubs, Facials, Manicures/Pedicures and Rejuvenation treatments. Salary $16,000 per annum.

ROOMS DIVISION SUPERVISOR

Minimum of 5 years' experience. Oversee the front office and housekeeping department ensuring efficient operation. Develop and maintain a comprehensive database of guest and homeowner preferences, habits and special dates for personalized experience. Salary $30,000 per annum.

ACCOUNTS SUPERVISOR

Minimum of 5 years in a luxury resort environment. Review and monitor internal control procedures in the hotel, Review and analyze the company results throughout the hotel to ensure alignment with the company's financial objectives. Assist with the compilation and preparation of the financial statements, periodic forecasts, and monthly/annual budgets. Familiar with reporting and budgeting as well as MS office and accounting software. Salary $36,000 per annum.

HOUSEKEEPING SUPERVISOR

Minimum of 5 years' experience in a luxury resort environment. Ensure hotel rooms and clean and tidy for guests. Assist in Organizing and controlling the housekeeping department and maintains all relevant records. Sorting cleaning, folding and organizing hotel linens. Help in preparation in working schedule, training and motivation. Must be detailed orientation, pay attention to details, great time management, excellent communication skills both verbal and written and basic computer skills. Well organized individuals to be responsible for the day-to-day resort laundry facility. Some heavy lifting is required. Salary $18,000 per annum.

MIXOLOGIST

Minimum of 5 years' experience. Serve guests and homeowners a variety of beverages. Ensure the bar is run efficiently and maintain guest satisfaction. Keep up with industry trends and be able to create new and unique drink recipes. Vast knowledge of bar beverages, wines, alcohol pairing and taste. Salary $18,000 per annum.

JUNIOR SOUS CHEF

Assist the Executive Chef in achieving the highest standards of food production and customer satisfaction. Support daily kitchen operations across all sections, including pantry and banquets, ensuring preparation and service meet required standards. Contribute to menu development, specialty dinners, and functions with minimal supervision. Maintain a safe, hygienic kitchen environment and comply with all health and safety regulations, staff code of conduct, and company policies. Salary $18,000 per annum.

INTERESTED APPLICANTS CAN SUBMIT THEIR COVER LETTER AND RESUME TO: RECRUITMENT@PINECAY.COM

Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted.
All Applicants must have a valid police record when applying.
Some positions may require you to live on Pine Cay.

51505

PICK UP WORKER
Five Cays
Is seeking to employ a

LABOURER

Pick up waste, wash doors & windows, cut grass, water flower, plant seeds, cut trees, keep my property clean.
$8.00

CONTACT: 344-2182
BELONGERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY
51501

ISHMAEL NOEL JOSEPH MUNROE
Five Cays, Providenciales
Is seeking to employ a

DOMESTIC WORKER

Cleaning outside the property with sweeper, pick up yard waste and collect leaves, dispose of trash, clean windows, and doorframes.
Salary: $8.00 hr

CONTACT: 242-2495
BELONGERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY
RENEWAL 51410

JULANDE MARC PIERRE
Long Bay, Providenciales
Is seeking to employ a

BABYSITTER

Ensuring a safe environment, preparing and giving meals, bathing and dressing children, administering medicine, doing housework, and etc.
Salary: $8.00 hourly

CONTACT: 345-6544
BELONGERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY TO THE LABOUR BOARD
RENEWAL 51511



PUBLIC NOTICE

TURKS AND CAICOS ISLANDER STATUS APPLICATION

(SECTION 4(3) OF THE TURKS AND CAICOS ISLANDER STATUS ORDINANCE)

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WC SECURITY SERVICES

LONG BAY, PROVIDENCIALES, IS SEEKING TO EMPLOY.

SECURITY MANAGER

SALARY $6500.00 MONTHLY

RESPONSIBILITIES:
Oversee daily security operations and ensure the safety of clients, staff, and property. Supervise and support security personnel; develop security policies and procedures; and ensure compliance with company standards and local regulations. Conduct risk assessments, prepare incident reports, and coordinate with law enforcement or emergency services when necessary. Lead training sessions to maintain a professional and effective security team.

REQUIRED:
Minimum of 5 years' experience in security, law enforcement, or the military. Strong leadership, decision-making, and organisational skills. Ability to manage teams, delegate responsibilities, and monitor performance. Knowledge of CCTV, access control, and alarm systems. Excellent communication and conflict resolution skills. Valid driver's license. Commitment to health and safety standards and integrity in all duties.
Preferably: Diploma or Certificate in Security Management, Criminology, or a related field.

SECURITY SUPERVISOR

SALARY $9.45 PER HOUR

RESPONSIBILITIES:
Set performance goals and deadlines aligned with the company's plans and vision. Organise workflows and ensure employees understand their responsibilities and delegated tasks. Monitor employee productivity and provide constructive feedback and coaching to support improvement.

REQUIRED:
Experience in providing advice and resolving critical situations. An understanding of basic police and other emergency services procedures. Willingness to commit to further training. Ability to operate surveillance equipment, including cameras, camcorders, and CCTV systems, is desirable. Preferably former police or military personnel, or individuals with extensive security experience and a valid driver's license.
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SECURITY OFFICERS

SALARY $9:00 PER HOUR

RESPONSIBILITIES:
Maintain a safe and secure environment for customers and clients. Conduct patrols, deter potential threats, monitor activities, and safeguard properties and business establishments. Demonstrate strong surveillance skills and the ability to address threats effectively. Exhibit excellent judgment, objectivity, and dependability. Handle conflicts professionally and with integrity. Ensure safety management and uphold professionalism in all duties. Provide clear and accurate reports. Knowledge of CCTV systems and security alarms is highly desirable.

REQUIRED:
A minimum of 5 years' experience as a Security Officer or in a related field. A valid Security Officer Training Certificate is mandatory. Candidates must be willing to undergo and provide a thorough background check.

Please Contact: 649-339 6577 or Email info@wcsstci.com
to fill out job application form
Turks and Caicos Islanders are encouraged to apply.
51611

VALUE FOR YOUR MONEY!!
THE LARGEST READERSHIP
IN THE TURKS & CAICOS

MARC PROFESSIONAL CLEANING
Blue Hills
Is seeking to employ a

CLEANER

Stocking and supplying designated facility areas, dusting, sweeping, vacuuming, mopping, restroom cleaning etc.
Salary: $8.00

CONTACT: 346-0847
BELONGERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY
RENEWAL 51488

MARIE HUTCHINSON
66 Apt. #1 Robinson St., Five Cays
Is seeking to employ a

CLEANER

Stocking and supplying designated facility areas, dusting, sweeping, vacuuming, mopping, restroom cleaning etc.
Salary: $8.00 hourly

CONTACT: 244-3581
BELONGERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO SEND A COPY OF THEIR RESUME TO THE LABOUR BOARD. RENEWAL 51487

MERVIN FORBES
Leeward Palms
Is seeking to employ a

DOMESTIC WORKER

Cleaning the house, laundering sheets, towels and personal clothing and other housework.
Salary: $8.00

CONTACT: 243-1866
BELONGERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY
RENEWAL 51559

QUINTON HALL
Grand Turk
Is seeking to employ a

LABOURER

Cleaning outside the property with sweeper, pick up yard waste and collect leaves, dispose of trash, clean windows, and door frames.
Salary: $8.00

CONTACT: 243-9551
BELONGERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY
RENEWAL 51556

SEASCAPE
36 Tropical Street, Grace Bay
Is seeking to employ a

LABOURER

Cleaning outside the property with sweeper, pick up yard waste and collect leaves, dispose of trash, clean windows, and door frames.
Salary: $8.00

CONTACT: 231-7830
BELONGERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY
FIRST TIME 51569

THE BULLPEN CLUB
#3B Behind Ball Park, Kewtown
Is seeking to employ a

WAITRESS

Take orders and serve food and beverages.
Salary: $8.00 Hourly

CONTACT: 331-1977
BELONGERS ONLY APPLY
RENEWAL 51561

WESLE PIERRE
Venetian Road, Providenciales
Is seeking to employ a

LABOURER

Cleaning outside the property with sweeper, pick up yard waste and collect leaves, dispose of trash, clean windows, and door frames.
Salary: $8.00 hr

CONTACT: 331-3208
BELONGERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY TO THE LABOUR BOARD
RENEWAL 51514

WR RENT A CAR
Downtown
Is seeking to employ a

LABOURER

Cleaning outside the property with sweeper, pick up yard waste and collect leaves, dispose of trash, clean windows, and door frames. Salary; $1,350 monthly

CONTACT: 243-4905
BELONGERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY
RENEWAL 51562

AG CONSTRUCTION
Long Bay, Providenciales
Is seeking to employ a

LABOURER

Cleaning outside the property with sweeper, pick up yard waste and collect leaves, dispose of trash, clean windows, and door frames.
Salary: $8.00 hr

CONTACT: 244-5638
BELONGERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY TO THE LABOUR BOARD
RENEWAL 51547

ALBERT CHARLES STUBBS
Cooper Jack, Providenciales
Is seeking to employ a

CLEANER

Cleaning the house, laundering sheets, towels and personal clothing and other housework.
Salary: $8.00 Hourly

CONTACT: 242-4548
BELONGERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY TO THE LABOUR BOARD
RENEWAL 51585

AMADU TIRES
Leeward Highway, Providenciales
Is seeking to employ a

AUTO TECH.

Perform basic care and maintenance including changing oil, checking fluid levels and rotating tires
Salary: $8.00 hourly

CONTACT: 345-5615
BELONGERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY TO THE LABOUR BOARD
RENEWAL 51519

ANISKA BUTTERFIELD
Kew Town, Providenciales
Is seeking to employ a

LABOURER

Cleaning outside the property with sweeper, pick up yard waste and collect leaves, dispose of trash, clean windows, and door frames.
Salary: $8.00 Hourly

CONTACT: 246-1377
BELONGERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO SEND A COPY OF THEIR RESUME
RENEWAL 51592

ASHWOOD HALL
Conch Bar, Middle Caicos
Is seeking to employ a

LABOURER

Cleaning outside the property with sweeper, pick up yard waste and collect leaves, dispose of trash, clean windows, and door frames. Cares for garden.
Salary: $8.00 hourly

CONTACT: 231-1620
BELONGERS ONLY APPLY
RENEWAL 51553

ASTRIDE PIERRE
Five Cays, Providenciales
Is seeking to employ a

BABYSITTER

Ensuring a safe environment, preparing and giving meals, bathing and dressing children, administering medicine, doing housework, and etc.
Salary: $8.00 hr

CONTACT: 347-8852
BELONGERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY TO THE LABOUR BOARD
RENEWAL 51586

CAICOS VACATIONS
Marlon St., The Venetian
Is seeking to employ a

2 HOUSEKEEPERS

Must be clean, trustworthy, honest, organized and punctual. Performing a variety of cleaning activities
Salary: $400 weekly with benefits, full time hours

CONTACT: 649-332-4317
BELONGERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO SEND A COPY OF THEIR RESUME TO THE LABOUR BOARD. RENEWAL 51589

CHARLES EQUIPMENT RENTAL
Five Cays, South Division
Is seeking to employ a

LABOURER

Cleaning outside the property with sweeper, pick up yard waste and collect leaves, dispose of trash, clean windows, and door frames.
Salary: $10.00 Hourly

CONTACT: 649-243-1729
BELONGERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY TO THE LABOUR BOARD
RENEWAL 51526

DENISE SMITH
The Bight, Providenciales
Is seeking to employ a

DOMESTIC WORKER

Cleaning the house, laundering sheets, towels and personal clothing and other housework.
Salary: $8.00 hourly

CONTACT: 341-6493
BELONGERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY
RENEWAL 51543

ELBERT'S CLEANING SERVICE
Pelican Beach Drive, Whitby, North Caicos
Is seeking to employ a

LABOURER

Cleaning outside the property, pick up yard waste and collect leaves, dispose of trash, clean windows, and doorframes.
Salary: $8.00 hourly

CONTACT: 649-341-1683
BELONGERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY
RENEWAL 51550

EMLIN CHARLES
Blue Hills
Is seeking to employ a

DOMESTIC WORKER

Cleaning the house, laundering sheets, towels and personal clothing and other housework.
Salary: $8.00 Hourly

CONTACT: 347-2260
BELONGERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY TO THE LABOUR BOARD
RENEWAL 51521

ERNST DESTINE
Blue Hills
Is seeking to employ a

DOMESTIC WORKER

Cleaning the house, laundering sheets, towels and personal clothing and other housework.
Salary: $8.00 hourly

CONTACT: 344-5150
BELONGERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY TO THE LABOUR BOARD
RENEWAL 51552

FLAMINGO NAILS
Behind Mara, Blue Hills
Is seeking to employ a

HAIRSTYLIST

Shampooing, cutting, and styling hair, provide hair treatments, including deep conditioning, permanents, hair coloring, and weaving.
Salary: $8.00 Hourly

CONTACT: 344-5632
BELONGERS ONLY APPLY
FIRST TIME 51588

FOLINE DOR
Blue Hills, Providenciales
Is seeking to employ a

DOMESTIC WORKER

To perform various cleaning task and ensuring a high standard of cleanliness and satisfaction.
Salary: $8.00

CONTACT: 241-4107
BELONGERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY
RENEWAL 51548

GREENLAND LANDSCAPING SERVICES
Is seeking to employ a

GARDENER

Soil cultivation, digging, and forking, mulching, watering, raking, weeding, edging, pruning, seed sowing, bed preparation and planting
Salary: $8.00

CONTACT: 341-1549
BELONGERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY
RENEWAL 51545

GWENDLYN BUCKLEY
South Dock, Providenciales
Is seeking to employ a

CARETAKER

Clean, take care of the house, ironing.
To work 5 days a week, 7AM-4PM
$8.00 hr

CONTACT: 649-242-8346
BELONGERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY
RENEWAL 51604

BAMBARRA BAKERY
Is Seeking To hire

1 BAKERY ASSISTANT

- Responsible for general cleaning of Bakery equipment
- Make sure bakery is clean at all times
- Packing of baking products for distribution
- Must be willing to work 5 days per week
- Salary: $8.00 per hour

CONTACT: 946-4536
EMAIL: INFO@WINECELLAR.TC
51575

DAVIDSON E. LOUIS
Grace Bay, Seeks

DIGITAL ARTIST

Develop digital art for projects through collaboration, ensuring artwork meets requirements and timelines. Salary: $10.00

ARTIST

Create conceive and produce original works of art, utilizing various mediums and techniques.
Salary: $10.00

CONTACT: 431-5151
BELONGERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY / FIRST TIME
51481

HOSTA LTD.
Is seeking to employ

2X SERVER
2X KITCHEN HELPER
2X COOKS

Working hours include holidays, late nights, and week ends
Previous experience required
Salary commensurate to experience starting at $8.00 per hour.

CONTACT: (649) 338-4555
BELONGERS ENCOURAGED TO APPLY VIA EMPLOYMENT SERVICES
51573

ISLAND SCOOP LTD.
Regent Village, Seeks

CASHIER

Greets customers, receive payment by cash, checks and credit cards, Issue receipts, and change due to customers.
Salary: $9.50

ICE CREAM MAKER

Mixing ingredients and operating machinery to produce high-quality ice cream. Salary: $9.50

CONTACT: 431-5151
BELONGERS APPLY / FIRST TIME
51482

PARKWAY PEST SOLUTIONS
Leeward Storage, Leeward Highway, Seeking

SENIOR PEST CONTROL TECHNICIAN

- Conducting thorough inspections to identify pest problems.
- Developing and implementing effective treatment plans.
- Salary: $9,310.14 monthly

CONTACT: 649-241-4070
EMAIL: PETER@PARKWAYPESTSOLUTIONS.TC
BELONGERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY
WORK PERMIT RENEWAL. EMAIL RESUME ONLY.
51512

SIBONNE HOTEL
#2 The Bight, Providenciales, Is seeking to employ

MAINTENANCE TECHNICIAN

- Perform a wide variety of general building maintenance repairs and services
- Repair appliances, pumps, and maintenance and landscaping equipment.
- Repair faucets, toilets, showers, seals, and any other malfunctioning plumbing fixtures
- Salary: $9.00 hourly

CONTACT: 649-946-5547
BELONGERS ONLY APPLY / RENEWAL
51563

PORTS OF CALL RESORT
IS INTERVIEWING FOR:

1 MAINTENANCE MAN, 1 HOUSEMAN, 1 GARDINER

The suitable candidate must have 2-5 years of experience, have strong English verbal and written communication skills. Must have valid drivers license and be over age 25.
Salary starting at $8.50 per hour.

RESUMES CAN BE EMAILED TO ABARNETT@PORTSOFCALLRESORT.COM
OR DROPPED OFF IN PERSON AT 11 SANDCASTLE ROAD. TEL: 946-8888
PROSPECTIVE APPLICANTS WHO ARE TURKS ISLANDERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO SEND COPY OF THEIR RESUME TO LABOR BOARD.
POSITION IS CURRENTLY HELD BY WORK PERMIT HOLDER.
51576

VILLA FOR RENT

IN RICHMOND HILL QUIET PROFESSIONAL TENANTS ONLY. NO KIDS. NO PETS AVAILABLE: FEBRUARY 1ST, 2026

CONTACT: 232-3788
51580

J & C BEAUTY SALON
Unit #1 IBO Plaza,
Behind Ball Park, Kew Town
Is seeking to employ a

NAIL TECHNICIAN

Basic manicures, artificial nails, gel nails, hand massages, nail fills, nail repair, and nail polishing. Pedicures and the application of acrylic toenails.
Salary: $8.50 Hourly

CONTACT: 344-1021
BELONGERS ONLY APPLY
RENEWAL
51541

J&S CARIBBEAN RENTALS LTD.
Grand Turk, TCI
Is seeking to employ a

LABOURER

Duties:
Physical labour and cleaning at work site
Rate: $8.00 per hour

CONTACT: 649-344-8091
BELONGERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY
51606

OMNICARE MEDICAL CENTER
Town Center Mall, Downtown, Seeks

1 GENERAL PRACTITIONER

- 5 years minimum general and emergency medical experience.
- Must be eligible for registration and licensing with the Council of Medicine and Dentistry, of the Health Professionals Authority TCI. Duties will include outpatient medical consultations and practice management

1 REGISTERED NURSE

- Omnicare Medical Center is seeking to hire a Registered Nurse to perform general clinical duties including clinic management and patient care. BSc in nursing and a minimum of 5 years clinical experience required

2 DOMESTIC WORKER

To perform various cleaning task and ensuring a high standard of cleanliness and customer satisfaction. $8.00

SALARIES WILL COMMENSURATE WITH EXPERIENCE.

CONTACT: 941-5050
DIRECTOR@OMNICAREMED.COM
51484

CLOVER LEAF AGENCY VARIOUS

KITCHEN HELPER

MY DEE'S RESTAURANT
Kings Highway, North Caicos
Assisting Cook, washing dishes and any jobs given by employer. Rate: $8.00 Per hour (First Time)

UPHOLSTERER

CAICOS ISLE MANAGEMENT
North Caicos
Rate: $8.00 Per hour
Manufacturing, repairing, and restoring furniture and other upholstered items.

TEE'S CONSTRUCTION
Bottle Creek, North Caicos

LABOURER

Rate: $8.00 Per hour (First Time)
Cleaning construction site & equipment.

PAINTER

Rate: $8.00 Per hour (Renewal)
Painting and Cleaning equipment.

LABOURER

Rate: $8.00 Per hour (Renewal)
Cleaning construction site & equipment.

CONTACT: 947-0561
51582

JAMES PHILISTIN
Blue Hills, Providenciales
Is seeking to employ a

DOMESTIC WORKER

Cleaning the house, laundering sheets, towels and personal clothing and other housework.
Salary: $8.00 hr

CONTACT: 243-3254
BELONGERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY TO THE LABOUR BOARD RENEWAL 51554

K & T DISPOSABLE SERVICES
Industrial Rd., Five Cays
Is seeking to employ a

LABOURER

Cleaning the property with sweeper, pick up yard waste, dispose of trash, clean windows, and doorframes.
Salary: $8.00 hourly

CONTACT: 241-1777
BELONGERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO SEND A COPY OF THEIR RESUME TO THE LABOUR BOARD 51518

KANISHA B. CAMPBELL
Phase 1 Wheeland, Blue Hills, Providenciales
Is seeking to employ a

BABYSITTER

Ensuring a safe environment, preparing and giving meals, bathing and dressing children, administering medicine, doing housework, and etc.
Salary: $8.00 hr

CONTACT: 344-9324
BELONGERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY TO THE LABOUR BOARD RENEWAL 51549

KAREN MYERS
86 Kakeka Street, Providenciales
Is seeking to employ a

DOMESTIC WORKER

Cleaning the house, laundering sheets, towels and personal clothing and other housework.
Salary: $325.00 Weekly

CONTACT: KAREN.AMYERS@HOTMAIL.COM
BELONGERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY TO THE LABOUR BOARD RENEWAL 51538

KISHENA ROBINSON SMITH
Blue Hills
Is seeking to employ a

DOMESTIC WORKER

Cleaning the house, laundering sheets, towels and personal clothing and other housework.
Salary: $8.00 hourly

CONTACT: 246-8249
BELONGERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY TO THE LABOUR BOARD RENEWAL 51520

KIVARNO'S CONTRACTING
Blue Hills, Providenciales
Is seeking to employ a

MASON

Mixes mortar; lays bricks and stones and/or concrete sidewalks; makes and repairs steps and plasters.
Salary: $8.00 hourly

CONTACT: 345-9117
BELONGERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY RENEWAL 51587

LAS BRISAS RESTAURANT
Chalk Sound Dr, Providenciales
Is seeking to employ a

CERTIFIED BOAT CAPTAIN

Responsible for the safe operation of vessel and ensure that it is operated and crewed according to both company and legal guidelines
Salary: Based on Qualifications

CONTACT: 332-4320
BELONGERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY TO THE LABOUR BOARD RENEWAL 51602

LERRY WILLIAMS
Five Cays
Is seeking to employ a

LABOURER

Cleaning outside the property with sweeper, pick up yard waste and collect leaves, dispose of trash, clean windows, and doorframes.
Salary: $8.00 hourly

CONTACT: 347-8881
BELONGERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY TO THE LABOUR BOARD RENEWAL 51603

LOUISE MCINTOSH
South Caicos
Is seeking to employ a

DOMESTIC WORKER

Cleaning the house, laundering sheets, towels and personal clothing and other housework.
Salary: $8.00 hr

CONTACT: 343-1001
BELONGERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY TO THE LABOUR BOARD RENEWAL 51531

LUXURY CAR RENTAL & SELL
South Dock Rd. Providenciales
Is seeking to employ a

MECHANIC

Inspecting and testing vehicles, engine tune-ups, oil changes, tire changes, wheel balancing, and replacing filters.
Salary: $10.00 Hourly

CONTACT: 333-7970
BELONGERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY TO THE LABOUR BOARD RENEWAL 51601

M & M MINI MART
Caicos Café Plaza, #295 Grace Bay
Is seeking to employ a

CLEANER

Maintain the outlook of a store by cleaning and restocking shelves.
Salary: $8.00 Hourly

CONTACT: 649-344-1864
BELONGERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY TO THE LABOUR BOARD RENEWAL 51532

MAGALIE AMOS CHARLES
The Bight, Providenciales
Is seeking to employ a

CLEANER

Stocking and supplying designated facility areas, dusting, sweeping, vacuuming, mopping, restroom cleaning etc.
Salary $8.00 hourly

CONTACT: 345-2071
BELONGERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY RENEWAL 51527

MARC SOLOMON
West Rd., Grand Turk
Is seeking to employ a

DOMESTIC WORKER

Cleaning the house, laundering sheets, towels and personal clothing and other housework.
Salary: $8.00 hourly

CONTACT: 241-5668
BELONGERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY TO THE LABOUR BOARD RENEWAL 51533

MARCUS ANDY FORBES
Grand Turk
Is seeking to employ a

LABOURER

Cleaning outside the property with sweeper, pick up yard waste and collect leaves, dispose of trash, clean windows, and door frames.
Salary: $8.00 hr

CONTACT: 232-6538
BELONGERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY TO THE LABOUR BOARD RENEWAL 51594

MARJORIE FASHION TCI
Downtown
Is seeking to employ a

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Applicant must be honest, Reliable and willing to work Serving Customers, Fixing the shelves and assisting with sticking on prices and keeping store clean. Salary: $8.50

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BELONGERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY RENEWAL 51590

MARTIN CHARLES/ NANCY RETAIL STORE
Front Rd., Blue Hills
Is seeking to employ a

CLEANER

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Salary: $8.00 Hourly

CONTACT: 231-2756
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MELINDA G. SEYMOUR
Godet Street, South Caicos
Is seeking to employ a

LABOURER

Cleaning outside the property with sweeper, pick up yard waste and collect leaves, dispose of trash, clean windows, and door frames.
Salary: $8.00 Hourly

CONTACT: 231-2732
BELONGERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO SEND A COPY OF THEIR RESUME RENEWAL 51593

MONIQUE LOUIS
South Dock, Providenciales
Is seeking to employ a

DOMESTIC WORKER

Cleaning the house, laundering sheets, towels and personal clothing and other housework.
Salary: $8.00 hourly

CONTACT: 346-9099
BELONGERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY TO THE LABOUR BOARD RENEWAL 51551

MR. KYLE BROOKS
South Dock, Providenciales
Is seeking to employ a

HANDYMAN

Cleaning yard, vehicles, raking leaves, trimming trees, doors & Window Frames and disposing of all debris. Applicant must be honest and willing to work.
Salary: $8.00 hr

CONTACT: 246-9096
BELONGERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY RENEWAL 51598

Five Cays, Providenciales
Is seeking to employ a

LABOURER

Cleaning outside the property with sweeper, pick up yard waste and collect leaves, dispose of trash, clean windows, and doorframes.

CONTACT: 341-2178
BELONGERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY TO THE LABOUR BOARD RENEWAL 51544

NORVILUS METTELUS
#2 Chandel Venetian Road
Is seeking to employ a

DOMESTIC WORKER

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Salary: $8.00 hourly

CONTACT: 649-232-3264
BELONGERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO SEND A COPY OF THEIR RESUME TO THE LABOUR BOARD. RENEWAL 51529

PABLO BARBER SHOP
Grace Bay, Providenciales
Is seeking to employ a

2 BARBERS

Cutting, trimming, and styling hair, trimming beards, or giving shaves. Sterilize scissors and other instruments.
Salary: $8.00 hourly

CONTACT: 342-8799
BELONGERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY TO THE LABOUR BOARD RENEWAL / FIRST TIME 51600

PATIENCE CONSTRUCTION
Back Road, Blue Hills
Is seeking to employ a

STEELMAN

Build and install iron or steel girders, columns, and other construction materials to form structures. Cut, position, and bolt down steel bars.
Salary: $12.00 Hourly

CONTACT: 649-341-4935
BELONGERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY TO THE LABOUR BOARD RENEWAL 51530

PRECISION CLEANING SERVICE
Juba Sound, Providenciales
Is seeking to employ a

CLEANER

Performing a variety of cleaning activities such as sweeping, mopping, dusting and polishing. Ensuring all rooms inspected according to standards.
Salary: $8.00 hourly

CONTACT: 243-7604
BELONGERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY FIRST TIME 51584

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Industrial Dr., Providenciales
Is seeking to employ a

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Salary: $10.00 Hourly

CONTACT: 342-4655
BELONGERS ONLY APPLY
RENEWAL
51591

REAL ADVENTURES LTD.
By Chalkies, South Dock Rd.
Is seeking to employ a

LABOURER

Cleaning outside the property, pick up yard waste and collect leaves, dispose of trash, clean windows, and doorframes.
Salary: $8.00 hourly

CONTACT: 344-5707
BELONGERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY TO THE LABOUR BOARD
RENEWAL
51597

SALVATORY GARLAND
The Bight, Providenciales
Is seeking to employ a

LABOURER

Cleaning outside the property with sweeper, pick up yard waste and collect leaves, dispose of trash, clean windows, and door frames.
Salary: $8.00 hr

CONTACT: 347-2312
BELONGERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY TO THE LABOUR BOARD
RENEWAL
51599

SAMUEL HALL
Five Cays, Providenciales
Is seeking to employ a

DOMESTIC WORKER

Cleaning the house, laundering sheets, towels and personal clothing and other housework.
Salary: $8.00 Hourly

CONTACT: 348-8927
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51523

SECURITY MANAGEMENT SERVICES LTD.
#14 TDMG Building, Five Cays, South Dock Road
Is seeking to employ a

SECURITY OFFICER

Applicant must be honest, reliable and willing to work in different business places 6 days a week when asked to do so.
Salary: $9.50 hourly

BELONGERS ONLY APPLY
RENEWAL
51540

SHA CONSTRUCTION, MAID TO CLEAN, SIESTA
#03 SHRUB CL, BLUE HILLS
Is seeking to employ a

PAINTER

Apply paints, stains, and coatings to interior and exterior walls, new buildings, homes, offices and other structural surfaces.
Salary: $8.00 hr

CONTACT: 231-6858
BELONGERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY
RENEWAL
51542

SPOTLESS CLEANING SERVICES
23 Parede Ave. Town Center Mall Building, Providenciales
Is seeking to employ a

DOMESTIC WORKER

Sweeping, mopping floor, cleaning Bathrooms.
Salary: $9.00 hr

CONTACT: (649)331-0818
BELONGERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY TO THE LABOUR BOARD
51537

TEMPCO RETAIL VARIETY STORE
Residence, Five Cays
Is seeking to employ a

DOMESTIC WORKER

Cleaning the house, laundering sheets, towels and personal clothing and other housework.
Salary: $8.00 Hourly

CONTACT: 231-0977
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TONY'S PLACE
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BELONGERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY TO THE LABOUR BOARD
RENEWAL
51524

WALKY GEDEON
Blue Hills
Is seeking to employ a

LABOURER

Cleaning outside the property with sweeper, pick up yard waste and collect leaves, dispose of trash, clean windows, and doorframes.
Salary: $8.00 Hourly

CONTACT: 244-8653
BELONGERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY TO THE LABOUR BOARD
RENEWAL
51528

WILLIAM OUTTEN
Venetian Road, Providenciales
Is seeking to employ a

CLEANER

Stocking and supplying designated facility areas, dusting, sweeping, vacuuming, mopping, restroom cleaning etc.
Salary: $8.00 hr

CONTACT: 343-4884
BELONGERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY TO THE LABOUR BOARD
RENEWAL
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Wheeland, Blue Hills, Providenciales
Is seeking to employ a

LABOURER

Cleaning outside the property with sweeper, pick up yard waste and collect leaves, dispose of trash, clean windows, and door frames.
Salary: $8.00 hr

CONTACT: 000-0000
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FIRST TIME
51525

VARIOUS

HEAVY DUTY MACHINERY OPERATOR

COASTAL MARINE DESIGN
Providenciales
Operate heavy machinery.
(Renewal) $15.00 hr

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CARIBBEAN BUILDERS,
Providenciales
Install wooden frames structural elements etc.
(Renewal) Salary: $12.00 hr

HELPER

JARARD WILLIAMS
Providenciales
General duties around home
(Renewal) Salary: $8.00 hr

LABOURER

FR CONSTRUCTION
Providenciales
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CONTACT: 000-0000
51607

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Providenciales, Is seeking to employ

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CONTACT: 946-5387
OR CORERESOURCES@GMAIL.COM
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51614

TRIOS VIP LIMITED
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MAINTENANCE WORKER

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Maintain Bar
Mix and serve drinks. $8.00 hr

CONTACT: 341-9561
BELONGERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY
51613

ANDERSON MEDIA
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3 LABOURERS

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CONTACT: 649-242-9635 OR 649-331-3003
BELONGERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY / FIRST TIME
51539

VARIOUS

COASTAL MARINE DESIGN
Providenciales

PROJECT MANAGER

- Define project goals, objectives, and deliverables to align with organizational priorities.
- Develop detailed project plans, including timelines, milestones, and resource allocation.
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- Delegate tasks based on team members' skills and monitor their progress.
- Manage project budgets, track expenses, and ensure financial accountability.
- Starting salary $6,500.00

ANGELIQUE B. JONCKA
Providenciales

DOMESTIC WORKER

General duties around home. (Renewal) Salary: $8.00 hr

CONTACT: 242-8792
51608

MARC FRED JAMES
Blue Hills
Is seeking to employ a

CLEANER

Stocking and supplying designated facility areas, dusting, sweeping, vacuuming, mopping, restroom cleaning etc.
Salary: $8.00

CONTACT: 347-5570
BELONGERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY
FIRST TIME
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Science & Technology

Combining small changes in diet, exercise and sleep may extend life

Small changes in diet, exercise and sleep may extend life by a year when put into practice together, while making larger changes could provide more than nine additional years of life, according to a new study.

Combining changes in diet, sleep and exercise also increased "health span," or the number of years a person may live without major health complaints.

"These findings highlight the importance of considering lifestyle behaviours as a package rather than in isolation," said lead study author Nick Koemel, a research fellow in physical activity, lifestyle and population health at the University of Syndey's main campus in Camperdown, Australia.

"By targeting small improvements across multiple behaviours simultaneously, the required change for any single behaviour is substantially reduced, which may help overcome common barriers to long-term behaviour change," Koemel said in an email.

However, that finding is far from conclusive, said Kevin McConway, professor emeritus of applied statistics at the Open University in Milton Keynes, United Kingdom, who was not involved in the study.

"A snag is that the paper uses complicated statistical methods that are not always described clearly," McConway said in an email. "It's therefore difficult to tell to what extent the findings have emerged from the researchers' choice of statistical analyses,



Exercise was seen as a key factor

rather than things that are clearer from the data."

A THEORETICAL MODEL

Using scientific modeling, Koemel and his team found combining as little as five additional minutes of sleep, two minutes of moderate to vigorous physical activity (such as brisk walking or taking the stairs), and an additional ½ cup of vegetables a day might lengthen life by a year.

However, this predicted outcome was only for people who had an extremely poor diet, slept less than six hours per night and only exercised about seven minutes a day. In addition, it wasn't until the model's lifestyle improvements greatly increased that the results became scientifically significant.

"All of the gains reported in this study are theoretical," Koemel said. "We cannot claim a direct causal effect from the lifestyle patterns. These findings should therefore be interpreted as expected or projected benefits under assumed behavioral variations, rather than confirmed effects of an intervention."

The greatest gain in longevity — 9.35 years — and health span — 9.46 years — came with the combination of an addition of 42 to 103 minutes of exercise and sleeping between seven and eight hours a day, while also eating an extremely healthy diet that included fish, whole grains, vegetables and fruits.

Adding exercise to the mix moved the longevity needle the most — a fact that did not surprise preventive cardiologist Dr. Andrew Freeman, director of cardiovascular prevention and wellness at National Jewish Health in Denver.

"Exercise is the elixir of youth," said Freeman, who was not involved in the study. "But let me be clear — this study should not be interpreted as exercising for exactly two minutes and stop, you've accomplished a goal.

"Rather, you should aim to get 20 to 30 minutes of brisk, breathless physical activity, combining strength and cardio in every day. That advice has not changed over decades of study."

FORGET NUMBERS — FOCUS ON WELL-BEING

The study, published Wednesday in the journal eClinicalMedicine, looked at almost 60,000 participants from England, Scotland and Wales in the UK Biobank, a longitudinal health study, who were followed for an average of eight years. Everyone in the study provided information on their diet — including ultraprocessed foods, such as sugar-sweetened beverages. A subset of the group also wore wrist watches that provided more objective measurements of movement and sleep.

Researchers gathered this medical data and used it to form theoretical scenarios of improved longevity and health span, which was defined as the number of years free of cardiovascular disease, dementia, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease and type 2 diabetes.

Enjoying a longer life and a longer health span, or remaining free of disease, aren't the same thing, Koemel said. "Combined improvements in sleep, physical activity, and diet were associated with longer lifespans, even if people still developed some chronic conditions later in life."

After adjusting the findings for many variables — such as the amount of ultraprocessed foods, smoking, alcohol use, body mass index, insomnia, snoring and daytime sleepiness — the results differed depending on how much of each behavior change was accomplished.

In addition to the lowest and highest levels of the lifestyle changes discussed above, researchers also found lower levels of exercise — less than 23 minutes a day — sleeping seven to eight hours a night, and an excellent diet were associated with nearly four more years of life and three years of health, the study found.

Moderate levels of exercise (between 23 and 42 minutes a day), sleeping up to eight hours per night, and a high-quality diet were associated with a greater improvement of an additional seven years of life and just over six years of good health. So many calculations! What does it all mean?

"This is not about the absolute minutes you exercise or sleep or the number of pieces of broccoli you eat. It's about making sure that all the things you do in your life are synonymous with health," Freeman said. (CNN)

Horses really can smell our fear, new study finds

Horses can detect fear in humans by smell, becoming more likely to startle and more wary of people who are scared, a new study has found.

Researchers collected samples of odor compounds from the armpits of human study participants and then observed how the horses behaved when they were exposed to the different odors during standardized tests, according to research published Wednesday in the journal PLOS One.

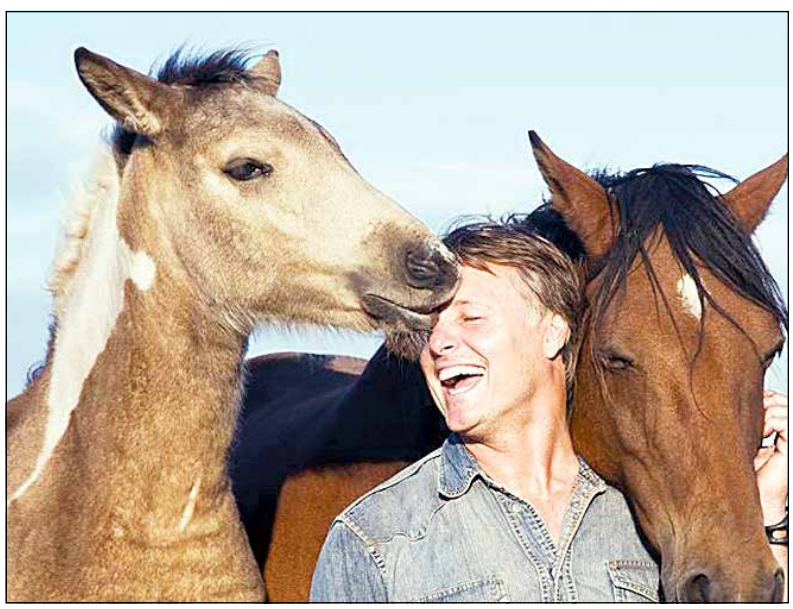
While previous research has found that horses can pick up on human emotions through speech and facial expressions, the idea that they can smell our fear has remained just a theory due to the difficulties of studying smell, said lead study author Plotine Jardat, a researcher at the French Institute for Horse and Riding (IFCE).

"As humans, we are not really aware of all the smells that are around us compared to what other animals apparently perceive, so that's not so easy to study," Jardat told CNN.

To overcome this problem, researchers developed a novel method that involved placing cotton pads in the armpits of the human study participants, where odor compounds are released by the sweat glands.

Samples were taken from people while they watched a scary video

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Horses can pick up on human emotions through multiple avenues

Science & Technology

Whole milk now allowed in school lunches as Trump signs bill reversing limits



Many students will soon have access to whole milk in schools

Whole milk could be coming to your local school cafeteria for the first time in more than a decade.

On Wednesday, President Donald Trump signed a bill that allows schools participating in the National School Lunch Program to serve whole and 2% milk alongside fat-free and low-fat versions.

The move comes a week after the US Department of Health and Human Services released new US dietary guidelines that highlight whole-fat dairy products, a recommendation that has received mixed reviews from nutritionists and medical experts.

The new legislation, which passed Congress last year by unanimous consent, rolls back US Department of Agriculture rules approved by the Obama administration that required milk served in schools to be fat-free or low-fat, part of efforts to fight the childhood obesity epidemic. The new law also allows nondairy beverages that are "nutritionally equivalent" to fluid milk to be offered, such as fortified plant-based milks.

"Removing whole milk did not improve health, it damaged it," HHS Secretary Robert F. Kennedy Jr. said at the White House signing event, claiming that some students turned to caffeinated and sweetened drinks instead of skim or low-fat milk. "Milk fat is not junk food."

The USDA has pushed whole milk, posting on X this week an image of Trump wearing a milk mustache and standing in front of a glass of milk, with the words "Drink Whole Milk" at the bottom.

More whole milk was sold in the US in 2024 than other types, with 2% coming in second, according to USDA data. Low-fat and skim milk sales were a distant third and fourth.

CHANGES WON'T HAPPEN OVERNIGHT

The National School Lunch program serves nearly 30 million children, about two-thirds of whom receive free or reduced-price meals.

Whole milk and 2% milk will not appear in schools overnight. There are several steps before it is offered in cafeterias, according to the School Nutrition Association, which represents more than 50,000 school nutrition professionals.

Schools will need to evaluate how much interest there is among students for these options and then discuss availability and price with their suppliers.

Whole milk is more expensive than skim milk, which may prove to be a barrier for some cash-strapped school districts, said Liz Campbell, a registered dietician nutritionist and the association's vice president for government affairs. Also, the supply of milk options varies widely by region.

What's more, it's unclear whether whole milk and 2% milk can be served at breakfast. USDA officials said at an association conference this week that the new legislation addresses only whole milk and 2% milk at lunch, according to Campbell.

The agency has not responded to CNN's request for clarification. The USDA's guidance on the law, posted Wednesday, references only expanded options for school lunch programmes.

Whole milk and 2% milk should be available in schools soon, Agriculture Secretary Brooke Rollins said at the White House bill signing.

"It should just take a few weeks, and then the milk starts moving in," she said. (CNN)

Horses really can smell our fear, new ...

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and a joyful video, as well as a neutral sample, and these pads were later placed on the nostrils of 43 different female horses, held in place by small nets.

The researchers were careful to prevent contamination by other odor compounds by making sure the pads were only handled by the human providing the sample, and the compounds were preserved by freezing the pads, said Jardat.

The horses were then exposed to a series of tests conducted by experimenters familiar to the animals — for example, whether or not they would freely approach a human in their paddock, or startle at the sudden opening of an umbrella.

Researchers observed the horses' behaviour, as well as collecting data on their heart rate and the level of cortisol in their saliva, a key biomarker for stress.

Analysis showed that both the horses' behaviour and physiology were influenced by the human odor compounds.

Researchers observed that the horses exposed to odor compounds produced by volunteers who had watched scary footage were more likely to startle more easily, and less likely to approach people or investigate unfamiliar objects.

"The fearful odors from humans amplify the reactions of horses," said Jardat.

"The significance is that horses can smell how we feel, even if they can't hear or see us," she said.

Study co-author Léa Lansade, research director at the French National Research Institute for Agriculture, Food and Environment (INRAE), said the study provides evidence of cross-species "emotional contagion."

And there are practical implications for those who ride or handle horses, including "acknowledging the importance of handlers' emotional state and its potential transmission through chemosignals during human-horse interactions," according to the paper. (CNN)



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Sports International

New Zealand sack 'gutted' head coach Robertson

Scott Robertson has been sacked as head coach of New Zealand after two years in charge.

Robertson, 51, replaced Ian Foster after the World Cup in 2023 and led the All Blacks to 10 wins out of 13 Tests in the 2025 season.

But the former Canterbury Crusaders coach came under pressure following an away defeat by Argentina and a record 43-10 loss to South Africa in the Rugby Championship in Wellington.

There have also been reports of tension between senior players and All Blacks staff, and the dismissal follows an internal review.

In a statement, Robertson said while he was "gutted" with the outcome, he believed it was "in the best interests" of the team for him to make way.

"Coaching the All Blacks has been the honour of my life," he said.

"I am incredibly proud of what this team has achieved and of the progress we have made. We have brought through a talented group of young players, strengthened the depth across the squad, and set solid foundations for the years ahead."



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The All Blacks were also beaten for only the ninth time in their 120-year rivalry with England when Steve Borthwick's side claimed a 33-19 victory in the Quilter Nations Series in November.

New Zealand Rugby (NZR) said the process of finding a replacement for Robertson, who was contracted to the end of the 2027 World Cup in Australia, will start immediately.

The chair of the governing body, David Kirk, thanked Robertson for his contribution to the team, adding: "As always, he has continued to put the All Blacks first and we respect that he has done the hard but right thing in agreeing to depart.

"His passion for the team as both a player and coach is evident and his commitment to and involvement in rugby in New Zealand at every level over a long period is significant. We wish him well for the future."

Kirk said the mid-point in the Rugby World Cup cycle was the right time to take an "extensive look" at the All Blacks' progress under Robertson on and off the field before a packed Test calendar in 2026.

New Zealand host France, Italy and Ireland in the Nations Championship in July followed by a trip to South Africa for an eight-match tour in August and September.

They then face Australia home and away in the Bledisloe Cup in October before travelling to Europe in November for more Nations Championship matches, this time against Scotland, Wales and England.

Given his remarkable title-winning exploits with the Crusaders, Robertson had been an All Blacks coach-in-waiting for years, and he was appointed to great fanfare in March 2023, even though the announcement took place months before the World Cup and undermined the incumbent Ian Foster - who ended up nearly winning the tournament.

Robertson took over a group in transition, as a number of big-name players either retired or moved overseas following the World Cup, while the New Zealand domestic system isn't producing players it once did.

However, results by the All Blacks' standards have been very patchy and Robertson has failed to stamp his mark on the team.

His regime has also been affected by turbulence in the backroom staff and now player feedback has made his position untenable, with the New Zealand Rugby Union making the highly unusual move to sever ties halfway through a coach's contract cycle.

This will send shockwaves around the international rugby world. And while there will be a string of coaches desperate to have a shot at one of the biggest jobs in the world game, the clear number one candidate is the Highlanders boss Jamie Joseph, a man who is in the New Zealand system and has international playing and coaching experience. (BBC)

Record-breaker Welham chasing more success

Harriet Welham is hoping to end the season with more silverware after breaking the record for the number of Women's National Basketball League appearances.

Welham - described by Endeavour Ipswich head coach Nick Drane as "the greatest player in the history of the National League" - has now reached 140 matches in all competitions, having set a new record of 138 last month.

The guard also holds records for the number of points scored (more than 3,000), rebounds (almost 1,000) and assists (over 450).

"It's crazy to think that I'm able to get that many numbers up, but I've been playing for so long now. It's great for me, great for the club, getting that recognition," Welham told BBC Radio Suffolk.

Ipswich are currently fifth in a wide-open 12-team Women's Division One following last weekend's 75-62 win away to Bristol Flyers, a game in which Welham contributed 24 points, and just four points behind leaders Manchester Mystics, .

"Every team has had some injury issues, including us, so it is all to play for [in the second half of the season], it's the closest I've known it for a long time - no-one's really going to run away with it," she added.

"It is exciting. I think we have a great shot again. We've just got to put the work in in training and try and win as many as we can."

Welham has been part of nine trophy-winning teams, including three National Cups - she was MVP in last year's final against Brent Bulls - and three Division One titles.

She does, though, have another call on her time as the club's Under-18 girls' team, which she coaches, are through to the National Cup age-group final.

"Obviously the women are gutted that we're not in it [having won the trophy in 2018, 2024 and 2025], but the Under-18s are flying the flag for Ipswich," said Welham.

"They've started the season really well, again there's been an injury crisis, but they've managed to pick up wins and we're really excited for the final [against Nottingham Wildcats] next weekend.



Harriet Welham

"Worcester is a great arena, we've played there in the league a couple of times... so it's something different. It's got an exciting feel about it."

Drane said it had been great to see Welham "blossom" into a fine coach in addition to "all her ridiculous accolades" as a player.

After the final, though, it will be full focus on the senior women's team and Division One, which is anything but predictable.

"The league doesn't make sense, and I mean that as a good thing, and a complement to the teams in it," said Drane.

"It is going to come down to who is the healthiest and the fittest when these key games are happening, but I think the team that win the league this year, might win it with five, six, seven losses.

"It's crazy really, what's happening."

Welham's experience and resilience will be a key factor for Ipswich, so how does her coach sum her up?

"I just think it's incredibly disappointing that she doesn't get more blocks and steals," he joked.

"In all seriousness, she's been part of my programme for 14 years and I spend more time with her than pretty much anyone else in the world.

"The pride I have in watching her develop as a coach, and the joy she brings me as a coach when she's playing for me, is like nothing else I've experienced.

"Ipswich basketball, sport in Suffolk, need to understand that we have in our presence the greatest player in the history of the National League playing in little old Ipswich and she's a homegrown player too." (BBC)

Sports International

Federer backing Alcaraz to complete career Slam

Roger Federer says he hopes Carlos Alcaraz can win the upcoming Australian Open and become the youngest man to complete the career Grand Slam.

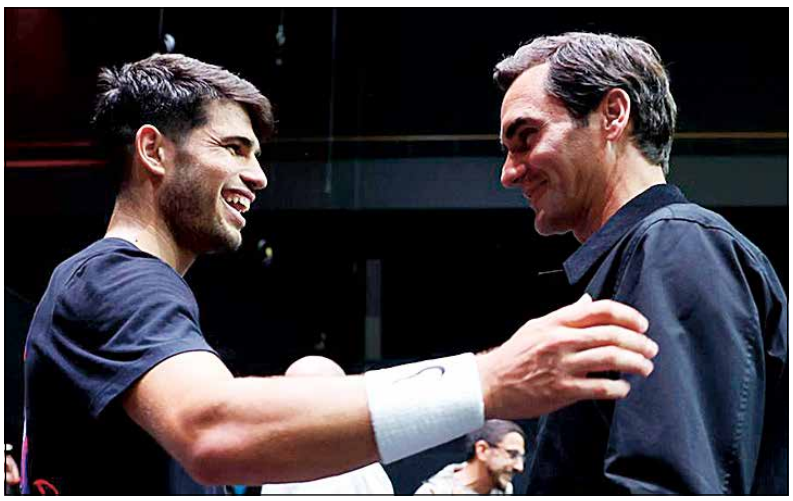
Six-time major champion Alcaraz, 22, will bid to add the Melbourne title to his two Wimbledon, two French Open and two US Open crowns.

Swiss great Federer completed the career Grand Slam with his 2009 French Open triumph, but by 2004 he had already secured victories at the other three majors.

Completing the set can involve a wait, and Federer said: "It's like Rory [McIlroy] going for the Masters, those things are tough."

The 44-year-old told a news conference at Melbourne Park: "At his young age, completing the career Grand Slam would be crazy.

"Let's see if he is able to do crazy this week. I hope he does because for the game it would be unbelievably special moment."



Carlos Alcaraz spent time with Roger Federer at the Laver Cup in September

World number one Alcaraz is one half of an engrossing rivalry with Italy's Jannik Sinner, which has evoked memories of Federer's own tussles with Rafael Nadal and Novak Djokovic.

Spain's Alcaraz and Sinner have split the past eight Grand Slam titles between them and contested the past three finals.

"What we've seen in terms of their progression in the last years, it's been wonderful," said Federer, who never faced either player before retiring in 2022.

"I practised with those guys a little bit. They're incredible ball strikers.

"There's obviously more to come. I just hope they stay injury-free."

Federer is at the Australian Open for the first time since 2020 for a special ceremony on Saturday to honour his career.

The former world number one won 20 Grand Slam titles - including a men's record of eight Wimbledon triumphs - and claimed 103 ATP Tour titles.

The six-time Melbourne champion will also return to the Rod Laver Arena court to play in an exhibition alongside fellow legends Andre Agassi, Patrick Rafter and Lleyton Hewitt.

Before the rare appearance, Federer says he is finding retirement "much easier" than he anticipated and is able to spend more time at home with his family.

While he enjoys spending time on court with his children, and "loves" watching as a fan, he does not have any plans to move into coaching.

"Never say never. [Stefan] Edberg said the same. I'm very busy, I've got four children. No chance for the moment." Federer added. (BBC)



Xabi Alonso, pictured during the Spanish Super Cup final football match between FC Barcelona and Real Madrid at the King Abdullah Stadium in Jeddah, Saudi Arabia, on Sunday

Real Madrid replaces coach Xabi Alonso with B team manager Álvaro Arbeloa

Real Madrid replaced coach Xabi Alonso with B team manager Álvaro Arbeloa on Monday.

Madrid said in a statement that Alonso left by mutual agreement.

The announcement came a day after Madrid lost to Barcelona 3-2 in the final of the Spanish Super Cup in Saudi Arabia. It ended a tumultuous stint that lasted less than eight months for the former Madrid and Spain midfielder.

"Real Madrid wishes to announce that, by mutual agreement between the club and Xabi Alonso, it has been decided to bring his time as first team coach to an end," Madrid said. "Xabi Alonso will always carry the affection and admiration of all Madridistas because he is a Real Madrid legend and has always represented the values of our club. Real Madrid will always be his home."

The club thanked Alonso and his coaching staff for "their hard work and dedication throughout this time and wish them the best of luck in this new stage of their lives."

Alonso was under pressure as the team struggled to play well under his command. He had spats with players such as Vinícius Júnior and widespread media reports said he'd lost the locker room.



Catherine and the England squad posed for a picture with the World Cup trophy

Princess of Wales hosts World Cup winners England

The Princess of Wales hosted England's women's rugby union team at Windsor Castle to celebrate their World Cup success in September.

England beat Canada 33-13 in front of 81,885 spectators at Twickenham to lift the trophy for a third time.

Catherine, a patron of the Rugby Football Union (RFU), met with officials and staff from the organisation as well as the 32-player squad.

She followed England during the home World Cup campaign and was in attendance when they beat Australia in Brighton in the pool stage.

Captain Zoe Stratford, two-time World Cup winner Marlie Packer and head coach John Mitchell, who were all named as OBE recipients in the New Year Honours, were among those at the royal reception.

Vice-captain Megan Jones, back row Sadia Kabeya and Sports Personality of the Year nominee Ellie Kildunne were also recognised with MBE awards in December.

Kildunne, who tattooed '2025' on head coach Mitchell after their World Cup success, became synonymous with a cowboy hat during the competition and placed it on the head of Catherine after one of their victories.

Speaking at Windsor Castle, Kildunne said: "It was the first thing she said when she came over to our group, 'Have you forgotten your cowboy hat this time?' I said 'it looks like you're the one that has forgotten your cowboy hat'.

"When she came to watch the game - I didn't really know the royal rules and whether you're not allowed to put a hat on - she put it on and did a bit of a cowboy dance and it's a special moment that she is now officially a cowboy, so I'll have to tattoo her soon."

The Red Roses were an hour late after their bus broke down and the bus driver then took a wrong turn, meaning the team missed out on a tour of Windsor Castle.

Following the royal reception the squad went to Downing Street to meet Prime Minister Sir Keir Starmer. (BBC)

Sports International

Koepka returns to PGA Tour under stiff financial penalty just 5 weeks after leaving LIV

Brooks Koepka is returning to the PGA Tour just five weeks after bolting from LIV Golf, agreeing to a one-time program for elite players that comes with a financial penalty that could rank among the largest in sports.

Koepka plans to resume his PGA Tour career in the Farmers Insurance Open at Torrey Pines at the end of the month.

But he will not be eligible for PGA Tour equity grants for five years, he will not receive FedEx Cup bonus money in 2026 and he cannot play signature events unless he earns his way in.

The out-of-pocket cost is a $5 million charity donation to be decided jointly with the tour. The financial repercussions – no access to equity or FedEx Cup bonus money this year – is a potential loss the tour puts at $50 million and upward.



Brooks Koepka is set to play again on the PGA Tour this season

Brian Rolapp, the CEO of PGA Tour Enterprises, outlined the agreement with Koepka and details of the "Returning Member Program" in a memo to players Monday. A copy of the memo was obtained by The Associated Press.

Rolapp made clear, however, this was a one-time program and not a precedent.

It applies only to players who have won majors or The Players Championship from 2022 through 2025, meaning Bryson DeChambeau, Jon Rahm and Cameron Smith would be the only LIV players who could return. They have three weeks to decide.

Koepka will have to earn his way into $20 million signature events. He would be added to the field to not take a spot from another tour player.

The board, which has a majority of players led by Tiger Woods, approved the programme.

Rolapp described Koepka's case as a "unique situation." He said the solution was guided by what would make the PGA Tour stronger, preserving playing opportunities for current members and responding to fans who want to see all the best players together.

But this is far from an open path back for LIV players if they want to return. The program had the tone of an ultimatum for the trio of stars still in the Saudi-funded league. (CNN)



Eto'o was elected as president of Cameroon's football federation in December 2021

Eto'o handed ban and fine for misconduct at Afcon

Former Cameroon star Samuel Eto'o has been handed a four-match ban and fined $20,000 (£14,960) after being found guilty of misconduct by a Confederation of African Football (Caf) disciplinary panel.

A Caf statement said that Eto'o, now president of his nation's football federation (Fecafoot), had violated its principles of sportsmanship during the 2026 Africa Cup of Nations quarter-final between Cameroon and Morocco.

The former Barcelona and Inter Milan striker was reportedly seen making an angry gesture over some of the decisions taken by the officials as the Indomitable Lions lost 2-0 to the tournament hosts.

Caf boss Patrice Motsepe, who was also in attendance in the stadium in Rabat, appeared to have witnessed Eto'o's frustration.

On Monday the continent's governing body announced it was launching an investigation into "violent confrontations and unacceptable behaviour of some players and officials" during last-eight matches.

In response, Fecafoot rejected Caf's decision, describing the process as one that "raises serious reservations about the fundamental requirements of a fair trial".

Fecafoot then expressed support for its president in a statement on Wednesday, while suggesting Eto'o would appeal against the sanction.

Since assuming his role in in 2021, Eto'o's image as a legend of the game has been dented by controversy and scandals.

He has faced accusations of improper conduct and poor management, with some football stakeholders also complaining of grave irregularities within Fecafoot.

He has often rejected such allegations, touting his achievements at the helm of the organisation.



Kevin Durant is a two-time NBA champion

Durant passes legend Chamberlain on all-time list

Kevin Durant moved past the great Wilt Chamberlain on the NBA all-time scoring list but his 30 points could not guide the Houston Rockets to a win against the Portland Trail Blazers.

Durant, 37, has 31,435 points in his career and is now seventh on the all-time list. LeBron James of the Los Angeles Lakers leads the way with 42,601.

The Trail Blazers triumphed 111-105 at Moda Center in Portland.

Chamberlain, who died in 1999, is the only player to score 100 points in an NBA game and was a two-time champion with the Philadelphia 76ers and the Lakers.

In 1962 he averaged a record 50.4 points a game, and was the leading NBA scorer when he retired in 1973.

"You see the numbers. You just can't comprehend somebody putting up 50 a game with 25 rebounds," Durant said before Friday's game.

"You want to compete with that and try to match that as much as you can.

"It's amazing just being in the top 10 with him, but to have the opportunity to pass him up, it's pretty sweet." (BBC)


Asher Soderquist


Tyler Wake Forbes


Maebh Ryan


CJ Moriarty

Flyers make light work of Lightning as PHL restarts

The 2025-2026 season of the Provo Hockey League (PHL) re-started last Saturday with the Turks Head Flyers defeating the Smart Solar Lightning by a 6-3 scoreline at the Graceway Sports Centre.

Tyler Wake Forbes led the charge for the winners with four goals, while there were one each for Wyatt King (also an assist) and Lucio Bozzer. Shlok Ganglani played a strong supportive role with three assists.

The Lightning were led by Janard Delancy, who scored a hat-trick. One of his goals came from an Aran Misick assist.

In the other Bantam Division clash, the Grace Bay Car Rental Panthers, led by Asher Soderquist defeated the Saunders Co. Greyhounds 3-2.

Soderquist scored a hat-trick, while Hari Williams finished with an assist for the winners.

The Greyhounds were led by Dylan Garland and Tejas Gururaja, who scored a goal each.

In the Novice Division, the Ritz Carlton Jets were able to power past the Projetech Pirates 5-3.

The Jets were led by Maebh Ryan, who scored four goals, including the last three. Scarlette Shapiro finished with an assist for the winners.

Rex Parker was the only player who found the back of the net for the Pirates, he finished with three goals.

The Junior Division clash between the Parrot Cay Canadiens and the Tibor's Sharks proved extremely competitive with the former eventually winning.

The Sharks took an early lead, which lasted for less than 30 seconds. The Canadiens then went 2-1 at the break before powering their way to another three goals in the second period for the 5-4 win.

Thomas Kelly led the winners with two goals, while there were one each for Estheban Elvis Couture, Peyton Hamilton and Keranda Ellington Brown.

As Kelly, Rishith Gururaja also fought hard towards the end of the clash. He led the Sharks with two late goals; support came from Owen Barkworth Knight and Ryan King.

The other Junior Division clash was also close with CJ Moriarty powering the Design Studio Oilers to a competitive 5-4 win over the Twa Marcelin Wolf Canucks.

Moriarty scored the first four goals and made the assist for the other, which was scored by Keith Higgs.

The Canucks, who were trailing 1-4 at the half, managed to score three goals in the second period to make the game very competitive.

Nate Affleck, who scored the opener, and the last two goals for the Canucks, finished with a hat-trick, while Odyn Nielsen scored the other goal.

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