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MBJ Airports Limited's

15th Anniversary Celebrations a hit in Sam Sharpe Square!



Montego Bay, Jamaica, 16 April 2018// Hundreds of patrons gathered in Sam Sharpe Square, Montego Bay, on Friday, 13 April to participate in MBJ Airports Limited's (MBJ) celebration of its 15th Anniversary as operators of Sangster International Airport.

It was a showcase buzzing with excitement as Caribbean Airlines, Club Mobay, GCG Group, Margaritaville, Hospiten, Jamaica Customs Agency, Passport, Immigration and Citizenship Agency, and Palisadoes Co-operative Credit Union, joined with the MBJ team to mount display booths offering services and information to educate the public. The airport operator's booth featured a well-received exhibit outlining its contribution to the development of Sangster International Airport and detailing plans to further modernize the facility.

The festivities got underway at 12 noon with a live broadcast of MELLO FM's Barry G show, followed by a musical performance by the Tennshann Invasion band. The entertainment continued with Dahlia Harris and her team performing excerpts from the play "Dat a Gwaan Jamaica", which included a skit that truly captured the developments and improvements carried at the airport out by MBJ.

The day's excitement peaked as Barry G marshalled the sharing of gifts with the community. Three lucky participants walked away with airline tickets courtesy of Caribbean Airlines and Copa Airlines. Caribbean Airlines team were on-hand to deliver two tickets to any of its destinations while Copa Airlines awarded a ticket, worth approximately USD 2,000, to any of its 76 destinations. Knutsford Express gave away four roundtrip tickets for its luxury shuttle service and several gift baskets were on offer from Palisadoes Co-operative Credit Union and Hospiten. MBJ gave away lots of branded items as well as prizes from supporting sponsors. Participants in the celebrations also benefitted from free blood sugar and blood pressure tests throughout the day from a well-equipped medical tent set-up by Hospiten. The crowd was treated to refreshments courtesy of GCG Catering, Margaritaville Caribbean and VIP Attractions' Club Mobay.

"It was a celebration very fitting of the milestone anniversary we are marking in 2018," said Sharon Hislop-Holt, Manager, Commercial Business Development and Marketing at MBJ. "We are half-way through our 30-year concession to operate Sangster International and we are very proud of the progress made and partnerships we have formed with the community, stakeholders, staff and passengers. Today, we set-out to engage the community and celebrate with our partners and I believe our objectives were wholly achieved," Hislop-Holt said.

MBJ thanks all who participated in the celebration, especially event sponsors: Caribbean Airlines, COPA Airlines, American Airlines, Knutsford Express, GCG Catering, Margaritaville Caribbean and VIP Attractions' Club









Mobay, Cellairis Jamaica, Bhavela Jamaica - Tuff Gong Trading, Viking Productions, Y&S Enterprise, MZ Holdings, Cool Kidz and Deja Resort. Support from these sponsors was a key contributor to the success of the 15th anniversary celebrations.



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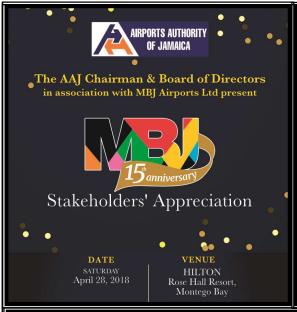
on their

Anniversary

Through the years your talents and efforts have helped our success. Together we take pride in your accomplishment and commitment to excellence.



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PICTURE HIGHLIGHTS of the **2017 MBJ AWARDS**













Thursday, March 29, 2018 10:00 am

> IAN FLEMING Int'L Airport



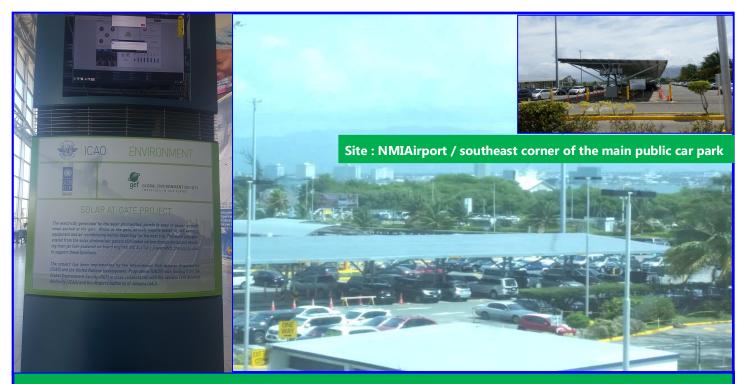
New Transport and Mining Minister, Hon. Robert Montague, on Thursday (March 29), broke ground for the expansion of the Ian Fleming International Airport (IFIA), in Boscobel, St. Mary. The Minister informed that the expansion will be done in phases and that the first is slated to cost \$65 million.

"Phase 1 of the project will include widening of the runway by three metres (1.5 metres on each side), expansion of the terminal building to 1,700 square feet, the creation of a turning circle and the removal of a mound (that is an obstruction to aircraft operations) at the west end of the runway," he said.

He informed that phase 1 of the expansion project is expected to be done within six months, after which phase two, which he described as "the real work," will begin. "The Government will spend between US\$20 million and US\$30 million to expand the runway by an additional 700 feet up to 5,500 feet," he said.

Minister of Transport and Mining and Member of Parliament for Western St Mary, Robert Montague (centre), uses a backhoe to break ground for the expansion of the Ian Fleming International Airport, in Boscobel, St Mary, on Thursday (March 29). Sharing the moment (from left) are: Mayor of Port Maria, Richard Creary; Acting Custos of St Mary, Maxine Marsh and backhoe operator, Trevor Taylor.





INTERNATIONAL CIVIL AVIATION ORGANIZATION (ICAO) SOLAR PROJECT

The recently completed SOLAR AT-GATE PROJECT was initiated and implemented by ICAO and the United Nations Development Program (UNDP) in close collaboration with Jamaica Civil Aviation Authority (JCAA) and NMIA Airports Limited. The goal of the project is to reduce the carbon footprint of the airport by displacing fossil fueled power generating sources with renewable energy from a solar car park.

The site for the installation - southeast corner of the main public car park— was specially selected as it offered the best location in terms of elevation angle of the panels, proximity to an electrical substation for inverter connection, as well as the security and high visibility of the structure.

Some technical highlights of the Solar Project are;

- it is one of the first such airport installations in the English Speaking Caribbean
- the solar photovoltaic panels are able to generate a peak output of 100 KW of electrical energy (enough to power up a small village)
- ♦ the estimated annual output is 157,000 kWHs per year, representing 1.1% of the annual NMIA consumption.
- the annual savings expected per year due directly to this system is J\$5M.

The electricity generated by the solar photovoltaic panels is used to power aircraft when parked at the gate. Whilst at the gate, aircrafts require power to run avionics equipment and air-conditioning before departing for the next trip. The electricity generated from the solar photovoltaic panels eliminates carbon dioxide emissions resulting from jet fuel-powered on-board engines and auxiliary power units previously used to support these functions.

This pilot project places Jamaica under the global microscope, as a successful implementation will stimulate interest and commitment among relevant parties and Member States' buy-in to implement similar initiatives in the Caribbean and South-Pacific regions.

For further information visit: https://www.icao.int/environmental-protection/Pages/ICAO_UNDP_Pilotproject.aspx

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Delta to add more flights between New York-JFK and the Caribbean

NEW YORK — Delta Air Lines is expanding access between New York-JFK and the Caribbean with a second daily flight to Nassau, The Bahamas, beginning Oct. 1, 2018; new daily service to Kingston, Jamaica, effective Dec. 20, 2018; and new Saturday-only service to Port-au-Prince, Haiti, beginning Dec. 22, 2018.

"No one better connects New York to the world than Delta," said Chuck Imhof, Vice President — New York and Sales, East. "We offer our customers more flights to more destinations than any other airline and we're excited to add more flights to the Caribbean to our strong network portfolio."

This winter, Delta will operate up to 145 flights per week to 16 Caribbean destinations from JFK. The new schedule for KINGSTON, Jamaica is as follows:

FLIGHT#	DEPART	ARRIVE	FREQUENC
DL 2841	JFK@7:40am	KIN@ 12:05pm	DAILY
DL 2843	KIN@8:00am	JFK@12noon	DAILY

Flights to Kingston will operate on Boeing 737-800 aircraft, with 16 First Class seats, 36 Delta Comfort+® seats, and 108 Main Cabin seats. Once onboard, all customers on flights from New York to the Caribbean can enjoy complimentary Delta Studio featuring more than 1,000 hours of on-demand in-flight entertainment on individual seatback screens or streamed directly to a laptop, tablet or mobile. There is also free mobile messaging via iMessage, WhatsApp and Facebook Messenger, plus optional access to high-speed Wi-Fi throughout the aircraft.

For more details visit: https://bit.ly/2HU7eBc



CAYMAN AIRWAYS MARKS THE BIG-50!

Since 1968, Cayman Airways has been serving the Cayman Islands as the national flag carrier. Cayman Airways proudly declares that it is the best way to fly to, from, and within the Cayman Islands!

Cayman Airways was established and started operations on August 7, 1968. It was formed following the Cayman Government's purchase of 51% of Cayman Brac Airways from LACSA (the Costa Rican flag carrier) and became wholly government owned in December 1977. A few months after it was formed, Cayman Airways flew its first international route to KINGSTON, Jamaica.

Today, Cayman Airways operates non-stop Boeing 737 jet service between Grand Cayman and the following major US cities: Miami and Tampa, Florida; New York, New York; Dallas, Texas; and Chicago, Illinois. Nonstop jet service is also provided between Grand Cayman and regional destinations, including: Kingston and Montego Bay, Jamaica; Havana, Cuba; and La Ceiba, Honduras. The airline's Cayman Airways Express service also operates Twin Otter aircrafts between Grand Cayman and the Sister Islands of Little Cayman and Cayman Brac.

Cayman Airways launched its year-long "Golden Year" campaign in January, which entails monthly destination highlights and travel offers, including 50% bonus miles on select flights for Sir Turtle Rewards members. The entire Cayman Airways fleet also got some extra special branding with the vibrant new commemorative logo to mark



the historic milestone, as the airline gears up to celebrate this special achievement in August.

For more details about this and other promotions, visit: www.caymanairways.com.



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NMIAIRPORT SIGHTINGS









5 APRIL 2018 | ARRIVALS HALL— KINGSTON GATEWAY

Passengers arriving at the Norman Manley International Airport in the wee hours of April 5th were in for a really special treat. Caribbean Airlines (CAL) spared no effort in transforming the Arrivals Hall & Forecourt into a Carnival Party zone. Lively seca music, CAL greeters decked out in carnival costumes and armed with carnival giveaways galore set the scene for what was an unforgettable welcome experience. Arriving passengers, of all ages, joined in the soca party and gladly paused for the shutterbugs to get their social media moment in.



The eight investor groups going after the Norman Manley International Airport will be issued with finals bid documents next week, marking a three-month delay that divestment agent Development Bank of Jamaica, DBJ, said was allowed for more due diligence and consultations.

DBJ was initially expected to issue the documents in February for tenders to be submitted by March. The bank now says the documents will be issued on May 16, and that the bids are due by June 27.

Last September, DBJ hosted a bidders conference at which five of the eight prequalified investors showed up, but it still expects eight groups to bid for the airport.

Initially, nine bidders were identified, but a consortium called Jamaica Infra Development Partners Limited did not appear on subsequent lists. DBJ acknowledged that one of the companies did not make the grade, without naming the entity.

"The Government of Jamaica received nine applications for prequalification, of which eight met the prequalification criteria and were approved to participate in the NMIA opportunity," the development bank said.

The eight, which includes two of Jamaica's top conglomerates, are:

- Vinci Airports SAS; Cedicor SA; Acciona Concessiones, SL/Airports Company South Africa Soc. Limited/Acciona Airports Services, SA; GMR Infrastructure Limited; ZAIA-APORT Consortium, comprising Zurich Airport International AG/A-Port Operaciones SA/A-Port Chile SA; Grupo Aeroportuario Del Pacifico SAB de CV; Corporacion Aeroportuario Del Este, SAS/China Harbour Engineering Company Limited/ Gulfstream Petroleum S de RL/Jamaica Producers Group Limited; EGIS Projects SA/ GraceKennedy Company Jamaica Limited/Lagan Construction International Limited.

The NMIA bid website further indicates that a 'provisional preferred bidder' would be named in July, that the concession agreement would be signed with the winning bidder by September, and financial closing of the deal scheduled one year later in September 2019.

"DBJ is fielding a 30-year concession for NMIA. The airport is owned by the Jamaican Government and operated by the Airports Authority of Jamaica through a company called NMIA Airports Limited.

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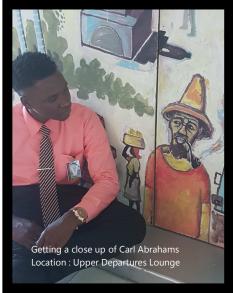
AAJ SCHOOLS' ART PROJECT

Making a real difference

ONEIL MULLINGS, the 3-time Champion of AAJ SCHOOLS' ART PROJECT (CATEGORY C / Ages 15 –19), recently paid a courtesy call on the Kingston Gateway.

The very talented Newcombe Valley /St. Elizabeth native and Newell High School alum proudly posed in the main terminal beside his winning pieces for the respective years 2015, 2016 & 2017.

"To see three of my artworks mounted at an international gateway among some of Jamaica's finest artists is, by far, my most gratifying moment to date "gushed O'Neil. He continued ..."participating in the AAJ SCHOOLS' ART PROJECT has been a very positive / life changing experience for me. It has afforded me opportunities beyond my wildest dreams and I would encourage other youngsters to get involved."



AAJ Schools' Art Project is an annual competition that was launched in schools island wide by the Airports Authority of Jamaica in September 2014. The main purpose of the programme is to provide an outlet to Jamaican youngsters that celebrates, rewards and showcases their creative skills. Four years later, the programme has grown significantly in stature but the mandate remains. The programme has been credited for unearthing and celebrating numerous young talents and their art teachers from across the length and breadth of Jamaica. Each year, the winning pieces are prominently displayed in the hallowed halls of the Norman Manley International Airport and forms a pivotal part of the passenger experience . The winners from the various categories - ages 5-9yrs , 10-14yrs, 15-19yrs and Special Needs <20years - are feted and rewarded with attractive prizes.

As the record breaking / three-peat champion of Category C , Oneil

Mullings joyfully

walked away with a 4

year scholarship to the prestigious Edna Manley College of the Visual & Performing Arts - all courtesy of Airports Authority of Jamaica . He was also granted his wish to be mentored by Alexander Cooper OD - one of Jamaica's most prolific artists.

For a student that once had to work odd jobs to eek out a living and send himself to school, Oneil now has the splendid opportunity (backed by the Airports Authority of Jamaica) to paint for himself a bright and prosperous future.

AIRPORTS NEWS & UPDATES extends heartiest congratulations and continued success to Oneil, as he pursues his dream to be the next great Jamaican artist.





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THE MISSION

"To develop a modern, safe and profitable airport system that is environmentally responsible, provides world-class service and contributes substantially to the national economy while promoting the expansion of air transportation and its related industries"



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DOMESTIC AERODROMES

Tinson Pen - MKTP (KTP)

Commuter airport located in the Capital City, Kingston.

Ken Jones - MKKJ (POT)

Located in Portland, east of the island

Negril - MKNG (NEG)

Located in the tourist mecca, west end of the island

upcoming EVENTS...
Save the date!



JUNE 18-22



