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Monday 6th

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| <p>All Divisions</p> | <p>Trinidad and Tobago Guardian</p> | <p>News Monday 6th October 2025</p> | <p>‘Major changes for 18 ministers as PM adjusts cabinet portfolios’</p> <p>Page 6</p> | <p>Changes in ministers’ responsibilities have been made to most of the Cabinet, with Prime Minister Kamla Persad-Bissessar now handling certain public assistance programmes, Homeland Security Minister Roger Alexander overseeing the prison system, and various frontline ministers’ responsibilities shifted to their colleagues.</p> | <p>https://www.guardian.co.tt/news/major-changes-for-18-ministers-as-pm-adjusts-cabinet-portfolios-6.2.2417751.3107f2e556</p> | |
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| <p>All Divisions</p> | <p>Express</p> | <p>News Monday 6th October 2025</p> | <p>'PM makes changes. . shifts around minister s' portfolios'</p> | <p>Prime Minister Kamla Persad-Bissessar has shaken up her Cabinet — not by reshuffling her ministers, but by shifting responsibilities that fall under their purview.</p> <p>Minister of the People, Social Development and Family Services Vandana Mohit has now been assigned responsibility for the Geriatric Adolescent Partnership Programme, which previously fell under</p> | <p>https://trinidadexpress.com/news/local/pm-makes-changes/article_bc5c4d41-cf90-4f27-bf5b-80cb7def5e37.html</p> | |
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| Sport Division | Trinidad and Tobago Guardian | Opinion | <p>'Ministry of Youth Affairs cannot go quiet now'</p> <p>Page 19</p> | <p>The article criticizes the government's decision not to renew contracts at the Ministry of Sport and Youth Affairs, warning it disrupts vital youth programmes and weakens community engagement. The author argues that youth development is essential for national stability and urges the government to protect effective officers and programmes so the ministry remains active, visible, and strong.</p> | | - |
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Friday 10th



Government of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago
Ministry of Sport and Youth Affairs

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| <p>Sport Division</p> | <p>Trinidad and Tobago Guardian</p> | <p>Sport News Wednesday 8th October, 2025</p> | <p>‘Silver medallist Akeem ‘The Titan’ Stewart returns home’</p> <p>Page 34</p> | <p>Para-athlete Akeem “The Titan” Stewart, who continues to create national pride, recently returned to T&T, following his inspiring silver medal performance at the 2025 World Para-Athletics Championships in New Delhi, India on Friday (Oct 3). Officials from the Ministry of Sport and Youth Affairs (MSYA) and the Sport Company of T&T (SporTT) gathered at the Piarco International Airport on Monday (Oct 6) to celebrate Stewart’s outstanding achievement. Stewart secured the silver medal with a season-best throw of 59.64 metres in the men’s discus F44 event, cementing his reputation for excellence on the global stage of para-sport. The result adds to a decorated career, reaffirming his place among the elite athletes of T&T.</p> | <p>https://www.guardian.co.tt/sports/silver-medallist-akeem-the-titan-stewart-returns-home-6.2.2419216.c6f25454b2</p> | |
| <p>Sport Division</p> | <p>Trinidad and Tobago Guardian</p> | <p>Sport News Thursday 9th October, 2025</p> | <p>‘Ministry of Sport makes donation of \$1.5M to athletes, sporting organizations’</p> <p>Page 45</p> | <p>The Ministry of Sport and Youth Affairs on Wednesday hosted a cheque distribution ceremony at its conference room, Nicholas Towers, where 15 individuals and organisations were presented with cheques amounting to \$1,585,000 in support of their forthcoming sporting and youth development initiatives.</p> | <p>https://www.guardian.co.tt/sports/ministry-of-sport-makes-donation-of-tt15-million-to-athletes-sporting-organisations-6.2.2419817.9704897b51</p> | |

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| <p>Sport Division</p> | <p>Trinidad and Tobago Guardian</p> | <p>Sport News Thursday 9th October, 2025</p> | <p>‘Lendor: “Sports need a drive in T&T” as New SporTT directors get letters of appointment ,</p> <p>Page 46</p> | <p>Minister of Sports and Youth Affairs Phillip Watts on Wednesday (October 8) handed the members of the new Board of the Sports Company of T&T their instruments of appointment.</p> <p>The simple ceremony at the Ministry of Sports office in Nicholas Towers, Port-of-Spain featured the 12 members, minister Watts, and other ministry staff. The 12 members were led by chairman Kester Lendor, who will have Shaun Teekasingh as his deputy.</p> <p>They have been joined by directors- Daryan Warner – Director, Adrian Ali – Director, Lester Lal – Director, Hayden Duke – Director, Nefertari Kernahan – Director, Sharon Winchester – Director, Kavita Karamsingh- Director, Ndu-Bisi Hall – Director, Darren Ali – Director, and Deryck Mathura – Director.</p> | <p>https://www.guardian.co.tt/sports/new-sportt-directors-get-6.2.2419970.567c See558</p> | |
| <p>Sport Division</p> | <p>Trinidad and Tobago Newsday</p> | <p>Sport News Thursday 9th October, 2025</p> | <p>‘Sport Ministry distributes \$1.5m in funds’</p> | <p>The Ministry of Sport and Youth Affairs hosted a cheque distribution ceremony on October 8 at its Conference Room, Nicholas Towers, where 15 individuals and organisations were presented with cheques amounting to \$1,585,000 in support of their forthcoming sporting and youth development initiatives.</p> | <p>https://newsday.co.tt/2025/10/09/sport-ministry-distributes-1-5m-in-funds/</p> | |

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| <p>Sport Division</p> | <p>Trinidad and Tobago Newsday</p> | <p>Sport News Thursday 9th October, 2025</p> | <p>‘Sports Minister Phillip Watts hails Stewart’s World Para-Athletics Champs silver’</p> | <p>Para-athlete Akeem Stewart came in for high praise from Minister of Sport and Youth Affairs (MSYA) Phillip Watts and other ministry officials upon his return home from another historic World Para-Athletics Championships showing in New Delhi, India.</p> <p>A MSYA statement said Minister Watts congratulated the thrower on behalf of the TT government. “Akeem has once again proven that resilience, dedication, and the heart of a champion are the true hallmarks of a titan,” Watts said. “His silver medal is not just a personal victory, but a beacon of inspiration for our entire nation. We are immensely proud of his achievement on the world stage, and the government remains steadfast in its commitment to supporting our athletes as they continue to fly our flag high.”</p> | <p>https://newsday.co.tt/2025/10/09/sports-minister-phillip-watts-hails-stewarts-world-para-athletics-champs-silver/</p> | |
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| <p>Sport Division</p> | <p>Trinidad and Tobago Newsday</p> | <p>Sport News Wednesday 8th October, 2025</p> | <p>‘Daryan Warn among 12 appointed to SporTT board’</p> | <p>The Sport Company of Trinidad and Tobago (SporTT) has appointed a 12-member board of directors. Minister of Sport and Youth Affairs (MYSA) Phillip Watts ushered in the newly-appointed board at a ceremony held at Nicholas Tower in Port of Spain, on October 8. Kester Lendor was appointed chairman with Shaun Teekasingh deputy chairman. Among the appointed directors are Daryan Warner, son of former vice-president of Fifa Jack Warner, Lester Lal, Hayden Duke, Nefertari Kernahan, Sharon Winchester, Kavita Karamsingh, Adrian Ali, Ndu-Bisi Hall, Darren Ali and Deryck Mathura.</p> | <p>https://newsday.co.tt/2025/10/08/daryan-warner-among-12-appointed-to-sportt-board/</p> | |
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| <p>Sport Division</p> | <p>TTT News</p> | <p>Sport News Wednesday 8th October, 2025</p> | <p>'New SporTT Board Appointed'</p> | <p>Minister of Sport and Youth Affairs, Phillip Watts, formally ushered in the newly appointed Board of Directors for the Sport Company of Trinidad and Tobago (SporTT) during a ceremony held today at Nicholas Tower, Port of Spain. In a significant step towards strengthening the governance and leadership of SporTT, Minister Watts announced the appointments of the following distinguished individuals to the company's Board of Directors: Mr. Kester Lendor – Chairman Mr. Shaun Teekasingh – Deputy Chairman Mr. Lester Lal – Director Mr. Hayden Duke – Director Ms. Nefertari Kernahan – Director Ms. Sharon Winchester – Director Ms. Kavita Karamsingh- Director Mr. Adrian Ali – Director Mr. Ndu-Bisi Hall – Director Mr. Darren Ali – Director Mr. Deryck Mathura – Director Mr. Daryan Warner – Director The new board is poised to lead SporTT with renewed focus and commitment to advancing sport development across Trinidad and Tobago, ensuring enhanced governance, accountability, and operational efficiency in promoting national sporting excellence.</p> | <p>https://www.ttt.liv/e/new-sportt-board-appointed/</p> | |
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| <p>Sport Division</p> | <p>TTT News</p> | <p>Sport News Wednesday 8th October, 2025</p> | <p>‘Over \$1.5 Million Distributed to Athletes, NGOs, And Youth Projects’</p> | <p>The Ministry of Sport and Youth Affairs on Wednesday distributed over \$1.5 million in funding to a diverse group of individuals and organisations during a cheque distribution ceremony held at its office in Nicholas Towers. A total of fifteen recipients, made up of athletes, national sporting organisations, youth-focused NGOs, and community leaders, received cheques valued at \$1,585,000 to aid in the execution of their upcoming initiatives, which include preparations for international competitions, youth leadership programmes, and community-based sporting projects.</p> | <p>https://www.ttt.liv/e/over-1-5-million-distributed-to-athletes-ngos-and-youth-projects/</p> | |
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Monday 13th



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| Sport Division | Daily Express | Sport News Monday 13 th October, 2025 | 'Double Trouble Campbell - Teniel lands Caribbean Road Race title in Belize; Under-23 bronze for Neaves' | <p>Teniell Campbell captured her second successive gold medal at the 2025 Caribbean Elite Road Cycling Championships in Belize, yesterday, cementing her position as the premier road racer in Trinidad and Tobago and the wider region.</p> <p>Having won Women's Individual Time Trial (ITT) gold a day earlier, Campbell, 28, was a runaway winner of the Road Race.</p> <p>Another T&T rider, Jadian Neaves, bagged bronze in the Men's Under-23 category.</p> | https://trinidadexpress.com/sports/local/double-trouble-campbell/article_68568902-eebb-4736-8fa1-aabc48479e2.html | |

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| Sport Division | TTT News | Sport News Friday 10 th October, 2025 | ‘Six Months In: Major Strides In Sporting Policy Under UNC’ | <p>As Budget Day 2025 approaches, the government has moved swiftly to honour its election manifesto, achieving significant milestones just six months into office.</p> <p>Its agenda sets out an ambitious, comprehensive plan to transform Trinidad and Tobago’s sporting landscape, centred on youth development, elite training, infrastructure renewal, and expanded economic opportunity through policy reform, targeted investment, and high-profile appointments.</p> | https://www.ttt.liv/e/six-months-in-major-strides-in-sporting-policy-under-unc/ | |
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Tuesday 14th



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| <p>Sport Division</p> | <p>Trinidad and Tobago Guardian</p> | <p>Sport News Tuesday 14th October, 2025</p> | <p>‘\$328M handed to sport in National Budget’</p> <p>Page 38</p> | <p>The Ministry of Sport and Youth Affairs (MSYA) will receive \$328,652,400 for recurrent spending in 2025-2026. However, the Sport Company of Trinidad and Tobago (SporTT) will see its allocation raised by \$27 million to \$147 million.</p> <p>Among other areas to be funded from the 2025-2026 allocation are:</p> <p>Brian Lara Cricket Academy - \$1,000,000</p> <p>Indoor arenas and the National Racquet Centre (Tacarigua) - \$1,300,000</p> <p>Capital injection for development programmes - \$38,000,000</p> <p>Minister Tancoo declared that sports are a driver of unity and national pride. As well as stating plans for continued rehabilitation works at community swimming pools alongside national stadia.</p> | | |
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| <p>Sport Division</p> | <p>Daily Express</p> | <p>Sport News Tuesday 14th October, 2025</p> | <p>‘Tancoo: Sport a budget priority... pools, gyms, grassroots programmes funded for fiscal 2025-26’</p> | <p>In his presentation of the Appropriation (Financial Year 2025–2026) the Minister of Finance, Davendranath Tancoo, signalled a clear focus on sport—describing it as a driver of “unity and national pride” and promising a string of facility upgrades and development programmes.</p> <p>Minister Tancoo outlined a package of projects and partnerships intended to boost participation, performance and coaching across Trinidad and Tobago:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pool rehabilitation • National stadia upgrades • Community grounds and centres • Elite training provision • Scholarships and capacity building • Grassroots programming | <p>https://trinidadexpress.com/sports/local/tancoo-sport-a-budget-priority/article_d2c23dbf-be1a-4e5e-b5fd-40586ce4f18f.html</p> | |
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| <p>Sport Division</p> | <p>Trinidad and Tobago Newsday</p> | <p>Sport News Tuesday 14th October, 2025</p> | <p>‘Tancoo: Sport, tourism to go hand-in-hand’</p> | <p>The government proposes to open ten new community centres for fiscal 2026, as announced by Finance Minister Davendranath Tancoo during his 2025/26 national budget presentation at the Red House on October 13.</p> <p>During his presentation, Minister Tancoo touched on the role sports could play in boosting the tourism sector. "Tourism remains a hybrid sector. We will develop new products in the medical, sport and cultural tourism sectors and facilitate the completion of hotels," he said.</p> <p>Minister of Sport and Youth Affairs Phillip Watts said the allocation and the finer details and plans under his ministry will be revealed during the budget debate on October 17.</p> | <p>https://newsday.co.tt/2025/10/14/tancoo-sport-tourism-to-go-hand-in-hand/</p> | |
| <p>Sport Division</p> | <p>TTT News</p> | <p>Sport News Monday 13th October, 2025</p> | <p>‘Youth, Sport, and Communities At Core of 2026 Budget’</p> | <p>Finance Minister Davendranath Tancoo has placed sport, youth development, and community infrastructure at the heart of Trinidad and Tobago’s 2026 fiscal agenda, unveiling upgrades across the country and a new push to leverage sport as an economic driver — particularly in Tobago.</p> | <p>https://www.ttt.liv/e/youth-sport-and-communities-at-core-of-2026-budget/</p> | |

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| <p>Sport Division</p> | <p>TTT News</p> | <p>Sport News Monday 13th October, 2025</p> | <p>'SporTT Hosts Final Throws Coaching Workshop'</p> | <p>Over the weekend, the Sports Company of Trinidad and Tobago (SPORTT) held the final practical session of its Throws Coaching Workshop.</p> <p>The three-part workshop was aimed at strengthening the local coaching capacity in the disciplines of discus, javelin, shot put, and hammer throw.</p> | <p>https://www.ttt.liv/e/sportt-hosts-final-throws-coaching-workshop/</p> | |
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Thursday 16th



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Ministry of Sport and Youth Affairs

Articles on 2025 Budget for Sport – Monday 13th October –
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| Sport Division | Trinidad and Tobago Guardian | Sport News Monday 13 th October, 2025 | Despite economic challenges, more resources for sports - NGBs Use sports as an income generator | NGBs view sport as an income generator and hoping for a decent allocation to go towards sport in the national budget. Comments from TTFA's Kieron Edwards, Badminton's Chandrika Ramsubhag, Boxing Association's Cecil Forde, and Tennis TT's Hayden Mitchell. | https://www.guardian.co.tt/sports/desktop-economic-challenges-more-resources-for-sports-ngbs-6.2.2422724.b0215bb735 | |

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\$328M handed to sport in national Budget

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The Ministry of Sport and Youth Affairs (MSYA) will receive \$328,652,400 for recurrent spending in 2025-2026.

This amount, outlined in the Draft Estimate of Expenditure from Minister of Finance Davendranath Tancoo's national Budget, is a slight decrease from what was previously allocated to the Ministry of Sport and Community Development for 2024-2025, which received a revised estimated total of \$338,623,184.

However, the Sport Company of Trinidad and Tobago (SportTT), the MSYA's delivery arm, will see its allocation raised by \$27 million to \$147 million.

Among other areas to be funded from the 2025-2026 allocation are \$1,000,000 to the Brian Lara Cricket Academy in Tarouba and \$1,300,000 to indoor arenas and the National Hockey Centre in Tacarigua.

The overall 2025-2026 allocation includes a supplemental \$10,700,000 in capital injection for development programmes



Minister of Finance Dave Tancoo gesticulates as he delivers his maiden 2025/26 National Budget, Red House, Abercromby Street, Port-of-Spain yesterday.

PHOTO BY ABRAHAM DIAZ

from the consolidated fund and \$38,000,000 of development programme expenditure funded from the Infrastructure Development Fund.

Yesterday in Parliament, Minister Tancoo delivered a \$59 billion national Budget in his maiden Budget presentation since being

sworn into office in May. Minister Tancoo declared that sports are a driver of unity and national pride. As well as stating plans for continued rehabilitation works at community swimming pools in Maloney, Morvant, Tunapuna, Biche, and Rio Claro, alongside upgrades at national stadia, Tan-

coo also promised, "New community grounds and the elite athletes' gym at Tacarigua will enhance performance and health. Scholarships through UTT and partnerships with GC Foster in Jamaica and India are developing coaching and sporting administration, including women's cricket."

The Samuel Badree Cricket Academy facility at the University of T&T (UTT) in San Fernando will serve as a national training base. Programmes such as Java Cricket, which serve 2,000 youths with these hands and with practical and entrepreneurial skills. Ten new community centres, with full accessibility features, will open in fiscal 2026, Tancoo assured.

In 2024, the national Budget allocation to sports included significant investment aimed at community and elite-level sports development. Through the ministry, an allocation of \$39 million was given to support community sports, which also aided local sporting clubs and organisations in hosting and managing events.

In an immediate response to the Budget yesterday, Hayden Mitchell, the TennisTT president who was once a director on the

board of SportTT, called for the execution of the promises being made.

He said, "First, let me commend the Government for their attempt to achieve balance in terms of equity. But I need more details, and this is for the bigger budget, so I'll leave that to the economists. However, for sports, there were very few details given, and I think I may have to look to see when the honourable Minister makes his contribution for me to get the details. But a couple of the things that they mentioned were already in train from the last administration, so when they spoke about the gyms and so on, those were from the last administration."

"So I am quite curious to see what new measures they're going to put in place, and I will get those details, I guess, when the honourable Minister makes his contribution to the Budget."

In a Guardian article on Sunday, Mitchell had hoped for a significant part of the Budget to be handed to the Sports Company, which he said could be used for sports and sports development through the National Governing Bodies (NGBs).

Tuesday 21st



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Ministry of Sport and Youth Affairs

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| <p>Sport Division</p> | <p>Trinidad and Tobago Guardian</p> | <p>Sport News Saturday 18th October, 2025</p> | <p>'British High Commission donates rugby kit to schools'</p> <p>Page 34</p> | <p>The British High Commission has donated rugby kit and equipment to the T&T Schools Rugby Union (TTSRU).</p> <p>British High Commissioner John Dean says among the items the TTSRU will benefit from are clothing and training gear.</p> <p>Parliamentary Secretary in the Ministry of Sport and Youth Affairs, Senator David Nakhid, encouraged the British High Commission to make similar efforts in other sports.</p> <p>He said, "This is momentous. It shows that the UK is not only about talk. They have shown a clear commitment to all of you in the rugby community. I want to see this in all sports because this is what will place us in a position to demand of our young people that they give their best. We have to bring something to them and then hold them to account. We can't hold them to account if we don't give them the facilities. It is as clear as that."</p> | <p>https://www.guardian.co.tt/sports/british-high-commission-donates-rugby-kit-to-schools-6.2.2426688.ee66d9fceb</p> | |
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| <p>Sport Division</p> | <p>Trinidad and Tobago Guardian</p> | <p>Sport News Tuesday 21st October, 2025</p> | <p>'Americas Paralympic Grassroots Project-Inclusivity and Awareness'</p> <p>Page 37</p> | <p>The Americas Paralympic Committee, in conjunction with CAF Development Bank of Latin America and the Caribbean and the Trinidad and Tobago Paralympic Committee, provided an update on the Trinidad and Tobago leg of the Grassroots Project at the National Racquet Centre in Tacarigua on October 9.</p> <p>Minister Watts expressed his interest in promoting an inclusive sport ecosystem in Trinidad and Tobago and welcomed the opportunity to speak to CAF to discuss ways the next phase of the programme can become a reality.</p> | | |
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Thursday 23rd



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Ministry of Sport and Youth Affairs

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| <p>Sport Division</p> | <p>Trinidad and Tobago Guardian</p> | <p>Sport News Thursday 22nd October 2025</p> | <p>'Jean Pierre Sports Complex, Diego Martin Sports Complex in jeopardy'</p> <p>Page 35</p> | <p>The Minister of Sport and Youth Affairs, the Honourable Phillip Watts explained that work at the Diego Martin Regional Complex has stopped, and the project is under review. For that reason, that's why there hasn't been any allocation for the venue for the 2025-2026 fiscal year.</p> <p>Minister Watts was asked for clarity on the status of the sports venue, as no money was allocated but His response was no.</p> <p>Minister was also asked when the Basilon Street Youth Development Centre will be opened. His response went on to explain that the computers under the purview of the contractors were stolen and the building was not ready to be handed over.</p> | | |
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| <p>Sport Division</p> | <p>Trinidad and Tobago Newsday</p> | <p>Sport News Thursday 22nd October 2025</p> | <p>‘Works halted at Diego Martin Sporting Complex pending review’</p> | <p>The Minister of Sport and Youth Affairs, the Honourable Phillip Watts has confirmed that ongoing works at the Diego Martin Sporting Complex have been halted as the project is currently under review.</p> <p>Minister Watts said that the decision to pause funding stemmed from the need for expert assessment on the next phase of the facility.</p> <p>In Port of Spain, the Basilon Street Youth Facility remains closed to the public, with security and contractor issues delaying its opening.</p> <p>Responding to a question from MP for Port of Spain South, Keith Scotland, on when the facility would be available for use, Minister Watts said that theft and incomplete works by the contractor have forced the ministry to hold off on taking possession of the building.</p> <p>Turning to other infrastructure projects, the minister highlighted continued upgrades under the ministry’s social infrastructure portfolio, particularly at the Sevilla tennis courts and Dubisson Park in Ste Madeleine.</p> | <p>https://newsday.co.tt/2025/10/22/works-halted-at-diego-martin-sporting-complex-pending-review/</p> | |
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| <p>Sport Division</p> | <p>Daily Express</p> | <p>Sport News Thursday 22nd October 2025</p> | <p>'Fraser golden in French National 1'</p> | <p>Chloe Fraser produced a golden performance at the Criterium Federal National One tournament in Chatenay-Malabry, France, on Sunday.</p> <p>Fraser emerged victorious in the Junior (Under-19) Girls "A" singles event, the rising Trinidad and Tobago table tennis star getting the better of Maelys Messe in the final. Fraser shrugged off a first game setback to win the championship match 3-11, 11-5, 11-6, 11-8.</p> | <p>https://trinidadexpress.com/sports/world/fraser-golden-in-french-national-1/article_5790e32b-498e-4f5a-809d-803142e416ae.html</p> | |
| <p>Sport Division</p> | <p>TTT News</p> | <p>Sport News Wednesday 21st October 2025</p> | <p>'T&T Sends Five-Member Team To UCI World Championships in Chile'</p> | <p>A Trinidad and Tobago Cycling Federation five-member team recently departed for Santiago, Chile, to compete at the UCI Elite Track World Championships.</p> <p>Among the contingent is Makaira Wallace, who is set to be the first T&T cyclist to compete in the sprint event at the Championships.</p> | <p>https://www.ttt.liv.ee/tt-sends-five-member-team-to-uci-world-championships-in-chile/</p> | |

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| Sport Division | Daily Express | Sport News Tuesday 28 th October 2025 | 'Swimming community loses Stephan Ottley' | Former Trinidad and Tobago swimmer Stephan Ottley has died. Ottley, who competed for the Flying Fish swim club and T&T in the 1990s, died on Sunday. Yesterday, the Aquatics Sports Association of Trinidad and Tobago (ASATT) described Ottley as, "a cherished member of our swimming community." | https://trinidadexpress.com/sports/local/swimming-community-loses-stephan-ottley/article_85e124eb-c78e-4298-9fa5-74ca69e5e366.html | |
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| Sport Division | Daily Express | Sport News Tuesday 29 th October 2025 | 'Pro tourney returns to Trinidad' | <p>AFTER there being no tournament last year, professional badminton will soon be making a return to Trinidad.</p> <p>More than 30 world-ranked players, from 13 countries, will be in action in the Trinidad and Tobago International from next week Wednesday until the following Sunday at the National Racquet Centre, in Tacarigua.</p> | https://trinidadexpress.com/sports/local/pro-tourney-returns-to-trinidad/article_d85a9bf3-1a7c-4306-b915-312f14b07c78.html | |
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