

STORIES OF THE DAY

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CLEANUP STARTS AT PIGEON POINT

pigeon Point Heritage Park will be closed to the public until further notice.

This was disclosed by the Division of Tourism and Transportation (DOTT) yesterday (October 19, 2016) after the park sustained damages from rough sea conditions. This has affected the sheltered coastlines of Tobago.

The Trinidad and Tobago Meteorological Service (Met Office) said these swells were caused by a disturbance in the Northern Atlantic Ocean, which should affect coastlines for the next 24 to 36 hours.

Yesterday, DOTT Secretary Tracy Davidson-Celestine and other tourism officials visited the Park to survey the damages.

Several agencies, including the Tobago Emergency Management Agency (TEMA), the Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC) and the Unemployment Relief Programme (URP), pledged their support in returning the park to normal operations. The cleanup process was expected to begin today based on further advice from the MET office.



GRAND OPENING: THA officials, from left Secretary of Finance and Enterprise Development Joel Jack, Chief Secretary Orville London, Secretary of Agriculture, Marine Affairs, Marketing and the Environment (DAMME) Godwin Adams, and DAMME Assistant Secretary Hayden Spencer cut the ribbon to open the 2016 World Food Day at the Parade Grounds, Bacolet.

WORLD FOOD DAY 2016 A HIT

Thousands showed for Tobago's annual celebration of World Food Day, internationally marked on 16th October.

The two-day (October 19-20) annual exhibition, held at the Dwight Yorke Stadium Parade Ground, has become a staple on the Tobago calendar.

Themed "Climate is Changing, Food and Agriculture Must Too", the event highlights the importance of farmers and their role in achieving food security. It also provides a platform for entrepreneurs to showcase their skill.

Owner of Just Cool Business, Nyomi Johnny, produces natural fruit juices said: "I really enjoy World Food Day, because it's a time where a lot of us, we come together, form all different types of businesses, we come together, and are able to merge our stuff and celebrate Tobago and what Tobago has." The event, hosted by the Division of Agriculture, Marine Affairs, Marketing and the Environment attracts a wide demographic of people, including school children who learn about Tobago's natural resources.

NEW TEACHERS CHALLENGED TO BE INNOVATIVE

eachers build a better society. This was the message given at the National Convention of Teachers, Tobago District.

Themed 'Valuing Teachers, Improving their Status,' the event was held at the Nutrition and Cooperative Society Building, Bon Accord on Friday (October 14). Secretary of Education, Youth Affairs

and Sport, Huey Cadette led the induction of the new teachers into the teaching service. As he welcomed the new teachers he charged them going forward to recognise the responsibility they had. "I challenge you to make every day very exciting, a new one, an innovative one," he said.

Assistant Education Coordinator of

School Supervision Claire Brathwaite-Alexander also recognised the impact of teachers.

"The month of the teacher presents an excellent opportunity to stop and highlight to ourselves and [to the] community-at-large the critical significance of teachers in [the] building of a better society," Brathwaite-Alexander said.

