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SECTION 1: Getting There: Airlines, Airports, Cruises, & Weather

1. Where To Find SXM's Current Weather & See Live SXM Web Cams

With special thanks to Dr. Jeff Masters, chief of meteorology at Weather Underground, last week we posted weather bugs on the home page and the weather page of our www.everythingsxm.com website.

The weather bugs — images telling you about current St. Maarten weather conditions and temperature, with a link to the current forecast — will be supplemented by more weather related information coming to our site this winter. Any time you want to know anything about St. Maarten weather, just click weather at www.everythingstmaarten.com and you'll find everything you need.

2. Eyes East: Hurricane Season May Be Poised To Rev Up

As of Friday evening, there was a conga line of storms crossing the African continent, with a strong system having just emerged off Africa's West Coast. That last system was still holding together Sunday at mid-day though the others appeared to have diminished a bit by then.

Because of dry air in the tropical Atlantic and other unfriendly conditions, nothing immediate was expected to develop from the first of these storms. But the later storms could be an entirely different proposition, as conditions may be changing.

If you're in the line of fire for future tropical systems, either in the Caribbean or along the US Gulf or Atlantic Coast, we urge you to look at www.crownweather.com, in our opinion the single best source of tropical weather information. There is a very small price for their service and it is absolutely worth it.

As always, if any storms threaten St. Maarten, we will send bulletins to JMB Website Supporters members and we'll also provide current reports on our Everything St. Maarten Facebook site (see story 27).

3. Reminder: Reconfirm Your Reservations

All major airlines are continuing to change flights and times on an almost willy-nilly basis. American Airlines has an excuse because it is up to its eyeballs in coordinating its changing fleet with the old US Airways fleet, as well as coordinating flight crews and all the details of merging two airlines. But other airlines are doing essentially the same thing — so be sure to reconfirm your flights with reasonable frequency before you travel.

4. Simplest, Easiest Way To Buy Airfare...

If you're looking for simplicity when you buy airfares, please choose our own www.flytravelgo.com. Our site is exceptionally easy to use and gives you very low fares -- and all its profits are driven right back into making www.everythingsxm.com better for our members. Please do give it a try -- it has many loyal clients.

5. Going to Europe or on Another Long Trip? Another Source For Airfares & More

JMB Website Supporters now gives you access to a private, "members only" travel wholesale club that offers incredible prices not only on airfares but on packages not just to the Caribbean, but worldwide.

Retail travel sites — the ones whose names you know very well — are heavily regulated. But private travel clubs like this, which normally charge members prices for membership/admission, are regulated differently and consequently, can offer much better pricing.

The organization providing these travel benefits has been traveling under the radar for 25 years and is only now making its travel reservations prowess publicly known. It's SkyMed Travel Club and it is entirely separate from the SkyMed "takes you home" medical evacuation service we've been recommending to you since shortly after the millennium.

The SkyMed Travel Club offers exceptional pricing on everything and almost invariably beats everyone else's pricing. We have been testing it for the past few weeks and have found the pricing to be extraordinary — even on the wildly popular river cruises that are a tourism phenomenon throughout Europe and are quickly gaining popularity here in the US.

And normally, this organization charges you \$99 to join plus \$99 annual renewals. But for our JMB Website Supporters members, and during a brief introductory period for everyone else, the cost to join is zero as will be the cost for renewals. Exclusively through us, you get access to a world-class global ticketing mechanism without paying one cent to get in the door.

This is a new benefit for JMB members. During this introduction, everyone can join by going to www.SkyMedtravelclub.com, clicking the sign up link on the top right corner of the homepage, and providing the requested information. It's very important to complete the first sign up item (SkyMed Membership Number or Representative ID) by entering the code 391330 — entering that code is what ensures that you pay nothing to be a member of the SkyMed Travel Club. If you fail to enter that code, you will not gain free entry to the club's phenomenal pricing.

Do join — you will not be disappointed once you've booked through them.

SECTION 2: Accommodations: Hotels, Inns, Timeshares

6. Sapphire Resort Situation Still Not Resolved

Although there has been a significant number of noticeable improvements at Sapphire resort, nonetheless the suspension of Sapphire by RCI continues to hold — which means timeshare owners there can not trade out of the resort and timeshare owners elsewhere can not trade in.

As always, timeshare owners can rent out or sell their units at Sapphire, and people interested in staying at the improving resort can rent weeks there online.

No rebranding of the resort – widely anticipated now — has yet taken place.

As always, we'll continue to keep you posted.

7. SXM Timeshare Resort of the Week: Eighth In a Series

Despite heavy adverse publicity about several SXM timeshare resorts, there are many on the island that are quite well-run, responsive to their timeshare owners, and reasonable in cost. In this series we've been talking about several of them. Each one we list will be added below, most recent first.

Some resorts just never make the news. Last week, we talked about Bel Air resort in this way. It's fair to say that another resort that has not made much news lately is Flamingo Beach, next door to Simpson Bay Resort. Flamingo originally was part of the old Pelican resort, as was Simpson Bay. It split years ago when developer Martin Vleitman had financial difficulties and lost Flamingo, Atrium, and Royal Palm Beach, all of which were originally part of the Pelican Resort colossus.

Overshadowed by its neighbor, Flamingo Beach nonetheless is quite a gem. It's very well maintained, the beach is beautiful, and of course, extraordinarily popular [Toppers by the Sea](#) is located right on Flamingo Beach. It happens to serve some of the very best food on the island and it is reasonable....

You can often find Flamingo timeshare condo units for rent or sale on the timeshare rentals page on www.everythingStMaarten.com as well as weeks at most of the other hotels noted below.

Best timeshare resorts covered so far in this series:

Flamingo Beach Resort <https://www.diamondresorts.com/Flamingo-Beach-Resort> (8/17/15)

Bel Air Beach Hotel www.belairbeach.com (8/10/15)

Royal Palm Beach Hotel <https://www.diamondresorts.com/Rentals/royal-palm-beach-resort> (8/3/15)

Summit Resort Hotel www.thesummitresort.com (7/27/15)

Divi Little Bay Resort <http://www.diviresorts.com/divi-little-bay-beach-resort-st-maarten.htm> (7/20/15)

Simpson Bay Resort <http://www.simpsonbayresort.com/> (7/13/15)

Oyster Bay Beach Resort <http://www.oysterbaybeachresort.com/> (7/6/15)

La Vista: <http://www.lavistaresort.com> (6/29/15)

Royal Islander: <http://www.royalislander.com/> (6/22/15)

Watch for more next week.

SECTION 3: Island

8. Country SXM Pauses As Fallen Bicycle Police Officer is Laid To Rest

St. Maarten police bicycle officer Gamali Benjamin was laid to rest last Thursday in elaborate ceremonies throughout Philipsburg lasting a few hours. In tribute to the fallen young brigadier of the bicycle corps, most Dutch side businesses and some French side businesses were closed Thursday.

The *St. Maarten Daily Herald* did what we thought was an exceptional job of coverage for this event, which also aired live both on local TV and on the Internet, as we had pointed out in a bulletin to JMB members and on our Everything St. Maarten Facebook page. The Herald's article is here: <http://tinyurl.com/p8temwf> .

9. "GoFundMe" Campaign for Officer Benjamin Ends Monday Night August 17; Monies To be Turned Over to "Gamali Benjamin Foundation" on Tuesday

Just last Sunday, Jeffrey Sochrin, president of Rotary on St. Maarten and managing director of radio station island 92, who has a history of charitable works on and off the island, established a gofundme campaign so that people off the island could easily donate to the Gamali Benjamin Foundation, established to help the children of fallen police officers. Officer Benjamin was the first St. Maarten police officer to pass away in the line of duty.

In an effort to get the money to the family as quickly as possible, the gofundme campaign will end tonight, Monday, August 17 at midnight. Funds will be paid by check on Tuesday to the Gamali Benjamin Foundation, which will disburse the funds.

We are attempting to find out if there will be a method to donate online funds once the gofundme campaign has been completed, but we did not receive that information by press time. We will let you know.

In any case, time is running out to help the family. Please go here as soon to make a donation but remember, this

option ends at midnight Monday night 8/17 <http://www.gofundme.com/bh2frtbs>

10. Another Small Fedex Plane Crashes, This Time Off Saba; Pilot is Fine

Not many months ago, a small plane used by Federal Express between Puerto Rico in St. Maarten crashed in the Caribbean after departing from Princess Juliana airport in bad weather. The plane quickly sank, and the crash took the lives of both the pilot and copilot.

Last week, another small FedEx-used plane crashed just offshore of the island of Saba, that pyramid shaped island to St. Maarten's southwest. Luckily, this time pleasure boats were in the area, the crash was reported at once, and the pilot was quickly rescued -- fortunately not much the worse for wear.

The cause of the crash was not immediately ascertained. An investigation is beginning.

11. Mario's Bistro Plans Move to Porto Cupecoy

Mario's Bistro, for many years one of the top restaurants on the water in Marigot, is moving to an elegant new location in Porto Cupecoy, which itself is becoming something of a Dutch side restaurant Mecca.

Although the disparity between the euro and the dollar has almost disappeared, nonetheless the flight of restaurants out of Marigot is continuing. The Dutch side — and especially many of the timeshare owners who come to the island every year and have enjoyed Mario's seemingly for decades — will welcome the restaurant to its new quarters with open arms.

We expect to have more details soon regarding exactly where in Porto Cupecoy Mario's will locate and what their new menu might be like. In any case it's great to have Mario Tardif on the Dutch Side adding even more credence to our recent suggestion that the entire island has become the Culinary Capital of the Caribbean. See next story.

12. Four Culinary Meccas Emerge in SXM

SXM now has four emerging culinary centers -- Grand Case as always; Simpson Bay, which has seen the arrival of several new outstanding restaurants in recent years; Dawn Beach, home of the award-winning Daniel's By the Sea, the equally award-winning Canoa, plus the newly remodeled Infinity Restaurant at Oyster Bay Beach Resort, and Big Fish (new management); and of course Cupecoy Beach, home of Dino Jagtiani's extraordinary Temptation Restaurant and now Mario's Bistro.

And more new restaurants are coming to all these areas.

From a culinary perspective, the island seems to be moving to an even higher level now than before....

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13. Beach Cams Now Live on Our Beach Page

Last week, we published web addresses for beach cams both at Club Orient in Orient beach and for the Sunset Bar and Grill at Maho beach, the beach made famous in all those videos you've seen on YouTube.com and on television.

Now, we put both of those beach cams and another for Great Bay on the beaches page on our website, where you can check them out any time: <http://everythingxsm.com/sxm/beaches/index.shtml>. Bookmark our beaches page -- you'll be back.

14. 25,000th Member JMB Membership Sale Offers 237+ SXM Discounts & Benefits

Just as we are on the doorstep of reaching 25,000 JMB Website Supporters members, we're starting our 25,000th Member Sale to bring in our 25,000 member **this week**: that member will get a vacation in St. Maarten and at this writing we are only a few memberships away. Join us today; you may well be number 25,000.

Here are the *new membership sale prices* during this event:

One year: \$49 (Reg. \$59)

Three years: \$89 (Reg. \$95)

Five years: \$109 (Our reg. \$125)

To join or get more info: http://everythingxsm.com/sxm/about_sxm/paypal.shtml ; see next story.

15. A SXM Vacation is Ready for Our 25,000th JMB Website Supporters Member

Elsewhere in this issue, you will see news about our seven vacation giveaway, which we formally announce today in this newsletter.

If you are our 25,000th JMB Website Supporters member, you will get a St. Maarten vacation when we give them away during the first half of next year. We'll remind you to listen to island 92 during the giveaway on the air, at which time we will call you by telephone to find out which week you want to take. That's all there is to it — other than being our 25,000th member which you can do right now by joining us. See the prior article.

16. Lots of Dining Discounts for You from JMB Website Supporters Membership

JMB offers dozens of dining discounts across the island and we expect to add many more before the coming high season.

We have lots more than you'd expect. Our dining benefits cover all these categories. Note: If you're a JMB member, go to the Discounts Master Index. There, when you click any category, you'll find the discount offers from all the restaurants in that category. The links shown below are the same links we have on our members-only "secret" website -- except the links in this story don't open anything. They only work on the members-only Secret Website. To join and get these discounts, see story 14. Your membership helps keep "Weekly News" and our giveaways coming.

[Restaurants](#)

- [Membership Extension for Suggesting Dining Benefits](#)
- [Dutch Side](#)
- [French Side](#)
- [Beach Bars](#)
- Breakfast, Please peruse *Dutch Side*, *French Side*, and *Beach Bars*
- Asian (See Chinese or Japanese)
- [Caribbean](#)
- [Creole](#)
- Chinese (None currently)
- [French](#)
- [Fusion](#)
- [Greek](#)
- [Ice Cream & Yogurt](#)
- [Italian](#)
- Japanese
- [Mexican](#)
- [Middle Eastern](#), also see *Greek*
- [Pizza](#)
- Rastafarian (*See Vegetarian*)
- [Seafood](#)
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- Yogurt *See Ice Cream & Yogurt*
- [Dinner Cruises](#)
- [Dining Accessories \(Coasters, Serving Trays\)](#)

17. Lots of Jewelry Discounts for You from JMB Website Supporters

Membership

We have three categories of jewelry discounts: custom-made jewelry; jewelry gift cards; and jewelry shopping. All the categories include impressive benefits. The jewelry cards alone are generally worth \$50 *apiece* -- and there are seven of them. Our jewelry discounts include eight top island jewelry businesses. You can do a lot of damage through us -- and save while you're doing it.

To join and get these discounts, see story 14. Your membership helps keep "Weekly News" and our giveaways coming.

18. Lots of Activities Discounts for You from JMB Website Supporters

Membership

Aqua Mania, through its www.stmaarten-activities.com site, probably books more activities across SXM and nearby islands than everybody else combined. Through our long-time partnership with Aqua Mania, we offer discounts on hundreds of activities of all descriptions, every day year 'round. Once you join you'll have access to our private activities website where you can book anything you'd like. The sky is the limit (literally); discounts on everything, on land, on water, under water, in the air. Remember, your valid JMB membership card is always required to get your discounted tickets and all other discounts on SXM.

To join and get these discounts, see story 14. Your membership helps keep "Weekly News" and our giveaways coming.

19. Lots of Sailing/Yachting Discounts for You from JMB Website Supporters Membership

In addition to the many discounted sailing adventures we offer through St. Maarten Activities / Aqua Mania for JMB members only, we also offer many dozens of sailing options on a huge variety of sailing and motor vessels of all sizes not only from St. Maarten to neighboring islands, but also Caribbean-wide for the truly adventurous.

Members: for an exhaustive list, see the Discounts Master Index on the members-only Secret Website. Categories of interest: *Sailing* and *Charter Yachts*.

20. Lots of Shopping Discounts for You from JMB Website Supporters Membership

We have dozens of places for you to shop for almost everything imaginable -- from swimwear to art to jewelry to cigars, alcoholic and other beverages, lace, thousands of souvenirs, vacation clothing, and tons more. Even Rima's Beach World is there -- the famous SXM souvenir emporium now offering more of everything (including member discounts) via the web.

We're *the* place that offers discounts on thousands of items from dozens of SXM businesses. You could buy something new from SXM every single day....

21. Art Discounts for You from JMB Website Supporters Membership

Four renowned Caribbean artists -- including the world-acclaimed Caribbean plein air impressionist Sir Roland Richardson -- provide discounts and benefits to our JMB Website Supporters members. And even NYC boudoir photographer "Mimi Beach Boudoir", who often does location shoots in SXM, is now participating in our art discounts; she does fabulous work.

"Art and Artists" is its own category in the Discounts Master Index on the members-only Secret Website. See the kind of stuff these folks do: [Sir Roland Richardson](#); Mary Addington, <http://fineartamerica.com/profiles/mary-addington.html> under "Caribbean Island Gallery"; Norma Trimborn, <http://www.holidaystmartin.com/our-guest-house/art-studio.html>; and Patty Meotti <http://fineartamerica.com/profiles/patty-meotti.html>. You will see some of the work of "Mimi Beach Boudoir" at www.capturecouture.com.

22. More Discounts & Benefits for You from JMB Website Supporters Membership

Right now 237 and a stack of new ones are waiting to be added in the next several weeks... great new stuff, and even new categories of discounts and benefits are coming. We'll keep you posted.

23. JMB's "Websites That Work" Extends Its Discount for JMB Website Supporters

JMB Communications' [Websites That Work](#), which recently expanded its capabilities, has extended its \$400 discount off regular quotes for new websites exclusively for JMB members.

JMB's Websites That Work started in 1993 by creating web content for global technology companies. Today it works with companies of all sizes in diverse disciplines worldwide. Part of JMB Communications, a 25 year-old Massachusetts-based marketing company, Websites That Work USA has been offering JMB members discounts for the last several years. After you get your new project quote from Websites That Work, tell them you're a JMB member and you'll get an additional \$400 deduction....

24. "Tech Talk" Column; Importance of Defragmenting Your System

When Windows puts files on your hard drive, its emphasis is on speed, not smart storage. Picture a kid throwing a wet mudpie at a white wall; that's how Windows writes files, fragmenting pieces of them on your hard drive. The issue is that doing that ultimately slows down your computer since the computer must gather that data so you can use it. You should set up your computer so it performs disk defragmentation weekly, at night, when you're not using the system. You can access Disk Defragmenter in Control Panel. Do it; you'll be amazed at how much faster your system will work when files are organized like a brick wall and not like a thrown mudpie.

25. Restaurant of the Week

For many years, Mario's Bistro was one of SXM's top restaurants. Reservations there had to be made months in advance and the food was always superb; it was a constant award winner.

Mario's is located on the Marigot side of the Sandy Ground drawbridge. Parking is challenging, the disparity between the Euro and the dollar was challenging for years, and the decline of that part of the French Side also was a challenge. But the restaurant stayed as good as it ever was since "Mario" Tardif himself remained in charge.

As noted elsewhere in this issue, Mario's is relocating to Porto Cupecoy. We'll let you know the exact location and when the relocation will happen, as soon as we hear. It's an outstanding place... and we're sure the location change will make it all the more attractive.

See past Restaurant of the Week businesses below. Most of the listed restaurants offer discounts to JMB Website Supporters members; see the Secret Site for details. We'll cover another restaurant here soon.

IZI Ristorante Italiano, www.iziristoranteitaliano.com (featured 4/6/15)

Canoa, www.canoasxm.com (featured 3/23/15)

SkipJack's SXM, <http://www.skipjacks-sxm.com/> (featured 6/15/15)

Cugini (featured 12/8/14)

Trattoria Pizza Pasta, Maho Plaza near Casino Royale (featured 5/11/15)

Daniel's By The Sea, www.dawnbeachsxm.com (featured 7/13/15)

Domino's Pizza <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Dominos-Pizza-St-Maarten/95635717338> (featured 8/10/15)

Spiga, www.spiga-sxm.com (featured 2/23/15)

Fusion, www.fusionrestaurant-sxm.com (featured 1/26/15)

The Hideaway, <http://www.lavistaresort.com/restaurant.html> (featured 4/28/14)

Stone Restaurant, www.thestonerestaurant.com (featured 9/2/14)

Le Pressoir, <http://www.lepressoir-sxm.com> (featured 7/6/15)

Temptation, <http://www.rareandtemptation.com/EN/temptation/>

Lal's Curry In A Hurry Indian Restaurant, Airport Road, Simpson Bay (featured 1/19/15)

Mr. Busby's Beach Bar <http://www.dawnbeachsxm.com> (featured 2/23/15)

Island Pizza, <http://www.dawnbeachsxm.com> (featured 5/18/15)

Pineapple Pete, www.pineapplepete.com (featured 2/2/15)

Papagayo, <http://www.cluborient.com/papagayo.php> (featured 5/4/15)

Coconut Grove (formerly SPN Cafe), <http://www.pineapplepete.com/sport.html> (featured 8/18/14)

Dany & John's Cupecoy Beach Bar (on Cupecoy beach; follow the car path from the far side of Ocean Club to get there). (featured 4/27/2015)

FIG, Cupecoy opposite Rainbow Beach Club

St. Maarten Yacht Club, at the Dutch Side Drawbridge

Jimbo's, www.jimboscafe.com (featured 4/13/15)

Vesna Taverna, www.vesnataverna.com (featured 11/10/14)

Topper's / Topper's By The Sea <http://www.sxmtoppers.com/> (featured 6/29/15)

Taloula Mango <http://www.taloulamango.com/> (featured 4/20/15)

Bylbos, Simpson Bay

Sushiitto Japanese Restaurant, Port de Plaisance <https://www.facebook.com/sushiitto.sxm> (featured 1/12/15)

Mario's Bistro, moving to Porto Cupecoy, Dutch Side www.mariosbistro.com (featured 8/17/15)

26. How To Get Your SXM Euro-Ovals

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27. Interact With Fellow SXM Visitors on Our Everything SXM Facebook Page

Our [Everything St. Maarten Facebook Site](#), which has been around for several years, covers SXM happenings in words and pictures from its thousands of users, and enables people to ask questions, get answers, post trip reports, etc. We also post things there between issues of *SXM Weekly News*.

Besides that ... the 5000th person to "like" that page will be among the "Final 50" people we call when we give away seven vacations early next year; see story # .

28. About Next Week's SXM Weekly News

It won't likely be transmitted until Tuesday August 24 because of staff travel....

29. Our Seven Vacation Giveaway Begins: Where & How To Enter

We expect to surpass 4.5-million visits to www.everythingsxm.com during the first half of 2016 -- or conceivably earlier -- depending literally on how often you visit the site. (Do it often and we'll give away these vacations sooner.)

Here's where you could be going:

- Mary's Boon Beach Resort;
- Oyster Bay Beach Resort;
- La Vista or La Vista Beach
- Summit Resort

- Baker's Suites
- Club Fantastico
- *Hotel L'Esplanade* OR *Le Petit Hotel* OR *Blue Pelican*

It is highly likely that we will be adding more vacations, and it is quite certain that we'll be adding dinners for two and much more. Watch next Monday's *SXM Weekly News* (and tell your friends to subscribe free to Weekly News at www.everythingsxm.com); next week we'll post a link to the online entry form right here. No envelopes, no printing, and no stamps necessary to enter -- it's all online.

The form goes live today, Monday, August 17, 2015, at noon EDT. You will find it here:
http://everythingxm.com/sxm/getting_here/entry-form-for-our-seven-vacation-giveaway.shtml

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Want to rent or buy a week?

2015 St. Maarten / St. Martin Timeshare Weeks For Rent or Sale are posted at http://everythingxm.com/sxm/timeshare_rent_sale/index.shtml Listings are now updated every few weekdays. Ads are free (no commission) but are accepted from JMB Website Supporters members only.

Meet Our Sponsors (updated 9/27/13) Returns Next Issue

SECTION 4: For Members Only (Constantly Updated)

- A. Where to Get Member Info: www.everythingsxm.com/secret
- B. Password Recovery Info: Your username is the email address you have registered with JMB Website Supporters. If you forget your password, click "forgot / change password" in the orange login box near the masthead at www.everythingsxm.com. To change your password, click that same link.
- C. How To Submit Rental or Sale Ads or Update the Price in an Ad: See www.everythingsxm.com/secret .

SECTION 5: Background Information for Travelers (For New Readers) Updated 12/31/14

Please see our site, www.everythingsxm.com.

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