

### Local Briefs

#### Ballers in the V.I. baseball fun days

The jaycobie Blash Foundation in conjunction with the V.I. Tourism Department will present the Ballers in the V.I. baseball fun days. The events will feature fun and baseball instruction form minor and major league baseball players. Day 1 is Thursday at 4 p.m. at Lionel Roberts Stadium on St. Thomas, when children ages 13 and up are the focus. At 4 p.m. Friday, events move to Emile Griffith Ballpark on St. Thomas, where the focus will be on children ages 9 to 12. On Saturday, St. Croix Little Leaguers will be featured at 10 a.m. at D.C. Canegata Ballpark. Food and drinks will be on sale.

#### St. Croix Metric Mile

ST. CROIX — The St. Croix Metric Mile Road Race will be held at 5 p.m. Saturday. Registration will begin at 4 p.m. at Anally Farms in Upper Love. The distance for the race is 1,500 meters and will start at St. John's Episcopal Church and finish at the Agriculture Fair Grounds. Awards will be presented to the top five male and female finishers and top boys and girls 13 and under.

For information, contact the V.I. Pace Runners at 643-2557 or logon to: <http://virginislandspace.org>.

#### Tackle football camp registration

ST. THOMAS — Registration for the V.I. Youth Tackle Football Camp is at 10 a.m. on Saturday and Dec. 21 at the CAHS field. The camp is open to all youths in grades 5 to 9 interested in learning how to play tackle football. For more information or to register, call Francisco Jarvis at 244-8591.

#### Froggy Johnson Basketball Tournament

ST. THOMAS — Rosters are available for the seventh annual Ralph "Froggy" Johnson 13-16 Double Elimination Basketball Tournament scheduled for Dec. 20-23 at Alvin McBean Complex. The first eight teams to register will be eligible. Entrance fee is \$10 per player, and entry deadline is Saturday. To pick up a roster or for more information, call Albelto Roberts at 777-3373.

#### Women's soccer league

ST. THOMAS — The U.S. Virgin Islands Soccer Association's St. Thomas Women's Soccer League takes place at the UVI soccer field every Sunday from 4 to 6 p.m. Any women interested in learning to play soccer are invited.

For details, call the USVI Soccer Association office at 719-9707 or email [usvisoccer@gmail.com](mailto:usvisoccer@gmail.com).

# Thompson wins STAR Jingle Bell Run

By KEMP CALLWOOD  
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Michael Thompson completed the 3-mile course at Magens Bay in 18 minutes and 33 seconds to win the St. Thomas Association of Roadrunners' annual Jingle Bell Run on Sunday.

Brad Kappel was second overall in 20:23, followed by Jack Hullings in 21:17, Michael Sheesley in 23:25 and Steven LaPlace in 23:34. Ali Slimming (25:45), Tegan Kappel (26:58), Adrienne Baird (27:04) and Christine Sheehan (27:47) round out the top 10.

St. Croix's annual Cane Bay 5-mile Jingle Bell Run will be held at 7 a.m. on Dec. 21. The run will start and finish at Cane Bay Beach on Northshore Road, and it will run along the shore to Renaissance Carambola Resort and back.

Awards include a special Jan Mitchell armament / medal to the top 20 finishers, 10 turkeys — two turkeys to the top male and female finishers, two turkeys to the best costumed male and female and raffle of the remaining six turkeys to the participants.

Full race results are on page 62. For information, logon to: <http://virginislandspace.org>

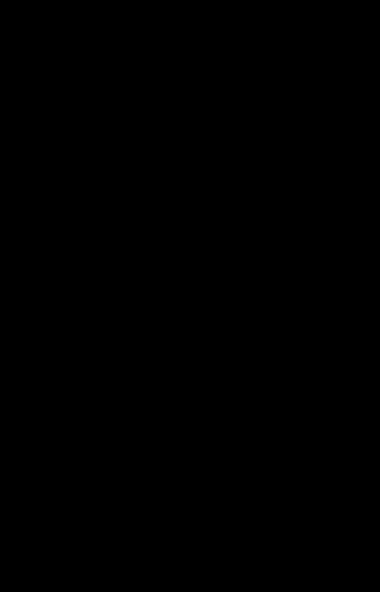
#### Zero Tolerance 9-12 Drug Free Basketball League



Runners line up at the start of the St. Thomas Association of Roadrunners Jingle Bell Run on Sunday at Magens Bay.

points to lead Come 2 Defend past Mo Youths, 25-9. Jakeel Isaac led Mo Youths with five points.

#### VITFF Developmental/ All-Comers meet No. 1



Daily News Photo by R. JALANI HORTON grabs a rebound in the Zero Tolerance 9-12 Basketball League.

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