

AFCD locates stranded whale in Tai O

The Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation Department (AFCD) received a report from the Police this afternoon (November 30) regarding a live cetacean stranding in Tai O waters on Lantau Island. By nightfall, the AFCD and the Ocean Park Conservation Foundation Hong Kong (OPCFHK) personnel had located a whale stranded in Tai O waters. According to the initial assessment, the whale was about five to six metres in length and a wound was found on its body.

The AFCD immediately activated the Response Plan to the Sighting of non-resident Cetaceans in Hong Kong Waters and has conducted inspections of the waters in the vicinity together with relevant departments and the OPCFHK personnel. The AFCD is currently working with experts from the OPCFHK to assess the whale's physical condition and take appropriate rescue measures.

The AFCD urges the public and vessels to stay away from the whale to avoid causing any danger to the whale.

OFCA announces 5G Campus Application Competition 2024 winners (with photos)

The Office of the Communications Authority (OFCA) announced the results of 5G Campus Application Competition 2024 at the Final Round Assessment cum Award Presentation Ceremony of the Competition today (November 30). The Director-General of Communications, Mr Chaucer Leung, together with other guests, presented the awards to the winning teams.

Addressing the award presentation ceremony, Mr Leung said, "I am very delighted to see that the final entries are rich and diversified in content, covering a wide range of innovative applications of the fifth generation (5G) mobile communications and artificial intelligence (AI) technologies on various aspects while achieving the objectives set for the Competition, which included enriching campus life, enhancing learning experience, optimising the use of teaching resources, improving facilities and the environment on campus and in the neighbouring community as well as realising smart living. The submissions fully demonstrate the innovative ideas of the participating teams in the applications of 5G and AI technologies as well as their capabilities to bring the ideas into practice.

"I believe that the knowledge and experience the students have gained from participating in the Competition will continue to be applicable to their learning and future development. By fully unleashing their creativity, collaboration skills and problem-solving techniques as well as through

continuous learning and practising, the students will be able to make remarkable achievements in the field of innovative technology in the future and make contribution to our country and society," he added.

The list of the winning teams is as follows:

Award	Team	Project
Champion	Cumberland Presbyterian Church Yao Dao Secondary School	Campus Intelligent Patrol and Duty Device
First Runner-up	CCC Chuen Yuen College	AI-Powered 5G Recycling Bins: A Sustainable Revolution
Second Runner-up	Pok Oi Hospital 80th Anniversary Tang Ying Hei College	AI Learning System for Recognising Bird-chirping Sound
Merit Awards (sort by English name)	Baptist Lui Ming Choi Secondary School	LMC Skill Tube
	HKUGA College	SchoolSPARK Campus App
	Po Leung Kuk Ma Kam Ming College	Play, INNOVATION, Exercise (P.I.E.)
	Raimondi College	EatSmart Campus App
	S.K.H. St. Mary's Church Mok Hing Yiu College	5G x AI in Sonata Exhibition
	S.K.H. Chan Young Secondary School	Bus Route Planner and Optimizer
	St. Paul's Secondary School	Eye-know Smart Glasses
Best Presentation Award	St. Paul's Secondary School	Eye-know Smart Glasses

Organised by OFCA and co-organised by the Hong Kong Productivity Council under the theme "5G x AI – Smart Living and Learning Anytime Anywhere", the 5G Campus Application Competition 2024 aims at enhancing students' understanding of the enormous potential of 5G technology and its extensive innovative applications, strengthening their learning ability in science and technology, fostering their innovative thinking, and inspiring them to apply both 5G and AI technologies in creating smart living and learning experiences.

The Competition was launched in May this year. Entries by 43 teams from 37 schools were received for the first round, and 10 teams were shortlisted by the judging panel to compete in the final round. Earlier on, the finalists

submitted their project reports after completing the "5G and AI themed Mobile App Development Training Workshop" and training on presentation skills. In the final round today, they presented their work before the judging panel which comprises representatives and experts from OFCA, the academic sector and research institutes and selected the winning entries based on the scoring criteria of the Competition.

An exhibition area showcasing the final entries was designated at the venue of the ceremony for the participating teams to present their entries to the guests by various means, such as applications, gizmos, prototypes and demonstration videos.

The list of the winning teams has been uploaded to the [thematic website of the Competition](#).



Missing man in Tuen Mun located

A man who went missing in Tuen Mun has been located.

Chan Chun-nam, aged 38, went missing after he was last seen in Yau Oi Estate yesterday (November 29) afternoon.

The man was located on Lung Mun Road in Castle Peak this afternoon (November 30). He sustained no injuries and no suspicious circumstances were detected.

Road Safety Council 51st Anniversary Eggstra Fun Carnival to be held tomorrow

The following is issued on behalf of the Road Safety Council:

The Road Safety Council 51st Anniversary Eggstra Fun Carnival, organised by the Road Safety Council, will be held tomorrow (December 1) from 10am to 4.30pm at the Kai Tak Station Square, Kowloon City.

The opening ceremony will be held at the Kai Tak Station Square, Kowloon City at 10am. The Chairperson of the Road Safety Council and Deputy Commissioner of Police (Operations) of the Hong Kong Police Force, Mr Joe Chow; the Chairperson of the Road Safety Research Committee and Deputy Commissioner for Transport (Planning and Technical Services), Mr Patrick Ho; and the Chairperson of the Road Safety Campaign Committee, Ms Karin Wong, will officiate at the ceremony. Prizes for the Safety Professional Driver Awards 2024 and Eggcellence Road Safety AI Drawing Competition will be presented at the ceremony, and there will be an interactive drama performance.

This year, the Road Safety Council aims to enhance the community's awareness of road safety by inviting members of the public to participate in the event. There will be game booths under the theme of Mr Safegg, a bounce park, children's electric car experiences, virtual reality games, creative workshops and a photo-taking zone to disseminate road safety messages to the public in a lively manner to encourage people to "Keep your cool on the road – Stay Alert, Stay Alive".

[DH holds World AIDS Campaign 2024 Kick-off Ceremony to promote prevention of HIV infection and inaugural HIV Testing Month \(with photos\)](#)

The Department of Health (DH) and Hong Kong Advisory Council on AIDS (ACA) today (November 30) jointly held the World AIDS Campaign 2024 Kick-off Ceremony to raise public awareness of the prevention of Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) infection. The DH also announced the launch of the inaugural HIV Testing Month in Hong Kong, encouraging people who have had sex to undergo HIV testing at least once to keep track of their own health status. People with HIV should seek specialist care and HIV treatment as soon as possible for viral suppression and for health restoration.

The World Health Organization (WHO) has designated December 1 (i.e. tomorrow) each year as World AIDS Day, and today's event was organised in response to this observance. Under the theme "Advances with Love, 40 Years of United Actions & Beyond", the ceremony reflected on the past and future joint efforts between the Government, healthcare sector and non-governmental organisations (NGOs) to combat AIDS and care for patients and their families through a multipronged approach and strategic collaboration since the first case of HIV infection was reported in Hong Kong in 1984.

Officiating at the ceremony, the Director of Health, Dr Ronald Lam, said, "The prevalence of HIV infection in Hong Kong remains well below the global average, accounting for 1 in 1 000 of the adult population. The number of new cases in recent years has continued to drop from the peak in 2015, which is encouraging. However, we must not be complacent, as the proportion of late presenters in Hong Kong has been on the rise in recent years, and the number of newly infected persons aged 50 or above has not dropped in tandem with the overall number of newly infected persons. Furthermore, various challenges such as stigma and discrimination still exist."

In view of this, the Red Ribbon Centre of the DH, in collaboration with 12 NGOs and 10 supporting organisations, is launching the inaugural HIV Testing Month in Hong Kong in December (i.e. from tomorrow onwards), with a view to increasing the public's awareness of HIV testing in Hong Kong, as well as helping the public understand how to get tested for HIV easily and conveniently through a variety of channels.

The Scientific Committee on AIDS and STI has earlier issued its recommendation that people who have had sex should get HIV testing at least once.

Dr Lam said, "The launch of HIV Testing Month aims to promote the normalisation of HIV testing. Members of the public can browse the HIV Testing Service website (www.hivtest.gov.hk) or access the HIV testing calendar on the HIV Testing Service website via the '@DH mobile application' to learn more about and select testing resources in the community."

The Government will launch a new Announcement of Public Interest (API) under the slogan "For your health, get tested for HIV" to appeal to people who have had sex to get tested for HIV at least once, so that those who are unaware of their infection status can receive timely diagnosis and treatment. Normalising HIV testing will also help remove the negative stigma associated with HIV infection and testing.

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The ceremony was attended by around 100 stakeholders who have been involved in the fight against AIDS since the 1980s.

Designated as a United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS) Collaborating Centre for Technical Support, the Red Ribbon Centre of the DH has been working closely with NGOs involved in AIDS work to promote the World AIDS Campaign. It will continue to conduct publicity and education through different channels to raise public awareness of AIDS prevention.

Other officiating guests at the ceremony included the Controller of the Centre for Health Protection of the DH, Dr Edwin Tsui; the Director of the Centre for Health Systems and Policy Research of the JC School of Public Health and Primary Care of the Chinese University of Hong Kong, Professor Yeoh Eng-kiong; the Chairman of the Hong Kong AIDS Foundation, Dr Leong Che-hung; the Chairperson of the ACA, Dr Ho King-man; the Chairman of the Expert Panel on HIV Infection of Health Care Workers, Dr Lai Sik-to; and the Chairman of the Scientific Committee on AIDS and STI, Dr Lee Cheuk-kwong.



