

In the Spotlight – Caribbean Islands

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The Caribbean Islands are located between the Atlantic Ocean and the Gulf of Mexico, in what is aptly called the Caribbean Sea. This region has also been known as the West Indies, and are geographically considered part of North America. According to the World Atlas, the Caribbean is made up of more than 7000 islands and islets that include several independent countries, as well as overseas territories of other nations. Surprisingly, the Bahamas and Turks & Caicos are not considered Caribbean Islands, but will be listed here due to their close proximity.

In total, the HHH Genealogy has recorded 30 hash clubs running over the years, with the first one being the Cayman Islands H3 founded by Raymond Legge on 17 Apr 1978. We currently do not know where Raymond came from, but as you will see below, hashing in the Caribbean has had many influences from all over the world.

Antigua – The Antigua H3 was founded by Steve 'Kaiser' Kisson on 29 Jun 1991 after he came over from the Port of Spain H3 on Trinidad. He was assisted by Bunny 'Bugs' Butler. This mixed club is still very active and runs biweekly on Saturday. Their website explains that they often have a bring your own grillables BBQ after the trail, and they have plenty of cold beer in the cooler. They are also known around the island for community service, conducting their annual [Christmas donation drive](#) to collect food and other necessities for those less fortunate. They also just recently donated over USD \$4000 to the Sir Lester Bird Medical Centre (SLBMC) . . . “The money has been earmarked for oncology services at the hospital” according to the [local newspaper](#).



Aruba – The Aruba H3 was founded by William 'Can't Hound' Brenneman on 10 Oct 1981, he had previously been running with Mother Hash in Malaysia (verified). He was assisted by Ubol Brenneman. This club has been in hibernation for a while, but we did manage to get Elgin, who stated he was the GM of the Aruba H3, to come out and set a trail for us during a hash cruise. I have also hared a couple trails there as well.

Bahamas – The Nassau H3 was founded by Geoff Amblin on 10 Nov 1981, who came over from the Surrey H3 in the United Kingdom. He was assisted by Anna Amblin, Edmund McManus, Lindsay Reich, and Ashley Atkins. This club is still active, running weekly on Sunday in the winter, or Monday in the summer (see their [website](#) for details). There used to also be the Freeport H3 founded by Peter Maguire on 31 Jan 1990, branching off of the Nassau H3, but is no longer active.



Barbados – The [Barbados H3](#) was founded by David Craig on 16 Nov 1985, coming from the Mainland H3 in the United Arab Emirates. He was assisted by Chris Harvey and Nigel Minette. This mixed club is actively hashing weekly on Saturday afternoon. The Moon Over Barbados H3 was founded by Francie 'China Brush' Ammon on 1 May 2001, and she was assisted by Carlos 'Bandana' Freitas. This club is actively hashing monthly on or near the full moon.



Also founded by China Brush is the Barbados Bike H3 riding their first trail on 27 Mar 2016. This mixed club rides on the last Sunday of the month. In her personal life, China Brush is an exceptional travel agent, and has arranged many entertaining hash cruises not only in the Caribbean, but also as pre and post lubes to events all over the world.

Bonaire – The Bonaire Flamingo H3 was founded by 'Madame Flash' on 4 Dec 2009, coming down from the Edmonton H3 in Canada. She was assisted by Lee Marvin, and has been a resident on island for many years. This mixed club is still very active, currently running monthly on Tuesday, and has also hosted numerous trails for hash cruises.



Cayman Islands – The Cayman Islands H3 was founded by Raymond Legge on 17 Apr 1978 (as noted above, the first hash club in the Caribbean), and he was assisted by Roger 'Jurassic Jogger' Davies. This is a mixed club and they are active, running on Monday evenings weekly. They are also an organizer of the annual [Cross Island Relay](#) held in March. This near 24-mile race will celebrate its 50th anniversary in 2025.

Cuba – There is no recorded existence of a hash club in Cuba proper, only on the US Military base at Guantanamo Bay. The first was the Hutia H3 founded by Mark Stroman in Mar 1991, and I had the pleasure to run with them in 1994. The Least Worst H3 ran briefly in 2014 to 2015, but no other information is currently available.



Curacao – Until recently, there were no clubs listed for this island, but in a passing conversation, a friend had mentioned he founded a club there. The Curacao Monday H3 (CuM H3) was founded by Dan 'Dildo' Smith on 26 Aug 2002, who came from the Dar es Salaam H3 in Tanzania. Although no longer active, this club ran consistently for 3 years from 2002 to 2005.



Dominican Republic – The Santo Domingo H3 was founded by Radames 'Wadames' Gonzales on 27 Mar 1987, who came from the San Jose H3 in Costa Rico. He was assisted by David 'Garbage' Gardela. This club is still active, running biweekly on Sunday. They will soon be celebrating their 1250th hash trail on island.

Grenada – The Grenada H3 was founded by Paul 'Rigor Mortis' Slinger in Dec 1985. According to their website . . . “a yearly Founder’s Hash is held at his house, ‘The Tower’ in St Paul’s – surely the most prestigious rum shop on the island.” He came over from the Port of Spain H3 on Trinidad, and was assisted by John Kelly. This mixed club is still very active, running weekly on Saturday. They will also be hosting the restart of the Inter-Caribbean Hash in June 2024.



Haiti – There are three clubs listed in the HHH Genealogy, but none are active and there is very little information. The Port-o-Potty H3 founded in Dec 1992. The Haitian Full Moon H3 founded in Dec 1995. And finally, the Voodoo H3 founded by Alex 'Phallix' Newton in Jun 2001. He came over from the Almaty H3 in Kazakhstan.

Jamaica – The Jamaica H3 was founded by Goran 'Nutcase' Engdahl on 13 Feb 1998, who had come over from the Hhohho H3 in Eswatini (Swaziland), and was assisted by Bill 'Bogs' Hetherington. This is a mixed club, and they are still active with weekly trails on Sunday.





Puerto Rico – The first iteration of the Puerto Rico H3 was founded by John 'No Erector' Otto in Mar 1996, who had come from the Samurai H3 in Japan. The second Puerto Rico H3 was founded by 'Hugh Heifer' on 20 Apr 2003. There was also the [Puerto Rican Rum Runners H4](#) before the covid era, but little info is known of that club, but there are hashers on island that may meet you for a drink if you visit.

Saint Kitts & Nevis – The St Kitts H3 was founded by Percy 'Turbo' Hanley on 14 Aug 1994, who had been hashing with the Antigua H3. He was assisted by Peter 'Popcorn' Allcorn, and this mixed club is still very active, running every third week on Saturday.



Saint Vincent & Grenadines – The St Vincent & Grenadines H3 was founded by Joe Sheridan in Apr 1988. He came from the Barbados H3 and was assisted by Duncan Lovett. This club is no longer active.

Trinidad & Tobago – T&T has been a hotbed of hashing for several decades, and currently has 4 active hash clubs. The original club was the Port of Spain H3 founded by Robin Foster-Brown on 13 Feb 1984, and came from Fiji where she hashed with the Suva H3.



She was assisted by Peter Frearson and John Rudden. This mixed club runs biweekly on Saturday. In 1997, the PoS H3 hosted a very successful [InterAmericas' Hash](#).



Several years later, the Men's Monday Madness H3 branched off the PoSH3, and was founded by Keith 'Forklift' Nieves with their first trail on 26 May 1997. He was assisted by Abel 'Hairy Monster' Coelho, and this Men Only club is still actively hashing biweekly on Monday evenings.

It took a couple of decades, but the women responded with the Wild Women's Wednesday H3 that was founded by Diane 'Iron Panty' Henderson, and assisted by Kemba Marcano and Sjaelan Evans. They ran their first trail on 20 Jul 2016, and are still actively hashing once a month on . . . you guessed it . . . Wednesday.

The Trinidad and Tobago H3 was founded by Reed Harper with their first trail in Aug 2019. They are still actively hashing biweekly on Saturday.

Finally, the Port of Spain Bike H3 founded by Mark 'Mr. Perfect' Hutchinson, with their first ride taking place in Aug 2003. This club is no longer active.



Trinidad was selected to host Interhash 2020 during the presentations at Interhash Fiji in 2018. As you may recall, that event was delayed to 2021, then 2022, and ultimately cancelled. A small group of hashers came together to host a spontaneous replacement event called [Outerhash, Going Anyway](#), which turned into an 8-day hash extravaganza for ~400 hashers.

US Virgin Islands – The Virgin Islands H3 was founded by Karla 'More Leggs' Reichert in Apr 1997, assisted by Queen of Farts. She had arrived from the Columbian H3 in South Carolina, USA. This club is no longer active. In discussion with More Leggs, she told me that . . . “Our biggest claim to fame was setting a trail for the USS George Washington aircraft carrier that came into the island for a few days.” She also went on to say that hashing in general never really took hold there, due to limited access to trails, or the availability of local runners. There have also been a couple other attempts to get a hash started on St Thomas, but had the same issues with trails and participants. There have, however, been numerous hash cruise trails there run primarily by the Jolly Roger H3 out of Tampa, Florida.



The Caribbean is probably one of the most popular tourist destinations, and as stated previously, many of the islands are common ports of call for cruises. Hashers have taken advantage of the mobility of cruise ships to visit and hash on many of the islands to both run with local clubs, or hare trails of their own. The Jolly Roger H3 conducts their annual [Pirate Invasion Hash cruise](#) every year in late January, and has conducted 15 cruises over the past 20 years. The Barbados hashers have conducted several cruises, as well as the Trinidad hashers, have also been known to visit the other islands.

The [Hash House Harriers Genealogy](#) has no hash clubs listed for the following islands, although I do know most of them have had hash trails conducted during various hash cruises. If you have specific details or information about actual clubs being formed on any of these, please contact me.

- Anguilla
- British Virgin Islands
- Dominica
- Guadeloupe
- Martinique
- Montserrat
- Saint Barthélemy
- Saint Lucia
- Saint Martin / Sint Maarten
- Turks & Caicos

You can see some specific exploits in this article on [Hashing in the Caribbean](#), starting on page 40. Also, you can find additional information and links to all the active hash clubs in the Caribbean at <https://www.gototheshash.net/caribbean.html>

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