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MEDIA RELEASE



The Prime Minister will be officially launching the 111th Trinidad & Tobago Open at 8.00 a.m. on the morning of Tuesday 13th March by hitting his tee shot down the first fairway at St Andrews Golf Club.

With the news that the Open is once again being used as a qualifier event for the PGA Latin America Tour Jamaica Classic there are now 12 golf professionals who have entered. The top 3 players in the Professional division in the T&T Open will be given invitations to the 2nd Jamaica Classic to be played at the Cinnamon Hill Golf Course in Montego Bay, Jamaica from May 3rd- 6th . The top junior in the 16-18 age groups will also be given a spot in the Jamaica Classic. Both events will now be covered by SPORTSMAX.

The 111th Trinidad & Tobago Open takes place at St. Andrews Golf Club in Moka, Maraval from the 15th March – 18th March. Total entries are now at 111 players, competing in 6 divisions, these include, Professionals, Championship, First Flight, Second Flight, Seniors and Super Seniors. Entries close on Sunday 11th at 12.00 noon

We have 34 overseas entries including players from Barbados, Canada, Curacao, St. Kitts, St. Lucia, England, St Martin and USA.

Liam Bryden is still hoping that he will be given time off from his University to defend his title, one of Jonathan Millen (who finished 3rd overall in 2017), Richard “Pecos” Camacho, Dave Rajkumar, Ryan Peters and former national footballer Russell Latapy amongst others will be keen to win the Open and gain selection for this year’s national team. The 12 professionals competing for the Jamaica Classic are Dustin Risdon from Canada, Barbadian Bobby Edghill, Timothy Martin now residing in England, his brother Ben Martin, Erwin La Floch from St Martin, Mitchum Jasper residing in the USA, Fabian Campbell from Jamaica, Matthew Marquez, Chris Richards, Antony Gill, Bernard Benny, Tobagonian Chris McMillan. There is also keen competition amongst three under 19 junior players for the Jamaica Classic being Ryan Peters, and Barbadians Zxavier Wiggins and Iz Hustler.

Super Seniors is anticipated to be a hotly contested event with defending champion Fabian Lee Foon expected to receive stiff competition from Monty Chapman, John Hale, Selwyn Hakim and Kisson Gannes.

In the Seniors' division there will be keen competition as players from the US, Canada and Barbados will give defending Champion Adrian Sampson and other local talent a run for their money.

In the first flight Randy Hakim will be defending his title with Junior Charles and Paul Taylor 2 of the early favorites and in second flight Jonathan Mitchell will not be defending so should be good battle as there are many good competitors with Canadians and Barbadians among them so competition should be keen.

The TTGA welcomes spectators to come out and see some exciting golf, play starts from 6.30 each morning.