

THE EWART MARCELLE CHAMPION TOURNAMENT



The Chaguaramas Golf Club hosted the first EWART MARCELLE CHAMPION TOURNAMENT.

A tournament to honour and celebrate Ewart Marcelle ninetieth birthday, a champion golfer. Players from across the country gathered to play homage to a man who helped to shape the game in Trinidad. His first introduction to golf was as a caddy, he returned to the game when Dr. Eric Williams dedicated the Chaguaramas Golf Course to the public in 1972. From there he went on with several others to form the National Golf Club which later became the Chaguaramas Golf club in 1974. The vision *“To make good golfing available and affordable to all”* for the Chaguaramas Golf Course became the vision of Ewart Marcelle and his mission throughout was always *“Creating, leading, promoting and organizing affordable golf”* for the golfing members of the National Golf Club now known as the Chaguaramas Golf Club.

He served administratively at the Chaguaramas Golf Club for 18 years and also served as the President of the Trinidad and Tobago Golf Association.

With this rich history and dedication to the sport, golfers from all over came to play in this inaugural tournament honouring the man Ewart Marcelle.

Seven Professional golfers kicked off the event, with a dazzling display of golf, Ben Martin had a hole in one on the seventh hole, which is no easy feat on the challenging 235yard Par 3. The battle between Chris Richards, Bernard Benny, and Joshua Galt was tight. In the end Chris Richards was victorious with a 1 shot lead over Bernard Benny who secured 2nd place, and Joshua Galt 3rd.

The Amateurs were not to be outdone, on a day when the weather was perfect, and the course was at its finest, Dave Williams played the best golf of his life and held off national player Aleema Jack. In the end Dave was crowned the champion with a 1 shot lead over Aleema Jack 2nd and Marvin Jones 3rd.

The spirit of golf at its finest was present in the Carenage valley as we paid homage to Mr Marcelle, and celebrated his life, with his family and friends. He was a teacher by trade, and one of his passions was nurturing talent in young golfers, therefore it is only fitting that proceeds from this tournament be donated to Junior Golf.