

## Media Release

### Trinidad and Tobago Ladies Amateur Golf Open 2020

Juniors dominated the TT Ladies open which ended on Sunday 16 February at the St Andrews Golf Course in Moka, Maraval. Sarah Ramphal upset Yeji Lee's plans for a three-peat in the 1<sup>st</sup> flight gross division. Yeji, who won this tournament in 2018 and 2019, was 3 shots behind Sarah on Day 1 and could only pick up one shot on the second and final day, finishing 2 shots behind Sarah at the end of play on Sunday. Sarah – 157 (13 over par gross) – clinched her second win of the current year, having captured the ladies section in the BC Open in early January, when Lee did not play. Joanne Bryden, leapfrogged to 3<sup>rd</sup> place in this flight by playing 9 shots better than her first day score. Chloe Ajodha, another of our promising juniors, captured the net title in this flight at 5 over par.

In the second flight, very good scoring after the first day's play set up an intriguing contest among 2 juniors – Jada Charles and Azariah Joseph and the veteran Violet Roopchand. At the end of Sunday's play, the standings remained the same, Jada (82/89=171) coming out on top by 5 shots from Violet Roopchand and Azariah Joseph a further 4 shots behind. Faatimah Emamali, the youngest player in the tournament at just 13, finished in the 4<sup>th</sup> spot.

The good showing by these young players in the first two flights means that we will see them as serious contenders for places on both the junior and senior national teams for regional competitions later in the year.

In the 3<sup>rd</sup> flight for handicaps 25-36 playing the stableford points format, Rasha Ter Braack, after trailing by 5 points on Day 1, turned the tables on Barbara McEachrane on Day 2, finishing on a 2-day score of 76 points to Barbara's 72.

The tricky Moka greens proved the undoing of many aspirants. Following the long wet season, there was some rain on the course in the early part of the week, and while the fairways were well grassed, the greens had already become firm and fast. Representatives of Nestle and Caribbean Bottlers, co-sponsors of this event, were on hand to distribute prizes at the end of another successful Ladies Open.

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