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## **MEDIA RELEASE**

### **ZICO...MAKING HISTORY IN T&T GOLF**

The Sagicor Invitational commenced over the weekend of 18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> April with beautiful weather and a healthy list of hopeful golfers, one amongst the 132 participants, however, was a 10 year old boy called Zico Correia. He played in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Flight division (which means that he attained at a tender age a handicap from the white tee boxes usually played by men and juniors male 14 years and over)

This young chap played his first round of golf on Saturday against a field of 24 male adults and finished 4 shots behind the leader Anthony Salandy shooting 81 and Zico 85 landing him in 2<sup>nd</sup> position.

He left the St. Andrews Golf Club and strategised with his brother Zach Correia who caddied for him. “I was just 4 shots from the lead, I knew I needed to keep calm, focus, eat, play my game, not think of scores & do my best’ and so the following day clad in matching colours with his sibling caddie he went to work.

Starting the first hole of the second round Sunday with a birdie, his competitors Anthony Salandy & Johansen Singh knew they were in for a challenge. Zico finished the front nine with an incredible two over par at 38 and the back nine with 44, sinking a 10ft putt on the 18<sup>th</sup> hole to win his flight by six shots with an awesome 82.

First time in history has a young lad in Trinidad and Tobago golf managed to be esteemed with such a result. “I knew I had them after the front 9, when Anthony scored 49 and Johansen 44. I enjoyed playing with them both, they are great players and it was fun. My brother kept me calm and reminded me to think about holding the trophy, which I did! He is the best caddie and I thank him a lot”.

Zico’s win this weekend has shown that age is truly just a number.