

## **MEDIA RELEASE**

### **EAST RETAINS THE CARIBBEAN CUP OF GOLF**

Despite a spirited charge by the West Team on the final day singles matches, the East Team triumphed 20 ½ points to 9 ½ points to retain the Cesar Rivera Trophy at the St. Andrew's Golf Course in Moka, Maraval. The main sponsors ANSA Financial Services would have been pleased with the benign weather conditions that allowed uninterrupted play over the three days of the tournament. The West Team comprising The Bahamas, Turks & Caicos Islands, Jamaica, Cayman Islands and The Dominican Republic won four of the ten points available on Saturday, the third and final day of the Caribbean Cup, a Ryder Cup style match play tournament between teams of ten players representing the East Caribbean and the West Caribbean. The West Team needed to win all ten matches to wrest the Cesar Rivera Trophy from the East Team.

For the West Team, Lino Guerrero and Juan Campusano both from the Dominican Republic won their matches against Marcus Clarke (Barbados) and Simon Proverbs (also of Barbados). Joel Dodson of the Cayman Islands had a hard fought victory 2 & 1 over Adrian Norford of Antigua to secure the third point for the West Team. Rhadames Pena of the Dominican Republic came from behind 2 down to half his match with James Johnson of Barbados to secure a ½ point for the West Team while Fraser Dods of the Cayman Islands provided another ½ point for the West Team by halving his match with Andre Collins of Trinidad and Tobago. For the East Team, wins were registered by Alderray Downes 2 up against DeVaughn Robinson (Bahamas), Raymond Percival (St Kitts) 1 up against Ben Davis (Bahamas), Erick Morales (Puerto Rico) 5 & 4 over Fabien Campbell (Jamaica), Robert Calvesbert (Puerto Rico) 1 up against Sean Morris (Jamaica) and Dave Rajkumar 3 & 2 against Will Shoreman (Turks & Caicos Is.). There was spectacular play from 20 of the best amateur golfers in the Caribbean throughout the tournament.

The leading scores for the East Team were Erick Morales who won all his matches to register 5 points while on the West Team the leading point scorer were DeVaughn Robinson and Ben Davis (Bahamas) and Rhadames Pena (Dominican Republic) who each scored 2 ½ points. Trinidad and Tobago's Dave Rajkumar and Andrei Collins both contributed 4 ½ points to the East Team.

The next Caribbean Cup will be held in two years time at a venue to be announced shortly.

Saturday November 5, 2011