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The 10th Republic Bank Caribbean Junior Open will take place at the St Andrews Golf Course from April 9-11, 2019. Prior to the Caribbean Junior Open, the Republic Bank of Trinidad & Tobago sponsored the Trinidad and Tobago Junior Golf Open for 8 years. Their continued contribution towards the enhancement and development of the sport is extraordinary.

10 foreign juniors have entered this year. They will be coming from Antigua Barbados, and St Lucia. This year we also have a strong contingent of 6 juniors from Tobago competing, this will add to 40 Trinidad juniors so far entered.

In the boys under 18 age group Barbadian Xzavier Wiggins will start out as favorite. The local contingent will be led by Brandon Matabadal and Tobago’s Reyaz Rambarran who were both on the 2018 national junior team. In the under 18 girls’ there will be a real battle between teammates Yeji Lee and Sarah Ramphal both of Trinidad. With Tobago’s Krista Kent and St Lucia’s Lisa Daniel also expected to put in good performances.

The boys 14 to 15 age group is where the real fireworks will take place as Trinidadian Teammates, Dravid Bhim (the recent winner of the T&T Open 2nd flight in a playoff) competing against Jean-Marc Chevrotierre, Chris Richards Jnr and Zico Correia. The latter two have now moved up into the older division this year. Some really keen golf is expected here with Marlin Hotack of Antigua and Reyad Adam Rambarran of Tobago also expected to be in the running.

The girl’s 14-15 age group the main competition to Barbadian favorite Emily Odwin is expected to come from Trinidad’s Azariah Joseph and Jada Charles, while St Lucia’s Celina Lubin ability is unknown.
In the under 14 boys age group Trinidad’s Ethan Hill will be leading the local players, with Matthew Davis, Jean-Luc Chevrotierre and Jerseem Boodram also in contention, Barbados entrant Quinton Heljenjenk’s ability is unknown but might well put in a great performance

Chloe Ajodha is the favorite in the girls under 14 age group.

There will also be competition on Tuesday for those juniors playing 3 holes, Wednesday for those playing 6 holes and Thursday the 9 hole and 12 hole category’s. These latter competitions are for those juniors who are relative newcomers to the game.

The organizers the TTGA are still accepting entries.

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