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BARBADOS TENNIS ASSOCIATION'S INTERCLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS SERVES OFF

Bridgetown, Barbados January 24, 2020 - The 2020 Windward Agencies Inter-Club Tennis Tournament served off on January 25th and will continue weekly until March 28th, 2020 when the finals will take place. There are seven clubs in the tournament – Barbados Yacht Club, Ocean View, Paragon, Summerhayes, Tennis Centre, UWI and Windward.

Each year the Barbados Tennis Association(BTA) coordinates the **Annual Inter-Club Tournament** which has traditionally been an opportunity for all the active Tennis Clubs on the island to get together for competitive tennis and social interaction. The tournament typically attracts the Clubs, each with teams of between 12 and 20 team members, plus supporters. Matches are played on Saturday afternoons at various venues across the island (home or away matches), typically held from late January to March each year.

The number of juniors playing at the Inter-Club level has increased over the years and is a wonderful opportunity for their greater exposure to different and more seasoned players as well as the comradery and sportsmanship that the older players have developed over the years.

Tournament Director Andrew Thornton said: "I am expecting this year's competition to be keenly contested because they are many strong teams taking part. We have adjusted the format slightly from last year by removing all singles matches and focusing on different variations of doubles matches by adding an extra men's doubles and mixed doubles match".

Barbados Tennis Association president, Dr. Raymond Forde said: "I am very pleased with the team turnout this year and am keen to see how the new format will work. Each week, six clubs will play amongst each other vying for the top spot and bragging rights to the championship while a seventh will get a BYE in the rotation". He further states: "The tournament presents a great opportunity for our junior players to interact with experience and wisdom on and off the court".

Tournament sponsor, Mr. Marc Sampson of Windward Agencies said: "My company is very pleased once again to be supporting local sports and the 2020 Inter-Club Tennis Competition".

All tournament matches will begin at 2:30 pm each Saturday.



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Who will be the 2020 Champions? This question will be answered on March 28th, 2020 when the finals will take place at the National Tennis Center in Wilkey.

Persons may visit www.tennisbarbados.org to see the fixtures and support by visiting one of the locations where the teams are playing.

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Windward Tennis Club – 2019 Interclub Winners