

### **The BJGA is still a thriving organization.**

After reading today's Royal Gazette some may get the impression that the BJGA is in the process of recovering from a collapse. To clear the air and to inform those who may have been misinformed, the BJGA Board of Directors wish to share some facts about the activities of the organization. The BJGA:

- has sustained an active membership of 120 members for the last four years,
- runs weekly events beginning in September ending in June,
- has anywhere from 50 – 80 young people involved in some type of golfing activity each Saturday,
- elite junior golfers attend National Team training with our National Coach,
- hosts three successful "Major" events throughout the year,
- are in the process of taking over a fourth major, a local International junior golf event,
- sends juniors overseas to elite and middle tiered junior tournaments in the U.S.,
- National Team travels to Sea Islands with the National Coach for additional instructions,
- hosted a Community Fun Day at Ocean View Golf Course and
- volunteered in the past three Grand Slam events.

Some notables who have come through the BJGA ranks recently include Cornel Bean Jr., Nick Jones, Jun Hardart and Mark Phillips amongst others.

Some rising stars from amongst our ranks include Alex Osborne, Angus Lang, Ryan Roberts, Ryan Benevides, Damian Palanyandi, Scott Gilbertson and Dwayne Pearman Jr. At the younger ages we have the likes of Walker Campbell, Arriek Douglas, Khari Place, and Thomas Allkins. Some top girls include Elizabeth Parsons and Zayla Smith. By no means are these lists complete, as many other quality young golfers are members of the BJGA.

**With this being said, we wonder what recent collapse the BGA is referencing.**