



## Press Release

### Bermuda Security Group sign 3 year deal to sponsor youth cricket

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The BCB announced today that Bermuda Security Group has secured title sponsor rights for the U13 youth League for a 3 year period. In addition to the perennially successful summer clinics for young cricketers the BCB youth structure features an U16 and an U13 League with 9 clubs across the country playing in a limited over format that will now be known as the ***Bermuda Security Group U13 League***. The investment by Bermuda Security Group will enhance the quality of cricketing experience for the young players by providing clothing, cricket balls and access to a season culminating finale festival game.

President and CEO of Bermuda Security Group, Herman Tucker noted: "On behalf of Bermuda Security Group, I am very pleased and proud to be able to support the U13 youth cricket League. The Bermuda Security Group supports the values and disciplines that are taught to young men through playing the game of cricket and, in particular, the adherence to the spirit of cricket and manner in which the game is played. I am especially happy to be able to note that these games provide a safe and constructive environment for over 200 of our young children to enjoy the game of cricket."

The youth League is split into 2 zones, Eastern and a Central/Western division. The clubs play against each other in a round robin format followed by a playoff system that pitches each Eastern team against its counterpart in the other division. The final game of the season features the Best of the East v Best of the Rest game that will be coached by a number of National coaches, including the current U15 coaches, Grant Smith and George Cannonier.

Neil Speight, Executive Director of the Bermuda Cricket Board said: "The Board is excited to be able to announce this new partnership with the Bermuda Security Group. I am pleased to be able to recognize the importance of developing our young men, not just into cricketers, but into valuable Bermudian citizens. The importance of community and youth development is a theme that Mr. Tucker and his organization fully endorse. I look forward to some exciting and enjoyable cricket throughout the summer."

The BCB youth committee is chaired by Allan Richardson, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-President of the BCB, who plays an active role in helping the young players. Allan commented: "The U13 League provides our young players with a great opportunity to hone their skills and learn more about this great game that is our National sport, cricket. I am very pleased to see that the Bermuda Security Group has recognized the importance of the youth cricket system and have made a commitment to support this program for the next 3 years. I hope, and fully expect, that this partnership will blossom and continue much longer, evolving into a permanent fixture on Bermuda's summer calendar."



