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Port Royal Golf Course
Southampton, Bermuda

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Bermuda's Kim Swan Accepts Sponsor Exemption to Play in the Butterfield Bermuda Championship
Four Bermudians to compete in this year's PGA TOUR event

SOUTHAMPTON, BERMUDA (July 15th, 2022) – The Butterfield Bermuda Championship has extended the tournament's first sponsor exemption to Kim Swan, who will make his Butterfield Bermuda Championship debut, which returns to Port Royal Golf Course in Southampton, October 27-30.

One of the Butterfield Bermuda Championship objectives is to continue to grow the game of golf on the island through playing opportunities and exposure to golf at its highest level. This October, Bermuda will host the first international Advocates Professional Golf Association event and in January of 2023, will host the American Junior Golf Association at Port Royal Golf Course. Kim embodies the objectives of the championship through his desire and impact to the growth of the game through teaching and his career as an athlete.

Kim started learning the game of golf from his uncle, Herman Santucci Bascome, a former golf professional at Ocean View Golf Course in Bermuda, while also having the newly developed Port Royal Golf Course in the early 1970s. His love for golf led him to play collegiately at Troy State University before becoming professional in 1980, in which he qualified for the DP World Tour (formerly European Tour that same year), becoming the first Bermudian to compete on that Tour. Since 2012, Kim taught others about the great game of golf at Port Royal Golf Course until last year when he stepped down to allow Head Pro Steven Lambert Jr. to step in.

"This special opportunity comes as I celebrate my 65th Birthday at Port Royal Golf Course - which I proudly serve as Chairman of the Board of Trustees - enters its 53rd year of operation as a public golf course. As a senior citizen, I've made a concerted effort to embrace a healthier fitness-focused lifestyle. With this opportunity; I aim to turn back the clock for one 'Last Dance' in Honour of all those who helped along my life's journey and lift the Port Royal Golf Course for the great public golf course it remains today"

While teaching, Mr Swan would offer free golf clinics to all ages. Through these clinics, he would share past experiences and lessons learned through years of playing golf and listening to his elders' teachings. In 2019, Kim celebrated the inaugural Butterfield Bermuda Championship by hitting the Honorary first tee shot, signifying the beginning of the first official PGA TOUR event in Bermuda.

"We are thrilled to welcome Kim Swan into the field for this year's Butterfield Bermuda Championship. Together we can make a great impact through the game of golf that we all know and love. Our team is very excited to continue our work to provide advanced playing opportunities to Bermudian athletes. We wish Kim the very best of luck in this year's Butterfield Bermuda Championship and have no doubt that the crowds will be out in full force to support their local advocate of the game" said Danielle Baiunco, Tournament Director for the Butterfield Bermuda Championship.

Three additional Bermudians will join the field, earning their spot through the Local Qualifier at the Port Royal Golf Course this October 4-5.

General Admission tickets will go on sale via the tournament website on September 12. Spectators can purchase tickets online (while quantities last) at butterfieldbdchampionship.com Gates, open to the public from Thursday, October 27 to Sunday, October 30; daily general admission tickets retail at \$35. Individuals may also choose to upgrade their general admission ticket to the Digicel Business Ocean Club for \$250 per day; this



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provides access to the shared hospitality space and all-inclusive food and beverage. Limited hospitality packages remain available, and companies interested in purchasing upgraded tickets should act fast.

For the latest Butterfield Bermuda Championship information, please visit www.butterfieldbdachampionship.com

About Butterfield Bermuda Championship

The Butterfield Bermuda Championship, Bermuda's first-ever **PGA TOUR** event, is an annual feature on the PGA TOUR calendar. Each year, a minimum of three local Bermudians earn exemption spots into the field by competing in the Local Qualifier event ahead of the tournament. Scheduled for **October 27 to 30** at **Port Royal Golf Course** in Southampton, the 2022 Butterfield Bermuda Championship will feature a field of 132 players, 72 holes of stroke play and a purse of US **\$6.5 million prize money**. The tournament's charitable impact in Bermuda currently exceeds **\$1.1 million to local non-profits**, with plans to significantly grow its impact on the community in years to come. This official FedEx Cup event will showcase Bermuda to its worldwide spectators. Golf Channel will provide live broadcasting throughout the Championship to boast Bermuda's picturesque landscapes for all to see. For more information on the Butterfield Bermuda Championship, please visit **butterfieldbdachampionship.com** Follow and subscribe to our social media channels for live news, updates, and event information.

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