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MIAMI DOLPHINS LEGENDS TEACH FOOTBALL TO BAHAMAIN YOUTH *Dan Marino and Friends Weekend Returns to The Bahamas February 19*



Dan Marino, front center with Hon. Perry Christie, Prime Minister, The Islands Of The Bahamas to his left and the Hon. Obie Wilchcombe, Minister of Tourism to Marino's right.
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Miami, FL, February 06, 2015... Some 18 Miami Dolphins Legends, their families and friends are expected to touch down in The Islands Of The Bahamas on February 19 as they participate in the second annual *Dan Marino and Friends Weekend*.

The *Dan Marino and Friends Weekend* which takes place February 19 - 22, is part of an ongoing partnership between the Bahamas Ministry of Tourism and the Miami Dolphins and fans are invited to attend. Participants will have an opportunity to play golf with Miami Dolphin legends at the Ocean Club, enjoy a sunset cruise, participate in a Youth Football Clinic at the Thomas A. Robinson National Stadium and see a Miami Dolphins Legends game at the stadium.

Dan Marino, along with Miami Dolphins Alumni Dick Anderson, Keith Byars, Mark Clayton, Mark Duper, Hugh Green, Jim Jenson, Sam Madison, O.J. McDuffie, Nat Moore, Louis Oliver, Joe Rose, Pat Surtain, Dwight Stephenson and Shawn Wooden, will host a youth clinic that is free for 300 Bahamian children, age 6-14. Miami Dolphins Legend Nat Moore says the cornerstone of the event is the Youth Clinic in which officials are hoping to see at least 300 youth learn from pros like Dan Marino, Mark Clayton and Mark Duper among others. “We are coming together to teach the kids football fundamentals, motivate them to do the right things,” he said. “We are encouraging all the Bahamians to come out and be a part of this weekend. It’s good when we come down but it is also better when we meet all of the Bahamian people and make friends and it gives us incentives to keep coming for more than just an event.”

Former Miami Dolphin Linebacker Twan Russell, who is leading the charge in the Youth Clinic, said the attendees can expect to benefit from the years of football experience that the Legends will provide. “We are excited about doing this because the last time we did it we found that the kids wanted to learn. And we are excited to return to see if the kids retained what we taught them. Who knows? We might be building the next football star coming out of here. But at the end of the day it is about giving a positive message,” he said. “When we come over there is so much kindness given to us. But so many life lessons are learnt on the football field. One of the kids might fall and we have to tell them ‘In life you are going to fall but you have to get up and try again.’”

Mr. Moore, who has been visiting The Bahamas for over 40 years, said the event brought in just over 100 persons to The Bahamas last year. He added that officials are hoping to build on that success. “It’s the people, the hospitality, friendliness and the culture and just to keep coming back with a bunch of friends and legends, just to bring a game of this magnitude – it’s about having a good time,” he said.

Later that evening, the Miami Dolphins alumni are scheduled to play a flag football game with members of the Commonwealth Football League and Bahamas Flag Football League. For more information on the *Dan Marino and Friends Weekend* visit Bahamas.com/Marino or Dolphins.com/Bahamas.

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