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Ace Coverage

Two quite amazing things happened to me last month. I got married, and I had my first hole-in-one. Rather than bore you with details of the former, I'd like to launch straight into the finer points of the latter. Actually, I won't. I know there's nothing more annoying than listening to – or reading about – someone else's prowess on the golf course, so I'll resist the temptation to regale you with the brilliance of my sweetly struck 8-iron, which flew straight and true (for once) before pitching once and slamming into the cup. A purely divine moment. No. I really don't want to inflict that kind of tedium upon you.

But actually there is a semi-serious point I want to make about all of this, and that is: hole-in-one protocol. We've all seen the bank advert where the (un) lucky foreign businessman in Japan makes an ace and ends up buying all his playing partners top-of-the-range golf equipment. Fortunately, I wasn't in Japan because, quite frankly, after forking out for my wedding, I can barely afford to buy a sleeve of Pro V1s for myself, let alone spanking new clubs for anyone else. But it is quite staggering how different the practice is depending on where you play.

At my former club in England, it was all very simple. You were frog-marched up to the bar where you ordered two bottles of blended whisky (it wasn't the kind of place that stocked single malt) and rang a bell, thereby inviting all those present to help themselves. A nice and easy and, crucially, fairly inexpensive procedure.

But I wasn't in England. And I wasn't in Hong Kong, either. A friend of mine once aced the dastardly fourteenth on the North Course at Kau Sai Chau and ended up buying lunch for everyone in the coffee shop, including an expat ladies golf society who were visiting from Bangkok. Luckily for him, he was covered by golf insurance, which was just as well: the rate the ladies were knocking back the Flaming Lamborghinis

would have caused even the most prolific of hedge fund managers to have heart palpitations.

I was actually in Sri Lanka where there doesn't seem to be any protocol at all. Of course my caddie – a lively gent with even livelier facial hair – was looking rather pleased with himself (he had, after all, talked me into taking the 8-iron instead of the 7) and was justifiably rewarded with a handsome tip. But once inside the clubhouse I was at a loss, because there was simply nobody else around and in Sri Lanka it is forbidden to sell alcohol between noon and 3pm. I bought my playing partner lunch (and a 7-up) and sought out the club's general manager for some much-needed advice.

"Hahahaha," he boomed when I told him what had happened. "You are not obligated to do anything."

"Well, thanks," I replied, "but I'd like to buy a couple of bottles of whisky for your members to show my appreciation. To be honest, I'll be getting off lightly."

"Yes, but it is only 1pm – you cannot buy whisky now. Best just to leave it."

"But I feel it's only right. This is my first one, after all," I pressed.

"I'm sorry, but you can't. There's still two hours to go."

In the end I handed over a fistful of rupees and told him to buy two bottles of Johnnie Walker when the clock struck three.

The moral of this story is to get golf insurance. Not only will you be protected if your clubs get stolen, but you'll save yourself a pretty penny in bar bills. Failing that, play all your golf in Sri Lanka.

See you at Fanling!



Alex Jenkins
Editor

Asian Golf Explorer



DOWNTOWN GOLF

Shenzhen Golf Club, surreally situated in the heart of the city, continues to lead the way thanks to its unbeatable location and great courses.

Just minutes from the border, amid Shenzhen's whacky skyscrapers, lies Shenzhen Golf Club - site of one of the best courses in the country and an oasis of calm in an otherwise manic megalopolis. With its 27 cracking holes and unbeatable location, this place is a class apart from the dirge of uninspiring courses that rim the city's perimeter. No wonder, then, that China's favourite golfing son, Zhang Lian-wei, has made the club his base and the great man can often be seen gorging on mounds of noodles in the stylish clubhouse before embarking on yet another practice round.

Opened for play in 1985, Shenzhen Golf Club has the distinction of being one of the oldest courses on the mainland. Originally designed by Isao 'The Tower' Aoki the layout started life as the domain of Japanese and Korean businessmen, and was an attractive, if fairly innocuous challenge. Enter Nelson & Haworth - the American architects who gave us Century Seaview, Xili and a slew of other courses across Asia - who, in the late 90s, were called in to add much needed beef to this parkland

Surreal Golf:
Shenzhen
skyscrapers loom
over SGC. Inset:
C8 features an
island green.



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A Course: Par 36, 3,532 yards

B Course: Par 36, 3,637 yards

C Course: Par 36, 3,542 yards

Course/Slope Rating

A/B Course: 72.5

A/C Course: 72.0

B/C Course: 72.7

Designed by Isao Aoki (1985) /Nelson & Haworth (2000)

GETTING THERE

Taxi from Huanggang – Club: 10 mins (approx 25RMB)

Club shuttle bus from HK – Club: limited service; call club for details

City Golf (clockwise from top): England's Oliver Wilson in action during the 2005 Volvo China Open; distinctive Nelson & Haworth bunkering; water lurks menacingly on the B Course.

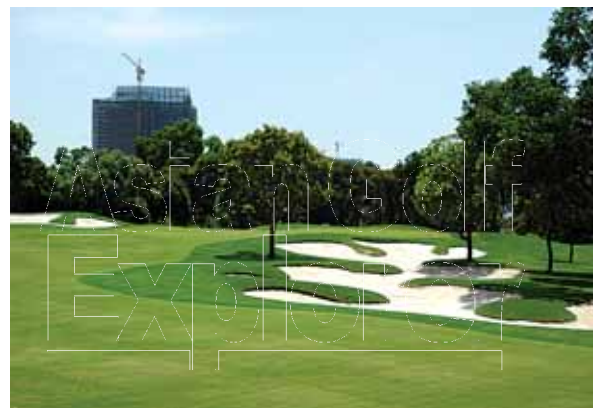


layout. Their changes, which focused mainly on tweaking the green complexes and improving the playing surfaces, have turned the course into a formidable challenge, strong enough to host the 2005 Volvo China Open which England's Paul Casey won after a playoff with fellow countryman Oliver Wilson.

The difficulty of the course comes not from the beautiful lychee and palm trees that flank the fairways, or even the umpteen water hazards that creep into vision from both tee and fairway. Its length (all three combinations of nines measure in excess of 6,500 yards) is a factor but not crucial. There's not even any *real* rough to speak of. By far and away the trickiest aspect here are the putting surfaces and the obstacles that surround them. Although comparisons with, say, Augusta National are a little extreme, there's absolutely no doubt that the greens at Shenzhen Golf Club are severe. Multiple tiers, spines, crowns, shoulders – whatever you want to call them – can make even decent putters look decidedly foolish. This is accentuated by the fact that thanks to excellent conditioning they routinely run in excess of 10 on the stimpmeter. Pitching and

chipping, too, call for precision and the greenside bunkering is both plentiful and punishing. Easy bogeys, tough pars, is what this course is all about, and it definitely pays dividends to spend at least an hour practicing your short game before heading to the first tee.

While the club has had longer than most in getting things right, other Guangdong clubs could do with taking a leaf out of Shenzhen's book. Yes, the club has the definite advantage of cash – the rates they charge for memberships and green fees are high without being exorbitant – but they appear to have spent money in the right manner. Course maintenance is routinely first class and sound service ensures that everything runs smoothly. Of course, the most significant advantage the club has is the course itself; the A/B combination is the toughest of the three combinations (the Volvo China Open was played on it), while the B/C offers the most variety. To be perfectly frank, however, they're all worth playing and golfers looking for quality golf would be better off playing Shenzhen just once rather than playing most of the city's other courses twice. It's *that* good.



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C 場 標準桿: 36, 距離: 3542 碼

球道 / 坡度難度值:

A/B 場: 72.5

A/C 場: 72.0

B/C 場: 72.7

球場設計:

青木功(1985 年)/ 尼爾遜·哈沃耳(2000 年)

如何前往:

搭的士: 從皇崗口岸至球會約 10 分鐘(25 人民幣)

香港至球會穿梭巴士: 需事先向球會預定

深圳高爾夫球會是最接近香港邊境的球會，位於深圳市區中心，從皇崗口岸出發只需 15 分鐘，頗多的高樓大廈環繞著球場，宛如一個都市綠洲。深高分為三個九洞球場、共 27 洞，優良的草坪管理，加上交通極之方便的地理位置，使深高名列中國最佳球場之一。順帶一提，它是中國首席球手張連偉的基地，你大有可能親眼看見這位中國球星於漂亮和極具個性的會所內吃著麵條，準備他的下一輪練習。

球會於 1985 年成立，是中國歷史最悠久的球會之一。初期由日本名球員青木功掌設計，吸引衆多日韓籍的商界人士前來，球場難度適中。到了 2000 年，球會請來 Nelson & Haworth 重新設計球場，大家對 Nelson & Haworth 較熟悉的作品包括世紀海景和西麗球場；他的設計是要增加球場的趣味性，集中加強果嶺及球道的起伏，進一步令深高球場更富挑戰性，2005 年更成功地舉辦了“VOLVO 中國公開賽”——該年奪冠的是英格蘭知名球星 Paul Casey，在延長賽中驚險地擊敗了同胞 Oliver Wilson。

球場難度並非來自球道兩邊的荔枝樹或棕櫚樹，也不是到處潛藏的水障礙，其長度(任何兩個九洞加起來總距離都超過 6500 碼)是原因之一，但非最重要；這裡甚至也說不上有真正的長草區，然而，深高最令人“驚嚇”的地方是果嶺，以及果嶺周邊的障礙。深高果嶺之快速及斜度變化，和美國的奧古斯塔球場相比有點兒誇張，但無論你稱之為多層式、拱型、薯片型也好，都會嚴重地摧毀你的信心。劈球和切球也是，任何果嶺邊的擊球如果不夠精準的話，都會讓你哀聲嘆氣的離開。把心態定在打 Bogey 會比較輕鬆，要求打 Par 會很棘手。鄭重建議開球前必須練習至少一小時的短桿。

深高在各方面都比其他球會成熟，雖然球會會籍及訪客收費較為昂貴，但一流的場地保養與優秀的服務保證，也確實價有所值。球場設計自然最重要，三個球場中，以 A/B 場最富挑戰性(2005 年的 Volvo 中國公開賽就是在此舉行)，B/C 場則提供最多樣化的難度選擇。老實說，如果你追求的是高品質的高爾夫球場，深高絕對不會令人失望，在這打一場球遠比在一般的球場打兩場更有價值。AGE



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WHAT A PEACH!

Guangzhou's Nanhai Peach Garden Golf Club, a two-hour train ride north of Hong Kong, is an excellent example of a new club doing things right.



Water Torture: Peach Garden's par-threes are all soundly guarded. Inset: the third on the newly-opened South Course. Photo courtesy of Tom Brezeale/JMP

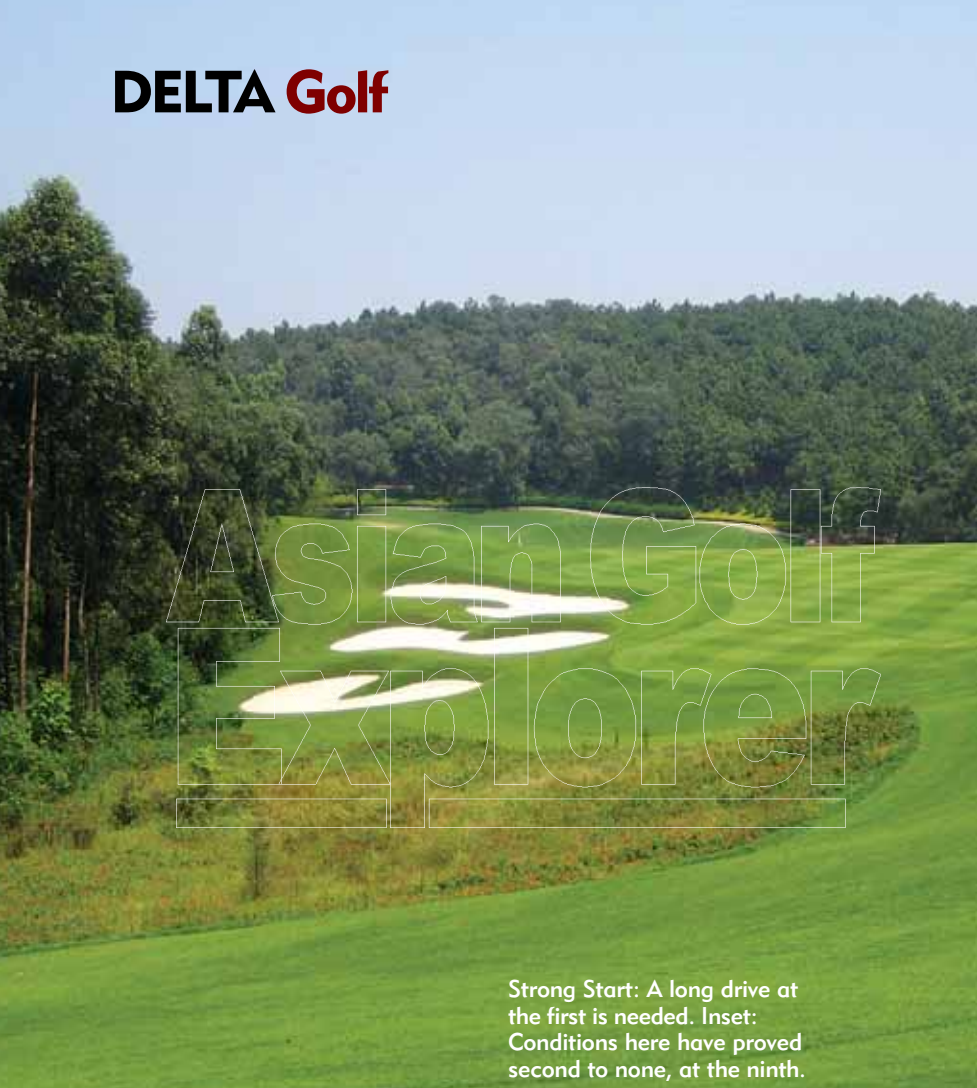


JMP, the American design firm, have garnered an enviable reputation for producing top courses throughout Asia. And they've done it again with their latest Guangdong offering – the highly enjoyable Nanhai Peach Garden Fontaine Golf Club west of Guangzhou.

Over the years, Chinese course developers have received a bad rap from environmentalists for what they perceive as insensitive bulldozing of prime woodland and farmland sites. Indeed, the central government's reasoning behind the current moratorium on golf course construction is to protect valuable pastures for agricultural cultivation. While this argument is more than a little flimsy, the big party bosses in Beijing surely wouldn't have any problem whatsoever with this delightful undulating parkland-style layout.

Mark Hollinger, principal partner at JMP and lead designer at Nanhai Peach, was "highly uninspired" when he made his first visit to the site back in 2000. The area marked out for the course's routing was littered with a disbanded brick factory and an enormous refuse site. Furthermore, the land lacked quality soil and a decent water supply. It was, quite literally, a dump. Fast forward half a dozen years or so and the course blossoms with a variety of vegetation and its attractive landscaping has undoubtedly enriched the whole area. There may not be any peach trees around – they're in the original Peach Garden, in another area of this laid-back vacation zone – but even the beard and sandal brigade would be impressed with the land use transformation.

Peach Garden's twenty-seven holes are a lot of fun. Sensibly, Hollinger has kept the landing areas wide and the so-called rough is as short as the fairway grass at lesser clubs. Instead of forcing you into hitting fairway woods and long irons off the



Strong Start: A long drive at the first is needed. Inset: Conditions here have proved second to none, at the ninth.

tee (like so many courses in the region that are flanked by jungle do), Hollinger practically thrusts the driver in your hands, and this, as most of us can attest, increases a course's enjoyment level immensely.

Although the courses aren't exactly overwrought with trouble, low scoring around here is made much harder due to imaginative green complexes. Not only are they well protected by expansive bunkering – and, in the case of the par-threes, by threatening amounts of water – the putting surfaces are a danger in themselves. Multi tiers, run-offs and collection areas place the onus on one's short game and it will take a deft touch with the flat stick to prevent three putting at least once.



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Nanhai Peach is a good example of a new course doing things right. So far, at least, course conditions have proved exemplary with the Salam Paspalum fairways and Bermuda TifEagle greens providing silky smooth playing surfaces, which is a direct result of the club's owner spending money where it matters. The clubhouse, meanwhile, is well equipped without being flashy and the caddies and staff are all unfaltering polite. Furthermore, their grasp of the English language is also as good as you're likely to find at a mainland club thanks to an extensive

learning program initiated by the club's management.

In many ways this is the ideal club. Shame, then, that it's a bit inconvenient to get to from Hong Kong. But for those who have business in Guangzhou or are contemplating a weekend away, this place merits serious consideration.

JMP集團以設計高素質的球場聞名，有目共睹，今次再次帶給我們一所全新的頂級球場，就是位於廣州西面的佛山南海桃園·楓丹高爾夫球會。

近幾年中國大陸境內高爾夫球場高速發展，發展商被指缺乏環保意識，大量砍伐樹木和動土，破壞生態環境，而中央政府亦因保護農耕地而擱置一些高爾夫球場的建造計劃。但這所開業不久的球場，保留不少原有地貌，加上公園式的設計風格，大大美化了這一片原本荒蕪的土地，相信環保議題在這裡不成問題。

2000年，JMP合夥人兼總設計師 Mark Hollinger 首次造訪南海桃園後，看到此地佈滿荒廢的磚廠和垃圾堆，缺乏良好的土壤和水源，活像一處廢墟；轉眼6年後的今天，這裡已經變成一座風景優美、遍佈花草的綠茵球場。也許我們只能在會所後方的休閒區才能找到原生的桃花樹，但相信最初反對興建球場的相關人士與單位，也會為此地的改觀留下深刻的印象。

27洞的南國桃園非常有趣味，設計師採用寬闊的球道設計，甚至球道邊所謂長草區的草也刻意修短，令一眾業餘球手可以從袋裡抽出心愛的一號木盡情發揮及享受樂趣。

盡管球道沒有存在太多的麻煩，但要打出低桿數仍然不容易，因為果嶺和果嶺週邊困難重重，不只佈滿超巨型的沙坑嚴密地護衛著果嶺（三桿洞更鋪排了水障伺候），果嶺也十分險峻，多層周坡度、巧妙設置讓球手們的短桿技巧面臨高度考驗，要有心理準備接受惱人的三推。

南海桃園是國內新球場的典範，尤其是草坪管理，沙龍雀稗草的球道配上百慕達老鷹草的果嶺，讓球手們可以享受如絲柔順的的草坪，這是球會管理層優質管理的成果。還有那些待人禮貌及效率高端的工作人員和訓練有素的球僮。整體來說，毫無疑問成為一所優秀的球會，唯一缺點是地點偏遠，對居住於香港的球手們較為不便。但如果您有數天的時間可供消磨，這裡肯定給你一個快樂的假期。AGE

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ASIA TOUR NEWS

Cabrera Powers His Way to Singapore Open Title

U.S. Open champ Angel Cabrera fought off a rampaging Vijay Singh to lift the Barclays Singapore Open earlier this month. The chain-smoking Argentinean, whose massive hitting thrilled the massive galleries at Sentosa Golf Club's Serapong Course, carded a four round total of 276 (8-under-par), which included a magnificent 63 on the second day, to claim victory by a single stroke from the Fijian who fired a final round of 67. Defending champion Adam Scott finished in third place, a further three strokes adrift on a total of 281. Tournament drawcard Phil Mickelson slumped to a final round of 79 to finish in a tie for 23rd. With prize money totalling US\$4 million, the event is Asia's richest national Open.



Results

1. Angel Cabrera	Argentina	276	71-63-70-72
2. Vijay Singh	Fiji	277	70-70-70-67
3. Adam Scott	Australia	281	70-67-73-71
4. Jin Park	USA	282	66-70-72-74
5. Lee Westwood	England	283	71-67-71-74

COURSE NEWS



Mission Hills Mid-Valley Clubhouse Opens

Great news for fans of the Faldo and Dye Courses at Mission Hills, as the mega complex – the world's biggest – has opened a third clubhouse, which will exclusively serve golfers playing these two fine tracks. Named **Mid-Valley Clubhouse**, this impressive structure is best described as being a mini version of the club's Dongguan Clubhouse, which opened to great fanfare earlier this year. Replete with luxuriously-fitted locker rooms, a restaurant and, of course, thousands of square

feet of retail space, the clubhouse is a godsend for those who loved playing in this isolated corner of the club, but who hated having to trek all the way back to the Shenzhen Clubhouse to freshen up.

Plus: The club has also announced that the **Vijay Course** has re-opened after undergoing renovation work over the past six months. The changes, which focus mainly on the re-routing of holes two thru six and the seventeenth, also include the addition of water hazards and are thought to have come about due to the club's intentions to add a real estate zone to the fringes of the course.

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One to watch: Becierra's future looks bright
Photo by Gareth Jones

Becierra Cruises to HK Amateur Title; Earns HKO Berth

The name Dante Becierra might not be a familiar one to even the most avid of amateur golf fans, but keep an eye out for this precocious 21-year-old because he's clearly got a whole lot of game. Over the windswept Clearwater Bay links, a course that yielded only five sub-70 scores all week, Becierra stole the show by recording three of them, including a blistering final round of 67, to hold off a determined challenge from Englishman Edward Richardson. In truth, this was a two-horse race – the race being not only for the title of Hong Kong Amateur Open champion, but also for a highly-coveted spot in the upcoming UBS Hong Kong Open. In the end it was Becierra who prevailed, helped largely by an incredible run of five birdies on the front nine of the final round to all but

end Richardson's chances. A couple of back nine bogeys closed the gap temporarily, but another Becierra birdie, this time at the par-five fifteenth, enabled him to cruise to victory.

"I really gave my all. I stayed focused despite my bogeys on the eleventh and thirteenth because I want to prove that I can do it," said the Filipino who hails from Davaoño.

Hong Kong's highest placed finisher was Doug Williams. The American-born Williams, enjoyed a solid final thirty-six holes to end the tournament on a total of 303 (23-over-par), earning him a share of ninth.

Results

1. Dante Becierra	Philippines	278	(74-69-68-67)
2. Edward Richardson	UK	281	(73-70-67-71)
3. Chan Shih-chang	Taiwan	293	(78-72-69-74)
4. Chan Shih-chi	Taiwan	294	(74-72-71-77)
5. Jerson Balasabas	Philippines	296	(73-75-77-71)
Chacrit Chitratnanatham	Thailand		(77-73-71-75)
9. Doug Williams	Hong Kong	303	(80-80-73-70)
11. Jimmy Ko Ming-chak	Hong Kong	304	(72-81-75-76)
16. Martin Liu	Hong Kong	310	(77-78-79-76)

Local Pro Jang Wins Yinli-HKPGA Classic 2007

Playing on his home course, Jang Chel-hoo stormed to a famous come-from-behind victory at the annual Yinli-HKPGA Classic last month. Jang, who teaches at the Dongguan club, carded an impressive final round of 68 (4-under-par) to snatch victory from Asian Tour regular David Freeman by a shot. Lim Kian-boon, Lien Lu-sen and Gary Kwek shared third place, a further stroke back.

Although Jang, who earned HK\$110,000 for his victory, was a deserved champion, veterans Derek Fung and Dominique Boulet, now a TV analyst for Star Sports, will look back with some regret on a tournament they themselves had every chance of winning. After recording bright opening rounds of 69, which put them in a share of the overnight

lead, the pair suffered disastrous final rounds of 77 and 79 respectively. Nevertheless, Fung's sixth-place finish was enough to secure him the HKPGA Order of Merit title, beating Freeman into second place. Teaching professional Andrew Good finished the four-leg tournament series in third.

Results

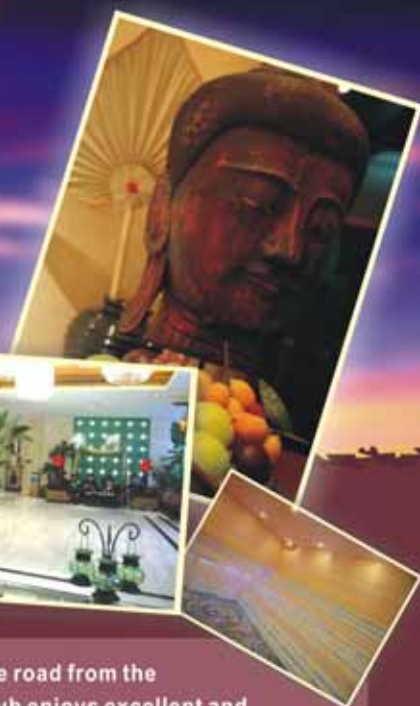
1. Jang Chel-hoo	143	(75-68)
2. David Freeman	144	(73-71)
3. Lim Kian-boon	145	(70-75)
Lien Lu-sen		(71-74)
Gary Kwek		(72-73)
6. Derek Fung	146	(69-77)
Poh Ee-kiat		(73-73)
8. Jovick Lee	147	(70-77)
Bill Fung		(74-73)
10. Dominique Boulet	148	(69-79)



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UPDATE

KLPGA BOSS HONG IMPRESSED WITH RETURN SILPORT VISIT

November 5, 2007

Shanghai: Silport welcomed back an honored guest when S.K. Hong, Chief Executive Officer of the Korean LPGA Tour, returned to the club after a three year absence.

Hong, who is also the CEO of the PTO Electronic Engineering Group, visited the club with a delegation of 16 people. For Hong, his first visit to the seven-time Volvo China Open host venue was 3 years ago, which invited by Samsung Group. This time, he inspected the club's new North Course nine-hole layout. The Roger Packard-design was opened last year and expanded the Jiangsu Province club to 36 holes.

Following his round on Silport's Center and East course layouts, the same configuration that was used to contest the 2007 Volvo China Open in April, Hong had nothing but praise for the club which had been honored many times over the years by the Asian Tour and other luminaries for its excellence in course condition, caddie service and experience in hosting world-class golf tournaments. "On my first nine holes on the Center Course I got two birdies," said an excited Hong. "But the East Course proved more difficult as that layout, despite being very pretty, was full of risk with plenty of water adding to the danger. I enjoyed myself very much." Hong said he was impressed by his Silport experience as he felt that the designs of the two courses were very unique and attractive. He said he hoped someday that Silport would be a KLPGA Tour venue through cooperation between the tour and the club. Silport has long been a progressive club for promoting tournament golf at both the professional and amateur levels in China since its opening



Nice Swing

Silport Marketing Director Julia Zhang (R)
Warmly Welcome KLPGA CEO S.K. Hong (L)



in 1995. In addition to hosting the Volvo China Open and pre-qualifying events for the national championship, it is also a popular choice among the most famous companies in the world for hosting corporate events.

In recent months, the club has been the venue for tournaments hosted by such companies as Dow Chemical, DNV, Jones Lang LaSalle and Japanese sporting goods giant Mizuno who recently hosted a golf invitational for the city's top amateurs. Shanghai Silport, owned by Taiwanese industrialist Beta Soong, is considered a pure golf experience as the layout features no residential property. Instead, the 36-holes, designed by former Jack Nicklaus colleague Bob J. Martin and Roger Packard, is bordered by scenic farmland and tranquil, working waterways. The Silport Group's other course, Tiger Beach Golf Links, is an 18-hole layout located in China's northern Shandong Province between the cities of Qingdao and Yantai. The club, which is extremely popular with South Korean visitors, is a sister-club to Carnoustie Links, the 2007 British Open venue. It is the only club in the world to be linked to the famed Scottish venue.



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DNV Golf Day Shanghai 2007 Group Photo with Silport Caddies



2007 Mizuno Golf Invitational



博愛醫院

博愛「高夫」慈善賽 2007

POK OI CHEERING GOLF DAY 2007

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2006年於西麗舉行之博愛「高夫」慈善賽 2006



賽前預告

去年11月24日博愛醫院於深圳西麗高爾夫鄉村俱樂部舉行博愛「高夫」慈善賽 2006除了參加者十分踴躍，贊助商亦多不勝數，當中更特別設有由深業汽車及著名高爾夫品牌HONMA各贊助了一杆進洞的獎項。

今年博愛醫院將於2007年11月30日再次於深圳西麗高爾夫鄉村俱樂部舉辦第4屆之博愛「高夫」慈善賽 2007以籌募經費，是次參加人數已多達144人，當中包括了博愛的主席、總理，名人藝人紅星當然還有各善長，贊助商的反應亦熱烈非常，相信各參加球手亦對今屆深業汽車贊助出價值\$470,000的豐田皇冠Previa 2.4名貴房車及由著名高爾夫品牌Honma贊助出價值\$228,000的五星鐵杆最為重視。而今年亦由Ashworth及金利來分別贊助是次的參賽者的球衣和球帽，而Bridgestone亦成為大會指定高球並送出高爾夫球給與每位參賽球手，其他贊助商分別有：梁錫光總理、黃成家先生、Kasco、Goldlion、Swiss Privilege、大富控股、高信集團、The Global Group、悅誠集團、鄧慶治總理、天天洗衣、Comvita、宇聲數碼、Fusion、Adidas、Porterline等等。

當天的獎項確實數不勝數，每位參賽者必定滿載而歸。



Royal & Ancient

One of the oldest courses in Asia, Sri Lanka's Royal Colombo Golf Club also happens to be one of the most charming – for reasons that have little to do with golf

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Flora and fauna: at Royal Colombo



Despite what you might think, golf in Asia is not a new phenomenon. While the last ten years has seen golf course construction in the region on an unprecedented scale - which has turned countries like China and Thailand into fully fledged golfing destinations - the game has actually been played in these parts for well over a hundred years. Royal Calcutta, Hong Kong Golf Club, Wack Wack and Royal Hua Hin - these classic Asian courses are our versions of St. Andrews, Prestwick, Carnoustie and Muirfield.

But arguably the most interesting to play of all Asia's heritage courses is Royal Colombo. Established in 1879, almost a decade before the Open Championship courses of Royal Birkdale and Royal Lytham & St. Annes came to being, this charming little track is situated in the heart of the Sri Lankan capital, making it the easiest of the island nation's four clubs to get

to. And while it might not be the best course in the country - that honour goes to the fabulous Victoria Golf Resort up in the hills around Kandy - it easily has the most character. What's more, at less than HK\$200 for a round, it offers some of the best value golf on the continent.

Royal Colombo, which, like the vast majority of the continent's historical layouts, was founded by the Brits, is one of those rare gems where the actual design has little bearing on its overall enjoyment level. Don't be mistaken, this is a nice parkland routing, framed on all sides by magnificent mara trees. But it's what takes place on and around the course, rather than the course itself, that makes this place fun.

First of all there's the lovely clubhouse. Undisputedly colonial in architecture - its ground floor verandah, overlooking the closing hole, is the perfect place to sink a couple of post-round gin & tonics - this is

the complete antithesis to the soulless modern clubhouses that characterize many of Asia's clubs today. The ancient barefoot waiters of yesteryear might have been replaced by a younger, better-shod troop of attendants, but they're all unfaltering polite and quick to make recommendations from the club's exotic menu.

Secondly, there are the caddies. Unlike the young girls you tend to get in the rest of Asia, Royal Colombo's caddies, generally speaking, are wizened old men who like nothing more than to talk course strategy with you. If you're not on your game, however, they'll more than likely lapse into a tirade about how badly the Sri Lankan cricket team is performing. It's all entertaining stuff and there's little doubt that they're some of the most professional loopers around - most, if not all, play to a single figure handicap.

Moving onto the course, one of the great

Club with character (clockwise from far left): a bit of golf ball fishing; the colonial style clubhouse; a lightening-struck tree at the seventh; a monitor lizard on the prowl; no birdies, but a pelican at the first; a railway line bisects the sixth fairway; a golfer tees off at the testing eighth.



delights of playing here is the wildlife that abounds. The club's motto is 'As the Crow Flies', and while it's hard to miss these squawking birds perched on tree limbs throughout the course, there are far rarer species out there. In the lake guarding the par-four first, for example, my playing partner and I watched open mouthed as an enormous pelican lifted into the air, its mighty wings flapping wildly, just a few feet from where we stood. However, the creature that scares the living daylights out of most overseas visitors, says the caddies, is the giant monitor lizard. Reptiles, of course, are commonplace on Asian courses, but these monsters, which can grow up to six feet in length, prowl the course, seemingly oblivious to the golfers around them, look a great deal fiercer than the animals you normally might encounter. In actual fact, they're not dangerous – the cobras that hide away in the jungle surrounding the course are far

more of a worry than these dinosaurs.

Railway tracks running past golf courses are common. Many of the great Scottish courses (and associated hotels) were built at the end of major railway lines in the early part of the twentieth century to encourage more people to take golfing breaks. But at Royal Colombo a railway line actually runs *through* the course. Coming into play on the short par-four sixth, the Kelani Valley railway bisects the fairway roughly forty yards short of the green and it's not uncommon to see commuters waving at you from their crammed carriages as you line up your approach shot. Find your ball on the track and, fortunately, you're allowed to take free relief.

And finally, although the course features its fair share of water hazards, it's almost impossible to actually lose your ball. This is because there's no shortage of local men willing to jump into the murky depths to

retrieve it for you. These sarong-wearing divers aren't employed by the club of course – they're merely enterprising members of the public looking to make an honest crust. But don't let that put you off. For a fee of only 20 Rupees (HK\$2) you'll be reunited with your sparkling new Titleist, which, given the price of golf balls today, is one of the best deals around. Now, if only they could set up a similar practice at Kau Sai Chau. **AGE**

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Golf Guide

Escape the packed courses of Guangdong and head for the ancient capital of *Fujian* province.

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Hidden Gem: The Robert Trent Jones Jr.-designed Trans Strait.

WINTER GOLFING IN GUANGDONG IS GREAT. THE WEATHER IS COOL, THE turf is normally at its best...plus you're flush with cash thanks to your end of year bonus. The time is clearly ripe to go out and play a load of golf. Unfortunately, everybody else thinks so too, which means getting a weekend tee time at some of the region's premier clubs can be a bit of a problem. Even midweek can be tricky. It's during this perfect golfing season that our Korean friends, being the golf-starved folk that they are, arrive on packages from the north. It doesn't take that many people to fill up a course, and with the chaps from Seoul and Incheon turning up in their thousands, us 'locals' have to get in quick if want a game.

No such problem in the coastal city of Fuzhou however. The capital of Fujian province, barely an hour's flight from Hong Kong, might not immediately strike many as being a fully-fledged golfing destination for the simple reason that it's not. But golf *has* made an impact on the 'City of Banyan Trees', and its four courses, all located within easy reach of the downtown area, are undeniably good. And what's more, they're not overrun with golfers – from Korea or elsewhere – making a visit here an entirely relaxing and rush-free experience.

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Hong Kong Airlines, Dragonair and China Eastern all have direct flights from Hong Kong to Fuzhou International Airport (flying time: 1hr 30mins), which is located approximately 35 minutes south of the city.

WHERE TO PLAY

Trans Strait Golf Club

Yardage: 7,333. Par: 72

Designed by Robert Trent Jones Jnr.

This fantastic Robert Trent Jones Jnr-designed links-style course, located just 15 minutes from the international airport, is one of China's true hidden gems. Playing alongside windswept sand dunes and mature pine trees, there are few courses in Asia, let alone China, that can compare with the beauty of Trans Strait. But be warned: this is an exacting test, one that can chew you up if you're not firing on all cylinders. For a start it's both exceptionally long – even from the regular blue tees the layout measures in excess of 6,900 yards – and exceptionally well-bunkered. Moreover, while the fairways can be considered generous, fearsomely thick fescue borders the landing areas meaning disaster for those who are prone to wayward hitting – especially during Trans Strait's typically breezy conditions. The advice here is to forget about your score; regardless of how well you play, Trans Strait will have you coming back for more.

Amai Golf Club

Yardage: 7,085. Par: 72.

Designed by Ted Parslow.

This club, which is only a twenty minute drive from the centre of Fuzhou, is home to a first-class golf complex built in the foothills of Qi Mountain. Inspired

by the beautiful natural surroundings, American Ted Parslow has created a hugely enjoyable test, one that blends into the environment and uses the terrain to its fullest. The club's 18 holes (another 9 holes are planned) combine the best of both worlds: they manage to test the skills of better players while remaining playable for beginners. A temporary clubhouse is currently in operation, but a vast impressive new structure is expected to be complete by the end of 2007.

Fuzhou Hot Spring Golf Club

Yardage: 7,103. Par: 72.

Designed by Kato.

Nestled in a stunning valley on the edge of Fuzhou National Forest Park some 40 minutes from the city, Hot Spring Golf Club is a wonderful place to relax: enjoy the beautiful lakes, dense forest and nicely landscaped surrounds; have fun on the attractive and particularly well maintained course and soak in the natural hot spring baths in the clubhouse afterwards. Not the most challenging of layouts, but arguably one of the most convivial. Probably the quietest of Fuzhou's courses because of the somewhat 'off the beaten track' locale.

Summit Golf Club

Yardage: 6,710. Par: 72.

Designed by Mizuno Co.

Another staggeringly beautiful place to play, Summit is surrounded by mountains and lies adjacent to Dengyun Reservoir only 20 minutes from Fuzhou. Sited on generally flat terrain, the Japanese-designed layout features its fair share of hazards: sneakily-placed lakes and rather more obvious large greenside bunkers. Although not long by modern standards, the course presents a definite test for the wayward. Some travelling

golfers might prefer a larger, better equipped clubhouse, but given its ultra handy location, it's well worth a visit.

WHERE TO STAY

Shangri-La Hotel

Undoubtedly the pick of Fuzhou's hotels, the Shangri-La Fuzhou is everything you come to expect from the five-star group: elegant rooms, first-rate service and a good choice of restaurants. The Shangri-La's location, overlooking Wuyi Square in the heart of the city, is unrivalled.

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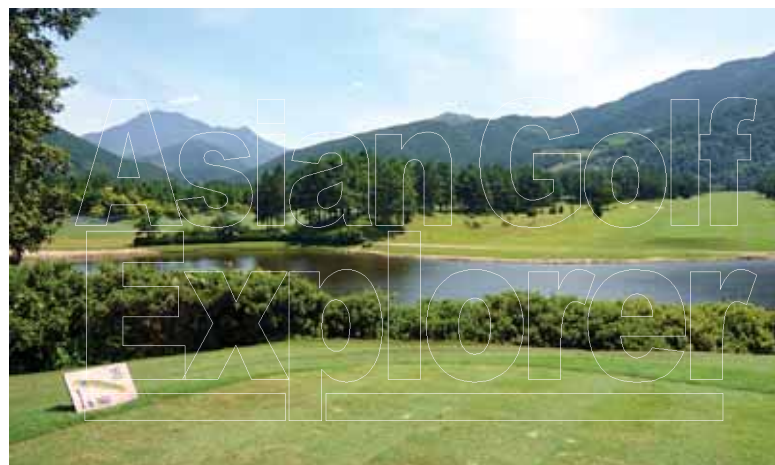
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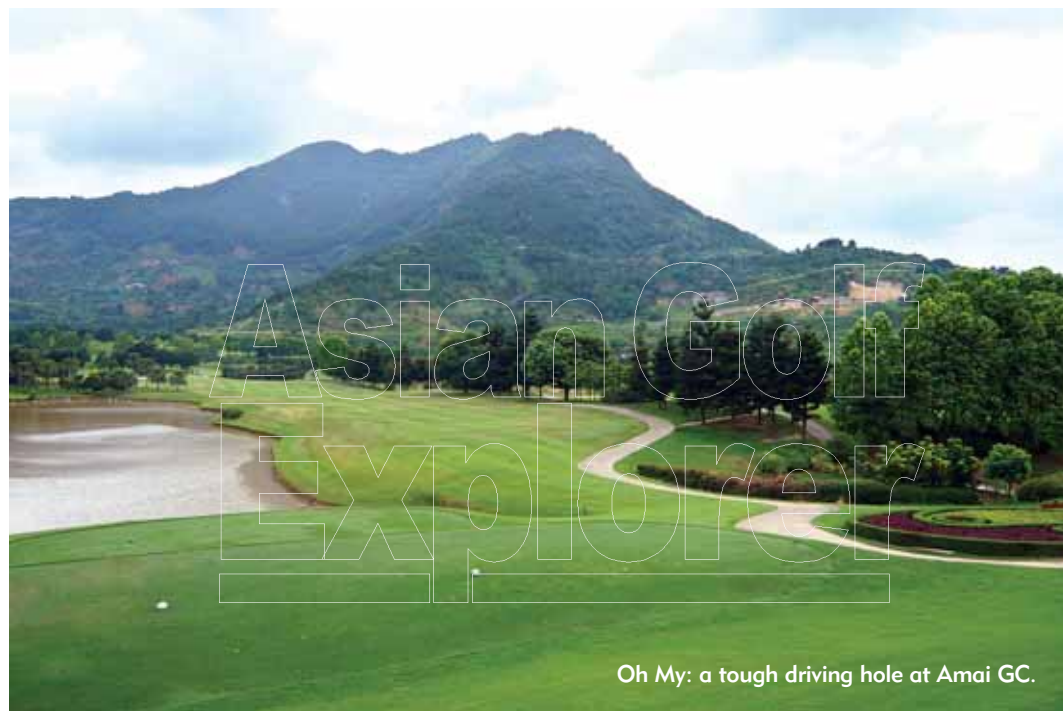


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Fuzhou Frolic (clockwise from top left): distinctive bunkering at Trans Strait; on the tee at Hot Spring GC; a tough par-four at Trans Strait; the mountainous surrounds at Summit GC.



Asian Golf Explorer



位於國家森林公園旁的深谷中，距離市中心約 40 分鐘，寧靜祥和來形容這座球場最為適合，美麗的湖泊，密茂的樹林。設計上不算太凶險，因為大部份球道較寬闊，小心處理的話，不難打出自己水平，用球友的術語，這是個“皆大歡喜”場，而裡該是福州人流較少的球場，初學者或喜歡寧靜的球友可以考慮一試。

登雲高爾夫俱樂部

總長度: 6,710 碼

標準杆數 72

設計師: Mizuno Co.

另一座十分靠近市區的球場，只需 20 分鐘車程，球場旁為登雲水庫，週邊雖然有零星村落，但環境仍算不俗，設計方面，球道較

短，但亦較狹窄，障礙亦頗多，水障及沙池經常要面對，長打者未必有優勢，整體上有一定的難度，會所只屬基本，但佔盡地利之優勢，不妨一試。

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福州高爾夫指南

廣東省冬季氣候怡人，不冷不熱，是打高爾夫的最佳時節，不過正因為此原因，球場的流量幾近飽和，尤其於週末日，場內塞車的情況已經是司空見慣；此外，亦因球場供不應求的關係，打球費用屢創新高，令人乍舌。

相對來說，其它省份情況明顯較好，例如同樣有著舒適氣候的福州，離香港只需一小時許的航程(航機包括有香港航空、港龍航空、東方航空)，雖然沒有廣東省般多的球會，但這裡的球場有著其獨特的氣質及趣味性，人流較廣東省少，合理的收費，不失為一個悠閒而寫意的高爾夫目的地。

海峽奧林匹克高爾夫俱樂部

總長度: 7,333 碼 標準杆數 72

設計師: Robert Trent Jones Jr

這個由大師 Robert Trent Jones Jr 設計帶點 Links Style 味道的球場距離機場只需 15 分鐘，其獨特在於滿佈成熟的木麻黃樹，巧妙的沙池佈局，雖然球道不算

狹窄，但兩旁既美麗且可惡的牛尾草，一旦打進去就絕不好受，加上不眠不休的海風，令難度大大提高，這裡的藍 Tee 有著驚人的長度，超過 6900 碼，雖然這個球場聽來甚兇惡，不過肯定是一個值得一打再打的靚場。

新東陽高爾夫俱樂部

總長度: 7,085 碼 標準杆數 72

設計師: Ted Parslow

距離市中心只 20 分鐘，新東陽是一個大型地產項目，除了那些奪目的別墅項目外，這裡的高爾夫球場亦非常出眾，坐落於旗山腳下，有著優美的環境，地勢延綿起伏，設計變化多端，無論是何級別的球手，將會享受著不同的刺激和樂趣，球會現正準備加建九洞，巨大的新會所已經全面施工，預計今年年底可完成。

溫泉高爾夫俱樂部

總長度: 7,103 碼 標準杆數 72

設計師: Kato



泰國業餘隊際錦標賽 (清邁站)

泰國旅遊局主辦



Royal Chiang Mai Golf Resort

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將於十二月十三至十六日在泰北清邁開戰

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泰國在過往的二十多年間，極力推廣旅遊業，在本地不同地方都發展了各具特色的旅遊勝地。近十多年裡在高爾夫假期推廣方面，都獲得國際認可為「亞洲最佳高爾夫勝地」。現時整國擁有二百多家高質素的高爾夫球會，分滿在各著名旅遊區。這次泰國旅遊局為進一步在中國華南地區推廣高爾夫假期，特意舉辦了首次大型高球賽事「泰國業餘隊際錦標賽」，於十二月十三至十六日前往泰北的清邁進行為期四天的高爾夫比賽之旅，暢打三個不同的高爾夫球場。

這是泰國旅遊局首次針對大珠三角市場而舉辦的大型高球賽事，雖然只是業餘賽事，但為了隆重其事，把賽事設計得有如職業賽事般。不單只特別制作了印上這次賽事標誌的果嶺旗幟、發球台標誌及專用計分卡外，還訂造了標誌的球僮背心，整個賽事都提升至職業賽般，讓各參賽球友享受濃厚的比賽氣氛。

由於這大賽在清邁上演，當地旅遊局

全力配合及支持，將會安排每年十一月著名的節日——水燈節的放水燈到河上的傳統，在歡迎晚宴呈現大家眼前；除此之外，更有富泰北特色的民族表演，使各參賽球友在揮杆之餘，又可欣賞泰北風情一舉兩得。

這為期四天的清邁之旅，泰國旅遊局已為大家安排了從香港直飛來回清邁的香港快運 (HongKong Express)，只需約兩小

時四十五分便可抵達清邁，舒適方便。香港快運更提供特惠機票支持這賽事。

而下榻的酒店也將是擁有數百房間的清邁假日酒店 (Holiday Inn Chiang Mai)，位置方便，而服務水平絕對能應付這次大型賽事。

是次賽事將於十二月十五日在皇家清邁高爾夫球會 (Royal Chiang Mai Golf Resort) 舉行，並進行「散彈式」開球。這

球場是四度英國公開賽冠軍彼得湯遜設計，這裡需不靠近海邊，但球場的設計卻放進不少海濱球場原素，那深深的沙坑，締造出不少另人困惑的情況。而賽事所有獎品均由TaylorMade全力贊助。而獎項則分為隊際總杆及淨杆組別和個人總杆及淨杆組別，此外還設多個發球最遠距離獎及最近洞獎等。所有淨杆的差點計算均以新雙貝利亞方式。

參加「泰國業餘隊際錦標賽」將會住宿三晚清邁假日酒店(Holiday Inn Chiang Mai)連每天早餐，除了指定比賽天(十二月十五日)在皇家清邁高爾夫球會作賽外，於十二月十四日將暢打清邁新貴——Chiang Mai Highlands Golf Club，而最後一天將自由選擇以下其中一個球場。

如：Chiang Mai Lumphun Golf Club
Mae Jo Golf Club Gassan Khuntan Golf Resort

而四天的行程將會非常愉快及充實，第一天抵達清邁及辦好入住手續後，便前往享受泰國旅遊局為各位安排的地方晚餐，並有泰北民族演。

泰國旅遊局將於酒店設置服務櫃台，

提供當地資訊及代訂水療按摩或晚餐，讓各球友可各自各精彩，減除人多難安排及等候太久的情況出現，而第四天在打球後便直接前往機場乘機返港。**AGE**

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行程

第一天

- 中午 12 時 40 分在香港國際機場香港快運櫃台辦理登機手續
- 搭乘香港快運 UO789 航班於下午 2 時 40 分直航前往清邁
- 預計當地下午 4 時 35 分抵達
- 抵達後乘坐豪華專車往清邁假日酒店辦理入住手續
- 晚上由泰國旅遊局宴請歡迎晚餐，欣賞泰北民族表演並幸運大抽獎

第二天

- 自助早餐於酒店
- 上午乘車前往 Highland Golf Club 進行十八洞高爾夫熱身揮杆
- 自費午餐於球會
- 下午乘專車送返酒店後自由活動或安排到 Royal Chiang Mai Golf Resort 加打十八洞高爾夫考察比賽場地

第三天

- 自助早餐於酒店
- 上午乘車前往 Royal Chiang Mai Golf Resort 展開泰國清邁業餘隊際錦標賽(散彈式開球)
- 賽後在球會由泰國旅遊局贊助自助午餐及進行頒獎禮
- 下午專車送返酒店後自由活動

第四天

- 自助早餐於酒店
- 餐後辦理退房手續
- 上午專車送往 Chiang Mai Lumphun Golf Resort/Gassan Khuntan Golf Resort 或 Mae Jo Golf Club 暢打十八洞高爾夫
- 自費午餐於球會
- 專車送往清邁機場，辦理登機手續，搭乘香港快運 UO788 航班於下午 5 時 20 分啓程直航返港
- 航班預計於晚上 9 時 35 分返抵香港國際機場，泰國清邁業餘隊際錦標賽圓滿結束



泰國旅遊局之 蘇梅高爾夫逍遙遊

由泰國旅遊局主辦的蘇梅高爾夫逍遙遊已於十一月二日出發，經過四天的吃、喝、玩、樂後，各球友都帶著意猶未盡的心情離開這浪漫及魅力的小島踏上歸途。

泰國南部的蘇梅島一向被譽為最自然及最無污染的樂土，環繞小島的週邊是漂亮的沙灘，陽光與海灘在這裡是基本的設施。絢眾要求下，泰國旅遊局特地安排這次蘇梅高爾夫之旅，讓大家在椰林樹影下揮杆。

其實整個蘇梅島只有一家高爾夫球場—— Santiburi Samui Country Club，但不要少看這只有三年多四年的球場，因為她已舉辦了三屆亞洲職業高爾夫巡迴賽的曼谷航空公開賽。

在一個不太多陽光的下午，我們搭乘的直航機——曼谷航空穩定地降落蘇梅島機場，抵達後乘坐特色的接駁車到機場大樓，這座新大樓剛在數月前啟用，比從前的較大及美觀。及後便騎車前往位於島的東北部的渡假酒店—— The Samudra Retreat，這酒店在海邊依山而建，是一低密度式酒店，大堂也以開放式設計，並以木材為主要物料，充滿大自然色彩。在服務員熱情款待下，各團友很快便辦妥入住手續然後享受酒店設施，有些到泳池游水，有些立即到水療中心

按摩消除疲累，還有在池畔吧來杯清涼特飲，繼而欣賞日落景色，海天一色，構成一幅美麗的圖畫。

首晚晚餐由泰國旅遊局在酒店咖啡室的露天平台安排海鮮自助餐，大家談笑風生，是一互相認識的好機會，未幾各團友已經打成一片，直至十一時許才回房間休息。而酒店除了支持是次泰旅局高球之旅提供特惠房租外，更免費提升所有房間到豪華房，房間不單祇寬敞，而且都有私人露台的，非常舒適及潔淨。



次日大清早起床，在吃過豐富早餐後便乘車前往著名球場——**Santiburi Samui Country Club**，來個首場十八洞的高爾夫，這球場由於山勢起伏，故必需一人一球車，並由經驗豐富的球僮駕駛，正因這是滿佈椰樹林的球場，球道相對狹窄，在第二洞三百五十碼的四杆洞，便要從山上的發球台打上兩傍種滿椰樹的球道，就算平時只能發球二百四十碼的都能擊出三百碼，剩下五十碼攻果嶺，可想而知那起伏的差異有多大。而接下來的第三洞的四杆洞正是球場最難的球洞，雖然是一個筆直的球道，但由發球台至果嶺的上斜度驚人，要兩杆上果嶺非常艱難。

轉至後九洞則由第十洞開始往上攻，直至於球場最高處然後往下走，這後九洞的難度比前九洞還高，很不容易打出好成績，至第十七洞六百碼的五杆洞，亦是第二個最難及最長的球洞，發球台往上看只見一個塗上白色的椰子，給您發球的方向，但第二杆開始便沿山勢而下往左轉，但到距離果嶺二百碼處，又給一條小溪

隔開，要第二杆越過小溪絕不容易，都是穩打穩紮地才是上策，一般業餘球員拿得柏忌實屬不錯。到最後一洞的四百多碼四杆洞，又是一個坡度很斜的右狗腿洞，同樣可以用三號木杆打出三百多碼，再以攻八十碼的距離，把球打上果嶺。就這幾個介紹的球洞，不難想像這球場的挑戰性。唯一美中不足是由於十月的雨水份外多，以至球道太軟而割草機又不能上球道修剪，所以球道的草也較長，未能達至最佳水準，而且在打第三至第七洞都下著雨。

下午在球會吃過午餐後便返回酒店自由活動。泰國是水療按摩勝地，加上十八洞高爾夫帶來的倦意，大部份團友都嚷著要按摩一下，所以大隊便前往當地的日間水療中心享受。至晚上泰國旅遊局替大家安排一家意大利餐廳 - **Prego** 晚餐，當抵達時發覺環境一流，而餐價亦屬合理，是香港同級餐廳價錢的三分之一。原來這位於 **Chaweng Bay** 北面的意大利餐廳，是斜對面那 **Amari Palm Reef** 酒店管理，怪不得食物水準很高。而大家又歡渡了一個愉快又豐富的晚上。

第三天同樣在酒店吃過早餐後，再次往島上唯一的 **Santiburi Samui Country Club** 揮杆，這天還好天公造美，只是在打第一洞時稍

稍下雨，接著已陽光普照，在球會午餐後便返回酒店，享受酒店設施。至晚上七時許大家前往蘇梅島北面的 **Fishman Village** 一帶遊覽，並在一家叫 **Happy Elephant - On The Beach** 的餐廳享用海鮮及泰菜，餐廳名乎其實於海邊，一邊聽聽海浪聲，一邊欣賞二人菲律賓歌手那悠揚樂曲，真是寫意之選。而 **Fishman Village** 這條小街其實有不少特色餐廳，如新開業的 **The Pier** 便以獨特的裝飾設計，加上柔合了西餐及泰餐的烹調，也是不錯的好去處。直至晚上十時三十分，大家帶著意猶未盡的心情返回酒店，皆因明早要五時半起床，收拾行裝乘機返港。

最後一天的早上，在早餐後立即前往好像渡假村般的蘇梅機場辦理登機手續，然後搭乘曼谷航空返港，並於中午十二時四十分抵達。這四天的蘇梅高爾夫之旅也完滿結束。 **AGE**



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It's Open Time

For four glorious days – November 15-18 – a collection of the world's best players will battle it out over the tree-lined fairways of Fanling for the title of UBS Hong Kong Open champion. As ever, the US\$2.25 million event promises to be a closely fought contest, and with one of the strongest fields in the tournament's forty-nine year history – including the likes of Mike Weir, Retief Goosen, K.J. Choi and local favourite Liang Wen-chong – we're all gearing ourselves up for one of the memorable tournaments in living memory.

Fanling Favourites

These ten players have what it takes to walk away with the silverware in '07.



Mike Weir

Of all the star attractions at this year's event, the Canadian left-hander enters the tournament in the richest vein of form. Up until last month's Presidents Cup, the 2003 Masters champion had struggled to find consistency in his game. But a brilliant performance there, which included a scintillating defeat of Tiger Woods in the singles on the final day, has given the 37-year-old renewed confidence, which was highlighted by victory at the Fry's Electronic Open just two weeks later – his first PGA Tour win in over three years. Noted for being one of the straightest hitters on Tour, Weir should take a distinct liking to the tree-lined fairways at Fanling.

Retief Goosen

After failing to make the cut on his debut at last year's UBS Hong Kong Open,



'Goose', a two-time U.S. Open champion, has a lot to prove this time around. Although the South African won the Qatar Masters – where he drained a remarkable 50-foot eagle putt on the final green to deny Nick O'hern his first tour title – and finished in a tie for second at the U.S. Masters earlier this year, the 38-year-old hasn't been as consistent in recent times and he has since fallen outside the world's top twenty. Nonetheless, Goosen's coolness under pressure and fine ball-striking ability makes him a potential champion everywhere he plays. If he can rekindle his magic with the putter, expect him to be near the top of the leaderboard come Sunday afternoon.

Trevor Immelman

Making his debut UBS Hong Kong Open appearance, Immelman has all the qualities of a potential champion. Voted PGA

Tour Rookie of the Year in 2006 thanks to a stellar season which included a win at the Cialis Western Open, the South African is known for his prodigious hitting and assuredness with the putter; he ranks first on the PGA Tour in 3-putt avoidance. Although his form dipped in the first half of 2007 – not helped by a stomach ailment which caused him to lose 20-pounds – the 28-year-old enters the event on the back of a run of good results, most notably at the PGA Championship where he finished in a tie for sixth. A two-time Presidents Cup representative for the International Team, Immelman is one of the most promising of the younger generation of players and has been tipped by many to achieve major glory in the near future.

K.J. Choi

Fresh off his best ever season on the PGA Tour, where he finished in a highly impressive fifth spot on the money list, South Korean Choi represents Asia's best chance of wresting the UBS Hong Kong Open crown away from European hands. The 37-year-old, who won the Jack Nicklaus-hosted Memorial Tournament and the AT&T National earlier on in the year, has rocketed into world's the top ten and is justifiably considered one of the tournament favourites wherever he tees it up. Nicknamed the 'Tank' from his days as a teenage powerlifter, Choi, who finished in a tie for second at his last UBS Hong Kong Open appearance in 2005, has both the steady game and the mental toughness required to overcome the intricacies of Fanling.

Stuart Appleby

Another debutant, strapping Australian Appleby could well be the surprise package at the UBS Hong Kong Open this year. Although he hasn't yet won in 2007, the 36-

year-old, who hails from Cohuna in Victoria, has enjoyed a solid season on the PGA Tour, finishing in the top ten at the Houston Open, the AT&T National and the U.S. Masters; accumulating close to US\$2 million in earnings in the process. Known for his proficiency with the putter and his vast length off the tee, the three-time Mercedes Championship winner is expected to revel in the hard and fast conditions at Fanling, which are similar to those in his native country.



Liang Wen-chong

What a year it has been for Liang. The 29-year-old, who hails from the Guangdong city of Zhongshan, has developed into a truly world-class performer: he currently leads the Asian Tour Order of Merit – amassing almost US\$500,000 in the process – and secured his first European Tour event – the co-sanctioned Singapore Masters – in March. While his swing could never be described as being textbook – his low follow through resembles that of a baseball swing – it's certainly effective, and his control with the irons means that he'll almost certainly be a factor at Fanling, a course which places a premium on accuracy. After opening with a superb 65 at last year's event, Liang stumbled to a 72

in the second round, which derailed his chance of victory; but a closing 67 – helped by a miraculous hole-in-one on the par-three twelfth, which earned him a 1kg solid gold bar – enabled him to finish inside the top-15. One of the most popular players on tour, Liang is living proof that nice guys do indeed win: after his victory in Singapore he donated the winner's cheque of US\$183,000 to help the development of golf in China. Undoubtedly the gallery's favourite, expect to see a very strong showing from the Chinese number one.



Nick Faldo

Having taken on an 'ambassadorial' role at this year's event, 50-year-old Faldo will likely be as busy off the course as he will be on it. And given that the Englishman spends more time behind the microphone commentating these days than he does actually playing, a victory might be asking a bit too much. But if there's one course that the six-time major winner can still compete on it is Fanling. As demonstrated by his top-15 placing at the Senior Open Championship earlier this summer – an event in which he lead after the first round – England's greatest ever player still has awesome shot making ability, and his knowledge of the layout at

Hong Kong Golf Club – a course where he once shot 62 on his way to winning the 1990 Johnnie Walker Classic – means he's not just in the field to make up the numbers.



Juvic Pagunsan

Last year's UBS Hong Kong Open runner-up lit up Fanling with his dazzling play and cheery demeanor. Much was expected of the young Filipino after that amazing effort, but despite finishing seventh on the Asian Tour Order of Merit in 2006, the Manila native experienced something of a slump in the first half of this year. But all that was forgotten as he came roaring back to form at last month's Indonesia Invitational where he collected his first Asian Tour title in stunning style – birdying the seventeenth and eagling the eighteenth to win by just one shot from Indian rookie Gaganjeet Bhullar. If Pagunsan can replicate his brilliant performance on Fanling's tricky putting surfaces, then he could be in line to go one better this time around.

Prom Meesawat

Nicknamed the 'Blue Dolphin' on account of his robust frame and because he's from the seaside resort of Hua Hin, Meesawat is probably best known for win-

ning the SK Telecom Open in South Korea last year – beating a star-studded field which included Hawaiian starlet Michelle Wie. Having accumulated over US\$700,000 in prize money in a little over three years, the 23-year-old has proved to be one of the most consistent players on the Asian Tour. But perhaps more importantly, with regards to the UBS Hong Kong Open at least, the big Thai knows his way around Fanling better than most. His last two visits to the Hong Kong Golf Club have yielded solid results, but it was on the same course, in 2002, that Messawat really came of age by winning the individual title at that year's Putra Cup, southeast Asia's premier amateur golf team championship.

Jeev Milka Singh

2006 was a truly remarkable year for the affable Singh. After suffering from a long-term wrist injury, the 35-year-old, the son of an Olympic sprinter, produced the kind of performances that very few professional golfers get to enjoy. Four worldwide wins, including victories at the Volvo China Open and the European Tour's season-ending Volvo Masters, plus a clutch of top-10s, helped secure his first Asian Tour Order of Merit title and lifted his world ranking to a career high of 37th. This season, which he has spent mostly playing in Europe, has been solid, if comparatively unspectacular. But the man from Chandigarh is due another big win, and given his record at Fanling, which includes a third placing at last year's event, it could well be in Hong Kong.

OPEN QUALIFIER Results

1.	Jimmy Ko*	137	(66-71)
2.	Derek Fung*	139	(69-70)
	Dominique Boulet*		(68-71)
4.	Tang Shing-chi*	142	(69-73)
5.	Tang Man-kee*	147	(73-74)
	Andrew Good		(76-71)
	Lee Man-lok		(71-76)
	Vaughan Mason		(71-76)
9.	Derek Paton	149	(79-70)
	Martin Liu		(74-75)
11.	Steven Lam	150	(77-73)
	Adrian Leung		(71-79)
13.	Wilson Choy	151	(72-79)

* indicates UBS Hong Kong Open qualified players



Jimmy's all smiles after his victory. Photo by Gareth Jones

JIMMY K.O's FIELD AT OPEN QUALIFIER

Teenage Amateur To Make Third Consecutive HKO Appearance

Hong Kong amateur sensation Jimmy Ko beat a field containing the territory's top professionals early last month to secure a place in the upcoming star-studded UBS Hong Kong Open.

The 19-year-old won the two-round qualifying tournament by two shots to book one of the five slots available in the main draw.

"After these two rounds I feel good about my game and I'm ready to play well in the Open," said Ko.

The teenager carded rounds of 66 and 71 on the Old Course at the Hong Kong Golf Club in Fanling for a five-under-par 137 total. That put him clear of experienced pair

Derek Fung (69-70) and Dominique Boulet (68-71) on three-under 139 and Tang Shing Chi (69-73) on level par.

The fifth qualifying slot went to Tang Man Kee (73-74), who won a four-man playoff on the second extra hole.

Ko also qualified for last year's Open, where he failed to make the cut, but he feels more confident about his chances this time.

"I've spent the past six months in the US, taking part in a training programme and playing some tournaments, and it's been a very good experience for me," he said. "The mental part of my game is much better and I've also improved my distance. I think I will make the cut this time and my target will be to finish in the top 30."

UBS Hong Kong Open
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PLAYING WITH THE BIG BOYS

Ever wondered what it would be like to tee it up with the pros at the UBS Hong Kong Open? Stuart Murray, former Hong Kong amateur team captain, has done so on numerous occasions and says that while the experience is an unforgettable one, he's just glad he doesn't have to do it week in, week out.

Before the implementation of the qualifying tournament for the UBS Hong Kong Open, which began in 2006 – and which I think is a very good idea – several spots in the field were given to Hong Kong amateurs, normally those who had represented Hong Kong internationally in events throughout the year. Firstly, let me say that it was a huge privilege and I was a grateful recipient of a few of these special invitations, the last time being in 2005.

But what many people fail to realize is that for an amateur golfer, playing in a professional event, albeit on a course that you might be very familiar with, is a completely different ball game.

To begin with, the mind set for an amateur golfer, at least in my experience, couldn't be further removed from when we tee it up in local events. To begin with, there is the comparison factor. The golfing community in Hong Kong is so small – generally speaking, everyone knows one another – that people are especially critical on how you perform – they like to see how well you do compared with

the European Tour and Asian Tour players. That's not unreasonable and should be expected of course, but when you only have time to play once or twice a week like I do, preparing for the event is extremely difficult. The pressure starts the moment you walk to the first tee of the practice round. In fact, I've had a lot of trouble sleeping before the event and would often lie awake at night days before the start just thinking about it.

In the first round, amateurs are normally given an early tee off time, which is probably a good thing because there are fewer spectators around. Even so, from the first tee onwards, I would try to keep as low a profile as possible – I didn't want to get in the way of the pros. You tell yourself, 'don't be stupid...don't bring attention to yourself.' But then you see how these guys strike the ball; they hit it so pure that you immediately feel intimidated. Having said that, the pros that I've played with have all been tremendous guys. You've got to remember that they're under enormous pressure themselves, especially the lesser

lights who really need to make the cut in order to make a living for themselves.

I think the best way of describing the experience is like starting your first day of High School. You're exposing yourself on a comparatively huge stage and any mistakes you make are quickly shown up. You really have nowhere to hide.

Aside from the obvious nerves associated with playing in such a big event, the composite course at Fanling is set up so much tougher than normal – it really is like playing an entirely different track. For the UBS Hong Kong Open, Fanling always plays very hard and fast making it very difficult to stop the ball; it's almost impossible to generate any kind of backspin, even the pros seldom get any, which means your approach shots really have to be struck well. Any off-centre hits and you won't be able to hold the greens. It also makes pitching and putting that much more tricky. Whereas normally you might be able to get away with a slightly 'thinned' chip during a social game, during the tournament that shot will just shoot through the green

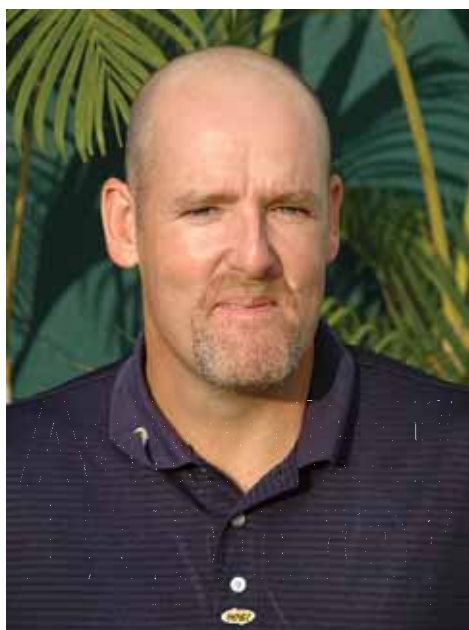
because of the firmness of the playing surfaces. It might seem like a pretty gentle course, but the lack of real low scoring in recent years at the event is testament to the way the European Tour likes to set it up in order to test its players. Arguably, the two holes that give players the most grief

are the par-three fifth (ninth on the Eden Course) and the eighteenth (eighteenth on the Eden Course). The former because it's a very long one-shotter which plays to a very well guarded green; the latter because of the approach over water and the difficulty of chipping it close if you miss the green.

Very few people, if any, look to make up any shots on those two holes. Actually, the eighteenth was the scene of one of most embarrassing moments at the UBS Hong Kong Open. I was in the right hand rough off the tee and hit a flyer, which pitched on the downslope of the green, shot through the putting surface and ended up in the scorers hut, which used to be positioned where the hospitality tents are now. The group in front were still signing their cards and when I turned up there were about six referees trying to figure out where I should drop. Worse still was that there grandstand was pretty full, so a lot of people could see what I'd done. Needless to say, I wanted to get

the hole over and done with as soon as possible.

I've had some memorable moments as well, though. Some years ago, I was two-under-par through twelve holes of the first round, which put me in fourth place at the time - ahead of both Nick



Faldo and Zhang Lianwei, the crowd favourites that year. The funny thing is that, because I was playing well, I felt more pressure because I thought that the galleries were paying me more attention; it felt like they were watching my every move. They weren't doing anything

of the sort of course - they were watching my far more illustrious playing partners - but I was pretty self-conscious. The only time the galleries were really watching what I was doing was when my group was on the seventeenth, which shares a huge double green with the fourteenth. Faldo and Zhang had played their approach shots and had to wait for me to putt out before they could continue. There must have been about 3,000 people following them, and all 6,000 eyes turned to me. Somehow I actually made a birdie, which, as you can probably imagine, was pretty damn satisfying.

Every time I've entered the event I've

had a realistic attitude with regard to how I expect to play. My game plan has always been to try and limit the number of mistakes I make per round to four, and hope that I make enough birdies to recover. I've never made the cut; the closest I came was two years ago when I was playing with Costantino Rocca, who lost the 1995 Open Championship in a play-off with John Daly, and Thailand's Boonchu Raunkit - two legends of the game. Playing with those guys was great; they couldn't have been nicer to me. In the end I missed playing the final thirty-six holes by two shots. In actual fact we all missed the cut, but it was interesting to see how their demeanors changed when it got to the business end of proceedings. Here were two really great players, both of whom were battling to make the cut and they still felt the pressure. They both made mistakes towards the end of their second rounds, which meant they left the tournament empty handed. It was a shame, of course, but it also showed that no matter how good you are, the nerves still play a big part to play when money - your living - is on the line.

I've often been asked if it gets any easier after playing in your first professional event - and the answer is a definite no. It really is nerve-wracking stuff each and every time. Would I look forward to playing in it again if I qualified? Absolutely. I'd play in it again anytime. It really is a great experience. But would I want to do it week in week out, trying to make a living through golf by making cuts? Absolutely no way. Normal work pressure is bad enough. Trying to make a five-foot putt to ensure you win back your expenses for the week must be absolutely ghastly. **AGE**

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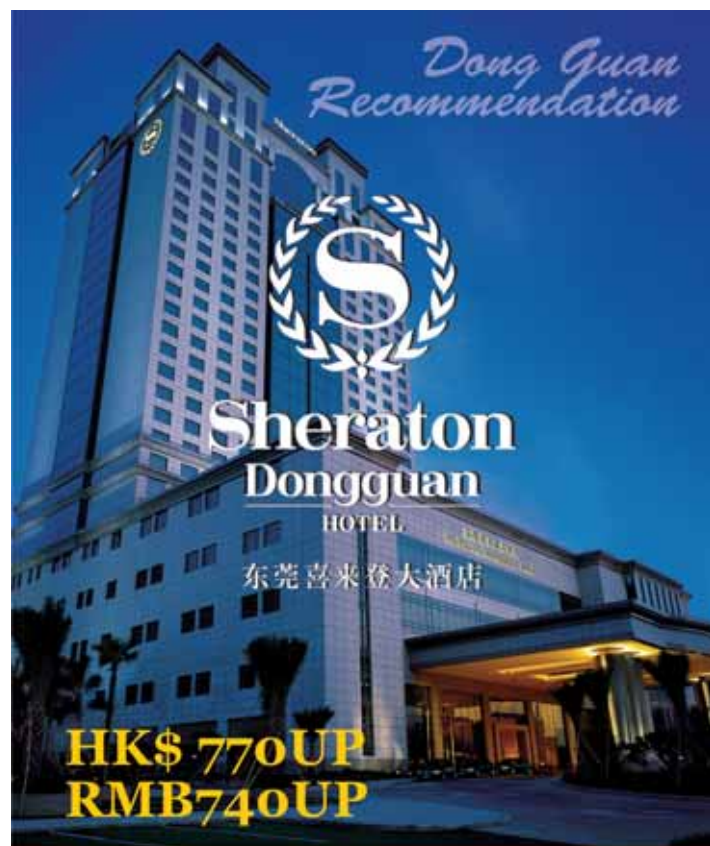
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TaylorMade r7 CBG MAX

To say that the engineering lads down at the TaylorMade workshop have been hard at work would probably be the understatement of the decade. Barely a few months go by without this golf megabrand releasing a fancy new line of equipment that promises to turn your weak powder-puff slice into an absurdly long, fairway-splitting, pin-hunting, penetrating draw. And their latest gleaming range – the r7 CBG MAX – is no different.

MAX is short for maximum distance, maximum forgiveness and maximum ease of use. And while all this sounds like typical equipment marketing gibberish, there's little doubt that these babies, aided by their stylish appearance, will appeal to those in the market for high performance game improvement clubs. With Christmas just around the corner, it's probably a good idea to ask Santa now. They're bound to be at the top of many golfers gift list.

r7 CGB MAX Irons

r7 CGB MAX Driver This high-octane driver, which is characterized by its appealing triangular shape and deep red colour, incorporates multiple technologies that make possible its vast array of shot making options. First and foremost is TaylorMade's renowned Movable Weight Technology (MWT). In this case, MWT is in the form of three weights; one in the toe, one in the heel and one in the very back. Two 1-gram weights and one 16-gram weight are included, and configuring them in the clubhead to promote a specific ball flight is remarkably intuitive. Perfect for those who want to add a bit of creativity off the tee. The r7 CGB MAX driver is available right- and left-handed models in three lofts: 9.5°, 10.5° and HT.

r7 CGB MAX Fairway Woods Like the driver and irons, r7 CGB MAX fairway woods incorporate a variety of top-level technologies that, TaylorMade says, make them the best game-improvement fairways that the company has ever created. They share the driver's triangular head shape and the exceedingly far-back CG location in relation to the face that this geometry makes possible. That centre of gravity (CG) location will prove especially valuable to the many players who have trouble getting fairway woods in the air, because it makes launching a 3-wood into the sky as easy as a 7-iron. Available in right- and left-handed 3-wood, 5-wood and 7-wood.

r7 CGB MAX Irons The extremely large head of the r7 CGB Max irons is optimally weighted with the help of visible tungsten weights that increase MOI for greater stability and forgiveness. The topline is hollow and the saved weight is used to move the CG deep into the clubhead to make it incredibly easy to launch the ball on a towering, distance-enhancing flight. TaylorMade says that clubhead speed is dramatically boosted by the incorporation of SuperFast Technology, which includes the ultra-light shaft and the thin, flexible and fast clubface. r7 CGB MAX irons are available in 3- through 9-, pitching wedge, attack wedge, sand wedge and lob wedge. Left-handed available (except for lob wedge). Women's right-handed r7 CGB MAX irons are available in right-handed only, 4- through 9-, pitching wedge and sand wedge.

RRP HK\$4,650 (Driver) / HK\$2,800 (Fairway Wood) / HK\$1,335 (per Iron)

r7 CGB MAX Driver

MP-T series wedge



Mizuno

Mizuno's is a name that many associate with classic styles; their forged blades are some of the most attractive around and are the choice of better players the world over. But the Japanese brand's presence in the game improvement sector of the market has also proved to be extremely successful, and with the launch of the new MX-950 line, they looked to have raised the bar even higher thanks to the rather nifty idea of introducing a customization element to the new line. What's more, the manufacturer has also announced the release of the exceptionally hot MX-560 driver and a beautiful new series of high-spinning wedges.

Mizuno MX-950 Hybrid Irons Ideal for the mid to high handicapper player who is looking for ease of launch, combined with great forgiveness and game improvement playability, the MX-950 features loft and lie adjustable #3 and #4 hybrids and the brand's famous Grain Flow Forged technology in the irons (5-LW). Available in right and left handed models; steel and graphite shaft options.

Mizuno MX-560 Driver Although the MX-560 doesn't quite match up to the MX-600 when it comes to looks, that's not the point. This is an explosive driver, designed purely for those looking to add distance without losing anything in the way of forgiveness. In creating a unique H.E.M.I. geometric head shape, Mizuno engineers increased the heel-toe and up-down MOI of the driver for massive forgiveness, while maintaining a low spin rate and high launch angle for huge yardage. Furthermore, the H.E.M.I. geometric shape provides a balance of a low-deep centre of gravity (CG) and a CG with proper distance from the shaft axis. This also aids greatly in "Bombing."

Mizuno MP-T Series Wedges Nowhere is the feel of a forged club more important than around the greens, and the MP-T Series, featuring a teardrop face shape, utilizes Mizuno's patented Grain Flow Forging process to offer, the manufacturer says, the most solid, soft, and consistent feel available. Also, with a new workshop C-grind sole, you can hit consistent shots from any lie on the course. The wedges are available in classic Chrome and glare resistant Black Nickel finishes and lofts of 51°, 53°, 56°, 58° and 60°.

RRP HK\$7,980 (MX-950 4-SW w/steel) HK\$8,480 (MX-950 4-SW w/graphite) / HK\$2,480 (MX-560) / HK\$880 (MP-T Wedge)

Mizuno MP-T Series Wedges



X'mas Golfing

Guangdong Escape 廣東

★ 2 Days Golf Packages 兩天套餐 (25-26Dec)

<p>One Price, Two kind of challenge – Links plus Mountain course 一次過享受兩種風格， Links + 山場，過足手癮</p>	<p>Zhuhai Orient + Pine Valley 珠海東方+萬盛 HK\$1,650 Zhuhai Orient Green fee, caddie fee, locker Pine Valley Green fee, shared caddie & cart, locker Pine Valley Resort (Twin share) HK <> Zhuhai ferry ticket</p>	
<p>Guangdong- Hidden Gems, Money for value! 精品球場 回味無窮</p>	<p>Shunde Junan Country Garden 均安碧桂園 HK\$1,740 2 x 18 Holes Green fee, share caddie & cart, locker Club Resort (Twin share) Pier <> Club transfer HK <> Shunde ferry ticket</p>	
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<p></p>	<p>Golden Gulf + Pine Valley 金灣+萬盛 HK\$1,740 Golden Gulf Green fee, shared caddie & cart Pine Valley Green fee, shared caddie & cart, locker Golden Gulf Resort (Twin share) Pier<>Club transfer * HK <> Zhuhai ferry ticket</p>	
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HK\$1,420

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5 stars Huizhou Noble Hotel (Twin share)
Breakfast, dinner
Huanggang <> Club <> Hotel transfer

Huizhou + Garbotex 惠州 + 嘉寶田

HK\$1,430

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Garbotex Green fee, share caddie & cart, locker
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Breakfast, dinner
Huanggang <> Club <> Hotel transfer



X'mas Golfing

Xmas China Golfing by Air 中國長線

★ (Departure Between 21 – 25 Dec 2007)

<p>Kai Kou + Orient 3 Days 2 Nights 凱歌 + 東方</p>	<p>Xiamen 廈門 HK\$3,540 up HK <> Xiamen Roundtrip Ticket by HK Airlines Kai Kou Weekday 18 holes Green Fee, Caddie, Shared Cart, Locker Fee Orient Weekday 18 holes Green Fee, Caddie, Shared Cart, Locker Fee 4 stars Hotel Accommodation (Twin share) Daily Breakfast / Airport <> Club Transfer *</p>		
<p>3 Days 2 Nights</p>	<p>Fuzhou 福州 HK\$3,240 up HK <> Fuzhou Roundtrip Ticket by HK Airlines Choice of two from Trans Strait GC, Amai GC, Hotspring GC, Summit GC - 2 x 18 holes Green Fee, Caddie, Locker Ramada Hotel Accommodation (Twin share) Daily Breakfast / Airport <> Hotel <> Club *</p>		
	<p>3 Days 2 Nights</p>	<p>Nanning 南寧 HK\$3,540 up HK <> Nanning Roundtrip Ticket by HK Airlines Gentle Uptown Unlimited Green Fee Green Ville Weekday 18 Holes Green Fee, Caddie, Locker One access to Gentle Uptown Hotspring 5 stars Best Western Hotel Accommodation (Twin share) Daily Breakfast / Airport <> Hotel <> Club *</p>	
	<p>Merryland 3 Days 2 Nights</p>	<p>Guilin 桂林 HK\$3,140 up HK <> Guilin Roundtrip Ticket by HK Airlines 2 Days Unlimited Green fee 5 stars Club Resort (Twin share) Daily Breakfast, 2 Lunches at the Club Airport <> Club transfer * Access to Swimming Pool and Gym</p>	

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Haikou 海口

HK\$3,490

HK Airlines HK <> Haikou Roundtrip Ticket
Meishi 18 Holes Green Fee
West Coast 18 Holes Green Fee, Caddie, Locker
2 nights 5 Stars Seaside New State Hotel (Twin share)
Daily Breakfast
Airport <> Hotel <> Club transfer *

Boao 博鳌

HK\$3,880

HK Airlines HK <> Haikou Roundtrip Ticket
BFA 2 x 18 Holes Green Fee
5 Star Sofitel Hotel (Twin share)
Airport <> Hotel <> Club transfer *

Wenchang 文昌

HK\$2,490

HK Airlines HK <> Haikou Roundtrip Ticket
2 Days Wenchang GC Unlimited Green Fee
2 nights Club Resort (Twin share)
Daily Breakfast
Airport <> Club transfer *

Kunming 昆明

HK\$4,540 up

HK <> Kunming Roundtrip Ticket by HK Airlines
Club Resort
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2 x 18 Holes Green Fee, Caddie, Shared cart, Locker
One Dinner at the club / Airport <> Club transfer

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X'mas Golfing

Xmas Asia Golfing 東南亞

Kuala Lumpur 吉隆坡

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HK <> Kuala Lumpur by Cathay Pacific
3 nights Sunway Lagoon Pyramid Tower (Twin share)
Daily Breakfast
Saujana Golf & Country Club 2 x 18holes green fee

Sabah Shangrila Rasa Ria 沙巴香格里拉

HK\$6,490 up

HK <> Kota Kinabalu by Dragonair
3 nights Shangrila Rasa Ria Rain Forest Superior room(Twin share)
Daily Breakfast
Roundtrip transfer between airport and hotel (seat in coach)
Sabah city tour
Dalit Bay Golf & Country Club 2 x 18 holes weekdays green fee

Sabah Nexus 沙巴

HK\$3,540 up

HK <> Kota Kinabalu by Dragonair
3 nights Nexus Ocean Wing Deluxe Room (Twin share) / Daily Breakfast
Roundtrip transfer between airport and hotel (seat in coach)
Sabah city tour
Karambunai Golf & Country Club 2 x 18 holes green fee+
share buggy + Golf services charge

Bintan 民丹島

HK\$6,980 up

HK <> Singapore by Cathay Pacific
Roundtrip high speed ferry transfer between Singapore & Bintan
3 nights Bintan Lagoon Superior room (Twin share) / Daily Breakfast
Bintan Lagoon resort 18 holes green + share buggy
Ria Bintan Golf Club 18 holes green + share buggy
Roundtrip transfer between Bintan ferry terminal & Hotel

Johor 新山

HK\$4,680 up

Cathay Pacific HK <> Singapore Roundtrip Air Ticket
3 nights stay at Sofitel Palm Resort (Twin share)
Daily Breakfast
2 x 18 Holes green fee, caddie or shared cart
Singapore Airport <> Hotel <> Club transfer*



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Chiangmai 清邁

HK\$4,230 up

HK <> Chiang Mai by Hong Kong Express
3 Nights Royal Princess hotel hotel accommodation (Twin share) / Daily breakfast
Roundtrip transfer between Airport and hotel
Choice 2 x 18holes green fee
(ChiangMai Green Valley / Highland Golf Club / Lamphun /
Gassan Khuntan / Marina / Lake City Golf Course)

Hanoi 河內

HK\$4,190

HK Airlines HK <> Hanoi Roundtrip Ticket
King's Island 18 Holes Green Fee, Caddie Fee
Chi Linh 18 Holes Green fee, Caddie Fee
3 Nights Zephyr Hotel (Twin share) / Daily Breakfast / Water Puppet Show
Half Day City Tour / English/ Cantonese Speaking Tour Guide
Airport <> Hotel <> Club <> Tourist Spots transfer

Ho Chi Minh 胡志明

HK\$4,490

HK Airlines HK <> Ho Chi Minh Roundtrip air ticket
3 nights Windsor Plaza hotel (Twin share) / Daily Breakfast
Long Thanh Golf Club Weekday 18 holes Green fee + Caddie Fee
Vietnam Country Golf Club Weekday 18 holes Green fee + Caddie Fee
Half Day City Tour & Entrance fee
English or Cantonese Speaking guide / Land transport

Brunei 汶萊

HK\$6,680

Royal Brunei HK <. Brunei roundtrip ticket
3 nights Empire & Country Club (Twin share) / Daily Breakfast
Empire Golf 18 holes green fee, share cart
Royal Brunei GCC 18 holes green fee, share cart
Half day city tour

Phuket Sheraton 布吉喜來登

HK\$13,900

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