

REPORT ON 34th ASEAN Senior Amateur Golf Championship 2017

Singapore Seniors Grab Second Spot in Team Nett Battle

The 34th running of the Asean Senior Amateur Golf Championship 2017 was played out in the highlands of Tagaytay, Philippines at the Eagle Ridge Golf Club from the 18th to the 20th of October, 2017. Located a good two to three hour road trip depending on the traffic conditions from the airport, we were fortunate in getting a police escort of two outriders who harried the other vehicles along a steep and winding road up to the Summit Ridge Hotel, our home for five nights. We made the decision to get in on the 16th which was a day earlier than the other teams in order to have an additional practice day.

Upon arrival, we were greeted with magnificent views of the resplendent Lake Taal with the extinct Taal Volcano caldera prominently situated right in the center. Exploring a little farther afield, we discovered we would be a little isolated shopping-wise as the only store of note in the vicinity was Robinson's Supermarket which was surrounded by numerous restaurants.

After settling in, we tried out the Filipino restaurants in the vicinity. Many ended up in Balay Dako Restaurant or Josephine's where we stuffed ourselves with the best of local cuisine. What a welcome to the Philippines!

The following morning, we headed to the Isao Aoki course at Eagle Ridge Golf Club, one of the two courses for the championship. The other, Greg Norman, is part of the golf complex as well. That evening, the team got together for a pep and strategy chat at the hotel.

The 18th of October was Day 1 of the Championship with the stroke division going into battle. The Stableford division had a practice day at Greg Norman. The Nett team led by Dicky Tan did well and led by 8 strokes. Day 1 also had us participating in a Filipino Barrio Fiesta in the afternoon after the game with a band, food and drinks.

On Day 2, both divisions began playing and again, the Nett team kept their lead. The Gross team was hampered by an injury to a player which caused a drop in morale. In the afternoon, the General Committees of the six participating countries got together for the CASGA meeting which groups the senior golf associations together. Plans were made for the Intermediate General Meeting to be held in Singapore in April, 2018. In the evening, a very up market dinner was hosted by President Melito Salazar Jr of FPASGI.

The final day, Day 3, started off with our team full of hope as we were leading in both Nett as well as the Stableford team divisions. There was hope for individual glory in many of the age-groups as well. But golf is a fickle character and due to a combination of factors, we couldn't cling on to the cherished positions. At the closing dinner, prizes were given out, dinner was served and the championship came to an end.

Saturday 21st, we headed back to Singapore saddened by our loss but determined to do better in Indonesia in 2018.

Terence Ng,
Captain
SSGS

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RESULTS of the 34th ASEAN Senior Amateur Golf Championship 2017

STROKE PLAY

Sultan Salahuddin Challenge Trophy

Overall Best Gross - Stroke

Ooi Wai Kin - 6th Position with total Gross 237

Mondonedo Challenge Trophy

Overall Best Nett - Stroke

Jimmy Teo Teng Jin – 3rd position with total Nett Score of 208

Dicky Tan Ee Seng – 4th position with total Nett Score of 208

Ricky Seah Lam Kok – 10th position with total Nett score of 210

STABLEFORD DIVISION

A Division (55 -59 years)

Lei Tsen Siang – 8th position with 66 points

Daniel Liew Hee Cheong – 9th position with 63 points

B Division (60 -64 years)

Stephen Ng Choh Lian – 2nd position with 78 points

Francis lee Yeung Kwok – 5th position with 77 points

C Division (65 -69 years)

Lim Ah Bah – 3rd position with 76 points

D Division (70 -74 years)

Terence Ng Tien Chan – 6th position with 73 points

Andy Yeo Seh Swan – 9th position with 71 points

Lim Ting Hui – 10th position with 71 points

E Division (75 years and above)

Lim Kian Seng – 5th position with 73 points

Ajit Singh Gill – 7th position with 73 points

Tommy Tan Choon Yew – 11th position with 67 points

The Tun Sir Henry H S Lee Challenge Trophy for TEAM GROSS (STROKEPLAY)

Singapore Team came in 5th position with 738

Ooi Wai Kin / Teo Keow Seng / Albert Ng Aik Guan / Oh Lai Hen

The Zakir Challenge Trophy for TEAM NETT (STROKEPLAY)

Singapore Team came in 2ND position with 638

Dicky Tan / Ricky Seah Lam Kok / Lam Tih Kai / Rusly Sjaichudin

OVERALL CHAMPION – Lela Pahlawan Challenge Trophy

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| 1. Malaysia | 56 points |
| 2. Thailand | 53 points |
| 3. Philippines | 48 points |
| 4. Singapore | 37 points |
| 5. Brunei | 28 points |
| 6. Indonesia | 05 points |