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# MESSAGE FROM THE *Club Captain*

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**My warmest New Year greetings** to all esteemed KPGCC members.

How time flies when you are having a great time golfing and clubbing! It seems like a weekend ago that we entered 2009 but here we are now welcoming 2010 with open arms. I hope this year will be another great year for all of you and may KPGCC and its members continue to prosper.

Do make it one of your New Year's resolutions to take good care of your health. KPGCC strives to provide its members with state-of-the-art facilities to help members

stay fit and healthy. Whether it's a round of golf, a few laps in the pool or some hard-running on the courts, take time to workout. As the old adage goes "a healthy body equals a healthy mind", I cannot emphasize enough on the importance of a healthy body to your level of productivity at work, as well as your energy level to meet your family and social obligations.

It gives me great pleasure to see KPGCC being heralded as the "No.1 Golf Course in Malaysia" at the Asian Golf Monthly 2009 Awards. It is indeed a recognition of the dedication and determination of the management, staff and members in bringing this club forward. I am sure KPGCC will continue to maintain its status as the best course in the country. Suggestions and constructive comments from members are always welcomed, as it is through such feedback that the management can identify areas that need to be worked on to retain our status as the best of the best.

I would also like to thank members for their incredible support of club events, both golfing and social. I hope in 2010, this support will not only continue but double! As you will notice in the Calendar of Events attached with this issue of Oasis Permai, a variety of activities has been planned by the management for 2010. Do take time to participate in these events. Get to know one another and build a strong sense of togetherness and friendship. After all, we are all part of the big Kota Permai family!

February will see us welcoming the Lunar Year of the Tiger. I would like to take this opportunity to wish all Chinese members "Gong Xi Fa Cai" and may you be blessed with prosperity, good health and bountiful wealth.

**Yg. Bhg. Dato' Setia Hj. Mohd Adzib bin Mohd Isa**



# MESSAGE FROM THE *General Manager*

January marks the dawn of a new year and I hope that 2010 will be as significant and fruitful as 2009 was for KPGCC. In October 2009, KPGCC was voted the Best Golf Course in Malaysia by readers of Asian Golf Monthly, a renowned golf magazine in the Asian Pacific region. It was indeed a tremendous honour for the Club as a whole to receive this award. I extend my gratitude and hearty congratulations to all our staff, whose dedication and teamwork contributed to this success. This award is significant as it recognises the top-notch quality of golfing available at our course, something we can all be proud of.



We shall however not rest on our laurels and continue to strive to improve and upgrade the overall course condition, club facilities and F&B services to maintain our status as the No.1 golf course in Malaysia. We have lined up a few improvement projects to enhance the aesthetic qualities of our course as well as ensuring that it remains challenging for all golfers. These include enlarging and resurfacing tee boxes, reshaping and beautifying bunkers and enhancing landscape around the course. We will also ensure that fast green speed of at least 9.5 feet on the stimpmeter for regular play and 10.5 feet for tournament play is continuously maintained.

KPGCC's social events have always received tremendous support and participation from members and I hope that members will continue to attend the family get-togethers and sport activities planned in 2010. These events will not only foster stronger ties and friendship amongst members but build upon greater unity and strength as espoused by the 1Malaysia spirit.

Keeping in the spirit of the New Year, the Golfers' Terrace will be introducing a new menu, with a variety of delicacies and local favourites for your dining pleasure.

Chinese New Year is also on the horizon and we look forward to welcome the excitement and exuberance of the Tiger into our lives. I take this opportunity to wish all our Chinese members "Gong Xi Fa Cai". Coincidentally, Chinese New Year falls on 14th February, Valentine's Day, so, to all you lovebirds, have a great Valentine's Day!

**Tang Meng Loon**

## OPERATING HOURS

**Swimming Pool**  
7.00am – 9.00pm *Closed on Mondays*

**Badminton** 7.00am – 10.00pm

**Tennis & Squash** 7.00am – 10.00pm

**Table-tennis** 7.00am – 10.00pm

**Gymnasium** 7.00am – 10.00pm

**Driving Range** 7.00am – 12.00am

**Golfers' Terrace** 11.00am – 7.00pm *Mondays*  
6.30am – 9.00pm *Tuesdays - Sundays (Extended to 11.00pm on night golfing days)*

**Poolside Café** 8.30am – 9.30pm *Weekends & Public Holidays*  
11.30am – 9.30pm *Tuesdays - Fridays*

**RestfoRest Pub** 4.00pm – 12am *Closed on Sundays*

**Pro Shop** 7.30am – 8.00pm *Tuesdays - Sundays*

**Chinese Restaurant** 11.00am – 3.00pm,  
6.00pm – 10.00pm

**Health Centre** 10.00am – 11.00pm

**Sports Shop** 10.00am – 9.00pm

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## TRANSVIEW-FOURTEEN MEDAL CHALLENGE

# Great going at Transview-Fourteen Medal Challenge

OCTOBER MONTHLY MEDAL SEES 122 PARTICIPANTS

A short spell of rain failed to put a spanner into the Transview-Fourteen Medal Challenge held on Saturday, 11th October. Clouds opened up just 30 minutes into tee-off but good weather prevailed shortly afterwards and the 122 golfers returned to the greens in good spirits.

Six-handicapper Ng Thin Poh prevailed in the A Medal category, scoring 40 stableford points to finish first. In the B Medal category, Visvanathan (14) netted first place, scoring 40 points. Lillie Loo (24) comfortably won the C Medal category with 45 points. All three took home a trophy and Fourteen JC909 driver each.

The Ladies Medal saw Lee Kee Hoon (15) edging Emily Ng (28) on countback after both had accumulated 35 points. The overall gross winner of the day was Willie Lim (3), who carded a 77.



Overall gross winner – Willie Lim



A Medal winner – Ng Thin Poh



B Medal winner – Visvanathan



C Medal winner – Lillie Loo



Ladies Medal winner – Lee Kee Hoon





## SAMCHEM-KOTA PERMAI CHARITY GOLF 2009

# November Medals a noble affair

### RM34,500 RAISED FOR THREE CHARITABLE HOMES



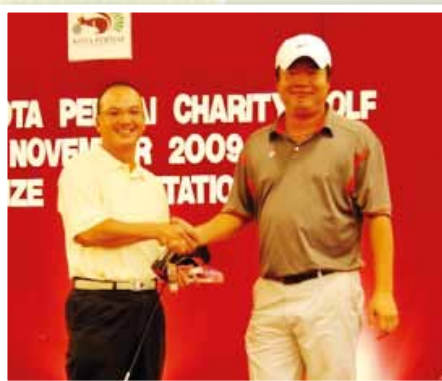
Representatives from the charity homes receiving the donations

KPGCC made it a memorable November monthly medals by joining hands with industrial chemical distributor, Samchem Holdings Bhd in organizing the Samchem-Kota Permai Charity Golf 2009 on 8th November. The event managed to raise a sum of RM34,500, which was donated to three charitable homes: Rumah Amal Cahaya, Persatuan Kanak-Kanak Cacat Klang and Rumah Charis.

The morning start saw five categories on contention, with Charlie Lau (7) snatching the A Medal category with a score of 69, one ahead of runner-up William Cheah. In the B Medal category, 12-handicapper Ong Kee Chong's score of 68 was enough to see off Chan Chiow Boo (18) by one stroke. Leong Kwong Khoon (23) carded 66 to secure the C Medal category with a comfortable two-stroke win over runner-up Jan Kok Keong (24). Emily Ng (28) proved that she was the fairest of the roses with a score of 71 ahead of runner-up Jean Vorosmarthy (28) in the Ladies Medal. 2009 Club Champion Jimmy Chia (2) emerged as the overall gross winner of the day. Jimmy beat Ali Bakri on countback after both had finished on 75.



Overall Gross second runner-up Ng Lian Poh



A Medal winner – Charlie Lau



A Medal runner-up William Cheah



C Medal runner-up Jan Kok Keong





KOTA PERMAI MEDIA GAME

# Kota Permai Media Golf

## MEDIA DAY OUT AT KPGCC



The media wave hits KPGCC

**KPGCC** organized a Media Golf Game for the first time ever in the Club's 12-year history on 18th November. 72 invited guests took part in the morning game, comprising members of the print and electronic media, sponsors as well as Kota Permai management and committee members.

The media were feted to a challenging round of golf on the superb course with the greens running up to 10.5 feet on the stimpmeter. Imran Mohd Nor of Karangkrif won the media category title with a score of 37 Stableford points. Tina Lim of Nanyang Siang Pau finished second on countback, while Shariff Omar of Kosmo finished third with 36 points.

The guest category saw Kota Permai Club Manager Sharudin Kamarudin (7) topping the standings with 38 points, two ahead of runner-up Richard Ng Chee Seng (8). Frankie Choo (7) was third with 35 points.

Crest Link, TaylorMade and MST Golf sponsored the event.



Media category winner – Karangkrif's Imran Mohd Nor



Media category runner-up – Nanyang Siang Pau's Tina Lim



Media category second runner-up – Kosmo's Shariff Omar



Guest category winner – KPGCC Club Manager Sharudin Kamarudin



Guest category runner-up – Richard Ng



(L to R) Ali Bakri, Saw Chit Boon, Rashid Rahman and Jashpaul



(L to R) Datuk Manja Ismail, KPGCC GM Tang Meng Loon, Burhanuddin Kahar and KP Low of MST Golf



## SUKMA MELAKA GOLF CHALLENGE/ INTER-CLUB MATCH

# KPGCC to participate in SUKMA Melaka Golf Challenge

RM500,000 WORTH OF PRIZES UP FOR GRABS



Representatives from the host clubs with their plaques



KPGCC GM Tang Meng Loon receiving the participation plaque from Melaka Chief Minister Datuk Seri Ali Rustam



KPGCC General Manager and Club Manager posing with the SUKMA mascot, Tuah

**KPGCC will be one** of the 60 clubs participating in the SUKMA Melaka Golf Challenge. The challenge is part of the Melaka State Government's effort to raise awareness on the upcoming 13th Malaysian Games (SUKMA) to be held from 10-19th June, in Melaka.

Winners of the January, February and March KPGCC Monthly Medals will qualify for the SUKMA Melaka Golf Challenge regional semi-finals.

The challenge was launched by Datuk Seri Mohd Ali Rustam, Chief Minister of Melaka on 24th November at KPGCC's Permai Ballroom. The ceremony was attended by representatives of the 60 host clubs, media as well as invitees.

## KPGCC trumps Tropicana GCR to win Inter-Club Match



**The Inter-Club match** between KPGCC and Tropicana GCR on 10th December saw KPGCC team beating the visitors 220-202 to lift the Challenge Trophy. The tournament played on a fine Thursday afternoon at KPGCC saw the participation of 44 golfers. Kok Yian Choon and Khoo Gee Seng of KPGCC emerged the best overall pair with a score of 45 stableford points. Runners-up were Ooi Lim Hai and Chan Kim Min, who lost on countback. The duo of Ng Ah Chong and Benson Teo Pin Sin finished third with 44 points.



PERMAI CLASSIC

# CLASSIC FINISH TO 2009

## EAGER PARTICIPATION IN PERMAI CLASSIC

**The Permai Classic** on 6th December brought the curtains down on the 2009 KPGCC golf calendar. With a full turnout of 128 golfers, a friendly yet competitive display was on offer on a great Sunday morning.

Md Nor Khiefli (8) emerged the A Medal winner with a nett score of 68. In the B Medal, Edwin Seah Wei Hong grabbed first spot on countback with 69. Charles Nicholas Dahl (24) was victorious in the C Medal category with 71. In the Ladies Medal, Doris Yee (10) proved to be the fairest of the roses, winning on 68. Kang Soon Keat (6) emerged the gross champion with a 76 while ten-handicapper Khoo Gee Seng won the nett category with a score of 67.



Overall Gross winner – Kang Soo Keat



Overall Nett winner – Khoo Gee Seng



A Medal runner-up – Charlie Lau



B Medal winner – Edwin Seah



C Medal winner – Charles Nicholas Dahl



Ladies Medal winner – Doris Yee



Lucky draw grand prize winner Lim Kee Soon walking away with a Titoni watch







# MINOR CHANGE TO LIAISON COMMITTEE

## INCUMBENT CHONG THEAN YONG TO CARRY ON AS CHAIRMAN FOR 2010

KPGCC held its Annual General Meeting (AGM) on 9th January 2010 at the club's Permai Ballroom. The main agenda of the AGM was the election of a new club liaison committee for 2010. The current committee was re-elected with just one change, namely Maurice Tan Eng Tat replacing Steven Leow as a committee member. Chong Thean Yong returned as chairman at the request of the committee.



(L to R) KPGCC GM Tang Meng Loon, Chong Thean Yong, Albert Low, Maurice Tan, Toh Chen Hock, Richard Ng and Sharudin Kamarudin



### KPGCC's new golf rates effective from 1st January 2010:

	Weekdays	Weekends	
<b>Green fee</b> - Guests	RM170+	RM250+	* inclusive of green fee, buggy fee (twin-sharing basis) and golfers' insurance + subject to 5% government tax
<b>Morning package*</b>	RM170 nett	N/A	
<b>Ladies package*</b>	RM120 nett	N/A	

(Tuesdays except public holidays)



# KNOW THE RULES

with DEBORAH WONG



## Rule 17.1 Flagstick attended, removed or held up

**Recently**, a regular golfer asked about issues pertaining to who can attend to flagstick and what happens when unauthorized attendance take place. Let me share with you from Rule 17 of the Rules of Golf to clarify these doubts.

### Who can attend the flagstick?

Now, before making a stroke from anywhere on the course, the player may have the flagstick attended, removed or held up to indicate the position of the hole.

If the flagstick is not attended, removed or held up before the player makes a stroke, it must not be attended, removed or held up during the stroke or while the player's ball is in motion if doing so might influence the movement of the ball.

**Note 1:** If the flagstick is in the hole and anyone stands near it while a stroke is being made, he is deemed to be attending the flagstick.

**Note 2:** If, prior to the stroke, the flagstick is attended, removed or held up by anyone with the player's knowledge and he makes no objection, the player is deemed to have authorized it.

**Note 3:** If anyone attends or holds up the flagstick while a stroke is being made, he is deemed to be attending the flagstick until the ball comes to rest.

### When does unauthorized attendance take place?

**Rule 17.2** states, if an opponent or his caddie in match play or a fellow-competitor or his caddie in stroke play, without the player's authority or prior knowledge, attends, removes or

holds up the flagstick during the stroke or while the ball is in motion, and the act might influence the movement of the ball, the opponent or fellow-competitor incurs the applicable penalty.

### Penalty for Breach of Rule 17-1 or 17-2:

Match play - Loss of hole; Stroke play - Two strokes.

### What happens when Opponent or Fellow-Competitor declines to attend the flagstick?

*Q: Does a player have any redress if he requests his opponent or a fellow-competitor to attend the flagstick for him and the opponent or fellow-competitor declines?*

**A: No.**



## USE OF DISTANCE FINDERS

Please be advised that effective from 1st January 2010, golfers are allowed to use Distance Finders in all Club tournaments.





## BEST COURSE IN MALAYSIA 2009/ NOTICE

# Asia's Best!

## BEST COURSE IN MALAYSIA BY ASIAN GOLF MONTHLY

The accolades continue to pour in for KPGCC with the latest being the Best Course in Malaysia 2009 award by Asian Golf Monthly, a renowned golf magazine in the Asia Pacific region. Recognising

the Club's excellent golfing facilities, the award is a boost in the arm in our quest to become an icon of Asian golf.

Beating four other strong and reputable courses namely the West

Course of Kuala Lumpur Golf & Country Club, the Palm Course of Saujana Golf & Country Club, Tanjong Puteri Golf Resort's Plantation Course and The Mines Resort & Golf Club, KPGCC emerged the best amongst the crème de la crème of Malaysian golf courses.

The award was received by Gamuda Berhad Senior Group General Manager – Corporate Development, Mr. Goh Khir Chaye and KPGCC General Manager, Tang Meng Loon at the Asian Golf Monthly Awards Gala Dinner held at the Palace of the Golden Horses on October 28. The awards gala dinner held in conjunction with the Asia Pacific Golf Summit was also graced by three golfing legends; Jack Nicklaus, Gary Player and Peter Thomson.

Spencer Robinson, the Managing Editor of Asian Golf Monthly said that the Malaysian category was one of the closest fought among any of the 14 country-by-country awards. "It's a sign of the quality of the leading clubs in the country. Kota Permai is a worthy winner this year," he said.



## ACROBATIC LION DANCE ON FEBRUARY 21

What better way to herald in the Year of the Tiger than with a acrobatic lion dance. A troop from Tarian Singa Kok Ngai will be performing at KPGCC on Sunday, 21st February at 10am. Don't forget to tag your children along!





## GOLF CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE/ NEW AFFILIATION



### MESSAGE FROM THE GOLF COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN

**Another year** has gone by and no one will disagree that it had been an eventful year with good memories. Every Club medal and trophy event was fully supported and patronised by members. The

efforts and support by the management contributed to the success as well.

Some of the memorable events were the Club Championship, Samchem Charity Golf, Transview Golf and many others. Worth mentioning too are the several private events organized by the various groups of Club members that truly portray the 1Malaysia spirit. This is one club that I can truly say has true camaraderie amongst its members regardless of background.

The continuous support from the directors and the gargantuan effort by the management and staff in maintaining the high quality of the golf course, together

with the support of the members culminated in the Club being voted the best golf course in Malaysia by Asian Golf Monthly. I am sure all the members of KPGCC are truly proud of this achievement.

The successful efforts in securing affiliation and reciprocal arrangement with two of the best golf courses in Hanoi, Vietnam namely Chi Linh and Van Tri, is worthy of mention too. Those who have travelled there to play recently will testify to this. The committee also organized two successful golf events overseas, one in Indonesia and the other in Vietnam. We hope to do the same next year and hope the members will continue to participate in these events.

Finally, Happy New Year to all. I hope 2010 will bring much joy, happiness and success to all of you.

Happy Golfing!

**NG SAY HOE**

## NEW AFFILIATION



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## COURSE IMPROVEMENTS

### Hole 17

The width of the blue teebox on the par three 17th hole has been extended to provide more teeing options and to distribute wear. Paspalum was selected as the best grass for the new tee, providing firm underfoot conditions and a better playing surface. The dark green of the Paspalum also contrasts nicely with the lighter Zoysia of the fairways. Teeing-off has never been better!



BEFORE



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### Hole 18

The reshaping of bunkers of Hole 18 have been completely redesigned and now boast high faces thanks to the use of 'bunker mats'. The sweeping face bunkers with the premium white sand not only drains better but also ensures that the bunkers are highly visible and thus act as visual guides as well. KPGCC's closing hole now provides an even more exciting and strategically-challenging finish to your golf round!



BEFORE



AFTER



DEEPAVALI CHARITY VISIT

# Kota Permai shows

In conjunction with the Deepavali celebration, the management and staff of Gamuda Land Clubs took the opportunity to bring some light and smiles to the less privileged on 16th October. This year, the Persatuan Kanak-Kanak Cacat Klang was chosen as the privileged charity home. The home based in Port Klang provides shelter for 71 special children.

The team led by General Manager, Mr. Tang Meng Loon gave away angpows to the special children, much to their delight. Contributions in kind based on the Home's wish list were also handed over to the Home's founder, Mr. Morgan. The children were feted to lunch and the team spent some time to mingle and play games with the children. The children in return, showed their creativity and talent by doing a performance for the team.

Among the residents of the home are Teo Boon Ping and Cho Chee Hong. Teo is just four and may look like any ordinary child but suffers from congenital glaucoma. Teo underwent surgery on both eyes at Kuala Lumpur Hospital in May and September 2009. He requires monthly follow-ups and has two types of eye drops.

Cho, also four, suffers congenital heart defect. In July 2009, he underwent an open heart surgery at the National Heart Institute. Cho is on three different medications and requires regular check-ups. He attends special school for

early intervention program as well as speech therapy and physiotherapy. These were just two of the many sad tales that deeply moved the team.

The Home runs on an estimated monthly budget of RM32,000 and it is hoped that the public can do their part to reduce the home's financial burden.

The next charity visit is to Rumah Charis Puchong on 10th February at 10 am. Members are welcome to join this charity visit.



# its caring side





## LIAISON CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE/ TEE TALK



### LIAISON COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

**As we bid welcome to a New Year**, my greetings and best wishes to all members and their families as well as to the management and staff of KPGCC.

I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate Mr. Tang Meng Loon & his comrades on being awarded the 'Best Golf Course in Malaysia' by Asian Golf Monthly for the first time. We have beaten other premier and exclusive golf courses

including Kuala Lumpur GCC, who will be hosting the Maybank Malaysian Open 2010.

Looking back at 2009, even though we did not host any major golf tournaments at our Club, the course has been upgraded and maintained consistently throughout the year and I am not surprised that it has bore fruits with this recognition. I would like to thank the management for their continuous dedicated effort and would like to express my gratitude to KPGCC members for their caring attitude. Our members are clearly appreciative of the premier status of our Club.

January 2010 is also a time for the KPGCC Annual General Meeting and Election of Liaison Committee. On behalf of the 2009 Liaison Committee, I wish to thank all our esteemed members for their support and co-operation rendered to us. I am proud to report that 2009 went by without any major complaints from our members. Last but not least, I wish all our Chinese members, Management and staff "Gong Xi Fa Cai" and may you have a prosperous Lunar New Year.

Thank you.

**CHONG THEAN YONG**

## TEE TALK WITH ROBERT WARDILL

**Hi to all!** Firstly, allow me to introduce myself as the new Head Coach of the KPGCC Golf Academy. My name is Robert Wardill and I have taken over from Andrew Kay who recently left to carry the flag for Crestlink in Australia. I wish you well and I am sure many other members do too.

For those who wish to know, here is a little about myself. I was born in Northern Rhodesia, Africa to English parents in a little known town called Kitwe and I'd probably know as little about it as you guys, as we left for Cape Town when I was 4 years old. When I was 8 years old, I was introduced to golf and ever since then for the last 40 years, I have been involved in the game one way or another.

In 1985, I left for England where I became apprenticed to a very good club and teaching professional by the name of Peter Thompson – no, not the Australian! With Peter, I developed my teaching, playing and my custom club making skills which have served me well ever since. In 1990, I qualified through the British PGA, coming 9th in my year for which I received a Titleist scholarship and after that I spent a few years playing professional events. But, and here is a good lesson for all, my first 14 years in golf were totally

untutored and all my swing techniques which were largely based on misconceptions handed down to me by well meaning fellow golfers came back to haunt me.

My last position interestingly was in South Africa designing a golf course for a local businessman which was great fun as well as a major learning curve. For those contemplating a career in golf, it does not have to be in a pro shop or on a range; there are many other facets to the game. The British, American and Australia PGA's are the associations one should look to for advanced education if contemplating a career in the various branches of the golf industry.

#### NEW STUFF AT THE ACADEMY

First to mention is the introduction of an on-range instant video replay of one's swing during a lesson. This enhances the learning curve of the student due to instant visual feedback. We already have set up a temporary studio in the teaching bay at the range and the feedback so far is positive. Plans are afoot to construct an air conditioned permanent version of this on-range studio on the upper level. Once completed, we will be sure to make it known to all.

What may interest members are a

few new packages soon to be offered at the range. The first one is a 30-minute video analysis with the pro for those wishing not to have a lesson but rather to get visual and professional feedback on the state of one's swing. The cost will be RM 60 with an extra RM 10 should you wish to have a CD copy.

The other package we will be introducing is what we call the Family Pack where we will have a rate for at least one adult and at least one child taking a package lesson together. The advantage to this is to overcome what I frequently see on the range; parents giving well meant but contradictory advice to their children. Here, they can learn and practice together with informed advice.

Our current professional staff members are:

- **Robert Wardill**  
Head Coach (British PGA Qualified)
- **Kenny Reutens**  
Teaching Pro (MPGA)
- **Sukree Othman**  
Coach and Tour Player (MPGA)
- **Jang Heon Joon**  
Korean Coach (USGTF)



*Harry Tofcano*

**I'M HITTING THE WOODS JUST GREAT, BUT I'M  
HAVING A TERRIBLE TIME GETTING OUT OF THEM.**

Please feel free to come and chat to any one of our pros on range who will be more than willing to assist you.





## SOCIAL CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE/ JUNIOR TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIP



### SOCIAL CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

**WELCOME 2010**  
and wishing all  
fellow members  
of KPGCC a  
very Happy  
New Year!

Every New

Year brings forth new hopes and aspirations and the Committee aims to strive even more to ensure that all members feel a sense of pride of being part of the prestigious KPGCC.

In the short period of 12 years since its establishment in 1998, KPGCC has deservedly earned the numerous accolades and awards bestowed upon the Club. On this subject, I offer my heartiest congratulations to the management and staff for the most recent achievement of being awarded the "Best Course in Malaysia 2009" by the Asian Golf Monthly publication.

Complacency, though, remains a formidable foe. To be No. 1 is not easy but to stay and remain "Number

One" is even more difficult. Therefore, it is imperative that all members should play their part in ensuring that we are always on the top of the list.

For the year 2009, in conjunction with festive celebrations, the Club had organised many charity and social events to help the unfortunates and the underprivileged. Events like these should and will continue to form a major part of our social activities for the coming year.

On the sports side, we had successfully carried out the annual championships for badminton/ tennis/squash and swimming events. The badminton and tennis teams were also regular participants in various inter-club games. It is with great pride to know that the KPGCC swimming team of about 40 members is one of the biggest contingents in the National Inter-Club Swimming Championships held in Paroi, Negeri Sembilan in December 2009. In preparation for

the above major event, our swimming coaches even organised intensive centralised morning/ afternoon training for our enthusiastic participants.

All in all, we have witnessed a great increase in the usage of all the sports facilities in the Club. As a consequence, the issue of wear and tear is slowly becoming significant. In response to members comments, we understand that the management is now seriously taking action to improve the surface of the tennis courts.

As we go into the new year of 2010, I sincerely hope that all members will continue to be active and contribute to all efforts to ensure that we always remain as the "Number One"!

**1MALAYSIA = 1KOTA PERMAI**

Thank You.

**LIM MING LEE**

## INTERNATIONAL TEST FOR KPGCC TENNIS JUNIORS

### GOOD DISPLAY PROVIDES HIGH HOPES FOR THE FUTURE

**Six junior tennis** players from the Club recently participated in the Penang Open International Juniors' Age-Group Tennis Championship.



(L to R) Nelson Wong (Under-14), Justin Liew (Under-12), Abishek (Under-14) and Wong Kah Wai (Under-14).

The five-day Championship held in Penang from 30th November to 4th December saw a participation of 448 junior players. An absorbing competition was on the cards with participants from Singapore, Indonesia, Philippines, South Korea, Kazakhstan, Uzbekistan, Thailand and Malaysia.

The Club's players exhibited a good display with 4 players making through the first round, namely Abishek and Wong Kah Wai in the Under-14 category as well as Jo Lim and Teoh Sze Xian in the Under-16 category. The results were impressive considering that this was their

maiden participation in an international meet.

The Club's resident coach, Mr. Michael Loo was upbeat about the development of tennis at KPGCC. "It has been an eventful 2009 for the sport of tennis at the Club. There has been an improvement both in the quantity and quality of members playing. The Management has to be congratulated for playing an integral part in the growth of tennis here especially in sponsoring the junior members to play in tournaments like the recent Penang Open," he said.



## ANNUAL INTER-CLUB SWIMMING COMPETITION

# KPGCC swimmers show great improvement

WEEK-LONG INTENSIVE TRAINING PAYS OFF



**KPGCC swimmers** not only improved on their personal bests at the Annual Inter-Club Swimming Competition but pushed the Club to finish in 24th position overall.

The tournament held from 3rd to 5th December at the Paroi Swimming Complex in Seremban saw the participation of 34 teams from across the country, including state swimming associations and registered swimming clubs. Organized by the Amateur Swimming Union of Malaysia, the annual tournament is the biggest junior

swimming competition in Malaysia.

The Club's 40-member strong squad was one of the biggest in the tournament. 13-year-old Lim Jie Wen finished as the Club's best swimmer, ranking 6th among 151 swimmers.

The improved performance by the team was the result of grueling week-long intensive training programme that the swimmers underwent a week prior to the competition. The swimmers trained five hours daily, starting at 8.30 am and staying back at the Club for more

technical classroom lessons. The lessons included proper nutrition, correct warm-up routines and exercises which the swimmers could do outside of the lanes.

A worthy word of congratulations should also go to the parents and sponsors who made it possible for the swimmers to participate in the tournament. With the proper guidance and support, the Club's swimmers are in line to move to the next level of excellence.





# INTER-CLUB VETERAN BADMINTON CHALLENGE

## Battle of Strokes

### KPGCC PARTICIPATES IN INTER-CLUB INVITATIONAL VETERAN BADMINTON TOURNAMENT

#### The valiant veteran shuttlers

from KPGCC participated in the Inter-Club Invitational Veteran Badminton Tournament; challenging for the Dato' Steven Tee Badminton Challenge Trophy. The Club's team was captained by Chong Guan Hoe Aimed at promoting friendship and comradeship among clubs in the Klang Valley, the tournament was held on October 24, 25 and November 1 at the Klang Executive Club.

With five clubs participating, the shuttlers exhibited some competitive action on the courts in a display of friendly rivalry. In the first round, Kota Permai was placed in a tough group with host, Klang Executive Club and defending champions, KClub. Klang Executive Club went on to emerge champions, earning RM1000 in prize money while Royal Klang Club finished second. The event was concluded with a prize giving dinner on the last day with Dato' Steven Tan presenting the prizes.



KPGCC captain Chong Guan Hoe in action



KPGCC team with Dato' Steven Tee



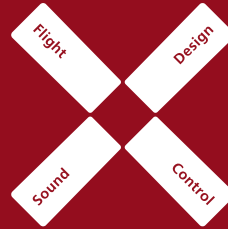
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Dato' Steven Tee gets the shuttles flying



Prize giving dinner



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## JANUARY



▲ **BRAISED EFOO MEE SERVED WITH FRESH VEGETABLES**  
▲ **MEMBER: RM9.60++ VISITOR: RM12.00++**



▲ **CHAL FAN YANG NYAM GALBI**  
▲ **MEMBER: RM25.60++ VISITOR: RM32.00++**

## FEBRUARY



▲ **PAN FRIED FISH SERVED WITH FRESH**  
▲ **VEGETABLES & MEXICAN SALSA**  
▲ **MEMBER: RM14.40++ VISITOR: RM18.00++**



▲ **KIMCHI BORUM BAB**  
▲ **MEMBER: RM16.00++ VISITOR: RM20.00++**

## MARCH



▲ **GRILLED CAJUN CHICKEN BREAST WITH FRESH**  
▲ **VEGETABLES & TOMATO SALSA**  
▲ **MEMBER: RM16.00++ VISITOR: RM20.00++**



▲ **BIBIM GUKSU**  
▲ **MEMBER: RM16.00++ VISITOR: RM20.00++**



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# WELCOME THE YEAR OF THE TIGER @ CHINESE RESTAURANT

## JANUARY



### CHINESE NEW YEAR SET MENU

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## FEBRUARY



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## MARCH



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## JANUARY



▲ **HONEY GLAZED CHICKEN WINGS**  
▲ MEMBER: RM12.00++ VISITOR: RM15.00++



▲ **FISH TIKKA SERVED WITH MINT SAUCE & SALAD**  
▲ MEMBER: RM12.00++ VISITOR: RM15.00++

## FEBRUARY



▲ **LAMB SHANK SERVED WITH MASHED POTATO & MIXED SALAD**  
▲ MEMBER: RM22.40++ VISITOR: RM28.00++



▲ **MANGO SALAD WITH SLICED FISH FILLET**  
▲ MEMBER: RM14.40++ VISITOR: RM18.00++

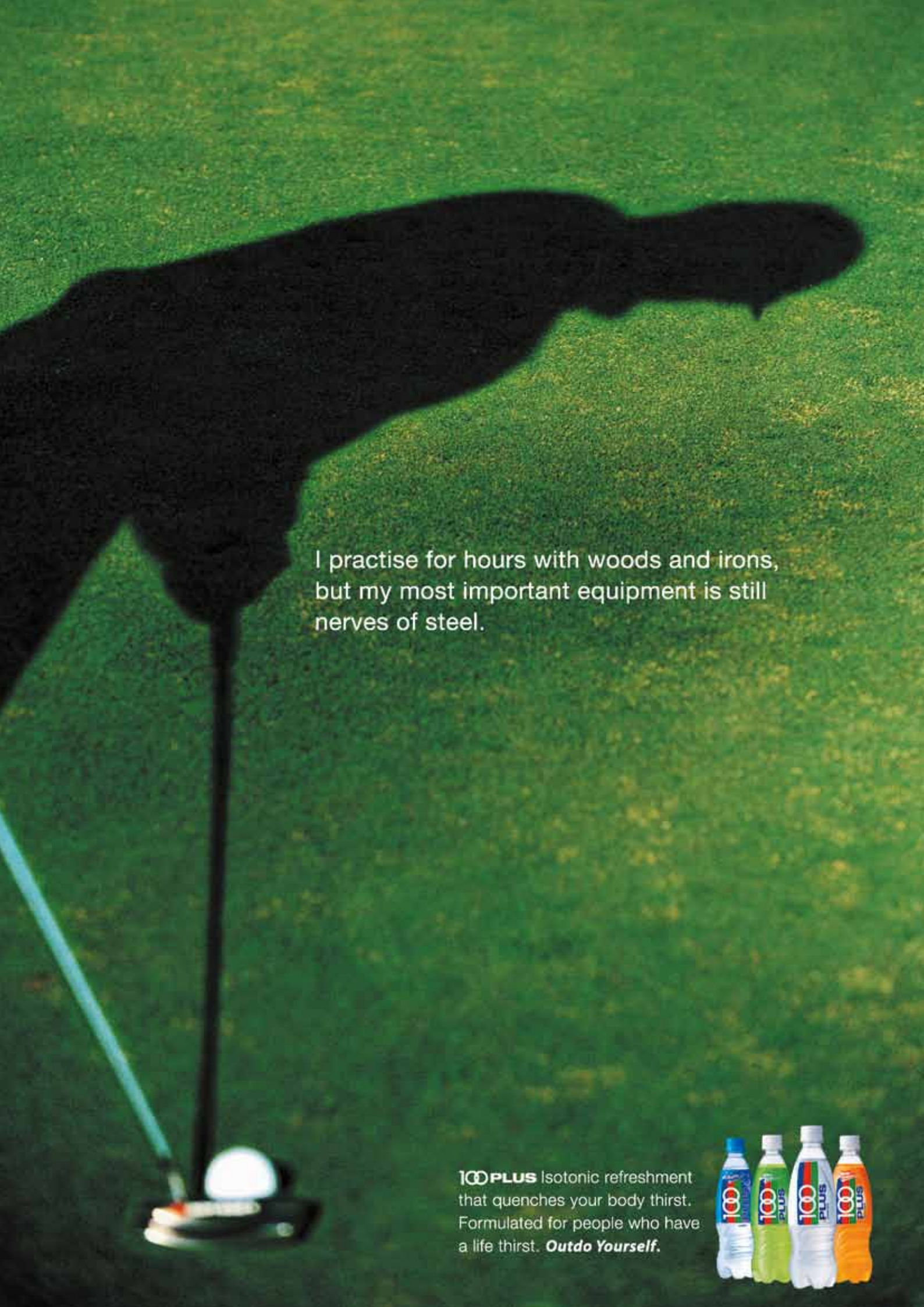
## MARCH



▲ **TUNA QUICHE**  
▲ MEMBER: RM9.20++ VISITOR: RM11.50++



▲ **BANANA BREAD PUDDING**  
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