

Press Release

Star Studded Pro-Am

Kuala Lumpur, April, 16, 2014: The Maybank Malaysian Open Star players – Lee Westwood, Louis Oosthuizen, Thongchai Jaidee and Matteo Manassero – delighted 180 golfers when they competed in the Pro-Am today.

Besides these four star players other top golfers such as Sidikur Rahman, Antonio Lascuna and Masayuki Kawamura also took part in the morning session while former Malaysian Open winner Alistair Forsyth was among those who competed in the afternoon session.

Former world No. 1 Westwood played with Maybank chairman Tan Sri Dato' Megat Zaharuddin Megat Mohd Nor, Malaysian Golf Association president Tan Sri Dato' Setia Mohd Anwar Mohd Nor and guest of honour, Tun Datuk Seri Mohd Khalil Yaakob, the governor of Malacca.

Maybank Group President and CEO, Datuk Abdul Farid Alias also took part in the Pro-Am.

The Carlsberg team, which comprised of Sidikur, Roszali Baharudin, Low Sock Sun and Danny Chong emerged victorious with a score of 18-under.

Title sponsor Maybank, led by Lascuna and with rising amateur golfer Galvin Green in their team also finished on 18-under, but lost on countback. Datuk A.S. Khamis and Azlan Dzaidin made up the foursome.

Team MGA was made up of Yuzmi Mohd Yusuff, Datuk Jalil Abdullah and Dato Zulkifli Dato Ismail, who were guided by Masayuki Kawamura.

Longest drive at Hole 5 was awarded to 14-year-old Galven, who drove an impressive distance of 278 meters while Nearest to line at No.10 was won by Tan Sri Dato' Setia Mohd Anwar who hit it to within 25cm while nearest to pin was won by Roszali Baharudin, who hit his ball 3m from the pin on hole 15.

Popular TV presenter and hosts Vijay Amritraj, who is the Master of Ceremonies for the Maybank Malaysian Open, presented the prizes to the Pro-Am, novelty and lucky draw winners, had the audience in stitches with his anecdotes.

Among the great prizes given away for the lucky draw were golf clubs, golf bags & accessories sponsored by Fourteen, Ricoh cameras, EPOS watches, Havana cigar cases and sunblock hampers.



The US\$2.75 million Maybank Malaysian Open is being played at the Kuala Lumpur Golf and Country Club until Sunday.

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About Maybank

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About the Malaysian Golf Association

The Malaysian Golf Association (MGA) is the sole governing body of golf in Malaysia that was founded in 1929 by representatives of golf clubs to promote the sport while preserving its traditions and integrity. The non-government organization is run by passionate volunteers who have a love for the game of golf, with the help of a team of management staff. The association's portfolios have increased over the years ranging from conducting 14 state amateur opens, national amateur open, national amateur close, Malaysian Open to processing handicaps through its National Handicap System to promoting grassroots programs and training of athletes to represent Malaysia in international events.

The European Tour

The European Tour is committed to celebrating the game of golf from the origins of the professional game, building a proud history of achievement, sportsmanship and integrity as well as showcasing our diverse global talent and rich landscapes. The European Tour's innovative approach enables us to embrace the world, combining championships of tradition with new tournaments in the cities and countries of the future. The European Tour International Schedule, which from 2009 has incorporated The Race to Dubai, is a thriving global brand which, in 2013, will feature a minimum of 45 tournaments spread across all five continents of the world; the European Challenge Tour focuses on the up and coming players of the future; while the European Senior Tour provides a new start





for champions celebrating their 50th birthday. The European Tour's corporate identity features the iconic silhouette image of six-time Open Champion Harry Vardon who gives his name to The Harry Vardon Trophy, presented to the player who is crowned European Tour Number One and winner of The Race to Dubai at the end of the season.

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As the official sanctioning body for professional golf in Asia, the Asian Tour leads the development of golf across the region, enhancing the careers of its members while maintaining a commitment to the integrity of the game. The Asian Tour, through its membership of the International Federation of PGA Tours, is the only recognised pan-Asian professional golf tour in Asia. This unique feature positions the Asian Tour at the pinnacle of professional golf in Asia; providing its events with Official World Ranking status. Tour Partners include Abacus (Official Apparel Partner), Inetol Headwear (Official Headwear Sponsor), Oakley (Official Eyewear and Footwear Sponsor), Saxo Capital Markets (Official Statistics Partner), Singha Beer (Official Beer), Srixon (Official Ball), Subway (Official Quick Service Restaurant) and Rolex (Official Timekeeper). The Asian Tour has offices in Kuala Lumpur and Singapore. Also, visit us at www.asiantour.com, www.facebook.com/asiantourgolf, www.twitter.com/asiantourgolf, www.youtube.com/theasiantour and www.weibo.com/asiantourgolf.

About Kuala Lumpur Golf & Country Club

Kuala Lumpur Golf & Country Club (KLGCC) is a member of Sime Darby Property Bhd and a propriety Club wholly-owned and operated by KLGCC Berhad. The club has won numerous accolades from both local and foreign golfing fraternity, the latest being voted the 'Best Course in Malaysia' for the second time in a row for its championship West Course at the 2013 Asian Golf Monthly Awards, the second runner up for the Best Championship Course in Asia Pacific and nominated as Top 10 Best in Asia Pacific for Best Clubhouse and Best Pro-Shop categories. At the same time, KLGCC was voted Best Golf Experience for the Best of Malaysia Awards 2013 Travel Awards by The Expatriate Lifestyle Magazine readers. Today, KLGCC is a landmark as the most luxurious golf resort development in Malaysia and KLGCC has in recent years hosted numerous international championships such as the Maybank Malaysian Open and the Sime Darby LPGA Malaysia.

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We specialise in providing the full spectrum in sponsorship event management and have an excellent track record in planning and delivering on PGA European Tour golf





events for Malaysia (Maybank Malaysian Open), Singapore (Singapore Masters) and Indonesia (Indonesia Open) since 1999. We have strong relations with sports governing bodies, the media and commercial sponsors and technical partners to deliver on the bottom line.

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GlobalOne currently stages a highly successful and prestigious tournament in Asia – the Maybank Malaysian Open, which is co-sanctioned by the European Tour and the Asian Tour providing the event with Official World Ranking status. Our long term partners include Emirates (Official Airline), Carlsberg (Official Beer & Stout), Ricoh (Official Office Equipment), Astro (Official Satellite TV), Maxis (Official Telecommunications), Finmeccanica (Official Helicopter), DoubleTree (Official Hotel), 100Plus (Official Isotonic Beverage), Crestlink (Official Apparel), Transview (Official Golf Accessories & Equipment), Mal-Tel (Official Radio & Communications), Spritzer (Official Water), Singleton (Official Whisky), Srixon (Official Range Balls), Havana (Official Cigars).

