



Press Release

A priceless experience for four lucky golfers to play at the Maybank Malaysian Open 2015 Pro-Am

Isac Saminathan, Poh Wee Lee, Amir Rasyid and Park Hyung Suk secured their spots for Maybank Malaysian Open 2015 Pro-Am tournament

Kuala Lumpur, 9 January 2015: To mark Maybank's tenth (10th) Anniversary as title sponsor of the world class Asian Tour and European Tour co-sanctioned event, the Maybank Malaysian Open 2015 set the stage with the introduction of the Maybank Malaysian Open Medal (MMO Medal) tournament in collaboration with nine (9) notable golf clubs nationwide, majority with the history of hosting this leading national Open.

These members went through qualifying rounds with emerging champions of the A, B, C or Ladies category at participating golf clubs' medal receiving the golden ticket to the MMO Medal, that took place at the prestigious Kuala Lumpur Golf and Country Club on January 9, 2015

Through this challenge, four lucky golfers gets the priceless experience to play at the Pro-Am tournament alongside international stars golfers headlining the Maybank Malaysian Open 2015.

Isac Saminathan, Poh Wee Lee, Amir Rasyid and Park Hyung Suk emerged as the Maybank Malaysian Open Medal (MMO Medal) 2015 winners from their respective categories after a tough competition against 32 fellow golfers from the participating clubs at the prestigious Kuala Lumpur Golf and Country Club today.

Under category A, Isac Saminathan from Kuala Lumpur Golf and Country Club rose to the top as the winner, followed by Poh Wee Lee representing Kota Permai Golf Club for category B, Amir Rasyid for category C from Ayer Keroh Golf and Country Club and lastly, Park Hyung Suk also from Kuala Lumpur Golf and Country Club for the Ladies category.





Winner of Category A, Isac Saminathan said "I'm an avid golfer and fan of the Maybank Malaysian Open myself. The heavy downpour this morning has affected the first half of my game but I managed to make a comeback in the second half. It is like a dream come true for me to be able to play in the Pro-Am of the Maybank Malaysian Open and it would be great if I am on the same flight as Lee Westwood and get the chance to learn a few tips and tricks from him".

"I had problems with my putting this morning, the greens were a bit slow for me as I am not used to the greens here. But nevertheless, I managed to make a comeback and earned a spot to play in the Pro-Am of the Maybank Malaysian Open and I am really looking forward to it", said winner of Category B, Poh Wee Lee. Winner of Category C, Amir Rasyid said "This is my first game outside of my home club in Malacca and the conditions are very different, the weather also deterred my performance but I'm glad I managed to overcome all obstacles. This is my first Pro-Am tournament and I'm really excited about my win".

Park Hyung Suk, Korean lass and the winner of the ladies category has been playing golf for only a year now said that she was determined to win and had a lot of practice before her game.

"Today, I was focused and played with the intention to have fun, and I did! I am a huge fan of Lee Westwood and I look forward to seeing him at KLGCC and hopefully play alongside him at the Pro-Am", said Pak

Participating golf clubs include former Malaysian Open and present Maybank Malaysian Open hosts Kuala Lumpur Golf and Country Club, Royal Selangor Golf Club, Kota Permai Golf and Country Club, Saujana Golf and Country Club, Templer Park Country Club, Penang Golf Club, Royal Perak Golf Club, Ayer Keroh Golf Club and Sutera Harbour Golf Club, which has yet to host this prestigious national open.

Headlining the stellar cast of 156 players from the Asian Tour and European Tour are Graeme McDowell, Paul McGinley, Victor Dubuisson ,Thongchai Jaidee, and defending champion Lee Westwood. The Maybank Malaysian Open is scheduled to take place from February 5th - 8th, 2015 at Kuala Lumpur Golf & Country Club.

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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.



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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 recognised as Number One and Two top golf courses in Malaysia for 2014 by US Golf Digest, 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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