

## F & B Updates

### F&B Prohibitions

With effect from 15 August 2015,

1. No food or beverages other than those served by the club F&B operator may be consumed on the premises of the Club.
2. No hard liquor, wines and spirits are permitted to be brought to the Club unless authorized by the Club or on payment of the applicable corkage charges.
3. Duty-free spirits are strictly prohibited.

Custom officials may conduct spot checks without notification. Members and their guests who violate the prohibitions may be slapped with penalties and club disciplinary action.

**Note:** Duty-free concessions are granted on goods for your personal consumption only. It is an offence to sell or give them away.

### F&B Operation

3 Spoons Pte Ltd is glad to announce that the food and beverages should be in operation by 15 August 2015. Mr. Kenny Chee, who heads the operation, hopes to serve the club members well with good and affordable club food at the Golfers' Terrace. Up at the restaurant, members may find delight with his Hong Kong-style steamboat fares. Mr. Chee who has held several executive F&B posts in the hospitality industry is aware that members' support is crucial and will tailor his operation to serve members' needs. According to Mr. Chee, a successful business relationship requires communication with the members. Constructive feedback for improvement will be most welcomed.

Mr. Chee thanked members for their co-operation and patience while his team was setting up its operation at the club.

### SEPTEMBER 2015

5	Sat	General Play	am/pm
6	Sun	Ladies Medal	am
		Monthly Medal - Men	am/pm
12	Sat	General Play	am/pm
13	Sun	SGA League 11th Leg	
		RCC vs KEPC at CGC - Course Close	am
		CGC vs LNGCC at OCC	
		General Play	pm
19	Sat	General Play	am/pm
20	Sun	General Play	am/pm
24	Thu	PH-Hari Raya Haji - General Play	am/pm
26	Sat	General Play	am/pm
27	Sun	General Play	am/pm

## A Gentle Reminder **NO SMOKING**

*Except in designated areas.  
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Planning to hold an event? Call Zack and let her take over the planning.

Admin / Membership / Accounts Department is closed on Sundays and Public Holidays.

Mon – Sat, Office Operation Hours :  
9.30am – 6.30pm

Administration fee for sending 3rd reminder on overdue account is \$40. Please keep your account in credit. Thank you.

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# CHANGI GOLF CLUB NEWSLETTER

The resort-style golf club, since 1971

AUGUST 2015

## Let's Celebrate SG50



### Editor's Column

On Sunday 9 August 2015, we proudly celebrate the Little Red Dot 50th birthday and we Changians will rejoice in it with a National Day Game of golf, food and entertainment.

Well, the logo of SG50 is a red dot. The logo celebrates the Singaporean spirit – signifying that our dreams are not limited by the physical size of our island nation. We have always called our beloved country the little red dot and it is one of those things some may take for granted. Singapore is a small country but why a red dot? Singaporeans would know how this came about though.

Generally, the “red dot” comes from the practice of using red dots to indicate the capital cities of countries on a map. Red seems practical given that it is bright and visible. It would be ideal as it stands

out from blue, green and white, which are usually used to indicate other habitats.

Among South East Asian countries, Singapore is the smallest country at approximately 710 square kilometers and small relative to other countries in this region. Without the red dot indicating the existence of Singapore at the tip of Peninsula Malaysia, most people would have difficulty finding it on a world map. Even today, some Westerners thought incorrectly Singapore is part of China! Therefore, it is with the help of the red marker that foreigners, like the former Indonesian President B J Habibie, may easily locate us on the world map.

While the “Little Red Dot” is an epithet for the nation of Singapore, this originated back in Aug 1998 as it was apparently used in a disparaging manner by the former Indonesian President with his finger pointing at the red dot on the map (though this was later denied by him), but has come to be used by both

our politicians and citizens with pride and a sense of the nation's success despite its physical insignificance. The term was later reused as a recap by our PM Lee as a vivid and valuable reminder that we are indeed very small and very vulnerable. Overtime, the Little Red Dot has entered the psyche of every Singaporean, and become a permanent part of our lives.

**Happy Birthday to the Little Red Dot and wishing you many more successful SG50s!**

### AUGUST 2015

1	Sat	General Play	am/pm
2	Sun	Ladies Medal	am
		Monthly Medal - Men	am/pm
7	Fri	Public Holiday - General Play	am/pm
8	Sat	General Play	am/pm
9	Sun	NATIONAL DAY GOLF GAME - SG50	am/pm
10	Mon	PH-National Day - General Play	am/pm
15	Sat	General Play	am/pm
16	Sun	General Play	am/pm
		SGA League 9th Leg	
		CGC vs SEM CC at KEPC	
22	Sat	General Play	am/pm
23	Sun	7th Month Festival - General Play	am/pm
29	Sat	General Play	am/pm
30	Sun	General Play	am/pm
		SGA League 10th Leg	
		WGCC vs CGC at SICC	

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**Local Affiliated Clubs:** Chinese Swimming Club • Changi Beach Club • Sembawang Country Club • SAF Yacht Club • Changi Sailing Club (Please check affiliation details with the respective club's reception.)

## Don't leave your golf etiquette at home.

Please repair divots, ballmarks and rake the sand bunker.

When buggy is issued to you, it should be a clean buggy with no rubbish in it.

**Monthly Medal A & B Division (Men)**  
Sunday 5th July 2015 - Stroke Play

<b>Overall Best Nett</b>		<b>CH</b>	<b>Out</b>	<b>In</b>	<b>Total</b>
Henry Tang		19	31	34	65
<b>Overall Best Gross</b>		<b>CH</b>	<b>Out</b>	<b>In</b>	<b>Total</b>
Dhanvinder Singh		6	35	40	75
<b>A Division</b>		<b>CH</b>	<b>Out</b>	<b>In</b>	<b>Total</b>
Best Nett	Kuay Joo Koon	14	35	34	69
2nd	James Pang	14	35	35	70
3rd	Vincent Teo	14	32	39	71 ocb
Best Gross		Thomas S.K.Lim			
<b>Ball Sweep 1st Nine</b>		<b>CH</b>	<b>Out</b>	<b>In</b>	<b>Total</b>
Tie 1st		Kuay Joo Koon		34	
		Lim Hoo Wee			
Tie 3rd		Chiew Kok Kiang		35	
		Steven Soh, J.T.Koh			
<b>Ball Sweep 2nd Nine</b>		<b>CH</b>	<b>Out</b>	<b>In</b>	<b>Total</b>
Tie 1st		Dhanvinder Singh, Vincent Teo		32	
Tie 3rd		Kuay Joo Koon, William Teo		35	
		Leo Sung Hoon			
		Lau Teck Leow, James Pang			
<b>B Division</b>		<b>CH</b>	<b>Out</b>	<b>In</b>	<b>Total</b>
Best Nett	Jimmy Boey	17	33	35	68
2nd	Sim Kwang Meng	18	35	35	70
3rd	Gordon S.K.Tay	16	38	33	71 ocb
Best Gross		Lim Thiam Nghoh			
<b>Ball Sweep 1st Nine</b>		<b>CH</b>	<b>Out</b>	<b>In</b>	<b>Total</b>
1st		Tan Chee Seng		30	
2nd		Gordon S.K.Tay		33	
Tie 3rd		Henry Tang, Lim Thiam Nghoh		34	
<b>Ball Sweep 2nd Nine</b>		<b>CH</b>	<b>Out</b>	<b>In</b>	<b>Total</b>
1st		Henry Tang		31	
2nd		Jimmy Boey		33	
3rd		James Pang		34	

**Monthly Medal A & B Division (Ladies)**  
Sunday 5th July 2015 - Stroke Play

<b>A Division</b>		<b>CH</b>	<b>Out</b>	<b>In</b>	<b>Total</b>
1 Mimi Ho		10	35	40	75
<b>Ball Sweep 1st Nine</b>		<b>CH</b>	<b>Out</b>	<b>In</b>	<b>Total</b>
1 Alice Teo				37	
<b>Ball Sweep 2nd Nine</b>		<b>CH</b>	<b>Out</b>	<b>In</b>	<b>Total</b>
1 Mimi Ho				35	
<b>B Division</b>		<b>CH</b>	<b>Out</b>	<b>In</b>	<b>Total</b>
1 Irene Leow		23	40	39	79
<b>Ball Sweep 1st Nine</b>		<b>CH</b>	<b>Out</b>	<b>In</b>	<b>Total</b>
1 Jacqueline Chew				38	
<b>Ball Sweep 2nd Nine</b>		<b>CH</b>	<b>Out</b>	<b>In</b>	<b>Total</b>
1 Irene Leow				39	

**Bits & Pieces from the Club Manager's Desk**

**Happy 50th Birthday Singapore!**

At 10 am on 9 August 1965, then-Prime Minister Lee Kuan Yew read the Proclamation of Singapore over radio, cabled Rediffusion and television. Many of us who are today's pioneer generation might have missed the momentous occasion to witness first-hand not only the birth of the country but the poignant images of the day. The population, mostly living in the villages, does not have the luxury of today's communication tools. To make a telephone call one has to make a trip to the nearest coin-slot telephone booth.

As Singapore celebrates its 50th birthday on 9 August 2015, we must not forget our roots and past history. What we have today did not happen by chance. All Singaporeans worked for it. The pioneer generation leaders have done their best to give Singaporeans the good life that many countries envy.

Majulah Singapura!

**National Day Golf**

The Club will organize a ND15 SG50 golf game cum makan kechil on Sunday 9 August during the extended Golden Jubilee weekend. If you have not registered for the game, call the Golfing office 65435210 to check if slots are still available.

**Pace of Play**

When Changi was a walking course aided by caddies, slow play was unheard of. The caddies would nudge the golfers to keep the pace by walking ahead. With the dearth of full time caddies, turfmates were introduced and a single caddy could handle 4 golfers. Still no sign of slow play. Today, with the advent of buggies which is supposed to eliminate slow play, there emerges a unique situation at Changi regarding pace of play on weekdays. Imagine a car trailing behind a couple of bullock carts. Most golf clubs have some restrictions on walking golfers. At Changi, walking golfers are entitled to their walk from a single golfer to a flight of four. Changi, being a member-centric club, has resisted suggestions to apply some restrictions. Before any restriction is applied walking golfers should take the initiatives to allow buggy/faster flights to overtake.

Here are some dos' and don'ts for walking golfers:

- Walking golfers should not take more than the allotted time to tete-a-tete at the halfway house.
- Walking golfers should not forage for balls.
- Single walking golfers should join up with others.

Until the negatives gather momentum, walking golfers can continue to enjoy their walk and exercise. Not forgetting walking golfers deprived club of a buggy rental income.

The starter and marshal can also contribute by reminding walking golfers of their pace. Understanding and co-operation would ensure an enjoyable day for all.

**Kluang Golf Outing**

This is one outing Changians will remember for a long long time.

The 40-seater coach left the club house at 7.10 am, as scheduled and reached the 2nd Link Singapore side at approximately 8 am. There were no signs of a traffic jam. As the minutes ticked by into hours we realized the gravity of the snarl. The coach cleared the Singapore immigration at 11 am! The host was concerned that we could have lost our direction to Kluang.

We arrived at Kluang Golf Club at approximately 1.15 pm, having been on the road for 6 hours.

The reception was fit for dignitaries. Mr. Adam Chua, the Vice President, together with the Kluangians was on hand to welcome the Changians.

Members were gleefully feasting on the King of Fruits and the running lunch, washed down with beer, whisky and toddy. (Durians are rich in vitamins, minerals, fiber and heart-healthy mono unsaturated fats. Durians are also high in sugar, carbohydrates and calories. Indulge with moderation.)

Due to our late arrival, the golf game was reduced to a 9-hole game for everyone to enjoy the 19th hole hospitality at the terrace. It was a welcome relief for the Changi old-timers who would prefer to drown their scores in toddy and Guinness stout.

The dinner held at a Chinese restaurant, was an extraordinary affair. The host did not compromise on the quality of the food. Each and every dish was wiped clean and if we could bring Oliver Twist's famous request "Please sir, I want some more" to the kitchen we might cause a riot. Rounds of "yam seng" reverberated throughout the hall as Changians and Kluangians toasted each other.

The night being young, the party adjourned to the club house for karaoke and more drinks. For Changians who had to wake up at 4 am to make the trip, it was only a 50 meters walk to the refurbished Merdeka Hotel for a well deserved rest.

The morning after, with a solid breakfast including local nasi lemak, the coach departed for Tanjong Putri Golf Resort. The return journey was smooth and the coach arrived at Changi Golf Club around 9.15 pm.

It was a great weekend spent and we thank Adam and his wonderful team for dishing out the hospitality topped with sincerity and friendship.

**Clubhouse Operation Hours**

The Club shall be opened and the recreational facilities will be available for use by members during such hours and subject to such conditions as the Management Committee may decide. Members who parked their cars overnight must inform the security guard or the office and documented. For security reasons, members are not allowed to park at the clubhouse's car park once the no entry barrier is in operation.

**Landmarked Tree**

The solitary tree at the 1st/10th fairway has collapsed due to a rotting trunk and with its passing the approach to the greens is less challenging or perceived to be. For more than twenty years the tree had stood as a sentinel stopping the onslaught of balls aimed at the 1st green. Balls that managed to weave through its outspread branches were considered lucky.

A young tree, planted about two years ago, is growing well and in the years to follow will become the landmarked tree.



**SGA Interclub League 2015**

Game	Against	Venue	Score	Status	Points
1	SICC	LGNCC	13 : 01	Loss	1
2	JCC	KC	6.5 : 7.5	Won	7.5
3	SEN	SEM	9.5 : 4.5	Loss	12
4	NSRCC	RCC	11.5 : 2.5	Loss	14.5
5	SEL	WGCC	8.5 : 5.5	Loss	20
6	OCC	NSRCC	7.0 : 7.0	Draw	27
7	RCC	SEN	8.5 : 5.5	Loss	32.5
8	KC	TMCC	10.5 : 3.5	Loss	36

**TINY TRUTH**

Both optimists and pessimists contribute to society. The optimist invents the aeroplane, the pessimist the parachute.  
- George Bernard Shaw