F & B and Social Roundup

F & B Updates by Royston Tan

Charl Charl Charl (sound from cooking in a hot wok at the kitchen)

2nd Kitchen has officially opened at Changi Golf Club. Going fully operational on 5th July at the 2nd floor of the Clubhouse, Chang-ians can look forward to a sumptuous lunch or dinner at the restaurant with a marvellous unblock sea view.

I had a conversation with Darren, the restaurant manager, last week about this new venture for the restaurant. He was somewhat harried from the opening preparations, but came across very positively that the restaurant will be able to deliver to the rather high expectations of our members.

"We are prepared. We have a very good team here. They will deliver the quality that our customers have associated with 2nd Kitchen. We have great food and a good range of alcohol to pair with the dishes. We are also very reasonably priced for the quality we serve"

Some of the highlights that Darren recommends to all members to try include their signature dishes like the La La Bee Hoon, the Champagne Pork Ribs, the Chilli Crab and the Salted Egg Crab. He insists that these cannot be replicated at home because of the special sauces and ingredients that go into the dishes to make them unique.

And no wonder Darren was so confident. I did some search on the internet and realised that 2nd Kitchen boasts 2 well-known chefs – Ah Hung & Ah Fai. Mr Hung - the head chef who will be based here in Changi Golf Club, is very experienced and is one of the creators of the signature dishes that brought the restaurant to fame. With the support of 4 other chefs and an experienced serving crew, the new restaurant in CGC seems set to take on the task of satisfying the critical palate of our members.

Looking forward to my after-golf meals!! Bon Apetit!

Operational Hours:

Restaurant

Monday to Thursday: 11am - 2pm: 5pm - 930pm (last order

Friday to Sunday & PH: 11am - 930pm (last order)

Golfer's Terrace

Monday to Sunday & PH: 10am - 930pm (last order)

F&B Notice: Price of one jug of Tiger Beer will be revised to \$18.50 effective 1st July 2013.

Family Day Outing

The URA has extended an invitation for Changians and families to a tour of Marina Bay City. The guided tour is free, except for fee-paying areas. It will be conducted on a Saturday in September 2013. If you are interested, please register with Ms Zack 65455133 by 31 July 2013.

AUGUST 2013						
Sat	3 Aug	General Play	am/pm			
Sun	4 Aug	Ladies Medal	am			
		Monthly Medal - Men	am/pm			
Thu	8 Aug	PH Hari Raya Puasa - General Play	am/pm			
Fri	9 Aug	PH National Day - General Play	am/pm			
Sat	10 Aug	General Play	am/pm			
Sun	11 Aug	SGA League RCC vs SEN GC - Course Close	am			
		CGC vs JCC at SEN GC				
		General Play	pm			
Sat	17 Aug	General Play	am/pm			
Sun	18 Aug	General Play	am/pm			
		7th Month Festival				
Sat	24 Aug	General Play	am/pm			
Sun	25 Aug	SGA League TMCC vs LNGCC - Course Close	am			
		CGC vs SEN GC at SICC				
		General Play	pm			
Sat	31 Aug	General Play	am/pm			

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Planning to hold an event? Call Zack and let her take over the planning.

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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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Note from Editorial Chairman

On Sunday 09 June 2013, we finally managed to complete our Monthly Medal Competition for the first time this year! With qualification for the CGC Individual Matchplay competition sorted out, the first round of the competition got underway the following weekend. Unfortunately, the 2nd Round that was scheduled to be held on 22nd June had to be postponed because of severe haze conditions.

Changi Open 2013 is just a few weeks away. We hope that the sun will look down brightly on CGC, and that we can enjoy good weather throughout the Changi Open weekend.

JULY 2013				
Sat	6 Jul	General Play	am	
		3rd Round Changi Cup	pm	
Sun	7 Jul	Ladies Medal	am	
		Monthly Medal - Men	am/pm	
Sat	13 Jul	General Play	am	
		Final Changi Cup	pm	
Sun	14 Jul	General Play	am/pm	
		SGA League CGC vs WGCC at SEL CC		
Thu	18 Jul	Course Close		
Fri	19 Jul	CO'13	am/pm	
Sat	20 Jul	CO'13	am/pm	
Sun	21 Jul	CO'13	am/pm	
Sat	27 Jul	Sponsors' Day	am/pm	
Sun	28 Jul	General Play	am/pm	
		SGA League CGC vs RCC at JCC		



Changi Open 2013

Friday 19 July Ladies' Open Saturday 20 & Sunday 21 July Men's Open Saturday 27 July Sponsors' Day

A Gentle Reminder

NO SMOKING

Except in designated areas.
Thank you.

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.

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.

MONTHLY MEDAL A & B DIVISION Sunday 9th June 2013 STABLEFORD

Mens Division

Overall Winner Thomas S.K. Lim	Ch 8	Out 20	In 18	Total 38
A Division - Best Point 1 Freddie Tan 2 Tan Chew Poh 3 Bala .S	Ch 10 13 10	Out 19 15 12	In 18 21 23	Total 37 36 35 ocb
Best Gross Jason Wong	Ch 4	Out 41	In 32	Total 73
Ball Sweep 1st NINE 1 Thomas S.K. Lim Tie 2 Jason Albert Ang Freddie Tan Gurdip Singh	Ch	Out 20 19 19	In	Total
Ball Sweep 2nd NINE 1 Bala. S Tie 2 Tan Chew Poh Jason Wong	Ch	Out	In 23 21 21	Total
B Division - Best Point 1 Alex Liu 2 Ng Kwee Hock 3 Choy Moo Chee	Ch 17 18 19	Out 17 20 15	In 18 15 19	Total 35 осв 35 34
Best Gross Tan Chee Seng	Ch 16	Out 48	In 41	Total 89
Ball Sweep 1st NINE 1 Ng Kwee Hock 2 Henry Tang Tie 3 Richard Desker Alex Liu	Ch	Out 20 18 17 17	In	Total
Ball Sweep 2nd NINE Tie 1 Tan Chee Seng Choy Moo Chee Tie 3 Chua Kok Moon, Alex Quek Hai Kwang	Ch Liu	Out	In 19 19 18 18	Total

MONTHLY MEDAL - LADIES Sunday 9th June 2013 STABLEFORD

Best Nett 1 Nancy Ng 2 Angeline Low	Ch 12 20	Out 16 12	In 14 17	Total 30 29 ocb
Ball Sweep 1st NINE Tie 1 Pramjeet Kaur Nancy Ng	Ch	Out 16 16	In	Total
Ball Sweep 2nd NINE Tie 1 Angeline Low Felicia Tan	Ch	Out	In 17 17	Total

Bits & Pieces from Club Manager's Desk

Grimacing Greens

CGC has consistently been providing the members with the best quality playing greens, following the basic policy of aspiring for perfection at the minimum cost. Changi's greens are comparable to the best. We honestly and diligently strive for zero defects, and as a result, are achieving the lowest defect rate.

Recently two of the greens were down for the count. There were many versions from the club's grass roots of how the greens wilted. Wrong fertilizers, too much water and lack of nutrients, phytium and nematode attacks! Identifying the cause of turf damages is a skill I do not think many people can claim to have, but then some do especially those with cures to promote or sell and the pasar malam horticulturists.

Under such circumstances, we ask: how did it happen, how we cure it, and how to prevent the damage from recurring. Grasses are living things. They breathe; they require nutrients; they require water; are prone to stress and susceptible to soil diseases when weak.

Changi's greens were all Cow grass and only converted to Serangoon grass during the 1960s. Serangoon is a grass that has been in use a lot but not been researched much. Many golf courses in Malaysia still have Serangoon grass.

In 1985 most of the golf courses' greens were converting to Bermuda Tifdwarf and Changi followed the trend. In 2003 we embarked on a grass cultivating experiment resulting in the localised Bermuda contaminating the Bermuda Tifdwarf. In 2007, Zoysia Tenuifolia were transplanted from another club and that's how parts of our greens have two species of grass, thus creating inconsistency on the putting surface. Getting free grass from our sister clubs saved money but in the longer term will create another set of problems. If there ever was a need to replant grass on greens, we have to make sure we get the grass from one source: and the best source of them all is a nursery of our own, coupled with adequate manpower, expertise and stringent supervision. Two course commodities - grass and sand are never cost-savers; very susceptible to supply and demand.

Today, most golf course designers are recommending the latest Paspalum specie, suitable for the tropics and sub-tropics and require less maintenance.

One of the difficult parts of renovating or reconstructing greens is choosing the right grass. But here again what is the definition of 'right'? The choice of a 'right' grass comes with many questions for the golf course owners/ officials to ponder.

Notwithstanding the land lease renewal, Changi must embark on a renewal programme for all the greens and

this is where the nursing of a certain species of grass is vital. Within our course perimeter, some un-used land must be freed for in-house nursery plots so as not be totally reliant on outside supplies. Besides saving on the purchases we are able to see and test our grass' performance. If the programme materialized, Changi would have a complete set of single grass specie greens rolling within two years.

By the way, has anyone asked why golfers pay 'green fees' and not 'fairway fees'?

House & Facilities Updates

Smokina

Though the golf course is not covered by legislation, we would like to remind golfers to refrain from smoking on the golf course. Cigarette butts discarded on the fairways and tee boxes are an ugly sight and leave a bad impression of our Club.

Littering

No number of manpower can clear the rubbish left behind by inconsiderate golfers and it is up to each individual to play his/her part in keeping the golf course litter free for a cleaner and healthier environment There are neither maids nor man servants in the club house /golf course to clear up the excess litter. The onus is on members to keep the premises litter-free.

Around the Greens

It started out as an innocuous shot. Some 150m away the ball bounced off the leg of a golfer. There was some frantic hand waying from the golfers.

Yet another incident of a golfer taking a shot while the front flight was within the distance. The golfer who was hit by the golf ball was disappointed that the golfer (member's guest) did not have the basic courtesy of an apology when they crossed path at the starter hut. Golf etiquette dictates, so do common sense. In the bygone days such mishaps would be rewarded with a jug of beer, a mouthful of regrets and handshakes.

Members bringing guests to the course must ensure the safety of their guests and other golfers. This is one good reason why members must play with their guests - to provide the course guidance and to prevent any mishap on the course.

MANAGING THE HAZE

In the event of the haze condition being in the unhealthy range, the golf course may have to be closed in the interest of safety of staff and members. We thank you for your understanding.

Some useful information is given below on how the haze condition is monitored:

What is PSI?

PSI stands for 'Pollutant Standards Index'. It is an index developed by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) and is determined by the level of air pollutants such as sulphur dioxide, nitrogen dioxide, ozone, carbon monoxide and particulate matter called PM10 (particulate matter of 10 microns or smaller in size).

What are the health advisories pegged to PSI?

PSI Value	Health Advisory Based on PSI			
0 to50 (Good)	None for the general population.			
51 to 100 (Moderate)	None for the general population.			
101 to 200 (Unhealthy)	Persons with existing heart or respiratory ailments should reduce physical exertion and outdoor activity. The general population should reduce vigorous outdoor activity.			
201 to 300 (Very Unhealthy)	Elderly and persons with existing heart or lung disease should stay indoors and reduce physical exertion and outdoor activity. The general population should avoid vigorous outdoor activity.			
301 to 400 (Hazardous)	Children, elderly and persons with existing diseases should stay indoors and avoid outdoor activity. The general population should avoid unnecessary outdoor activity.			
Above 400 (Hazardous)	Children, elderly and persons with existing diseases should stay indoors, keeping the windows and doors closed and avoiding physical exertion as far as possible. Outdoor activity should be avoided. The general population should keep physical exertion and outdoor activity to as low a level as possible.			
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