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EDITOR'S NOTE



Time flies as the 2013 golfing season draws to a close. November has been an exciting month in the world of golf, with so many results at big professional events worldwide sparking all kinds of debate and opinions. The PGA tour player of the year award for 2013 has no shortage of candidates: five-time tour winner Tiger Woods, British Open Champion Phil Mickleson, Masters Champion and Australia's multiple winner Adam Scott or the Big Swede Henrik Stenson who capped off the season winning the Race to Dubai Award from the European Tour having cinched the Fed Ex Cup earlier in the year. Ian Poulter did his best to beat Stenson at the finale in Dubai, but to no avail, and was frank to comment that Stenson clearly was playing the best golf in the world at the moment. Perhaps the cherry on the cake must be Rory McIlroy, preventing Adam Scott from achieving the Australian triple crown with a birdie on the final hole. It's great to see Rory back in the winner's circle and his comment after beating Scott at the Australian Open typifies why he is such a likeable character in the world of golf:

"Adam is a phenomenal golfer, a great competitor and probably an even better guy and I feel a bit sorry that I was the one that ruined the triple crown for him."

With so many of the top players in such good form, and Rory McIlroy seemingly focused

on his golf once again, golf fans can expect fireworks to come in the upcoming majors in the 2014 calender. What was your favourite moment of 2013? My most memorable was Jason Dufner during the PGA Championship. Not only did he equal the low score in major championships with a first round 63, his persona and character, and his laid back, down to earth charm is so refreshing amongst the world of sport. As for the #dufnering pose which went viral, it's hard to think of anything more amusing that we have seen on Twitter all year; it really was genius.

From 28th of November to the 1st of December, Indonesian golf fans had the pleasure to witness an Asian Tour event on home soil. Damai Indah Golf's Pantai Indah Kapuk course played host to the Indonesian Open 2013. After a three-year hiatus it was exciting to witness another Asian Tour sanctioned event in Jakarta, and we were not disappointed. It was the Asian Tour players who impressed, with Gaganjeet Bhullar from India putting on a spectacle of golf for the fans and was crowned the Indonesian Open 2013 Champion having shot 63 in his opening round. As the Asian tour calendar draws to a close, it is obvious to see how important it is for Indonesia to be regularly hosting high-profile events for the local fans and golfers. Tournaments like the Indonesia Open with international stars like Retief Goosen and Thongchai Jaidee in the field, will continue to inspire our very own future young generation of dedicated, golf-loving and championship-winning players. Long may it continue, and soon, Indonesia may see their very own young prodigy like Thailand's Jazz Janewattananond; co-leader after three rounds, an 18-year-old with a colourful dress sense, he showed us all, how much fun golf should be.

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FEATURED COURSE REVIEW
BY SIMON REYNOLDS

COURSE RATING

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GOLF INDONESIA RATING

20/ 25

84%

Sundanese dishes. Service is amongst two large outdoor areas surrounded by balconies with refreshing views of the nearby Bogor foothills in the distance and the sites of nearby courses Gunung Hills and Rainbow Hills are visible on the horizon.

CADDIES
In the land of the female caddy, your own personal smiling caddy is always a welcome treat. Sentul Highlands provides the golfer with brightly clad young female caddies who are well-trained in course management. I was lucky to be accompanied with a pretty young lady for my round, a breath of fresh air and another treat to my good day out in the Bogor foothills amongst both natural and female beauty. Life can be pleasant for the golfer in Indonesia playing golf in these natural surroundings accompanied by a charming caddy.

AMBIENCE
After an uphill drive from Sentul City and the turn off from the Jagorawi toll, the golfer will feel that he has arrived at a mountain golfing resort. The large, airy open clubhouse with panoramic views of the Bogor foothills is refreshing and the club staff greeted us with a truly friendly, polite and warm welcome. Sentul Highlands has a good combination of class, luxury and escapism from the hustle and bustle of Jakarta life. This course offers the golfer a unique golf course layout designed by a golf hall of fame legend that will please the avid golfer, as well as the social, leisure golfer looking for a fun day of golf in a beautiful environment.

VALUE FOR MONEY
Overall, Sentul Highlands offers decent value for money. Quality doesn't come cheap, but the golf course offers very affordable midweek rates and weekend rates, which will most certainly not break the bank, especially on Sunday afternoons. For those with flexible working hours, make the most of Monday madness where a very economical golf rate is available. With several hotels located nearby, like Harris Hotel Sentul, a golfing getaway is a great and affordable prospect. To enjoy Sentul Highlands, a challenging course with plenty of on-course quirks and so much beauty requires, multiple visits are recommended.👍

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SENTUL HIGHLANDS

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White: 5654m
Yellow: 5243m
Red: 4758m

Sentul Highlands

SENTUL HIGHLANDS is a challenging and charming golf course designed by Gary Player in the beautiful mountainous region of Bogor in Sentul City. The course was constructed in 1997, and like all great golf course architects, Mr. Player has made good use of the hilly terrain and majestic local natural vegetation to create this impressive golf establishment, which will cater for all levels of golfers. The course is located amongst the Sentul Highlands residential developments, and the golf course at times takes the golfer on a tour of some architecturally impressive, luxury homes adjacent to several of the fairways, as you weave your way through the 18 holes.

Gary Player relished a challenge as a player and this is evident in his course design philosophy, creating many a test for one's golf game throughout these 18 holes whilst incorporating the scenic surroundings of the area, the panoramic views through the course of nearby Gunung Salak and the Bogor foothills are at times truly breath-taking. The course has five tee boxes available, so there will be a suitable range of difficulty for all levels of golfers. Sentul Highlands is a public course, but the level of service and quality of the facilities on offer are of private quality thus creating an ideal venue for a round of golf in a stunning setting, or perhaps a golf tournament any day of the week.

THE COURSE
Tee-shots can be tricky throughout the round, and the course often requires careful precision to often seemingly tight fairway landing areas. Hole #2 epitomises Mr. Player's designs, a Par 4, dogleg right to left. The fairway becomes very thin towards the landing area from the tee-box and an errand drive will find out-of-bounds left and right. A well struck tee-shot when finding the fairway will fill



the golfer with confidence to take on the many challenges up ahead.

Soon after Hole #5, is a long par 4, handicap index 1. A blind uphill tee-shot requires a confident long drive to position one's self on the right hand side of a thin fairway, in order to have any chance of finding the green in regulation. With this steep elevation and the deep bunker guarding the front side of the green, the golfer should opt for two clubs extra from his regular yardage to find the small, but highly elevated green.

Gary Player has created a truly challenging course amongst the natural beauty of this region. The highlight for me were the abundant blind tee shots required. The golfer must pick a spot on the horizon and trust his swing, for often the landing area will be hidden from view from the tee box and over the horizon down to the fairway. Although the course is no monster in length, Gary Player, being a master of the short game, has created small and puzzling greens, often well protected by deep sand traps ready to punish any poor approach shots.

Hole # 14 is undoubtedly my favourite of the lot, playing downhill from tee to green. A well-positioned drive must find a thin landing area, which doglegs significantly from left to right. An ideal club would be a 3 or a 4 iron from the blue tees, finding the left hand side of the fairway amongst the rock boulders littering the fairway, then a downhill second shot to a small undulating green is required with no more than a



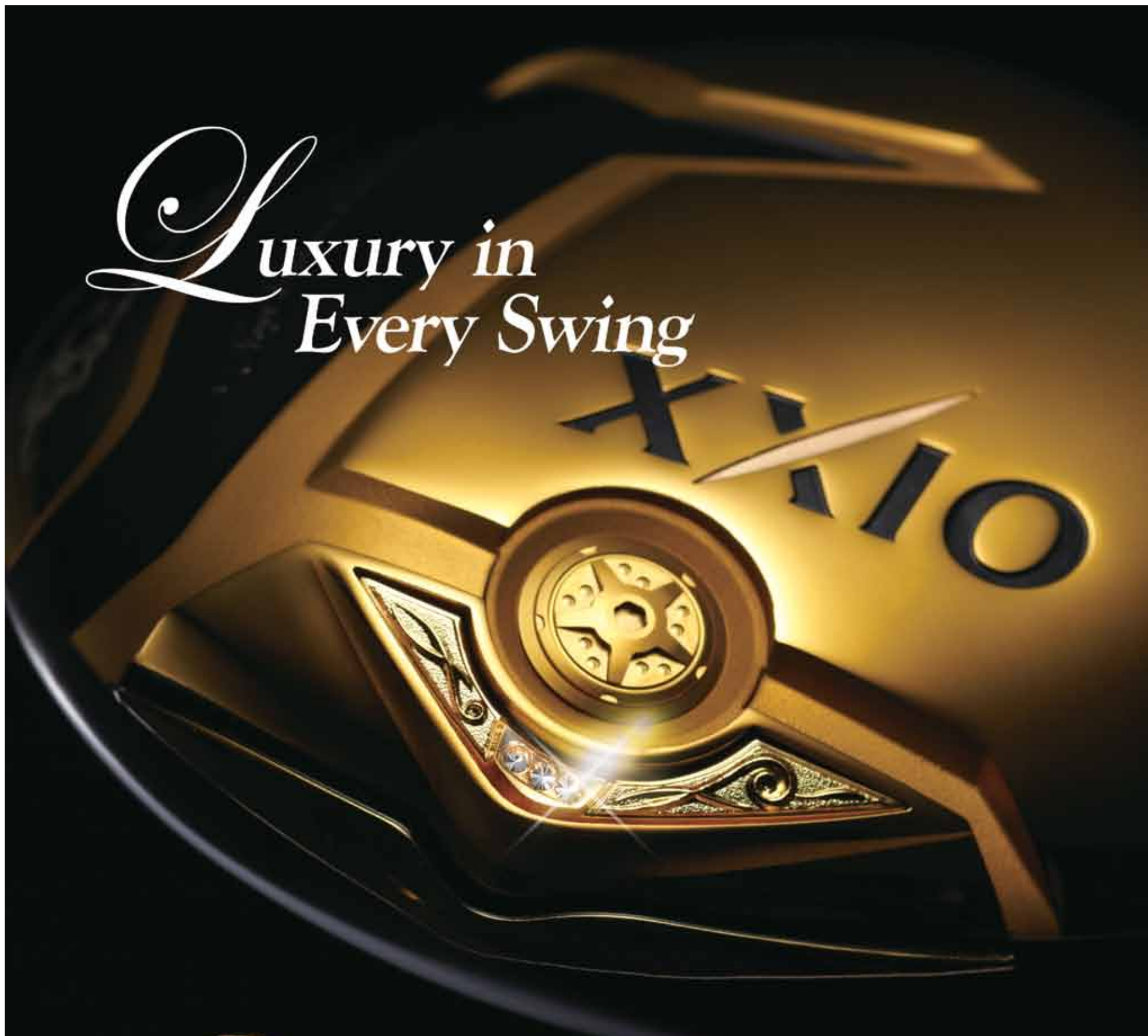
6 or 7 iron. Typical Gary player design at work, although short in yardage, this hole has the combination of a thin dogleg towards a small landing area, and a downhill approach to a small well-guarded green. It's not a test of distance, but a test in strategy, clear mindfulness and accuracy.

FACILITIES
The range of facilities is impressive. The pro shop for starters, run by Raja Golf, stocks the full range of all major golf brands, and will provide the golfer with all his requirements. A driving range with adequate numbers of driving bays is on site, but one very unique feature being the three holes practice facility. Adjacent to the driving range there are three practice holes, of both par 3s and par 4s where beginners can practice their golf game and get some on-course practice and some confidence before committing to playing a full 18 holes.

The locker rooms are spacious and suitably decorated with class and an open airy feel of comfort. Pampering facilities are also available, including a spa facility offering a full range of massage services.

The food and beverage is of good five star hotel quality. There is a good selection of international cuisine, and suitably, given its location, a couple of splendid

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Artists of the Landscape Part II

THE GREAT DEPRESSION and WWII created a void in golf course development, but this was almost singularly filled by Robert Trent Jones, a talented and energetic golf architect with a supreme sense of showmanship. Trent Jones actually started his career as a golf professional and although he was an excellent golfer, health issues drove him away from tournament golf towards his other passion of golf course design. He enrolled at Cornell University, and by choosing a range of independent subjects, including landscape architecture, horticulture, agronomy, hydraulics, surveying, economics, and public speaking, he mapped out a unique curriculum for himself, which had many of the ingredients of a current day golf course architecture degree.

After finishing his degree in 1930, Trent Jones started out in golf course design in partnership with Canadian architect Stanley Thompson, and although they achieved some success with Banff and Capilano courses in Canada, business was constricted by the great depression. The partnership ended in 1938.

Persevering with his chosen career, Trent Jones' business began to blossom after WWI, driven by his salesmanship and an uncanny skill to connect with the most important and wealthy. He commercialised the business more than anyone before or after him, building over 400 courses with teams around the globe loyally following his design principles founded on extremely long tees, jig-saw edged bunkers lining the fairway, and huge greens protected by elaborate bunkers or lake. Golfers were given more than one line to play on most of his holes, but none offered a safe miss. One of his advertisements in the 1960s bellowed the slogan, "Give your course a signature", leading to the terms "signature course" and "signature hole". But as all of his courses were clearly identifiable, a signature was what you got.

Pete Dye appeared on the scene towards the end of Robert Trent Jones' era in the late 60s and in his own words "figured if I was ever going to make a name for myself in this business, I should just do the opposite of whatever Trent Jones was doing. He was the Goliath of the industry." Dye's

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philosophy was to create holes of dramatic appearance, typically with massive earthworks and even bigger budgets, which he frequently exceeded. One of his trademark design features were steep revetment walls in bunkers and shoring of water hazards, inspired by the bunkers of Prestwick golf Course in the UK. The island green at TPC Sawgrass is a classic example. Spectacular as they are, Dye's courses are more suited to the touring pro rather than the average amateur golfer.

The modern era of the 80s brought in Golf Architect Tom Fazio, whose approach was to create a beautiful environment with a course that could be enjoyed by the average golfer. This may have created courses that were not so

inspiring from a strategic player's perspective, but fitted snugly into the requirements of developers who would use a golf course to attract buyers for adjoining residential properties. Fazio would take on any challenge, such as turning a depleted quarry into a golf gem, provided there was a big budget to back him up. Not surprisingly, Fazio's business boomed in unison with the property market, making him the pre-eminent designer of the modern era, with his name on the highest number of courses in the US top 100.

Big names do sell real estate memberships, and with the property boom entered great professional golfing names into the field of golf course design. It may be questionable how much input they could have personally with their busy schedules, and arguable how valuable their contribution may be, given their lives had been dedicated to training and competing, but all are shadowed by dedicated professional designers. It seems, though, that the character of the courses signed off by these golf professionals often reflects their preferred style of play and ball flight, so in a sense the design is their "signature."

With a slowing down in the golf industry, downturn in the property market, and growing environmental awareness in the West, golf has entered the "natural" phase in the western world. Golf course design has almost turned full circle in its philosophy to harmonise with the local natural environment, minimise disturbance of landscape by earthworks, and use local flora and vegetation which places less demand on soil and water resources and requiring less added nutrients. Marketing has shifted from impressing with the spectacular to offering enjoyable playable holes for the average amateur.

At the other end of the economic seesaw are the growing Asian economies where in most countries golf is still on the rise. Here, the range of possibilities covers the whole spectrum of golf course design. Most of the well-known designers have already tried their hand in Indonesia, including Jack Nicklaus, Thompson Wolveridge Perret, Gary Player, Greg Norman, Graham Marsh, Dye Designs, and Robert Trent Jones Jr.

However, to secure projects in Asia on an ongoing basis, designers need to work as much on relationships and the business culture as to do on the technical aspects of a project. This requires long-term consistent engagement with clients, something that may be hard to sustain for large international practices with high overheads. Not surprisingly, compact firms lead by owner/designers has been doing steady business. Over a 20-year span, Bob Moore of JMP design group has already seen the completion of five courses in Indonesia with five more in the pipeline. His philosophy is to build beautiful and enjoyable courses, which the average golfer will want to play again and again — words that a money-conscious developer loves to hear.

There are now over 70 courses in Indonesia, with 40 in Jakarta and surrounds alone, all a treat to play and compare. With a growing economy, an ever-increasing affluent middle class with housing and commercial estates sprouting up in new areas to accommodate them, developers are poised to launch a new generation of golf courses. Perhaps these could nurture an emerging generation of local golf course designers. 🇮🇩



How The OWGR is Misused (Part 1)

WORLD PROFESSIONAL GOLF is played on different, separate and regional tours. In declining importance (read: prize money), the six leading tours are the US PGA Tour, European Tour, Japan Golf Tour, South African Sunshine Tour, Asian Tour and Australasian Tour. Other smaller tours are the Canadian Tour, OneAsia, Latinoamérica, Korean Tour and the 2nd divisions of the US Tour (Web.com) and the European Tour (Challenge Tour). The US Tour is by far the richest. To be accepted on the official tour agenda, an event must offer a minimum total purse of \$ 6.5 million, of which \$ 1 million goes to the winner. Average prize money on the second richest regional tour, the European Tour, is EUR 1.9 million per event, or 75% less. No. 3, the Japan Golf Tour, offers roughly 50% less than the European Tour. And so forth. Regional tour events are open to members of that tour. Few professionals have dual membership of different tours. The result is that competition between members of different regional tours hardly, if ever, occurs.

Eight of the richest and most important tournaments on the annual golf agenda worldwide, of which six are played in the US, form an exception to the rule that professional golf is played on different, isolated tours. These eight do not restrict qualification to members of any regional tour; the three Majors, i.e. US Open,

The [British] Open and the USPGA, the four World Golf Championship (WGC) events, and The Masters. The three Majors apply similar qualifying tools; the Official World Golf Ranking (OWGR), updated weekly, of one to three weeks prior to the event, winners of flagship events of various regional tours, and current US Money List and European Race to Dubai ranking and a handful of world top amateurs. Last, but certainly not least, 40 to 50 real qualifiers, who have to play themselves through special qualifying tournaments held worldwide, a few weeks before the major itself is being played, to prove that they have the form of the day required to contend in a top event. The WGC events use one of the latest OWGR in combination with more or less recent, up to date official rankings of regional tours, first of all the US and European Tours. A handful of successful local tour members are thrown in to draw spectators. WGCs don't organize qualifying events. The Masters being The Masters does it very differently. It does not accept real qualifiers, either, but invites about half of its field of 96 (compared to 156 in the three majors) based mostly on results that have nothing to do with current form, a shaky ground for an event pretending to be a "major"; all past winners of the Masters can return, for as long as they wish, no matter how old they are. Some take this too literally. In 2013 fifteen still couldn't help themselves, and joined the party again (the Masters pampers them like royalty). In 2009, after 52 years returning to the Masters (a truly sad record), 75 years old Gary Player, who won his first of three Masters titles in 1961,

finally threw in the towel. The Masters invites the top 50 of an OWGR of three months old, while a current OWGR is already out of date. Each year too many in this last category start seriously underperforming in the months leading up to The Masters, while their OWGR qualification for the Masters stays a done deal. The end result is that the Masters field falls far short of the strength and depth that a major field should have. But since the Masters also opens its doors to at least one or a few members of many regional tours, it qualifies as one of the eight world golf events, be it by far the weakest and least important.

So what's wrong with the OWGR, and how is it being misused ?

1) Players' rankings are based on results up to two y-e-a-r-s old:

To judge where a professional is with his game right now, his recent results are the least unreliable indicator. In golf reliable indicators of how someone will perform next week do not exist. "Recent" in golf doesn't go beyond three months. Older results are rapidly getting out of date, and lose relevance. Results from 3 to 6 months old should be weighed less than half of results not older than three months; say 40 %. Results 6 to 9 months old

should be downgraded once again to less than half; 15 %. Even older results are entirely useless. Why? "The Dreaded Slump", to which every pro falls victim, more than once during his career. Some never get out of their first slump, never to be heard from again. There is one reason why nine to twelve months old results might be taken into some consideration, be it for not more than 5%; golf is a very mental game, and year end for a professional is a psychological breakpoint. That's when he contemplates his past year, and asks himself what next year will have in store. For many their performance in the new year is going to be remarkably inconsistent with how they did last year.

But the OWGR takes results up to two y-e-a-r-s old into their calculation of a professional's performance. Consequently, the OWGR does not show where a pro's game is today, but rather how he was doing six to nine months ago. Because out of the 24 months taken into the OWGR's equation, it gives three times more weight to results of the last three months. Obviously, the ranked pros have no problem with that; this provides a great safety net under their next slump! Two years is a very generous time span to get out of your slump, and yet remain

exempt from qualification. Because all regional tour associations and event managers use the OWGR as an important qualifying tool, throughout his slump the professional continues to be exempt from qualification: his OWGR ranking goes down very slowly, while the moment his slump hits him, his results go through the floor. In September 2010 US Presidents' Cup captain Fred Couples stated in front of the press, that Tiger Woods would be one of his captain's picks in any case, because "after all, Tiger is still no. 1". Couples stopped short of saying "on the OWGR", which is what he must have meant. Because it cannot have escaped his attention, that Woods by Sep 2010 had dropped to no. 142 on the US Tour Money list, and didn't even qualify for the FedEx Cup playoffs. But Woods' 2009 results had been so stellar (he won almost 40 % of the events he played in, something never done before or since), that after 10 miserable months according to the OWGR still nobody had managed to overtake him. After he shot himself in the foot in 2009 Woods could have taken up fishing instead, and one year later still be the OWGR's no. 1. 🙄



📍 Sweden's Henrik Stenson the real World No. 1?

ZEN GOLF

Stay and Play

at Lido Lakes

WE HAVE ALL HEARD and used Robert Frost’s metaphoric phrase, "to take the path less travelled", but how many of us can say that we actually have? For golfers around Jakarta, that less travelled path is the one that leads to the Lido Golf Club and Resort in the mountains just outside of Bogor. Quietly nestled between mount Salak, Pangrango and Gede 75km from Jakarta, the Lido G. C. rewards golfers who are willing to make the trek with one of the most serene 18-holes in all of West Java.

The vision of Australian course designer Ross C. Watson, Lido G. C. was constructed in 1994 to create an honest challenge for any golfer while incorporating the natural elements and mountainous terrain of its

surrounding environment. Throughout the round players will encounter a wide variety of wildlife, dense forests and scenic vistas that are more reminiscent of Japan than Jakarta.

Course
Not to be undone by the panoramic views and crisp mountain air, the course at Lido G. C. speaks for itself. Throughout the round players will encounter a series of challenges ranging from tee shots over lush valleys to long holes protected by steep drop-offs to approach shots into greens of varying elevations.

From the 1st tee box to the 18th green the course at Lido G. C. is in great condition with flush lies, a good balance of doglegs right and doglegs left, natural mountain contours built into every shot, and slick but very true greens. Rewarding players for a good tee-shot, the greens at Lido are attackable and set up perfectly for the golfer’s eye.

With so many great holes to play, choosing a favourite may require playing Lido G. C. a few times. Some highlights include the dogleg left Par 4, #4 that has a green jetting out into the valley, the long Par 5, #8 with sweeping views down the right side of the fairway, or the downhill Par 3, #14 that requires an over water shot while Mount Salak provides a stunning backdrop.

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COURSE	<div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div>
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AMBIANCE	<div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div>
VALUE	<div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div>

82%

GOLF INDONESIA RATING 20.5 / 25

however once you tee-off it is clear that golf is the focus here, as the clubhouse becomes a more distant memory with each shot played. After the round the clubhouse restaurant provides a comfortable place to tally up the scores while offering a wide selection of delicious foods and drinks at very reasonable prices.

Prior to teeing off, players can take advantage of the driving range and large putting green just steps outside of the clubhouse. After a long drive to Lido G. C. we highly recommend a few practices swings to refocus the mind and calm the nerves.

Caddies
The all female caddies were knowledgeable of the fairway distances, breaks on the putting surface, and strategy for playing the course. The biggest surprise of the day was that the shy caddies were allowed to wear denim jeans complimented by their standard issue purple shirt and long brimmed hat.

Although there are not many flaws to be found at Lido G. C. there is still some room for improvement when it came to the rough and bunkers. At Lido G. C. the rough was a bit thin and not punishing enough for errant shots, while the strategically positioned fairway and greenside bunkers were dense as a result of the afternoon rainstorms.

Facilities
With a sleepy clubhouse feel and a weathered locker room, the facilities leave much to be desired,

COURSE INFORMATION



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FACILITIES
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COURSE
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Ambience

A great escape from the concreted jungles of Jakarta, the Lido G. C. experience maintains a perfect balance of nature to golf. The staff are warm and welcoming while groundskeepers can be found providing immaculate care throughout the course. During the week you are likely to find only a handful of other players on the course allowing for an enjoyable round without the crowds or feeling of being rushed.

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affordable stay and play package for golfers and families alike. Players can drive up in the morning, play golf in the afternoon and enjoy the hotel facilities for a few hours before returning home the next day.

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Nostalgic Bhullar Clinches The Indonesia Open 2013

GAGANJEET BHULLAR, the talented Indian golfer, clinched the Indonesia Open at Damai Indah Golf's Pantai Indah Kapuk course in North Jakarta, posting a flawless final round 68 and a total of -16 for the tournament. The Indian had led from day one of the Open having posted a sizzling 64 during the opening round. A combination of confidence, patience, and an exhibition of long straight driving, alongside a sound short game, was the difference between Bhullar and the rest of the field. Bhullar hit every fairway on the final round of play and having missed a couple of greens put the ball in the hole with as little as 27 putts for the round. It was a slow start for the Indian, who was out in 35 strokes and even par, but a birdie on the 11th hole kick started some momentum resulting in a couple more birdies on holes 13 and 14.

It is the rainy season here in the tropics, and lightning stopped play for the second time during the tournament with the last group of Jaidee, Janewattananond and Bhullar about to hole out on the 15th hole for their bogey, bogey and par respectively. When rain resumed, Bhullar showed his nerve and confidence, to tap in for par on the 15th. He then resumed his exquisite master-class of powerful driving, finding the fairway with his long 300 yard drives, as he closed out to seal the victory with a succession of 4 well made pars.

Jakarta is one of Bhullar's favourite cities in Asia, with a sense of nostalgic pleasure in his heart for the Indonesian capital, where he captured his very first Asian Tour victory back in 2009 at the Indonesia President Invitational. Bhullar ironically

finished last in the recent World Cup of Golf in Australia representing India, his incredible performance here in Jakarta was a welcome back to form and an awakening back to the level of golf he knows he is capable of producing. This, his fifth career Asian Tour win, will give him plenty of confidence as the 2013 season comes to a close and he looks forward with bright eyes to the upcoming 2014 season.

"Obviously, I was a little disappointed with my performance at the World Cup of Golf in Australia, but I didn't let it affect my performance and focus during this tournament here in Jakarta, actually I think I am still getting over the jet lag. Nonetheless, I came here and played my game with lots of confidence as I knew all my hard work over the season would come through eventually, as long as I stayed patient and stuck to my strategy, I always knew I had the game to win the tournament."

"I love playing Golf in Jakarta, I won my very first Asian tour event here back in 2009, so the city will always have a soft spot in my heart," said a beaming Bhullar after the final round and trophy ceremony, where the Indian secured his first professional win for just over a year back in 2012, the Venetian Open in Macau.

Indonesian golf fans were treated with a great spectacle of golf all week, and the final round saw many of Asia's most talented players pressing Bhullar from the start with notable performances from Malaysia's rising star, the bespectacled Nicohlas Fung, who

shot an impressive 66 for a tie for second. The veteran Thai golfer Chapcai Nirat struck 2 eagles on his way to a final round 67 to finish in a tie for second with Fung. Fung came in with a 32, during the final round, and came one step closer to winning his very first Asian Tour event. His 2nd place finish is his best Asian Tour finish to date, with a fifth place finish in Manila two weeks ago his best outing previously. Despite falling just short, Fung can be proud of his performance, a 30-yard bunker shot to the 17th green, leading to a tap-in for birdie was one of many highlights from the talented Malaysian player.

"I'm extremely happy with my performance this week. It's really good to see my name up on the leader-board amongst the other experienced players," said Fung, a hugely talented Malaysian golfer, poised for great things on tour in 2014.

The tie for second was also a welcome return to form for the veteran tour pro Chapcai Nirat, who has won three times in his career on tour but is looking to end a four year drought on the Asian tour. The Thai star has been entertaining Asian golfers for 10 years on tour, and he finished the top placed Thai golfer, in an event which saw six Thai professionals in the Top 10 after 3 rounds of play at the event. The big hitting Nirat's second shot, a 7 iron, to the 17th green par 5, left him with a 20ft putt for his second eagle on the back nine, then lightning stopped play as the players were evacuated from the course and back to the clubhouse.



▲
Gaganjeet Bhullar
the Indonesia Open
Champion 2013

“I made a few mistakes after my first eagle and I was so angry with myself. I gave my tee shot on the 17th hole a 100% effort and my seven-iron approach landed 20ft from the hole. I had a lot of time to think about that putt during the weather delay and I made it when play resumed,” smiled Chapcai.

Thai and Asian golf fans were bedazzled by the 18 -year Thai prodigy Jazz Janewattananond throughout the week, with his bright golf attire and refreshing style of free thinking and attacking golf. The youngster with a big future was the co-leader coming into the final round, but a 74 led him to slip down the leader board at the close of play. Golf fans all over Asia will be pleased to know he played well enough to seal his tour card for the 2014 season and that they can enjoy some more Jazz on tour next year.

Rory Hie showed huge promise for Indonesia, as the country strives for a local winner to take home their National Open. Hie posted three consecutive rounds of 68, and was in the penultimate group playing in the final round. Unfortunately, things didn’t go to plan as Rory’s errand drive on the 8th caused a penalty stroke and a double bogey, then trouble struck on the 9th hole when Hie’s approach to the 9th green found the water hazard guarding the front green. After taking a drop, his pitch to the green landed over the trap but back-spun back into the water, Rory guarded

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a quadruple bogey and finished with a final round 79 to finish at -1 and a tie for 41st place. However, Rory played some fantastic, exciting golf all week, and Indonesian golf fans will never lose faith in their hero as he continues to inspire youngsters to take up the game of Golf here in Indonesia. Local amateur Jordan Irawan took home the low amateur trophy at the Indonesia Open, and the 18-year-old from Bandung ended the tournament at +5 as one of Indonesia’s most promising prospects to produce a professional winning golfer.

The Indonesia Open is Indonesia’s oldest professional event, and over the years it has consistently attracted a strong field of top Asian, European and American players to compete here in Jakarta. This illustrious event has seen many notable champions over the years including Payne Stewart from the United States and Frank Nobilo from New Zealand. The Indonesia Open 2013 was undoubtedly a huge success, and after a three-year hiatus, it has proved to be welcome return to the Asian Tour calendar, and long may it continue for many years to come.

Salam olahraga! 🇮🇩



The Top of the Leaderboard and the prize money, at the close of play at the Indonesia Open 2013, played at the par 71, 7100 yards Pantai Indah Kapuk, Damai Indah Golf Course:

268 – (-16) Gaganjeet BHULLAR (IND) 64-67-69-68. US\$135,000
271 – (-13) Nicholas FUNG (MAS) 66-67-72-66, Chapchai NIRAT (THA) 67-67-71-66. US\$64,875
272 – (-12) Siddikur RAHMAN (BAN) 71-65-69-67. US\$37,500
273 – (-11) Jyoti RANDHAWA (IND) 69-70-65-69. US\$30,750
274 – (-10) Antonio LASCUNA (PHI) 74-65- 67-68, Anirban LAHIRI (IND) 71-68-67-68, Thaworn WIRATCHANT (THA) 70-64-69-71, Jazz JANEWATTANANOND (THA) 66-66-68-74. US\$20,193
275 – (-9) Prom MEESAWAT (THA) 67-66-71-71, Thongchai JAIDEE (THA) 67-67-68-73. US\$13,707
276 – (-8) Sutijet KOORATANAPISAN (THA) 70-71-71-64, Steve LEWTON (ENG) 71-68-71-66. US\$11,776
277 – (-7) Sam BRAZEL (AUS) 67-72-71-67, Daniel CHOPRA (SWE) 71-69-68-69, Rattanon WANNASRICHAN (THA) 72-68-67-70. US\$10,388



▲ CLOCKWISE FROM TOP LEFT: Nicholas Fung from Malaysia, Jordan Irawan the lowest amateur at the Indonesia Open, Jazz Janewattananond the 18 year-old Thai prodigy

▲ LEFT TO RIGHT: Chapcai Nirat the Thai veteran of 10 years on tour, Rory Hie Indonesia’s Number One golfer



How Do We Define TEMPO?



TEMPO IN GOLF SWING is often overlooked as an important element to create consistent, efficient ball striking. Good tempo allows the player to increase the quality of impact, thus increasing distance. Good tempo allows the player to maintain their fitness and energy whilst increasing the length of time a player will play better golf. It sometimes seems that the element of tempo comes under the unwritten rules section regarding the golf swing. Most players are aware of it but may not know how to measure it or even create it.

I've been playing golf for 40 years, I can say I've practiced more than most, I can also say I've got a pretty good handle on tempo, but it actually changes from day to day. We know that there are different levels of tempo and these vary from player to player, so is tempo just speed? Or is it power? Strength? It seems to be a combination of all of these things and more.

Tempo is a measure of how fast you swing the golf club from start to finish and it seems to vary more with a person's body shape, eg. bigger bodied players seem to have a slower tempo than thinner

bodied players, but confusingly enough this is not always the case. Personality can often play a part in one's tempo no matter what their body size. Good tempo means you will synchronize the movements of all the body parts involved with the swing and also assist in maintaining lag in the initial movement from the top of the backswing. When watching a swing we can count to four to try to understand a person's tempo, when we get to the top the count will be two, when they finish we should be at four. During that count you will be able to feel if the whole swing is fluid and smooth or slow to go back and fast to come down. A very slow backswing and very fast downswing is not an ideal swing tempo.

These photos cannot show you tempo, but they do show you how the player is able to maintain lag in the top half of the down swing; an aspect more achievable if you have good tempo. If you have access to a video of Ernie Els, watch it every day; that's tempo in a pure form. How does a man with such fluid movements create so much distance? Tempo is a very big part of it.

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Major Points

- 1. Tempo is a measure of your swing speed from start to finish
- 2. Good tempo involves a smooth change of direction from the top of the backswing
- 3. Good tempo is efficient and fluid
- 4. Good tempo helps you to be more consistent
- 5. Good tempo will assist in maintaining angle at the first part of the downswing
- 6. Good tempo will help control tension within the body parts involved in making the swing

So next time you're on the range consider your tempo as a major effect for better golf, consult your coach to assist in evaluating your swing tempo and then make it a part of your practice routines. 🏌️





The Tee Set Championship 2013

THE TEE SET year has a rhythm of its own with golf every weekend, net score most of the time and Stableford on the last Saturday in the month and the once a year excursion to the South for the Bandung Bash – but all of it leading up to the season’s zenith, the Tee Set Championship in November.

Planning for the event requires a “meeting” or two in the Star Deli to make sure all are on the same wavelength – and then a bunch of work getting sponsors confirmed, shirts designed, scorecards prepared, banners sorted, the menu and suppliers selected and all the rest of the stuff that goes to putting together Jakarta’s leading annual amateur Handicap championship, and then making it all work.

The planning and work proved worthwhile once again this year as the event was to go without any significant hitches at the Matoa Golf Club on Sunday the 24th November, with even the rain staying away until after the round was complete and the 93 Tee Setters safely ensconced back in the clubhouse.

The day itself was to start very early, with the organisers having to leave home around 4am in order to get to the course in time to set everything up for the arrival of players from 5.30am onwards when the breakfast of champions, *Nasi Goreng* was available, together with Bloody Marys to wash it down, at least for the faithful.

Getting round the course on Tee Set Championship day can be a severe challenge for the unwary, and we are not talking about narrow fairways of tricky greens here, but rather the variety and quantity of food and drink on



offer, including of course Hot-Hed’s excellent giant (to non-US eyes) Hot Dogs and Jack Calcote’s notorious and lethal “smoothies” available from the carts endlessly criss-crossing the course.

After the round, a fine lunch was immediately available including the usual excellent Tucker Box yabbies’ (crawl fish if you are not from Australia), delectable mini pies baked by Cecilia’s Café on Jl Ampera Raya — and all topped off by Jesse Baker’s superb chilli beans deluxe. With committee member Mike Garwood away sorting out New Zealand sheep - and having refused to leave behind his Chili Beans recipe - Jesse’s fine contribution was particularly welcome.



Before the start of the prize-giving itself, long time Tee Setter, Anthony King, took the opportunity to say a few words about that rock of the Jakarta golfing scene, Matt Harter, who had passed away two days previously, just hours after reaching his home town in Colorado. Matt’s Brother Peter had overseen his medical care in Singapore for the past nine months and accompanied him on the long haul home.

Anthony reminded us all of the massive contribution that Matt had made to golf in his long association with Indonesia, having pivotal roles in the Interleague, the Bali Classic, the Tee Set itself and much else besides. Matt was a big man in every sense. With so many of Matt’s friends present there was more than the odd tear in the eye as we raised glasses to show our respect to a fine man taken before his time. RIP Matt Harter, you will be greatly missed by Jakarta’s golfing community.

The President then recapped an eventful year for the Tee Set, not least the fun of the Bandung Bash, the success of the 30th Anniversary event, the resurgence of the Tee Set Interleague team as

improved its Interleague standing considerably; most valuable player Sam Western winning every one of his five matches

Finally we got around to a prize-giving with the day’s major prize going to Nenden Fleischmann in taking top honours at the Tee Set Championship, closely followed by David Shenman in the runner up spot. Well done to both.

The day also saw the conclusion of the 2013 Match Play competition, with the final being contested between Matt Fairey and Alistair Livingstone; Matt eventually prevailing 1 up. Terrific match that went all the way to the wire. Congratulations to both players on



their efforts and indeed for the fine spirit that the game was played in.

This year, and for the first time, the Tee Set committee decided that superior performance over the entire season should see some reward also, and three new categories duly appear hear on the final prize list for lowest average gross, net and most rounds played.

With the prizes all done, Ric announced that following the independent counting of the vote, Peter Reichlmeier would be his successor for the 2013/2014 season, while Peter thanked Ric for his enormous efforts over the years – and told the assembly that he was only taking on the Presidency in the full and certain knowledge that he would be getting plenty of help from all the usual suspects!

With the formalities all over, and the “Band from Bandung” striking up, it was time for the usual fun of the “Tee Set’s Got

TEE SET CHAMPIONSHIP	MATCH PLAY CHAMPIONSHIP
Champion - Nenden Fleischmann	Champion - Matt Fairey
Runner up - David Shenman	Runner up - Alistair Livingston
Low Gross – A Division, Sam Westen	
Low Gross – B Division, Peter Reichlmeier	
Low Gross – C Division, Jan Jelinek	
Low Putts – Nurey Puzey, 25 putts	
Longest Drive – Ladies, Santi Miller 225m	
Longest Drive – Men, Mo Maharam 275m	
Nearest to the Pin, Bob Fleischmann 2.1m	
1 st Par HC>=30, Cate McCosker	
1 st Birdie, Chris Smith	
1 st Sandy, Harold Hayne	
	BEST OVER THE SEASON
	Best Gross, Joseph Peries, 74 average
	Best Nett, Sam Westen, 71 average
	Most Played, Evaldo Roos, 45 rounds



Talent” competition when a whole bunch of Tee Setters, with their vocal cords suitably lubricated by now, were to get up on the stage and show us what they had. Craig Ewers won fairly convincingly but, sadly, was later disqualified for admitting to having previously performed professionally!

A most special day for all those who took part and for which we have to thank our fabulous Gold Sponsors, Hot-Hed, Samson Tiara, International Paint Indonesia and Seascope Surveys, while our Silver sponsors were Quest Geophysical and Fugro Indonesia. Other sponsors were Kojo, Star Deli Pub, Murphy’s Irish Pub, Mad Dogs Pub and PT Adi Warna Pratama. Thanks once again to them all; without them this great event just would not happen.

Roll on the 2014 Tee Set Championship! 🍷



British Golfer Attacked by Crocodile on a Cancun Golf Course, Mexico

DOUGIE THOMPSON was in Mexico on holiday to celebrate a friend's wedding when he and a group of friends decided to play a round of golf at the Iberostar Cancun Golf Club. Dougie's wayward approach on the par 4, 3rd hole came to rest in some shrubbery near a greenside bunker. Whilst trying to play his shot onto the green, Mr. Thompson was attacked by a crocodile, which sank its teeth into his thigh and the right side of his body.

Dougie Thompson, an avid golfer, only survived this horrific incident, after the beast sank its teeth into his leg and tried to drag him into a nearby lagoon, because of the heroic acts from his golfing companions, who bravely beat off the reptile with their golf clubs and even had to drive over the marauding creature with their President golf buggy.

The British golfer, a father of two, was forced to have 200 staples put into his right leg after the incident, after this savage attack in

Cancun, Mexico.
"My ball was in the bunker around 10-15 feet from thick shrubbery. I didn't even know there was water behind the bushes," Thompson said.

"I took my bunker shot, which landed safely on the green. Then I heard this noise behind me and this huge crocodile snapped me by the thigh."

Thankfully for Thompson, he was playing with three friends who were able to dash to his rescue.

"I couldn't feel pain, I was in total shock," he told the Mirror news.

One of his distressed friends describes the ordeal, "It was like a big toy, big black eyes looking at me. Hitting, it was like hitting a brick wall."

The crocodile attack only ended because of the bravery of his fellow golfers repelling the crocodile with their golf clubs and the golf cart. Thompson describes the nightmare, several


weeks later: "One of them started hitting the crocodile as well while the other actually drove the golf cart over it. I think actually my friends are more in shock from the event than myself, as they are the ones who witnesses the drama."

He also added, how grateful he was to his friends, as if it wasn't for his friends the beast "would have dragged me back into the lagoon and had me for dinner."

Alarmingly, he is the second golfer to be attacked at the Iberostar Cancun Golf Club. New Yorker Edward Lunger lost two fingers after being attacked by a crocodile there. 🐊

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6th December
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5th-8th December
Hong Kong Open - European Tour event - Hong Kong Golf Club, Hong Kong

5th-8th December
One Asia Championship - OneAsia event - Mission Hills, Dongguan, China

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