



# TEE-RRIFIC TURNOUT AND CAMARADERIE

## IN FULL SWING

Text by Sylvia Thay, Deputy Manager

Orchid Country Club was bustling with activity on the morning of 30 July, with 102 golfers gathered for a day of golf, fun, and friendly competition. Following a scrumptious lunch spread and a group photograph, the shotgun tee-off marked the beginning of the SMA Annual Golf Tournament 2025 and 26 flights of golfers headed onto the green. This year's Tournament saw 13 first-time participants, who managed to snag the highly sought slots despite an overwhelming response.

Thanks to good weather throughout the day, the Tournament proceeded smoothly with an optional dessert break for golfers who stopped by the ice-cream booth which offered traditional cut ice cream in a cup or sandwiched between their choice of bread or wafers. Before long, the golfers returned to the main building with big smiles on their faces, as they got ready for dinner.

The Emerald Suite was filled with the chatters of excited golfers and choice music played by the deejay. Convenor Dr Bernard Lim took to the stage to welcome everyone and expressed his

gratitude to all involved, including golfers, sponsors and SMA staff, and the dinner commenced! Much to everyone's delight, the ballroom's atmosphere was further livened as emcee-entertainer Happy Fei Fei began the evening's programme with an energetic greeting and plenty of jokes. Time passed quickly amid the series of games as well as a sharing by Platinum Sponsor Summit Planners, and the room was soon filled with applause and cheers as the results of the day's game were announced.

To both their surprise, first-time participants Dr Benedict Peng and Dr Angela Hwee bagged the Best Nett prize and Best Lady Golfer prize, respectively. When speaking with them, Dr Hwee shared that they were eager to participate in the tournament to meet fellow enthusiasts as they had only recently started golfing more seriously. Having had a great day, she praised the event for being well-organised with a fantastic course, good food and most importantly, great company. "Come join the Tournament, you won't regret!" was what Dr Hwee answered when asked what

she would say to golfers who have not participated in the Tournament before.

Yet another pleasant surprise for the evening was the tie for the Best Team award, with both teams scoring 183 points each. The final winner was thus determined with a coin toss and as luck would have it, Team Specialist brought home the trophy for 2025! The evening's programme continued in a boisterous mood until all 51 lucky draw prizes were given out. Golfers then bid fond farewell to old and newfound friends, departing Orchid Country Club in high spirits, stomachs filled and hands full with goodie bags and prizes.

SMA thanks Dr Bernard Lim and all participants for their strong support of our Golf Tournament, and we look forward to organising more of such events for Members to meet and connect with colleagues and friends with similar interests. If you are keen to find out more about SMA's Special Interest Groups' games and activities, please reach out to us at [membership@sma.org.sg](mailto:membership@sma.org.sg).



Dr Bernard Lim first joined the SMA Golf Tournament in 2017. Back then, he had just picked up golf and excitedly registered for the Tournament after finding out about it through the newsletter. Eight years later, we speak to him as the convenor of the SMA Annual Golf Tournament 2025 to find out about the experience.

**Q: How has your experience as the Golf Tournament's convenor been?**

A: Although I was taken aback when tasked to organise this year's Tournament, I have found it to be a pleasure and honour to do so for

fellow golf enthusiasts. I am thankful for the strong support provided by the organising committee (including SMA staff) and the sponsors in the process of putting together this event. It is especially heartwarming to have so many doctors join us today. This is a good event for doctors to network with colleagues from both private and public sectors, as well as an opportunity for everyone to let our hair down outside of work. The turnout today is very encouraging.

**Q: Do you have any advice for the next convenor?**

A: I would urge the next convenor to continue and build on this momentum for the Golf Tournament. My hope is for the event to increase in scale and participation, and possibly even move out of its comfort zone. I believe that this is possible with the strong support of the SMA team and fellow doctors! ♦

**Congratulations to all the winners of SMA Annual Golf Tournament 2025!**

**Best Gross:** Dr Charles Tan Tse Kuang

**Best Stableford:** Dr Tay Jam Chin

**Best Nett:**  
Dr Benedict Peng Chan Wearn

**Best Senior Golfer:**  
Dr Chong Tat Chong

**Best Senior Lady Golfer:**  
Dr Goh Swee Heng

**Best Lady Golfer:**  
Dr Hwee Peik Hum Angela

**Best Team (GP vs Specialist)**

**Winner: Specialist**

Dr Tay Jam Chin

Dr Charles Tan Tse Kuang

Dr Ngiam Shih Kwang Kelvin

Dr Ng Chee Yung

Dr Goh Swee Heng

**Runner-up: GP**

Dr Adrian Tan Yong Kuan

Dr Chee Hsing Gary Andrew

Dr David Tan Yew Weng

Dr Chee Yew Wen Ewen

Dr Hwee Peik Hum Angela

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**Winner:** Mr Ke Yam Cheong

**Runner-up:** Mr Clinton Ang



**Legend**

1. United we swing, united we conquer
2. Ace couple on and off the course:  
Dr Benedict Peng Chan Wearn (Best Nett score) and Dr Hwee Peik Hum Angela (Best Lady Golfer)
3. Congratulations to our lucky draw winner, Mr Marcus Song!
4. Unforgettable moments with unforgettable friends



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