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### **SOUTH EAST ASIAN AMATEUR GOLF TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP 2023: STAR PLAYERS TAKE THE STAGE AT MINES RESORT GOLF CLUB**

Mines Resort Golf Club, Malaysia, 20 August 2023 – Golfing enthusiasts brace themselves for an exhilarating showdown at the Mines Resort Golf Club as the South East Asian Amateur Golf Team Championship brings together the region's best from 21st to 24th August.

The spotlight focuses not just on the four iconic events – the 60th Putra Cup, 14th Lion City Cup, 12th City Cup, and 8th Kartini Cup – but on the formidable players and teams that are set to contend for these titles.

Thailand, renowned for their golfing prowess, enters the championship with momentum, having claimed the Lion City Cup, Santi Cup, and Kartini Cup titles in 2019. Their Santi Cup team is graced by leading lady amateurs Thitikarn Thapasit, Suvichaya Vinijchaitham, and Pimpisa Rubrong. The Lion City Cup boasts junior sensations Kittipong Kamlangklee, Teerawut Boonseeor, and Siradech Chanha. Achiraya Sriwong, Satonkan Thiengsri, and Prim Prachakorn form the formidable Kartini Cup team. Not to be outshined, Thailand's Putra Cup ensemble comprises stalwarts Jiradech Chaowarat, Ashita Piamkulvanich, Parin Sarasmut, and Siwakorn Kriangkrai.

Singapore, the reigning Putra Cup champions from 2019, poses a significant challenge to contenders and will be keen to defend their title. Their Putra Cup team includes Nathen En Quan Tan, Irvyn Sheng Kang Tan, Qi Wen Wong and Sean Cheng Ee Pang.

Malaysia's line-up exudes brilliance and depth. Leading the charge for Malaysia are two of the country's most decorated players. Malcolm Ting, the SEA Games 2023 silver medallist, will look to channel his recent success into a commanding performance. Accompanying him is the stellar Ng Jing Xuen, who clinched the gold at the SEA Games 2023, further solidifying Malaysia's robust presence in this year's competition. The other Putra Cup players are Anson Yeo, Nateeshvar Ganesh, and Zia Iqmal. The Lion City Cup will showcase young talents Andrew Yap, Muhamad Ajmal Amin Mohd Fajri, and Muhammad Adif Haikal Md Hazan. Representing the Santi Cup besides Ng Jing Xuen, are Wang Xin Yao, and Charlayne Chong Shin Lin. Finally, the Kartini Cup team boasts Nur Batrisyia Balqis Abdul Ghani, Ngo Yi Belle, and Siti Nur Husna Aina Abd Karim Nast.

"The array of talent this year is truly astounding. It's a blend of seasoned professionals and rising stars, which makes the championship an unpredictable and thrilling spectacle," commented the President of MGA, Admiral Tan Sri Mohd Anwar Mohd Nor.

"The South East Asian Amateur Golf Team Championship has always been a nexus for emerging and seasoned talent. To witness the crème de la crème, like Malcolm and Jing

Xuen, go toe-to-toe with their international peers is what makes this tournament so special," remarked the Tournament Director, Mr Teoh Piek Kee who is also the MGA Vice President.

The rich legacy of the games echoes with the introduction of the 60th Putra Cup, 14th Lion City Cup, 12th City Cup, and 8th Kartini Cup in the Welcome Ceremony held today, 20 August 2023 at the Golf Lawn, the Mines Resort & Golf Club. A tapestry of colors and cultures from Brunei, Cambodia, Hong Kong, China, Indonesia, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, Vietnam, and our gracious host, Malaysia, lights up the evening. A historic day, 20th August 2023, marked in the annals of golfing excellence!

As the competition commences, golf enthusiasts from the region will be riveted, watching legends in the making and champions defending their legacy. Stay tuned for four days of unrivaled golf action.

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