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President's Message DATO' LOH AH JOO



Time flies! It seemed only recently that we had celebrated Lunar New Year and we are already halfway through 2016!

I wish to thank members for your strong support to elect me as the SSGS President for yet another year, at our recent 48th Annual General Meeting. It is truly an honour for me. With the help of a passionate Management Committee which is in turn assisted by a small but dedicated management team, we will endeavor to do the best for the SSGS in the coming year.

To date, we have enjoyed our regular monthly medals. We have also celebrated Lunar New Year with residents from the St John's Home for the Elderly and undertaken three overseas trips: 2 for golfing and sightseeing in Bangkok and Kunming, as well as a Durian and "makan trail" to Penang!

Read more about these in the next few pages and check out the Photo Gallery on our SSGS website to relive the pleasant and fun memories of these activities!

More activities are in the pipeline in coming months and we look forward to your continuing support! See you again soon!

Ushering in the Year of Monkey

This year the Society continued our tradition of hosting a community service lunch to celebrate Lunar New Year. On 24 February, 30 residents from the St. John's Home for Elderly Persons were invited to the lunch party held at Ah Yat Seafood Restaurant in Turf City.



Dr Tan Cheng Bock (Back row, 3rd from right) with members of SSGS General Committee and The Music Mix Band

Members gave overwhelming support to celebrate the occasion with family, friends and the residents. In addition to the sumptuous seafood lunch, there was entertainment by the Music Mix band and residents also enjoyed the games that were specially organised for them. Our special guests included Dr. Tan Cheng Bock, SICC President, Dr Alex Ooi and Mrs Ooi, as well as Club Captain Andrew Lim and Mrs Lim.

Hongbaos were presented to the St John's residents and the lunch culminated in a cheque presentation of \$5,000.00 to Mr Woon Wee Yim, Chairman of The Home.

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Mr Woon Wee Yim, Chairman for St John's Home for Elderly Persons receiving the cheque from Dato' Loh Ah Joo, President of SSGS.

Penang Durian and Makan Trail

Sixteen members, their spouse and guests made the trip to Penang from 1 – 3 June. The group was set for the best durians and Penang hawker food; complete with visiting the cultural sites.

Upon arrival, we headed for Bao Sheng Durian Farm at Balik Pulau where we were surprisingly served by a Hungarian man with two kids in tow. Mr Hungarian first heard about the King of Fruits from a friend in France and has since made Penang his home. We thoroughly enjoyed the D15, Black Thorns, Green Skin, Ang Bak, and Little Red.

The group visited various historical sites including the UNESCO World Heritage Site of George Town, Peranakan Mansion, Khoo Kongsi clanhouse, Penang Hill and the Kek Lok Si Temple.

Living up to our manifesto for enjoyable gourmet, we had a second durian party where Ah Leng, the owner sourced the best from all over the island and we devoured the better known Mao Siang King, Black Thorn and Red Prawn.



We have arrived for our Makan Trail!



At the Bao Sheng Durian Farm... so shiok!!

At Kek Lok Si Temple which showcased the tallest statue of the Goddess of Mercy in South East Asia, it was an arduous climb on foot to the top! The views of Penang island were priceless at the peak but for some of us, the highlight was the famous Penang assam laksa that we ate at the base of the site.

Outcome: Mission accomplished!

Golfing activities - Monthly Medals

January medal @ Jurong Country Club (12 Jan)



Members enjoying dinner after the medal at JCC



Patron Mr KC Loh (L) presenting the prize to Mr Lim Choon Hwa, "B" Division winner

March medal @ Warren Country Club (15 Mar)



Eddie Lee and Leonard Lau heading out.



(L-R): Joseph Khoo, Vice Captain Joseph Ong and David Sim pause for a picture

February medal @ Orchid Country Club (18 Feb)



Members registering for the February medal at OCC



(L-R): Hiew Bon Yock, Tan Lim Weng and Chuah Mooi Kiak getting ready for tee off

Tering Bay golf outing (April medal cancelled due to insufficient participants)



Cheerful group picture upon arrival at the Tering Bay Golf Resort, Batam



BBQ dinner at Batam View Resort

RESULTS OF 2016 (JAN-JUN) MONTHLY MEDALS

		A DIVISION	B DIVISION	C DIVISION	D DIVISION
JAN	CHAMPION RUNNER UP	CHEW YOON MEN WONG LOOK SENG	LIM CHOON HWA RUSLY SJAICHUDIN	TAN LIM WENG DAVID LOW	PEH CHOON SENG JERRY TAN
FEB	CHAMPION RUNNER UP	ANDY ANG LEONARD LAU	LIM TIAM TECK VINCENT CHUA	PEH CHOON BENG LEE HONG LEE	PEH CHOON SENG JOHN CHENG
MARCH	CHAMPION RUNNER UP	WONG LOOK SENG CHEAH PAK HING	LIM KEE SENG LIAN AI HIAN	CHARLIE NG PEH CHOON BENG	PEH CHOON SENG EDWARD TAN
APRIL	CHAMPION RUNNER UP	APRIL CANCELLED			
MAY	CHAMPION RUNNER UP	FRANK HU CHEW YOON MEN	TEO KEOW SENG CHUA TIANG HEE	TAN KAH HO AUGUSTINE WONG	PEH CHOON SENG EDWARD TAN
GOLD MEDAL	CHAMPION RUNNER UP BEST GROSS	CHEW YOON MEN (NETT 68 OCB) PEH CHOON SENG (BEST NETT) TEO KEOW SENG (GROSS 78)			
JUN	CHAMPION RUNNER UP	CHEAH PAK HING ANDY ANG GIM HOON	YEAP CHEE LEONG JASON CHUA	DICKY TAN TAN WENG WAT	PEH CHOON SENG TAN CHENG HAI

SSGS vs TSGA Inter-port tournament

Led by Captain Terry Ng, 28 members went to Pattaya for a 6D5N golf trip to practise before their annual challenge with TSGA (Thailand Senior Golfers Association).

On arrival, they played at Royal Gems Golf City Club before proceeding to check into Imperial Pattaya Hotel. The next 2 days, they played in Siam Country Club & Laem Chabang International Golf Club in Pattaya before taking a rest day in Bangkok.



TSGA and SSGS members at dinner at Lotus Valley Golf Club

On Day 5, the group met their Thai counterparts for the Annual Inter-port Challenge held at Lotus Valley Golf Club in Bangkok. The Singapore team lost to their hosts by a wide margin. Good camaraderie and friendship took precedence at dinner, with all participants enjoying the delicious Thai food and warm hospitality.



TSGA vs SSGS Challenge Trophy

Overseas golf & sightseeing trip to Kunming - 8 to 13 May

Thirty three members of SSGS went on a golfing cum sightseeing trip in Kunming, Yunnan in China from 8 - 13 May.

The 6D5N trip saw the members playing two golf games at Hotsprings Country Club and Lakeview Course of Yulong Wan Golf Club. They stayed at the Soluxe Hotel in Kunming City for 3 nights before moving to Spring City Golf and Lake Resort, where they played at the Lake & Mountain Courses.

The members enjoyed tremendously the majestic view of the Lake in Spring City and also had faced the challenging fast greens at 11-12ft/sec at the golf course.

The five rounds of golf were memorable and members rekindled their friendship and bonding as they continued to reminisce and relive their golfing feats on the way back to Singapore.



At Spring City Golf and Lake Resort - we are ready for the game!



The picturesque view from Tee Box 17 at Lakewood Golf Course



Arrival at Kunming Airport



L-R: David Peh, George Seow, Pang Boon Hee and Sunny Bay

48th Annual General Meeting and Gold Medal



SSGS General Committee 2016/2017

Standing (L-R) Henry Loo, Joseph Ong, David Ong, John Cheng, Tommy Tan, Thomas Lee
Seated (L-R) Terence Ng, David Yeow, Dato' Loh Ah Joo, Leong Mun Sum (Patron), Peter Koh, Pang Boon Hee

Not in the picture: Patrons Tan Ah Lye and KC Loh, Asst Treasurer George Seow, and Vice President Raymond Tan

The 48th AGM was indeed a grand occasion with 108 members turning up for the event, which was held at the Island Grand ballroom.

The AGM started promptly with Honorary Secretary, Pang Boon Hee calling the meeting to order. In his opening speech, President Dato' Loh Ah Joo thanked all members for taking time to attend the AGM and also expressed his appreciation to the General Committee members and the Management staff for having volunteered their time and efforts for yet another fruitful year of activities.

Dato' Loh received overwhelming support from members who once again elected him as the President for another year. The full list of General Committee 2016/17 members may be found on the front page of the newsletter.

This year saw two new members who joined the General Committee (GC) - Thomas Lee and Henry Loo. The GC also welcomed George Seow who was co-opted in December 2015 to manage financial matters for the Society. He was elected as the Assistant Treasurer.

Several special guests graced the dinner including Mr. Khoo Boon Hui, Chairman of SICC; Dr Alex Ooi, President of SICC; Andrew Lim, Club Captain Andrew Lim and Lee Ek Tieng, Honorary Member. They were joined by our three Patrons, Mr Leong Mun Sum, Mr Tan Ah Lye and Mr K C Loh.

Our members were treated to a scrumptious seafood buffet dinner with free flow of beer and wine. The Music Mix Band provided entertainment with a variety of oldies, and Mandarin and Hokkien songs.

This year's event also saw an auction for six pieces of hand-painted porcelain paintings donated by a member. With the help of a professional auctioneer, more than \$5,000 was raised for the Society.

As part of the annual tradition, prizes were presented for the golf competition that was played in the earlier part of the day. Mr Khoo Boon Hui presented the prizes to the winners of the SSGS Gold Medal - Teo Keow Seng who won the Best Gross with a score of 78; while Chew Yoon Men walked away with a best nett of 68.

No function is complete without the lucky draw and several happy participants won golf vouchers and electrical home appliances. Tan Kah Ho won the top prize of 2 return air tickets to Bangkok, sponsored by Golf Hub International Pte Ltd.



SSGS members enjoying pre-dinner cocktails



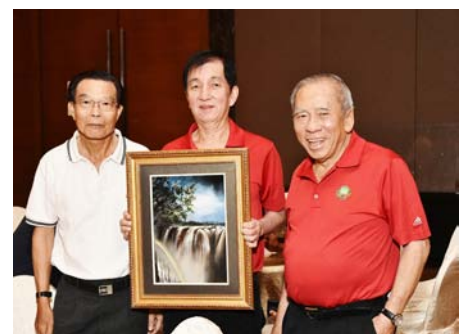
(L-R): Dato' Loh Ah Joo, SICC President Alex Ooi and SSGS Committee member John Cheng and Tommy Tan



SICC Chairman Khoo Boon Hui presenting prize to Teo Keow Seng, Best Gross Winner for Gold Medal 2016.



Patron Leong Mun Sum pictured with Honorary Secretary Pang Boon Hee



(L-R): Edward Tan, George Seow and Dato' Loh Ah Joo

June medal at Raffles Country Club (27 June)



(L-R) Terry Ng, Dicky Tan, Willie Ong, Dave Goh at 1st Tee



(L-R) Philip Duckworth, BY Hiew, Soh Kim Hee, Liau Hock Beng