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Ushering In A New Era: AGM 2023 Update:
Swimming Pool
Renovation

Get To Know:

Greens Convenor

Ho Kok Loke



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JANUARY NEWSLETTER

Mr Christopher Kang

Mr Christopher Chew

EDITOR'S NOTE

BY PUBLICATIONS CONVENOR ERIC GOH

A very blessed New Year 2024 to one and all. You can expect exciting and transformative innovations at SCC for 2024 - A new Pro Shop at the lobby area; an upgraded swimming pool; new driving range balls and most importantly, the golf course renovation.

Our Driving Range will be featuring a ball-tracking solution at every bay of the driving range. This feature will enrich your practice session more purposefully. 2024 is going to be a special year as we commence the golf course renovation for 9 holes while the course remains operational for the other 9 holes. Ground breaking for renovation will commence in the later part of 2024.

Our long-awaited swimming pool will be redeveloped into a FINA (Federation internationale de Natation) 25m pool with 6 lanes. The pool will come complete with a playground for young swimmers.

Here's to an exciting and transformative year ahead for SCC. Wishing you a wonderful and successful year ahead.

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*Please present your introduction card before you visit.

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^Please present your SCC Membership Card upon request.



Dear Members of Sembawang Country Club,

I trust this message finds you in good health and high spirits. As we begin a new chapter of Sembawang Country Club in 2024, I am thrilled to share some exciting updates on our ongoing and upcoming projects.

Our Swimming Pool Upgrading is well underway, and I am delighted to report that progress is on schedule. As mentioned during our AGM, members can look forward to the addition of a kids' splash pool, comfortable cabanas, and refreshed changing rooms, enhancing your overall poolside experience.

You may have also noticed the transformation in our lobby space. This area is being crafted into a new Pro Shop space, designed with your convenience and needs in mind. This enhancement will ensure a more streamlined and enjoyable experience for our valued members.

Additionally, we are introducing Driving Range card self-top-up kiosks at the entrance to the range. These user-friendly kiosks will offer added convenience, and I encourage you to explore their features. Stay tuned for an improved experience as we aim to elevate every aspect of your time at our club.

While on the topic of the Driving Range, I must address the condition of our current range balls. We share your disappointment in their deteriorating state and have taken swift action. A new supply of driving range balls from a different supplier is on its way and is expected to arrive in January 2024.

Our journey doesn't stop here. We are excited to announce the initiation of the pre-construction phases for the golf course renovation. Anticipate groundbreaking activities in Q3/2024, ensuring the course remains operational as a 9-hole course during these enhancements.

In a significant development, we have proudly signed an agreement with Trackman to bring a cutting-edge ball-tracking solution to every bay of our driving range. This addition is designed to enrich your practice sessions with purpose, offering an engaging experience with the help of technology.

We are committed to continuously enhancing your experience at Sembawang Country Club, and these initiatives reflect our dedication to providing you with the best facilities and services.

Thank you for your unwavering support, and I look forward to sharing more remarkable milestones with you.

EVENTS CALENDAR

JANUARY - MARCH 2024

GOLF

Event Name	Details	Date & Time	Ticket Prices*
Monthly Medals	Recurring monthly golf competition for members with prizes to be won. The winners will be exclusively invited to take part in the annual Gold Medal.	03 February 2024 09 March 2024 From 7:00 AM	Continuing Members: \$45+ Restricted Members: \$78+
Fa Cai Golf	Annual festive celebration with fun golf formats, challenging novelties, exciting goodie bags, and prizes.	17 February 2024 From 7:00 AM	Continuing Members: \$40+ Restricted Members: \$75+
Rabbit's Golf	Exclusive invitation for newbies and eligible PC holders to attain handicap, mingle and get acquainted with the Greens Committee and staff.	23 March 2024 From 12:04 PM	\$28+

Details are tentative and subject to change.

For more information or to reserve your tickets, please contact **scc.golfing@sembawanggolf.org.sg***Prices stated are subject to GST.

EVENTS

Event Name	Details	Time & Venue	Ticket Prices*
SCC Golf Clinic	A perfect time to sharpen your golfing skills and techniques under the supervision of SingaGolf Academy coaches!	26 February 2024 9:30 AM to 4:00 PM	SCC Members: \$150+ Non-Members: \$180+
Kids Golf Introduction Clinic	Introduction to golf game, golf rules and techniques, swing & putting experience for kids 6 to 12 years.	13 March 2024 9:00 AM - 12:30 PM SCC Driving Range	SCC Members: \$65+ Non-Members: \$90+

Details are tentative and subject to change.

For more information or to reserve your tickets, please contact **events@sembawanggolf.org.sg***Prices stated are subject to GST.

QUARTERLY CLUB UPDATES

A QUICK BULLETIN ON HAPPENINGS

Reciprocal Arrangements With MROs



Reciprocal arrangements have been made with SAF Yacht Club, The Chevrons and Temasek Club.

To find out more about the reciprocal rates and terms of use, please refer to the folder titled "Membership Documents" in our Member's Portal.

Limited Time Offer: Our Meeting Spaces





Psst...Trying to slot in a game of golf between your work meetings? Enjoy 10% off our meeting spaces from now till Mar 2024. Email events@sembawanggolf.org.sg for more info.

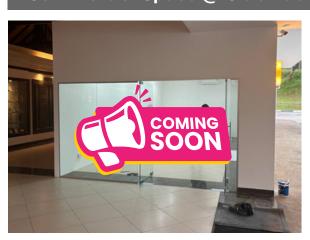
Boardroom (cap: 15 pax)

- SCC Members \$380++ (4hr)
- Non Members \$450++ (4hr)

Meeting Room (cap: 8 pax)

- SCC Members \$280++ (4hr)
- Non Members #350++ (4hr)

Commercial Space @ Club Lobby



We're proud to unveil the addition of a new commercial space at the lobby. Visitors can look forward to an expanded retail offering for their golfing needs.

QUARTERLY CLUB UPDATES

A QUICK BULLETIN ON HAPPENINGS

Progress Update: Swimming Pool Renovation



The Club's swimming pool redevelopment is on track to reopen in Q2 2024. As we eagerly await the completion of the project, here's a first look at what's in store.

The main pool will be a FINA standard 25m pool with 6 lanes. There will also be a wading pool equipped with a water playground to cater to young swimmers.









Cabanas at the far end of the pool overlooking the golf course

Lastly, the renoation includes a refreshed look of the changing rooms, to create an inviting and relaxing atmosphere for members to enjoy.



Note: Visuals depicted are based on 3D artist impressions

Desmond Chua

Engagement Committee Chairman



Engagement Committee Member



Engagement Committee Member



Ernie Chan

Engagement Committee Member

FEEDBACK FOCUS

Foreword By EC Chairman Desmond Chua

Welcome to Feedback Focus! In this one-pager, our Engagement Committee will delve into the valuable feedback shared by members over the past quarter and share relevant updates to members.

In this issue, we'd like to take the opportunity to introduce ourselves, as well as the projects we work on behind the scenes.

While Feedback Focus may not be published in every issue, readers can be pleased to know that their insights and concerns shape our efforts to enhance the club experience.

Together, we will continue to make our Club an exceptional experience for all, and a club that our members are proud of!



The MSS is a survey that we carry out annually to identify areas of improvement and get a sense of the satisfaction levels of our members. We highly encourage members to participate as this will help us and the Club understand how we can do better.

Mystery Shoppers Audit

As part of the Club's commitment towards service excellence, we conduct an **annual spot check** on the Club to ensure that their service staff are compliant with the **stipulated service standards**. Through this exercise, we'll be able to keep a close eye on any potential service gaps and also call out what the Club is doing well in.

Feedback Analysis

Aside from these 2 projects, part of our recurring tasks is to **listen and engage** with members through the feedback received through our official feedback channels. We meet every month with the Club to understand your concerns



Engagement Committee Vice Chairman



Engagement Committee Member



Engagement Committee Member

GET TO KNOW

GREENS CONVENOR HO KOK LOKE

In this exclusive interview, Publications Committee member Laurence Goh sits down with the newly elected Greens Convenor, Kok Loke, to understand his plans for Sembawang Country Club. For those who are not familiar with him, Kok Loke was a career officer in the SAF and is now fully retired. Making his return as the Club's Greens Convenor, he looks forward to serving the Club in a different capacity.

Tell us a bit about yourself!

A: I joined the Club as a member in 1997 and served as the Club Captain from 2009 to 2010. Even though my time as the Club Captain was cut short for an overseas posting, I oversaw the course conversion from cow grass to the current Bermuda fairways you see today.

Now that I'm retired, I get to various country clubs in the region to understand their course in my spare time, bringing home best practices and wisdom to share with the Greens Committee

What are some lessons we've learned from the current course design?

A: We were not able to eradicate all of the blind holes. This has caused slow and unsafe play on some occasions, notably in the Back 9.

According to the data we've gathered, we also noticed that Hole 17 has also contributed quite significantly to slow play.

On top of that, the hilly terrain has also made it labour-intensive when it comes to maintenance.

What's your vision for the course renovation?

A: Ideally, I would like to rejuvenate SCC's course to an enjoyable standard. SCC is unique in its own right - the course poses its own challenge to new and experienced golfers. To that end, I'm aiming to retain that unique identity while enhancing the landscape.



How has the technology for golf course design evolved since the last time you helmed this project?

A: The technological landscape and environmental needs has shifted a fair bit from 12 years ago.

We're hoping to tap into new course construction technology across bunkers, greens and tee box foundations to handle our current climate.

Speaking of which, we also want to ensure that we are compliant with the sustainability requirements set forth by the government.

When can members look forward to viewing the new design?

A: Well, the tender for the project has been published. We're eagerly anticipating to start the renovation in Q4 2024.

Aside to this, we're also working with the Club to make the necessary arrangements in place to ensure we do not neglect the experience at the Club during the renovation.







DEEPAVALI GOLF

On 18 November 23, the SCC Golfing Department organised a fully subscribed Deepavali golf game. The meaning of Deepavali is derived from the Sanskrit term, meaning "row of lights." The festival generally symbolizes the victory of light over darkness. So, on this bright and wonderful morning and afternoon, 217 golfers came and joined in the festivities.

To make things interesting, the format of the game was an intriguing combination of 4-ball Texas Scramble and novelty games at 4 of the holes. Golfers had to land their shots within designated areas on the course to win the challenge.

- Hole #1 Within The Peacock Feather
- Hole #8 Nearest To The Lamp
- Hole #10 Within The Laddu
- Hole #18 Nearest To The Lotus

To spruce up the occasion, the Club provided goodie bags which came with a custom portable fan and power bank plus snacks and beers in the buggies. Additionally, Kachang Puteh and free instant henna stations were set up in the lobby to entice golfers to experience a tinge of nostalgia.

Golfers were pleasantly surprised with the Festive Golf Event. Mark Teo remarked, "This is the first time I played Texas Scramble. It is interesting and adds fun to the whole occasion. We had to work as a team to bring our scores down. Thanks SCC!







XMAS GOLF

The air was rife with a festive spirit on Saturday, 16 December 2023. The Club saw smiles by the miles as members donned red, white and green to commemorate this special event.

The event was fully subscribed and played based on system 36. It also welcomed its youngest participant, 12 year old Jadon Neo.

Playing along his dad, Ee Hock, Jadon enjoyed the fun atmosphere; taking shots with the carton Santa, which he came across on the fairways, partially hidden amongst the poles, posts and tree trunks. Such pictures offer surprising rewards. Of course, many claimed their surprise rewards of each a tube of golf balls or ball markers. There was even a hole-in-one prize at our signature 18th hole. There were close calls, but it was not to be. Nonetheless, the many loyal supporters of the annual event were not disappointed.

The door gifts, thoughtfully conceptualised and sweetly done, in tune with the Christmas season, were certainly a delight to both our golfers and their family members. May their cup overflow with wonderful blessings for 2024 as symbolised by the souvenir of the SCC's coffee mug. Kudos to our hardworking golfing team!







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KIDS GOLF CAMP



Our Kids Golf Camp 2023 proved to be a highly enjoyable experience for our young golfers. Over the course of three days, the professionals from Singagolf Academy dedicated their time to coach the next generation of junior players.

During the initial two days, the participants delved into skill development at the driving range and focused on refining their short game. Lunch breaks provided a moment for the young golfers to recharge. Witnessing their passion and dedication was truly gratifying.

The culminating event on Day 3 was a spectacular showcase of the kids' skills, featuring an exciting 2-hour session on the 1st tee, followed by a certificate presentation. A special acknowledgement goes to the parents for entrusting us with their budding golf stars. We hope the participants had an enjoyable time, made new friends, and most importantly, deepened their appreciation for the game of golf.

Here's to the next generation of golfers! Stay tuned for more exciting events, and a sincere thank you to everyone who contributed to making this Kids Golf Camp an unforgettable experience.



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OUR JUNIOR GOLF PARTICIPANTS



Aiman Zain



Aiman Zawri



Ariei Koo



Christial Le



Gareth Lee



Julian Lee



Kieran Seah



Maiva Wee



Melia Wee



Noel Chan



Olivia Lee



Lucas See





ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2023

A WARM WELCOME TO CLUB CHAIRMAN ADRIAN TENG



"As I take over from Timothy, I have very big shoes to fill...His dedication and leadership have left an indelible mark on our Club."
- Club Chairman Adrian Teng

Sembawang Country Club's Annual General Meeting 2023 concluded on 13 Oct 2023 with 100 members in attendance.

It was a pivotal moment in the Club, as incoming Club Chairman Adrian Teng celebrated outgoing Club Chairman Timothy Yap's achievements, and ushered in a new era for the Club.

Club Chairman took the opportunity to thank outgoing MC Committee Members, EC Chairman Lee Boon Loi and House Member Vincent Liew. Taking over their roles were EC Chairman Desmond Chua and House Member Twelve Lim.

At the same time, he welcomed Teo Soo Yeow, who will be taking over his previous role as Club Vice Chairman.





During the meeting, key Management Committee speakers unveiled new details such as the artistic impressions of the new swimming pool renovation, course renovations commencing ahead of schedule, as well as the financial health of the Club.

Following the meeting, members were delighted to catch up with one another over a sumptuous spread at Golfers Terrace.

More details about AGM 2023, speeches & reports are available on the Members Portal, in the "AGM 2023" folder under "Documents".













NEW MEMBERS

OCTOBER & DECEMBER 2023

OCT 2023

Amos Wee Cher Wei Shuen Lester Chong Meng Siong Samuel Choo Chiang Pern Steven Goh Ee Tien Koh Hong Huat Liang Lemin Lim Hann Bin Lim Jia Yong Mark Lim John Neo Ee Hock Phua Chai Kin Soh You Ling Kevin Teo Jia Wei Trinity Wong Kang Hui Xie Edgar

DEC 2023

Bek Yong Huat Boo Ching Siang Cai Weijun Chai Wei Cheng Chow Kok Yew Lionel Fong Wei Shen Foo Si Jie Matthew Ho Jin Peng Ho Zhan Wen Kenny Ka Shengyao David Kwok Jian Hong Luther Lee Jia Jie Lee Ming Shu Lin Huan Kai Joshua Loo Toon Lit Mun Kok Leong

Pirakash Sinnayah Sing Geok Wei Soh Kok Boon Anthony Tarn Rui Seng Willis Tung Wanling Yeo Eng Chow

HOLE-IN-ONE ACHIEVERS



YAK CHIN WEE

21 October 2023 Palm Resort Golf and Country Club, Malaysia Hole 12



CHIA SOCK KAM

27 October 2023 Singapore Island Country Club, Island Course Hole 5



PECK KONG WAH

05 November 2023 Sembawang Country Club Hole 8



GOH HOCK SENG PETER

19 November 2023

National Service Resort &
Country Club
Hole 6



JEAN OH LAY

03 December 2023 Sembawang Country Club



TEO SOO YEOW

05 December 2023 Sembawang Country Club Hole 8



JESSIE TAN

10 December 2023 Sembawang Country Club Hole 8



TEH KEAN SEANG

17 Decmber 2023 Sembawang Country Club Hole 6



FOO TEE JONG

24 December 2023 Sembawang Country Club Hole 6



SCC GOLF CLINIC

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RANK: LTC, SWO, ME6, DX13 & ABOVE

\$5,000

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RANK: MAJ, MWO, ME5, DX12 & BELOW

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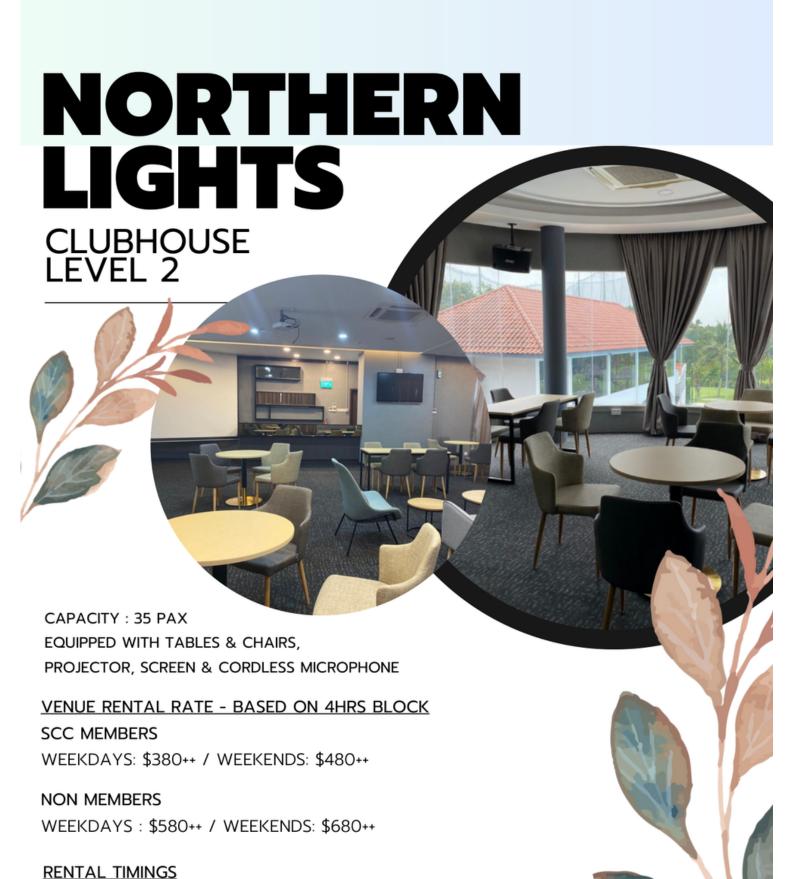
NON MEMBERS: \$1500++ (HALF DAY) / \$2300++ (FULL DAY)

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SCC MEMBERS: \$1200++ (HALF DAY) / \$1800++ (FULL DAY)

NON MEMBERS: \$1800++ (HALF DAY) / \$2600++ (FULL DAY)

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8:30AM TO 11:30PM (MEMBERS) / 8:30AM TO 3:30PM (NON-MEMBERS)

MONDAYS - FRIDAY

8:30AM TO 3:30PM ONLY

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