



KC Shing's Gourmet Tours and Other Stories

The past four weeks have been an interesting period for the Golf Society with a wonderful trip to the fascinating Long Island course, which was an immediate winner for all concerned as all participants requested that we include this venue every year; a weekend at Pine Valley for their Spring tournament and an excellent trip to Firestone Golf Club where we enjoyed excellent weather, a course in great condition and some marvelous food at their famous local pigeon restaurant. Well done KC.

We have indeed been fortunate in that we have enjoyed excellent weather playing courses in great condition and enjoyed

some marvelous food afterwards. But the treats don't end there as, subject to popular demand, we have changed the venue for June to the Wind Valley course where the altitude should enable us to have cooler playing conditions to be followed by an excellent seafood lunch; KC will ensure that no-one leaves the restaurant hungry. Don't miss the day as it should be great fun.

Pine Valley Spring Tournament

The Pine Valley Spring tournament was held on Saturday, 25 April on a day which started with torrential rain, resulting in the amber Rain warning being posted.

Our intrepid golfers were already on their way and a certain person who was working in Central that morning was questioning the wisdom of dashing off for the 12.30 ferry in order to reach PV in time to play 18 holes. There was no way of getting through to the ferry company to confirm the sailing

and a call to PV resulted in the news that it wasn't snowing, helpful!

The heavy rain resulted in flooding of some of the roads in the Zhuhai area and an extended journey to Pine Valley, but once there the weather improved and the competition got under way. Tommy Yuen enjoyed his golf on the Saturday and took 3rd place in the Men's competition; on the Sunday he embarked on his other love, fishing, and he caught some very tasty fish for us to enjoy at lunchtime. We always enjoy seeing Tommy at Pine Valley as he always seems to know where to catch the tastiest fish. Thanks Tommy!

Also on the prize list was Vivian Chan who shot an excellent 95 to win the Ladies' Competition while husband Andy Law won nearest the pin with an excellent shot on the 7th hole.



Long Island Golf Day

I was looking forward to this trip very much as it was my first time visit to the course and I had heard nothing but good reports about the club and the course.

We started on the North 9 holes and although the blue tees were rather long, the tight fairways, beautiful undulating scenery and a range of interesting hazards kept the focus and the excellent company ensured that everyone enjoyed their day.

We then moved onto the West course which, although quite different, still kept our attention in order to manage the challenges it constantly threw up.

FK Lim has been very busy of late but attended this event and just to show he hadn't lost his timing and power took away the Longest drive prize and 3rd place in the Stableford Competition.

Asghar Ali won the Best Gross prize with a round of 91 and Vivian Chan won the Ladies competition.

RESULTS					
	Men			Ladies	
Nearest the Pin	Peter Lam			Margaret Mak	
Longest Drive	FK Lim			Shirley Yu	
Stableford	1st:	William Ko	38pts	1st:	Shirley Yu 20pts
	2nd:	Jacky Sung	36pts	2nd:	Mary Ching 18pts
	3rd:	FK Lim	30pts (c/b 19)	3rd:	Margaret Mak 12pts
	4th:	CM Mak	30pts (c/b 16)		
Best Gross	Asghar Ali 91			Vivian Chan	



Firestone Golf Day

Wednesday, 13 May 2009

An early start enabled us to get away from KCC before the school bus rush, the border before the heavy traffic and arrive at Firestone with time to spare for a 8.30am tee time. The weather was good, the course in fine condition with some tricky tee shots right from the start.

There were a lot of close results in the Men's competition with Stephen Chau (89), Roy Lamsam (90), Richard Tinlin (91) and Jacky Sung (92) just ahead of four players on 94.

In the Ladies' competition Kim Lamsam had an excellent round of 88 with Rita Leung (96) also playing well.

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	Men	Ladies
NP	Peter Hung	AN Other
LD	Roy Lamsam	Kim Lamsam
Stableford	1st: Richard Tinlin 36pts 2nd: Roy Lamsam 35pts (c/b) 3rd: Kenneth Wong 35pts (c/b)	1st: Rita Leung 34pts 2nd: Shirley Yu 24pts 3rd: Mary Ching 15pts

Stableford League

In the absence of Asghar Ali (injured back) and Peter Chan, previously 1st and 2nd in the Stableford League, Richard slipped onto the top step in a tightly fought affair on 91pts, from Asghar (90), Peter Chan (88) and Andy Chan and KC Sin on 87.

There are a number of other players well placed and with 4 events still to be contested there is lots of time for players to press their claims.

In the Ladies Stableford League Rita Leung moved to the top on 95 points, well clear at present but with Kim Lamsam and Ann Leung still to complete their three events there could well be future changes.

Future Events

The June Event will be held on the Wind Valley Course on Wednesday 10th June; the cost to full GS members of HK\$800 represents great value as it also includes a seafood lunch at one of the seafood restaurants in the nearby village; this is another of the KC Shing Gourmet Tour Events and

is to be savoured. Guests can be accommodated to enjoy the same treat for the sum of HK\$1,000.

Great camaraderie, great course and wonderful food, who can ask for anything more!

Callaway Golf Day, Saturday, 20 June at 2-7 pm in the Teenagers' Room/Golf Simulator. Attractive discounted golf items will be available. Competitions include NP and LD. Attendees on the day will be offered one year's free golf insurance from Swiss Privilege.

There will be a Pine Valley weekend organized on 28/29 June 2009, details will be circulated as soon as available, but keep the dates free if you are interested.

We are currently trying to negotiate a good fee to play the Faldo Course in July and details of the July event will be publicised as soon as they are confirmed.

Cheers,
Richard