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Tournament Fact Sheet

LPGA Tour
Sime Darby LPGA Malaysia
Oct. 9 - 12, 2015

Kuala Lumpur Golf & Country Club
Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

Golf Course Management Information

GCSAA International Member Golf Course Superintendent:

Mohd Nizam Othman
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Availability to media:

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Education:

Turf Management, New Zealand Sport Turf Institute, Palmerston North, New Zealand, 2003; Agriculture, Agricultural Institute of Malaysia, Selangor Darul Ehsan, Malaysia, 1992

Native hometown:

Kluang, Johore, Malaysia

Years as a GCSAA member: 1

Years at this course: 8

Number of employees: 160

Previous positions:

2006, Golf Course Superintendent, Horizon Hills Golf, Johore, Malaysia; 1997, Golf Course Superintendent, Kota Permai Golf & Country Club, Selangor, Malaysia; Course Supervisor, Tanjong Puteri Golf Resort, Johore, Malaysia

Previous tournament preparation:

2013-2014 CIMB Classic, Kuala Lumpur Golf & Country Club, Malaysia; 2010-2014 Maybank Malaysian Open, Kuala Lumpur Golf & Country Club, Malaysia; 2010-2014 Sime Darby LPGA, Kuala Lumpur Golf & Country Club, Malaysia; 1998-2000, 2002 Volvo Masters, Kota Permai Golf & Country Club, Selangor, Malaysia; 1999, 2005 Wold Cup

Qualifier, Kota Permai Golf & Country Club, Selangor, Malaysia

Previous tournaments hosted by facility:

2013-2014 CIMB Classic; 2010-2014 Maybank Malaysian Open; 2010-2014 Sime Darby LPGA

Get to know the superintendent:

Othman spoke at Sustainable Turfgrass Management in Asia 2014 and Sky72 Winter Education Services in Korea.

How Othman got involved in golf course management:

"It's about how art and science meet nature."

Course statistics

Average tee size: 1,000 sq. ft.

Tournament Stimpeter: 11 ft.

Average green size: 6,500 sq. ft.

Green construction soil mix:

USGA (sand 100%)

Rounds per year: 42,000

Acres of fairway: 30

Source of water: Pond, lake

Acres of rough: 28

Drainage conditions: Excellent

Sand bunkers: 85

Water hazards: 10

Championship ratings

	Yardage	Par	Rating	Slope
Black	6246	71	73.8	133

Course characteristics

	Primary Grasses	Height of Cut
Tees	Seashore Paspalum	0.31"
Fairways	Seashore Paspalum; <i>Poa annua</i>	0.39"
Greens	Sealsle Paspalum; <i>Poa annua</i>	0.11"
Rough	Seashore Paspalum; fescue	2"

Environmental management/features

Kuala Lumpur Golf & Country Club uses a tube well for the courses water supply.

Water conservation, management and/or controls:

Kuala Lumpur uses rainwater to wash machines in an effort to conserve potable water.

Abnormal weather conditions/occurrences in the last 12 months that affected the course:

Above-average rainfall of 518 mm was recorded in April 2014 and 526 mm in May 2014.

Unusual wildlife on the course

Little grebe; Painted stork; Junglefowl

Predominate species of trees on course:

Agothis borneensis; Melaleuca cajaputi; Diospyros blancoi; Chrysophyllum cainito; Dyera costulata

Course architect/date:

Nelson & Wright, 1992

Original course builder/date:

Lam Chang, 1992

Most recent redesign or renovation/date:

E&G Parslow, 2007

Renovation builder/date:

Tang Sun Lee, 2007

Other key course management personnel

A. Collins Walensky, Executive Superintendent
Mohamad Fadzil Shaari, Executive Superintendent
Abas Ismail, Equipment Manager

Dato Mustaffa, Club President
Steven Allan Thielke, General Manager
Dato Amin, Liaison Committee Chairman
Mohd Zamri Mazelan, Horticulturist
Sime Darby Berhad, Club Owner

Golf Course Superintendents Association of America

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Media story ideas to consider

- Water: Golf's biggest challenge
- The benefits of a golf course to the community and the environment
- What's new in turfgrass research
- Superintendents doing more with less
- Get to know an interesting superintendent
- Who's in charge? A visit with the CEO