

Welcome to our June edition of The Montgomerie Links e-newsletter.



The Montgomerie Links has recorded one of our most successful months in our short history with one of the major highlights being the inaugural Swing to Swim charity golf day where with the combined efforts of all participants and major sponsors: Indochina Land, Indochine Engineering, Reiker, Boutique Hoi An Resort, Aya Spa and Jim Beam raised a total of VND 460,000,000 for local swimming programs with the added support of the Royal Life Saving Society of Australia and Vietnam Swans.

The primary reason The Montgomerie Links saw an opportunity to make a contribution to the local communities was after learning there are over 10,000 fatal drownings in Vietnam each year almost the same amount of road fatalities.

Therefore with this money raised we are delighted to learn this charity event will allow the purchase of two above ground swimming pools and continual funding of the local programs to assist in further saving lives in Vietnam.

Not to be outdone, we have also just received confirmation from Colin Montgomerie to host the inaugural Colin Montgomerie Junior Challenge on the 14th and 15th of July. Colin the victorious 2010 European Ryder Cup Captain has proudly put his name to this event which will quickly establish itself as the premier junior golf tournament in Vietnam and provides junior golfers the opportunity to gain essential tournament experience. Sponsorship opportunities are available so please contact us for more information.

For our members we have also launched our inaugural "Montgomerie Links comes to HCMC" golf tournament on the 1st July to be played at Song Bei Golf Club. This tournament is the perfect opportunity for our HCMC based members to invite their guests for an afternoon of great golf and entertainment.

With school holidays almost here, we have recently relaunched our FREE kids golf promotion. This promotion allows children under 17 years of age to play golf for 100% free and includes a green fee, caddie fee and driving range when accompanied by a paying adult. This is a great opportunity for children and parents alike to come and enjoy the best golf course in Vietnam over the school holidays.

Lastly, please take note that due to our increasing growth, we are simply unable in peak times to allow members and guests to play in limited flights of only 1, 2 or 3 golfers. Members receive preferential and priority flights but if you're asked by one of our friendly reception and golf operations staff to join another golfer to fill the flight, we thank you in advance for your understanding and cooperation.

Thank you and we look forward to seeing you on the Links!

Jon Tomlinson
General Director

The Montgomerie Links Raises Vnd 460.000.000 For Vietnam Swim Programs

The award winning Montgomerie Links Golf Club located on Vietnam's stunning Central Coast just outside Danang City has successfully hosted the inaugural Swing to Swim charity golf day raising VND 460.000.000 for Vietnamese swim programs with all money raised to be equally shared by the Danang based Swim Safe program and Hoi An based Swim Vietnam programs.

Swing to Swim an initiative created by Montgomerie Links and proudly supported by the Royal Life Saving Society of Australia (RLSSA) and the community spirited Vietnam Swans Australian Rules Football Club held in conjunction with the bi annual world drowning prevention conference easily surpassed the original target of USD \$20 000 thanks to the generosity and support of all participants with the event comprising a golf tournament and gala dinner with a charity auction



"The Montgomerie Links saw this event as a unique opportunity to further use golf as a platform to support the local communities in their battle against drowning fatalities in Vietnam which is a staggering 10 000 per year as quoted by some non government organizations (NGO's). As an Australian expat working in Vietnam, it's easy to take for granted the outstanding swim programs we have in Australia and it's only when you realize there is as many drowning in Vietnam as road fatalities that one realizes how serious this problem is so to have the opportunity to make a difference through the Swing to Swim charity golf day is extremely gratifying for all involved" said Jon Tomlinson, General Director at The Montgomerie Links.

The RLSSA were heavily involved in the preceding conference on world drowning prevention which was attended by over 400 delegates representing 60 countries and their Chief Operating Officer Rob Bradley added "To have the Australian Life Saving Society combine with the generosity of Montgomerie Links and the Vietnam Swans especially following a successful conference will make a big contribution to saving young lives in the coming year and we are proud to be part of the inaugural event."

While Jo Stewart who manages Swim Vietnam the Hoi An based program enthusiastically said "The Swim to Swim day was a huge success. The money raised will allow us to put up a portable pool, significantly expand the program and teach many more children how to swim. We are already looking forward to next year's golf day!"

Special mention to our Swing to Swim sponsors who contributed to the overall success of the event. Our Gold Sponsors who contributed a minimum cash donation; Indochine Engineering, Vietnam Swans, Aya Spa, Boutique Hoi An Resort, Reiker Shoes and, Jim Beam, which again offered incredibly generous support – this time with Makers Mark all complimented by the array of Silver Sponsors who also contributed greatly; Hyatt Regency Danang Resort and Spa, The Nam Hai, Linkshape golf and Six Senses Con Dao.