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Asian Golf Nation - August 2011



Dear Travel Partners & Golf Travelers,



Phuket Amateur Golf Week 2011

Welcome to the August edition of the Asian Golf Travel Nation, the source for news breaking information about Asian Golf. In addition, unique golf playing tips for Indochina's tropical environment, announcements of golf travel promotions, and our latest subscription offer are all integral parts of today's newsletter.

I am pleased to report that our Phuket Amateur event last month attracted 25 golfers. *Mark Penfold* and *Ian Morgan* did an excellent job arranging and running the event. Our next [Thailand golf tournament](#) is the Chiang Mai Amateur Event in October and we are expecting a full field of 100 golfers as the weather is cooler

and the event an even better value-for-money. Thank you to those who have signed-up for your continuing support.

We are still the midst of the low summer season and with that there are great promotions around the region. I have always said there's no better time to get away for some summer golf in Asia than right now during the months of August and September.

On the travel front, I will be travelling to Hawaii to promote [Golf In A Kingdom](#). Can you imagine, even golfers in such a beautiful place like Hawaii are now realizing the benefits and value of golfing in Thailand?

With that, I invite you to read on and hear what's new in golf around the region.

Mark Siegel
Managing Director of Golfasian

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Golf news from around the region:

Thailand



Hua Hin: Guess who made the first hole-in-one ever on the 200 yard par-3 13th at the new [Royal Thai Army course \(Sea Pine\)](#)? That's right, yours truly, and I even did it with 3 Army generals as witnesses. Bet that made them do a double-take. Well the course is in fantastic condition, especially the greens which run a fast 9.5 on the stimpmeter and the closing 3 holes which play right along the sea. We have very special rates for the high

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Another good reason to be

season and I recommend all golfers play the course as part of any [Hua Hin golf package](#).

All golf lovers are invited join in the fun during the Hua Hin Golf Festival. Promotional offers include US\$25-30green fees at all courses throughout the months of August and September. We have packages available for both value-minded golfers and those looking to combine a luxury resort with the great green fees. Just let me know [your interest!](#)



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Vietnam

 **Hanoi:** Singapore-based firm IMG Design has won the contract to create a new golf course in the southern part of the Vietnamese capital, Hanoi. A private Vietnamese developer is behind the project and construction due to start later in the year. IMG was behind other top courses in Hanoi like [Tam Dao](#), so look out for more good things to come.



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Laos

 **Luang Prabang:** Good golf in Laos? **Luang Prabang Golf Club** is a new "foreigner friendly" golf course located in the UNESCO World Heritage town. Check out this great photo and you will see what I mean. Limestone cliffs provide a magnificent setting and at over 7,400 yards from the tips it is a challenge for all golfers. The on-site resort and convenient daily flights from Bangkok might just make for a worthwhile side trip for those in Asia this fall/winter. [Let me know if you are interested](#). I will be going up to play the course myself and will report on the playing conditions.



Remember if you want to get regular updates about **golf in Thailand, Vietnam, Malaysia, Cambodia, and Indonesia**, then [sign-up](#) for uninterrupted email delivery of this newsletter. In addition, all persons signing up will automatically receive the latest "Thailand Golf Insider Tips" special report.

Finally, for our overseas partners, GOLFASIAN have secured special deals with 211 golf courses and 942 hotels throughout Thailand, Vietnam, Malaysia, and Cambodia to offer the very best promotions for your clients 2010-2011 golf travels. Just contact us regarding [your interests and preferences](#). I would be delighted to host your Asian golf travels.

Until the next newsletter, keep practicing and have a great summer golf season! I hope to see YOU in the area very soon!

*Mark Siegel
Managing Director of Golfasian*

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Featured Golf Course - Phunaka Golf Course & Academy

A must play for any visit to the idyllic island of Phuket is a round at the Phunaka Golf course. This exceptional floodlit 9-holes golf course, complete with driving range, putting green, short game practice area and golf academy present challenges and rewards for players all levels.

The location is simply stunning, just a short drive from Phuket Town and the island's beaches, Phunaka Golf Course is set within an area of the most beautifully lush landscape ground. The course itself is ground breaking; the John Morrow (same as Red Mountain) designed golf course is great challenge for all levels of play. [[Read More about one of Thailand's Best Golf Courses](#)]



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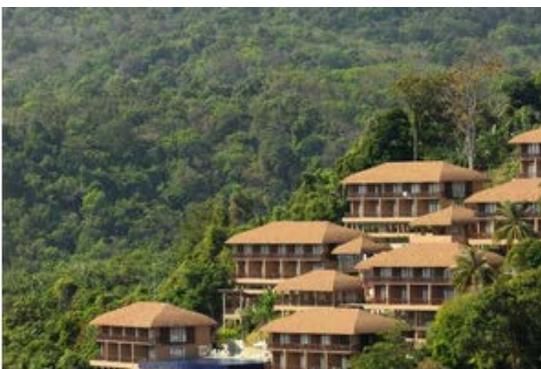
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Featured Resort - Karon Phunaka Resort & Spa

The 4 star Karon Phunaka Resort & Spa is approximately 50 minutes from Phuket International Airport and located on Naka mountain overlooking the resort of Karon Beach with beautiful sea views from every room. The rooms are spacious and furnished with splendid architectural wood decorations with a private terrace available to all rooms, so you can indulge yourself with stunning view of Andaman Sea.

The Deluxe rooms have built-in Jacuzzis, creating truly relaxing time in your own room. The sky swimming pool is superb, with equipped Jacuzzi seats and a panoramic sea view with the best sunset scene of Karon bay. Opened in January 2011 the hotel consists of 86 rooms with 54 superior, 15 deluxe and 16 family rooms. [[Find out more about one of Thailand's Best Hotels](#)]



2011 Golfasian Amateur Golf Tournaments - CHIANG MAI GOLF WEEK

CHIANG MAI GOLF WEEK
Explore the beautiful Northern Thailand city of Chiang Mai.

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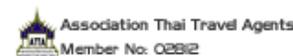


Green Valley Chiang Mai Golf Club, Royal Chiang Mai Golf Club, Mae Jo Golf Club, Alpine Golf Resort, Chiang Mai Highlands Golf Club. Chiang Mai offers an unbelievable choice from integrated golf resorts to boutique resorts in the center of the town. For those who enjoy other treasures as well you won't be disappointed. Chiang Mai offers its visitors a city rich in culture, spas, massage, crafts, temples and natural beauty.



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Best Under \$30 USD Golf Course In Thailand

Thailand has many great courses from Alpine Golf Club in Bangkok to Phuket's Blue Canyon Country Club, both in fact where Tiger Woods won major PGA tournaments.

While these golf courses can be played by all golfers in Thailand at green fees half of what similar courses cost in Europe or the USA, they are still nevertheless expensive for some. Most times I sing the praise for all the upper-end championship courses in Thailand, however in these uncertain economic times, I thought it appropriate to share with you my pick for the best Thailand golf course at the other end of the cost spectrum; that is with green fees under \$30.00 USD (25 Euros).



[Read more about "Why is Golf Different in Thailand?"](#)

Other golf stories can be found at the [Thailand Golf Zone](#) where there are over 500 other original articles dealing exclusively with golf in Asia and golf travel.

I would love to hear about any golf tips that any of you may have developed for getting the maximum enjoyment from your golf trips, and can incorporate some in future articles. Therefore if you have any golf tips or suggestions you would like to share, please [let me know](#) by dropping me an email.

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Golfing Tips - What Is Posture And How Important Is It?

Posture is how you set up to the ball, very important and one of the main fundamentals of golf. Everything is built on this foundation and if you have a problem here, it'll show up later in your swing, possibly disguised as something else.

[[Read the entire Golf Tips Article](#)]

If you have any other questions regarding golf tips to help you with your game email us at info@golfasian.com and we will reply in upcoming newsletters

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Golfasian has a full schedule of tradeshow and roadshows during the next few months.

You can find us at the following exhibitions:

- August 4 - 10, 2011 - Hawaii Road Show
- November 14 - 17, 2011 - IGTM (Belek, Antalya, Turkey)
- January 26 - 29, 2012 - PGA Merchandise Show (Orlando, Florida, USA)

[Arrange an appointment](#) with Mark Siegel, MD of Golfasian, at one of these exhibits.



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