



# CLUB NEWS



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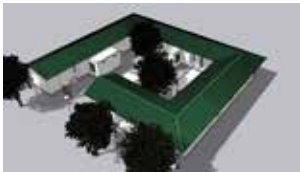
## Dear Members,

After the lull due to the heavy monsoon, the golfing and other developmental activities have started in right earnest.

The construction activities have also commenced after the rains. As per the present estimate we expect that the construction of labour quarters will be completed by January 2023. The labour quarters will be one of its kind with state of the art facilities. We would be able to accommodate 20 families, with a dormitory facility, to accommodate additional 15 persons.



The multi utility hall construction is also progressing as per schedule. I reiterate that it will have 9 guest rooms, golf simulator, snooker room and party hall to accommodate 200 persons.



During the monsoon we have done a lot of work on the greens as such results are seen by the tournament participants and regular golfers. We battled to overcome 149 inches of rain to get the course to pristine condition. At present we are getting ready for the 36th edition of the Coorg Triangular Championship to be held in the month of November. This is one of its kind unique tournament, which is played over three days in three different courses.

I take this opportunity in wishing you, the very best in the new year ahead.

Regards,

*Anil I.K.*

# TOURNAMENTS

## MDGC IN BANGKOK

Due to the monsoon the Tournament were not conducted in Mercara Downs Golf Club during the quarter July to September. However, a team of 12 golfers travelled to Bangkok, Thailand and played three rounds of Golf Tournament there. The results of which are as follows:

Open Stroke Play | Winner Mr. K. P. Ranjith | Runner up Mr. M. C. Nanjappa

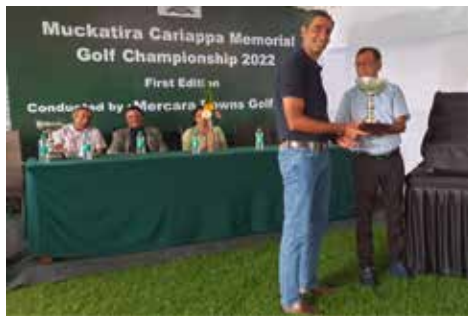
Handicap Stroke Play (0-18) | Winner Mr. Channaraj Mahendra | Runner up Mr. C. S. Guruduth

Seniors 60 and above | Winner Mr. Harish Appanna | Runner up Mr. P. E. Kalaiah

The medal round was held on 25th September 2022 and the results are as follows:

Open Stroke Play | Winner Mr. K. P. Ranjith | Runner up Mr. Channaraj Mahendra

Handicap Stroke (0-18) | Winner Master Daiwik | Runner up Mr. Sundram



## MUCKATIRA CARIAPPA MEMORIAL GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP 2022

Open Strokeplay – Rolling Trophy

Winner – Ranjith K. P. 72 Gross

Runner – Vikranth K. U. 79 Gross

Handicap Strokeplay (0-18) – Rolling Trophy

In Memory of Late. M. C. Nanjappa

Winner – C. M. Appanna (67 Nett)

Runner Up – C. T. Mandanna (69 Nett)

Handicap Stableford (0-18)

Winner –Kishore D. G. 41 Points

Runner Up – Sunil Devaiah 37 Points

Handicap Stableford (19-24)

Winner – Dr. Pushpa Kuttanna 35 Points

Runner – Dr. M. A. Devaiah 31 Points

Senior Citizens Handicap Stableford  
above the age of 65 years (0-24)

Winner – P. E. Kalaiah 36 Points

Runner –Muthanna Cariappa 35 Points

Most Number of birdies | K. P. Ranjith 3 Birdies

Longest Drive | Bopanna K. A 281 Yards

Closest to the Pin | Vignesh Hebbar

Most number of Pars | K. P. Ranjith 11 Pars



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## SCRIPBOX MERCARA DOWNS OPEN GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP 2022

Best Gross Day | | Ranjith K. P.

Best Nett Day | | Arvind G. B.

Open Stroke play over 36 holes

**Barrister Muthanna Memorial Cup**

Winner – Ranjith K. P. | Runner up – M. G. Chengappa

Handicap Stroke Play (0-18) over 36 holes

**M. N. Chittiappa Cup**

Winner – M. C. Nanjappa | Runner up – Sudharshan N

Handicap Stableford (0-18) over 18 holes

**Manavattira Accavva Cup**

Winner – Ramanathan N. | Runner up – Mahen

Handicap Stableford (19-24) over 18 holes

Winner – Daiwik | Runner up – Appaiah K. P.

Open Stableford over 18 Holes

Winner – Dinesh Cariappa | Runner up – Paritosh Ganapathy

Senior Citizens (above 60 yrs) Stableford Full Handicap

Winner – E. L. Suresh | Runner up – I. K. Anil

Seniors (above 70 years) Stableford Full Handicap

Winner – Gp. Capt Murthy | Runner up – Muthanna Cariappa

Most number of Birdies | Paritosh Ganapathy

Longest Drive | Chirayu

Closest to the pin | Devkumar R

## UPCOMING TOURNAMENTS

**Coorg Triangular Golf Championship 2022**

25th, 26th & 27th November 2022.

**Sakahamuri Cup**

10th December 2022

**Muckatira Cariappa Memorial Golf Championship**

5th January 2023.

Besides these Tournaments the Addicts Golfing Society of Southern India will be conducting the Coorg leg of the Tournament

in MDGC on 14th, 15th & 16th October 2022.

The South Zone Junior golf Tournament will be held in Mercara Downs Golf Club on 1st, 2nd & 3rd December 2022.

Mercara Downs Golf Club conducted the prestigious 4th Edition of the T.R. Balachandran Coorg Doubles Golf Challenge 2022 on 7th and 8th October 2022, which was participated by 88 golfers. The highlights of this tournament and the results will be published in the Q4 newsletter.

## MERCARA DOWNS GOLF CLUB EDUCATION TRUST (MDET)

We are happy to inform you that the trust has been registered. We have received the PAN card and a separate bank account has been opened. We are now applying for 12GA exemption under IT act. Once 12A exemption is obtained we will apply for exemption under 80G.

The Trustees are Messrs K. U. Subbaiah, I. K. Anil, Harish Appanna, Nagarajun Sakhamuri and P. E. Kalaiah. Gurudutt C.V. and Kishore D. are the co-opted members of the trust.

We are happy to inform you that our well-wisher and honorary member Mr. Mahendran has donated Rs. 3 Lakhs to the trust from their CSR fund. We request all members to pay the Rs. 500 annual contribution to the Trust. Thanks to our member Mr. K. P. Ponnappa who donated a sum of Rs. 50,000 to the trust.

Plan for reimbursement of the education fee for children of caddy and staff is prepared and once this is ratified by the trustees the reimbursements will be made. Needless to mention that MDGC has embarked on a noble cause of educating the children of caddies, labour, staff and community around on need basis. We look forward to the support from all the members.

# BIRDS SEEN AT THE MERCARA DOWNS GOLF COURSE

## MALABAR LARK

It is commonly seen running on the 9th and the 15th fairway in MDGC.

A rusty-brown bird with very heavily streaked upper parts. It has a short crest, paler underparts and strong streaks that run down the breast. Similar to Crested Lark, but the Malabar Lark is smaller, has a shorter and straighter bill, and is generally darker. Similar to Tawny Lark as well, but slightly larger, with a slimmer bill, and more heavily marked. Inhabits grassy areas, rocky areas and fields. Forages lazily and often flocks outside the breeding season. Calls and songs consist of pleasant series of variable short whistles.



## WESTERN YELLOW WAGTAIL

Migrates to India from as far away as Afghanistan in the early winter and is seen on the 8th and 9th fairways of MDGC.

Widespread wagtail, favouring wet meadows, marshland, grassy and muddy lakeshores. Occurs in fields and often near livestock during migration. Like other wagtails, walks on ground and pumps its long, white sided tail up and down. Plumage highly variable, but breeding male wholly bright yellow below with greenish back. Male head pattern varies regionally: in UK has greenish head with yellow eyebrow, in northern Europe head slate grey overall, in central and southwest Europe head blue-grey with white eyebrow, striking white-headed birds in Mongolia and Northwestern China. Individuals of several sub-species may winter together. Female and nonbreeding plumages drabber and paler, with ghosting of male patterns. Songs and calls vary between subspecies, but most give form of buzzy 'dzeerdzeer' or downslurrd 'tzree'



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