

LITTLE SAI WAN GOLFING SOCIETY



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Captain's Report

Good afternoon gentlemen. I would like to start by thanking each one of our members - those of you here today of course, but also those who for whatever reason could not attend today's competition and our AGM. Thank you for your continued support, for your participation in our monthly competitions and for your ongoing commitment to our great Society.

I would also like to take a moment to thank my fellow Committee members. A big thank you to each and every one of you for your hard work, for the time and energy you have put in during the year to ensure the smooth running of the Society and for your respective reports.

A special thank you to Todd Hooper, Simon Rudolph and Ken Tashima, who have or will be moving overseas very shortly and have subsequently stepped down from the Committee. All have made significant contributions to the Society as players and Committee members. Ken and Simon have been members of the Society and of the Committee for many, many years and have managed to put their names on many of the trophies during that time. To Todd, Ken and Simon we wish you 'Bon Voyage'. Come and visit us again soon.

I am delighted to be able to announce today the launch of the Overseas Golf Opportunities section of our website. This will go live in the next few days and will list those countries where LSWGS members (and our friends within BSW) have memberships overseas where they are willing to host or organise games for members when they are visiting the relevant country. We already have over 15 courses listed in more than 10 different countries, so this should be a real benefit for those of our members that travel regularly overseas. Indeed, a good example of this in action is long time LSW member Leigh Beaman who will be joining Larry Lane in California for a couple of rounds at Pasatiempo later this month. A big thank you to those that have already provided me with their overseas golf club details and have made it clear that they are happy to host other LSWGS members. If you have access to a course overseas and have not yet provided me with your details, please do so via email when you have a moment.

For those of you interested, this year's Ryder Cup tournament is starting to take shape. Some of you may recall that this will be the first year where we play BSW as a full 20 against 20. I am delighted to be able to announce that Randy Bishman has been selected to Captain our team. He in turn has selected Andre Kriesel and myself as joint Vice Captains. It should, as always, be a great week with some very competitive golf played and the 20:20 format should make it very interesting. Although we already have 20 players that have expressed an interest

in the tour, if you would like more details for either this year or next, please email or speak to JP.

Finally, I am pleased to announce that the Committee has started a long overdue review of our Society's rules. Rest assured that we will not be making changes for changes sake, and that any changes will reflect the Society's overriding goal of allowing our members to continue to enjoy the luxury of playing great golf on a great golf course in this great city with great playing partners.

And on that note, I would ask you to be up standing and raise a toast to 'Our Great Society'.

Thank you gentlemen.

Tony Michell
LSWGS Captain