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# The Malaysian Turf & Club Management Seminar and Field Day 2019

30 September 2019

This year the Malaysia Turf & Club Management Seminar and Field Day was held at the Horizon Hills Golf & Country Club and organised by the Asian Golf Industry Federation (AGIF) in partnership with the Golf Course Superintendents Association of Malaysia (GCSAM) and the Golf Course Managers Association of Malaysia (GCMAM).







The topics for this seminar is on Cost-Efficient Golf Operations, Club Management, Renovation Design, and Construction. The speakers include Phil Ryan (Founder of Pacific Coast Design), Matthew Murray (Managing Director of Singapore's Champions Golf), Mark Isley (Director of Agronomy at Singapore's Laguna National Golf & Country Club), Owen Hester (Founder of Green Dynasty), and Raj Vijayakumar (former Assistant General Manager at the American Club Singapore).





Centaur Asia Pacific (Malaysia) led by Mr. Danny Potter (Owner of Centaur Asia Pacific) together with Centaur's



Malaysia team, supported the seminar and field day in full force. As a bronze sponsor for the event, Centaur Asia Pacific (Malaysia) had again featured Capillary Concrete and this time to more Club Managers and Golf Course Superintendents in Malaysia, especially in the state of Johor. The attendees showed interest in the Capillary Concrete and requested a trial to run in their golf courses.

In attendance was our Business Manager for Centaur Asia Pacific (Singapore), Mr. Bryan Littlejohn and Group Marketing Executive, Mr. Christopher Lim. They had taken their time from Singapore to show their support for the organisers and speakers. Danny was delighted with the turnout and interest shown by the attendees and looking forward to the upcoming trials and seminars in other parts of Malaysia in the coming months. On behalf of the team at Centaur Asia Pacific, Danny will like to congratulate AGIF, GCSAM, and GCMAM for the successful event.

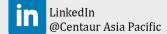
















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#### **AquaMaster Lakewood 2HP Aerator in** action!

August 29, 2019

Centaur Asia Pacific (Hong Kong), recently delivered and installed the AquaMaster Lakewood 2HP Aerator at The Clearwater Bay Golf & Country Club in Hong Kong. Aeration is a natural, environmentally friendly and highly effective water quality management tool. It addresses a wide range of water quality problems, including algae build-up, aquatic weeds, bottom sludge, foul odors, insect infestation, and stagnation in lakes and ponds. Awareness of water quality management has never been higher. In our environmentally conscious world, today's successful aquatic managers are making aeration equipment the foundation of their aquatic management programs.



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#### **RX Series**

With deluxe climate-controlled cab models and the heaviest lift capacity in its class, the RX Series delivers ultimate comfort and incredible power. So you can take on the most demanding jobs without even breaking

#### Safely handed over to her new family.

September 17, 2019

Kioti RX7330C tractor was delivered to a public riding school in Hong Kong. Application is mainly for equestrian arena maintenance; therefore agriculture tires are equipped.

Justin Chan, Division Manager for Centaur Asia Pacific (Hong Kong) was present on-site to inspect the new tractor and did a short demonstration to the operators. Justin has been very active on the ground and making sure that all deliveries come with excellent after-sales services.

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## **New Seeded Bermudagrass Developed to Deliver Winning Playing Surfaces**

Pure Seed and Atlas Turf International are proud to introduce PurePro® Seeded Bermudagrass, a blend of the industry's highest performing hybrid bermudas. With the goal of delivering the ultimate playing surfaces, PurePro combines the attributes of multiple varieties to produce a fine-textured, dark green, elite blend.

The advantages of PurePro are evident from the beginning. Under optimal conditions, PurePro germinates in seven to 14 days. Quick establishment of a dense, hearty turf means sports fields and golf courses can be ready for play in as few as eight to 12 weeks.



With performance being key, PurePro delivers strength. The deep-rooting, dense turf is extremely traffic tolerant and meets the demands of heavy play. PurePro recovers quickly from injury.

Even the most challenging conditions are no match for PurePro. The blend offers excellent salt tolerance, performing well with all types of water quality. PurePro is also drought, disease, and heat tolerant, maintaining its vigor through extreme temperatures.

To further extend play and performance, PurePro delivers early spring green-up and retains color late into fall. The blend can be overseeded for year-round color and play. When temperatures rise, its aggressive growth habit allows PurePro to transition quickly out of overseeding.





"In partnership with Pure Seed, we are proud to bring to market a new seeded bermudagrass of unmatched quality," said John Holmes, president of Atlas Turf International. "PurePro raises the level of performance sports field managers and golf course superintendents can expect from bermudagrass."

Centaur Asia Pacific is the Exclusive Distributor for Atlas Turf International for Singapore, Malaysia, and Thailand.

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#### **Introducing the latest in Turf Technology!**





September 10, 2019

Centaur Asia Pacific (Singapore) is proud to introduce Amp Agronomy, a foliar nutritional line featuring Catalyst Technology, the most efficient nutrient delivery system available on the market. To better educate our customers on the need to understand their soil, Centaur Asia Pacific (Singapore) had organised an educational seminar at the Singapore Island Country Club (SICC).

Mr. Michael Bright (Director of International Sales, Amp Agronomy), from the United States, was invited as a speaker for this educational seminar. The two topics he spoke on were "Getting to know your soil" and "What is Catalyst Technology". Michael gave a good insight into understanding the soil and using the right fertilisers. He then continued to share the power of Catalyst Technology and how it can better help your turf.

Bryan Littlejohn (Business Manager for Sales & Services) was pleased with the turnout. He said, "We have representatives from the local authority, landscaping contractors, superintendents and club managers from the golf industry. I believe every one of them will benefit from this seminar and as well as the networking opportunity."



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**Bringing Amp Agronomy and** Profile Products into Malaysia! (Profile)









Centaur Asia Pacific (Malaysia) organised a Turf Maintenance Educational Seminar at TPC Kuala Lumpur and invited two speakers from Amp Agronomy and Profile Products LLC. Mr. Michael Bright (Director of International Sales, Amp Agronomy) and Mr. James Gordon (SE Asia Market Development Manager/Sales Manager, Profile Products LLC). Both spoke about the importance of soil health and what their products can do for your turf.

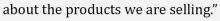
Danny Potter (Owner of Centaur Asia Pacific) was present at the seminar and shared his vision of providing turf education to the stakeholders and making the turf industry great again. Danny, a firm believer in learning and sharing of knowledge, is what makes him successful and respected in the industry.

#### Tifeagle Grass Delivery to Langkawi for **Planting on new Putting Green**

Centaur Asia Pacific (Malaysia) delivered Tifeagle Sprigs to The Els Club Teluk Datai in Langkawi, Malaysia.

About 45 mins drive from the city, Hazel Chung (Office Manager for Centaur Asia Pacific, Malaysia) was there to inspect the sprigs and making sure it was handed over in good condition to the Golf Course Superintendent, Mr. Ismahisham Ishak.

Apart from inspecting the sprigs, Hazel also witness the planting of the grass. Hazel said, "I love my job at Centaur Asia Pacific. Not only I am handling the admin side of the business in Malaysia, but I am also able to meet new people and learn more









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### **May Day Charity Cheque Presentation** Ceremony

As a Silver Sponsor for the May Day Charity 2019 hosted by the Singapore Island Country Club, Centaur Asia Pacific (Singapore) were invited to attend the May Day Charity Cheque Presentation Ceremony. Representing Centaur Asia Pacific (Singapore) was Mr. Bryan Littlejohn, Business Manager for Sales & Services received a token of appreciation at the ceremony.

Bryan said, "As a responsible and committed company, Centaur is delighted to have a chance to give back to the community. May Day Charity has provided us a platform to show our support, and we will continue doing so whenever we have a chance".



#### **New furnishings for Thai Country Club**



September 30, 2019

The Prestwick furnishings are made from FOREVER·NU™ Recycled Plastic (primarily recycled milk jugs). FOREVER·NU™ is virtually maintenance-free and stays vibrant for years.

Prestwick Golf Group's premium furnishings have been featured in 61 countries across the globe, 86 of America's 100 greatest courses, and 46 PGA Tour Stops.

Centaur Asia Pacific is proud to be the distributor in Hong Kong, Macau, Singapore, Malaysia, Vietnam, China, and Thailand.



#### Reconstruction of bunkers continued at the **Hong Kong Golf Club**



September 30, 2019

The Hong Kong Golf Club continued their bunker renovation programme. Wash-outs of the bunkers, contamination of the bunker sand, erosion, and collapsing of the edges is a recurring issue for the maintenance staff and a costly matter for the club. Randy Witt, Course Manager, has been looking for a permanent solution to deal with these problems. Hong Kong Golf Club is using Capillary Concrete alongside EcoBunker to counteract these factors.



The process involves removing the contaminated sand, checking and repairing the drainage system, installation of Capillary Concrete and EcoBunker, and lastly, applying a fresh layer of bunker sand. EcoBunker is used to reinforce the bunker edge while eliminating the possibility of bunker edge erosion. Combining these two solutions produce bunkers that serve a purpose, eradicate a problem while they also increase the aesthetic appearance of the Golf Course.

Asian Sportsturf Ltd. carried out all the renovation works and the Capillary Concrete and EcoBunker for this project were supplied by Centaur Asia Pacific Hong Kong, the authorized and exclusive distributor for Hong Kong & Macau.

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#### Welcome to the Centaur Family!



Centaur Asia Pacific (Malaysia) welcomes Mr. Jaswinder Singh Gill, who had joined our Malaysia office as a Sales Manager for Sales and Services. Stationed in Kuala Lumpur, Jaswinder's primary responsibilities will be building his network across Malaysia in the landscape, sports field, and golf course industries.

Jaswinder joined the turf industry in the early '90s as a sales executive, primarily supplying fertilizers, accessories, machinery spares, and providing soil testing services. Over the years he had attended numerous seminars, conferences and read up a great deal to advance in the industry and giving customers the best knowledge and advice possible.

Centaur Asia Pacific (Hong Kong) has appointed Dylan Mc Williams to the role of its new Sales Manager for Turf & Horticulture. Dylan will be responsible for providing service and support to our customers in Hong Kong and Macau.

After completing his studies in Horticulture and Sports Turf Science from the University of Ulster, Dylan then went to the USA to take part in the Ohio State TOP Program. He has been involved in several PGA and European Tour events. Dylan is joining us from his previous post as Assistant Superintendent at The Hong Kong Golf Club. His career highlight so far has been preparing for the legendary Arnold Palmer Invitational at Bay Hill Club and Lodge, Florida.





Centaur Asia Pacific (Singapore) had recently recruited a new Sales Executive for Turf & Horticulture, Mr. Brandon Low.

Brandon is a Singaporean and started his working career in the logistics industry for 13 years and switched over to sales as he finds that it is a more challenging career. Having more than 15 years in sales at the Sports Equipment Industry, Brandon had mastered the art in sales.

Brandon's primary responsibility will be servicing existing customers and looking into the untapped markets for new customers. Other than Fertilizers and Chemicals, Brandon will be taking care of other turf related products like the Selectline line paint marker.