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K200, 000 plus raised for Team PNG

The Papua New Guinea Olympic Committee (PNGOC) has raised an amount of K204, 080.98 for Team PNG during its recent Prime Minister's Corporate Golf Challenge at the Royal Port Moresby Golf Club. A total of 50 teams registered in support of our national athletes who will be participating in the 2024 Paris Olympic Games in July.

The PM's Corporate Golf Challenge is an annual fundraiser, hosted by the Papua New Guinea Olympic Committee for Team PNG preparations towards major international games. The Golf challenge began in 1998 at the Royal Port Moresby Golf Club, and later spread to Lae in 2005. This year is the 26th year for PNGOC to host the prestigious event.

The 2024 PM's Golf Corporate Challenge top 7 Winners include:

1. Lane Lawyers - 56 3/8
2. Oasis Pharmaceutical – 57 1/8
3. Kumul Minerals Team 3 – 58 1/8
4. Kenmonk Ltd – 58 4/8
5. PM's Department – 58 4/8
6. PNG Ports Sharks 58 4/8
7. Team Powi 58 7/8

Star Printers received the award for Best Dressed team.

Special guests present at the event were France Ambassador to Papua New Guinea, Guillaume Lemoine, Vice Minister assisting the Prime Minister, Minister for Mining, Honourable Muguwa Dilu, Out-Going President for PNGOC, Sir John Dawanincura, PNGOC Secretary General, Desmond Kaviagu, including PNGOC and Team PNG partners and supporters.

PNGOC, Out-Going President, Sir John Dawanincura expressed his gratitude to all who supported in making the event a successful one.

“As we close off a successful day at the PM's Golf, I would like to extend my gratitude towards the following. Firstly, our good Prime Minister, Honorable James Marape. I would like to commend you on your continuous support towards the Papua New Guinea Olympic Committee and Team PNG. Your contributions are highly appreciated”.

“I also wish to acknowledge our partners for the PM's Golf, the major event sponsor, The National, Ela Motors, Air Niugini, SP Brewery, Media Partners, Coral Sea Hotels, Trophy

Haus, Trukai Industries Limited, Theodist, Blue 7 Team, Vodafone. Not forgetting the Hole sponsors, Telikom, PNG Ports, Southern Cross Assurance”, he added.

Sir John concluded by stating, *“Without your support, today would not have been successful as it is now. Thank you and we look forward to continuing this partnership in the coming years”.*

The next Prime Minister’s Corporate Golf Challenge will be held this Friday, 17th of May, 2024. Registrations for teams in Lae are still open and fees are at K3, 000. The PNG Olympic Committee is encouraging teams of four people to register in support of Team PNG.

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About the Papua New Guinea Olympic Committee

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The Papua New Guinea Olympic Committee (PNGOC) is a non-government, not-for-profit organisation committed to inspire and unite Papua New Guinea through sporting excellence and success. The PNGOC is a believer of sport as an enabler for sustainable and inclusive development. It is our responsibility to select, send and fund Team PNG to the Olympic Games, Commonwealth Games and Pacific Games. This is achieved by working with our member national sports federations and with the support of our sponsors and partners, through fundraising events and with the backing of the Government. To find out more visit our website www.pngolympic.org.pg

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