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Malaysia's First Ever Beat the Pro Challenge Featuring Jorge Campillo, Gavin Green, Hideto Tanihara and Many More

Maybank Championship's Maiden Challenge Saw More Than 20 Amateurs Taking on the Pros in an Unforgettable Experience

Kuala Lumpur, 3 February 2018: The first ever Beat the Pro challenge in Malaysia and Asia took place today to commemorate the Maybank Championship 2018. The morning took an exciting turn when professional golfers such as Jorge Campillo, Gavin Green, Hideto Tanihara, Eddie Pepperell and Prayad Marksaeng, among others took on the amateur golfers at Hole 7.

Bragging rights went to Zaini Salihin as he was announced as the winner for this challenge. In order to bag the title, Zaini Salihin successfully hit his ball closer to the pin when compared to the professionals. The professionals did not make this Beat the Pro challenge easy on him as they put their skills to work. Chris Paisley, Marc Warren and Yuta Ikeda put their best on display but ultimately, it was Zaini who walked away the winner.

On top of that, beauty queen, Deborah Henry also made a special appearance at the Drum for Hope session at The Village. Drum for Hope is an initiative that was launched last year in partnership with Maybank Kim Eng as well as Hands Percussion. Henry said, "This initiative helps refugees in Malaysia and in the UK to achieve sustainable lives that are fulfilling, and recognising that we can heal ourselves through art and music."

Additionally, a batik painting workshop by Maybank Kim Eng's Trade and Give saw a few lucky visitors trying their hands on the intricate process of batik painting while being guided by an instructor. Throughout the day, many exciting activities were held such as meet and greet sessions with the professionals, Kata Katha dance performances, special appearance by Maybank Championship's official mascot and many more.

For further details on the tournament activities, players' updates and schedule, please visit maybankchampionship.com.my.



PHOTOS AND CAPTIONS



Zaini Salihin at Beat the Pro Challenge



Left to right: Marc Warren, Zaini Salihin (the winner of Beat the Pro Challenge), Yuta Ikeda and Chris Paisley



Drum for Hope in Partnership with Maybank Kim Eng and Hands Percussion



Batik Painting Workshop by Maybank Kim Eng's Trade and Give



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