

## Tehran International Golf - Iran



PCD Director Phil Ryan was in Tehran during September 2013 to oversee the initiation of grassing of hole 6 which is the first to be completed in the current phase of golf construction which is the back nine holes (Phase One).

The construction program will be ongoing with the balance of grassing to take place commencing from April next year once the weather again warms up and allows the bermuda grass to be planted.

The Client, Iranian Land has already sold just over 100 villas and these are being constructed along holes 6 and 13 currently as a part of Phase One which also includes the temporary Clubhouse due to open mid 2014. Road infrastructure and services are already in place and whilst in Tehran Phil gave a presentation to over 300 people who have already or were interested in investing into the residential.



The golf course had been on hold for the past eighteen months due to the economic situation in Iran brought on by the European & American led embargo however the situation has now stabilized in Iran and confidence is high that normal relations will soon return.

Management and site supervisors from TSI Group (Akhlaghi, Farshad Shahriari & Kian Nasri) have done a great job in holding the project together under very difficult circumstances and are now working



with selected contractors for all aspects of the construction. An excellent addition to the team is a newly formed company from Iran, MST who undertake contract grassing and who have filled an important skill set that was previously missing from Iran.

PCD will be returning in the New Year for the finalization of works to complete the Phase One / Nine Holes and all are looking forward to the opening next year of the first golf course to be completed in Iran for over 36 years.



With bulk earthworks completed and fine shaping well under way the PCD designed MyOzone Golf Resort in Khao Yai (about 2 hours north of Bangkok) is coming together quickly. PCD have Master Planned the residential, resort project for Villa Medica (Thailand) Co. Ltd. and it is designed to have Hotel, Wellness Resort, Apartments, Villas, Club and the 18 hole golf course.

The Thai based company Links Golf Services ([www.linksgolfservices.com](http://www.linksgolfservices.com)) are undertaking the turnkey construction and the golf course is expected to be open in the second half of 2014.





## Chengdu Country Club, Chengdu - China



In the last 12 months the Country Club Chengdu has received 7 new awards that testify its quality as a total golf facility.

Awards received include Ballantynes "Best New Golf Courses in China", China Golf Weekly - 'Top 10 New Club, China Golf Awards - "Best New Club" and "Best Golf Club House Design" and inclusion in the First Class Club (Hong Kong) Ltd.

PCD congratulates all involved with the ongoing development and improvement of Chengdu Country Club.



## PCD - What Is Happening Over The Next Few Months

- PCD Director Phil Ryan is attending the Asia Pacific Golf Summit in Jakarta from November 5 to 7.
- PCD has been nominated in "Best Golf Architect in Asia" category at the Asian Golf Awards and PCD projects Black Mountain (Thailand), Oxford Golf (India), Eagleton Golf Village (India) and Tianma Golf & Country Club (Shanghai, China) have all been nominated in "Best Golf Course" categories.
- Black Mountain Golf (Hua Hin) is listed in the GD Top 100 Golf Courses in the World.
- Phil will then be heading to India where he attends the Board meeting of the Indian Golf Industry Association and the golden jubilee celebrations for the 50th. Indian Open which is being held at Delhi Golf Club from November 7 to 10.
- PCD Director Paul Reeves is the Secretary / Treasurer of the Society of Australian Golf Architects and will be attending the Society meeting in Sydney which coincides with the Australian Open from November 27 to December 1.
- PCD Directors Phil Ryan, Paul Reeves and Vincent Pinto will be attending the IGIA Conference and Expo to be held at Oxford Golf & Country Club, March 6 & 7 / 2014.

# The Country Club, Mianyang - China



In 2011 PCD were appointed to design a 27 hole golf course in the banks of Lake Xianhai, Sichuan Province. The site is about 10 km out of the city of Mianyang, a city of over 1.5 million people about 200 kilometres west of Chengdu.

Due to the nature of the site each hole is being designed and constructed on a hole by hole basis. This process is balancing the earthworks of most holes within their footprint as well as enabling much of the surrounding vegetation and other natural features to be preserved.

In early October the first 9 holes opened for play in a 'soft opening' mode. Construction of the 2nd 9 holes is now progressing well.

PCD Director, Paul Reeves, joined the client and other notable locals in playing the course. With 2 of the holes each dropping over 100 feet, and many of the other holes playing along and or across the beautiful Lake Xianhai the course is a combination of both strategic and spectacular golf.

This first 9 holes has set the standard for what when finished will be one of South-western Chinas most notable golf courses.





It is not very often that Golf Architects get to work on a site with a pure sand profile and wonderful natural undulations / dunes. As a part of this large tourism (water theme part etc.) residential and resort project the Nine Hole, Par 33 of 2620 yards MTC Golf Course is a real favourite of PCD Directors with Paul Reeves having spent a lot of time wandering through the dunes to come up with this great layout.

PCD Directors Phil Ryan & Vincent Pinto were at site again in September 2013 and with only two holes left to grass were able to really



appreciate the course which will definitely be a lot of fun to play. The golf construction is being managed by the Global Golf team and MD / Prakash Alvares as well as Site Manager Purushottam walked the course with Phil & Vincent to review issues, the next time will be with golf clubs.

The project is about 35 minutes by car from central Jaipur and will include Water theme park, Hotel, retail shopping zone, residential villas, school, Adventure Park and two on-site Clubs, one being the golf club. The entire MTC (Mega Tourism City) project is being developed by the Appughar Group.

