Golfers take a swing for Team PNG

Avid golfers and those looking for an interesting and competitive day on the course will be competing this Friday, in the Prime Minister's Corporate Golf Challenge for Team PNG at the Royal Port Moresby Golf Club.

2017 champions, MRDC and second place finishers, Southern Cross are among the 46 teams who have registered their participation for this year's challenge.

"We enjoy the competition shown among the teams and we are looking forward to seeing some more thrilling shots on the green this Friday," said Secretary General of the PNG Olympic Committee, Auvita Rapilla.

The tournament is a fundraising event for the PNG Olympic Committee and draws great support from the corporate community every year.

The PNG Prime Minister is the Patron of the event and on occasions has participated himself.

Funds raised from this year's challenge will go towards sending Team PNG to the 16th Pacific Games in Samoa in 2019.

Team PNG's vision for the 2019 Pacific Games is to create history by winning the Pacific Games on foreign soil for the first time.

"We want to send a big team to Samoa so we aim to raise as much as we can, so the support from teams and our partners is very important to our cause," Rapilla said.

She thanked the organisations who have shown interest to participate and also acknowledged the Prime Minister for his patronage of the event.

Great prizes are on offer for the top four finishers which include return tickets to Sydney, Brisbane and Cairns courtesy of Air Niugini as well as free hotel accommodation in PNG courtesy of Coral Sea Hotels.

Meanwhile, Ela Motors Toyota is offering a brand new single cab Toyota Hilux as the Hole-In-One prize for the 18th hole.

Following their thrilling performance on home soil in 2015 to top the medal tally, Team PNG will be defending their crown against next year's hosts, Samoa and arch rivals, New Caledonia, Fiji, Tahiti and Tonga.

28 sports are on the programme for the 2019 Games and PNG is aiming to send a team to participate in all the codes.

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