



**MALDIVES GOLF**

*“Unity and Friendship through Golf”*

# **MALDIVES OPEN 2026**

**ORGANIZED BY MALDIVES GOLF ASSOCIATION**

**VICTORIA GOLF RESORT, SRI LANKA  
6-7 MAY 2026**



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## **FORWARD BY THE PRESIDENT OF MALDIVES GOLF ASSOCIATION MR. HUSSAIN AFEEF**



It is my honor and personal privilege to extend a very warm welcome to all members of the Maldives Golf Association (MGA) and all the participants of the Second Maldives Open 2026, once again being held at the beautiful Victoria Golf Resort.

The registration of the MGA has successfully provided a formal platform for developing the unique game of golf in our beautiful country. I am delighted to see the growing interest and increased participation in this year's championship, which reflects the rising popularity of the sport across the Maldives.

As a relatively new sport that requires sophisticated infrastructure, we as members of the MGA must continue to put in our best collective efforts towards the development and growth of golf in the Maldives. I invite all passionate members to actively contribute their ideas, support, and energy to take this sport to greater heights.

I wish all competitors an exciting and enjoyable tournament filled with great golf, healthy competition, and memorable moments.



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## **WELCOME BY THE VICE PRESIDENT OF MALDIVES GOLF ASSOCIATION MR. AHMED NAZEER**

Let me extend a warm and enthusiastic welcome to all members of the Maldives Golf Association (MGA) and the participants of the Second Maldives Golf Championships, once again being held at the stunning Victoria Golf Resort.



With even greater participation and a more vibrant field of players this year, the passion for golf and the competitive spirit are stronger than ever. I am confident that this second edition of the Maldives Open will be even more exciting, colorful, and memorable than the first.

It is wonderful to see both returning players and many new faces joining us this year. I look forward to welcoming even more enthusiasts in the years ahead as the sport continues to grow across the Maldives.

A special thank you goes to the President of MGA, Mr. Afeef, for his inspiring vision and continued leadership in developing golf in the Maldives. I would also like to sincerely thank our General Secretary, Mr. Hassan Shaam, Mr. Yusuf Riza, and the entire dedicated team for their outstanding efforts in organizing this larger and more vibrant second edition at record speed.



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## ABOUT MALDIVES GOLF ASSOCIATION (MGA)

The Maldives Golf Association (MGA), founded by golf enthusiasts Mr. Hussain Afeef, Mr. Ahmed Nazeer, and Mr. Lars Petre, serves as the governing body for golf in the Maldives. Established in 2024 under the Sports Act of the Maldives, MGA's primary objective is to promote and develop the sport of golf across the country.

## KEY OBJECTIVES OF MGA

- To promote, encourage and develop golf in Maldives.
- To develop the necessary facilities to facilitate the play of golf for all Maldivians interested in playing golf.
- To do everything possible to improve the quality of golf players in Maldives and to protect the sport from adverse effects.
- Marketing and promoting Maldives as a golf destination. Also, working with the relevant government authorities to make Maldives a golf destination that attracts international golfers.



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## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF MGA

The Executive Committee (EXCO) is the main decision making body MGA. It is comprised of 7 members, which includes the President, Vice President, The Treasurer and 4 members elected by membership in an Annual General Meeting. The term of the EXCO is 4 years.



Hussain Afeef  
President



Ahmed Nazeer  
Vice President



Farooq Umar  
Treasurer



Hassan Shaam  
General Secretary



Ibrahim Vishan  
Member



Ibrahim Noordeen  
Member



Ali Hussain Didi  
Member



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## PARTICIPANTS

- |                         |                             |                          |
|-------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. Hussain Afeef        | 16. Phiphop Keawstipornchai | 31. Anders Elfving       |
| 2. Ahmed Nazeer         | 17. Natthawat Thanyakulthip | 32. Thomas Elfving       |
| 3. Ali Hussain Didi     | 18. Ahmed Ifham             | 33. Marc G. Chicano      |
| 4. Hassan Shaam         | 19. Mohamed Shareef         | 34. Hassan Shafiu        |
| 5. Farooq Umar          | 20. Lawrance Gan            | 35. Sharhan Muhseen      |
| 6. Ahmed Hafeez         | 21. L. Kiattithanomkul      | 36. Ibrahim Mahfooz      |
| 7. Ibrahim Noordeen     | 22. Mevan Guntilake         | 37. Rashed Al Suwaidi    |
| 8. Ahmed Kaleem         | 23. Kanchana Wickramasinghe | 38. Gamini Hettiarachchi |
| 9. Saudulla Ibrahim     | 24. Pathmanathan R.         | 39. Wang Huanhuan        |
| 10. Abdulla Saeed       | 25. Logaraja Ramaiya.       | 40. Roy Chen             |
| 11. Ibrahim Hameed      | 26. Dimuth Fernando         | 41. Daya Rathnayake      |
| 12. Filip Petre         | 27. Ceaser Fernando         | 42. Asiri Ariyarathna    |
| 13. Axel Wahlstrom      | 28. Tom Zimmer              |                          |
| 14. Lars Petre          | 29. I M Lorance             |                          |
| 15. Ms. Sithara Lorance | 30. Amesh Dissanayake       |                          |



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## ABOUT MALDIVES OPEN



Last year, the tournament made its debut in Kandy, Sri Lanka, where it attracted 28 enthusiastic golfers from across the region.

The event was widely praised for its excellent organisation, competitive spirit, and warm hospitality extended far from home.

The success of the 2025 edition has set a strong foundation for an even bigger and better tournament in 2026. Maldives Open 2026 promises to deliver another memorable golfing experience, bringing together amateur and professional golfers in a friendly yet highly competitive environment. The tournament continues the Maldives Golf Association's mission to promote the sport of golf within the Maldives and strengthen regional golfing ties.





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## WINNERS OF MALDIVES OPEN 2025



**Pathmanathan Ramaiah**  
Winner of Division A



**Manuel Tobles**  
Winner of Division B



**Kanchana Wickramasinghe**  
Winner of Division C



**Filip Petre**  
Runner up Division A



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## WINNERS OF MALDIVES OPEN 2025



**Ceasar Fernando**  
Runner up of Division B



**Mevan Gunathilake**  
Runner up of Division C



**Filip Petre**  
Nearest to the hole



**Pathmanathan Ramaiah**  
Nearest to the pole



**Ibrahim Nordeen**  
Longest Drive



**Farooq Umar**  
Wooden Spoon



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## FACT SHEET

<b><u>Dates</u></b> The tournament will be held in Victoria Golf Resort, Sri Lanka from 5-7 May 2026	<b><u>Organizer</u></b> Maldives Golf Association (MGA)
<b><u>Tournament Entry</u></b> By invitation	
<b><u>Accommodation</u></b> Participants are responsible for their own air tickets and accommodation at the golf course. We have negotiated a very special package with the management of the Golf Club, as follows: Green fee (18 holes): Practice Day USD 30.00 nett Practice day caddy fee (18 holes): USD 7.00 nett Practice day Buggy hire (18 holes): RS 5,000.00 nett (≈ USD 17.00) Accommodation (Bed & Breakfast) at Villas operated by the Golf Club: Single: USD 85.00 nett Double: USD 90.00 nett	
<b><u>Tournament Venue</u></b> Victoria Golf Resort P O Box 7, Rajawella, 20180 Digana, Sri Lanka Tel: +94 717 376 376	<b><u>Airport &amp; airport pickup</u></b> Bandaranaike International Airport We have arranged with a local party to handle airport transfers (to/from the Golf Club). A six-person van (suitable for 4 persons + luggage & golf clubs) will cost approximately USD 140.00 per one-way trip. Please send all travel details to Ahmed Nazeer: +960 777 2658 Hassan Shaam: +960 777 6996  We will coordinate with the driver to meet you upon arrival and transfer you to the Golf Club.



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<b>Important dates</b>	
Date of Arrival:	4 May 2026 (Monday)
Date of Practice:	5 May 2026 (Tuesday)
Date of Competition:	6 - 7 May 2026
Date of Departure:	8 May 2026 (Friday)
<b>Participation fee</b> USD150 Account details: <i>A/C No. 7730000778943</i> <i>A/C Name: Maldives Golf Association</i> <i>Bank: BML USD</i>	<b>Tournament Format</b> The tournament format to be announced later.
<b>Complimentary</b> MGA will provide a souvenir kit to each participant. Tournament days green fee and caddy fee Tournament days food, including 9th hole refreshments at the Halfway House and lunch on the tournament days	
<b>Tournament Director</b> Mr. Hassan Shaam	
<b>Pre-tournament contact</b> Mr. Ahmed Nazeer Email: <i>nazeer@crowncorpany.com</i> Tel: +9607772658	Mr. Hassan Shaam Email: <i>shaam3r@gmail.com</i> Tel: +9607776996

## **Entry Submission and Deadline**

Please send the completed entry forms by email to:

Hassan Shaam: *shaam3r@gmail.com*



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