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Powering Palliative Care through Dover Park Hospice's Charity Golf 2025:

***The biennial fundraiser raised over \$226,000 to support
patients with life-limiting illnesses***

SINGAPORE, 3 JULY 2025 – In a spirited show of support for palliative care, 148 golfers rallied together at the Tampines Course of Tanah Merah Country Club for Dover Park Hospice (DPH)'s biennial Charity Golf fundraiser. Gracing the occasion as Guest-of-Honour was Mr Seah Kian Peng, the Speaker of Parliament. The event brought together corporate partners, donors, and new supporters in a shared mission to raise funds for patients with life-limiting illnesses.

2. As Singapore's population continues to age rapidly, the demand for quality palliative care has become even more pertinent. DPH plays a crucial role in this landscape — providing comfort, dignity and holistic support to patients in the final stages of life, regardless of their background or ability to pay. More than 70% of the hospice's patients come from low-income households, many struggling with the emotional and financial strain of terminal illness. Fundraising initiatives such as the Charity Golf event are essential in sustaining the hospice's operations, to ensure that both patients and their caregivers receive the comprehensive support that they need during life's most difficult moments.

Making Every Putt and Drive Purposeful

3. Through two meaningful on-course challenges — “*Putt It Forward*” and “*Drive for a Purpose*” — golfers went beyond the game to make a lasting impact. Every ball, every swing and every pledge contributed directly to supporting Dover Park Hospice's mission of compassionate care.

“Putt It Forward”

4. On the practice green, golfers stepped up to “Putt-It-Forward,” where each putt contributes toward helping patients-in-need. For a \$10 donation per ball, participants putted toward a line-up of enticing prizes spread across the green, with the most sought-after prizes placed furthest away. This light-hearted game symbolised how every stroke and dollar add up to make a real difference in the lives of patients, families, and caregivers.

“Drive for a Purpose”

5. At Hole 14, golfers switched up the tempo with “Drive for a Purpose” — an innovative challenge that transformed each tee shot into a monthly act of giving. Instead of aiming for prizes, players took aim at a meaningful target: pledging \$10, \$20, or \$50 per month for a year, depending on where their shot landed on the Par-3 green. This purposeful play is part of Dover Park Hospice’s commitment to sustainable giving — encouraging small, steady gifts that ensure compassionate care continues year-round for patients facing life-limiting illnesses as well as supporting caregivers on their caregiving journey.

6. Mr Johnny Lam, Dover Park Hospice’s Fundraising Committee Co-Chairman, said: “We deeply appreciate the continued support of our corporate and individual donors. This event is much more than just a sport; it is an opportunity for golfers to have fun on the green while giving meaningfully to a cause that truly matters. The amount raised is vital in helping our patients and their caregivers focus on what matters most – spending quality, precious time together without the added worry of financial burdens during the delicate and final stages of life.”

7. Incentivising golfers to sharpen their one-shot accuracy, the tournament featured three exciting Hole-in-One prizes — generously sponsored by CarTimes, TradsGroup, and Philip Stein — including a luxury car, \$50,000 cash, and a premium timepiece:

- *Hole #4: A Mercedes-Benz C200 sponsored by CarTimes, valued at \$90,000**
- *Hole #6 and #16: \$50,000 cash prizes each sponsored by TradsGroup*
- *Hole #14: A Philip Stein Watch worth \$34,000 sponsored by Philip Stein*

**Excludes the Certificate of Entitlement (COE), Additional Registration Fee (ARF), insurance, and road tax.*

8. The competitive spirit didn't stop there as golfers also tested their precision and power in novelty contests like *Nearest-to-Pin* at Hole #6 and *Longest Drive* at Hole #8, where the most skilled players each walked away with a golf clubs and two bags by TaylorMade.

Bringing the Mission to Life

9. The success of Dover Park Hospice Charity Golf 2025 reflects the strength of collective goodwill when purpose meets passion. Beyond the competition and camaraderie on the course, the event has fuelled the hospice's vision of delivering accessible, person-centred palliative care to those who need it most. With growing support from the community and like-minded partners, Dover Park Hospice continues to forge ahead — not just meeting needs, but transforming lives with dignity, care and hope.

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About Dover Park Hospice

Founded in 1992, Dover Park Hospice is Singapore's first purpose-built hospice, catering to those nearing their end of life's journey. As a secular, non-profit organisation, it opens doors to people of every age, race, religion, and income level. Through a transdisciplinary team comprising doctors and nurses, medical social workers, art therapists, music therapists, physiotherapists and occupational therapists, the team jointly assesses, discuss and plans for the care of the patients and support for their caregivers.

Over the years, Dover Park Hospice has served over 22,000 patients and families, providing holistic palliative care in meeting their physiological, emotional, psychosocial and spiritual needs. Through its Integrated Palliative Care Programme comprising Inpatient, Home Care and Day Care services, it ensures seamless continuity of care for patients in different care settings, based on the trajectory of their illnesses.

Since its move to the TTSH Integrated Care Hub, Dover Park Hospice has expanded its capacity to support patients from across Singapore while delivering better care through its close proximity and integration with Tan Tock Seng Hospital and other healthcare institutions as part of HealthCity Novena.

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