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2013 ASIA PACIFIC JUNIOR CUP

Team Hawaii Wins the 2013 Asia Pacific Junior Cup Over Team Japan 18 to 14

Waikoloa, Hawaii, November 5, 2013 — Team Hawaii won 9 of the available 16 points today in the Final Round of the 7th Annual Asia Pacific Junior Cup contested at Waikoloa Beach Resort – Kings' Course on the Big Island of Hawaii.

The format of today's round was Singles Match Play. The Waikoloa Kings' Course was in fantastic condition today and with very light trades, for the international competition.

Baldwin High senior, Ariel Hanson-Elfman went out in the first math of the final round and was All-Square at the turn when he holed out for a Hole-in-One on Hole #11 to go 1-up and then chipped in on Hole #12 to take his match to 2-up where his match finished on Hole #17. His win was the fire to ignite the rest of his teammates to a victory, the second time in the events history.

The winning point to clinch the APJC Cup was earned by Moanalua senior, Johnny Oda when he closed out his match on the 16th hole with a 3 & 2 victory.

The Hawaii team was lead by Captains, Mary Bea Porter-King, Cathy Torchiana, LPGA and Jerry King, PGA both of Maui. "Our team created a game plan and everyone implemented the plan down to the final putts. Our team was amazing to coach and watch stick to our plan," said Jerry King, PGA. "I feel our team had an advantage when every day all 16 Hawaii players gathered in a tight circle surrounding Kamehameha junior, Spencer Dunaway, while he gave a Hawaiian chant and blessing. It brought us all to tears while brining us all together as a team." said Cathy Torchiana, LPGA.

"I am always so impressed by the caliber of play from Japan and their great coaching. I know both Kimio Akune and Kaori Shibayama put as much heart and soul into working with their team as we did, I always appreciate how they play with dignity and honor. But I will admit, it is sure fun for our team to win one for Hawaii," said Mary Bea Porter-King.

This Hilton Grand Vacations sponsored event, presented by the Hawaii State Junior Golf Association (HSJGA) brings together 32 of the best young players from Hawaii (USA) and Japan (10 boys and 6 girls on each team), in a Ryder Cup-style tournament designed to foster good will between young golfers, ages 15-18 from both organizations. The vision of this international event started nine years ago when of **Mark Wang**, President of Hilton Grand Vacations, a division of Hilton Worldwide presented the idea to the HSJGA.

For more information, please contact Lauren Yama at (808) 532-0559 or hsigaoffice@gmail.com.

Attached Final Results & Photos

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