

Troon makes Key Appointments at Meydan

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Troon, the leader in upscale golf course management and development, has announced two key new appointments at Meydan, the ground-breaking floodlit 9-hole golf course in Dubai.

PGA Professional Paul Dennis assumes the role of General Manager, while Dindy Macatlang steps into the Superintendent position. Both bring with them the experience of many years working within Troon Golf, and demonstrate the global specialist's commitment to their latest and most exciting project in the Middle East, ahead of its imminent opening.



Paul Dennis

Bruce Glasco, Vice-President and Managing Director, Troon International Operations commented, "Paul and Dindy have been with Troon for a number of years, and have done an excellent job at several facilities, not just in the region, but also around the world. They've been handpicked as the type of experienced, talented individuals we need in place to maximise the exciting potential of the new facility at Meydan."

New General Manager of Meydan Golf, Paul Dennis, arrives after a highly successful four year spell as Director of Golf at The Montgomerie, another prestigious Troon managed facility in Dubai. Paul has been with Troon for the past eight years, including two years as Senior PGA Assistant Professional at The Grove near London, before moving to the UAE. He became Director of Golf at Abu Dhabi Golf Club in 2006, and the facility was subsequently named Troon Golf 'Turnaround Facility Of the Year' in 2008. Dennis then moved on to The Montgomerie later the same year into a similar role. "I'm honoured to have been given the opportunity to become General Manager at the exciting new golf course at Meydan, and take another step forward within the Troon Golf organisation," he said.

Meydan Golf Superintendent Dindy Macatlang brings 11 years' experience within Troon Golf, as a golf course Supervisor, Manager and Superintendent. Dindy began his Troon career at The Montgomerie, as Construction and Grown-In Supervisor, during its construction phase between 1999 and 2001. Following several promotions at the resort, Dindy continued his progression within the Troon organisation with a move to the flagship resort at Abu Dhabi Golf Club in 2007, as Assistant Golf Course Superintendent. The course

was subsequently voted "Best Golf Course in the Middle East" three years in a row between 2008 and 2010. Dindy's work in maintaining and improving some of the best courses in the

Middle East, marked him out as the ideal candidate for the new Superintendent's role at Meydan Golf.

Meydan City is the brainchild of His Highness Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum, UAE Vice President, Prime Minister and Ruler of Dubai. It is the culmination of his vision to create not just the ultimate venue for horseracing, but also an integrated city that is sustainable, environmentally responsible and also one that positions Dubai at the centre of the competitive global business stage.

The **Peter Harradine** designed nine-hole floodlit course at Meydan Golf is positioned as a unique model, different to the current golfing attractions in the UAE. Situated adjacent to the Meydan Racecourse, home of the Dubai World Cup and the Meydan Hotel, it offers golf to golfers of all ages and abilities with its

pay-as-you-play structure. The floodlit course will open until midnight each evening, and offers stunning views of the Dubai City skyline and iconic Meydan Racecourse as it winds between a series of natural lakes. Located ten minutes' drive from Downtown Burj Dubai, and featuring a fully equipped clubhouse with sports bar and restaurants, driving range, and Academy by Troon, Meydan Golf is an exciting new addition to the Dubai golfing landscape.

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