



"DIASQUA SARJAN HONG KONG PREMIER LEAGUE 2014"

Introduction

Sarjan Hong Kong Premier League (SHKPL) 10Dus Cricket Tournament has been played over the past 6 years and has developed into a very successful crickering and social event in Hong Kong for people within the Hong Kong Diamond and Jewellery Industry.

It is an Annual Event that is run over a two day's period and is one of the most awaited and popular cricket-cum social events in Hong Kong. The innovative format of the cricket game "Dus Ka Dus" makes it's very exciting both for the players and spectators alike.

It is a tournament that has the full backing of the Hong Kong Cricket Association and is Managed and Co-Organized by the SARJAN GROUP & LITTLE SAI WAN CRICKET CLUB (LSWCC). It is well received and recognized by the Hong Kong Cricketing and Business Community at large.

For the past 3 years, that is from the Year 2011 to Year 2013 the Sarjan Hong Kong Premier League title Sponsors was Mr. Sohan Goenka, CEO of the Unirich Jewellery and the event was thus played as "Unirich Sarjan Hong Kong Premier League Tournament."

In 2011 Mr. Goenka pledged his full support to the 10Dus Tournament. At the end of third year (2013) the Co-Organizers, Mr. Zulu SureshKumar, President of the Sarjan Group and Mr. Tabarak Dar, Secretary & Executive Committee Member of LSWCC thanked Mr. Goenka for laying a platform where by the tournament has now grown in popularity and massive size over the years.

As "Unirich Jewellery" term ended as Title sponsors of the 10Dus tournament in 2013, new title sponsors Mr. Tony Mehta, Chairman of the "Diasqua Group" pledged his full support to the tournament and concluded that he was proud to be associated with the Event and looked forward to further collaboration in the future.

The Diasqua Group

Mr. Tony Mehta is the current Chairman of the Group. Mr. Mehta is a man of vision and mission within the organization and has great love and passion for the game of cricket.

The Diasqua group is a dedicated member of the diamond, gems and jewellery industry with strong roots dating back to three generations. Today their core business involves sourcing, distribution and marketing of an extensive range of polished diamonds.

They are a family corporation built on values of knowledge, expertise, integrity and fair business ethics. For more than sevenly years their skills and reputation have passed from generation to generation each driven by a passion for diamonds and zeal for enterprise. Over the years they have developed a strong liaison with their customers, suppliers, employees and business associates based on their traditional doctrines of sincerity, service and satisfaction.

With humble beginnings in Madras (now, Chennai) dating back to 1933, today their global marketing network extends to twelve offices in ten countries. They successful forward integration into diamond studded jewellery in 1998 has already laid down future plans for a backward integration into the grassroots- Diamond cutting and polishing.

The 6th Edition of the Sarjan Hong Kong Premier League was thus named as "Diasqua Sarjan Hong Kong Premier League 2014".

Event was played on 5th & 6th July, 2014 at the Po Kong Village Road Park Cricket Ground (PKVR) at Diamond Hill, Kowloon. The facilities and sitting arrangement at the ground are of high quality stand and with flood-lights for the games to be played during Day/Night; it made the tournament more enjoyable and exciting for both the players and spectators. It is well known around the world that due to climate change many cities experience uncertain weather with some cities being too hot in the year were as other having heavy down-pour of rain and flooding.

Hong Kong is no exception as the of month of July in Hong Kong have now become too hot and sticky with the temperature hitting a record 38-40C. As the game at PKVR is played on the mat and the outfield is of artificial turf, it makes tough and challenging both for players and officials to get on to the field and play the game in a competitive manner.

Venues of SHKPL for Dus10 Tournament over the years

Since its introduction to Hong Kong Cricket 6 years back it has received a lot of recognition and has been an instant success within the Hong Kong Cricket Community. It is an event that has allowed people in the diamond and jewellery industry in Hong Kong to unite through the medium of cricket and thus enjoy a strong and healthy relationship putting aside their differences.

However, the SHKPL - Dus10 Tournament has faced its ups and downs over the years due to not having a fixed ground to play the tournament. On account of high cost of land the game has been played at various venues over the years.

For the first three years that is from Year 2009 to Year 2011 Sarjan Hong Kong Premier League 10Dus tournament was played over a two day's period at the famous and pictures Hong Kong University (HKU) Cricket Ground at Sandy Bay. However, the HKU sports committee decided to redevelop the ground for other sports-use and thus the ground was lost to SHKPL tournament in 2011.

In 2012 SHKPL was played in Kowloon at the Kai Tak Cricket Ground, land vacated due to the HK International Airport being moved over to Tung Chung at Lantau Island.

However, it was learnt later that the ground would be lost in 2013 due to the Hong Kong Government having the site re-developed for Residential and Commercial use taking into consideration its value and the urgent needs for homes and offices for Hong Kong citizen.

The venue that was selected for the tournament in 2014 was at Po Kong Village Road Park Cricket Ground (PKVR) at Diamond Hill, Kowloon. The ground at PKVR is much larger in size when compared to the HKU and has all the required facilities and sitting arrangement plus flood-lights for games to be played during the night.

As like previous years prior to the start of the "Diasqua Sarjan Hong Kong Premier League 2014 10Dus Tournament", a cocktail reception was arranged at Tamarind Pan-Asian Restaurant & Bar in Sun Hung Kai Centre at Harbour Road, Wanchai, HK in the evening of 4th July, 2014 where Seven Teams Players, their Respective Captains, The Sponsors, The Organizers, The Tournament Directors, Mentors/Coaches, fans and well-wishers gathered to kick-start the tournament keeping in mind and upholding the spirit of brother-hood and friendship with the cricket community of the diamond and jewellery industry in Hong Kong.

The Participating Teams in the 10Dus cricket 2014 Tournament were as follows:-

Team Names	Team Owner's Names
1. Diasqua Dragons	Diasqua Group
2. Butani Eleven	Butani Jewellery
3. SW-Karp	Sky Warriors & Karp
4. Frenz Club	Frenz Club
5. Hanu Hunters	Hanu Impex
6. SW-JB Brothers	Sky Warriors
7. K.A.R.P.	Karp Group

Mr. Tabarak Dar & Mr. Ravi Nagdev, as Tournament Directors for SHKPL in 2014 from LSWCC outlined the details on which the tournament would be played to the attending members at the cocktail reception.

Most of the playing rules for the 2014 tournament were retained as like previous year since it had created more excitement and joy to the game since its introduction in 10Dus cricket tournament in 2013.

Mentors/Coaches at 2014 tournament were selected by way of lottery when all their names were put in a tray and ask to be picked up one by one by the team captain.

Mentors/Coaches that took part in 2014 tournament for teams were as follows:-

- Moner Dar : Mentor of Diasqua Dragons
- Tanvir Afzaal : Mentor of Frenz Club
- Waqas Khan : Mentor of SW-Karp
- Nizakat Khan : Mentor of SW-JB Brothers
- Aziz Khan : Mentor of Butani
- Ehsan Khan : Mentor of Hanu Hunter
- Ankur Sharma : Mentor of KARP GROUP

At the reception Mr. Rashmin Donda, Vice-President of the Sarjan Group thanked the previous year's title Sponsors "Mr. Goenka" of Unirich Jewellery for his full hearted support from Yr. 2011-2013. Mr. Donda also expresses his sincere thanks to the 7 teams participating in 2014 "Diasqua Sarjan Hong Kong Premier League 10Dus Tournament". Mr. Donda concluded by requesting the team captains and cricketers to play the game with the right spirit and respect the officials (umpires and coordinators of the Event) and declared the tournament open.

As like previous year, the 7 teams were given eye-catching playing uniforms in bright different colors with respective Logs of Sponsors and Organizers displayed on their Shirts as well as banners hung round the ground at PKVR.

Tournament Format

7 Teams were divided into two pools, A & B. Each Team would play with each other in round robin stage in their own group. after the Round robin stage, top of the table No 1 teams from each pool will qualify for the Cup Semifinals, while All bottom of the table teams would play for bowl & plate championship. Two teams which will have highest points would play for the semi-finals with Winners of the Semifinals going on to play for Cup & Bowl & Plate Champions Finals.



On the first day, games were played within the group teams on round-robin basis with the points being awarded for winners, bonus points for batting and bowling.

Result:- Day 1

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Points Tables								
Pool A	Name	Matches Played	W	L	T	Win Points	Bonus Points	TTL
1	Diasqua Dragons	2	2	0	0	20	18	38
2	Hanu Hunters	2	1	1	0	10	14	24
3	Butani	2	0	2	0	0	9	9
Pool B	Name	Matches Played	W	Lost	Tie	Win Points	Bonus Points	TTL
1	Frenz Club	3	3	0	0	20	30	50
2	SW-KARP	3	2	1	0	20	27	47
3	SW-JB Brothers	3	0	3	0	0	17	17
4	KARP Group	3	1	2	0	10	7	17
Day 2								
Semi Final 1: Diasqua Dragons vs SWKarp								
Semi Final 2: Frenz Club vs Hanu Hunters								
Bowl Final: Butani vs SW - JB Brothers								
Plate Final: SW Karp vs Hanu Hunters								
Cup Final: Diasqua Dragons vs Frenz Club								
End of Tournament Results - List of Winners at 10Dus 2014 "SHKPL" tournament								

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Team Awards

1. Cup Champions
2. Cup Runners up
3. Plate Champions
4. Plate Runners up
5. Bowl Champions
6. Bowl Runners up
7. Exhibition Match Winners
8. Exhibition Match Runner up
9. Fair play Team Award

Award Winners

- Trophy & Gold Medals [Frenz Club]
- Trophy & Silver Medals [Diasqua Dragons]
- Trophy & Gold Medals [SW Karp]
- Trophy & Silver Medals [Hanu Hunters]
- Trophy & Gold Medals [Butani]
- Trophy & Silver Medals [SW-JB Brothers]
- Trophy & Winner Medals [Royal Masters]
- Silver Medals [Golden Legends]
- Trophy [SW-JB Brothers]

Individual Awards

1. Best Bowler Award [Sunil Shah] [SW-JB Brothers] Highest Wicket Taker
2. Best Batsman Award [Kin chit Shah] [Diasqua Dragons] Highest Runs Scorer
3. Best fielder Award [Parin Shah] [SW-Karp] Decided by Umpires and catches
4. Best Captain Award [Zulu] [Diasqua Dragons] Decided by Umpires
5. Best Team Mentor [Moner Dar] [Diasqua Dragons] Decided by Stats
6. Player of the Tournament [Kin chit Shah] [Diasqua Dragons] Decided by Stats
7. Best Player Award Exhibition Matches [Papu Butani] [Royal Masters] decided by Umpires
8. Player of the Final [Ashish] [Frenz Club] Decided by Umpires

Conclusion:

At the time of giving awards to the winners on the stage, Mr. Tony Mehta, the title Sponsors, the Tournament Directors Mr. Tabarak Dar and Mr. Ravi Nagdev expressing their thanks to all officials and colleagues of "LSWCC" for performing their job to the best of their ability.

Experience panel of umpires, Saqlain Minnas, Azar Hussein, Naiz Ali, and Shakeel Haq.

Who displayed their "No Favor No Fear" of umpiring were also thanked for ensuring that the games were played within the laws of cricket in the right spirit.

Finally, Mr. Tabarak Dar, Mr. Ravi Nagdev & Mr. Ramesh Thadani thanked the sponsors Mr. Tony Mehta of "DIASUA GROUP" and the co-organizers Mr. Zulu SureshKumar of the SARJAN GROUP for their full hearted support in staging the 10Dus cricket tournament in 2014 and allowing "LSWCC" to be the EVENTS Managers and officials at the tournament.

Mr. TONY MEHTA, Title Sponsor of the tournament personally thanked Mr. Tabarak Dar, Mr. Ravi Nagdev & Mr. Ramesh Thadani and other LSWCC Members for carrying out their role in a professional manner. He went on to say that he was touched to see that in spite of many of the LSWCC officials observing the holy month of Ramadan and fasting throughout the two days in the hot and humid conditions they still were fully motivated and went about doing their business in a normal manner showing no signs of fatigue.

Mr. Gautam Gopani, Joint-chairman of the organizing committee joined in to say that all of the SARJAN Members had enjoyed two days of the Event and left the ground with smiles on their faces and were looking forward to the next year's SHKPL event.

The "Game of Cricket has won" as Vicky Mundra Joint Chairman of the Organizing Committee and winning Team "Frenz Club's" Captain in the Cup Finals said and thanked all for their full hearted support.

Ramesh Thadani
Hon. Vice-President of LSWCC & Director of Coordination at the
"DIASQUA Sarjan Hong Kong Premier League 10Dus Cricket Tournament 2014"

