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TEAM SINGAPORE TRIUMPHS AT THE INAUGURAL AUDEMARS PIGUET INTERNATIONAL POLO 2009 GOLD CUP

Singapore, Sunday 14 June 2009 – Team Singapore defeated Team Australia 4-3 in the Audemars Piguet International Polo 2009 Gold Cup match (12-14 goals) at the Singapore Polo Club yesterday.

Team Australia maintained a strong defense in each chukka, but Team Singapore, captained by Satinder Garcha (2-goal), together with local team-mates Sattar Khan (4 goal), Ameer Jumabhoy (0 goal), Marcus Lim (0 goal) and Argentine polo professional, Martin Ravina (6 goal), managed to edge their opponents by just one goal to win this coveted title. Simon Walker from Team Australia won the Most Valuable Player Award and the Best Playing Polo Pony was presented to *Tobiana*, owned by Club member, Jeff Hardee.

The Gold Cup match kicked-off with Mr. George Yeo, Minister for Foreign Affairs performing the traditional throw-in ceremony with the President of the Singapore Polo Club, Mr. Iqbal Jumabhoy and the Managing Director of Audemars Piguet - Asia, Mr. Oliviero Bottinelli. Prior to the main event, all in attendance were entertained by an exciting junior exhibition match. If their play is any indication, the future is bright for polo in Singapore!

The event was well attended by an estimated 800 people, including local members, socialites, royalty, dignitaries and guests invited by the Singapore Polo Club and the tournament sponsors. Some of the well known faces visible at the Club included Vivien Tan and popular local singer, Kit Chan. All were treated to a generous supply of G.H. Mumm champagne, Stella Artois, Appletiser, Evian water and canapés courtesy of the official tournament hotel, Pan Pacific Hotels & Resorts.

The winning and runner-up team from the Gold Cup match received great prizes sponsored by Audemars Piguet and La Martina. Prizes were also awarded to all the participating teams for the Silver League BDG Cup. A lovely Audemars Piguet Lady Royal Oak Pendant valued at S\$4,900 was awarded to Miranda Walsh for winning the Best Hat Award. The festivities continued into the night with a BBQ and after-party, including the musical exploits of local DJ, Chris Ho at field-side.

This is the first time that Audemars Piguet has sponsored this premier international polo tournament as Title Sponsor. In addition to Audemars Piguet, the Singapore Polo Club would also like to thank Banque de Dépôts et de Gestion (BDG Bank), StarHub (Official Infocomms), G.H. Mumm Champagne (Official Champagne), Evian (Official Water), Pan Pacific Hotels & Resorts (Official Hotel), Stella Artois & Appletiser (Official Beer & Sparkling Juice), La Martina (Official Apparel), and the ESPN Star Sports Network (Official Broadcast Network) for their support of this tournament.

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About the Singapore Polo Club

The Singapore Polo Club, established in 1886, strives to promote the sport of polo and equestrian activities in Singapore and beyond. Its history dates back to the colonial period and the Club has always had an illustrious membership. Several members of the British Royal family have at various times played polo at the Club, which is set in lush, tropical grounds on Mount Pleasant Road. Over the years, the Singapore Polo Club has hosted many prestigious polo tournaments, many of which are attended by royalty, dignitaries, socialites and prominent business men and women. The Club hopes to grow the sport of polo and encourage more local Singaporeans to play "The Sport of Kings." This is significant as polo was recognised as a medal sport at the 2007 SEA Games, in Bangkok, Thailand, with Singapore winning a silver medal at this event.

About Audemars Piguet

Founded in 1875 by Jules-Louis Audemars and Edward-Auguste Piguet in the Swiss village of Le Brassus, Audemars Piguet is the oldest Manufacture of Haute Horlogerie never to have left the hands of the founding families. Today, its range encompasses complex mechanical watches, Haute Joaillerie creations as well as a line of jewellery. At each stage in its history, the Manufacture has daringly adopted avant-garde techniques in order to place them in the service of traditional craftsmanship. This approach has earned Audemars Piguet an unparalleled number of world firsts in the field of Haute Horlogerie.