



SINGAPORE
POLO CLUB



For Immediate Release

MEDIA RELEASE

SHANGHAI TANG INTERNATIONAL POLO TOURNAMENT SINGAPORE POLO CLUB 2 – 6 SEPTEMBER 2009

Singapore, Thursday 3 September 2009 – The Shanghai Tang Women's International Polo 2009 tournament commenced with the Silver League yesterday at the Singapore Polo Club. This prestigious 5-day tournament consists of the Silver League (-2 to 0 goals handicap) and a Gold Cup match (0 to 2 goals handicap). Foreign professionals from Zimbabwe, New Zealand and the United Kingdom were invited to participate in this annual tournament. In addition, the Singapore Polo Club has also invited representatives from the Ham Polo Club/England* to compete against Team Singapore* for the coveted Gold Cup title; to be played on Sunday 6 September.

The Silver League features four teams: China Blue, The Margaritas, Amarula and Pink Champagne playing preliminary rounds on Wednesday 2 September, followed by Semi-final games scheduled on Thursday & Friday, 3 & 4 September. The Silver League Final will be played on Saturday 5 September from 4:30pm.

During preliminary round play yesterday, the score was tied 4-4 at the end of regulation between China Blue and The Margaritas. Emma Calder (New Zealand), team captain of China Blue and team-mate, Caroline Link each scored 2 goals. The match moved to a "sudden-death" penalty shootout that was won by China Blue, with Caroline Link scoring the winning goal. In the second preliminary match, Pink Champagne defeated Amarula 4-3. The Silver League continues today (Thursday 3 September) with the first Semi-final between China Blue and Amarula. The second Semi-final will be played tomorrow (Friday 4 September) and will feature The Margaritas versus Pink Champagne. The winning teams will advance to the Silver League Final to be played on Saturday 5 September.

The highlight of the tournament will be the Gold Cup match (0 to 2 goals handicap) which is scheduled on Sunday 6 September with representative teams from Singapore* and HPC England*. The Singapore Polo Club is honoured to have Mr. S Iswaran, Senior Minister of State for Trade & Industry and Education as the Guest-of-Honour at the Gold Cup match. The schedule of events also includes a fashion showcase by Shanghai Tang, featuring their 2009 Autumn/Winter collection, *Kaleidoscope*. A Ladies Best Hat Award will also be presented, with the winner receiving a unique Shanghai Tang Duffle Bag valued at over S\$400.

The Singapore Polo Club welcomes all to visit the Club grounds to witness the Shanghai Tang Women's International Polo tournament. Admission is free and open to the public. For more details, please contact the Singapore Polo Club at 6854 3999 or visit www.singaporepoloclub.org.

**Please note that the participating teams are not officially sanctioned national teams, but simply reflect the origin of the participating polo professionals.*

- END -

For more information on the event, please contact:

Fiona Giam

Membership Services & Marketing Manager

Singapore Polo Club

Tel: 6854 3978

Hp: 9237 7963

Email: fionagiam@singaporepoloclub.org

For more information on Shanghai Tang, please contact:

Diana Tan

Public Relations Executive

Media Flair Communications

Tel: 6536 1702

Email: diana.tan@media-flair.com

Sponsors & Partners

Brought to you by:



**SINGAPORE
POLO CLUB**

Title Sponsor:

SHANGHAI TANG
上海滩

Official Champagne



Official Hotel Group:



Official Beer & Sparkling Juice:



Official Water:



Prize Sponsor:



Held in:

**UNIQUELY
Singapore**
visitsingapore.com

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 Shanghai Tang

Shanghai Tang is the first and leading luxury lifestyle brand emerging from China. Since its inception in 1994, it has advanced the expression of modern Chinese Chic by fusing current design concepts with innovative Chinese-inspired elements. Offering ready-to-wear for women, men and children, as well as accessories and home ware, Shanghai Tang supports an international network of 40 boutiques in the world's most prestigious shopping districts.