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Team Terengganu brimming with confidence going into national finals

THE champions of the East Coast state qualifying round of the Perodua National Amateur Golf Series are determined "to bring home" the trophy when they do battle in the national finals at Forest City Golf Resort in Johor from Sept 8 to 10.

Category A champion and team captain of Terengganu, Mohd Firdaus Ahmad, said they were confident of their chances of winning the team event at the

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of winning the team event at the finals, citing the experienced lineup that recently won the qualifying round at Bukit Besi Golf Club in Terengganu. Four-handicapper Mohd Firdaus successfully navigated the challenging Bukit Besi layout, known for its water and hilly terrain, for a net score of 73. terrain, for a net score of 73.

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Having represented Malaysia and emerged victorious in the team event at the World Amateur Golf Championship (WAGC) in Kuala Lumpur in 2022, Mohd Firdaus registered 13 pars and five bogeys to take the individual title and qualify for the two-day national finals in September.

Also in the Terengganu team will be Muhammad Nor Hisham Hussain, who with a handicap of

Hussain, who with a handicap of 10, won Category B with a net score of 70. He managed a birdie on the par-4 18th hole, along



Mohd Faizal Hadzmi receives an Iroas timepiece from WAGC president

with nine pars, seven bogeys and a double-bogey. Ng Kim Yong, a Terengganu-born player with a handicap of 11, claimed Category C with a net score of 68, on countback (ocb), seeing off the challenge of four other players on the same score. other players on the same score.

Category D was won by Muhamad Firdaus Abdul Rahman with a handicap of 16 and a net score of 68 (ocb), also

overcoming four other players, while 67-year-old veteran Azizon Ariffin, playing off a 21-handicap, won Category E with a net 68. Pahang, was another East Coast state that recently held its qualifying round, at Mahkota Golf & Country Club in Kuantan. Jack Chew Shong Liang emerged the deserved Medal A winner with an equally impressive 73 nett, securing his

place as the leader of the Pahang team at the national finals. Chew, from Ipoh, demonstrat-ed good skills after travelling all

ed good skills after travelling all the way to Kuantan to participate in the event.

Joining him on the Pahang team will be Muhd Eddy Ismail (Medal B) along with several other talented golfers who showcased their prowess during the qualifying round.

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"This series is the only goil tournament in Malaysia that offers local players the opportunity to showcase their talent and compete at a national and international level," said organising chairman Lokman Ishak.

"Winners of the qualifying rounds earn the right to represent their state at the national finals, while the five national champions will have the opportunity to represent the country at the World Amateur Golfers Championship final, alongside 400 players from 40 countries," he added.

The World Amateur Golfers Championship final will be staged from Oct 25 to Nov 2 at Blue Canyon, Laguna Golf Resort and Red Mountain courses in Phuket, Thailand.

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"Perodua has been a key part-ner in the success of both nation-

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al and international events since 2012, and we greatly appreciate the continued guidance provided by the event," said Tan Sri Asmat Kamaludin, Perodua chairman.
The co-sponsors of tournament series include Spectrum Outdoor, Volvik, Vin Distribution, Skechers Colf, Fella Design, Malaysia Aviation Group (Malaysia Airlines, MASwings and Firefly), Gatorade, Bleu, Wonda Coffee, Sting, Iroas Watch, Hospitality 360, Jakes Charbroil, Le Botanical, Throatsil, Acti-Tape, PATHLAB, Munchy's and Vanakam Malaysia.
Results – Kelantan Golf Club: Muhammad Faiz Danial Aidurs (5) 68, Mohd Rafili Irfan (7) 68, Md Zainuddin Ramli (11) 68ocb, Che Azmi Hasan (17) 68ocb, Mohd Kamal Abu Bakar (21) 68ocb.
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Ismail (9) 68, Rashidi Ashari (11) 68ocb, Mohd Zaid Mohd Nor (16) 68ocb, Wan Mohd Syahmi Akif (21) 68ocb. Staffield Country Resort: Johan Gwee (0) 72, Amir Rashidi Abdullah (9) 70, Moh Chee Leong (11) 68ocb, Muhamad Firdaus Abd Rahman (16) 68och, Arizon Ariffin (21) 68och 68ocb, Azizon Ariffin (21) 68ocb. For more information, call 010-2010835 or ema



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