

11<sup>th</sup> WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP, OSAKA – JAPAN  
17 - 21 November 1997

Our first tournament in Asia saw us experience golf in Japan and what a wonderful experience it was. Japanese hospitality was 1<sup>st</sup> class. The tournament was held at the 54 hole Seta Golf Course, comprising of the Higashi, Nishi and Kita courses.

The Otsu Prince Hotel was the tournament Headquarters where all competitors registered by Sunday 16 November, 1997.

The tournament was played over 72 holes the first round on Monday 17 November, 2<sup>nd</sup> round Tuesday 18 November, 3<sup>rd</sup> round 20 November and final round Friday 21 November, 1997.

On Monday evening 17 November a sit down dinner was provided at The Tournament Headquarters. Mr. Tetsuharu Kawakami, President NALG (Japan) welcomed everyone to the tournament.

There was 190 Competitors from 11 Countries Australia (28), Canada (2), Germany (3), Finland (1), England (8), Ireland (5), Japan (82), New Zealand (8), Taiwan (39), Sweden (8) and USA (6)

10 Lady competitors from 3 countries Japan (7), Australia (2) and Taiwan (1)

The Presentation dinner was held at the Otsu Prince Hotel where a magnificent sit down dinner was served. During the evening we were entertained by traditional drum performance. Following the dinner everyone retired to the neighboring bar where each country sang a traditional song.

The World Champion was Kenichi Seta, Japan.

The Senior Champion was Barry Ewart, Australia.

The Lady Champion was Marlene Howard, Australia.

The Doug Crosby World Cup was won by Japan.



WALG Flag ceremony.

L – R Mr Karakami Japan, Glen Summers Australia, Tomutsu Waki Japan, Peter Read Australia, Secretary WALG and Doug Crosby Australia, Chairman WALG.



Otsu Prince Hotel Tournament Headquarters.



L – R Ray White (Australia), Rolf Ulfvregren (Sweden) and Pentti Katainen (Finland)



Winners Doug Crosby World Cup Japan 1997.  
Tomoo Kataoka, Hideo Sugimoto Doug Crosby Chairman WALG, Mr Kawakami Chairman NALG  
Japan, Kenichi Seta (Japan), Takanobu Azuma and Tsutomu Waki Secretary NALG Japan.



World Champion Kenichi Seta receiving trophy from Mr. Kamakami,  
President NALG (Japan).



John Peng (Taiwan), Yamamoto Hidejiro (Japan), Mr. Kamakami (Japan), Doug Crosby (Australia),  
Mie and Tsutomu Waki (Japan).