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TE CAPITAL PARTNERS PRESENTS THE TE CAPITAL APP 9-BALL OPEN FOR A SECOND CONSECUTIVE YEAR

SINGAPORE (29 Nov 2023) – TE Capital Partners Pte Ltd (“**TE Capital**”) announces its return as the joint organizer of the TE Capital APP 9-Ball Open for the second year in a row. Following the resounding success of the inaugural event last year, TE Capital, as part of a shared commitment to supporting Sports and Games in Singapore, together with the Asian Pool Federation are set to elevate the experience for pool enthusiasts with a larger pool of 128 players from the region including home ground pool star Aloysius Yapp. The event, happening between 29 November 2023 and 3 December 2023 will be held at the Aspire Recreation Centre, Singapore and promises an exhilarating and fun-filled tournament.

“APP is excited to collaborate with TE Capital once more in hosting this year’s tournament. The backing of corporate sponsors from diverse industries is essential in raising the sport of billiards to a level that captures mass spectator interest, motivating young enthusiasts to follow and take up the cue.” – Dominic Pan, spokesperson from Asian Pool Promotions.

The TE Capital APP 9-Ball Open, is more than just a competition – it’s an opportunity for players in the Asia region and beyond to climb the World Nineball Tour (WNT) rankings. With a substantial prize fund of S\$ 50,000, this open tournament welcomes participants from diverse backgrounds and countries, creating an atmosphere where competition and camaraderie come together.

In recent years, there has been a notable shift in the perception of Pool and Cuesports. No longer viewed solely as a recreational game, it is increasingly recognized for its intellectual and strategic aspects. The game is gaining respect and is now seen as a sophisticated and challenging pursuit, attracting a diverse audience of enthusiasts of all age groups.

The TE Capital APP 9-Ball Open’s second edition is poised to showcase the best of the region’s talents, with 128 skilled players competing for top honors. Amongst them is Singapore’s home ground pool prodigy, Aloysius Yapp. A former World Junior Champion and Sea Games Doubles gold medalist, Aloysius has been on an impressive rich vein of form, securing two prestigious tournaments in the past month, including the US \$114,000 International 9-Ball Open.

TE Capital has been a steadfast supporter of Aloysius Yapp’s journey for the past eight years and is immensely proud of his contributions which has transformed the landscape of Pool and Cuesports in Singapore and the broader region. Aloysius exemplifies qualities such as mental fortitude, resourcefulness, determination and hard work – attributes that align with TE Capital’s corporate values.

With this sponsorship and a common vision, we hope that this will inspire the younger generation to develop an interest and popularity in the sport, which in turn further boosts the recognition of Pool as a sport.

"I would like to congratulate TE Capital and APP for organizing this regional tournament, which will undoubtedly raise the profile of pool, billiards and Singapore as a hub for regional tournaments. I wish all our Singapore players the very best for the tournament!"
– Rachel Ong, Member of Parliament, Telok Blangah Division.

TE Capital invites all pool enthusiasts and sports fans to join in the excitement of the event through the five-day event, witness the thrilling matches, and celebrate the skill, strategy and sportsmanship that defines this challenging and engaging sport. Tickets can be purchased at www.asianpool.org/tickets

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