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Nestle Svelty/Nescafe Dolce Gusto Ladies Open Golf Championship 2018

Yeji Lee is the 2018 Champion at the 30th edition of the Nestle Svelty/Nescafe Dolce Gusto Ladies Open Golf Championship which concluded on Sunday 4 February at the St Andrews Golf Club in Maraval. The youngster, who has been practicing hard for the up-coming season and who has already registered a victory in this early part of the year, shot a gross 160 (82,78) was 3 shots clear of Aleema Jack and Serena Mackenzie at the end of the 36 hole competition. Yeji registered the only sub-80 round in the 2 days of competition, which was divided into 3 flights to accommodate all levels of golfers.

After strong showers and intermittent rain earlier in the week, the sun and wind were a welcome relief for the players, but the course conditions were still testing with wet fairways and greens that were difficult to read even for the seasoned players.

Both Yeji and Serena were tied at the top after the first day, with Aleema just one shot behind. The scores were close for most of the second day when Serena drove into the left rough on the 14th hole, had to take a penalty drop and fell out of the lead. These 3 are making a strong bid to make the national team for regional competitions later in the year. Karina Matabal took the net prize in this division.

In the other divisions, Sammy Nakanjako, a newcomer to local golf took the 2nd flight by 3 shots from Jennifer Grainger. Two very young juniors dominated the 3rd flight, where 12 year old Chloe Ajodha took the winner's honours, followed by Caylinn Hosein, another promising youngster. These two will surely be moving up the ranks in the coming year.

The prizes were distributed by representatives of Nestle including Calvin Benjamin, Business Executive Officer, Rae Ann Harper, Brand Manager, Nescafe Dolce Gusto and Marc Clarke, Nestle Brand Activation Officer.