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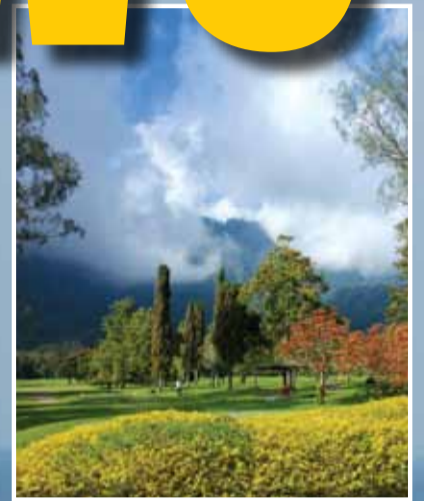
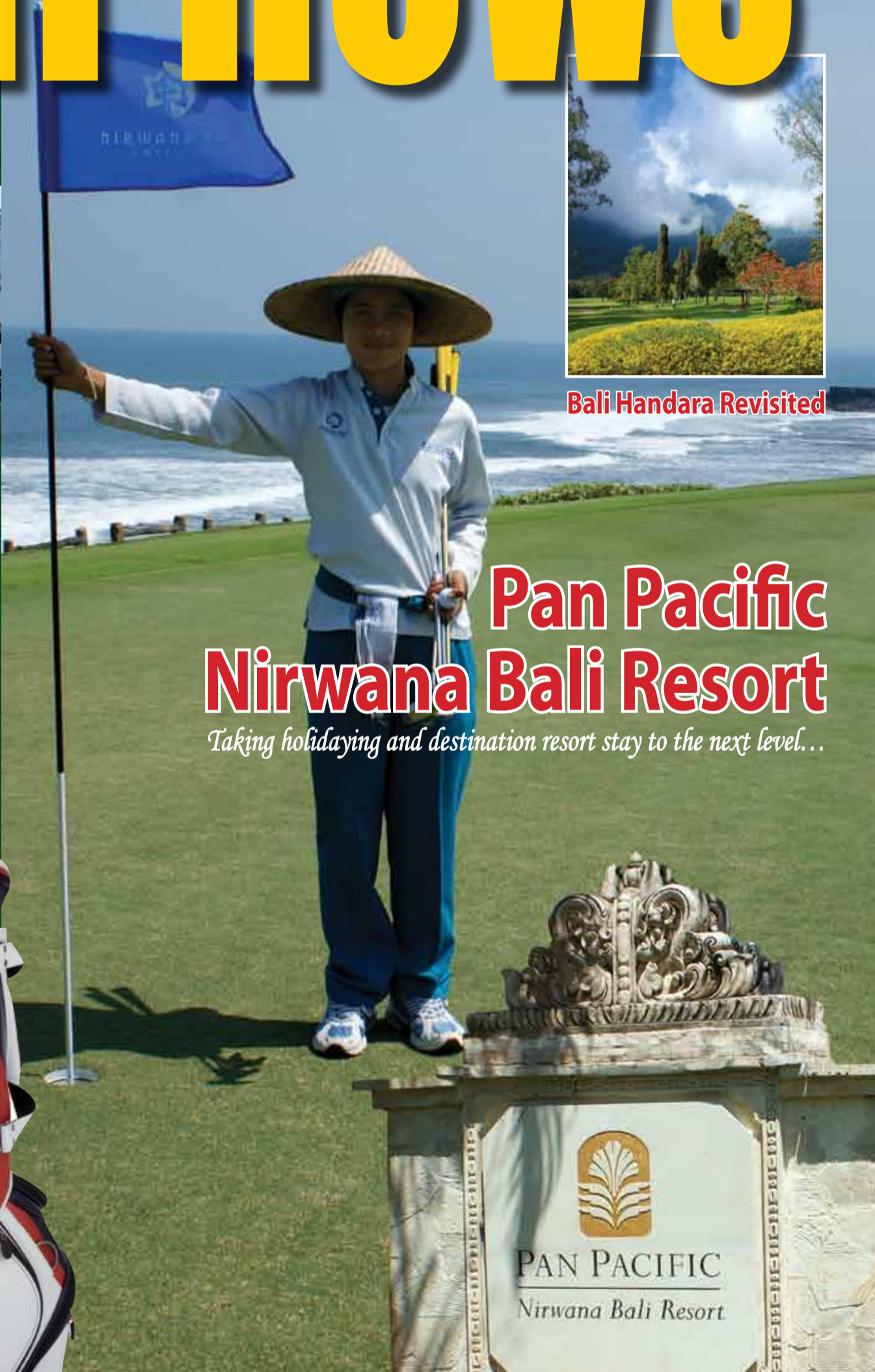
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# Pan Pacific Nirwana Bali Resort

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*Ask any global golf traveler, expat or local golfer in Indonesia that has ever holidayed at the Nirwana Bali Resort (NBR) what he or she thinks about NBR, and most likely the first words that come out are; "wow, amazingly spiritual, idyllic and romantic" or "our stay was way too short, but we'll be back for more of the same".*

*As it finds its home on the "Island of the Gods" and in close proximity to the iconic Tanah Lot temple - the island's most visited landmark shrine, NBR truly embodies supreme holidaying in peace, tranquility and spiritual awakening. It's a place where the scent of Frangipani and the smell of incense harmoniously complement the contrast of the roaring sounds of the Indian Ocean surf and the gentle Balinese Gamelan music creating a unique tapestry only to be found in Bali.*

*For over a decade, Nirwana Bali Resort was known as Le Meridien Nirwana Golf & Spa Resort Bali. Now, with new aggressive management it has been transformed into Pan Pacific Nirwana Bali Resort, as of April 1 2010. One truly wonders if such a setting can be improved upon.*

*Pan Pacific Hotels has brought on board an experienced International hotelier, John Berndt, to build a new level of product and quality service standard that will complement the serene spiritual natural Balinese ocean environment that, from the start, was heaven sent.*

*Pan Pacific will now take it to the next level in holidaying and destination resort stay.*

*Here's is what he had to say;*

**B**ali is one of the premier resort destinations in the World and we have recognized our Balinese service associates as naturally pure in mind and deed genuinely caring and attentive to our guests.. Bali is magical, well known and recognized for its wonderful people and diverse cultural heritage. Omnipresent LOVE and Spirituality has created Bali's reputation as the "Islands of the Gods". Pan Pacific Hotels and Resorts talented management team and sense of purpose creating GREAT hotels with GREAT relationships is organically enhanced with GREAT people, our best asset will enrich this exceptional, truly unique place to provide indigenous memorable guest experiences for our valued clients, loyal repeat Pacific club members, Nirwana Bali Golf members and Resort guests.

The name Tanah Lot implies: "Land amidst the Sea". Our desire and privilege is to complement and celebrate the beauty of Nature represented by the magnificent examples of Nature here surrounding us on this wonderful 103 hectares of natural habitat. The earth is represented by Asia's Number 1 rated golf course and our expansive fertile property inhabited by

the cultural and spirituality of 13 temples overlooking the famous Tanah Lot.

Through its brilliance, the Water of the Indian Ocean - the world's largest water mass that covers over 20% of our earth's surface, will give us strength and endurance. Our closeness to the equator will help us in finding the right balance with Nature, respect the freshness of air that surrounds us on this strikingly stunning cliff bluff.

We are excited to embark on an aggressive enhancement of our products and services. Product presentations and services are being enhanced through strong leadership, direction, learning and development. Our physical resort renovations will start in October. We are excited to update and refresh our beautiful resort giving each room a fresh Balinese contemporary look with timeless simplicity. We will be bringing our outdoor balcony into the room as a Balinese terrace feature to the new room. We will accent our villa's privacy sensually with the Balinese residential touches now popular throughout much of the Pacific Rim.

We will be adding our signature Pacific Club which will include over 60 guest rooms with distinct residential finishes complemented by our exclusive Club Lounge which caters to discriminating loyal repeat guests who receive a totally personalized resort experience suited to their specific product and service preferences. These loyal Pan Pacific regulars are friendly gregarious prudent people who enjoy recognition, high touch efficiency and the familiar comfort of their private homes. Our 24 hour Pan Pacific Club lounge provides a refreshing oasis that fulfills even their unexpressed wishes with service butlers and residential conveniences.

We will bring focus to our new resort room product with extensive improvement of our landscape design and architecture including lighting adding a "WOW" first impression accentuating our lush tropical gardens and manicured lawns.

A new fleet of transportation vehicles will enhance our guest's initial arrival experience. We provide VIP greeting at the airport and personalized escort to the resort featuring checking in

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our guests and providing a complete personalized orientation presentation to Bali and our Nirwana resort during the 40 minute drive from the airport.

Two comfortable inviting libraries where guests can enjoy reading and or listening to music in a relaxing refined atmosphere.

We will put in place management systems that include reservations, sales and inventory control, guest room resort sales, catering sales and service, financial accounting and property mechanical management including new guest room amenity and climate control and security key access. We will be re wiring data & telephone cabling providing wireless capability throughout the entire resort.

We will be renovating the sports pub into a Bakery, Coffee Café, Market place and wine bar with outside umbrella tables overlooking the 7th signature golf green, the ocean surf and Tanah lot Temple. We're also refreshing the Cendana all day restaurant including an open kitchen with Café style, sophisticated dinner cozy, al fresco outdoor, wine room and chef's table seating areas. The pool bar and grill will be

updated featuring tropical frozen specialties, resort cuisine and the Freshest Seafood from a live natural pool. We will add a sushi bar and progressive international beat music to chill out poolside into the night.

Our Sunset lounge popular for romantic sunsets framed by the thunderous surf, our signature golf course overlooking Tanah Lot temple will get a completely new look with contemporary intimate furniture including day beds and a fun porch extension. Our natural romantic surroundings will be enhanced with Cliff lawn services for weddings and private intimate Bale cabana dining and rendezvous.

Nirwana Spa will be completed featuring full service wellness activities, including hot, warm and cold dipping pools, rejuvenating steam saunas, several unique relaxation areas, indigenous treatments and organic spa cuisine. We are creating a sanctuary featuring natural and holistic treatments involving blessed ocean, earth and pure air for longer, healthier, more enjoyable life. Pan Pacific Bali Nirwana Resort takes pride in celebrating the blending of Balinese nature, tradition and spirituality with our unique sensual retreat, relaxation meditation, health, wellness and spiritual



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**J**ohn Berndt has over 30 years of leadership experience in the hospitality tourism industry having held senior positions in operations, development and asset with Cipriani, Ritz-Carlton, Hyatt, Starwood Hotels & Resorts. John has extensive experience in all aspects of business development, project

development, opening and operating high-end mixed use centers partnering with market leading hotels, resorts, restaurants, bars, clubs, nightclubs, casino's, retail, fitness/wellness/medical spas, golf & beach recreation programs around the world.

John first fell in love with golf growing up in New York City where he worked his way up from the half way house at exclusive country clubs to get on the course and escape the city streets. He has been involved in developing and operating 5 star golf resorts in Asia and the United States.

John creates exceptional value for clients, establishing processes delivering authentic service execution excellence, top line revenues and bottom line profits.

John grew up in New York City and graduated from Cornell University School of Hotel Administration. He lectures at Universities, Leadership seminars and Investment conferences. John moves to Bali from Red Rock Country Club, in Las Vegas where he and his wife Jisoo are avid golfers. He is active in the fitness and professional sports community. He enjoys, swimming, surfing, running, cycling, wine and culinary programs. He is a member of the Nevada Hotel & Lodging Association, Las Vegas Chamber of Commerce, LVC&VB, Los Vaqueros community service organization and Cornell Alumni association. He is President of the Spencer Haywood Group a non-profit organization and supports Lou Ruvo Brain Institute, Nevada Cancer Institute and the Epicurean charitable foundation.

rejuvenation.

Our Children activity center we cater to trends enjoyed by 3 – 13 year olds that include cooking classes, Balinese dancing and instrument playing, photography and video classes with professional backdrops and costuming, nature walks including photo taking, bird watching and temple tours. Recreational activities will include Grand Prix track and pit stop, summer camp activities, a creative learning center and finally golf and tennis academies.

Nirwana Bali Golf will undergo extensive renovations including a new pro shop look, restaurant refresh including adding a sushi bar, learning academy and member and resort services spearheaded by new Golf Director Paul Lightbody. Our exotic lush natural grounds will offer ample opportunities for photography, temple tours and nature walk. Active lifestyle activities include sailing, diving, surfing, snorkeling, swimming, hiking & biking. Local artists provide insight into Balinese Art, heritage & culture including rice paddy and organic farming harvesting programs, Balinese cooking classes and demonstrations will make the (new) Pan Pacific Nirwana Resort experience complete. A change is coming!