



Sun International Pro-Am Series No.2

21st – 22nd August 2023

Lost City Golf Course at Sun City

PLAYER INFORMATION

Entries close 18:00hours on 8th August 2022

1. **Venue:**

Lost City Golf Course at Sun City

2. **Format & Conditions of Entry**

This SA Senior Tour (SAST) Pro-Am, hosted by Sun International will be played in accordance with the rules and regulations as set out by the R&A in a 36-hole Strokeplay event for professionals, who are 50 years of age or older on 21st August 2023. (18 holes being played on each of the days of 21st and 22nd August 2023 respectively). A teams' event will run concurrently in a 4-ball alliance competition consisting of one professional and three amateur partners. The field size will be limited to a maximum of 25 professionals and 75 amateurs, with the professionals playing off separate tees from the amateurs, who will have the choice of the colour tee markers in accordance with Golf RSA handicapping conditions. All competitors must stay in booked accommodation at Sun City. **Players with no accommodation accreditation will not be allowed entry on to resort.**

3. **Entry Conditions, Exemptions for Entry into the Starting Draw**

- Professional Prize Fund R100 000 minimum
- All professionals and amateurs must enter through entries@seniortour.co.za.
- This is an Order of Merit event for professionals over 36 holes of stroke play.
- **All** amateurs are expected to enter with their team professional. The professionals must invite 3 amateurs as a condition of entry.

Exemptions for professional entrants-Pre-Q Details

- Only member professionals of SAST in good standing may enter.
- Preference will be given to the top 21 members, who enter according to the ranking and exemption list of 2023 (OoM 2022) including invitations to participate with amateurs in teams of four.
- The starting field size will be limited to 25 professional entrants and their team of three amateurs. In the event of there being more than 25 entries, a prequalifying round will be necessary at Blue Valley on the morning of 18th August 2023 for 4 spots to be added to the 21 exempt players. In all instances the qualified exempt professional player must have a team including 3 amateurs and meet the entry criteria of accommodation and entry fees as stated in section 7 below, **as a condition of entry.**
- The names of participating professionals' will be forwarded to Gary Williams. These will

include professionals bringing their own teams and those without teams.

- The Senior Tour will give 13 professionals without amateurs the opportunity to play with Sun International guests, but presenting this opportunity first to players who enter in accordance with the ranking list of 2023.
- The other 12 professionals in the starting line up will, by condition of entry, have a team of 3 amateurs. Preference will be given at the Pre-Qualifiers (4), who have a team of 3 amateurs, if all the 13 professionals without amateurs have been taken up

4. Practice Day and Practice Facilities

The official practice day is Sunday, 20th August 2023 and arrangements must be made with the club staff for a tee time that will be complimentary but excluding H/W House of R150.00, and based on availability of the golf course.

Practice rounds fees for amateurs will be charged R680.00 per person and includes, cart and halfway house and based on availability at the golf course.

Practice rounds are to be booked directly on 014 557 3700.

The range is behind the Lost City Clubhouse to the right of the 10th hole and balls are charged at R50 per bucket from 7am to 4pm Sunday, 21st August 2023 to Tuesday, 22nd August 2023 for all competitors.

5. Registration

All exempt senior professional entrants are required to register with the SA Senior Tour by **18.00 on 18 August 2023**. This may also be done by telephone/sms/email to the Senior Tour Tournament Director on 082 490 4027 or email: td@seniortour.co.za.

6. Entry Fees, Withdrawals and Refunds

- The Entry Fee for all professional entrants for the event is **R1,000.00** and includes all accommodation, green fees, halfway house, and cart costs for 2 x competition days and 1 x practice rounds, as well as a dinner on Monday 21st August and a snack meal after golf on Tuesday, 22nd August 2023.
- **Entries close – 07th August 2023 at 6pm.**
- Professionals must enter and pay as per SAST Rules and Regulations.
- Withdrawals **BEFORE** 18:00 hours on 07th August 2023; a full refund will be possible.
- If a player is absent on the tee without notification, **no refund** will be given, and a fine may be imposed. The Tournament Committee will decide on refunds from withdrawals after the closing date for entries on medical and compassionate grounds only.
- Once an entrant has teed off, refund of entry is not possible under any circumstances.
- **The amateur entry fee is R4,000.00** per person payable to the Senior Tour by EFT. Bank Details: Bank; ABSA, Account No.3310150605, Branch Code 632005. Receipts will be issued. Proof of payments must also be sent to fd@seniortour.co.za This includes all golf green fees, cart fees, halfway house and a snack meal after golf on 22nd August 2023 but excludes accommodation costs. A practice round on Sunday 21st August 2023 will attract a fee of R630.00 that includes green fee, halfway house, and cart for 18 holes.



- If a SAST member entrant is late on the tee, when called upon to start, the player shall be disqualified after an absence of 5 minutes and will not participate in the professional prize fund. The R&A rule 6-3a will apply for duration of this fun event. He will however be able to play with his team in the teams' competition and win a prize if he arrives after the 5 minutes of his tee time.

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7. Accommodation, Catering, Hospitality

Accommodation for amateurs to be booked with Sun International by Contacting central reservations with the reference to Lost City Pro-Am administered by Gary Williams by 18 August 2023.

- **Cabana's** accommodation is R1,679.00 per room per night, including breakfast.
- **Sun City Hotel** at R2,636.00 per room per night, including breakfast.
- **Cascades Hotel** at R2,995.00 per room per night, including breakfast.
- **Palace Hotel** at R4,334.00 per room per night, including breakfast.

NB: All Vacation Club and MVG guests entered with a professional, who wish to make bookings using time share or MVG points must do so directly through the various booking channels.

Professionals in the starting line-up have single complimentary accommodation at the Cabanas for two nights (20th – 22nd August 2023), all green fees, cart sharing, halfway house, and prize giving snacks on 22nd August 2023, including a practice round on 20th August 2023, excluding hallway house cost. However, those wanting accommodation on 22nd August at the Cabanas must contact central reservations at Sun International.

The above pricing was given to the Senior Tour on 19th July 2022 and is subject to the terms and conditions applied by Sun International at the facility. The Senior Tour takes no responsibility for any accommodation bookings or dealings between the Senior Tour member, his guests (spouse, partner, or amateurs) and Sun International.

Prizegiving will take place shortly after the final fourball have handed in their score cards at the Lost City Golf Course on 22nd August, where snacks will be provided.

8. Caddies, Motorised Carts

There will be a limited number of caddies available during the event.
The Lost City Golf Course is a cart course. Two carts are included in each fourball.

9. SA Senior Tour Rules and Regulations/Additional Local Rules

All SA Senior Tour rules, terms and conditions apply. Additional Local Rules will be available from the starter on the 1st tee. Professional competitors are specifically asked to note:

- a) One ball rule is applicable
- b) Prohibitions on practice putting (Pros)
- c) Play suspensions in a dangerous situation requires an **immediate** stop for all players.
- d) Distance devices may be used, excluding the slope function.

10. **Golf Tee-Times/ Draws**

There will be SA Senior Tour staff on the Event Committee.

Pat Lowth will be the Tournament Director (TD) in the event of a disputed rule.

The draws for both rounds will be made available on the Senior Tour website.

The first-round draw will be from 10am on Monday, 21 August and from 8am on 22 August.

SMS's will also be sent to competitors advising of the tee times.

11. **Play Off and Completion of the Event**

In the event of a tie for first place amongst the professionals, **there will be a play-off using the 1st and 9th holes until a winner is established.**

In the event of a tie(s) in the Teams section, prizes will be decided by a count-out.

- Best last round in the 36-hole totals
- Then best last 18/9 holes where applicable
- Then best last 6 holes
- In another way by the TD if the above remains unsolved

The event will be considered closed by the TD when all scores are recorded and the winners have been established.

If a Teams'- day is not completed, the TD will decide on further procedures and details after consultation with the event committee. (Henry Roodt/Neville Clarke/Pat Lowth)

12. **Prize giving**

There will be 3 team prizes per day, one 36- hole overall team prize and closest to pins on all the short holes and longest drive on both days.

There is compulsory attendance required at the prize giving for the top 5 senior professionals.

In the event of a tie(s) for the team prizes, these will be done by scorecard count outs as decided in point 11.

13. **Team's Event-Pro-Am**

- The team competition is an Alliance Stableford format with 2 scores to count on each hole, where the professionals play off a scratch handicap and their amateur partners (male or



female) off their official club handicaps. The Alliance score is recorded on each hole. Ladies may play from the forward tees as per the golf course design and their scorecard stroking. **The current Golf RSA handicapping format will apply to all amateurs from their chosen coloured tee markers.**

- The competitors may have the same or different partners on the respective days of the competition.
- The senior professional must record his strokeplay score on each hole played.

The management and staff of SAST hope you all have a wonderful and enjoyable experience and thank you for your participation.



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