

# Wild Coast Senior Pro-Am 27-28 November 2023

# PLAYER INFORMATION

## Entries close 18:00hours on 17th November 2023

## 1. Venue

Wild Coast Sun Hotel & Golf Club

# 2. Format & Conditions of Entry

This SA Senior Tour (SAST) Pro-Am 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 27 November 2023. (18 holes being played on each of the days of 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> November 2023 respectively). A Teams' event will run concurrently in a Four Ball Alliance competition consisting of one professional and three amateur partners. The field size will be limited to a maximum of 30 professionals and 90 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.

# 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.
- <u>All</u> amateurs are expected to enter with their team professional. The professionals must invite 3 amateurs as a condition of entry.
- MVG guests will be allocated professionals from the top of the SAST 2023 Ranking list.

## **Exemptions for professional entrants:**

- Only member professionals of SAST in good standing may enter or invite guests.
- Preference will be given to members finishing in the top 30 of the Order of Merit list for 2023 after the Rustenburg event, and thereafter going down the same list to satisfy the starting field size. The Senior Tour also reserves the right to add invitations for other non-member professionals to participate with amateurs.
- The starting field size will be limited to 30 professional entrants and their team of three amateurs. In the event of there being less or more than 30 entries, preference will be given to those professionals with their own amateur partners within the Order of Merit list as of 16<sup>th</sup> November 2023. 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.



# 4. Practice Day and Practice Facilities

- The official practice day is Sunday, 26th November 2023.
- Professional practice round is complimentary and based on availability of the golf course.
- Practice round green fees including sharing a cart for **amateurs** will be charged **R550.00 per person sharing** based on availability of the golf course.
- Practice rounds are to be booked directly with <u>wcsgolf@suninternational.com</u>.

The range is behind the Clubhouse to the right of the 10<sup>th</sup> hole and balls are available free of charge and will be in place at the range from 7am to 5pm, Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> November 2023 to Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> November 2023 for all competitors.

# 5. Registration

All exempt senior professional entrants are required to register with the SA Senior Tour by **18.00 on 24**<sup>th</sup> **November 2023.** This may also be done by telephone/sms/email to the Senior Tour Financial Director on 083 2270840 or email: <a href="mailto:fd@seniortour.co.za">fd@seniortour.co.za</a> or entries@seniortour.co.za

## 6. Entry Fees, Withdrawals and Refunds

#### PROFESSIONAL COSTS

- The Entry Fee for all professional entrants for the event is R1 500.00 each.
- Entries close 17th November 2023 at 6pm.
- Professionals must enter and pay as per SAST Rules and Regulations.
- Withdrawals **BEFORE** 18:00 hours on 17<sup>th</sup> November 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.

## **AMATEUR COSTS**

- The amateur entry fee is R4 390.00 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 <a href="fd@seniortour.co.za">fd@seniortour.co.za</a>.
- This includes the tournament golf green fees (2 days), golf cart sharing, halfway house, and prizes. It excludes accommodation costs & a practice round on Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> November 2023. See package costs below.
- 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.



# 7. Accommodation, Catering, Hospitality

# **AMATEUR**

- 7.1 Accommodation for amateur participants can be booked with Sun International by emailing Subesh at <a href="mailto:subesh.dassdev@suninternational.com">subesh.dassdev@suninternational.com</a> for the period 26-28th November 2023.
- 7.2MVG guests entered with a Senior Tour professional, who wish to make bookings using their MVG cards, must please do so directly with Central Reservations at 011 789 7800. They need to ensure they have an accommodation booking before confirming participation in the golf event.
- 7.3 WCS -MVG guests will be allocated accommodation in accordance with WCS management decisions.
- 7.4 Amateur Golfer packages

AMATEUR PACKAGES	GOLFERS SHARING	NON GOLFER SHARING	SINGLE GOLFER
Sun 26 <sup>th</sup> – Wed 29 <sup>th</sup>	R1800 @ R600 per night each	R1800 @R600 per night each	R2916 @ R972 per night each
Welcoming Dinner Sun 26 <sup>th</sup>	R250	R250	R250
Prize Giving Dinner Tue 28th	R320	R320	R320
TOTAL	R2370	R2370	R3486

- 7.1 Professionals in the starting line-up have complimentary accommodation B&B for three nights (26<sup>th</sup> 29<sup>th</sup> November 2023). Partners will be charged an **additional R350 per night** as well as **R570** for the two dinners.
- 7.2The professionals' hotel bookings will be made by the Senior Tour. Therefore, professionals must advise Fiona at fd@seniortour.co.za or on 083 227 0840.
- 7.3 The above pricing was given to the Senior Tour on 4<sup>th</sup> November 2023 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 or amateurs, and Sun International.

A prizegiving and dinner will take place at about 6.30pm on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> November 2023. The dinner will be in the form of a braai on the clubhouse lawns, weather permitting.



# 8. Caddies, Motorised Carts

There will be a limited number of caddies available during the event. It is recommended that each four-ball take a caddie/spotter to rake bunkers and remove/install flag poles during play. Caddies can be booked at the club at a minimum rate of R300.00. Please tip generously.

The WCS 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 1<sup>st</sup> 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

## 10. Golf Tee-Times/ Draws

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

Fred Beaver 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.

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 sudden death play- off using the 1<sup>st</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> 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. (TBA)



## 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 Pro-Am days.

There is compulsory attendance required at the prize giving for the top 5 senior Professionals for days one & two.

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

- 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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