

# **Ruimsig Senior Golfers Club**

## **Constitution**

### **Members**

Any golfer with an official handicap and affiliated at a golf club, is welcome to join the Ruimsig Senior Golfers. We play on Thursdays and Tuesdays except if the club cannot accommodate us on a specific day (in case of a Public holiday and/or golf days organised by the club) – in which case the seniors will be notified and alternative arrangements will be made.

No prior booking is necessary with Ruimsig Golf Club – the committee makes a block booking for seniors and players can 'just pitch and play'.

#### **Tee-off starting times:**

- Thursday 6h30 am (Except June & July 7h00).
- Tuesday 6h30 am (Except June & July – start at first light)

Please note that Ruimsig Country club can adjust the rules regarding 'Pitch & Play as well as tee-off times for Seniors.

The committee member responsible for starting will be available 30 minutes before tee-off.

### **Golf Committee**

A committee comprising of up to 7 members elected by the senior golfers, are responsible for the smooth running of the Senior Golfers Club. One elected member will act as the Chair person, one as Treasurer/Secretary while the other members will assist with designated tasks (prepare scorecards, checking scorecards after the day's play, running competitions, etc.).

Office bearers for the position of Chairman, Treasurer and Secretary will be determined/elected by the elected members of the golf committee.

In order to manage the senior's golf club, the committee has drawn up some rules as set out in this document (Constitution). The committee reserves the right to amend the Constitution as and when required.

Members of the senior's golf club are reminded that we are part of Ruimsig Country Club and therefore we must abide to the Constitution and rules of Ruimsig Country Club.

## **Fees Payable**

An annual subscription fee of R30 is payable during November of each year.

Competition fees Thursday – R15.00

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Fees payable to the club vary depending on Ruimsig Club membership or fees determined by Ruimsig Golf Club for affiliated members.

## **Competitions**

### **Tuesday and Thursday Competitions**

Every Tuesday and Thursday we have a club competition (IPS, BB, Alliance or Bonus Bogey). 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place prizes are awarded (prize money per game amounts to R200 which is allocated to winners on a 50/30/20 basis).

We also run a Jackpot Competition– 4 holes are randomly chosen and if the player's score is equal to or exceeds the days Jackpot points; he/she wins an amount of R100. Jackpot will start with 12 points, if no winner the next week's Jackpot reduces to 11 and if still no winner, the next week's Jackpot will be 10 points. If still no winner, the cycle will start again with 12 points.

The Jackpot competition begins on the first Tuesday or Thursday of a month and continues until won. In the event of more than one winner, the Jackpot prize will be equally shared by the winners.

### **All competition scoring**

In order to simplify and for the sake of uniformity, the following rule will apply in all competitions:

In the event of a complete bomb out, the current net double bogey rule used for the Handicap System will apply.

**Medal competition** (Par +2 + strokes on hole = maximum shots allowed per hole)

**Stableford competition** (Par +2 + strokes on hole = 0 points (0 points = maximum shots)

Please also note that the score on your scorecard handed in for the competition and the score entered on handicap system must be the same.

### **Nearest to pin**

On Tuesdays and Thursdays there will be prizes for players who are closest to the pin on short holes. The prizes will depend on the financial position of the Seniors club and are determined by the Seniors club management committee. Prizes could include but are not limited to sleeves of balls, food vouchers and/or car wash vouchers.

## Lucky draws

The Seniors Committee can initiate lucky draws from time to time depending on the financial position of the Seniors club and/or sponsorships received.

### Count out criteria:

In case of a count out, we use the following criteria: Tuesday = lowest handicap and Thursday = age. In case there is still a tie, the best score on the 9 holes that include stroke 1 (currently holes 10 to 18), will determine the winner.

### Qualifying criteria for prizes

Only players entering the designated competition of the day can qualify to win any prizes. Players can be disqualified from competitions for not paying the appropriate competition fees, completing scorecards incorrectly and/or capturing incorrect scores on the official handicap system.

**In addition to the abovementioned competitions, we also run the following competitions: (If a count - out becomes necessary, it will be determined on age).** Prize money for the additional competitions (except the Eclectic competition) will depend on the financial position of the club. Currently, the committee decided on the following:

1<sup>st</sup> R200.00, 2<sup>nd</sup> R100.00 and 3<sup>rd</sup> R 50.00

#### **1. Shield Competition ( 2 February to 1<sup>st</sup> June)**

First Thursday of the month is an Individual Stableford Competition. Total of 3 best scores over period determines the winner.

Trophy

#### **2. Round Robin Competition (1 February to 30 June)**

Players play each other on a Match play basis earning 3 points for a win, 1 for a tie and 0 points for a loss.

Depending on number of entries, players will be split into groups, with the winner of each group playing a further Round Robin to determine the overall winner.

#### **3. Better ball knockout competition ( Played over year)**

You choose your partner to play a on a Match play basis against other teams. The first draw will be done randomly and you play until you are eliminated.

Trophy

#### **4. Individual Knock-out competition (1 July to 15 November)**

The top 32 players in the Shield Competition qualify to play. The competition is played on a Match play basis.

#### **5. Individual Knock-out Plate winner (July to 30 November)**

16 players knocked out in the first round of the Knock-out competition, plays on Match play basis against each other.

## 6. Pensioners race ( 1 February to 31 Oct )

Players accumulate points over the year for every Thursday game played and the person with the most points is the winner. Points are allocated as follows:

1 <sup>st</sup>	100 points
2 <sup>nd</sup>	75 points
3 <sup>rd</sup>	60 points
4 <sup>th</sup>	50 points
5 <sup>th</sup>	40 points
6 <sup>th</sup>	30 points
7 <sup>th</sup>	20 points
8 <sup>th</sup>	15 points
9 <sup>th</sup>	10 points
10 <sup>th</sup>	5 points

**Depending on the competition, the points are allocated as follows:**

Individual competition – 100% of points

Better ball competition - 50% of points

Alliance competition - 25% of points

## 7. Most games played during year

Sleeve of golf balls for the player who played most games during the year.

## 8. Eclectic Competition (Tuesday's only)

There are 2 competitions during the year – normally February till June and again from July till November. Every first Tuesday of the month is set aside for the eclectic competition. The competition will be run on a medal basis and the winners will be determined by the sum of the lowest net score of each hole at the end of the competition. In the event of a complete black-out, a player will be permitted a maximum score of 3 over par net.

An entry fee of R30 per player per competition is payable. This money will be pooled and distributed to the top 5 as follows: 1<sup>st</sup> 30%, 2<sup>nd</sup> 25%, 3<sup>rd</sup> 20%, 4<sup>th</sup> 15% and 5<sup>th</sup> 10%.

## Functions

### 1. Weekly prize giving

Normally as soon as possible after all the players have completed their rounds, the score cards are handed in and verified. Prizes are kept for players that cannot attend prize giving. Prizes not claimed within 4 weeks will be forfeited.

### 2. Eclectic competition

A function will be held to announce the winners of the February – June Eclectic Competition. Format of the function will be determined by the Management Committee.

### 3. Ad hoc functions

As and when determined by the Management Committee

### 4. Year end lunch

Will be held at the end of the year (end November beginning of December). Number of games played during the year will determine the cost for that specific player.

Currently we use the following criteria based on the total number of games played:

**> 40 games played – no cost**

**< 40 > 20 games played – 50% of cost**

**< 20 games played - 100% of cost.**

Members are welcome to bring wives/partners to the lunch (wives/partners pay 100% of cost).

## **Financial statements and Statistics**

The Committee member responsible for the financial statements will produce a monthly income statement, budget and balance sheets. These will be circulated to committee members for perusal at the monthly committee meeting. The committee member will also maintain weekly statistics of all games/rounds played, number of players, winners, scores obtained etc.

## **Newsletter**

The Committee member responsible will produce a weekly newsletter, reporting on all related golf activities (forthcoming competitions and events, winners, results of competitions, etc.) which will be circulated via What's App to all members on the What's App group.

## **Disputes**

The Committee will deal with all disputes such as the interpretation of the rules and any other issues. At least 3 members will form a dispute committee, chaired by the Chairperson. The hearing will take place in terms of rules applicable to the RCC Management Rules and Constitution.

Members guilty of repeated infringements such as disobeying RA-, RCC- or Senior's club rules can be disqualified from competitions and/or expelled from playing golf with the seniors.

## **Meetings with RCC Management**

The Chairperson plus a committee member will represent the seniors at the annual RCC AGM and ad hoc meetings as requested.

## **Incentive Schemes**

The committee will initiate incentive schemes encouraging members to recruit new members for the senior's club. Format of incentive scheme will be determined by the Seniors Golf Committee.

## **Golf Ethics/Rules**

As a member of Ruimsig Senior Golfers, we expect from you to

- At all times obey golf rules as prescribed by the Rules of Golf
- Complete scorecards accurately
- Capture your score as soon as possible on the Handicap System
- Speed up play
- Be a true golfing gentleman
- Treat fellow players and RCC staff members professionally and with dignity and respect.

## Ruimsig Seniors Golf Committee - 2020

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