

# 34TH SAFRA ANNUAL GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP - RULES & REGULATIONS

6 Oct 2024, National Service Resort & Country Club, Changi,

# **Format of Play**

The 34<sup>th</sup> SAFRA Annual Golf Championship shall consist a single round of 18-hole and play at National Service Resort & Country Club (NSRCC), Changi, in accordance with the rules currently adopted by the Royal & Ancient Golf Club of Saint Andrews (R&A), the United States Golf Association (USGA), the local rules of NSRCC and the game rules set by the organising committee.

The tournament format shall be **Stableford point** using Modified System 36 handicapping. The computer system will determine player's handicap by comparing the computed System 36 handicap and the Course Handicap, whichever is lower to determine the Handicap of the day. Use of normal range finder without measurement of gradient is allowed.

# Eligibility

The Championship is open to all SAFRA Golfing Section, SAFRA, National Service Resort & Country Club members, Home Team members, NSmen, Ex-NSmen, all Singaporean, PR and invited guests who are amateur golfers in accordance with the R&A's and USGA's Rules of Amateur Status and who have a valid current handicap of 24 (men) or 36 (ladies) or less. All golfers are assumed to have their own golf insurance for the game.

# Registration

Registration Forms without payment will not be confirmed. The registration fee will be refunded if a golfer's entry is not accepted. There will, however, be no refund if a golfer fails to turn up or withdraws after his application has been accepted.

# **Closing Date**

The closing date for all entries is Wednesday, 25 Sep 2024. All completed forms must reach the Organizing Secretary on or before the closing date. Uncompleted forms or forms without payment will not be considered. The total number of participants is limited to 144 players only.

# **Divisions**

There shall be five divisions (by course handicap) as follows: -

a) Division A	: Handicap 0 - 15
b) Division B	: Handicap 16 - 20
c) Division C	: Handicap 21 - 24

- d) Ladies Division : Handicap 0 36
- e) Guests Division : Handicap 0 36

The Tournament Director and Organising Committee reserve the right to accept or reject entries and to adjust the handicap range of each division as it deems fit. Division A, B & C are NSMen. There will be no Ladies Division if there are less than 20 lady players, and they will compete in the Guest Division.

# Handicap

Golfers must have an official handicap issued by a recognized club. Members of non-Singapore clubs must submit a copy of their current handicap card together with their entry forms. Golfers who are caddies, ex-caddies or staff of golf clubs must have their handicaps verified by the captains of their respective clubs.

# Dress Code & Decorum

The Dress Code for all golfers is: Collared T-shirt and proper pants or shorts, and golf shoes with soft spikes. All Golfers are reminded of basic golfers' etiquette and courtesy when on the course.

#### **Registration and Tee-off Time**

All golfers are to report at the registration counter at least 1/2 hour before their tee-off times. Collection of scorecard, souvenir or goodies bag if any must be done by the player personally. They are also requested to ensure that their golf bags are loaded to the buggy accordingly and on time for the tee-off.

Golfers shall tee-off at the time and in order of the draw. Teeing off at **WHITE** tee box for men and **RED** tee box for ladies. Latecomers will not be eligible for the H-I-O prize and will be disqualified. No substitution or mutual interchange of tee-off times shall be permitted after the draw has been made.

# **Speed-Up Play**

Ball within putter length (excluding grip) is a "gimme" (pick up ball and add one stroke to your score). Golfers who are no longer in contention at any hole are to pick up their balls and proceed to the next tee. Golfers are reminded to speed up play at all time. Flight with one empty hole gap behind the flight in front is considered as slow flight, all players in the slow flight will get two strokes penalty.

# **Scorecard Submission**

All scorecards must be signed by the golfer and counter-signed by the marker before submitting to the Registration Counter. Scorecard must be submitted immediately after the game and it will be used for lucky draw during dinner. Scorecards are accepted with **Gross** score only, other forms of score recording will be disqualified.

# **Inclement Weather**

In the event of inclement weather resulting in the inability for the championship to continue, the event shall stand if half or more of the golfers have completed play. The results shall be based on the returned scores. If the championship or any division is cancelled, the prizes of the division shall be awarded on the basis of a lucky draw. When warning of lightning is given, all golfers must stop play and proceed immediately to shelters.

## There shall be no refund or raincheck given in the event of inclement weather.

# **Trophies & Prizes**

Trophies will be given to the following: a) Overall Champion (Stableford) (NSmen from A, B or C division) b) Top 3 of each Division (A, B, C, Ladies, and Guest division)

In the event of a tie, the National Service Resort & Country Club's count back system shall be used to determine the winner. In addition, attractive prizes will be awarded in each division and lucky draw for all players.

## Novelty Games

Hole-In-One (HIO): For amateur golfers only.

Hole #6:CFMOTO 700CL-X Heritage motorcycle, sponsored by Yew Heng GroupHole #9:\$50,000.00 Cash, sponsored by Daiya Engineering & Construction Pte LtdHole #12:\$50,000.00 Cash, sponsored by Fast Track Events Pte LtdHole #15:HONDA Vezel 1.5G Petrol SUV Car, sponsored by Yew Heng Group

## Charity-on-the-Green:

**All Par 3**: At \$10 per ticket, if your ball is landed on the Green after tee-shot, every ticket is qualified for a special lucky draw. There is no limit of the number of tickets a golfer can buy. Golfers are also allowed to buy tickets on other golfers' tee-off results.

#### Nearest to the Pin:

All Par 3, Hole #6, #9, #12 & #15. Result recording will be done by the winner (Self-service). Winners are requested to write their names on the flag (provided at the novelty holes) if their results are better than the previous winner, and witnessed by their flight mates.

#### Putt for Charity:

There will be 2 putting lanes of 34ft putt setup at the practice green. For \$10 to charity, golfers will get 3 tries of putting. If a ball gets into the circle, the golfer gets 1 tube of golf ball. If a ball gets into the hole, the golfer gets 1 box of golf ball.

The Putt for Charity is opened from 10am to 3pm at the practice green on the tournament day. All players or nonplayers are allowed to have unlimited number of try, every 3 tries is \$10.

There will be a lucky player who is overall ranked at 34<sup>th</sup> position.

The Hole-in-one game is open until 7pm only. If more than one golfer scores a Hole-In-One, the prize will be shared equally amongst the winners. Any competitor who is currently in breach of the Amateur Status rules and is awaiting re-instatement, or without a valid handicap is not eligible to win the Hole-In-One (H-I-O) prize.

# **Dinner & Prize Presentation**

Dinner and prize presentation will be held at the Fu Lin Men Restaurant in NSRCC Changi at 7.00pm. Golfers are requested to be in proper attire (no singlet), and proper footwear (no slippers) during dinner. Dinner attendance is NOT transferable and is strictly for PRE-REGISTERED participating golfers ONLY.

All prizes must be collected personally after the dinner or thereafter at SAFRA Mount Faber by 31 Oct 2024.

# **Tournament Director's Decision**

All complaints, protests and disputes shall be referred immediately to the Tournament Director, whose decision shall be final.

Tournament Director: Lee Bon Kwe, Captain, SAFRA Golfing Section.

Assisted by James Goh, SAFRA Golfing Section.

Happy Golfing.....