

2025 Ceres Open

Venue: Ceres GC

Tournament Date: Saturday, 25 January 2025

Entries Closing Date: Tuesday, 14th January at 21h00

Terms of Entry

By entering this tournament, you agree to all the terms below along with the **Boland Golf Union General Terms of**Competition, Code of Conduct and the GolfRSA Logo and Marks Policy.

These documents can be found on the Boland Golf Union website on the relevant tournament's page.

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- The Tournament will be played at Ceres GC on 25 January 2025
- o Stroke Play: of which competitors will play 36 holes

Hole-in-One Prize: Consists of a cash award of R5,000, which will be given to the first golfer to achieve a hole-in-one on the designated hole determined by the tournament committee.

Eligibility

The tournament is open to any male and female amateur golfer, who must be a member of a club affiliated with a Golf Union or another similar International Body recognised by GolfRSA. On entry, players must have a valid Handicap Index of 14,0 or less.

Divisions

Championship: HI plus to 7.9 **Silver Division**: HI 8.0 to 14.0

BGU reserve the right to refuse a player's entry if the player has score abnormalities, such as more than two (2) penalty scores, on Handicap Network Africa (HNA), refer to the General Terms of Competition.

A player's handicap will be updated on the first day of the tournament

Field Size and Draws

- Course Capacity, Allocated Tee Times, and the Number of Entrants will determine the Tournament Field Size. Should more than the stipulated entries be received, entries will be reduced by the Tournament Organizing Committee by giving preference to the lower H.I. players. Participants who do not make it to the final draw will receive a refund based on the applicable terms.
- The draw will be available on www.bolandgolf.co.za and players are responsible for ensuring they obtain their tee
- o The Draw will be based on age categories (Mid-Amateur, Seniors, Open and Juniors)

Entry Process

- o Entry fee is R420.00 (includes VAT)
- The entry fee includes the green fees, and prizes and excludes food and beverage.
- o All entries must be submitted online at www.bolandgolf.co.za.
- o The entry fee will be payable in full at the time of entry.

o All information required must be provided accurately and in full.

The Entrant's Declaration, on the online Entry Form, must be ticked as acceptance of declaration. By doing so the player also acknowledges the Terms of Entry along with the Boland Golf Union General Terms of Competition and the GolfRSA Logo and Marks Policy.

Late Entry Process

- o Players wanting to enter the tournament after the closing date must email office@bolandgolf.co.za requesting to enter the tournament and will be placed on a waiting list.
- o If spots are available based on a 3-ball or 4-ball draw, the first late entry received will be invited to participate.
- Players on the waiting list due to the field being oversubscribed will be given first preference over the late entry waiting list.

Caddies, Golf Carts & Spectators

<u>Caddies:</u> In the event of a player using the services of a caddie, the player must ensure that both they and the caddie comply with the Rules of Golf and the rules of the host club. Please note that the "caddie service" depends on the host venue's availability, security policy, etc.

Players are allowed one caddie throughout the tournament but may change caddies when necessary. Caddies are not permitted to use motorised carts.

A player must not have another player in the competition as their caddie during the round. Model Local Rule H-1.2

<u>iCaddies:</u> is a program designed to uplift the caddie industry in South Africa. They can be reached at <u>info@icaddies.com</u> or +27 81 041 3971. For more information or to book a caddie visit their <u>website</u>.

Golf Carts: Players wishing to use a motorised cart must submit a date-relevant doctor's note to office@bolandgolf.co.za before the entry closing date. Requests to use a cart will only be granted to players with a disability or a long-term degenerative medical condition as per the GolfRSA Transportation Policy which can be viewed here. The tournament committee will grant or deny approval based on the Rules of Golf.

Note: Senior players wishing to participate and use a golf cart are not eligible to win a prize in the Open.

<u>Spectators:</u> Spectators must keep off the tees, fairways, and greens and avoid interfering with any player. Cell phones should be switched off, as audible emissions are not acceptable. The use of motorised golf carts by spectators is not allowed. Failure to comply with these rules may result in spectators being asked to leave the golf course.

- Player & Marker Scoring Responsibility
- Throughout the round, the player is responsible for maintaining their scores for each hole, as outlined in Rule 3.3b(2).
- Following the round, the player must verify the hole-by-hole score with their marker and verbally present the scores to the tournament official at the designated scoring area.

Prizegiving & Tied Positions

If a tie for first place occurs in both divisions, the tournament committee will organise a playoff, considering the available time and daylight. Prizes for other tied positions will be shared.

No age category prizes will be awarded to winners within individual age groups or divisions. Instead, prizes will be allocated based on gross and nett scores to promote fair competition among all participants. Additional prizes are at the discretion of the club when contributing towards the prizes.

Withdrawals and Non-Arrivals

Refer to the BGU Tournament Withdrawal & Non-Completion Policy.

General:

All players are kindly requested to acknowledge and appreciate the courtesy extended by the host club. It is essential to prioritise personal well-being by fully complying with the rules set out by the Boland Golf Union and GolfRSA, and the specific regulations established by the host club.

THE BOLAND GOLF UNION RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REFUSE ANY ENTRY.