



Pearl Valley Open

Venue: Pearl Valley GE

Tournament Date: 28 July 2024

Entries Closing Date: Tuesday, 23 July 2024 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 at www.bolandgolf.co.za)

1. Pearl Valley Open

- The Club Open will be played at Pearl Valley GE on 28 July 2024.
- Stroke Play: of which all competitors will play 36 holes.

2. Field Size and Draws

- Tournament Field Size will be determined by Course Capacity, Allocated Tee Times, and the Number of entrants. Should the number of entries exceed 54, the higher handicaps will be placed on a waiting list. 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 time.
- The Draw will be based on Divisions (Mid-Amateur, Seniors, Open and Juniors)

3. Entry Process

- Entry fee is R1000.00 (includes VAT)
- The entry fee includes the green fees, and prizes and excludes food and beverage.
- All entries must be submitted online at www.bolandgolf.co.za.
- The entry fee will be payable in full at the time of entry.
- 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.



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4. Late Entry Process

- Players wanting to enter the tournament after the closing date must send an email to office@bolandgolf.co.za, requesting to enter the tournament.
- The entry received after the closing date will be placed on a waiting list.
- 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.

5. 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 recognized by GolfRSA. At the time of entry, players must have a valid Handicap Index of 15,3 or less.

Note: All players entering the tournament may undergo a handicap index check (refer to the General Terms of Competition).

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

6. Divisions and Prizes

Divisions:

The tournament will be divided into three divisions:

- Championship Division (H. I. of 9,0 or less) – golfers playing from the Championship/Club tees.
- Silver Division (H. I. of 9,1 – 15,3) – golfers playing from the Championship/Club tees.
- Women's Division (H. I. of 15.3 or less) – from the Club or Forward tees.

Prizes:

- Prizes will be awarded in all sections subject to the number of participants in each division. The top 3 positions will be awarded prizes, there must be a minimum of 5 players in a category for a prize to be awarded.
 - 5 Players – 1 Prize
 - 6 – 15 Players – 2 Prizes
 - 16+ Players – 3 Prizes
- Additional prizes are at the discretion of the club when contributing towards the prizes.
- Prize winners are required to be present for the prize claim; otherwise, they will forfeit their winnings. Unclaimed prizes will be transferred to the next position, and players will maintain their ranking without receiving a prize.



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If a tie for first place occurs in both divisions, the tournament committee will organize a playoff, considering the available time and daylight. Prizes for other tied positions will be decided using a count-out procedure, starting with the 18 holes, followed by the last 9 holes, then the last 6 holes, and finally the last 3 holes. If the tie persists, the winner will be determined by the result on the lowest stroke hole.

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.

7. 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 playing partner and verbally present the scores to the tournament official at the designated scoring area.

8. Caddies, Golf Carts & Spectators

Caddies: In the event of a player making use of 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 the “caddie service” depends on the host venue’s availability and/or the host venue’s security policy, etc.

Players are allowed one caddie throughout the tournament; however, they are permitted to exchange their caddies when required to do so. No caddies are allowed to make use of motorized carts.

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

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

Golf Carts: Players wishing to make use of a motorized 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 who have a disability or a long-term degenerative medical condition as per the GolfRSA Transportation Policy which can be viewed [here](#). Written approval will be granted or denied by the tournament committee and will be based on the Rules of Golf.

Note: Senior players wishing to participate and make use of a golf cart must understand that they are not eligible to win a prize in the Open.

Spectators: Spectators are expected to refrain from interacting with players during gameplay and are encouraged to maintain a distance of 50 meters while offering support and encouragement. Spectators are not allowed onto the tee boxes, bunkers or greens. It is prohibited for anyone to offer assistance or guidance to players during tournament matches regarding any aspect of the round. No spectators are allowed to make use of motorized carts.

9. Withdrawals:

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



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10. Registration:

Competitors must register with Boland Golf at the host club before teeing off for their first round. Non-compliance may result in a player being incorrectly marked as a no-show and disqualified from the tournament.

11. Decisions:

Decisions and disputes of any kind will be dealt with by the Tournament Committee of the Boland Golf Union. Please refer to the Boland Golf Union General Terms of Competition.

12. General:

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

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