THE 14TH BORNEO LADIES GOLF CHALLENGE TROPHY 2012
13TH – 14TH MARCH 2012

CONDITIONS OF COMPETITION

The following Conditions, together with any additions or amendments, as published by the Organising Committee on the relevant entry form or at the golf course, will apply under Rule 33-1:

1. MANAGEMENT

The 14th Borneo Ladies Golf Challenge Trophy 2012 shall be managed by an Organising Committee set up by the host club, Kelab Golf Miri. This Committee reserves the right to amend the Conditions of Competition and the decision of the Organising Committee will, in all matters, be final.

2. RULES

The 14th Borneo Golf Challenge Trophy 2012 is played in accordance with the Rules of Golf as approved by R&A Rules Limited and the Local Rules set up by the Tournament Committee.

Any decision made by any of the appointed rules officials for this tournament is final.

3. VENUE & DATE

The Tournament will be played over the course of Kelab Golf Miri, Sarawak on 13th and 14th March 2012.

SCHEDULE OF PLAY

The schedule of play shall be as follows:

(i)	Monday	12th March 2012	Practice Round	
			Registration	(1:00-5:00 PM)
			High Tea	(From 3:00-5:30 PM)
(ii)	Tuesday	13th March 2012	First Round	(Shot-gun starts at 9:00 AM)
(iii)	Wednesday	14th March 2012	Second Round	(Shot-gun starts at 9:00 AM)
			Dinner	(Starts at 7:00 PM)

4. ELIGIBILITY AND HANDICAP

The Tournament is open to all lady golfers aged 18 years and above (as on 13th March 2012) from Sarawak, Sabah, Labuan, Brunei Darussalam and Kalimantan who are Amateur Golfers in accordance with the Rules of Amateur Status as approved by the R&A Rules Limited.

The player must have a valid USGA Handicap Index of not more than **31.7** at the time of submission of entry (figures of January 2012 applicable and certification of the players' current Handicap Index MUST be presented upon registration). Notwithstanding this, the player must use her current handicap index at the time of the tournament (figures of March 2012 applicable with a maximum of 31.7). Participants from non NHS Clubs with a maximum Handicap of 36 and below may enter but must present certification upon registration.

In case a player has 2 or more handicaps, the lowest one must be submitted.

PENALTY FOR BREACH OF CONDITION:
DISQUALIFICATION OF NETT EVENT

The Committee reserves the right to reject any entry without giving any reason. The field will be limited to 140 players.

Entries are limited to:
50 for Sarawak
40 for Sabah
15 for Labuan

20 for Brunei Darussalam
15 for Kalimantan

5. FORMAT OF PLAY

The Tournament shall be decided by handicap stroke play over two (2) rounds of 18 holes each, subject to the Committee's right in the event of circumstances which make the playing impracticable, to cancel any round or rounds at its discretion.

The tournament is a "Nett Over Gross" for both the Team and Individual events.

(1) **Team Event**

This is the main event of the Tournament. There will be 5 teams corresponding to the 5 regions: Sarawak, Sabah, Labuan, Brunei Darussalam and Kalimantan. The team event shall be decided by stroke play over 2 rounds of 18 holes to be played on 13th and 14th March 2012. Four players from each team with the lowest 36 holes aggregate nett score will make up the team score. The team of the four players with the lowest 36 holes aggregate nett score shall be the winner.

(2) **Individual Events**

The event shall be played in conjunction with the Team Event.

The winners of the individual events shall be decided by stroke play over 2 rounds of 18 holes to be played on 13th and 14th March 2012.

(3) **Junior Event**

Though the juniors (age between 15 & above and below 18) are encouraged to participate they are not qualified for either the Team or Individual Events. If there are 15 or more juniors participating in this tournament, a separate category with 3 winners (with the lowest 36 holes aggregate nett) will be established.

6. PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded as follows:

(1) **Team Event (Nett 36 holes)**

	No. of prizes	Remarks
Winner	1	+ 4 trophies
1st Runner-up	1	+ 4 trophies
2nd Runner-up	1	+ 4 trophies

(2) **Individual Events**

	No. of prizes
36 holes nett	6
36 holes gross	6
1st 18 nett	2
1st 18 gross	2
2nd 18 nett	2
2nd 18 gross	2

(3) **Senior Category (36 holes) - 55 years old and above**

	No. of prizes
Nett	3
Gross	3

(4) **Super Senior Category (36 holes) – 70 years old and above**

	No. of prizes
Nett	1

Each participant is entitled to one single prize only (highest in value), in case some participant manages to win more than one prize. For this consideration, all prizes apply except for the Hole-in-one prizes.

Hole-In-One Prize:
In the event there is more than one achieving the Hole-In-One in the duration of the tournament, the prizes offered shall be shared equally.

7. ENTRIES AND CLOSING DATE

a. Entry fee of RM250.00 per person, which will be collected during registration, covers breakfast and packed lunches for 2 days of the competition and access to 1 practice round for all participants. This excludes caddy fees and buggy charges.

b. All entries are to be made on the Official Entry Form and must reach the Tournament Office by Monday 30th January 2012.

c. Entries are to be submitted on the prescribed form, accompanied by the relevant fees and duly certified by the competitor's Club Captain or Club Manager.

d. Cheques/bank drafts are to be made payable to '**Kelab Golf Miri**'. Entry forms without payments will **not** be accepted. However, those unable to register within the stipulated times, must inform the Tournament Committee.

e. Entrance fee can be banked into **Ambank, A/C No: 0192011006822 (attach your bank-in slip together with the 'Entry Form')**

f. All payments of entrance fees for KGM members are to be debited to the respective members' accounts unless otherwise instructed.

8. WITHDRAWAL

Withdrawal from the Tournament after **20th February 2012** will **NOT** be entertained, and there will be **NO** refund for such cancellation of entries. However a **one-to-one replacement** will be accepted.

9. DRAWS & STARTING HOLES

a. The Committee will make the draws and the starting holes for round 1 on Thursday, 8th March 2012 and will be posted at the Club house and the Official Hotel. Such posting will be considered sufficient notice for information and distribution. The Committee reserves the right to vary the draws and the starting holes, at its absolute discretion, before tee-off time.

b. Players are advised to double check their stating holes 10 hours before the Tournament starts in case some last minute withdrawals may cause the reshuffle of draw.

c. The Tee off time (shot gun) shall be at 9:00 am for both Rounds 1 and 2. The Organising Committee reserves the rights to change the tee off time for any round.

10. SUSPENSION OF PLAY DUE TO DANGEROUS SITUATION (NOTE TO RULE 6-8b)

The specimen Condition in the Rules of Golf in effect – see Appendix Part C-4 (Pages 140-141).
Note: Suspension of play for a dangerous situation will be signaled by a prolonged note of the siren. All other suspensions will be signaled by three consecutive short notes of the siren, repeated. In either case, resumption of play will be signaled by two short notes of the siren, repeated.

11. TRANSPORTATION

Players must not ride on any form of transportation during a stipulated round unless authorized by the Committee.

PENALTY FOR BREACH OF CONDITION:

Two strokes for each hole at which any breach occurred. Maximum penalty per round: Four strokes. Use of any unauthorized form of transportation must be discontinued immediately upon discovery that a breach has occurred. Otherwise, the player is disqualified.

Exception: Any Super Senior player may opt to use a buggy (at her own cost). However, if she decides to do so, she will only be qualified to win the Super Senior Category and not any other categories.

12. CADDIES

Each golfer may have only one caddie (Rule 6-4) at any one time. An additional person if employed as an umbrella carrier is allowed only if it is deemed necessary for her by a medical doctor.

PENALTY FOR BREACH OF CONDITION:

Two strokes for each hole at which any breach occurred. Maximum penalty per round: Four strokes. In the event of a breach between the play of two holes, the penalty applies to the next hole. A player having a caddie in breach of this condition must immediately upon discovery that a breach has occurred ensure that she conforms with this condition for the remainder of the stipulated round. Otherwise, the player is **DISQUALIFIED**.

13. PACE OF PLAY (NOTE TO RULE 6-7)

a. Time Allowed:

Each hole has been given a maximum completion time based upon the length and difficulty of the hole. The maximum time allotted for the completion of 18 holes will be available prior to play.

Definition of Out of Position:

The first group and any group after a starter's gap will be considered to be "out of position" if at any time during the round, the group's cumulative time exceeds the time allowed for the number of holes played. Any following group will be considered "out of position" if it is more than the starting time interval behind the group in front and has exceeded the time allowed for the number of holes played.

b. Procedure When Group is Out of Position

1. If the decision is taken to time the group, each player in the group will be subjected to individual timing by a Rules Official. Each player in the group will be advised that they are "out of position" and are being timed.
2. The maximum time allocated per shot is 40 seconds. 10 extra seconds are allowed for the first player to play:
   - On the tee box;
   - On the subsequent shots; and
   - On the putting green.

   The timing will start when a player has reached his ball, it is her turn to play and she is able to play without interference or distraction.

   On the putting green, timing will start when the player has had a reasonable amount of time to lift, clean and replace her ball, repair ball marks and move loose impediments on her line of putt. Time spent looking at the line from beyond the hole and/or behind the ball will count as time taken for the next stroke.
3. Timing cease when a group is either back in position in relation to the preceding group or within the allocated time for the holes played.

PENALTY FOR BREACH OF CONDITION:

1 bad time	Player will be warned by the Rules Official and told that if she has a further bad time she will be penalized.
2 bad times	Penalty of one stroke.
3 bad times	Further penalty of two strokes.
4 bad times	Disqualification.

c. Procedure When Again Out Of Position During the Same Round

If a group is "out of position" more than once during a round the above procedure will apply on each occasion. Bad times and the application of penalties in the same round will be

carried forward until the round is completed. A player will not be penalized if she has a second bad time before being advised of her earlier bad time.

14. DECISION OF TIES

A tie shall be decided by a count-back system of matching scorecards in the following orders:

(a) GROSS

Last 18 holes, then
Last 9 holes, then
Last 6 holes, then
Last 3 holes, and finally
The last hole

(b) NETT	Appropriate fractions of the players' course handicaps
Last 18 holes, then	Full
Last 9 holes, then	1/2
Last 6 holes, then	1/3
Last 3 holes, and finally	1/6
The last hole	1/18

In any case, if the tie is still undecided, it shall be decided by lot.

15. RETURNING OF SCORE CARD

A player's score card is deemed officially returned in accordance with the Rules when she has deposited it in the card collection box at the card return area.

16. TEEING GROUND

All players shall play from Red Tee.

17. ETIQUETTE; BEHAVIOUR ON THE COURSE

All players should practice good etiquette as detailed out in Section 1 of the Rules of Golf.

Serious Breach of Etiquette

A penalty of **DISQUALIFICATION** under Rule 33-7 will be imposed if the Committee determines that a player has committed "serious breach of etiquette". Examples of behavior constituting serious breach are, but not limited to, as follow:-

i Use of hand phone or other means during a stipulated round to disturb or distract other players.
ii Verbal abuse of fellow competitors, officials or staff.
iii Other unbecoming conduct or behavior.

PENALTY FOR BREACH OF CONDITION:
DISQUALIFICATION

18. INDEMNITY / LIABILITIES

In signing the entry form, participants in this tournament shall indemnify and not hold liable Sarawak Golf Association, the Sponsors, the Organizers or the Host Club for any loss or damages to their equipments or personal belongings or harm or any form of injuries that the participant of the Tournament may suffer as a result of their participation in this Tournament.

19. RESULTS OF THE TOURNAMENT – COMPETITION CLOSED

When the Tournament Trophy is presented to the winning team, the results of the competition are deemed officially announced and the competition closed.

20. MISCELLANEOUS

(a) Welcoming High Tea

All participants are invited to a welcoming high tea on 12th March 2012, starting at 3:00 PM at 1st Floor, Kelab Golf Miri.

(b) Breakfast

Complimentary breakfast will be served at the club house on 13th and 14th March 2012.

(c) All participants will meet at the KGM club house at 7:30 AM on the 1st day of the tournament, i.e. 13th March 2012 for group/team photo taking session.

(d) Lunch

Complimentary packed lunch will be provided at designated areas on 13th and 14th March 2012.

(e) Prize Presentation Dinner

Dinner will be served on 14th March 2012, starting at7:00 PM. at Level 5, Imperial Hotel, Miri.

(f) Official Hotel

The official hotel for this tournament is Imperial Hotel. All participants are encouraged to make their reservation by completing the hotel reservation form as attached.

ORGANISING COMMITTEE