

# THE SARAWAK AMATEUR JUNIOR OPEN GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP 2016

## KELAB GOLF MIRI 13<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER 2016

### CONDITIONS OF COMPETITION

#### 1. DATE & VENUE

The Sarawak Junior Open Golf Championship 2016 will be held from 13<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup> September, 2016 for at: -

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#### 2. RULES

The Rules of Golf as approved by R & A Rules Limited and the Local Rules set up by Tournament Committee govern play.

#### 3. THE COMMITTEE

This championship shall be managed by The Tournament Committee of Kelab Golf Miri appointed by Sarawak Golf Association whose decision in all matters relating to the championship is final.

#### 4. ELIGIBILITY

The tournament is open to junior amateur golfers who have not exceeded the maximum ages allowed in their age groups on the last day of the championship and who have valid NHS/USGA Handicap Indices corresponding to their age groups.

Details of the Course and Slope Rating of the competition course together with the Handicap Index conversion table are as attached.

#### 5. FORMAT AND HANDICAP

The Championship will be decided by stroke play over 2 rounds of 18 holes for all Boys and Girls Classes.

The Tournament Committee may cancel any round or rounds if they consider that the course is not in a playable condition or that there are circumstances that render the proper playing of the game impossible.

### **BOYS**

<b>Group</b>	<b>Age</b>	<b>Handicap Index Qualifications</b>
Class A	15-17 years	16.4 or lower
Class B	13-14 years	21.7 or lower
Class C	11-12 years	open to all handicaps
Class D	10 and under	open to all handicaps

### **GIRLS**

<b>Group</b>	<b>Age</b>	<b>Handicap Index Qualifications</b>
Class A	15-17 years	16.5 or lower
Class B	13-14 years	27.3 or lower
Class C	11-12 years	open to all handicaps
Class D	10 and under	open to all handicaps

If there are less than 5 entries in any group, the Committee may, at its absolute discretion, combine players in that group with players in any other group or groups.

## **6. SIZE OF FIELD**

The field shall be limited to 100 players on first come first served basis.

## **7. ENTRY FORM, ENTRANCE FEE AND CLOSING DATE**

Duly completed entry form together with a copy of the player's birth certificate and the entrance fee of **RM150.00** must reach the Tournament Committee on or before **30<sup>th</sup> AUGUST 2016**.

The entrance fee is not refundable if cancellation is made after the closing date.

All entries will be subject to the approval of the Tournament Committee, which reserves the right to accept or refuse, or having accepted, subsequently reject any entry without giving any reason for its decision.

## **8. DRAW**

For the first round, players belonging to the same division shall be drawn together unless the Committee determines otherwise.

For the final round, draw for the leader groups shall be based on the scores returned in the previous round by players from those Classes playing from the same teeing grounds.

## 9. PRIZES

- a) Boys and Girls overall champion shall be awarded with the Sarawak Junior Open Golf Championship Trophy (Best player from Class A and Class B).
- b) Champion and two runners-up in Classes A, B, C and D.
- c) Champion and two runners-up in Classes A, B, C and D.

The Committee may, at its absolute discretion, determine the number of prizes for any of the Divisions as it deems fit.

## 10. PACE OF PLAY

See Appendix A.

## 11. DECIDING TIES

In the event of a tie for the overall champion for Boy A & B groups, the players tying shall proceed to Sudden Death Play Off at Hole 18 until the winner is decided by elimination. And in the event of a tie for the overall champion for Girl A & B groups, the players shall proceed to sudden death Play Off at Hole 10 until the winner is decided by elimination.

In the event of a tie for Category C & D for Girls and Boys and any other places, the tie shall be decided by a count back system of matching scorecards in the following order:

- i. Last 18 holes;
- ii. Last 9, 6, 3 holes and finally the last hole.

If the tie is still undecided, it shall be decided by lot.

## 13. TEEING GROUNDS

Boys Class A and B shall use the **blue** tee.

Boys C shall use the **white** tee.

Girls Class A, B and C shall use the **red** tee.

Boys Class D and Girls Class D shall use the **Gold** tee.

#### **14. TRANSPORTATION/CADDIES**

All players, except Boys & Girls Class C & D, shall walk at all times unless permitted to ride by the Rules Official.

Boys and Girls Class A & B must carry their own bags or use trolleys.

Boys & Girls Class C & D are permitted to engage a caddy to carry their bags. These caddies must be appointed through the club. Players are prohibited from having their coaches, parents, friends & relatives serve as their caddies during the stipulated round.

Penalty: Two strokes for each hole at which any breach occurred.

Maximum penalty: Four strokes.

#### **15. GALLERY**

Players shall not exchange conversation with the gallery. Rule 8-1 applies.

Galleries must keep distance of not less than 50 meters from the players. Offender will be given two (2) warnings after which he/she will be asked to leave the course.

#### **16. SERIOUS BREACH OF ETIQUETTE**

A penalty of **DISQUALIFICATION** under Rule 33-7 will be imposed if the Committee determines that a player has committed a "serious breach of etiquette" of any of but not limited to the following:-

- 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.

#### **17. PRACTICE PRIVILEGES**

Players are entitled to one free practice round the day before the tournament starts.

#### **18. INCLEMENT WEATHER AND SUSPENSION OF PLAY DUE TO DANGEROUS SITUATION**

In the event that inclement weather should preclude the completion of this tournament, the Tournament Committee will meet immediately and notify the participants of its decision.

Discontinue play immediately: One prolonged note of siren.

Discontinue play: Three consecutive notes of siren, repeated.

Resume of play: Two short notes of siren, repeated.

**19. RETURNING OF SCORECARDS**

Players shall return their scorecards as soon as they have finished their rounds. A player's score card is deemed officially returned to the Committee when he has cast his score card into a card collection box located at the score receiving counter.

**20. CLOSE OF COMPETITION**

The competition shall be deemed to have closed when the trophy/prize has been presented to the winner.

**21. INDEMNITY / LIABILITIES**

In signing the Entry Form, participants in this championship shall indemnify and not hold liable, Kelab Golf Miri, Sarawak Golf Association or the sponsors for any loss or damages to their equipment or personal belongings or harm or any form of injuries that the participants of the Championship may suffer as a result of participation in this Championship.

**22. DISPUTES AND DOUBTFUL POINTS**

Any dispute and doubtful point on the rules shall be referred to the Tournament Committee as soon as possible on the completion of the round.

**23. MISCELLANEOUS**

**(i) Breakfast**

Breakfast will be served from 6:00 AM – 8:00 AM from 13 – 14 September 2016.

**(ii) Lunch**

Buffet lunch will be served from 12:00 PM – 2:30 PM on 13 September 2016.

**(iii) Prize Giving Lunch**

Prize presentation will be held and lunch will be served immediately after the competition on 14 September 2016.

**TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE  
SARAWAK JUNIOR OPEN 2016**

## APPENDIX A

### 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 completed. Any following group will be considered "out of position" if it is more than the starting 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 a decision is taken to time the group, each player in the group will be subject 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 a par three hole;
  - an approach shot; and
  - a chip or putt

The timing will start when a player has had sufficient time to reach his ball, it is his turn to play and he 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 his ball, repair ball marks and move loose impediments on his line of putt. Time spent looking at the line from beyond the hole and/or behind the ball will count as part of the time taken for the next stroke.

If any player exceeds the time allocated, he shall be deemed to have had a "Bad Time".

3. Timing ceases when a group is back in position and players will be advised accordingly.

#### PENALTY FOR BREACH OF CONDITION:

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| 1 Bad Time:  | Player will be warned by the official and told that if he has a further bad time he 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 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 he has a second bad time before being advised of his earlier bad time.

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.