



## MK LAND-41<sup>ST</sup> SELANGOR AMATEUR OPEN 2013 1<sup>st</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2013

### TOURNAMENT RULES & REGULATIONS

#### 1. MANAGEMENT

The MK Land- 41<sup>st</sup> Selangor Men's & Ladies Amateur Open Golf Championship 2013 shall be managed by an Organising Committee appointed Kelab Rahman Putra Malaysia (KRPM) by whose decision in all matters shall be final.

#### 2. VENUE & DATES

The Tournament shall be played at the **Kelab Rahman Putra Malaysia (KRPM)** from **Tuesday, 1<sup>st</sup> till Thursday, 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2013** or any other course deemed to be fit by the Committee.

#### 3. SCHEDULE OF PLAY

The schedule of play shall be as follows:

- a. Tuesday            1<sup>st</sup> October 2013    -    First Round
- b. Wednesday       2<sup>nd</sup> October 2013   -    Second Round
- d. Thursday         3<sup>rd</sup> October 2013   -    Final Round - Prize Presentation

*Note : There will be a cutoff after second round (Refer to Item. 4.2)*

#### 4. FORMAT OF PLAY

- 4.1 The Tournament shall be decided by stroke play over 3 rounds of 18 holes each day, subject to the Committee's right in the event of circumstances which make the playing of 54 holes impracticable, to cancel any round or rounds at its discretion.
- 4.2 There shall be cut-off after 36 holes of play and the field will be reduced to 40 leading Men competitors and ties and 20 leading Ladies competitors and ties.

#### 5. ELIGIBILITY

- 5.1 The tournament is open to **male & lady amateur** golfers who are:
  - a. Amateur golfers in accordance with the Rules of Amateur Status issued by the R & A Rules Ltd;
  - b. For male golfers having a maximum handicap of **12** and below (USGA Handicap Index of **10.3**) which must be current at the time of entry.

- c. For lady golfers USGA Handicap Index of **15.4** or Club handicap of **18** and below. All competitors shall produce their NHS handicap certificate upon registration.

5.2 The Committee reserves the right to reject any entry without giving any reason. Participants without a USGA handicap Index issued by the MGA/NHS are not eligible to participate. Participants from non NHS Clubs may enter but would be eligible to win prizes in the Gross category only at the Committee's sole discretion.

## **6. ENTRIES AND CLOSING DATE**

- 6.1 The Entry Fee for this tournament is **RM400.00, RM300.00** for KRPM and **USD150.00** for Foreign Player member for each category; this is inclusive of goodies, breakfast, lunch, insurance and buggy.
- 6.2 All entries are to be made on the Official Entry Form and must reach the Tournament Secretariat Office by **1.00 pm Friday, 20<sup>th</sup> September 2013**.
- 6.3 Entries must be accompanied with the full Entry Fee payable by cash, cheque or money order made out to **Kelab Rahman Putra Malaysia** or Bank-in to **account: CIMB 12290001348053** (please fax the deposit slip to the club). Entry forms without the accompanying payment may not be accepted. However, those unable to register within the stipulated times, may be accepted at the discretion of the Committee.
- 6.4 The field shall be limited to **132** competitors only. In the event that entries fall short or exceed the number, the Committee reserves the right to make amendments on the entry requirements without giving any reason whatsoever.

## **7. WITHDRAWAL**

The Entry Fee will not be refunded after the closing date on 20<sup>th</sup> September 2013.

## **8. REGISTRATION**

All competitors are required to register in person or by telephone at **603-6156 6870** by **1.00 pm** on the **30<sup>th</sup> September 2013**. Failure to do so may result in the competitor being withdrawn from the Championship with no refund of any fees paid.

## **9. RULES OF PLAY**

All play shall be in accordance with Rules of Golf as approved by the R & A Rules Ltd and the Local Rules of Kelab Rahman Putra Malaysia as approved by the Committee.

## **10. PRACTICE ROUND**

Practice round shall be on 30<sup>th</sup> September 2013 provided you have paid your entrance fees. (Players to pay for buggy for Practice Round).

## **11. DRAWS AND STARTING TIMES**

- 11.1 Play shall be in groups of four (4) competitors at 8 or 10 minutes interval.
- 11.2 The first two rounds draw and starting times will be made by the Tournament Committee. The draw for the last round will be arranged according to the scores; the lowest scores will tee off last from the first tee and the highest scores will tee off last from the tenth tee.
- 11.3 The draws and starting times shall be posted at the Tournament Notice Board, KRPM and MGA website. Such posting shall be considered sufficient enough notice for information and distribution.
- 11.4 The player shall start at the time laid down by the Tournament Committee. In the absence of circumstances which warrant waiving the penalty of disqualification as provided in Rule 33-7, if a player arrives at his starting point ready to play within five minutes after his starting time, the penalty for failure to start on time shall be two strokes at the starting hole instead of disqualification. Penalty for lateness beyond five minutes is DISQUALIFICATION.
- 11.5 The Committee reserves the right to change the draws and vary the starting times without giving any reason thereof.

## **12. PACE OF PLAY**

- 12.1 The attention of all competitors is drawn to Rule 6-7 regarding undue delay. In the interest of fair play the Committee will not hesitate to impose the penalties provided by that Rule. The maximum time allotted for the completion of 18 holes is to be determined by the Tournament Committee. (Please see the Tournament Notice Board).
- 12.2 The following conditions shall apply under Rule 33-1. If a group is observed to be out of position, i.e. it has lost substantially more than its starting interval or in the case of the first flight has taken in the opinion of the Tournament Director, an unacceptable amount of time to play any part of the golf course, the following action will be taken.
  - a. The group is liable to be timed without warning.
  - b. From the commencement of any timing, if any player exceeds 50 seconds on a “first to play shot” or 40 seconds if it is a “second or third to play shot” he shall be deemed to have had a “bad time”. Time will be taken from the moment it is deemed by the Official that it is the competitor’s turn to play.

Penalty for breach of conditions:

- i. One bad time - Warning from official and told that if he has a further bad time he will be penalized.
  - ii. Two bad times - One stroke penalty
  - iii. Three bad times - Further penalty of two strokes
  - iv. Four bad times - Disqualification.
- 12.3 A competitor whose group is timed will have a bad time carried forward in the round even if the group subsequently arrives back in position or within time as may be specified by the Tournament Director.

### 13. **BUGGIES**

The organizing Committee will provide buggies on **twin sharing basis**. No Caddies will be allowed. **Penalty : Two strokes at the hole where the breach occurred.**

### 14. **APPROVED BALLS**

#### 14.1 **GOLF BALLS**

Only balls named on the current List of Conforming Golf Balls issued by R & A Rules LTD may be used.

#### 14.2 **CLUBHEADS**

Appendix II, 5a of the Rules of Golf states that, “The material and construction of, or any treatment to, the face or the club head shall not have the effect at impact of a spring (test on file), or impart significantly more spin to the ball than a standard steel face, or have any other effect which would unduly influence the movement of the ball”.

**PENALTY: DISQUALIFICATION**

### 15. **MARKER**

15.1 A ‘Marker’ is one who is appointed by the Committee to record a competitor’s score. He may be a fellow competitor. He is not a referee.

15.2 Caddies are not permitted to act as ‘Marker’.

### 16. **SCORECARDS**

16.1 All competitors must submit their respective scorecard duly signed and counter signed by his marker as soon as possible after the completion of each round and in any event it shall not be later than 10 minutes after the completion of each round.

16.2 A scorecard is deemed to be submitted the moment the competitor leaves the scoring area.

### 17. **WINNERS & PRIZES**

#### **LADIES CATEGORY**

##### The Gross Champion

The competitor who returns the lowest aggregate gross scores over 54 holes or less shall be declared as The Champion and will be awarded the Championship Trophy donated by **DYMM Tuanku Ampuan Rahimah binti Al-Marhum Sultan Abdul Aziz.**

##### The Net Champion

The competitor who returns the lowest aggregate net scores over 54 holes or less shall be declared as the Net Champion.

Prizes will be awarded as follows: -

- |      |               |                               |  |
|------|---------------|-------------------------------|--|
| 17.1 | Overall Gross | - Gross over 54 Holes or less | - 1 <sup>st</sup> – 6 <sup>th</sup> placing* |
| 17.2 | Overall Net   | - Net over 54 Holes or less   | - 1 <sup>st</sup> – 3 <sup>rd</sup> placing* |
| 17.3 | Daily Medals  | - 1 Best Gross and 1 Best Net |  |

(\*Additional prizes may be given at the discretion of the Tournament Committee)

**NOTE :** A competitor shall be entitled to win only one gross or net prize. In all cases gross score will take precedence over nett score in determining the prizes. Number of prizes may be changed depending on the entries.

### **MEN CATEGORY**

#### **The Gross Champion**

The competitor who returns the lowest aggregate gross scores over 54 holes or less shall be declared as The Champion and will be awarded the Championship Trophy donated by the late **DYMM Sultan Sallehudin Abdul Aziz Shah Ibni Almarhum Sultan Hishamuddin Aziz Alam Shah.**

#### **The Net Champion**

The competitor who returns the lowest aggregate net scores over 54 holes or less shall be declared as the Net Champion.

Prizes will be awarded as follows: -

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|------|--|
| 17.1 | *1 <sup>st</sup> – 12 <sup>th</sup> placing gross scores over 54 holes or less |
| 17.2 | *1 <sup>st</sup> – 3 <sup>rd</sup> placing net scores over 54 holes or less    |
| 17.3 | Daily best gross and best net scores   |

(\*Additional prizes may be given at the discretion of the Tournament Committee)

**NOTE :** A competitor shall be entitled to win only one gross or net prize. In all cases gross score will take precedence over net score in determining the prizes. Number of prizes may be changed depending on the entries.

### **18. COMPETITION CLOSED**

The Championship shall be deemed to have closed when prizes have been awarded to the winners

### **19. TIES**

- 19.1 In the event of a tie for 1<sup>st</sup> place, the winner shall be decided by a sudden death play off in from the 9<sup>th</sup> hole. If the winner still cannot be decided, the sudden death will continue back to the 9<sup>th</sup> hole until the winner is decided by elimination. The purpose of the play-off is to decide the WINNER for the Championship only.
- 19.2 In the event of a tie for any other place, the tie shall be decided by a count back in the following order:-  
Last 18 holes  
Last 9 holes

Last 6 holes  
Last 3 holes  
And finally the last hole;

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

## **20. AMATEUR STATUS**

- 20.1 An amateur golfer must not accept a prize (other than a symbolic prize) or prize voucher of retail value in excess of £500 (RM\$3,500) or the equivalent, or such a lesser figure as may be decided by the Governing Body. This limit applies to the total prizes or prize vouchers received by an amateur golfer in any one competition or series of competitions, excluding any hole-in-one prize (see Rule 3-2b).
- 20.2 The limits prescribed in Rule 3-2A apply to a prize for a hole-in-one. However, such a prize may be accepted in addition to any other prize won in the same competition.

**NOTE: The onus of receiving a prize or prizes that exceed the prescribed limits lies with the participant. The Committee and its sponsors shall not be liable for any action on players for any breach of Rules pertaining to Amateur Status.**

## **21. DECISIONS**

- 21.1 If a referee has been appointed by the Committee, his decision is final (Rule 34-2).
- 21.2 In the absence of a referee, any dispute or doubtful point on the Rules must be put forward to the Committee whose decision shall be final (Rule 34-3).

## **22. DISPUTES & APPEAL**

- 22.1 Any dispute that arises during the Tournament must be put forward to the Appeal Committee as soon as practicable upon completion of a round and in any event it shall not be later than 15 minutes after completion of the said round.
- 22.2 A penalty of disqualification may in exceptional cases be waived, modified or imposed by the Appeal Committee.

## **23. ETIQUETTE**

All players should practice good etiquette as detailed out in Section 1 of the Rules of Golf. The overriding principle is that consideration should be shown to others on the course at all times.

### Serious Breach of Etiquette

The following may be considered “serious breaches of etiquette” for this competition:-

- i. Usage of hand phone during a round to the annoyance of fellow competitors.
- ii. Verbal abuse of fellow competitor / official / staff
- iii. Intentionally distracting of offending fellow competitor
- iv. Any other actions considered to be breach of etiquette by the Committee.
- v. Usage of Electronic Measuring Devices for distance, slope, temperature, wind etc.

### **PENALTY : DISQUALIFICATION**

**24. DRUGS**

Players must not make use of any drug to enhance performance. Should a player show evidence of use of drug for non-therapeutic purposes, the Committee may require the player to undergo a drug test. Any player infringing this Condition may be disqualified. Players who are on medication and in doubt as to their clinical status should seek advice from The R&A via the Tournament Office

**25. INCLEMENT WEATHER AND SUSPENSION OF PLAY**

The Tournament Committee will make every effort to complete this event in its entirety. However, The Tournament Committee reserves the right to suspend or abandon play as necessary if weather-related circumstances require such action. In the unlikely event the course is unplayable and abandons play or other conditions warranting such action, The Committee then will decide the tournament and all competitors will be informed accordingly.

**26. INDEMNITY / LIABILITIES**

Malaysian Golf Association, the sponsors of Kelab Rahman Putra Malaysia will not be responsible for any loss, damage or harm, or any form of injuries that the participants of the tournament may suffer of their participation in this tournament.

**27. GENERAL INFORMATION**

- 27.1 All competitors are required to report to the Official Starter and collect their scorecard at their designated teeing ground at least 10 minutes before their starting time.
- 27.2 Please be advised that a proper dress code applies at all times.
- 27.3 All winners and participants are required to be present at the prize presentation ceremony to receive their prizes.
- 27.4 Lunch and prize presentation will be at Putra Court. Dress code – Smart casual and sponsored T-Shirt (No Slippers, Sandals and Short Pants)

**28. ENQUIRIES**

Should there be enquiries, please do not hesitate to contact the Tournament Secretariat Office at:

**KELAB RAHMAN PUTRA MALAYSIA**  
**Tel: 03-6156 6870**  
**Fax: 03-6156 0280**