



# **2026 COBRA/PUMA CGGU WOMEN'S OPEN**

## **Royal Johannesburg West Course 18-19 April 2026**

### **Championship Division Handicap Index 6.5 and Under**

18 Holes Stroke Play on Saturday Afternoon

36 Holes Stroke Play on Sunday

### **Silver Division: H/cap Index 6.6 - 15.3**

36 Holes Stroke Play on Sunday.



<b>Conditions of play:</b>	<p>The tournament is open to any female amateur golfer affiliated to Women’s Golf South Africa, or any amateur golfer affiliated to a governing body recognised by GolfRSA and who at the time of submitting this entry has a valid handicap index of 15.3 or less.</p> <p>The competition will be played under the Rules of Golf as approved by the R &amp; A Rules Ltd and the Bye Laws and Local Rules as approved by the Central Gauteng Golf Union.</p> <p><b>Entries will be limited to 72 players.</b></p> <p>If more than 72 entries are received, a ballot that will be done by handicap index with the lower handicaps indexes receiving preference.</p> <p>The Tournament Committee reserves the right to limit the field.</p>
<b>Form of Competition (Handicap Index Limits and Divisions):</b>	<p>Championship Division (H/cap Index 6.5 &amp; Under): 54 holes Stroke Play 18 holes on Saturday the 18<sup>th</sup> of April and 36 holes on Sunday the 19<sup>th</sup> of April.</p> <p>Silver Division (H/cap Index 6.6 – 15.3): 36 holes Stroke Play on Sunday the 19<sup>th</sup> of April.</p> <p><b>Please note that there is no Mid-Amateur and Senior Division in this event as that will be a separate event this year.</b></p> <p>Please see note below under Handicaps, should your HI change after entries have closed.</p> <p>All junior players entered in CGGU Ladies Championships will automatically qualify for their various junior divisions. i.e. Junior A and Junior B</p>
<b>Entrance Fee :</b>	<p><b>Entry Fee:</b></p> <p><b><u>A Division – R950 (Open and Junior A 54 holes)</u></b></p> <p><b><u>B Division – R750 (Open and Junior B 36 holes)</u></b></p> <p><b><u><a href="mailto:golf@cggu.co.za">All Payments must be done via EFT to the CGGU bank account and proof of payment must be sent to golf@cggu.co.za</a></u></b></p> <p><b>Central Gauteng Golf Union</b>  <b>First National Bank</b>  <b>Acc: 62418214772</b>  <b>Current account</b>  <b>Ref: Players name</b></p>
<b>Cancellations :</b>	<p>Please note, any cancellations / withdrawals prior to the tournament will be charged a R40 cancellation fee. Any cancellations/withdrawals after the closing date, no refund will be due.</p>
<b>Closing Date:</b>	<p>Entries close at <b>13h00</b> on <b>Friday, 10<sup>th</sup> April 2026</b>.</p> <p>The decision of the Central Gauteng Golf Union as to the acceptance or refusal of any entry shall be final. Late entries and entries not through the online sign up process may not be considered.</p>
<b>Draw &amp; Starting Times:</b>	<p>The draw will be conducted by the Central Gauteng Golf Union. The draw will be available on the Union’s website <a href="http://www.cggu.co.za">www.cggu.co.za</a> on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> April 2026.</p> <p><b>It is the player’s responsibility to obtain their tee-off time.</b></p>
<b>Decisions or Disputes</b>	<p><b>The Tournament Organizing Committee are empowered to take decisions to resolve any dispute or impart the disciplinary code should this be necessary as regards behaviour unbecoming of that of a golfer.</b></p> <p><b>The Tournament Organizing Committee reserves the right to alter the programme, regulations and conditions of the event at any time, including starting times. All disputes shall be settled by the Tournament Committee whose decision shall be final. Any dispute/protest should be lodged within 15 minutes of completion of the round. This information may be requested in writing.</b></p>
<b>Prizes:</b>	<p>A player may only win one prize in each of the Divisions for which they qualify.</p>



<b>Deciding Ties:</b>	In the event of a tie in the Stroke Play Championship Division ONLY, the result shall be decided by a sudden death play-off until a result is achieved. All other ties will also be decided in accordance with the CGGU Golf Count-out method: last 18, last 9, last 6, last 3 & last 1.
<b>Closure of Tournament:</b>	The competition will be closed once the Final Results have been posted on the Live Scoring.
<b>Handicaps and Divisions:</b>	<p>Handicap Indexes as of 06h00 on 18 April 2026 will apply throughout the tournament and the Player's Course Handicap will be applied to calculate all Nett results. Players are requested to have all open rounds captured by midnight on 17 April 2026.</p> <p>Players are to note that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Players who are affiliated to GolfRSA and who have not been in South Africa for the last 6 months or part thereof, are required to submit their scores on the HNA as a "foreign round" and a verification of the foreign rounds, unless sufficient current rounds have been played in South Africa to validate their South African handicap; and don't qualify for any nett prizes.</li> <li>• Players who are not-affiliated to GolfRSA (i.e., non-SA players) are required to submit a Handicap certification from their Federation or Home Club with their entry and at registration; and are not eligible to qualify for net prizes.</li> <li>• <b><u>Should a player have a H/cap Index change after entry which changes their Division, they must notify the CGGU Tournament Administrator (Andy Truluck 0828132697) immediately and be available to play in the scheduled rounds as indicated under Form of Competition above.</u></b></li> </ul>
<b>Practice Rounds:</b>	<b><u>Arrangements must be made with the Club directly on Tel (011) 640 3021</u></b> and will be charged at a preferential rate agreed by the club and will be subject to availability.
<b>Dress Code:</b>	Only recognised golf attire that conforms to the dress code of the host club is permitted. Competitors and caddies are to conform with the GolfRSA Logos and Marks Policy as it pertains to branding on clothing and equipment. The relevant document can be viewed on <a href="http://www.golfrsa.co.za">www.golfrsa.co.za</a>
<b>Scoring:</b>	<p>A player's scorecard is officially returned to the Committee when the player has left the recording table which is found inside the clubhouse and left the area around the scoring table up to the reception table, pro shop, bar area and change rooms (these areas are not included in the score recording area)</p> <p>If requested to do so, players must provide score information to Tournament Officials during the course of play.</p>
<b>Cancellation of a Round:</b>	In the event of play being delayed or declared null and void for any round of a tournament, additional play will be at the discretion of the Tournament Committee. If in the opinion of the Tournament Committee, adverse weather or any other occurrence beyond its control render the commencement or continuation of any stipulated round impractical, then, in stroke play tournaments, the result will be declared over the number of rounds completed by all players.
<b>Players with Disabilities:</b>	<p>The Tournament Committee will determine and publish modifications to the Rules of Golf which will apply to individual disabled players playing in a tournament using the R &amp; A Limited Modifications of the Rules of Golf for Golfers with Disabilities as a guideline. For such modifications to be considered, a player must be a registered affiliated member of the South African Disabled Golf Association (SADGA) or a governing body recognized by SADGA. For such players, consideration may also be given to the modification of the Transport Condition of Competition.</p> <p>Applicants must apply individually to have their case considered by the Tournament Committee.</p>
<b>Transportation &amp; Caddies:</b>	Local, Guest and Permanent Caddies will be permitted. Only caddies registered prior to the event will be permitted to caddie during the Championship. Players who wish to register a guest caddy must do so with Michael Faasen on <a href="mailto:growgolf@cggg.co.za">growgolf@cggg.co.za</a> by Thursday 16 April 2026 at 13:00. Caddies will be required to present valid identification in order to enter the premises.

	<p>Players under 19 years of age (Junior) are NOT permitted to ride on a cart. Carts may be reserved by contacting the club directly.</p> <p>Players in the Championship Division (H/cap 6.5 &amp; under): During a round, a player or caddie must not ride on any form of motorized transportation except if authorised by an appointed Rules Official or the Tournament Committee.</p> <p>Carts are allowed in the Silver (6.6 – 15.3 HI) Division</p> <p>A player who will play, or has played, under penalty of stroke and distance is always authorised to ride on motorised transportation.</p> <p>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 found on <a href="http://www.golfrsa.co.za">www.golfrsa.co.za</a>.</p> <p>Penalty for Breach of Local Rule: The player gets the general penalty for each hole during which there is a breach of this Local Rule. If the breach occurs between the play of two holes, it applies to the next hole.</p>
<p><b><u>Clubs and Balls</u></b></p>	<p>a) List of Conforming Driver Heads: Model Local Rule G-1 is in effect. Penalty for making a stroke with a club in breach of Local Rule: Disqualification.</p> <p>b) Groove and Punch Mark Specifications: Model Local Rule G-2 is in effect. Penalty for making a stroke with a club in breach of Local Rule: Disqualification.</p> <p>c) List of Conforming Golf Balls: Model Local Rule G-3 is in effect. Penalty for breach of the Local Rule: Disqualification.</p>
<p><b><u>Anti Doping Policy</u></b></p>	<p>Anti- Doping constitutes a range of activities aimed at eliminating doping in sport, as well as protecting clean athletes and the integrity and values of sport. There are 11 Anti-Doping Rule Violations of which Use or Attempted Use by an Athlete of a Prohibited Substance or Prohibited Method is one. All Competitors are subject to the provisions of the South African Institute for Drug-Free Sport's Anti-Doping (SAIDS) Rules. Details of the SAIDS Anti-Doping Rules, and the current List of Prohibited Substances and Methods, are available from the SAIDS website (<a href="http://www.drugfreesport.org.za">www.drugfreesport.org.za</a>). Competitors can do a medication check on the SAIDS website at the following link <a href="https://drugfreesport.org.za/online-medication-check/">https://drugfreesport.org.za/online-medication-check/</a> and should bear in mind that this list does not include Supplements. Information on Supplements is available at the following link <a href="https://drugfreesport.org.za/supplements-and-their-risks/">https://drugfreesport.org.za/supplements-and-their-risks/</a> Competitors who have illnesses or conditions that require them to take particular medications or undergo procedures may have to apply for a Therapeutic Use Exemption (TUE). If the medication or method a competitor requires to treat an illness or condition falls under the Prohibited List, a TUE may give that athlete the authorisation to use the required medicine or method. Only certain categories of Competitors need to apply for a TUE in advance. Competitors should check the SAIDS website at the following link <a href="https://drugfreesport.org.za/who-needs-to-apply-for-a-tue/">https://drugfreesport.org.za/who-needs-to-apply-for-a-tue/</a> which level of Competitors need to apply for a TUE in advance from SAIDS. Competitors who are taking medication and are in doubt as to their clinical status, should seek advice from CGGU no later than 30 days before the start of the Championships.</p>
<p><b><u>Publicity:</u></b></p>	<p>CGGU and sponsors of the Championship may arrange publicity before, during and after the Tournament in the press, by live and recorded radio, television and by filming. The competitor's assent to references to them and pictures of them at practice and in play appearing and being used for commercial purposes by CGGU and their sponsors</p>
<p><b><u>Pace of Play:</u></b></p>	<p>The Pace of Play as per the GolfRSA Hard Card will be in effect.</p>
<p><b><u>Code of Conduct:</u></b></p>	<p>Player Conduct and Spirit Of The Game It is one of the central principles of the game of golf that all players are expected to play by the Rules and in the spirit of the game.</p>

	<p>Under Rule 1.2a, the Tournament Committee may disqualify a player for serious misconduct for acting contrary to the spirit of the game.</p> <p><b>Serious Misconduct</b></p> <p>Examples of actions, amongst others listed in the Official Guide to the Rules of Golf (Interpretation 1.2a/1), by a player that are likely to be considered serious misconduct include, but are not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Deliberately causing serious damage to a putting green.</li> <li>• Disagreeing with the course setup and taking it on himself or herself to move tee-markers or boundary stakes.</li> <li>• Consumption of alcohol for the duration of a round.</li> <li>• Throwing a club towards another player or spectator.</li> <li>• Deliberately distracting other players while they are making strokes.</li> <li>• Removing loose impediments or movable obstructions to disadvantage another player after that other player has asked him or her to leave them in place.</li> <li>• Repeatedly refusing to lift a ball at rest when it interferes with another player in stroke play.</li> <li>• Deliberately playing away from the hole and then towards the hole to assist the player's partner (such as helping the player's partner learn the break on the putting green).</li> <li>• Deliberately not playing in accordance with the Rules and potentially gaining a significant advantage by doing so, despite incurring a penalty for a breach of the relevant Rule.</li> <li>• Repeatedly using vulgar or offensive language.</li> </ul> <p><b>Misconduct</b></p> <p>Penalties other than disqualification may be imposed for player misconduct.</p> <p>Examples of actions by a player that, although involving misconduct, are unlikely to be considered serious misconduct include, but are not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Slamming a club to the ground, damaging the club and causing minor damage to the turf.</li> <li>• Throwing a club towards a golf bag that unintentionally hits another person.</li> <li>• Carelessly distracting another player making a stroke.</li> <li>• Bad language and shouting.</li> </ul>
<p><b><u>Exemption of Liability</u></b></p>	<p>The Host Club, Central Gauteng Golf Union and their management will not be held responsible for any damages or loss, including personal loss and or other forms of loss, harm or injury sustained as stipulated below:</p> <p>Physical and/or emotional injuries suffered during the tournament/championship, due to any acts of God, suffered as a direct result thereof, including aspects such as being struck by lightning, etc.</p> <p>Physical injuries of any kind suffered by any person, including a player or spectator sustained by own negligence, or otherwise.</p> <p>Emotional injuries sustained due to any loss, including death, suffered as a result of any of the above injuries sustained personally or by a spectator.</p> <p>Damages suffered to any property of a player.</p> <p>By entering the event the player acknowledges the contents of the above, understands it, and exempts the Host Club and Union from any liability as indicated above. The Host Club and Union does not warrant or guarantee the safety of any person.</p>