

Valentine's Scramble

Sign up for the Valentine's Couples Scramble on February 17.

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Ryder Cup Championship

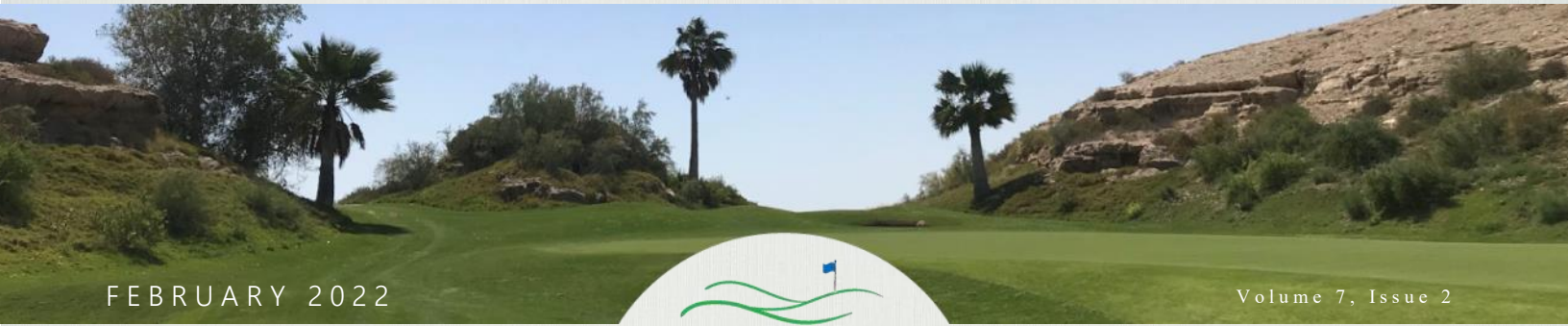
Don't miss out on the 2022 Ryder Cup on March 4 & 5.

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January Results

Top finishers of the Opening Day Tournament and the January Monthly Medal

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ROLLING HILLS GOLF COURSE



DHAHRAN, SAUDI ARABIA

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The 2022 tournament season is underway. The **Opening Day Tournament** was a great success thanks to RHGC's Tournament Directors Tracey Jackson and Christo Steenkamp. I think everyone enjoyed the Shamble format; I'm not sure that everyone enjoyed the rain though.

The **CEO Cup** takes place this month; it is the biggest event the Club holds. The awards dinner will take place at the Conference Center again. For more information see page 4 of this newsletter.

The first **evening social golf event** of the year is coming up on Feb 17 and we hope to see many of you there. See page 5 for more details.

RHGC is proud to be a part of the Saudi Aramco's **Community Championship**. The Community Championship is like a mini-Olympics with participants competing in different sporting events from ocean swimming to pool, and of course golf. All RHGC members were automatically

registered in the golf portion of the Community Championship. To qualify for the final, you must have participated in both the January and February medals. The 8 male golfers and the 4 female golfers with the lowest combined gross scores of these two events will be Dhahran's representatives.

Phase III of the **Clubhouse renovations** will commence on Monday, February 14 and are expected to take three to four weeks. Renovations in this phase will include work on the women's locker room, construction of a members lounge, and the removing of a shower from the men's bathroom and replacing it with second urinal. More details are provided on page 3.

Still no news on a vendor that will have food being served in the Clubhouse again, but we will keep you updated.

See you on the course,
Bruce Waldner
RHGC President



Get involved to help keep our events and activities running! Volunteers are needed for a each event, tournament, and committee. From marshals and event set-up, to administration and planning, there's a place for you!

Contact [RHGC Directors](#) to find out more about volunteer opportunities within their areas.

Tawakkalna App Required

REMINDER: Community Services requires all people accessing recreational facilities to have a booster shot for COVID-19, which includes the Rolling Hills Golf Course. You must show your Tawakkalna App at the Starter to access the:



- ProShop
- Clubhouse
- Course
- Driving range
- Chipping Green
- Putting Green

Handicap Corner

For members playing in the 2022 Match Play Events starting soon (Singles, Flighted, or Team), please review and adhere to the following regarding entering scores for your Match Play rounds.

Booking in ForeTees

Tee times must be booked as “REG” and all match play matches must be played as 18-hole rounds, not two separate 9-hole rounds.

Use of Golf Genius for hole-by-hole Scoring

All Match Play rounds should be scored using the Golf Genius (GG) application. In the event there are technical issues, players should use hardcopy scorecard. At the conclusion of round, all players must sign scorecard and attach scanned copy when reporting match result.

All holes should be scored in the following fashion:

All holes should have an actual score entered for each player which reflects the actual score made during the match play round until the match is over. Once a player wins the hole there should not be any additional strokes made by the opponent after the stroke that resulted in losing the hole. In this case enter “most likely score”. For example, enter X6 if most likely score is 6. The “X” by itself should not be used to enter any scores.

If your match ends before the completion of all 18 holes, leave the remaining holes not played with “no score/blank”. If a match has been conceded or forfeited an email must be sent to [2022 Match Play Coordinator](#).

Immediately After Match – Validate Scores in GG App and Report Result

After the match is over, and before you leave the course, players in the match should review together the hole-by-scores entered in GG app for accuracy.

One player from match must email results to [Handicap Director](#) & [2022 Match Play Coordinator](#) with:

- Date of match
- Singles, Flighted or Team
- Name of Winner and result

For example “March 1, Singles, John Doe 5&4”

Do not enter any scores into GHIN, the Handicap Director will push scores from GG to GHIN after review. These scores will be denoted as score type “C” Competition in GHIN.

Disputes

Disputes should be handled during the round where possible by the players involved, with reference to the Rules of Golf 20.1b. If no agreement is reached, the matter should be promptly reported to [2022 Match Play Coordinator](#), who will review with Match Play Committee. Their decisions are final and binding. Where a match is played and concluded and players return to the clubhouse and report results, the match results remain as agreed at that time. This includes situations where there is a later dispute as to one player utilizing an incorrect handicap or where a rules infraction is recognized at a later time.

For any questions regarding handicaps, please email Handicap Director Stephen Vezendy at rhgchandicaps@gmail.com.

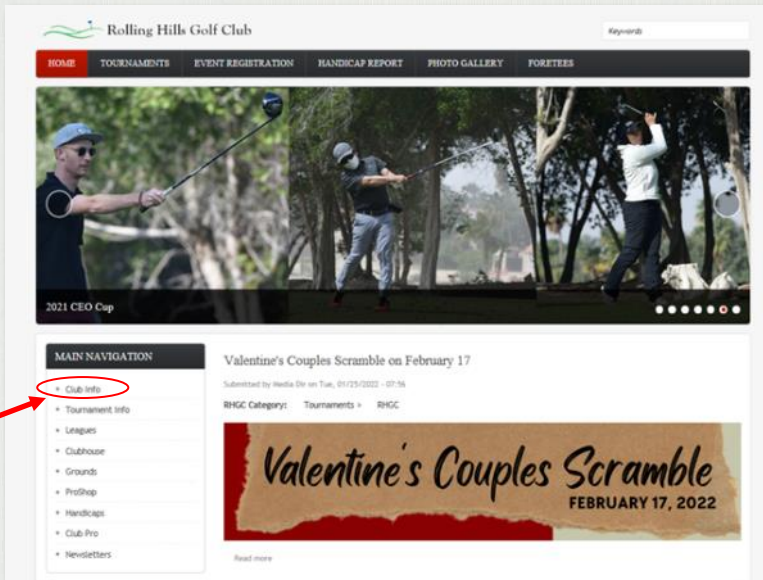


Items of Interest for Members of RHGC

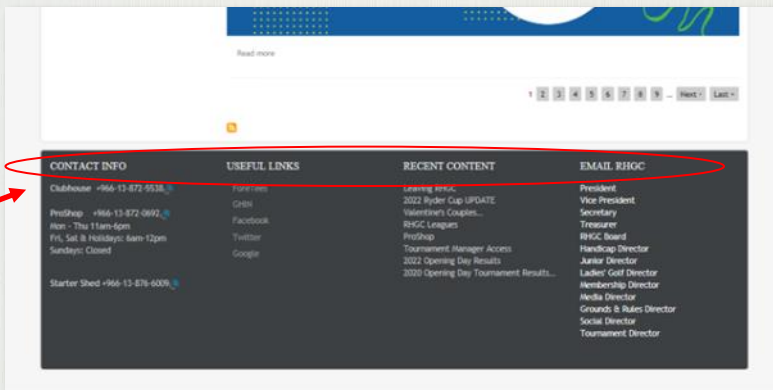
From the Club Secretary

You can keep up to date with Club issues and communicate with Officers and Appointed Directors of the Club by utilizing links on the home page of RHGC: <https://www.arabiangolf.net/>

Matters of interest, including, but not limited to Minutes of Meetings, RHGC Constitution and Cart Shed list can be found under “Club Info” on the left side of homepage. Please explore and learn more about how the Club is run, and how you can best utilize the facility.



At the bottom of the home you will find links to other websites of interest and the emails of Club Officers and Appointed Directors should you wish to raise an issue, make a suggestion, or ask a question. Please note the Club Officers and Appointed Directors are full employees of Saudi Aramco and will answer questions as quickly as possible, however, you may experience a short delay in obtaining a response due to work or vacation related.



CLUBHOUSE RENOVATIONS

Central Community Services (CCS) will commence a series of renovations and improvements to the RHGC Clubhouse, commencing February 14, 2022. It is estimated the work will take four weeks to complete. The work will include:

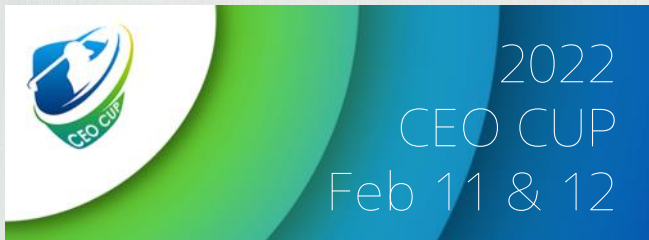
- Renovation of Ladies Locker Room
- Renovation of Office & Storage Area
- Renovation of Toilet areas

Unfortunately, without any other options available to the Club, the Men’s Locker Room will be used for storage during this period of time and will be closed to Members.

Action required: All Members are to take **immediate action** to remove their personal items from the Ladies and Men’s Locker Rooms. Please note that Members are responsible for their own property, used and/or stored at the Club. Saudi Aramco and the RHGC Board are not liable for loss or damage of any personal property.

The RHGC Board aims to provide up to date information in regard to the Clubhouse facilities, which are available to Members, during the course of the renovations. However, CCS may take immediate and unplanned activities to meet the needs of safety and building requirements.

Thank you all in advance for your cooperation and patience.



The 2022 CEO Cup will be hosted by Rolling Hills Golf Club **on February 11 & 12**. There will be 3 shotgun tee time options: Friday AM/PM and Saturday AM. The 2022 CEO Cup Tournament Committee will be coordinating all aspects of the golf event with your designated SAGA representative. This year's event will utilize a Stableford scoring format applying 75% of each player's playing handicap. We are planning 4 men's flights, and depending on participation level, 2 ladies flights.

Registration is open [via Golf Genius](#). **Registration closes on February 6 at 6pm.** Cancellations must be made before February 8. There is no entry fee and no green fees charged for this event. *Note: SAGA no-show policy is in effect for this tournament for all competitors.*

Dinner and awards will be held the evening of Feb. 12 at the Plaza Conference Center in Dhahran, and many members of Executive Management will be in attendance. All competitors and spouses/guests are welcome and encouraged to attend. Tickets are available at the ProShop and must be **secured and paid before February 6**. There will be a guarantee fee of 150 SAR for competitors who are attending the dinner, which will be credited to each player's RHGC ProShop account for use or cash withdrawal in the ProShop. Non-RHGC players' dinner ticket guarantee will be refunded at the dinner upon arrival. There will also be a fee of 150 SAR for each spouses/guest. Further details will follow as they become available.

Prizes:

- CEO Cup Winner Men's & Ladies
- 1st, 2nd, & 3rd All Flights & Ladies
- Closest-to-Pin Skill Prizes
- Most Stableford Points RHGC, ANGC, WASGC, SSGC club winners

Tournaments eligibility: Any Saudi Aramco employee / dependent age 16+, who is a member in good standing at any of the SAGA golf clubs, holding a current handicap at one of the clubs.



FROM THE PRO

Stuart Hurstfield, P.G.A. Member

LADIES ROLL UP CLASS

Every **Thursday morning**, ladies are invited to join Thursday morning group sessions from 9:00 -10:00 am for beginner and intermediate golfers. All equipment is supplied and instruction covers all the skills to get one out on the course! The cost is 90 SAR per person, per class and sign-up is at the ProShop.

GOLF IN A WEEK

The next Golf in a Week class starts on **February 20**. Classes are from 5:00 - 6:00 pm and run for five consecutive days. These group sessions are ideal for beginner and intermediate golfers and covers all aspects of the game: safety, rules, etiquette, and swing technique. All equipment and range balls are supplied. The cost is 600 SAR. Please sign up in the ProShop.

JUNIOR TOUR SCHOOL

The Junior Tour School will start on **February 12** and run each Saturday for four consecutive weeks. The classes are from 8:00 - 9:00 am and will cover rules, etiquette, and golf swing mechanics in a group setting. All equipment and range balls are supplied. The cost is 300 SAR. To register, please visit the ProShop.

INDIVIDUAL LESSONS

Individual lessons incorporating GASP video analysis can be taken at times convenient to suit your schedule. Junior pricing is 30 minutes/150 SAR and Adults is 50 minutes/200 SAR. Register at stuarthurstfield@gmail.com or WhatsApp +44 775 337 1547.

*Golf club repairs and re-gripping service available.
Contact Stuart for details.*

Valentine's Couples Scramble

FEBRUARY 17, 2022

Couples Texas Scramble from the red tees with no drive minimum under the lights. Sign up with a mixed team of 2 women and 2 men or a mixed couple to be paired with another couple.

Drinks and snacks begin at 5:15pm with golf from 6:00pm onwards.

Oak Smokehouse Grill dinner around 8:30pm
Menu: kale salad, smoked brisket/chicken combo bowl, mac & cheese, chocolate or carrot cake

Dinner seating is assigned and attendees must observe COVID safety precautions. Dinner without playing golf is an option.

150 SR per person, payable at the ProShop.
Payment and registration via Golf Genius due by Feb. 10.
For RHGC members only.



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED
For details, email
narleyfarley18@aol.com

Sign up for the event [via Golf Genius](#).
To volunteer, email narleyfarley18@aol.com

NEW DATE

March 4 & 5



Sign up now to play in the
2022 Ryder Cup Championship

*All players, irrespective of sign up to previous date, must re-register for the Ryder Cup and book a place [via Golf Genius](#)

TUESDAY MORNING LADIES LEAGUE (TMLL)



Feb 1
Open Play 7 Skills with Stuart

Feb 8
Monthly Medal - Stableford

Feb 15
Open Play

Feb 22
Fun Tournament & Lunch

Feb 23
Evening Fun Tournament
more details soon

Happy February! I hope everyone had a great holiday season. Please reach out to me if you are interested in helping out with the Fun Tournaments. See you all soon.

Angela Farley
Ladies Golf Director

See picture below: Way to go Meena & Rahmi for braving the rain last week and having a great round!



2021 Hole-in-One Club



Adam Fox
January 8, 2021
Hole 11, White Tee, 5 Wood



Nancy Cho
April 19, 2021
Hole 11, Red Tee, 5 Utility



Rosie Daud
March 9, 2021
Hole 11, Red Tee, 5 Wood

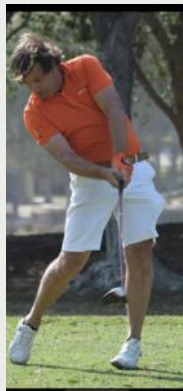


Nasif Munir
August 24, 2021
Hole 4, White Tee, 6 Iron



Chulsoon Choi
November 27, 2021
Hole 11, White Tee, 5 Iron

To belong to the RHGC Hole-in-One Club, the hole-in-one must occur during a completed 9 or 18 hole round, and the scorecard must be attested and turned in for handicap purposes. The signed and attested scorecard shall be scanned and emailed to the [Tournament Director](#) and [Handicap Director](#) for verification.



2021 Race to the Hills Winner

Manuel Soudant
R1: 24, R2: 26
Total Points: 50

JANUARY MONTHLY MEDAL RESULTS



Flighted Winners

A Flight

Place	Flight	Name	Front	Back	Total
1	A	Syafron, Edward	39	39	78
2	A	Farley, Steve	41	38	79
3	A	Ramos, Domingo	40	42	82

B Flight

Place	Flight	Name	Front	Back	Total
1	B	Haq, Nabeel	34	38	73
2	B	Masoud, Rodny	38	35	73
3	B	Ahn, YoungKyoung	44	39	73

C Flight

Place	Flight	Name	Front	Back	Total
1	C	Meisner, Jeff	36	36	72
2	C	Lee, Myungjin	36	37	73
3	C	Kang, Geonyoung	41	33	74

D Flight

Place	Flight	Name	Front	Back	Total
1	D	Daud, Rodziah	35	38	73
2	D	Kim, Insoon	39	35	74
3	D	Romli, Gunawan	41	36	77

E Flight

Place	Flight	Name	Front	Back	Total
1	E	Saar, Muhammad	43	37	80
2	E	Evans, Simon	37	43	80
3	E	Chi, Sangki	44	37	81

Closest to the Pin

Hole	Winner	Distance
4	Masoud, Rodny	9' 0"
8	Capstick, Kevin	2' 7"
11	Kim, Insoon	10' 0"
14	Ahn, YoungKyoung	12' 3"

2022 OPENING DAY TOURNAMENT RESULTS

Place	Foursome	To Par Net	Total Net
1	Fahad Al-Mulaik, Abdullatif Al-Omair, Minhaj Khan, Ahmed Daham	-32	112
2	Jeff Meisner, Adam Fox, Derrick Smith, Juan Michelangeli	-23	121
3	Tracey Jackson, Christoffel Steenkamp, Colin Mallett, Kyle Kirst	-23	121



THE RACE TO THE HILLS

Top 5 in the standings

Current Rank	Previous Rank	Player	Number of Tournaments	Number of Wins	Total Points	Points Behind Lead
1	-	Kim, Insoon	2	0	22	0
2	-	Chun, Soyoung	1	1	21	1
T3 ▲	T4	Boukbira, Abdelbaki	2	1	20	2
T3 ▲	T4	Daud, Rodziah	2	1	20	2
5 ▼	T2	Evans, Simon	2	0	19	3



COVID SAFETY REMINDERS

- Show your Tawakkalna App to the starter
- Check your temperature each time you arrive at the course
- Wear a face mask while inside the Pro Shop and Clubhouse

Grounds & Rules

Update on Tree Plantation

We have been informed by Gardening that the tree plantation project is now complete. This project is part of a greater Company green initiative program and not something the Golf Club requested. Although the plantations are within the boundary of the area of the golf course, they have for the most part been planted in areas that sit outside the boundary that defines the actual golf course which our greenkeeping and maintenance group maintain.

However, the plantations have and will transform the playability of the golf course both today and in the future. With this in mind, we have begun working on short, medium and long-term plans to manage these plantations going forward.

From a playability perspective, the initial short-term solution was to define all these areas as *no play zones* with a free drop as reflected in our communication to all members during the month of January. Although, this is a short-term solution and all these areas will remain no play zones going forward, this local rule is temporary. The medium term plan will be to stake all these areas with consideration given to the appropriate stake to apply for each area.

Raking Bunkers and Golf Etiquette

RHGC Board is seeking cooperation from all members regarding the proper etiquette to rake bunkers. Unfortunately, the current etiquette of some members is just not good enough.

We realize that many members, because of the COVID relief rules, may have gotten out of the habit of raking bunkers. Please remember it is your responsibility to rake any bunker after you have entered it. Raking bunkers is part of the RHGC Code of Conduct. As such, continued and flagrant disregard for not raking bunkers can lead to penalty strokes being applied and ultimately a suspension of privileges.



Please follow the RHGC Code of Conduct, rake bunkers and be regarded as a considerate player

FROM THE ARCHIVES

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Doug Mitchell

Doug Mitchell, Julia Goldsworthy Win RHCC Handicap Tournament

Doug Mitchell and Julia Goldsworthy emerged from a field of 32 men and 16 women golfers in Dhahran to become the 1991-92 Handicap Champions at Rolling Hills Country Club. The single-elimination, match-play tournament began last fall.

"I've never been this close to winning it before," said Mitchell, who noted that the play-offs went more quickly this year. Past events were double-elimination, requiring more matches.

Mitchell, a 10-handicapper, said it was "tough going" in most of his matches because he had to give away shots to competitors with higher handicaps. Even though he was evenly matched with runner-up Andy Poulton in the

final game, they both ran into difficulty. A strong wind on the East course blew many shots off course forcing them to "wade" in the water several times.

Goldsworthy felt she was in control of her game throughout most of her matches. Saying her game has been strong, she added "I was playing well, especially in the match with Lynn. I had to give her 16 shots, but I actually beat her with three holes to go." Lynn McIntyre took the runner-up award.

Joe Fugere, tournament director for the event, said the handicap awards will be presented along with other event prizes at the evening function following the annual CEO Cup in February.

— A. S.



Julia Goldsworthy



January Event Scores

Casper Soudant	48
Maaz Said	49
Shaun Flynn	60
Zaid Said	66



RHGC is hosting a RHGC Junior Golf Event on **February 26**

Junior golfers of all skill levels are invited to participate.

- 10:00 – Driving/Putting Range (warmups)
- 10:20 – Pairings are announced
- 10:30 – Competitive Group heads to #1 Tee, Fun groups to follow
- 12:30 – All Groups back in the Clubhouse for lunch and prizes
- 1:00 – Golfers are free to go



Fun Division: For younger and less experienced juniors that just want to have fun playing a few holes of golf on the course.

Competitive Division: For the older and more experienced juniors that want to test their golf skills on the course and compete against other Juniors.

Who Can Play? RHGC and Aramco Community Club members ages 8-17 years old or those who have or are currently taking lessons from Stuart Hurstfield (RHGC Golf Pro). The tournament is free for all Junior RHGC members!

Junior golfers will need to supply their own golf clubs, golf balls and tees. Sign up for the Junior Golf Event is currently available via Tournament Manager. For more information, any questions, or to volunteer as a marshal, please contact Junior Golf Director, Jake Rosenthal: 054 774 4309 (WhatsApp) or email at: rhgcjuniorgolf@gmail.com

Beginning February 1, 2022 there is no longer a restriction for only family members sharing a cart. Please ensure all participants arrive with a mask and check-in at the starter shed prior to going to the driving range.

Dhahran Saad Falcons HC

DATE: APRIL 08, 2022

TIME: 012:00–22:30

Prize Break Down

Closest to the Pin – Hole # 2 - 300 SR
Closest to the Pin – Hole # 7 - 300 SR
Hole in One – Club Car Cart # 16 (Blue Tees)

Longest Drive – Hole # 3 - 300 SR
Longest Drive – Hole # 15 - 300 SR
(Fairway (no Rough or Fringe))

Winners

1st - Prize Oasis Open Cup
2nd - Honorable Mention
3rd - Honorable Mention
Draw

Meal & Awards
Presentation to
Follow



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From the Saudi Causeway travel towards Manama and turn right at the first interchange to join the Hamad Town motorway. You are now traveling to Riffa on route 1.

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Club Car

Oasis Open

Dhahran Saad Falcon Hockey Golf Tournament in Bahrain April 8, 2022

Contact: Rae A. Persram
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The Udhailiyah Open April 1, 2022

Register before March 25 by emailing gregkort@yahoo.ca your name, current handicap and shirt size.

WADI AL SAEED GOLF

PRESENTS...

The Udhailiyah Open

ON FRIDAY, APRIL 1, 2022

Starting Time : 9 am Shotgun Start.

Prizes: Scotty Cameron putters for Gross & Net winners, hybrids & wedges for 2nd & 3rd place.

*All entrants receive a polo shirt and a sleeve of ProV's

Lunch catered by Al Hasa Steakhouse

Price for all players 350 SAR.

