



# NEWSLETTER



## President's Message



It has been an incredibly busy start to the year, the RHGC tournaments each weekend in February. The RHGC Board always tries to find a balance between tournaments and casual play.

The first social event of the year is on February 12th – Valentine's Couples Night Golf. Social golf events are meant to be a fun way to, not only get out on the course, but to have some fun with your friends. This year will have a very nice catered dinner similar to last year – I highly recommend it. Please see page 8 for more details.

It is also Ryder Cup season. The Ryder Cup is arguably the biggest and most anticipated tournament that RHGC holds. This year, it will once again be Team USA-Canada vs Team ROW. Team ROW is feeling pretty confident after last year's win. If you have never competed in the Ryder Cup, there is still time to sign up. Please see page 7 for more details.

Members are reminded that the playing music on the course, the range, or other practice area, is forbidden under the rules of the Community Services Recreation Manual, and the RHGC Code of Conduct. We ask you demonstrate respect for other players, and utilize Bluetooth technology, or other headphone system, should you wish to play music during your practice or round of golf.

RHGC is actively looking for volunteers to be part of various RHGC committees. Many of the present RHGC Board members started out being on a RHGC committee. Please see page 2 for more information on how you can help out RHGC.

Bruce Waldner, President

### *Play Off the Driving Range Mat*

**Only use the mats at the driving range until RHGC communication state otherwise.**

**The only circumstance when a player can strike a ball from the grass, is when using a tee to practice driving.**

**Community Services and Aramco Gardening are making every effort to preserve the quality of the course; please do your part to help.**





# VOLUNTEERS MAKE A DIFFERENCE

It's a great time to get more involved in the upcoming season as a volunteer. RHGC has a full schedule ahead and any help from you will ensure smooth running of club activities. RHGC could not function without this amazing and critical support! Please continue to volunteer or consider stepping up this year with a few hours of your time. There are different volunteer opportunities based on interest, availability, and level of commitment.

*Tournament Committee:* Help out in planning upcoming major tournaments and discuss any circumstances surrounding the event, to ensure smooth and effective running of the tournament. Additional volunteer opportunities also include serving as roaming marshals, on-course hole marshals, supporting registration & gift distribution, and more.

*Social Committee:* Support in developing and planning several social events throughout the year.

*Ladies' Golf Committee:* Help with monthly Ladies' League events, with planning, and hosting.

*Jr. Golf Committee:* The Junior Golf Committee meets to discuss various items related to event formats, changes to the event schedule, and food/beverage options for each monthly event. Committee members also assist the day of the event with groupings, swag/food distribution, and ensuring the participants are following the course rules and etiquette.

*Handicap Committee:* To meet the definition of a Golf Club and remain authorized to use the World Handicap System, RHGC must have a Handicap Committee of at least three people. It is chaired by Handicap Director, and their job to ensure WHS Rules of Handicapping are followed; accurate Handicap Indexes are issued including the timely submission of acceptable scores; and to offer support and education to its members. For RHGC, committee members are used in two situations 1) where voting is needed (e.g., handicap index adjustments) or 2) assisting the Handicap Director with performing his/her required tasks, as needed or during leave.

*Grounds & Rules Committee:* This committee supports with Local Rules updates and helping answer questions arising during general play.

*Trophy Committee:* This committee manages the trophy/trophies distribution of the tournament. They help plan the budget, identify the vendor, and approve the design and look of trophies.

*Media Committee:* If you enjoy creating graphics and event announcements, publishing website and social media posts, designing newsletters, or have photography and video skills, joining the Media Committee is a great way to get more involved at RHGC. This team is focused on sharing updates and news with our members, as well as promoting RHGC activities and the game of golf for all.

TO FIND OUT MORE, OR IF YOU KNOW WHICH COMMITTEE YOU WOULD LIKE TO JOIN, PLEASE EMAIL THE [RHGC SECRETARY](#).



# COMMUNITY CHAMPIONSHIPS 2024

Congratulations to those RHGC members that have qualified to be in the 2024 Community Championships. The Community Championships will take place on February 23rd & 24th at the Rolling Hills Golf Course.

## Men's

P	Name
1	ROSENTHAL, JACOB C
2	MASOUD ZULETA, RODNY B
3	KIM, SAMMY
4	David R. Bedford
5	HERTLEIN, LES W
6	AHN, YOUNG K
7	SYAFRON, EDWARD
8	CAPSTICK, KEVIN
9	HAQ, NABEEL K
10	Hollander, Alexander D
11	LU, FENG H
12	UFONDU, KENECHUKWU O
13	Gaetano Dantoni



## Women's

P	Name
1	Sanghee In
2	Soonhae Kim
3	Soyoung Chun
4	Margaret Priwijyanthie



## Mixed Team

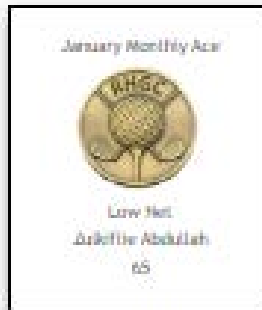
Team 1
David Bedford
Vikki Bedford
Rodny Masoud
Cooper Harrelson

Team 2
Steve Farley
Les Hertlein
Sue Hertlein
Stephen Vezendy





# January Medal Results



## Flighted Winners

### A Flight

Place	Flight	Name	Total
1	A	Rodry Mascud	70
2	A	Jeff Abang	72
3	A	Chad Cannon	75

### B Flight

Place	Flight	Name	Total
1	B	Jim Lee	70
2	B	Geonyoung Kang	71
3	B	Soohee Kim	72

### C Flight

Place	Flight	Name	Total
1	C	Alfan Simanona	69
2	C	Ismail Musa	70
3	C	Zaid Al-Amer	72

### D Flight

Place	Flight	Name	Total
1	D	Matt Aubert	73
2	D	Wany Pillai	74
3	D	Wyangin Lee	78

### E Flight

Place	Flight	Name	Total
1	E	Sammyoung Hong	69
2	E	Sungun Lee	74
3	E	Min-Kyung-Sook Song	75

### Ladies Flight

Place	Flight	Name	Total
1	Ladies	Soohee Kim	72
2	Ladies	Soyoung Kim	74
3	Ladies	Myung Hwa Lee	75





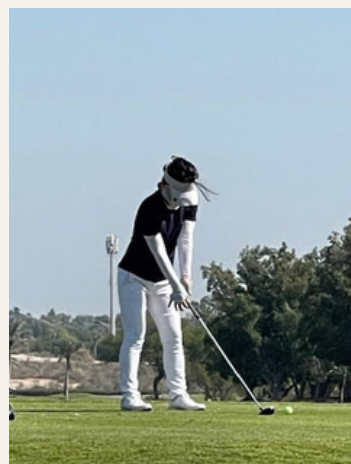
# OPENING DAY TOURNAMENT Results

January 20, 2024

Place	Foursome	To Par Net	Total Net
1	Abdelbaki Boukbira, Zaid Al-Amer, Ismaeel Musa, Mohammed Mulla	-16	128
2	Odili Iyinagoro, William Quaye, John Okafor, Harold Gbinije	-15	129
3	Nabeel Haq, David Stephenson, Faisal Siddiqi, Syed Ali	-15	129

## Closest to the Pin

Hole	Player	Details
4	Sanghee In	1' 5"
8	John-Paul Scallon	6' 3"
11	Rene Van Huyssteen	4' 8"
14	Tom Coghill	13' 2"



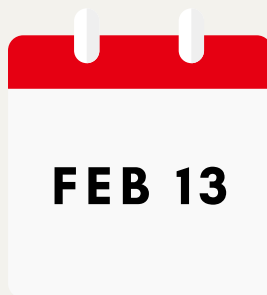


We are excited to get the 2024 golf season underway! It was nice to see ladies golfing on Tuesday mornings (and other days!), taking advantage of Stuart's golf lessons, and spending a Wednesday evening with us for our Nine & Dine. If you weren't able to participate in these activities in January, you're in luck because we'll do it all over again in February! There will be casual Tuesday morning play weekly while the weather is nice with February 13th designated as the scramble/social round. You'll need to be in the Ladies' Whatsapp group to stay in the loop about the casual play. Contact [rhgcladiesdirector@gmail.com](mailto:rhgcladiesdirector@gmail.com) to be added to the whatsapp group.

We will have a Ladies' Quiz Night on Friday, February 9th, hosted by Hannah, the pro who runs the ladies' golf program. Bring a sweet snack or appetizer to share and join the fun, 6:30-8:30. Hannah is bursting with energy and enthusiasm and you are sure to enjoy yourself and probably learn a bit, too! The ladies from the golf program are invited to this event so that we can encourage them to continue on with the game of golf.

If you play in RHGC's Monthly Medals, please note that we will be using those scores as we plan to have a year-long ladies' competition for those participants. Details are still being nailed down. You don't need to do anything to be included except sign up and play the Club's normal Monthly Medal.

We hope to see you on the course!  
Peggy and Tamara



**FEB 13**

**TMLL**



**FEB  
17 & 20**

**SKILLS  
9AM**



**FEB 28**

**NINE &  
DINE**





# Upcomings Events

Click on the picture to link to registration details

**Team Canada-USA**

**Team Row**

February 9-10

**Awali Golf Club**

A Bapco Refining Sports Facility in the Kingdom of Bahrain

presents the

## 59<sup>th</sup> Bahrain Open Championship

combined with the

### 35<sup>th</sup> Bahrain Ladies Open Championship

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March 2024 – practice round  
 Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2024 – 1<sup>st</sup> Round  
 Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> March 2024 – Final day

WHS Handicap Index limit for BO is 9.7  
 WHS Handicap Index limit for BLO is 36

**Entry Fee:**  
**35 BHD for guests**  
**25 BHD for members**

For more information please contact the secretary on [opensecretary@awaligolfclub.com](mailto:opensecretary@awaligolfclub.com)



**Monthly Medal  
February 17**

**Register now at  
[golfgenius.com](http://golfgenius.com)**





# Romance with a Twist

**FEBRUARY 12TH AT 5:30, FOLLOWED BY DINNER**

- SCRAMBLE FROM **RED TEES** (EXPECT SUPPRISES)
- **MINIMUM 2 HOLED PUTTS** PER PERSON.
- **BEST-DRESSED COUPLE** (AS VOTED BY TOURNAMENT MEMBERS AFTERWARDS) WILL *RECEIVE 1 STROKE REDUCTION* FROM THE FINAL SCORE
- **HANDICAPPING** BY COUPLE'S NIGHT COORDINATOR

**CATERED DINNER:**

RECEPTION      PASSION FRUIT MOJITO

**COURSE #1**

SEAFOOD BISQUE, ROCCO SALAD WITH GOAT CHEESE, WALNUTS, CRANBERRIES, AND RASPBERRY VINAIGRETTE

**COURSE #2      CHOICE OF:**

- 1- TENDERLOIN STEAK
- 2 - CHICKEN BREAST WITH SUN-DRIED TOMATOES IN BUTTER GARLIC SAUCE
- 3- SOYA VEGETABLE BIRYANI SERVED WITH ROASTED GARLIC BABY POTATOES, ASPARAGUS, AND GLAZED BABY CARROTS

**COURSE #3**

IRISH COFFEE AND DESSERT TRIO

- RICH CHOCOLATE POT
- STICKY TOFFEE PUDDING
- CHOCOLATE FOUNTAIN WITH FRUIT KEBAB, BROWNIES, AND COOKIES FOR DIPPING

**[COST 300 SAR PER COUPLE; CLICK TO REGISTER](#)**

## MARCH GOLF NIGHT

March 14, 2024

Join the festive fun with a 9-hole, four person scramble, glow-in-the-dark golf balls, dinner and prizes.

Golf is just part of the fun - themed attire and decorated carts are encouraged.

Cost is 75 SAR per person, payable at the ProShop.

Limited to first 96 players.







The RHGC board, in collaboration with the club professional Stuart Hurtsfield, are pleased to offer an exclusive 50% discount on golf lessons to all Rolling Hills Golf Club members. Whether you are looking to refine your swing or perfect your putting skills, these discounted lessons provide a great chance to elevate your game. See below for the discounted rates:

	Non-Member (SAR)	Member (SAR)
1 x 50 minutes Adult	200	100
2 People Adult Lesson	300	150
1 x 50 minutes Junior	150	75

**This offer is available until 31 March 2023.**

In addition to the discounted lessons, the RHGC club professional will provide a free one-hour teaching clinic, per month, covering subjects such as putting, chipping and bunker play to members. Each clinic will include discussion as to rules, etiquette and pace of play. This month's lesson will take place on **Sunday the 25th February 2024 6pm and will cover Pitch shot, addressing areas of club selection, address position, distance control and spin to stop the ball.** Classes will be limited to 20 persons, and there will be a waiting list if anyone drops out. So, get that booked in early with the Golf Pro. Please keep an eye out for future dates in the monthly RHGC Newsletter.

To take advantage of these discounted golf lessons and free one-hour teaching clinic, and make the most of your membership benefits, register at [stuarthurstfield@gmail.com](mailto:stuarthurstfield@gmail.com) or WhatsApp +44 775 337 1547, and include your RHGC membership number in the booking.

**FROM THE CLUB PRO...** STUART HURSTFIELD P.G.A MEMBER

**SIMPLE TIPS TO GOLFING IN THE WIND...**

- 1. Club Selection  
Take one maybe two clubs more, the reduced loft or club angle will lower spin thus keeping the ball flight down and under the wind...So use a # 5/6 iron rather than a #7...
- 2. The address/starting position  
This has an enormous effect on the ball flight.. Improve balance and stability by widening the stance a little, ball position back,
- 3. Swing Technique  
"Swing easy when it's breezy" Swinging harder will only create more backspin so more height... Stay relaxed, balanced and controlled....





# Classifieds

Clubs for Sale. Please What's App at 050-5146213 for inquiries.

1. Ping Glide 4.0 wedges black, used once, with special Arccos fitted grips.

SAR 1300 for both OR SAR 750/Each

- 54 Degree Std 12 loft (SW)
- 60 Degree Std 10 loft (LW)

2. Ping Glide 3.0 chrome wedge slightly used.

SAR 500

- 50 Degree Std 12 loft (GW)

3. Cobra 3 Wood LTD, slightly used. Adjustable +/- 1.5 degree.

SAR 500

- 14.5 Degrees

