



NEWSLETTER – March 2011

Congratulations to all the Nomads who have been successful in entering the 46th Nationals Nomads Tournament to be played on the Strand course from the 19th till 25th March 2011. Aptly known as “Nationals d’Vine” we have a great week planned for you and your partner and we look forward to your arrival in 2 weeks’ time. Below please find some pertinent details which pertain to the Nationals week.

Our website (www.bolandnomads.co.za/2011) is the most effective tool to find up to date information about Nationals d’Vine and we will keep it updated in the run-up to Nationals. For those Facebookers out there, please visit our Facebook page and take part in the lively banter! (Search National 2011 on Facebook)

HANDICAPS

We have received the Nomads handicap schedule from your club coordinator but please remember to check your official SAGA handicap from your home Golf club before you travel, which will be recorded at registration before the first round of golf.

TEE-OFF TIMES

Due to morning daylight restrictions we have moved your tee-off times by between 8 and 16 minutes. **Please take note of your new times** which will be on the schedule which you will receive in your glory bag at registration.

REGISTRATION

Registration will take place in the clubhouse on Saturday from 0900 till 1600 and on Sunday from 0800 to 1100. Every player must register before playing his first round.

Nomads 46th National Tournament

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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Attached is a schedule of events showing times of most activities. Please study these as it will certainly assist with the smooth running of the week. Please note that Flag Raising will take place at the club at 1800 on Saturday 19th March. This will be followed by the Bells dinner for Captains, Vice Captains, JVCs and invited guests and partners of the above. The Flag Raising and Lowering ceremonies are to be attended by all National's attendees and in full "battle dress".

BAG STORAGE

Bag storage will be available at the club from Sunday morning until 1300 on Friday. This wonderful facility is again sponsored by AFROVAN.

STRAND CLUB

The club will be open for all visiting Nomads and will be providing special food menus throughout the week. The Strand will also be providing TV screens on Saturday for the rugby (Stormers vs Bulls) and they are going out of their way to entertain us so let's all support the club.

PLAYERS TOURNAMENT

We are currently finalising the entrants for the Players Tournament and Wouter Geldenhuys is in firm control. The registration for this tournament will be as for the Main Tournament in the clubhouse and all of these Nomads are invited to participate in all functions and will be required to attend Flag Raising and Lowering. The games will be played on Monday 21st March at Devonvale (bus leaving at 0900), Wednesday 23rd March at Stellenbosch (bus leaving at 1000) and Friday 25th March at Paarl (bus leaving at 0800). A special bus has been arranged to depart from the club promptly at these times. Players will be treated to a special evening on their own on the Monday night but will be back in time to attend the prize giving at the club on the Wednesday and Friday nights.

DRESS AND BADGES

The appropriate Nomads dress is non-negotiable for all members, both on the course and at official functions. Please do not forget to take your National Tournament Badges to registration. A limited supply of badges will be available for purchase at R50 each. Any Nomad who participates in his first Nationals will be issued with these badges at no charge.

DAILY CHECK-IN

Each player is required to check in at least half an hour before his official tee-off time at the starters' registration desk. Players are also expected to report to the starters on the respective tees at least 10 minutes before tee-off time. We will get each 4 ball going on their allotted time and those late-comers will have to walk the first holes he has missed, with no score.

PRIZE GIVINGS

Prize givings are an important aspect of the Tournament and every player on the day is expected to attend. The prize givings will start promptly at 1915 each evening and we promise to make them entertaining and enjoyable

LADIES ENTERTAINMENT

An exciting program of events has been arranged for the ladies who are accompanying Nomads to the tournament. These include trips to Lourensford Estate on Monday, Cape Town Waterfront on Wednesday and the historical town of Franschhoek on Friday. See the Boland Nomads website for more information on these – www.bolandnomads.co.za

DINNERS AND ENTERTAINMENT

Prize giving, dinners and entertainment will be held in a marquee which will be erected on the club grounds and what a program we have lined up! If you miss Sunday nights “kick-off” you are going to be very sorry! It will set the scene for the week.

Dinners, which are included in your registration fee, will be served on the Sunday, Wednesday and Friday nights and some form of entertainment will run for 5 of the 6 nights during your stay in the Strand. We have an off-evening on Thursday after the prize-giving when clubs can arrange their own thing if they so wish.

INTERNET HOT SPOT

We have arranged free wireless internet throughout the clubhouse for the duration of the Nationals week.

We look forward to your company in a few weeks. Other than your golf swing, bring along a huge sense of humour and a good thirst! We hope to pack you back with many good memories!

Warm Nomadic greetings

Mark Philp
Nationals Co-ordinator - 2011