



# BMW SA OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP



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Ekurhuleni**

ENTRY FORM

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To be played at

**Glendower Golf Club**

From

**12<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup> January 2017**

ENTRY FEE R250\*

\* The entry fee for European Tour members is determined by their Tour's Members' General Regulations Handbook.

**CLOSE OF ENTRIES:**

**Non Sunshine Tour or European Tour Members: 5PM (SA TIME) ON  
MONDAY 12<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2016**

**2016/2017 Sunshine Tour & 2017 European Tour Members: 5PM (SA TIME)  
ON MONDAY 19<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2016**

Address: Southern Africa PGA Tour, PostNet Suite # 185, Private Bag X15,  
Somerset West, 7129, South Africa



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To enter, please complete the form below and return, with the proof of payment of the entrance fee to [entries@sunshinetour.com](mailto:entries@sunshinetour.com) or fax # +27 (0) 21 852 8271

Surname: \_\_\_\_\_ First Name (Known As name): \_\_\_\_\_

Nationality: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Postal Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Post Code \_\_\_\_\_

Home Tel: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

If exempt from qualifying, please quote authority here: \_\_\_\_\_

**I have read the Information and Conditions and agree to abide thereby:**

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## If paying by credit card, please complete the following:

Credit Card Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Expiry Date: \_\_\_\_\_ CVV numbers on the back of the card: \_\_\_\_\_

## To be completed by Professionals:

(a) Name of Club (if any): \_\_\_\_\_

(b) Name of Tour of which a member: \_\_\_\_\_

(c) Name of PGA of which a member or apprentice member: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Please include Proof of Membership)

**Results for the past 6 months are to be included for non-members of a PGA, or non members of a Tour forming part of the International Federation of PGA Tours**

## To be completed by Amateurs:

(a) I declare that I have read the Rules of Amateur Status and conform with them in every respect.

(b) I am member of the \_\_\_\_\_ Club.

(c) My handicap is \_\_\_\_\_ (Handicap limit SCRATCH - see Conditions, paragraph 2)

(d) My "SA Player ID" on Handicaps Network Africa (HNA) is \_\_\_\_\_ (To be completed by amateurs who are members of golf clubs registered with the HNA).

**Amateurs who are members of golf clubs NOT registered with the HNA, must please provide copies of their most recent handicap certificates from their club**

ENTRANTS TO RETAIN THIS PORTION

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1. The BMW SA OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP Proudly Hosted by City of Ekurhuleni (hereafter referred to as “**The SA Open**”) will be decided by stroke play over four rounds of 18 holes, in accordance with the rules of Golf as approved by the R & A Rules Limited, agreed Conditions of Competition and Local Rules of the Sunshine Tour and European Tour and the Additional Local Rules of the venue approved by the SA Open Championship Committee. All entrants are advised to familiarise themselves with these. Copies are available from the S.A.G.A., Sunshine Tour or European Tour and at the SA Open and Qualifying Round venues
2. The SA Open is open to Professionals and restricted to Amateurs who are Life, Full or Junior Members of golf clubs affiliated to a Union recognised by the S.A.G.A. and who at the time of submission of entry shall have a handicap of SCRATCH or better assessed under the S.A.G.A. Course Rating and Handicapping System or other system acceptable to the S.A.G.A. Professional golfers who are not members or apprentice members of a PGA, or who are not members of a Tour forming part of the International Federation of PGA Tours are required to include results for the past 6 months with their application.
3. After the first 36 holes, there will be a cut made to the 65th placed professional and all players tying on that score. If a competitor who has posted a two round total score that will qualify for the third round, withdraws before or after the 3<sup>rd</sup> round draw is made, the competitor’s score will still be used to determine the cut mark
4. Provided they complete 72 holes, a Silver Medal will be presented to the leading Amateur, who will also hold the Freddie Tait Cup for the same period as the winner, and the Amateur who comes second will receive a Bronze Medal.
5. In the event of a tie for the first place in the SA Open, the winner shall be decided by a sudden death play-off. The holes making up the play-off will be decided by the SA Open Committee and posted at the SA Open office prior to the commencement of the final round. In the event of a tie for the Freddie Tait Cup, the best score over the last 36 holes will count; failing that, over the last 18 holes; failing that, over the last 9 holes, and failing that, in such manner as the South African Golf Association (hereafter referred to as “**S.A.G.A**”) may determine.
6. The field size for the SA Open will be 156 competitors. In the event of the number of entries exceeding the stipulated field size, an 18 hole qualifying round will be held to determine which of the non-exempt entrants are to make up the full field. The qualifying round(s) will be played over the course(s) of Benoni Country Club, Kempton Park Golf Club and Irene Country Club on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> January 2017. The official practice round for the qualifying round(s) will be Monday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2017. Any other practice rounds are to be arranged with the respective clubs on terms agreed between the entrant and the club.
7. Exemptions from qualifying will be granted to the following:
  - 7.1 Any past SA Open Champion winner under the age of 60 at the commencement date of the SA Open
  - 7.2 60 players determined by the Sunshine Tour as per the 2016/2017 Exemption Category Ranking List, with the exception of Invitations and pre qualifying spots;
  - 7.3 60 players determined by the European Tour as per the 2017 Exemption Category Ranking List.
  - 7.4 Any player ranked within the top 50 players of the Official World Golf Rankings as at Monday 19<sup>th</sup> December 2016.
  - 7.5 Maximum of five amateurs as nominated by the South African Golf Association
  - 7.6 Maximum of five invitations granted to black players in terms of the Sunshine Tour Members General Regulations.
  - 7.7 Maximum of five invitations granted by the SA Open Committee.

## NOTES:

1. These exemptions will apply up to the commencement of the qualifying round, thereafter the balance of the field to be made up of eligible players who are not otherwise exempt and who have successfully qualified as stated in paragraph 6 above. Any withdrawal from the full field, subsequent to the commencement of the Qualifying Round, will be replaced by successful qualifiers.
2. After close of entries, any withdrawals from 7.1 or 7.4 above will result in the additional places being allocated to the Qualifying round.
8. Entry Procedures:
  - 8.1 All members of the Sunshine Tour are to enter with the Sunshine Tour's Membership Department in accordance with the Members' General Regulations Handbook;
  - 8.2 All members of the European Tour are to enter with the European Tour Entries Department in accordance with the European Tour Members' Handbook;
  - 8.3 All other eligible players, in terms of paragraph 2 above, are to enter with the Sunshine Tour's Membership Department, as outlined herein.

All eligible players entering in terms of 8.3 above must adhere to the following:

8.3.1 Complete the entry form in full and return to the Sunshine Tour by post, fax to +27 21 852 8271, or e-mail to [entries@sunshinetour.com](mailto:entries@sunshinetour.com). Any entry submitted by such a player will not be considered until payment is received in full, by the Sunshine Tour.

8.3.2 Bank details are:

Southern Africa PGA Tour,  
Nedbank,  
Business Winelands,  
Account No: 1498116655,  
Branch code: 198 765

**Please use the letters SAOP followed by your initial and surname as a reference when making payment**

## THE ONUS IS ON THE PLAYER TO CONFIRM THAT HIS ENTRY HAS BEEN RECEIVED ON TIME.

9. All entries shall be subject to the approval of the, Sunshine Tour and/or European Tour and/or S.A.G.A. who reserve the right to refuse any entry without giving any reason for such refusal. The decision of either the Sunshine Tour and/or European Tour and/or S.A.G.A as to acceptance or refusal of any entry shall be final.
10. All competitors clubs must conform to the groove and punch mark specifications in the Rules of Golf that are effective from 1 January 2010.
11. The wearing of shorts or jeans is not permitted by competitors, whilst practicing or competing, in the SA Open, or one of its qualifying rounds, during the week of the championship.
12. All competitors gaining entry into the SA Open are subject to the provisions of the Sunshine Tour's Marketing and Media Rights Policy in force at the date of the Championship. Details of the policy are available from the Sunshine Tour offices
13. All competitors gaining entry into the SA Open are subject to the provisions of the Sunshine Tour's Anti-Doping Policy in force at the date of the Championship. Details of the policy and the Prohibited Substances and Prohibited Methods may be viewed on the website [www.sunshinetour.com](http://www.sunshinetour.com) within section "Players" and its sub-section "Anti-Doping Programme". Competitors who are taking medication and in doubt as to their clinical status should seek advice from the Sunshine Tour not later than 21 days before the start of the Championship

14. All competitors gaining entry into the SA Open are subject to the provisions of the Sunshine Tour's Anti-Gaming Policy in force at the date of the Championship. Details of the policy are available from the Sunshine Tour offices.
15. The SA Open Committee reserve the right to change the venue to another course for the event either in part or entirely, in case of exceptional circumstances, and also reserves the right to alter the advertised times of starting.
16. The SA Open Committee reserves the right to amend the Championship conditions and the decision of the Committee will, in all matters, be final
17. For the SA Open, the onus is on the competitor to ensure that he has a caddie – this is not the responsibility of the host club. A competitor may not carry his own bag or use a golf trolley while playing in an official practice round, or any tournament round, with the exception of competitors participating in the official qualifying round(s) and its official practice round(s). Players entered into the qualifying round(s) may carry their own bags, but may not use a golf trolley.

No member of the Sunshine Tour or European Tour may act as a caddie, and no entrant to the SA Open is permitted to act as a caddie (this includes entrants to the qualifying rounds).

During the SA Open no competitor or caddie may wear or display any advertising which may embarrass the sponsors.

Breach of either of these conditions by a member of the European Tour or Sunshine Tour are subject to a penalty in terms of their respective Tour's Regulations or Members' Handbook. All other competitors in breach of these conditions are subject to a fine not exceeding R1,000.

18. Sunshine Tour members and successful qualifiers must register at the SA Open Office by 2pm on Wednesday 11 January 2017. Players entered into the qualifying rounds are also required to register at their relevant qualifying round tournament office by 2pm on Monday 9 January 2017. Failure to register timeously for the qualifying rounds or the Championship will result in that player being withdrawn from the event and removed from the relevant draw.
19. For the purpose of practice by competitors at the SA Open venue, the first tee only will be open on Monday 9 and Wednesday 11 January 2017. There will be a pro-am all day on Tuesday 10 January. The availability of practice times on this date will be advertised once entries have closed.
20. Should competitors, other than Sunshine Tour or European Tour members, wish to withdraw, they are required to do so by 17h00 on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> December 2016. Any withdrawals received after this time will result in the competitor forfeiting his entry fee. Sunshine Tour and European Tour members wishing to withdraw are required to do so in terms of their respective Tour's Regulations.

The Club contact details are as follows:

### **GLENDOWER GOLF CLUB**

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### **BENONI COUNTRY CLUB**

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