



### KING LEOPOLD III CHALLENGE 5, 6 and 7 July 2022

# The King Leopold III Challenge is a golf competition organised annually since 1958 by the Association Royale de Golfeurs Seniors de Belgique (A.R.G.S.B.).

#### **TERMS OF COMPETITION**

#### 1. ELIGIBILITY

The King Leopold III Challenge is open to **teams of four players**. Each country is allowed to enter two teams, unless the Committee agrees otherwise.

The players of a team must be of the same nationality, with at least 55 years of age. The maximum exact handicap will be 18,0; if a player has an exact handicap higher than 18,0, his playing handicap will be determined using an exact handicap of 18,0. The playing handicaps will remain constant during the competition.

The captain of the country delegation is responsible for his team(s) and the correctness of his player's handicaps. Handicaps certificates or access to national website may be requested.

Each player has to be member of a golf club affiliated to his Federation or Union, and must be a member of his Senior Golf Association. If a player wishes to be part of a team of a different nationality, the above conditions will apply (affiliated member in that country). A substitute player may be designated under the same conditions as above.

#### 2. FORMAT OF THE COMPETITION

The competition will be played by teams in Stableford.

Each team will be composed of two pairs of players that will remain unchanged for the first two days.

The format of the competition will be :

1 <sup>st</sup> day	Four-Ball at Golf Château de la Tournette – English course
2 <sup>nd</sup> day	Canadian Greensome <sup>1</sup> at the Royal Golf Club of Belgium – Arboretum course
3 <sup>rd</sup> day	Single at the Royal Golf Club of Belgium (Ravenstein) – Arboretum course

All courses will be played from the men front tees (yellow tee markers).

There will be two rankings: one in Net Stableford and one in Gross Stableford.

For the Net Stableford competition, the playing handicaps will be adjusted as follows :

- Canadian Greensome : each side receives the total of 60% of the lowest playing handicap and 40% of the highest playing handicap (rounded 0,5 upwards).
- Four-Ball: each player receives 90% of his playing handicap.

For the first two days, all the scores will be retained (2 scores per day). For the last day in singles, the three best individual scores of each team will be retained (3 scores).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Canadian Greensome :

Both partners drive on every hole and then hit another shot with their own ball; then they select which ball is picked up. If player "A's" ball is selected, player "B" hits the third shot with the selected ball. Play proceeds on an alternate basis until the hole is completed.





The team who scores the highest total Stableford points (7 scores), either in net or in gross will be the winner of the Net Stableford ranking or the Gross Stableford ranking.

The starting times for the first two days will be drawn up by the Committee. The Committee will ensure that two pairs from the same Senior Golf Association do not play together.

For the last day, a shotgun tee-off will be organised. If no shotgun tee-off is organised, the starting times of the last day will be based on the results of the first two days, the best results starting the last.

All starting times will be posted on the web site of the A.R.G.S.B. (www.argsb.be).

#### **3.** TRANSPORTATION POLICY

Motorized transportation for players during the competition are not authorized; electrical trolleys are authorized. The Committee can authorise players presenting a medical certificate to use a transportation vehicle conforming to the conditions set down by the A.R.G.S.B..

#### 4. PRIZES

Following prices will be awarded for the team results (three days of the competition):

- Net Stableford : first best result, second best result, third best result,
- Gross Stableford : first best result.

The **King Leopold III Challenge Trophy** will be awarded to the winning team of the Net Stableford competition.

In case of a tie for the team results, the winner will be decided on the total of the three best results of the team in the single competition; in case there is still a tie, the winner will be decided on the total of the best results of the team of the last nine, the last six or last three holes of the single competition.

Following prices will be awarded for the single competition (last day of the competition):

- Net Stableford : first best result,
- Gross Stableford : first best result.

In case of a tie for the single competition, the winner will be decided by matching scorecards.

The scores of the two first days will only count if all players have completed their rounds. In case the third round, played in shotgun, cannot be finished, the result of the first nine holes of each player will count; all players have to have completed nine holes.

#### 5. DRESS CODE

Players are expected to adopt following dress code during the competition.

- **On the courses** : official play outfit of the team. Note : at the Royal Golf Club of Belgium (Ravenstein) : Men's shorts may be worn but only in conjunction with knee length socks. (These socks are available for sale at the proshop).
- **Opening cocktail** : official dress of the team, with name badge highly recommended.
- **Official diner** : official dress of the team, with name badge highly recommended (time for group photos).
- Closing cocktail : smart casual wear.





6. COMMITTEE IN CHARGE OF THE COMPETITION Etienne Marchal – President of the A.R.G.S.B. Jean-François Van Laethem – Captain of the A.R.G.S.B. Francis Meert – Honourable Secretary of the A.R.G.S.B. Jean-Pierre Paulet – Treasurer of the A.R.G.S.B. Gérald Callebaut – Referee R.B.G.F. in charge of the competition, member of the A.R.G.S.B. Pierre Van Houdt – Member of the A.R.G.S.B.

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