

SOUTH AFRICAN COUNTRY DISTRICTS IPT 2022



9 – 13 MAY 2022
SISHEN GOLF CLUB

GOLFRSA



On behalf of SAGA, I'd like to welcome you to Kathu and the Sishen Golf Club, which is the proud host of the 2022 SA Country Districts IPT.

For many of you, this will be your first visit to one of South Africa's greatest hidden gems. The Bob Grimsdell design is highly thought of in golfing circles and the only thing that can match the quality of the golf course is the hospitality of its staff. 'Country Districts' remains an important event on the amateur golfing calendar as it provides an opportunity for elite players from outside the metropolitan areas to compete at the highest level.

The tournament stretches back to 1970 and some of the country's best players have cut their teeth at this level. No fewer than three Major champions have played in this event and some of the country's top up-and-coming amateurs will tee it up this week.

This year KwaZulu-Natal will be looking to make it a hat trick of titles, but with so many good players in the field, the title is up for grabs for any of the teams this week.

Finally, my thanks go to Theunis and the team at Sishen for hosting this prestigious tournament on their course.



HENK SMITH
PRESIDENT | SAGA



The Kalahari Country Club is proud to be hosting, for the first time, one of SA's most traditional team events, the SA Country Districts IPT. The SACD event has a long history of camaraderie, sportsmanship and competition between golfers from clubs like Sishen that are an integral part of country districts golf, so this is a special week for us to have everyone here in Kathu.

Sishen is recognised as one of the best courses in SA, yet we are equally proud to be known as a welcoming and social club, where golfers can enjoy the course and then relax afterwards at our braai area under the trees in front of the clubhouse. This is what Country Districts golf is all about: meeting fellow golfers and sharing a drink over a fire when the 18 holes are done.

Sishen is one of the remote Top 100 courses and for many of you this might therefore be the first time you have played golf here. Our course is unique in that your principal hazard this week is not going to be bunkers or water hazards, although we have some, but the beautiful Kameeldoring trees, a protected species, lining the fairways. They are what make Sishen such a beautiful and challenging layout, together with our outstanding bentgrass greens.

May you have a week to remember at Sishen, and remember that par golf will mostly be good enough to win matches.



THEUNIS SPANGENBERG
GOLF DIRECTOR
KALAHARI COUNTRY CLUB



On behalf of the NCGU I would like to welcome you to the Iron Ore capital of South Africa, Kathu, for the playing of the 2022 Country Districts IPT, at Sishen Golf Club. Not only is Kathu home to the 13th-best ranked golf course in South Africa, it is also the home of Kumba Iron Ore, the largest producer of Iron Ore in Africa and the fourth largest in the world.

It is indeed a great honour and privilege for NCGU and Sishen Golf Club to host such a prestigious event and one so rich in tradition.

I would like to thank all participating Unions, their players and managers, for making the effort to come to Kathu to compete, experience the hospitality of a region not frequently visited and to take away experiences and friendships to last a lifetime.

I would also like to thank Sishen GC for agreeing to host the tournament. Sishen officially opened in 1979, and was the last course designed by Robert (Bob) Grimsdell, which he unfortunately could not see completed. The course borders on the Kalahari Desert and is thus in a water scarce region. It is regarded with affection by many of the professional golfers in SA and various rating bodies as truly one of the country's hidden golfing gems. We wish you all the best for the week ahead and may you leave with fond memories.



FRANCOIS MULDER
PRESIDENT
NORTHERN CAPE GOLF UNION



Sishen GC (est 1979)

Situated on the outskirts of the town of Kathu in the Northern Cape Province, this is truly a unique setting in which to play a round of golf – the course winds its way through a 500-hectare Camelthorn forest on the edge of the Kalahari Desert.

Built and maintained by Sishen Iron Ore mine and officially opened in 1979, this is the last course designed by Robert (Bob) Grimsdell, which he unfortunately could not see completed. Considering its surroundings, its lush green fairways and greens have surprised many a visitor to this arid region.

The par 72, 18-hole championship golf course has been rated among the top 30 courses in the country. It is not surprising when you see the picturesque fairways curving away between the majestic camel thorn trees, many of which are centuries old.

There are no weak holes at Sishen, but it may take more than one round to discover the secrets to scoring well on this course, especially with the Kameeldoring trees providing aerial hazards for golfers. Some even stand in the middle of fairways.

SISHEN GOLF CLUB

Hole	Par	Length
1	4	357
2	5	489
3	4	402
4	3	192
5	4	397
6	5	485
7	4	398
8	3	160
9	4	384
10	4	370
11	5	525
12	4	448
13	3	205
14	4	324
15	5	466
16	4	402
17	3	165
18	4	384
Total	72	6 657

A SECTION

PAST WINNERS

B SECTION

1970	Boland
1971	Southern Cape
1972	Boland
1973	Transvaal Districts
1974	Boland
1975	Boland
1976	Boland
1977	Transvaal Districts
1978	Boland
1979	Boland
1980	Transvaal Districts
1981	Boland
1982	Transvaal Districts
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1986	Boland
1987	Boland
1988	Transvaal Districts
1989	Southern Cape
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1996	Boland
1997	Boland
1998	Boland
1999	Boland
2000	Mpumalanga
2001	Boland
2002	Free State/Northern Cape
2003	North West Province
2004	Southern Cape
2005	Mpumalanga
2006	KwaZulu-Natal
2007	KwaZulu-Natal
2008	Free State/Northern Cape
2009	KwaZulu-Natal
2010	Free State/Northern Cape
2011	Free State/Northern Cape
2012	Free State/Northern Cape
2013	North West Province
2014	Boland
2015	Mpumalanga
2016	North West Province
2017	KwaZulu-Natal
2018	North West Province
2019	KwaZulu-Natal
2021	KwaZulu-Natal

1996	Free State/Northern Cape
1997	Eastern Province
1998	Free State/Northern Cape
1999	Mpumalanga
2000	Northern Province
2001	KwaZulu-Natal
2002	Northern Province
2003	North West Province
2004	KwaZulu-Natal
2005	Karoo
2006	Eastern Province
2007	Mpumalanga
2008	Boland
2009	Limpopo
2010	Eastern Province
2011	Ekurhuleni
2012	North West Province
2013	Boland
2014	Border
2015	Free State
2016	KwaZulu-Natal
2017	Limpopo
2018	Northern Cape
2019	Boland
2021	Southern Cape

2022 Teams

A Division

- 1 KwaZulu-Natal
- 2 Boland
- 3 North West
- 4 Northern Cape
- 5 Southern Cape

B Division

- 1 Free State
- 2 Eastern Province
- 3 Border
- 4 Limpopo
- 5 Mpumalanga

Monday 9 May 2022

A Section (1st tee)

KwaZulu-Natal vs Free State
North West vs Northern Cape
Bye: Boland

B Section (9th tee)

Limpopo vs Eastern Province
Southern Cape vs Mpumalanga
Bye: Border

Tuesday 10 May 2022

A Section (1st tee)

Free State vs North West
Boland vs KwaZulu-Natal
Bye: Northern Cape

B Section (9th tee)

Eastern Province vs Southern Cape
Border vs Limpopo
Bye: Mpumalanga

Wednesday 11 May 2022

A Section (1st tee)

Boland vs North West
Northern Cape vs Free State
Bye: KwaZulu-Natal

B Section (9th tee)

Border vs Southern Cape
Mpumalanga vs Eastern Province
Bye: Limpopo

Thursday 12 May 2022

A Section (1st tee)

KwaZulu-Natal vs Northern Cape
Free State vs Boland
Bye: North West

B Section (9th tee)

Limpopo vs Mpumalanga
Eastern Province vs Border
Bye: Southern Cape

Friday 13 May 2022

A Section (1st tee)

Northern Cape vs Boland
North West vs KwaZulu-Natal
Bye: Free State

B Section (9th tee)

Mpumalanga vs Border
Southern Cape vs Limpopo
Bye: Eastern Province

Teams for the 2022 SA Country Districts IPT

A-Section

 KwaZulu-Natal	 Boland	 North West
Jean-Marc Bouic	Clement de Bruin (c)	Johannes Krugel
Jack Cubitt	Pieter Rossouw	Patrick Sefodi
Graham Fabricius	Ian Jacobs	Wessel Louwrens
Matthew Sutherland	Phillip Swanepoel	Herman Anderson
Matt Walters	Ryk van Schoor	Jonathan Krugel
Greg Smith	Angelo Keffers	Jacobus Swanepoel
Thobelani Magwaza	Tom Joubert	Hermanus Meyer
Jared Good	Aidon Willemse	Thapelo Maichotlo
Manager: Henk Booyesen	Manager: Abrie Swanepoel	Man: Hendrik Stapelberg

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B-Section

 Free State	 Eastern Province	 Border
Jacques Schutte	Michael Bosch	Alec Stander
Pieter Cronje	Meekah de Sousa	Chuma Adonis
PG Swartz	Greg Manual	Ben Jonas
Franco Froneman	Rhalf Manuel	Eddie Abrahams
Letsoso Letsai	Johndre Ludick	Johan Vosloo
Eugene du Plessis	Johnnie Ludick	Jakkie Visagie
Bernard Hattingh (c)	Malan Potgieter	Logan Roos
Heinrich Erasmus	Tiaan Tibshraeny	Jason Brooks
Manager: Butch Lombard	Manager: Philip Horowitz	Manager: David Roos

 Northern Cape	 Southern Cape	Covid-19
Louis Fourie	Jan Human	<p>Please take every precaution to prevent the possible transmission of the Covid-19 virus.</p> <p>Wash hands</p> <p>Socially distance</p> <p>Sishen Golf Club: 043 735 1356</p>
Driekus Gous	Juan Barnard	
Burger Heckroodt	Jason Tarboton	
Andries Kori	Hans-Jurie Human	
Cilliers Malan	Mthobeli Jacobs	
Jano Malan	Ian Pautz	
Steven Turner	Garnet Damans	
Darryn van Zyl	Malcolm McKelly	
Manager: Francois Mulder	Manager: Karl Voppichler	

 Limpopo	 Mpumalanga	Format of play
Adam Milanzi	Eddie Daniel	<p>Section A (1st tee) Foursomes (starts 07h30) Singles (starts 11h30)</p> <p><i>6-minute intervals between tee times</i></p> <p>Section B (9th tee) Foursomes (starts 07h30) Singles (starts 11h30)</p> <p><i>6-minute intervals between tee times</i></p>
Shaun Mouton	Ru-Jean Lessingh	
Vincent Olley	Mark Ferreira	
James Vorster	Thami Ngobeni	
Willie Opperman	Gary Daniel	
Jan-Hendrik Nieuwoudt	Alex Pieterse	
Christo Stears	Hannes van Dyk	
Jandre van Niekerk	Jaco van der Watt	
Man: Malebana Pataki	Manager: Rob Pryde	

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