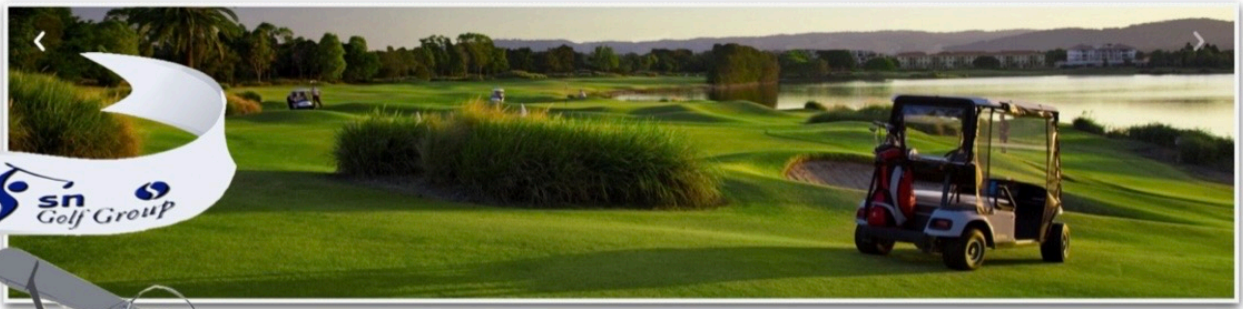




sabena Golf Group Newsletter



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The National



The President's Pen...



First of all, we were extremely thankful for the prizes our sponsors Marcel and his wife Christine Poismans, a couple of (secret) artists, offered on this occasion. Sixteen original and very beautiful framed watercolour paintings (aquarelles) , landscapes they created themselves. But I'll come back on this later.

It was a great success if we talk about attendance, maybe because of the proximity or the interesting green fee on a very select championship course played for our first time.

32 reckless players: 4 Ladies -11 Men1 - 15 Men2 and 2 guests, Mr. Floré invited by Marcel and Mr. Launois by Yves Enderlé. They faced the extreme temperature of 35° but the feel T° was 37°. As all of us know it is measured in the shadow so we may easily add 8° -10° in the sun. Rarely a little breeze on this open course and barely shade to avoid this heat except umbrellas which many opened. There were only 3 buggies available for us, the other 26 players were very brave to challenge the weather conditions but not everyone could finish the 18 holes. Some stopped before, between the 9th and 16th ,not feeling good enough to reach the finish line and some did not look fresh at all on the terrace.



It is very wise to know your limits, never push them in such extreme heat. It's also good that in this case we observe our partners during play to check if everyone is still ok. We are getting "less young" making it more difficult to coop with such weather. Congratulations to all the courageous members and especially the ones who played till the end. A shower was absolutely necessary but unfortunately not refreshing, in fact the water was even hot, no way to regulate the temperature, a pity for such a classy golf.

The course is (luckily) rather flat but very difficult with really an awful lot of bunkers on every hole. These were also somewhat disappointing, as only a very tiny layer of sand was present making them difficult to play in or let's say out. Also, the rough was horribly dense although that it had been cleaned, it was even worse a few weeks earlier. A very long course also and in combination with its difficulty, the committee decided the 2nd category must play from blue tees 56 instead of the yellow tees 59. Some players had mistakenly played from the wrong tee boxes, many years ago this would have meant disqualification, but Yves adapted their Stableford points and all were happy. He will find a solution or provide some info to make this clear to all in the future.

Note: for the "shy" ones amongst you, all personal comments about this competition and this course are welcome, just send a message to any committee member and let us know what you think of. Please!!!

At prize giving we were very happy to see Dominique Payeur joining us for a drink. Yves announced the results which were surprisingly good for some and ,as usual , Mr. Vergouts playing his first competition with us got a prize too.

Now back to the sponsors and the paintings: 6 were presented on a table and 10 were showed upright on a very long sofa. Marcel and Christine wished them to be visible, so a sofa on the terrace was ideal to allow the prize and lottery winners easily choose their preferred one. It was an enormous success and all players and surely the lucky ones were very enthusiastic about their prizes.

At the very end Marcel Poismans wanted to say a few words. He had a surprise gift for me!!! He made his very first face drawing ever of "myself" from a picture he found on FB, as "a thank you gift" for all I do for SNGG. This really touched me. Thanks again Marcel.

Next is at Enghien on the 17th of August see you all there.

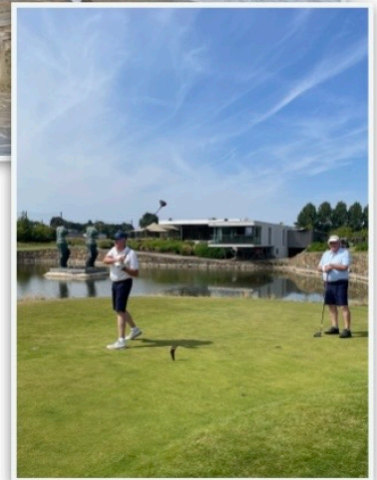
Patrick



Results :

Ladies All				Score	In 9
1	DESMEDT	N		30	
2	ANYS	A		26	
Men Official : Hcp 0-20,4				Score	In 9
1	DANCKERS			42	
2	HOUTMANS			39	
3	WELDY			39	15
4	PAELINCK			39	13
5					
Men Non Official : Hcp 20,5-36				Score	In 9
1	VERGOUTS	G		34	19
2	BLESER	R		34	18
3	POISMANS	M		31	
4	FONTYNE	G		30	15
5	MERTENS	G		30	13
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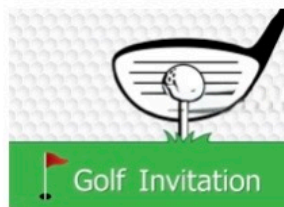






All scores & pictures are available on our website





Our next competition

Monday the 17th of August
we have the pleasure of playing the Enghien Golf Club



Annie & Jo

We hope to see you all

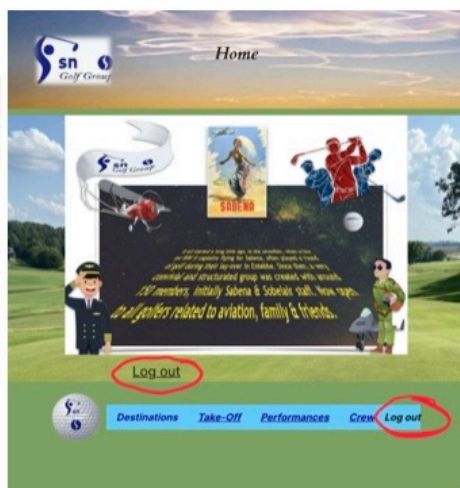


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