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To: All WP Golf Clubs, members, affiliates and associated golfing institutions

RE: CORONA (COVID-19) VIRUS: WPG ANNOUNCEMENT AND ADVISORY

The address by President Cyril Ramaphosa on 15 March 2020 regarding the Covid-19 virus pandemic as well as subsequent announcements by, amongst others, SASCOC, WCPSC, SAGA, WGSA and GolfRSA have reference.

Western Province Golf (WPG), in consideration of the National Disaster announcement, have resolved to implement the following precautions with **immediate effect**:

1. Tournaments

All WPG Tournaments until 04 May 2020 are hereby **cancelled**. WPG will review the situation weekly. The reviews will commence in 14 days and will continue on a rolling 4-week basis for tournaments, leagues and events scheduled for that period.

The WPG tournaments immediately effected are:

- WP Senior Masters at Durbanville (22-23 March)
- WP Women's Amateur 2020 at Steenberg (23-25 March)
- WP Junior Girls Championships at Parow (26-27 March)
- WP Amateur 2020 (including qualification) at King David Mowbray (20-25 April)
- Senior & Super Senior IPT 2020 (A & B sections) at Stellenbosch & Erinvale (20-24 April)
- Ladies 72 Hole Championships at Plettenberg Bay (26-29 April)
- Champions of Champions Regional Final at Milnerton (03 May)
- WP Junior Interclub Challenge at King David Mowbray (03 May)
- All Junior Tournaments during this period
- All PAT Events during this period
- All Ladies Opens during this period
- All WPG Group Coaching Sessions (private coaching is at the discretion and arrangement of the players themselves in their private capacities)

Please refer to attached communique dated 2020-03-16 from SAGA/WGSA/GolfRSA regarding the National tournaments and events.

2. Leagues

All WPG leagues until end April 2020 are hereby postponed. Dependent on the duration of these bans, WPG will endeavour to reschedule league fixtures as far as practically possible. However, should it not be possible to complete any league at a later stage, these will be cancelled accordingly.

The WPG leagues immediately effected are:

- Masters League
- Mid-Amateur League
- Women's Leagues
- Junior Leagues
- Schools League Fixtures

3. AGM

The WP Golf AGM, originally planned for end April 2020, has been postponed to mid-May 2020, subject to improvement in the current situation.

4. Recommendations to Golf Clubs

Golf clubs are responsible for ensuring that adequate measures are in place to safeguard their members, staff and visitors in accordance with the guidelines and health instructions from the various official bodies.

In order to assist in this respect, the following are examples of what some golf clubs are implementing:

- Extensive improvement and enhancement of hygiene regimes including hand sanitising at every possible touch point and especially for staff, most notably F&B staff.
- Cancellation of club events and tournaments.
- Cancellation of all prize giving.
- Focus on casual golf as opposed to organised golf competitions.
- Putt with flag stick in.
- One tee start.
- Avoid large groups gatherings at registration.
- Substantial revision of F&B offerings and delivery thereof.
- Service offering curtailments.
- Ensuring awareness and the sharing of information.

Golf clubs are also requested to make a "specific" space available on their noticeboards (or establish standalone notification means) for all associated communications to keep their members informed.

WPG undertakes to keep clubs updated as the situation progresses. We would like to thank you for your cooperation. These are extraordinary times requiring extraordinary interventions.

Please do not hesitate to contact the office should you require and further clarification and/or information.

Yours in golf,



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Attachments:

Correspondence from SAGA/WGSA/GolfRSA: 2020-03-16

Correspondence from SASCOC: 2020-03-16

Correspondence from WCPSC: 2020-03-16

Summary of Presidential Announcement: 2020-03-15