

TOURNAMENT INFORMATION

1. DATE: January 8, 9, 10, 2014 (Wed., Thu., Fri.)

2. VENUE: Forest Hills Golf & Country Club, Nicklaus Course Antipolo City, Rizal Province

The bustling province of Rizal is home to some beautiful golf courses built to world-class standards and of championship quality. Forest Hills Golf and Country Club is one of those tracks. Forest Hills has two golf courses; the first one by Jack Nicklaus' design group and the other by Arnold Palmer. This makes Forest Hills the only golf club in the country with courses designed by both of these golfing greats.

Set in the hills of sleepy Barangay Inarawan, in Cogeo, Antipolo, the **Nicklaus Course** meanders through the hills of the Sierra Madre foothills. The shots are difficult and made yet more complicated by uneven terrain. This isn't an easy golf course. This is a demanding shot-maker's layout. The fronts of the greens will accept an approach played on the ground and the greens are mature enough to receive the well-struck ball. A player needs to club for her shots carefully because of the elevation changes and navigate the multiple ravines.

The greens are the ultimate challenge here. As with all mountain courses, recognition of the general lay of the land and its effect on a player's putt is crucial to a good putting round. The greens are fast so it's important to keep the ball below the hole to have a chance at a good score. Pay particular attention when taking on numbers 5, 9 and 18; a two-putt on any of them is good work. The upside is that the hole settings are beautiful and the vistas exquisite. The one from the 12th tee at sunset with the City of Ortigas in the distance is one that must not be missed. (*lifted from the Forest Hills website*)

For more info about the course login at www.foresthills-golf.com.

Antipolo City is 25 km. from Manila, and is around one (1) hour by car.

It lies on part of the Sierra Madre mountain range, putting it at a significantly higher altitude than Manila. In January, Forest Hills becomes an ideal venue for tournaments, when weather is at its coolest.

Antipolo is also a Catholic pilgrimage site. The most popular attraction is the *Nuestra Señora de la Paz y Buen Viaje* (Our Lady of Peace and Good Voyage), also called the Virgin of Antipolo. The image enshrined in Antipolo Cathedral was brought over all the way from Mexico in 1626. (*lifted from the Antipolo City website*)

3. ELIGIBILITY: The Championship is open to all lady golfers who:

- A. Are amateur in accordance with the Rules of Amateur Status of USGA and the R & A;
- B. Are female at birth;
- C. Have a maximum USGA handicap index of 18.0 or lower (converted USGA handicap of 20 or lower). Handicaps to be used will be the December 2013 handicaps and the lowest Handicap Index should be submitted for participants with multiple club memberships.





4. ADMINISTRATION: The Women's Golf Association of the Philippines (WGAP) will conduct the Tournament and

shall reserve the right to limit the entries and modify the Tournament in any way it considers

necessary. Its decision on all matters related to the Tournament shall be final.

5. ENTRY FEE: Entry fee is PHP 7,000.00 or US\$ 170.00

Entry fees may be deposited to the following account:

WOMEN'S GOLF ASSOCIATION OF THE PHILIPPINES

PHP Current Account # 0291-0369-37

BANK OF PHILIPPINE ISLANDS

Forbes Park Branch, Makati Metro Manila

Please indicate name of participant on the deposit slip and fax together with the entry

form to the Tournament Director as proof of payment.

6. CLOSING DATE: Entries must reach the WGAP Tournament Director on or before December 30, 2013:

> FAX: (632) 846-0973

EMAIL: sagittarius0857@yahoo.com (Ms. Marie Guerrero, WGAP Tournament Chair)

: marissa@creative-synergy.com (Ms. Marissa Romano, WGAP President)

7. CANCELLATIONS: Deadline for cancellations of entries will be on January 5, 2014. No entry fee from a

confirmed entrant will be refunded after this date.

January 6 or January 7, 2014 (Monday or Tuesday) 8:00 am to 8. REGISTRATION:

12:00 noon at the Forest Hills Club House.

9. PRACTICE ROUND: The courtesy of the course will be extended to all participants on any one day of January 6,

2014 (Monday) or January 7, 2014 (Tuesday) 8:00 am to 12:00 noon.

10. DRAW: The Committee will draw Tee-off times. The first day's pairing and

tee-off times will be published at the official Bulletin Board of the 2014 Philippine Ladies Open,

at the Forest Hills Club House on January 7, 2014.

The Committee, in its absolute discretion, reserves the right to alter the draw if necessary.

11. AWARDING: A special awarding of the prize to the Champion will take place immediately after the game at

the Club House. A formal Awarding Program will be held at 3:30 PM at the Lobby Coffee Shop.

12. PRIZES: Awards and Prizes will be given to the following:

A. Open Championship

Overall Champion **Best Gross**

1st Runner-Up Second Best Gross 2nd Runner-Up Third Best Gross 3rd Runner-Up Fourth Best Gross 4th Runner-Up Fifth Best Gross 5th Runner-Up Sixth Best Gross 6th Runner-up Seventh Best Gross 7th Runner-Up **Eighth Best Gross** 8th Runner-up Ninth Best Gross

9th Runner-up Tenth Best Gross





B. Intermediate Championship

Class A, Champion - Best Gross

Class A, Runner-Up - Second Best Gross

Class B, Champion - Best Gross

Class B, Runner-Up - Second Best Gross

C. Special Prizes

Best Net Score for the Day Nearest to the pin (on assigned par 3) per day

13. ACCOMODATIONS:

The official hotel of the 2014 PLO is the Eastwood Richmonde Hotel.

Richmonde Hotel is located in the heart of Eastwood "City". Eastwood is home of multinational companies like Citibank and IBM. But the more exciting part of Eastwood are the shops, movie houses, and restaurants. All of these are all "walking distances" from the hotel.

It is around 30 minutes to Forest Hills Golf & Country Club, the tournament venue.

Room rates:

Superior Room (1 queen sized bed)	Single/Double Occupancy	PHP 4,400 Nett
Deluxe Room (2 separate double-sized beds)	Single/Double Occupancy	PHP 4,900.00 Nett
Extra bed (single sized bed)	Single Occupancy	PHP 2,000.00 Nett

All rates are inclusive of buffet breakfast, use of swimming pool, service charge, and applicable government taxes.

A limited number of rooms are available at these rates, so confirmation will be subject to availability.

To reserve a room:

Email Marissa Romano, marissa@creative-synergy.com. This email address will be replaced by the hotel's special email address for the Open.

TRANSPORTATION

- A. Airport & hotel transfers will be provided by WGAP, free-of-charge.
- B. Shuttle service from Eastwood Richmonde Hotel to Forest Hills (and vice versa) will also be provided by WGAP, free-of-charge.





15. TENTATIVE SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES:

January 6, 2014: Monday

8:00 am - 12 noon Registration & Practice Round

January 7, 2014: Tuesday

8:00 am – 12 noon Registration & Practice Round

January 8 – 10, 2014: Wednesday – Friday Tournament Proper

7:30 am Start of Tee-Off

Daily social events after the games will be

announced at a later date.

January 10, 2014: Friday Awarding Ceremony for the Champion

Immediately after the game

3:30 PM Formal Awarding Ceremony

Veranda, Main Clubhouse

16. INQUIRIES

Email WGAP President, Ms. Marissa Romano, marissa@creative-synergy.com Call WGAP President, Ms. Marissa Romano, +639088810366