

Nomads Botswana Presents



**10th to 12th September 2026
at
Stanbic Bank Gaborone
Golf Club**

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Zebra Nationals 2026 Newsletter

Greetings Fellow Nomads,

I pray my newsletter finds you and your families in good health.

On behalf of our Captain, **Piet van Wyk**, it gives me great pleasure to invite you to the 24th Botswana Nationals to be held at the **Stanbic Bank Gaborone Golf Course** on **10 to 12 September 2026**.

We are extremely grateful to the continued support we receive from our sponsors and other donors, especially **Stanbic Bank Botswana**, our anchor sponsor. It is through this support that our club continues to thrive and can put

on another great show in September for all of us to enjoy.

The generosity of our sponsors has enabled us to offer affordable individual tournament fees of **BWP1,900** (Equivalent ZAR2200 and USD145) despite the trying economic environment.



Avani Gaborone Resort & Casino have offered affordable accommodation rates that include breakfast of **BWP 1850.00** for double occupancy per night and **BWP 1,550** for single occupancy per night. Accommodation booking and payment should be arranged directly with the hotel using the link below.

<https://www.avanihotels.com/booking/rooms.aspx?bc=AV&hc=VGAB&checkin=10/09/2026&nights=3&adults=2&rooms=1&children=0&infants=0&roomcode=&language=en&group=1NB26I>

The hotel's contact details are as follows:

Telephone number: +267 361 6000

Email address: gaborone@avanihotels.com

Refer the next page for further details and contact them directly for your own bookings.



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Experience comfort, convenience and genuine Botswana hospitality at Gaborone's leading business and leisure destination. Located in the heart of the city, Avani Gaborone Resort & Casino offers stylish accommodation, complimentary Wi-Fi, exceptional dining experiences, a swimming pool, gym, spa, casino and extensive conference facilities. Whether travelling for business or leisure, guests can enjoy a relaxing stay with easy access to Gaborone's key attractions and business districts.



AVANI ROOM

Single: BWP 1550 per night
Double: BWP 1850 per night

AVANI SUPERIOR ROOM

Single: BWP 1895 per night
Double: BWP 2195 per night

AVANI GARDEN VIEW ROOM

Single: BWP 2205 per night
Double: BWP 2505 per night

AVANI CLUB ROOM

Single: BWP 2640 per night
Double: BWP 2940 per night



AVANI SUITE ROOM

Single: BWP 3995 per night
Double: BWP 4295 per night



All room types include the following:

- ✓ Full breakfast included
- ✓ Complimentary Wi-Fi
- ✓ Access to swimming pool and fitness Centre
- ✓ Complimentary parking



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PLAYER INFORMATION

- Fill in Nomads handicaps & HNA index. This will be subject to confirmation from yourselves closer to the date
- HNA index will not change on the Saturday. Tournament handicap may change depending on the score achieved on Friday
- Nomads may only play off the forward (Red) tees if they have been regularly doing so and have a handicap reflecting this.
- **Carts:** SBGGC have limited golf carts. We will be borrowing additional carts from individuals and pairing those that require carts with Botswana Nomads. There are two sections on the entry form that should be completed for carts. One for those that **NEED a CART**, and another for those that would like one but can walk if necessary. Please fill in accordingly.
- We will endeavor to accommodate everyone. Those allocated carts will pay **BWP 175 per seat per day**. Payable at Registration.

Number of players' slots allocated per Country will be communicated to each country's away tours coordinators.

Caddies will be available at **BWP 300 per round** excluding tip, to be settled in cash directly with the caddy immediately after the round. We have obtained sponsors for their halfway meal so there is no need to provide.

Additional meals for partners and guests

Please indicate in the space provided on the entry form for additional meals for partners and guests. These are to be paid for at registration and entrance wrist bands will be issued. **Please be advised that only Nomads and paid-up guests with pre-paid tickets will be allowed to attend the prize giving dinners.**

Entry forms will be completed online this year. The link for the form will be shared by your country's away tours officer with whom you will address all queries related to your application.

Payments for tournament entry should be submitted to your country's coordinators for all visitors. For Botswana entries, payments should be made to the usual bank account with proof of payment submitted to Piet Le Grange on the following email address:

piet@medswana.co.bw

ALL ENTRIES MUST BE SUBMITTED BY 31 JULY 2026

Yours in Nomads

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GENERAL INFORMATION

COURSE AND NOMADS ETIQUETTE

Players must report daily to Registration at the Tournament Office at least 20 minutes before their tee-off time and to the Tee Starters at least 10 minutes before their tee-off time. Please note that SBGGC average playing time is 4.5 hours, so speed up play at every opportunity.

The first player in the fourball is the captain and he is responsible for the following:

- Maintaining the positioning of his fourball in the field and keeping up with the fourball ahead. (NOT ahead of the fourball behind).
- Handing in the scorecards with **P20.00** from the lowest scoring player and remaining at score control units until the cards have been checked.

DRESS CODE

No Nomad should have to be reminded of the dress code at Prize Giving and on the course.

BAG STORAGE

Golf bags may be stored free of charge at the club house. In the interests of security, tags will be issued at registration, no bags will be issued to caddies which are not accompanied by players. Storage facilities will operate from 06h00 to 18h00. Clubs can be stored from 14h00 on Thursday 10th, but from Saturday all bags must be taken offsite.

MEALS

Breakfast will be served at the hotel for those staying there, or at the halfway house from 7.00am. A lunch/bar menu will be served throughout the day in or near the Cowboy Bar. Dinners will be served at prize giving on both Friday and Saturday evenings, at the Avani Hotel conference center. A Welcome dinner and party will take place THURSDAY evening after flag raising on the clubhouse veranda with a cash bar available!!

GOLFERS' HALFWAY HOUSE

In the interest of speeding up play, halfway refreshments will be on a grab and go basis at the Clubhouse and are included in your registration fee (As per draw lists daily). There will be no facilities for a sit-down break. Please do not waste any unnecessary time and move on to the next tee timeously. Additional refreshments may be offered on certain short holes and must be taken without delay.

BARS/COWBOY BAR

Refreshments will be available at the club house bar and the Cowboy bar for the duration of the tournament. Trading hours will be from 10h00 to approximately 22h00. The Cowboy Bar will operate from 11h00 each day to 6pm, next to the 10th tee, and a cash bar will be available. Light meals will also be available.

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BANKING FACILITIES

ATM'S are at AVANI Hotel and cater for several different local banks.

ADDITIONAL LUCKY DRAWS

Draws tickets at **P50.00** per day will be available at registration to put you in the running to win fantastic prizes. (P100.00 for both days to be paid at registration.)

PRACTICE AREAS

Practice facilities are available at Blue Tree on a complimentary basis courtesy of the Blue Tree management. You will receive three bands to use for free entry to the facilities.

CALL-UP RULE

The call-up rule will apply on all Par 3's.

HANDICAP & TEES

Starting handicaps for the tournament are calculated as follows:

- The average handicap of the player for his last six Nomads games, subject to a minimum handicap of two below his club handicap as at mid-August 2026. Club Captains /Coordinators must supply average handicaps, latest at registration. During the tournament a player's handicap may not exceed his club handicap. It is the player's responsibility to inform the control officials should the handicap information on his scorecard be incorrect.
- The divisional partition handicaps are determined by the Tournament Rules Committee before the start of the tournament with a view to dividing the field into equal numbers for the three divisions. No player may change his handicap or division as indicated on his card without consulting score control officials.

SENIOR TEES

- SBGGC does lend itself to having some forward Tees, these will be in force and applicable for those who qualify under Nomads regulations and Handicap rules accordingly. Coordinators to clarify individuals on entry lists.

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BASIC TOURNAMENT INFORMATION

REGISTRATION

Registration will be at Stanbic Bank Gaborone Golf Club, during the following times:

♦ BOTSWANA NOMADS	Wednesday 9 th September	16h00 till 19h00
♦ ALL VISITORS	Thursday 10 th September	12h00 till 19h00

GOLF TEE-OFF TIMES

There will be morning and afternoon fields starting at approximately 06:30 to 09:00 with players teeing off in 8-minute intervals and 11:00 until 13:30 with players teeing off in 8-minute intervals.

FLAG RAISING AND LOWERING

17:30 Thursday 10th September 2026 – Flag Raising Ceremony at SBGGC.

18:00 Saturday 12th September 2025 – Flag Lowering Ceremony at SBGGC.

PRIZE GIVING FUNCTIONS

Prize giving will start promptly at 19h30 at AVANI HOTEL. All Nomads are expected to be seated in the function area by 18h30. Players who cannot attend prize giving (for some emergency reason) must inform the captain of their club so that, in the event of their winning prizes, someone is present to collect the prize on their behalf.

DINNER AND ENTERTAINMENT

Dinners will be served at AVANI Hotel from 18h30 on both Friday and Saturday and there shall be music entertainment throughout the weekend.

NO SMOKING AREAS

No smoking is permitted. There however will be smoking allowed in demarcated public areas that include certain areas of the clubhouse.

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Nomads Rules of Play & Disciplinary Committee



A Member of this committee may be called upon for a score ruling. All matters must be resolved before prize giving on that day. In the event of a disciplinary issue, the committee will be:

- Steve Smith
- Piet van Wyk
- Gary Knowles
- Ishmael Mpofu
- Joe Machokoto

INTERRUPTED OR CURTAILED PLAY

In the event of rain or lightning, play may be interrupted or curtailed. The decision will be taken by 2 of the following members:

- Steve Smith
- Piet van Wyk
- Gary Knowles
- Ishmael Mpofu

BANK DETAILS

Bank: Stanbic Bank

Branch: Fairgrounds

Account Type:

Current Account

Branch code:

0649676

Current Account: 90 6000 4571 571

Swift code: SBICBWGX

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Tournament Organising Committee



Ishmael Mpofu	+267 71317204	Nationals Coordinator
Piet Van Wyk	+267 72318230	Captain
Gary Knowles	+267 71559382	Vice-Captain
Kuda Kadzirange	+267 74293818	Registration
Kabelo Moyo	+267 71383072	Public Relations
Heinie Van Niekerk	+267 71543941	Competitions Secretary
Piet Le Grange	+267 74079124	Treasurer
Ant Rogers	+267 74703132	Prize Giving & Cowboy Bar
Steve Smith	+267 71301409	Course Management
Barry O'Connell	+267 71317499	Sponsorship
Joseph Machokoto	+267 71303393	Sponsorship & Carts
Schalk Coetzee	+267 72210986	Tournament Prizes

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SUMMARY PROGRAM OF EVENTS

Wednesday 9th September 2026

15h00 to 19h00 Registration Botswana Nomads

Thursday 10th September 2026

13h00 Registration of visiting Nomads at SBGGC,
17h30 Flag raising ceremony
18h00 Welcome Meal for all
18h00 Sponsors appreciation gifts

Friday 11th September 2026

06h30 Golf Day 1.
19h30 Prize giving and dinner & Entertainment - Avani Resort & Casino

Saturday 12th September 2026

06h30 Golf – Day 2
18h00 Flag lowering ceremony
19h30 Final Prize giving, dinner and Entertainment – Avani Resort & Casino

Sunday 13th September 2026

Visiting Nomads travel home

NOTE: All entries MUST BE SUBMITTED by 31st July 2026