



## **Press Release**

## NCBA Coronation Cup & Bendor Trophy Set for this weekend at Nakuru Golf Club

**Nakuru:** May 31, 2024 - The Nakuru Golf Club is gearing up to host the highly anticipated NCBA Coronation Cup and Bendor Trophy this weekend starting Friday, May 31 to Sunday, June 2.

The tournament has attracted a total of 96 elite amateurs, including 10 talented ladies, 2 Ugandan, and 2 Rwandese players, who will battle it out for the tournament's top honors and valuable rankings in both the World Amateur Golf Ranking and the Kenya Amateur Golf Championship Ranking.

In addition to the main event, the subsidiary Bendor Trophy has attracted over 70 golfers who will test their skills on the picturesque, yet challenging par-72 course. This event will take place on Saturday and Sunday, adding an extra layer of excitement to the golfing weekend.

Notable competitors in the NCBA Coronation Cup include Elvis Muigua and John Lejirma, who are locked in a tight battle for the top spot in the rankings. Lejirma is determined to dethrone Muigua and claim the number one position for himself. Also, keep an eye out for defending champion Michael Karanga and rising star Carl Wambasi as they aim to leave their mark on the tournament.

Among the elite ladies competing in the tournament, Naomi Wafula leads the charge, eager to secure her second title in the KAGC series. She will face stiff competition from players like Joyce Wanjiru, Kellie Gachaga, Mercy Nyanchama, and Diana Mbuba, who are all poised to cause a serious upset on the leaderboard.

NCBA Bank and Nakuru Golf Club have generously sponsored the tournament, contributing a prize money pool of Ksh. 300,000.

Commenting on the tournament, NCBA Group Managing Director John Gachora noted the significance of such tournaments in elevating the standards of golf in the country.

"We are thrilled as NCBA to sponsor such events as part of our commitment to elevating the sport of golf in Kenya. As we eagerly anticipate the upcoming Coronation Cup and Bendor Trophy tournament at the Nakuru Golf Club, we are excited and anticipate what promises to be an exceptional showcase of golfing talent and sportsmanship. This tournament holds a special place in Kenya's rich golfing heritage, and we are honored to be a part of its legacy. We look forward to engaging with our valued stakeholders from the region and beyond, as we collectively celebrate the spirit of the game."





The Coronation Cup and Bendor Trophy tournament has a rich history dating back to 1932. The tournament is part of the Kenya Amateur Golf Championship (KAGC) series and attracts top amateur golfers aiming to earn points for both the KAGC and World Ranking Points.

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## **About Kenya Golf Union:**

Established in 1928, the Kenya Golf Union (KGU) is Kenya's oldest continuous sports organization. Affiliated with the Ministry of Sports & Culture, the Royal & Ancient, and the International Golf Federation, KGU serves as the governing body for golf in Kenya, uniting 38 golf clubs and 2 golfing societies across the nation. The Union's core objectives encompass the advancement, promotion, and protection of golfing interests within Kenya.

## **About NCBA Group:**

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