

Press Release

Martin Mengech Shines at NCBA Golf Series at Nandi Bears

Nandi; February 2, 2025: Home player Martin Mengech (handicap 45) delivered a stellar performance, carding an impressive 46 points to win the Overall Winner title at the NCBA Golf Series at the 9-hole Nandi Bears Club.

The tournament held over the weekend saw participation of over 150 golfers drawn from across the region, including those from Kakamega, Kericho, and Eldoret golf clubs.

In the Men's Category, Boaz Sugut, playing off handicap 21, took first place with 39 points, while Joyce Rotich (handicap 31) claimed victory in the Ladies' Category, scoring an impressive 45 points.

Among the juniors, 14-year-old Protus Ambani shone brightly, delivering a strong performance with 33 points to win the Junior Category.

These top four golfers—Mengech, Sugut, Rotich, and Ambani—have now qualified for the Grand Finale, where they will face off against other winners from the series for the championship title at the end of the year.

Meanwhile, in other categories, Nelson Koech emerged as the winner of Longest Drive Men's challenge while Faith Chemutai claimed the women's title with her impressive drive. In the Nearest to the Pin challenge, Solomon Atsiaya took the prize for his precision.

Speaking at the event, NCBA Kapsabet Branch Manager Phederesy Wesonga, reiterated the bank's commitment to supporting golf in the region, ensuring that both amateur and professional players have opportunities to compete, improve, and grow within the sport.

"This year we have taken it a notch higher in matters of golf by getting into a partnership with the Professional Golfers of Kenya as a way of completing the cycle, while at the same time extending our involvement with the Kenya Amateur Golf Championship (KAGC) and the Junior Golf Foundation (JGF)," said Wesonga.

He added: "It is our belief that these partnerships will come in handy this year at all levels, seeking to cater for the needs of the junior golfers, the amateurs, and the professional golfers as well. We believe that golf is not just a sport but an avenue to bring people together, build strong communities and grow in life as we grow in sport."

The next leg of the series is set to take place at the Malindi Golf Club on February 8th as golfers continue to battle for a place in the Grand Finale.

As part of NCBA Bank's ongoing commitment to golf development, the 2025 series has expanded, with 159 events scheduled across Kenya, Uganda, Tanzania, and Rwanda, up from 130 events in 2024.

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