INVITATION

The 25th Japan Open Golf Championship for the Disabled

2020 October 18th-20th

New Kimitsu Bell Green Country Club

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Entry to: Japan Disabled Golf Association

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INFORMATION SHEET

TOURNAMENT The only full scale golf tournament for the disabled in Japan. A 36 hole stroke play (scratch tournament). Players compete in 8 divisions: (1)upper limb disability, (2)lower limb disability, (3)multiple disabilities, (4)mild disability, (5)wheel chair, (6)mental disability, (7)people recovered from stroke, (8)Grand Prix. Each division has to have at least five participants to hold the competition. The top three players of each division will be prized. The winner of the Grand Prix division will be awarded as the Champion of the Japan Open. First-time participants will have an interview with classifiers before or after the welcome dinner on October 18th to be classified. *Grand Prix division entry requests must be made in advance

ORGANIZER Japan Disabled Golf Association (DGA)

SUPPORTERS Japan Golf Association, (planned: Sports Agency, Chiba Prefecture, Kimitsu City, Japan Golf Association (JGA), Japan Para-Sports Association (JPSA), Japan National Council of Social Welfare, SELP (Support of Employment, Living, and Participation, etc.

QUALIFICATION Professional or amateur golfer with any of the above mentioned disabilities (does not include hearing disability), whose disability is recognized by the classification committee. Participants must become registered members of the Japan Disabled Golf Association. Able-bodied persons may participate in the volunteer division.

<u>CLASSIFICATION EXAMINATION</u> First time participants will be subject to a classification interview. However, your classification may change depending on how you play during the match. It may not be possible to determine your extent of ability during the interview, and a further review of actual movement during play may be necessary. We thank you in advance for your understanding.

This championship is scheduled to be registered as a game for the World Ranking for Golfers with Disability (WR4GD). However, this year, the players subject to the world ranking are limited to those who participate in the Grand Prix division. To be listed in the ranking, you need to obtain a separate WR4GD pass. If you are a member of the Grand Prix division and wish to get a pass, please contact our secretariat.

COURSE New Kimitsu Bell Green Country Club

A public course where each hole spreads out on gentle southern slopes. The beautiful undulating fairway is reminiscent of a real Links style course. This course is full of individuality and variety, and its openness gives you a sense of freedom. With easy access to Narita airport, New Kimitsu Bell Green Country Club welcomes golfers from around the world. It is a well known, popular course, but it has many traps, so you must stay alert!

CAPACITY Up to 80 participants (including 10 foreign players). Participants will no longer be accepted once capacity is reached.

ENTRY FEE (TBA) 20,000JPY (approxUS\$190.00) which includes: 2R with cart, two

lunches, administrative fees, and participation in the award ceremony and party). Ablebodied participant fee 21,000JPY. Welcome dinner 6000JPY (participation optional). Hotel fees not included.

WELCOME DINNER The welcome dinner will be held following social distancing and infection prevention measures. However, due to the COVID19 situation, participation in the welcome dinner will be optional.

AWARDS (1) Class-specific awards: first, second, and third place in each class. (2) Grand Prix category winners - up to 3rd place.

GRAND PRIX DIVISION The "Grand Prix Division" was created 13 years ago for advanced players of all disability classifications. The winner of the Grand Prix division will be the champion of the Japan Open. The competition conditions and qualifications for participation in this division are as follows:

**Those who wish to participate in the Grand Prix Division must enter in advance. Please fill in the enclosed entry sheet, attach your USGA Handicap Index, and submit it together with the application form.

- *Even if you wish to participate, there may be cases where you may not be able to join the division depending on the results of the classification examination made by our classifiers.
- ★ Qualification: Official Handicap 15 or lower. Please attach your USGA Handicap Index to the application form.
- ★ Competition Start tee is the back tee. Due to JGA rules, special rules for persons with disabilities do not apply in the Grand Prix Division.
- ★ Grand Prix players cannot compete or win in other divisions.

<u>ACCOMMODATION</u> Hamilton Hotel Kazusa (25 minutes by car from the golf course, 5 minutes walk from JR Uchibo line "KIMITSU" station, south exit) TEL 81-(0)439-54-3030

Address: 4 Chome-6-28 Nakano, Kimitsu, Chiba 299-1151

https://www.hamiltonhotel.jp/hotel/ (Japanese language only)

Single room (room charge)@6,600 JPY(approx 65.00USD, breakfast and tax included)

Twin (room charge) @12,320JPY(approx 120.00USD same the above)

- *Both prices are for weekdays and include breakfast (weekend prices are different)
- **There will be a shuttle bus service (for 2000~3000 yen price TBA) from the hotel to the golf course.

PRACTICE ROUND

Practice rounds for 4 groups are available on the 18th of October, (Fees are separate - weekend fees). A half round starting in the afternoon is also possible. Participants who want to play a practice round should note it on the entry sheet.

ENTRY Please send by mail or fax the entry sheet with all necessary information to the following address no later than September 26th. E-mails applications also accepted.

Disabled Golf Association Japan

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PAYMENT OF ENTRY FEE All participants are requested to complete their payment

in advance at the reception of the tournament. Payment should be made in cash (JPY only). Credit cards and checks are not accepted.

OTHER PAYMENTS Hotel accommodation fees and practice round fees, etc. are requested to be paid at each respective facility either with cash or credit card (VISA, MASTERCARD, or AMEX)

FAMILY MEMBER/FRIEND WHO ACCOMPANIES THE PARTICIPANT

The entry fee for persons who accompany a participant is 5,000JPY (two lunches, and participation into the award ceremony and party are included) Payment should be made in advance with the entry fee of the participant. The welcome party and hotel fees are not included and should be paid in person.

LANGUAGE Official events of the tournament will be held in Japanese. Several English-Japanese interpreters will be available. During the competition, English interpretation will be provided upon necessity. Documents such as rules and programs will also be prepared in English.

TRANSPORTATION

Haneda Airport: From Haneda airport terminal 1, take the Haneda-Airport Limousine Bus to Kisarazu Railway Station East Exit, then take JR Uchibo line to KIMITSU station. You can find the hotel by walking 5 minutes from the station.

Narita Airport: From Narita Airport Terminal 2 • 3 Station, take the JR Narita Line Rapid Zushi to Chiba Station. Then transfer to the JR Uchibo Line to KIMITSU station. You can find the hotel by walking 5 minutes from the station.

If you are arriving from a different location, we will explain access to the hotel

CONTACT PERSON

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EVENT SCHEDULE

October 18th (Sun) Practice round (on request) New Kimitsu Bell Green CC 19:00 Welcome Dinner at Hamilton Hotel (Optional) 21:00 Interview of first time participants by the medical classifying committees to decide division

October 19th (Mon)

6:15 Breakfast 6:50~ Bus will leave from the hotel 8:30~ Tee' off #1,#10 Tees Evening Open

October 20th (Wed)

6:15 Breakfast

6:50∼ Bus will leave from the hotel

8:00~ Tee' off #1 #10 Tees

6:30 Award Banquet at the Club House New Kimitsu Bell Green CC

*If you are interested in visiting other places for sightseeing such as Tokyo, you are requested to make all necessary arrangements by yourself. The organizer is always happy to provide information and advice.

CANCELLATIONS

*Due to the COVID19 situation, participants will be requested to take precautions to control the spread of the virus. If you have symptoms such as fever or cough, please refrain from attending the tournament. Temperatures will be checked and hand sanitizer will be readily available.

*The tournament may be canceled due to the spread of COVID19. Please purchase airplane and train tickets that can be canceled and refunded.

Entry Sheet for The 25th Japan Open Golf Championship for the Disabled

NAME IN FULL
(Please print)
Address
City/State/Zip Code
Country
Phone Number
E-mail
Type of Disability
DOB(Date of Birth)
GolfIndex(Handicap)
Lowest Score
Will you play in the Grand Prix Division? YES NO
PAYMENT (Advance) ★Entry fee for the tournament 20,000JPY (Includes 2R of play in the two tournament days, 2 lunches, and participation into the prize giving ceremony) Participation in the Welcome Dinner 6,000JPY YES NO
★Entry fee for family and friend(5,000JPY per person) 5,000JPY× (Includes same the above, except play fee) Participation in the Welcome Dinner 6,000JPYx Name Name Total JPY
BOOKING ★Hotel · Single room@6,600JPY× (room) · Twin room @12,320JPY× (room) check in date check out date ★Practice Round · 10/18 YES NO