

Programme of events

Dimension Data Pro-Am 2023

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Welcome to the **2023 Dimension Data Pro-Am**

This reference guide is designed to ensure that you find your way, stay out of trouble, stay healthy, and enjoy a hassle-free stay.

Dimension Data Men's Pro-Am

There are two competitions in this event:

72-hole stroke play (professionals only)

Professional players compete against each other for a professional prize-fund, the winner being determined by the lowest overall number of strokes over the four-day tournament.

72-hole Betterball Medal (professionals partnering amateurs)

Amateurs are teamed with a professional partner and together they compete for the Dimension Data Men's Pro-Am trophy and an additional professional prize-fund. Players compete using the Betterball Medal scoring system, in which the lowest stroke of either the professional or the amateur is recorded for each hole. The amateurs' handicaps are taken into account.

Golf courses

Between Thursday, 9 February and Saturday, 11 February, the tournament will be played on the Montagu, Outeniqua and The Links golf courses at Fancourt Estate. Sunday's play will take place on the Montagu golf course only.

Please note: When playing The Links golf course, ensure that you are ready to leave Fancourt 45 minutes before your tee-off time, allowing 15 minutes travel time.

Dimension Data Ladies' Pro-Am

Together with Standard Bank, we're elevating women in sport at the 2023 Dimension Data Ladies' Pro-Am. In line with our commitment to creating a more equal playing field, the Dimension Data Ladies' Pro-Am will be played on the Montagu and Outeniqua golf courses at Fancourt for the first time next year, and sees a significant investment in the professional prize-fund. From 2024 onwards, the tournament will become a Ladies European Tour co-sanctioned event.

There are two competitions in this event:

54-hole stroke play (professionals only)

Professional players compete against each other for a professional prize-fund, the winner being determined by the lowest overall number of strokes over the three-day tournament.

54-hole Betterball Medal (professionals partnering amateurs)

Amateurs are teamed with a professional partner and together they compete for the Dimension Data Ladies' Pro-Am trophy and an additional professional prize-fund. Players compete using the Betterball Medal scoring system, in which the lowest stroke of either the professional or the amateur is recorded for each hole. The amateurs' handicaps are taken into account.

Golf courses

On Friday, 10 February and Saturday, 11 February, the tournament will be played at Fancourt on the Montagu and Outeniqua courses.

On Sunday, 12 February, the top 10 teams of the Betterball Medal competition will go through to play on the Outeniqua golf course at Fancourt along with the professional golfers, whose scores will carry over for the final round of the ladies' professional tournament.

Grant Hepburn and John Dickson – golf coaching specialists

In a drive to improve your game, we invite you to enjoy a coaching session with two of the best in the business. For the duration of the tournament, Grant and John will be located at the Fancourt warmup area next to the tennis courts.

To book your slot, please go to the tent situated at the Fancourt warmup area.

Breakfast

Complimentary breakfast will be served daily between 6:00 and 10:30am at the following venues:

Fancourt: La Cantina Restaurant

Oubaai Hotel: Cucina Restaurant

Lunch – Coca-Cola VIP deck and veranda

Lunch is served daily from 11:30am to 3:00pm on the Coca-Cola VIP deck and veranda situated off the Fancourt lounge.

The veranda overlooks the 18th holes of both the Montagu and the Outeniqua courses.



Transport

Thanks to Europcar and Mercedes-Benz, a continual shuttle service will be available between the various Pro-Am venues, golf courses, hotels and the airport.

Evening functions

We have some great entertainment lined up for each evening. The Wednesday, Thursday and Friday evening functions are all casual. For the Saturday evening function, the dress code is cocktail wear for the ladies and jacket and tie for the men. Please join us, we look forward to hosting you.

Please note that children are not included in the Friday and Saturday night functions, so please make the necessary childminding arrangements with your hotel.

19th Hole action bar

Together with Standard Bank, we invite you to join us after the evening functions for live entertainment in the 19th Hole action bar.

Partner programme

Standard Bank would like to invite the partners to take part in an exciting programme that will run from Thursday to Saturday. A variety of activities are planned for each of the days, to suit all tastes. This is always a great opportunity to spend some time enjoying the beautiful surroundings and some excellent company.

VIP guest activities

The Oubaai Golf Course is adjacent to Herolds Bay on the Garden Route, with spectacular 180-degree views of the Indian ocean. If you are a lover of weekend golf, we invite guests and partners to enjoy a casual round on this 18-hole Ernie Els signature course on Saturday. Golf clubs are available for hire if required.

If golf is not for you, the city of George offers incredible options for mountain biking and trail running. We invite our guests and their partners to enjoy the picturesque surroundings on foot or by mountain bike. On Saturday morning, ultra-trail runner Ryan Sandes will host a trail run, while ex-pro cyclists Ben Swanepoel and Yolandi du Toit will accompany guests on a mountain bike ride. Information regarding bicycle logistics will follow.

Children's programme and childminding

Fancourt offers a complimentary Kid's Club programme every day for children aged between 3 and 10 years old. Details of this programme are available at Fancourt reception. Childminding facilities are available at the hotels.

Please note that the Friday and Saturday evening functions don't include children, so please make the necessary babysitting arrangements with your hotel concierge as early as possible. Childminding costs will be for your own account.

Help Desk (08:00 – 18:00 daily)

To assist guests with inquiries and any other aspects of organization during your stay, a Dimension Data help desk will be situated at the Fancourt reception and the Oubaai hotel reception.

In emergencies, please contact

Michele Smith on +27 (0)83 326 1009

Travel reservations

Please contact Candice Cabrita at candice@superinc.co.za or on +27 (0)82 895 0163

Internet access

Wi-Fi access across most of the Fancourt Estate will be available at no cost for the duration of the tournament.

Security

For your own peace of mind, please ensure that any valuables are kept locked away in the safes provided in your room or placed with hotel security.

Additional expenses

Additional expenses are for your own account. These include laundry, room service, phone calls, childminders, minibar refreshments, and meals over and above those provided as part of the programme. Please ensure that your bill is settled prior to departure from the hotel.

Accreditation/access

Your accreditation allows you access to the VIP facilities for the duration of the tournament, so please ensure you wear it or have it with you at all times, particularly for the evening functions.

Pro-Am players and VIP guests: your accreditation will be in your room on arrival.

Please note: Caddies are not allowed into the VIP facilities. Please do not give your accreditation to your caddie, as this will cause problems at the security check.

Golfers' dress code – Dimension Data Men's Pro-Am

Golfers are required to comply with the Professional Golfers' Association dress code of long trousers. Players are not allowed on the course in short pants. Shirts are allocated for each day of play.

Golfers' dress code – Dimension Data Ladies' Pro-Am

Golfers are permitted to wear shorts, skirts or long trousers. Shirts are allocated for each day of play.

Golfers guide

Daily registration

Please register at least half an hour before your scheduled tee-off time at the course you will be playing on.

Partnerships and four-ball allocations

Partnerships and four-ball allocations for the Dimension Data Men's Pro-Am will be announced at the official opening function on Wednesday, 8 February.

Partnerships and four-ball allocations for the Dimension Data Ladies' Pro-Am will be announced at the evening function on Thursday 9 February.

The cut and draw for the last day of play of both the men's and ladies' tournaments will be announced at the evening function on Saturday, 11 February.



Wednesday 8 February

Check-in: Please do so at the Fancourt or Oubaai Hotel reception desks.

12h00 – 14h00

Lunch: Will be served at the La Cantina restaurant at Fancourt.

19h00

Welcome cocktails

Venue: VIP deck off the Fancourt veranda.

Dress: Casual

19h30

Official opening evening of the 28th Dimension Data Pro-Am with the announcement of the draw for the Dimension Data Men's Pro-Am. A light dinner will be served, followed by live entertainment in the Standard Bank 19th Hole action bar.

Venue: VIP deck

Dress: Casual

Thursday 09 February

05h30

Transfers to the golf courses: The Europcar combis and Mercedes-Benz vehicles will be available for transfers to The Links golf course from the transportation points outside the Fancourt and Oubaai hotels. The Montagu and Outeniqua golf courses are easily accessible on foot.

06h00

Breakfast: Will be served at La Cantina restaurant at Fancourt and the Cucina restaurant at the Oubaai hotel.

06h30

Dimension Data Men's Pro-Am commences on The Links, the Montagu and the Outeniqua golf courses. Players are to register at their respective golf course half an hour before play.

09h30

Transfers will depart from Fancourt and the Oubaai hotel receptions for the Partner programme.

10h00

Rainbow Riders is a non-profit organization providing equine therapy to children suffering with various disabilities. Dimension Data and Standard Bank invite you to experience the emotionally healing relationship between horse and child and the heart-warming benefits.

Venue: Olympia Estate, George

Dress: Casual

10h00

The Coca-Cola VIP deck and veranda opens.

11h30 – 15h00

Lunch: The Coca-Cola VIP deck and veranda.

19h00

Dinner: Seacom invite you to a casual themed dinner on the VIP deck. The 2023 Dimension Data Ladies' Pro-Am draw will be announced during the evening. Dinner will be followed by live entertainment in the Standard Bank 19th Hole action bar.

Venue: VIP deck

Dress: Casual

Friday 10 February

05h30

Transfers to the golf courses: The Europcar combis and Mercedes-Benz vehicles will be available for transfers to The Links golf course from the transportation points outside the Fancourt and Oubaai hotels. The Montagu and Outeniqua golf courses are easily accessible on foot.



06h00

Breakfast: Will be served at La Cantina restaurant at Fancourt and the Cucina restaurant at the Oubaai Hotel.

06h30

Dimension Data Men's Pro-Am commences on The Links, the Montagu and the Outeniqua golf courses and the Dimension Data Ladies' Pro-Am commences on the Montagu and the Outeniqua golf courses. Players are to register at their respective golf courses half an hour before play.

08h00

Registration for Children's programme: Parents wishing to register their children for the Kids Club please do so at the Fancourt reception.

10h00

The Coca-Cola VIP deck and veranda opens.

11h30 – 15h00

Lunch: The Coca-Cola VIP deck and veranda.

15h00

Transfers will depart from the Oubaai Hotel for the Partner programme.

15h00

Join Dimension Data and Standard Bank for an afternoon Masterclass with our very own Gourmet Goddess, celebrity chef and author Zola Nene. She will share some of her culinary tricks and expertise for 'fool-proof' feasts.

Venue: Monet's Restaurant, Fancourt

Dress: Casual

19h00

Dinner: Let us Entertain you!

Boschendal invite you to a celebration of South African talent. Prepare to be amazed and delighted.

Venue: VIP deck

Dress: Casual

Please note: Due to space constraints, we are unable to accommodate children at this function. Please make the necessary child-minding arrangements with your hotel ahead of time.

Join us in the Standard Bank 19th hole action bar after the talent show for more live entertainment.

Tee off times for the Invitational golf at Oubaai on Saturday 11 February will be available for guests that have registered to play.

Saturday 11 February

05h30

Transfers to the golf courses: The Europcar combis and Mercedes-Benz vehicles will be available for transfers to The Links golf courses from the transportation points outside the Fancourt and Oubaai hotels. The Montagu and Outeniqua golf courses are easily accessible on foot. For those playing The Links golf course, please allow an extra 15 minutes travel time before your tee-off.

06h00

Breakfast: Will be served at La Cantina restaurant at Fancourt and the Cucina restaurant at the Oubaai Hotel.

06h30

Transfers for the mountain bike riders and the trail runners will depart from Fancourt and the Oubaai Hotel for the Outeniqua Nature Reserve.

06h30

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07h00

Mountain bike ride commences at the beautiful Witfontein trails. The Sidewinder route offers the mountain bike riders some nice jeep and single track sections built by the Hillbillies Mountain Bike Club. The trail offers great views of the city and Outeniqua mountains and will be hosted by Ben Swanepoel and Yolandi du Toit.

Trail runners test your legs on a trail run through the Witfontein pine plantation with sections of indigenous forest and fynbos, hosted by Ryan Sandes.

08h00

Registration for Children's programme: Parents wishing to register their children for the Kids Club please do so at the Fancourt reception.

10h00

Please note the VIP deck and veranda will be closed for the day. The Coca-Cola hospitality area will be relocated to the lawn adjacent to the VIP deck. The Coca-Cola sun deck in front of the VIP deck will remain open.

11h30 –15h00

Lunch: The Coca-Cola VIP lawn and sun deck.

11h30

Transfers for the Partner programme will depart from Fancourt and the Oubaai hotel reception areas.

13h00

Join Dimension Data and Standard Bank for lunch and experience Michael Charton's newly released 'Song for Sophiatown' which charts the rise of the jazz movement of the 1950s and early 1960s in South Africa told through popular Jazz culture. The core characters include Miriam Makeba; Hugh Masekela; Trevor Huddleston; Todd Matshikiza; Henry Nxumalo; and Desmond Tutu.

Venue: Butterfly Blu restaurant, Brenton-on-Sea

Dress: Smart casual

19h00

Dinner: We invite you and your partner to the closing evening of the 28th Dimension Data Pro-Am. The Men's and Ladies' Dimension Data Pro-Am 2023 tournament cuts for the final day's play will be announced during the evening.

Venue: VIP deck.

Dress: Cocktail wear for the ladies and jacket and tie for the men.

Please note: Due to space constraints, we are unable to accommodate children at this function. Please make the necessary child-minding arrangements with your hotel ahead of time.

Join us in the Standard Bank 19th Hole action bar where the live entertainment will continue.

Sunday 12 February

06h00

Breakfast: Will be served at La Cantina restaurant at Fancourt and the Cucina restaurant at the Oubaai Hotel.

06h30

The final round of the Dimension Data Men's and Dimension Data Ladies' Pro-Am commences on the Montagu golf course. Players are to register at the Montagu golf course half an hour before play.

10h00

The Coca-Cola VIP deck and veranda opens.

10h00

Check-out: Guests departing from Fancourt and Oubaai hotels on Sunday 12 February, will be required to check-out of their rooms by 10h00. Baggage storage facilities are available at Fancourt. Please ensure that any additional room costs are settled at this time.

11h30 –15h00

Lunch: The Coca-Cola VIP deck and veranda.

16h00

Prize-Giving: This will take place on the 18th green of the Montagu golf course for both the Dimension Data Men's Pro-Am and the Dimension Data Ladies' Pro-Am.

Transfers will be departing for George airport throughout the day.



Betterball Medal – Dimension Data Men's Pro-Am

There are 156 Betterball Medal teams, each consisting of a professional and an amateur. The field is divided into three groups of 52 teams. One group contests the first round on The Links golf course, while the other two groups begin at the Montagu or the Outeniqua courses, alternating for the first three days of play.

At the conclusion of the third round there will be a cut to the 20th-placed team. If more than one team ties on the 20th-placed team score, then there will be a count-out to determine which of the teams tying on the cut score qualify to contest the final round. All teams making the cut will contest the final round on the Montagu golf course on Sunday, 12 February.

Betterball Medal – Dimension Data Ladies' Pro-Am

There are 40 Betterball Medal teams, each consisting of a professional and an amateur. The field is divided into two groups of 20 teams. One group contests the first round on the Montagu golf course, while the other group begins on the Outeniqua golf course, alternating for the first two days of play.

On conclusion of the second round there will be a cut to the 10th-placed team. If more than one team ties on the 10th-placed team score, then there will be a count-out to determine which of the teams tying on the cut score qualify to contest the final round. All teams making the cut will contest the final round on the Montagu golf course on Sunday, 12 February.

Amateur Handicap Index

In line with the Handicap Index system, your handicap rating will vary by golf course and will therefore be calculated per course based on your Handicap Index as at 1 February 2023.

All amateur players will play off 2/3 of their handicap rating for each course: Montagu, Outeniqua and The Links course for the men, and Montagu and Outeniqua courses for the ladies.

Caddies

Caddie fees are covered by Dimension Data. Vouchers are handed to caddies at the end of each day's play. Please note that caddies are not catered for in the VIP facilities. Please do not give your accreditation to your caddie, as this will cause problems at the security check.

Golf carts

In line with Sunshine Tour rulings, carts are only available to golfers who cannot walk the course/s for medical reasons.

Score cards

Signed scorecards must be handed in at the Sunshine Tour recording area on each course. Spotters record amateur scores on every third hole.

Tournament office

Representatives of the Sunshine Tour will be operating a tournament office in the Fancourt Conference Centre, opposite the Fancourt Hotel entrance.

Amateurs are teamed with a **professional partner** and together they compete **for the Dimension Data Pro-Am trophy.**



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