

## **Media Release - 03/09/99**

### **SKUKUZA GOLF CLUB OPENS TO VISITORS**

The Skukuza Golf Club, previously a facility for Kruger Park staff and their invited guests, is opening the course to visitors, golfing groups and tours.

This 9-hole golf course, played as 18 holes from different tees, is 5950 meters in length. As far as can be established, it is the only golf course within the boundaries of a national park anywhere in the world. The course is situated outside the Skukuza Rest Camp in an unfenced area of the Kruger Park.

In it's more than 25 years of existence, the course saw many well known figures walking the fairways, including former Prime Ministers, Presidents, a variety of political figures, Princes and a gallery of South Africa's best known golfers. The present course record of 66 is jointly held by Wayne Westner and Phil Simmons.

Individual golfers may book tee-off times and package deals are being negotiated for local and overseas golfing tours to the Lowveld. Much interest is being shown for corporate golf days.

Games may be booked for weekdays only. Saturdays, Sundays and Public Holidays are reserved as club days.

An introductory offer of R60 for a full round and R40 for 9-holes is applicable. Golfers are reminded that there are no caddies at the club. A limited number of non-motorised carts are for hire at the club. Own cart as well as electric or petrol driven golf carts is welcome.

Tee-off times are arranged from 07:00 until 09:30 to allow visitors from rest camps as far as Satara, Lower Sabie, Berg-en-Dal and Pretoriuskop to have a game of golf and still return to these rest camps before closing time of the gates. A maximum of 44 players per day is allowed on the course.

#### ***The following contact numbers are important:***

- For accommodation reservations: (013) 735-5159 or (013) 735-5611 and fax (013) 735-5154 any day during normal office hours.
- For golf game bookings and enquiries: (013) 735-5611, from Monday to Friday 08:00-16:00 fax no. (013) 735-5152 or e-mail [skukuzagolf@parks-sa.co.za](mailto:skukuzagolf@parks-sa.co.za)
- Travel agents or companies wishing to organise tours or corporate golf days should contact Chris van der Linde at : (013) 735-5611, fax (013) 735-5154 or cell 083-308-0051

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