

A topographic map of a golf course, showing various green contours and a blue dashed line representing a path or fairway. The map is partially visible in the upper right corner of the page.

FINNISH INTERNATIONAL JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP 2023

Dear all,

On behalf of the *Finnish Golf Union and Aulanko Golf Club*, we invite your junior players to enter the **Finnish International Junior Championship 2023**.

The tournament dates are from Wednesday, June 28th to Friday, June 30th.

The tournament setup is the same as previous years; 54 holes stroke play without cut in four different categories: Boys and Girls U14 and U16.

We'd like to bring following to your attention:

- *Our new tournament venue for 2023 is Aulanko Golf Club – Eversti Course*
- *The entry fee includes free lunches on tournament days (Wednesday-Friday)*
- *Airport transfers are free of charge for players and accompanying people (captains, coaches, parents) if arriving Sun 25th or Mon 26th of June*
- *A scheduled free of charge -shuttle service from hotel to the golf course is provided from the official hotel; Scandic Aulanko.*

We hope that you can spread out this information to your players, coaches, golf clubs and all others who might be interested in coming to Finland and experience the fantastic Finnish summer!

With our best regards we hope to see you in Finland!

Finnish Golf Union – Tournament staff

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FINNISH INTERNATIONAL JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP 2023

Hosted by Mikko Ilonen

Date: June 28th to June 30th 2023

Venue: Aulanko Golf Club, Eversti Course

Categories: Boys U14 / U16
Girls U14 / U16

Entries: Opening date – April 1st 2023
Closing date – June 8th 2023

NOTE: Final field selection will be in handicap order. The number of international entrants is limited to 60.

CONDITIONS

Categories and age groups

The championship will be played in four different categories:

Boys U16	born 2007 – 2008
Girls U16	born 2007 – 2008
Boys U14	born 2009 – 2015
Girls U14	born 2009 – 2015

Finnish National Junior Championship for same categories will be played simultaneously.

Format of play

The championship will be played over 54 holes Stroke play without handicap, during three consecutive days in each category. There is no cut.

In the event of a tie the winner will be decided by a stroke play play-off between the competitors concerned. Play-off is played hole by hole until there is a winner. Play-off holes are determined by the Championship Committee. Other tied results will be decided by the last 36 holes, 18 holes, 9 holes, 6 holes, 3 holes, 1 hole and ballot. This applies to all categories.

Eligible competitors

The championship is open for all amateur players who are members of an acknowledged golf club and eligible as stated in the conditions for FIJC. Entrants must fulfill the following handicap criteria:

Boys 14,0 or under
Girls 18,0 or under

The number of competitors is limited to a total of 156 players.

Categories: Boys U16 – 33 spots reserved for Finnish players
Boys U14 – 33 spots reserved for Finnish players
Girls U16 – 15 spots reserved for Finnish players
Girls U14 – 15 spots reserved for Finnish players

Entries

Entries for all players must be done through the official tournament website:

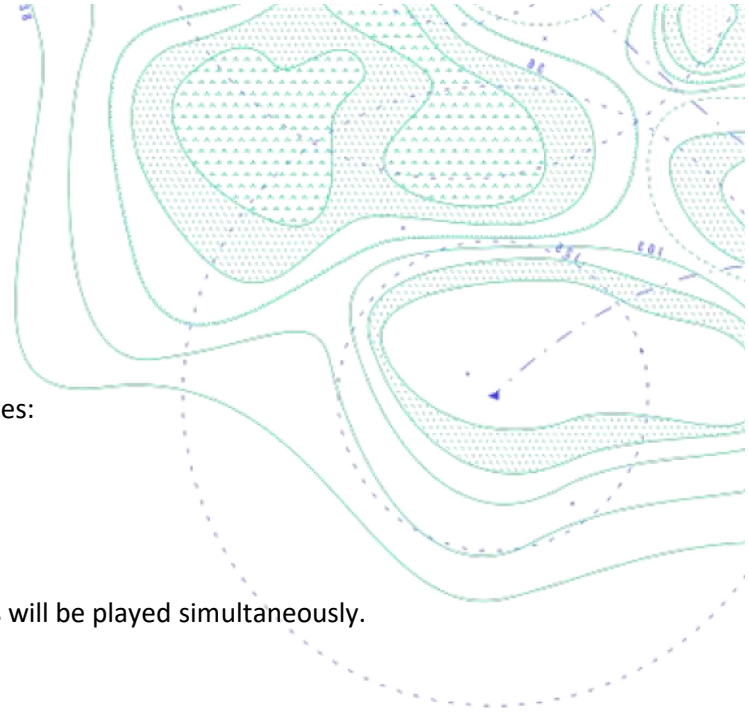
<https://golf.fi/kilpagolf/kilpailukalenteri/?language=2057#/competition/3712976/info>

Other forms of entry will not be accepted.

Note: Entries close on Thursday 8th of June at 18:00. Late entries will not be accepted.

NOTE: Final field selection will be in handicap order. The number of international entrants is limited to 60. The handicap order applies also for the reserve list.

The exact handicap at the closing time of entries will be used for all purposes.





Entry fee

The entry fee is 120 € per player. The entry fee must be paid online at the time of entry.

Included in the entry fee:

- Tournament fee
- One practice round – Official practice days Monday and Tuesday
 - additional round fee is 20€
- Free use of all practice facilities during Monday-Friday
- Lunch during tournament days (Wednesday – Friday), served at the Clubhouse
- Airport Shuttle (must be notified when entering the tournament)
- Hotel Shuttle (Monday – Friday)

Transportation at arrival is free of charge on Sunday 25th and Monday 26th of June and departure transports on Friday 30th of June and Saturday 1st of July.

Liability

Players and their parents are reminded that the Finnish Golf Union and the Aulanko Golf Club cannot be held responsible for any loss of or damage to equipment or personal belongings. All players are requested to have an accompanying adult (= team captain, parent or guardian) who is responsible for the minor players all actions.

Withdrawal

Withdrawal is done online no later than the entry deadline. The entry fee will then be returned. Withdrawal after the entry deadline is called cancellation.

Cancellation

A player who cancels his/her entry after the entry deadline must do so by contacting the tournament office or the Tournament Director. A player is obliged to pay full entry fee in all cases unless the player has acceptable reasons, i.e. injury evidenced by a medical certificate.

Prizes

The winners will be presented with trophies and three best players in each category will be awarded with a championship medal. Other prizes will be given in accordance to the amateur rules.

Rules

The competition will be played according to the Rules of Golf defined by the R&A Rules Limited. The local rules will be handed to all players and posted accordingly.

GENERAL INFORMATION

The draw for each round will be posted on the official website:

<https://golf.fi/kilpagolf/kilpailukalenteri/?language=2057#/competition/3712976/teetimes>

There will be a hole-by-hole live scoring during the event, handled by players themselves using mobile phones and Golfbox Live Scoring. Live scoring screens are located in the Clubhouse and close to 18th green.

Accommodation

Official Tournament hotel is Scandic Aulanko, which is situated about 2 km from the tournament golf course. Room prices including breakfast, free WiFi and use of Spa: Single 119 €/night, Twin 145 €/night, Family Three 159 €/night, Family Four 169 €/night Reservations by 31st of May 2023

All reservations can be booked from: <http://www.scandichotels.fi/?bookingcode=BGOL250623>

Reservations can be done also by phone or emailing the hotel using contact information below. Remember to use booking code BGOL250623

Contact information for hotel:

Scandic Aulanko

Aulangontie 93, 13210 HÄMEENLINNA

Phone: +358 3 41081633

Email: aulanko@scandichotels.com

Important: All participants are fully responsible for arranging and paying for their own accommodation.

More about hotel and accommodation:

<https://www.scandichotels.com/hotels/finland/hameenlinna/scandic-aulanko>

Airport / Hotel transport

The schedules will be published after the closing of entries.

The bus transfer takes about 1,5 hour from airport to the hotel.

Practice

All practice facilities are allocated free of charge for players during Monday, 26th of June to Friday, 30th of June.

The official practice days are Monday, 26th of June and Tuesday, 27th of June.

The booking of practice round tee times must be done via caddiemaster of the Aulanko Golf Club (toimisto@aulankogolf.fi). A standard club yardage book can be purchased in the Tournament office.

Tournament Programme

Monday June 26th :

- Teams arrival all day
- Practice round all day, bookings via Aulanko Golf Club; toimisto@aulankogolf.fi
- Tournament office is open 10:00-20:00

Tuesday June 27th

- Practice round all day, bookings via Aulanko Golf Club; toimisto@aulankogolf.fi
- Tournament office is open 08:00-20:00

Wednesday June 28th

- Round 1 – 18 holes 07.30- and 12.30-, starting from tees 1 and 10
- Tee times for round 1 (published after closing of entries)
- Tournament office is open 06:30-20:00

Thursday June 29th

- Round 2 – 18 holes 07.30- and 12.30-, starting from tees 1 and 10
- Tee times for round 2 (published after closing of entries)
- Tournament office is open 06:30-20:00

Friday June 30th

- Round 3 – 18 holes 07.30- and 12.30-, starting from tees 1 and 10
- Prize giving ceremony
- Tournament office is open 06:30-20:00

Saturday July 1st

- Teams departure all day
- Please sign up for departure transfers at the Tournament office!

The Tournament office is located at the Aulanko Golf Clubhouse.

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Venue

Aulanko Golf Club - Eversti Course

Located in the city of Hämeenlinna 100 km north of Helsinki. The Hämeenlinna area is called as golfing paradise in Finland. Within 15 min. drive from city centre there are 5 golf courses. Aulanko Golf Club has 2 courses (18 hole championship course-Eversti and 9 hole course-Hugo)

Club Address

Aulanko Golf Club

Aulangon Heikkiläntie 91,

13900 Hämeenlinna, Finland

Phone: +358 3 653 7741

Email: toimisto@aulankogolf.fi (practice rounds, information) www.aulankogolf.fi

CLUB FACILITIES / PLAYERS' INFO

Catering

The buffet lunch is served in the Clubhouse during the tournament week.

Clubhouse

The Clubhouse with dressing rooms will be open daily from 06.30 to 21.00 hours.

Dress code

All competitors are kindly asked to dress properly throughout the whole event. Casual and clean golf clothing is required on the course and inside the Clubhouse. No caps indoors, please! Teams participating are recommended to perform in national playing kit.

Golf bags

Players are kindly asked to store their bags in their rooms or in designated areas in the hotel.

Golf shop

A Golf Shop is located next to the caddiemaster's desk in the Clubhouse.

Internet access

A wireless internet access is available in the Clubhouse area.

Lockers

There are a limited number of lockers in the dressing rooms in the Clubhouse. Therefore, players are kindly asked to keep their items in their hotel rooms.

Medical assistance

A First Aid room with staff will be located in the Clubhouse, so immediate help can be provided if so needed. A doctor's assistance can be arranged within a 10-minute notice.

Notice boards

All tournament information will be placed on notice boards in the Clubhouse.

Payment methods

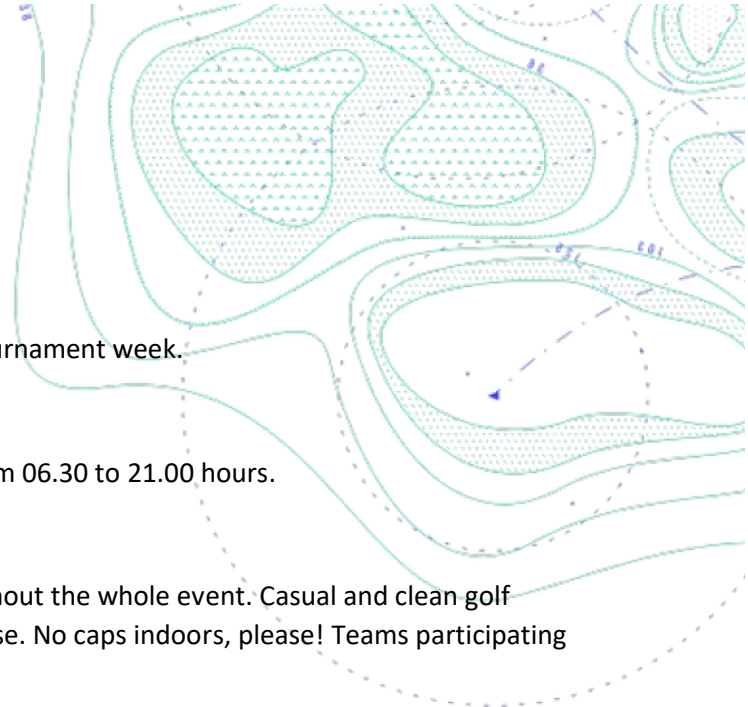
Cash and major credit cards(preferably) are acceptable in all areas. The currency is Euro (€).

Press

Players are requested to be available for press after they have finished their rounds.

Trolleys

Pull trolleys are available for all competitors.



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THE PATRON AND CO-FOUNDER OF FIJC – MIKKO ILONEN

The Amateur Champion 2000 – Five-time European Tour Winner Mikko Ilonen was born in Lahti, Finland. He won the 2000 Amateur Championship and turned pro in 2001, retired from professional golf in 2019. He played mainly on the European Tour, where he won five tournaments.

He won his first professional tournament at the 2007 Indonesia Open, an event co-sanctioned by the European Tour and Asian Tour. He was the first Finn to win a European Tour event and to feature in the top 100 of the Official World Golf Ranking. In 2007 he finished the season in a career best 34th on the European Tour Order of Merit.

In June 2013, Mikko Ilonen won the Nordea Masters event in Sweden for the second time in his career and third tour level victory overall.

In June 2014, Mikko Ilonen won the Irish Open at Fota Island in Cork. Ilonen led the tournament from start to finish and ended up one shot clear of Italian Edoardo Molinari.

Mikko's greatest victory came in Volvo World Match Play Championship 2014, where he beat both Graeme McDowell and Henrik Stenson on his way to win the trophy. Ilonen's best major championship finish was tied 7th at the 2014 PGA Championship. Mikko was also representing Finland in the Olympic Games in Rio de Janeiro in 2016.