



Finnish Amateur Championship 2023

10-12.8.2023 Helsinki Golf Club, Finland

FINNISH AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP

men and ladies

THE ERKKO TROPHY 2023

Dear International Golf Unions/Federations,

On behalf of the Finnish Golf Union, we are pleased to invite your elite players, *both men and ladies*, to the Finnish Amateur Championship, The Erkkö Trophy 2023. The competition will be held at the Helsinki Golf Club 10th – 12th of August.

We would like to offer a free hospitality package for the first eight (8) national teams (2 players in each, male or female) registered.* The package includes accommodation in a shared twin room from Monday to Sunday, lunches on 3 tournament days (Saturday for players making the cut) and transportation between the airport, tournament hotel (Hilton Helsinki Kalastajatorppa) and Helsinki Golf Club.

**Requests for the hospitality packages latest by 17th July 2023 via email:*

nette.heikel@helsingingolfklubi.fi +358 440 613678, or lauri.gulin@helsingingolfklubi.fi, + 358 50 528 1152. *Hospitality packages are only for teams entered through national golf federations, on first come – first serve bases.*

For individual bookings we have a limited number of rooms pre-booked at the tournament hotel, Hilton Helsinki Kalastajatorppa. Please find below the booking link for a discounted room rate. We ask for credit card guarantee for all our individual room reservations. When booking, please use the booking code: **CMTG20**

Bookings through direct [link](#) or phone: +358945811 or e-mail: [helsinkikalastajatorppa\(a\)hilton.com](mailto:helsinkikalastajatorppa(a)hilton.com)
Hotel information [HERE](#).

Please note that flight arrangements and costs related to this are the responsibility of each participant. The entry fee for the tournament is 180 euros / player.

A traditional Am-Am competition will be played on Wednesday 9th of August. All players receiving the hospitality package are expected to be available for the Am-Am. Free lunch is available for all AmAm-participants. Confirmation of participation at the time of entry.

Extra Bonus: Winners in respective category will receive an invitation to 2024 Finnish Challenge(CT men) and Ladies Finnish Open(LET).

We are looking forward to seeing many international players in Finland this summer!

Yours sincerely

*Juha Juvonen
Sports Director
Finnish Golf Union*

ENTRIES

Entries must be done through the official [tournament website](#).

Other forms of entry will not be accepted.

- Entries open: Saturday 1st of April at 10:00
- Entries close: Thursday 27th of July at 18:00
- Note: Late entries are not eligible.

ENTRY FEE

The entry fee is 180 € per player. The entry fee must be paid at the tournament office before the first tournament round.

Included in the entry fee

- One practice round and free use of practice facilities
- Airport Shuttle from the airport
- Shuttle service between official hotel and the club
- Lunch during the three tournament days
 - Saturday only for players making the cut

WITHDRAWAL

Withdrawal is done online no later than the entry deadline. Withdrawal after the entry deadline is called cancellation.

CANCELLATION

A player who cancels his entry after the entry deadline must do so by contacting the tournament office or the Tournament Director. A player is obligated 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 with 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
- The scoring area is located just outside the Clubhouse in a tent. Players are kindly asked to approach the scoring area immediately after they have finished play.
- Please note, that we will use the **Player scoring system** for live scores, meaning one player in each group puts in scores using a mobile device. Live scoring screens are located in the Clubhouse and close to 18th and 9th greens.

CONDITIONS

CATEGORIES

The championship will be played in two different categories: Men and Ladies
The total number of competitors will be limited to 138 players, 99 men and 39 ladies

FORMAT OF PLAY

The championship in each category will be played 54 holes in three consecutive days. After the second day (36 holes), there will be a cut which will limit the number of players to 42 men and 18 ladies. These players are entitled to compete in the third round. Entitled are also players tying the 42nd (ladies 18th) place after 36 holes.

In the event of tie for the championship in both categories, the winner will be decided by hole-by-hole playoff (stroke play) between the competitors concerned. Other tied results will be decided by last 36 holes, 18 holes, 9 holes, 6 holes and so on.

ELIGIBLE COMPETITORS

The championship is open for all amateur players, who are members of a recognized golf club. Competitors will be selected in following order:

MEN

- Invites by host club and the federation
- National spots for hosting country
- 15 national players by WAGR within 1 – 2400 (at the time of entry deadline)
- Northern Finland Champion 2023
- 3 wild cards; hosting club
- 3 wild cards; hosting country
- 1 wild card; qualification competition
- WAGR within 1 – 2400 (at the time of entry deadline)
- Handicap order, max. 3,4

LADIES

- Invites by host club and the federation
- National spots for hosting country
- 6 national players by WAGR within 1 – 2400 (at the time of entry deadline)
- Northern Finland Champion 2023
- 1 wild cards; hosting club
- 2 wild cards; hosting country
- 1 wild card; qualification competition
- WAGR within 1 – 2400 (at the time of entry deadline)
- Handicap order, max 6,4

There will be a reserve list, which will be put up in a similar order to categories. The reserve list will be used in case of cancellations.

ACCOMMODATION

Hilton Helsinki Kalastajatorppa - [booking code: CMTG20](#)

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AIRPORT TRANSPORT AND SHUTTLE SERVICE

Shuttle service from the airport. Please provide flight information for airport pick up service by email to [caddiemaster\(a\)helsingingolfklubi.fi](mailto:caddiemaster(a)helsingingolfklubi.fi) or [nette.heikel\(a\)helsingingolfklubi.fi](mailto:nette.heikel(a)helsingingolfklubi.fi)

Shuttle service available between hotel and the golf club.

TOURNAMENT EVENT SCHEDULE & PRACTICE ROUNDS

Monday	August 7th	Arrival, practice rounds
Tuesday	August 8th	Arrival, practice rounds
Wednesday	August 9th	AmAm event ->15:00, practice rounds*
Thursday	August 10th	First round
Friday	August 11th	Second round
Saturday	August 12th	Third round
Sunday	August 13th	Departure

*Please note that there is a limited number of tee times for practice on Wednesday.

TEE TIMES BOOKING

[caddiemaster\(a\)helsingingolfklubi.fi](mailto:caddiemaster(a)helsingingolfklubi.fi) or +358 (0)10 3199 399

TOURNAMENT OFFICE

Tournament office will be open every day from 07.00–19.00
The Tournament office is in the Caddiemaster's office.

VENUE

Helsinki Golf Club

www.helsingingolfklubi.fi

Club address: Talin Puistotie 12, Helsinki

CONTACTS

Tournament details

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