

Dutch Aviation Open Golf 2022

Han Dieke with fond memories of Hans Minnee wins the trophy

At the end of the VZM Dutch Aviation Open golf tournament in 2019 all the participants were invited for the 22nd edition on September 8, 2020. But that winter the world was overtaken by the corona pandemic. In 2020 VZM felt it would not be appropriate to organize this 22nd edition as the aviation industry had been hard hit and was forced to take drastic measures to survive. In 2021 VZM was optimistic to be able to host the postponed edition. However, in August VZM was forced to cancel the tournament as the corona restrictions made effective networking – which is the prime reason for organizing the event – impossible.



Winner Han Dieke

On September 13, 2022, after three years VZM was finally able to host the 22nd edition. Once again, the participants could enjoy on a very nice summer day a round of golf or a golf clinic. As there were too many requests for participating in the clinic, Frans de Vries was asked to participate in the 18-hole competition. Which he would have won if he had not won before – a rule applicable for almost ten years now.



Clinic winner Erwin van Straten

Therefore, Han Dieke became the 2022 winner of the Hans Minnee Challenge Trophy. Han worked closely with Hans Minnee before he passed away, and in his winners-speech commemorated his last contacts with Hans. Winner of the clinic was Erwin van Straten, who also won a golf lesson offered by the Nunspeet golf club. So, he is expected to be a new contender for the Trophy in 2023.

2022		
Rank	Name	Score
1	Dieke, Han	33
2	Vries, Frans de *)	41
3	Loonen, Peter *)	33
4	Williams, Steve **)	33
5	Puffelen, Hendrik-Jan van	32
6	Besselink, Lex	32
7	Bergh, Ronald van den **)	32
8	Meulen, Ron van der	32
9	Velda, André	31
10	Rijn, Leo van	31
11	Spek, Ron	31
12	Rijnsburger, Robert	30
13	Kleinendorst, Ruud	30
14	Daams, Frank	29
15	Spoor, Simon	28
16	Vingerhoed, Taco	27
17	Ruys, Paul	27
18	Wareman, Hans	27
19	Beinum, Wim van	25
20	Houting, Luuk	23
21	Deursen, Ton van	22
22	Meelis, Cees	21
23	Kooper, Hans	20
24	Rosman, Jan	20
25	Gerrits, Jan	18
26	Leys, Cees	16
	Koning, Jan de	DNF
	Schaik, Constant van	DNF

*) won before, therefore moved down

***) outside competition

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23rd edition of the VZM Dutch Aviation Open!

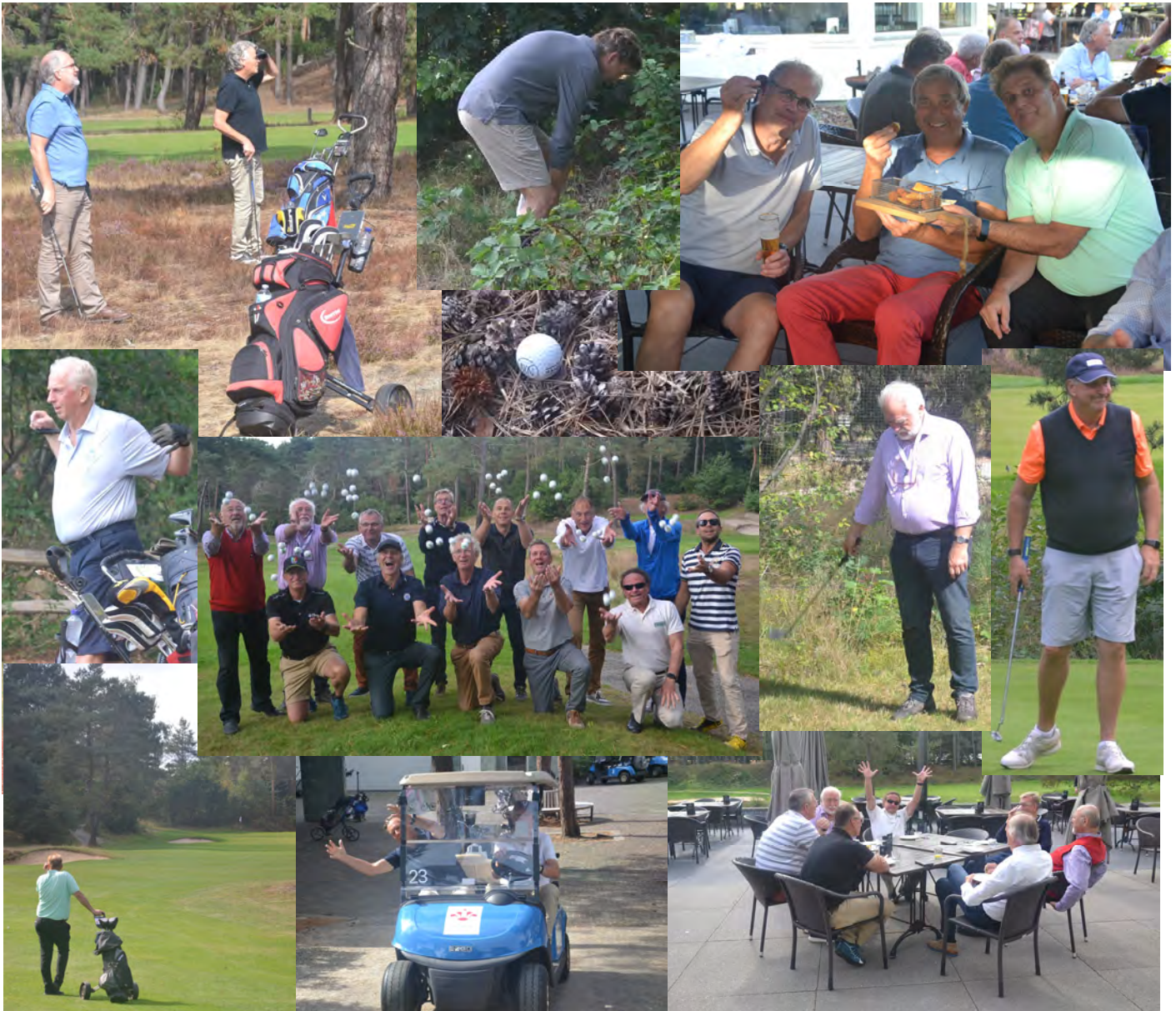


2022 participants

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Rank	Name	Score
1	Straten, Erwin van	42
2	Krol, Erik	41
3	Bulckaert, Peter	38
4	Meels, Roger	37
5	Smit, Marco	37
6	Campen, Vincent van	36
7	Bron, Eric	32
8	Staats, Leo	28
9	Vermeij, Michel	27
	<u>GVB clinic</u>	-
	Zuidema, Hans	34
	Klerk, Jacco	31
	<u>outside competition</u>	-
	Bank, Johan	33

The Hans Minnee Challenge Trophy

The Dutch Aviation Open Challenge Trophy is a sculpture made by Gary Price. The trophy is named after Hans Minnee, co-founder of VZM Management Services, who passed away unexpectedly in April 2003. Hans was the driving force behind the start of the golf tournament and discovered the sculpture himself during a business trip to the US.



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