















IFBB FITNESS CHALLENGE



INSPECTION REPORT:

ARNOLD CLASSIC AFRICA

Multi Sport Festival, Arts and Lifestyle Expo























































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9 INTRODUCTION

This Inspection Report is a complete synopsis on the planning and execution of the IFBB Fitness Challenges Event hosted by Gentle Giants Promotions and TBTF on behalf of the International Fitness and Bodybuilding Federation (IFBB) and Bodybuilding South Africa (BBSA), as an introductory event. The aim is to introduce this new division to the public in preparation of a full-scale rollout during the remainder of 2023 and 2024.

The event will be hosted from the 19th to the 21st of May 2023 at the Ruimsig Sport Stadium and fields.

At the **Arnold's Multi Sport and Arts Festival**, we will be set up for the following Fitness Categories:

- Gold Level
- Silver Level
- Bronze Level



As Promoters of this event our biggest joy is providing a platform where new athletes can come and compete in this brand new division under the IFBB.

The **IFBB FITNESS CHALLENGE** consists of a circuit with strength exercises in six stations where athletes try to perform the maximum number of repetitions in 2 minutes. Categories are established and athletes compete with each other demonstrating their maximum physical performance. This division id dedicated to athletes who prioritize muscle performance over competition based solely on muscle and lack of body fat.

2. KEY FACTORS

Healthy Lifestyle	Health and overall Fitness	
Outstanding Physical Performance	Personal Satisfaction	
Opportunity for Broad Age Levels	Energy Development of a Balanced Body	

3. CATEGORIES

Age and sex categories Individual categories:

Men's Fitness Challenge (athletes between the age of 24 and 40)



















- Women's Fitness Challenge (athletes between the age of 24 and 35)
- Junior Men's Fitness Challenge (athletes under 23 years old)
- Junior Women's Fitness Challenge
- Master Men's Fitness Challenge (athletes +40 years)
- Master Women's Fitness Challenge (athletes + 35 years) Categories of couples and teams.
- Couples Fitness Challenge (same-sex M/F couples and mixed couples)
- Team Fitness Challenge (team of 6 athletes of the same sex or mixed) Categories by execution and performance levels:
 - Gold Level
 - Silver Level
 - Bronze Level.
- In Individuals, Couples, and Teams, competitions may be held on the GOLD and SILVER circuits, depending on the organizer's offer.

4 VENUE



Corner Hendrik Potgieter & Furrow Rd, Ruimsig, Krugersdorp, 1747

Tel: 010 020 1234.

GPS Coordinates: -26°3'34.41' /

+27°50'21.47'.

This will be an indoor event held in a tent as part of the Gentle Giants Tent City





















The first four years of the Arnold Classic Sport Festival Africa was successful in growing annually with sporting codes. arts. and participants. This was clearly supported by the independent impact study produced by BMI each year. The year 2020 was the fifth year of our 10-year business plan for ACA, which included the expansion to a national footprint hosting smaller mini sport festivals under the name.

Sunfest Multisport and Art Festival in 9 provinces including the TBTF Classic Sport Festival in Mpumalanga The health and safety of all participants, officials and visitors to the ACA will always be priority. Looking forward we decided as partners to create a new home for the ACA Sport Festival by creating our own GG Tent City in an open-air environment helping us to facilitate and manage current and future Covid regulations and protocols.



The Tent City 2022 was exciting, colourful, and festive. It brought a completely new vision to the Arnold Classic Sport Festival Africa. This new initiative created an experience for all participants. officials. supporters, sponsors, and exhibitors to be part of an open-air festival. 2023 Will be even bigger and the ACA will expand to several off site venues to facilitate more sport and arts. Spectators and participants will be able to gain access to different venues with one access ticket. HOP ON - HOP OFF BUS will travel between different venues, and parking.

5 EVENT

MANAGEMENT/JUDGING AND AJUDICATION

The event will be managed and overseen by the following IFBB officials:

OFFICIAL	#
Central Judge (Head Judge)	1
Statistician	1
Statistician's Assistant	1
Officials	6



















Equipment Requirement

OFFICIAL	#
Clipboards	8
Whistle	1
Tables and chairs	2
Banner tape	1
Stop Watch (Smart Phone may be used)	6
Laptop for Statistician	1
Scale	1
Go Pro (optional)	1

6 CIRCUIT EQUIPMENT REQUIREMENT

	Speed Challenge		
Chin- ups (supine grip, feet on ground)	Chest to bar, feet extended on ground		
Kettlebell Squat	Kettlebell	24kg	32kg
Push-Ups (elbows flare)	No equipment		
Lunges (backward, on-site)	One dumbbell on chest	7.5kg	12.5kg
Sit ups	No equipment		
Kettlebell swing (complete raise)	One hand Kettlebell	8kg	12kg
	Bronze Level		
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	Silver Level		
Pull ups (lying position)	Chest to bar, feet extended on box		
Jefferson Squat	Bar with plate	40kg	60kg
Dips on bench	Hands and feet on bench, same height		
Lunges (non-walking with dumbell)	Dumbell in each hand, static	10kg	15kg
Sit ups (weight on chest)	With weight plate	10kg	10kg
Snatches (with kettlebell)	One hand Kettlebell	8kg	12kg
	Gold Level		
Chin Ups (prone & strict)	Chin bar hanging feet		
Jump Squat (up to 20"- 24" box)	Box jump	20"Box	24"Box
Dips (feet forward)	Two bars, feet hanging		
Walking lunges (with barbell)	Walking barbell	30kg	50kg
Sit Ups (weighted)	Weight Plate	10kg	10kg
Burpees & Devil Press (dumbell)	Each hand Dumbell	10kg	20kg



















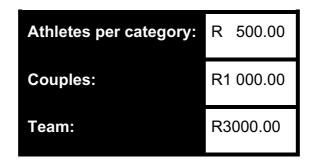
7 REGISTRATION

- Team and individual registration is available online on the IFBB SA website http://www.ifbbsa.co.za.
- Individual athletes and teams will report at the venue between 08:00 and 08:30 for rollcall registration at the **Registration Station** in front of the **Athletes Area**.
- Athletes are to have proof of payment and online registration with them. All athletes will be expected to have paid there IFBB Affiliation fees as well as registration fees per category entered into.
- As part of the registration process, each athlete/team will receive their official Control Sheets for the day.

Athlete Registration online www.ifbbsa.co.za



http://gentlegiantpromotions.com/index.php/en/component/content/article/arnold-classic-ifbb-fitness-challenge?catid=17&Itemid=101



IFBB Affiliation online Annual fee R250.00

Pay online by clicking on the affiliation link on IFBB SA web page www.ifbbsa.co.za or visit www.webtickets.com – search IFBB affiliation – and pay online. Bring proof of



















payment to weigh in and registration.

Athlete Warm-up and Recovery Area Passes

Athlete Warm-up and Recovery Area Passes will be available at **R150.00** per individual. This fee is in addition to the visitor's entry fees of **R150**.00 payable at the gate by any person other than an athlete going into the Athlete Warm-up and Recovery Area. Each athlete/Pair or Team is allowed only one person in this area.

Visitors Fees

https://www.webtickets.co.za/v2/EventCategories.aspx?itemid=1525044997



The event will have three sessions. Each line-up is assigned to either of these sessions. Visitors will be charged **R150** per day.

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9. EVENT PROGRAM



















TBT F CLASSIC FITNESS CHALLANGE PROGRAM

Session 1 - Day 1

Bronze

- Junior Men's Fitness Challenge (athletes under 23 years old)
- Junior Women's Fitness Challenge
- Men's Fitness Challenge (athletes between the age of 24 and 40)
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- Master Women's Fitness Challenge (athletes + 35 years)
- Couples Fitness Challenge
- Team Fitness Challenge (team of 6 athletes of the same sex or mixed)
 Categories by execution and performance levels)

Session 2 - Day 2

Silver

- Junior Men's Fitness Challenge (athletes under 23 years old)
- Junior Women's Fitness Challenge
- Men's Fitness Challenge (athletes between the age of 24 and 40)
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- Women's Fitness Challenge (athletes between the age of 24 and 35)
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 Categories by execution and performance levels)

Session 3 Day 3

Gold

- Junior Men's Fitness Challenge (athletes under 23 years old)
- Junior Women's Fitness Challenge
- Men's Fitness Challenge (athletes between the age of 24 and 40)
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Thursday Day 1 - Registration
Categories have to register on this

All Categories have to register on this day 10:00 to 15:00

Friday Day 2 – Bronze Challenge 10:00 to 15:00

Saturday Day 3 – Silver Challenge 10:00 to 15:00

Sunday Day 4 – Gold Challenge 10:00 to 13:00



















9. UNIFORM/GEAR/SKIN

Unlike our Bodybuilding and Fitness categories, Fitness Challenge has no physique presentation. Sportswear covering the torso and legs is allowed, as the muscularity is not the target of the competition. Athletes may wear tracksuits or T-shirts with shorts or any combination at their discretion.

Sports shoes are also mandatory. Wristbands will not be allowed, whereas knee bands are, but must be as thick as ordinary fabric (3 mm). In general, gear is allowed that improves safety and/or comfort but does not confer advantage. Athletes will not be permitted to wear, use, or display any apparel, equipment, accessories, symbols, art, graphics, or other item.

10 SERVICE PROVIDERS

We collaborate with reputable service providers to ensure that the event has the following services available:

- DJ
- Medical Response Services
- All required Equipment and Prop will be provided by the events service providers
- Photography

11 METHODOLOGY AND CRITERIA OF ARBITRATION AND SCORING

Athlete's Role

- The athlete will always follow the technical indications of the judge Official
- The athlete will perform as many repetitions of the exercise as possible at each station. The athlete will accept any repetitions that the judge/official deems valid.
- The athlete must respect the start of each exercise and no interrupt it within the 2 minutes of the set.
- The athlete will move to the next station at the end of the two minutes. The athlete
 will be positioned to start the next exercise when directed by the Head Judge or
 the Judge/Timekeeper.
- At the end of the six stations, the athlete will leave the competition venue.

Judge's Role

- In each circuit, there will be six judges/arbitrators, one assigned to each station
- It is equipped with a board and forms and a pen to write.
- The judge counts the valid repetitions each athlete performs with a loud voice for



















the athlete to hear at their station during counting.

- Valid repetitions are those that the judge considers; those that it invalidates are null, and only valid repetitions are added.
- The Judge/Official controls the start and end of the exercise by following the orders of the central judge or judge/ timekeeper marking the time intervals.
- The judge waits for the next athlete to arrive at his/her station and accompanies during the 2- min break and position for the start of the exercise.

ROLE OF THE CENTRAL JUDGE

- The head judge manages the competition, managing the timer and instructing the judges / referee and collaborating with them on technical matters.
- He may delegate a judge / timekeeper to control the partial and total timings.
- The central judge collects the control sheet from each athlete at the end of the 6 exercises. He signs the control sheets for each athlete, couple or team and sends them to record.

12 THE CHALLENGES

Individual Fitness Challenge			
The Rule			
All athletes go through all the exercises and must perform all of them correctly, adhering to the Regulations described for this purpose			
Total time in each station is 2 minutes (run) + 2 minutes (station change) All athletes start the next exercise at the same time			
The total time of the test, 24 minutes for 6 athletes (2 minutes to perform + 2 minutes to change stations and recover x 6 stations)			
Every time an athlete completes all 6 exercises, they finish and leave the circuit			
Athletes compete for maximum repetitions in each station. These repetitions are noted on their control sheet In the case of a TIE between competitors			



















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execution and records the repetitions
performed on a control sheet that the athlete
carries with him

who perform the same number of total Repetitions, the one who has made the highest number in Burpee & Devil Press, Kettlebell Snatches or Kettlebell Swings (Gold or Silver)will win

Couples Fitness Challenge		
The Rule	The Interpretation	
They compete in pairs that perform the circuit in its six stations in the same order as the individual competition	This means that both athletes are present at the same station at the same time.	
Couples can be: only Men , only Women , or Mixed	Rest periods are 1 min for men and 2 min for woman	
Both athletes execute the same exercise for each station, alternating between them to achieve the highest number of repetitions in the 2 minutes	Both athletes have to complete all the exercises at all of the stations. The scores will be added together to from the final score per station per couple. Couples qualify by the sum of repetitions of both components in the 6 exercises of the circuit.	
Both athletes pause the 2 minutes between stations together	One athlete may not start with the next station while the other is still resting. Both will rest the full two minutes between stations.	
Up to 6 couples work simultaneously, one per specific station, starting at station one and progressing to the rest of the exercises in order	The circuit is filled with couples, as many as 6 will be on the circuit. One Couple at each of the 6 stations. After the completion of each station all the couples will sequentially move from station 1 to station 2 and so on. If couple #6, starts at station 6, they will then move on to station 1 and sequentially complete the course.	
In the competition by couples, couples qualify by the sum of repetitions of both members in the six exercises.	It is the sum of reps collectively done by each athlete at each of the stations in the allotted 2 minutes .	
Walking Lunges	75% of the males body weight 40% of the females body weight	

Team Fitness Challenge		
The Rule	The Interpretation	
Teams of 6 competitors occupying the entire team can include 4 + 2 athletes of each gender or 3 +3. Never just one athlete of one	You may have 2 males and 4 females or 2 females and 4 males.	
sex.	You may have 3 males and 3 females	
Each team member does exclusive stations at the same time.	The entire team start the challenge together, with a team member at one of the 6 challenges.	
All 6 members are distributed in the stations of the circuit at their convenience. All of them have to carry out the entire circuit orderly.	Therefore, if athlete #1 starts at station he/she will sequentially move from station 1 to station 2 and so on. If athlete 6, starts at station 6, he/she will then move on to station 1 and sequentially complete the course.	



















The next team will start when the last team has completed all the station.	The next team will be lined up behind the starting line (Station 1) and wait until the competing team has completed all the stations with all there athletes. Once they have cleared, the next team will enter the circuit. There will always be at least one team lined up to go next to ensure good time management.
The judge of each station will count the correct repetitions of each team member on his control sheet (as in individual competition).	Score will be kept by the arbitrators assigned to each station on the individual athlete's Control Sheet .
In the case where there is only 1 team on the circuit while competing. The central judge will collect the sheets of all the athletes of the team and will add repetitions	This will be done once the entire team has completed the entire circuit of 6 station.
The teams are ranked by total repetitions of their 6 members in 6 stations in the team competition.	The final score will be calculated by adding up the total repetitions of each team member and will be presented as the team's final score to the Statistician.

















TECHNICAL REGULATION OF THE EXERCISES

	GOLD STANDARD			
#	Exercise	Start	Execution	Final
1	CHIN UPS (prone & strict)	Full extension of the elbows; prono grip to shoulder width	Pull until the chin exceeds the bar.	 Return to the starting position. Elbows must be fully extended. A stop of 1 second will be made in the starting position with fully extended elbows. Rolling or swinging is not allowed at any time during the tour. Failure to do so marks repetition null
2	Jump SQUAT (up to 20"- 24" box)	Two feet together on the ground, extended trunk, hips and knees	Jump two feet together on the box, trunk, hip and knees joints will be extended	 Return to the starting position. The athlete CANNOT bounce, he must stop and extend, without taking advantage of the fall from the previous jump. Both feet are supported up and down simultaneously. Repetition is marked when returning to the ground. The box has a height of 20"-24" (women-men)
3	DIPS (feet forward)	up on the parallel bars, full extension of elbows	Going down to an elbow position at 90 degrees	 Return to the starting position. A stop of at least 1 second will be made in the up position, with elbows fully extended. Legs must be in front of the hand rest. Impulses are not allowed. (No Momentum) Failure to do so marks repetition null
4	Walking LUNGES (with a barbell)	feet together, barbell rests over the shoulders. Judges may help to raise the bar	We walk by lunges with 90o flexion in both knees	 Repetition is completed when knees, hips and trunk are in full extended position. Bar must remain over the athlete's shoulders for the whole 2 minutes. If not, exercise is over.















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					 WEIGHT: bar with 30/50 kg for female/men. The knee of the back leg touches the ground at each repetition to be counted valid
į	5	SIT UPS (weighted)	lying down, knees and hips at 90o, plate on the chest with extended elbows	we incorporate by keeping the plate up	 Trunk perpendicular to the ground, arms completely extended over the head. Lumbar and dorsal spine should be supported at each descent. Elbows extended all the time. WEIGHT: 10 kilos plate for all participants. The feet must maintain contact with the ground during the execution of the exercise
	6	Burpees & Devil PRESS	Standing, with the trunk extended, dumbbells on the sides	 Burpee with bottom on the dumbbells up to 90°, the athlete can touch the ground with the chest. Return to standing upright position; curl and press with the dumbbells until arms extend overhead. Not accepting a snatch of the dumbbells. 	 Return to the starting position WEIGHT: Dumbbells are pairs of 10/15 kg for female/male. Failure to follow any indications marks repetition null































6 ATHLETES / 6 STATIONS
All start at once, 1 athlete/station
Run your exercise for 2 minutes
Then rotate to the next station
Pause 2 minutes
Start the next exercise
They all complete all 6 exercises.



























	SILVER STANDARD			
#	Exercise	Start	Execution	Final
1	Pull-ups (Lying Position)	Pronated grip at shoulder width. Suspended body with full elbow extension. Stop and count for at least 1 second at the start position.	 Chest touches the bar. The body will always be straight. Rocking and pulsing are not allowed. The feet, ankles or calves rest on a bench or box 	Return to the starting position
2	Jefferson Squat	Feet supported, trunk, hips and knees extended. Bar between legs diagonally	Go down the barbell until the discs touch the ground	 Return to the starting position. The shoulders are set, spine, hips and knees fully extended. Not extending any joint makes repetition null. WEIGHT: Bar with 40 kg for women and 60 kg for men
3	Dips on bench (Feet Forward)	Hands on bench's edge, full extended elbows. Legs ahead of the hand support. Feet on a bench or a box. Knees remain straight all the time	Move down to an elbow position by 90degrees. No impulses allowed (No Momentum)	Return to the starting position. Stop for at least 1 second in the up position
4	Lunges (Stationary, with dumbbells)	Feet together, dumbbells in your hands	Lunges with steps of 90° in front and back knee. Return to upright with trunk, hip, and knee joints fully extended	 One repetition is counted for each step taken WEIGHT: 10 kg dumbbells for women and 15 kg for men
5	SIT UPS (weight on chest)	Lying down, knees and hips at 90 degrees, disc on the chest	Sit-Up keeping the disc parallel to the chest, it is not necessary to touch it; semi-flexed arms	 Trunk perpendicular to the ground. When descending to the lying position, the lumbar and dorsal spine should be supported. WEIGHT: 10 kg plate for all participants
6	SNATCHES (with kettlebell)	standing, trunk extended, kettlebell in one hand	Bend down until you touch the ground with the kettlebell and lift it until you have your arm extended over your head. It is not valid to raise KB to the front; always on top	 Return to the starting position. The KB touches the ground. You can switch hands. WEIGHT: 8 kg kettlebell for women and 12 kg for men.

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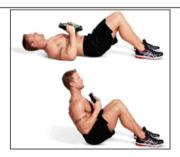


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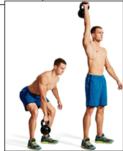


























BRONZE STANDARD				
#	Exercise	Start	Execution	Final
1	Chin ups (Supine grip, Feet on the Ground)	Grip to shoulder width—suspended body with full extension of elbows. Stop and count 2" in the starting position	Chest touches the bar. The body will always be straight: trunk, hips, and knees. Swinging is not allowed. The heels are in contact with the ground	Return to the starting position
2	Kettlebell Squat	Straddle stance with the feet slightly wider than the shoulders and the toes pointing outward. Hold a single kettlebell with both hands in front of the body, using a pronated grip (palms facing the body)	We flex the hips and knees until KB touches the ground	 Return to the starting position. WEIGHT: Kettlebell with 24 kg for women and 32 kg for men
3	Push-ups (Elbows Flare)	At the Top, full extension of elbows. Separation of hands-off shoulders. The trunk, hips, and knees are extended	Go down to a position of elbows at 90°. A handball is used as a reference to chest touching	Return to the starting position. Stop and count 2" in the starting position.
4	Lunges (Backward, Onsite)	Feet together, one single dumbbell held to the chest	 Lunges backward, with steps of 90° in knee front and back. The back knee touches the ground 	 A repetition is counted for each step taken. Full extension of hips, knees, and trunk WEIGHT: 1 dumbbell of 12.5 kg for men and 7.5 kg for women
5	Sit-ups	 Lying down, knees and hips at 90°. Shoulders flexed in prolongation. Hips in slight external rotation 	Execute the movement until you touch our feet. Arms drive forward	 Trunk perpendicular to the ground. Touched our feet with both hands. When going down, you should support lumbar and dorsal spine and flexed shoulders
6	Kettlebell Swing (Complete Raise)	Standing, trunk extended, kettlebell grabbed by 2 hands	 Bend to pass KB between the legs and swing it until you have your arms fully outstretched over your head. Stop at the vertical 	 Return to the starting position. WEIGHT: kettlebell of 12kg for men and 8kg for women

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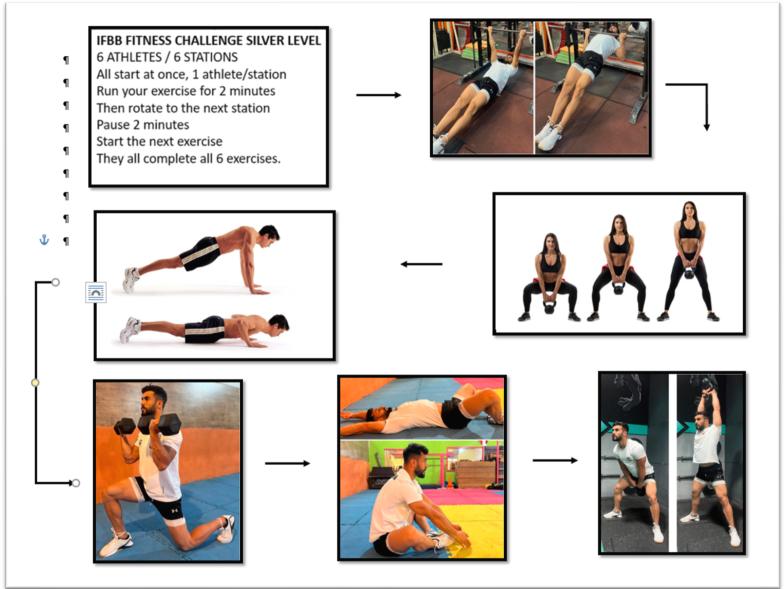


























TYPICAL LAYOUT

