

2008 MFS WOMEN'S AUSTRALIAN OPEN COMPETITOR FACT SHEET

Date: 31st January – 3rd February 2008

Venue: Kingston Heath Golf Club
Melbourne, Australia

Address: Kingston Road
Cheltenham, VIC 3192

Website: www.australianopengolf.com

TELEPHONE NUMBERS / CONTACT NAMES

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TOURNAMENT STRUCTURE

Field: Minimum 144 Players

Format: 72 Holes Stroke Play

In the event of a tie for first place, a 'sudden death' hole-by-hole play-off will take place. The hole to be used in such a case is the 18th repeatedly.

Prize Money: \$AUD 500,000

Entry Fee: \$AUD 150

Entry Closing Date: LET members – 4th January 2008

Non-LET members – 11th January 2008

Registration: Monday 28th January – 2.00pm – 6.00pm (Tournament Office)
Tuesday 29th January – 9.00am – 6.00pm (Tournament Office)

Pre-Tournament PRO-Am: Tuesday 29th January 2008

Estimated Finishing Time: 6:00pm Sunday 3rd February

Draw Times: www.australianopengolf.com.au

ACCOMMODATION

Official Hotels:

Novotel Glen Waverly

Contact: Steven Curtis

Ph: +61 3 8561 2345

Fax: +61 3 8561 2391

Email: H2068-RE01@accor.com

Rate: \$AUD165 per night incl. GST (twin share or double rooms available)

Online Booking Form: [Novotel Hotel – Player Booking Form](#)

Description: The Novotel is 25 minutes by car from Kingston Heath Golf Club and is adjacent to Centro - The Glen Shopping centre which includes 200+ shops, cinema, restaurants and entertainment. There is a gymnasium and pool for Novotel guests only.



Conditions: Breakfast is not included (A buffet breakfast is available from 6:30am for \$AUD20 per day). Breakfast will be served from 5.45am at Kingston Heath Golf Club in Player Lounge / Locker Rooms.

Hotel Ibis Glen Waverly

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Serviced Apartments

There will be an option of Serviced Apartments at a later date.

CADDIES

If you require a caddie or bag carrier **please complete the relevant section of the entry form.**

OFFICIAL FUNCTIONS

Official Welcome Cocktail Party:

Date: Tuesday 29th January

Time: 6:30pm

Venue: Kingston Heath Club House.

Conditions: This function is **mandatory for all invited players.**

Dress: Smart Casual – strictly no denim

Pro-Am:

Date: Tuesday 29th January

Time: Lunch will be served between 11.00am and 3.00pm in the Club House.

Entrants: A list of professional players required to play can be obtained from the LET/ALPG Tournament Office and the Golf Australia website.

PLAYER SERVICES

Player Lounge / Locker Rooms: Located in Kingston Heath Club House. No entry to public, locks on lockers and towels are provided when deposit is paid at the tournament office.

Catering for Player Lounge (in Locker Rooms):

Monday 28th January – Wednesday 30th February 2008.

Breakfast: 6:30am – 10.30am

Lunch: 11:30am – 3:00pm

All day: Fruit and drinks in Players Lounge / Locker Room and around the course.

Thursday 31st January – Sunday 3rd February

Breakfast: 5.45am – 10.00am

Lunch: 11:30am – 3:00pm

All day: Fruit and drinks in Players Lounge / Locker Room and around the course.



Player Services:**Contact:** Matt Cutler and Courtesy Car Drivers**Ph:** TBC**Location:** Entrance to Club House (Outside Player Locker Rooms)

Your Player Service team will have information regarding the local area (restaurants, public transport etc.), draws and tee times, club repair services, weather information. Please contact them for any of your needs

Medical:

A Physiotherapist, Massage Therapist will be on-site and a Chiropractor and Doctor will be on call from Tuesday 29th January through to Sunday 3rd February.

Player Car parking:

Located in the Golf Course car park - Entrance A off Kingston Road. Please present Player Accreditation for entry.

PRACTICE ARRANGEMENTS**Practice Range:** *located behind the Club House*

Sunday 27th January: 8.00am
 Monday 28th January: 6.00am
 Tuesday 29th January: 6.00am
 Wednesday 30th January: 6.00am – 1st tee closed at 2:00pm
 Thursday 31st January: 6.00am – 1.5 hours after end of play
 Friday 1st February: 6.00am – 1.5 hours after end of play
 Saturday 2nd February: 6.00am – 1.5 hours after end of play
 Sunday 3rd February: 6.00am – last tee time

Practice Rounds:

Sunday 27th January: No Practice Rounds available
 Monday 28th January: 7.00am
 Tuesday 29th January: Pro-Am day – no Practice Rounds available
 Wednesday 30th January: 7.00am – 1st tee closed at 2:00pm

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Day	Activity
Monday 28 January	Practice Rounds
Tuesday 29 January	Pro-Am Competition Official Welcome Cocktail Party
Wednesday 30 January	Practice Day
Thursday 31 January	Round One
Friday 1 February	Round Two
Saturday 2 February	Round Three
Sunday 3 February	Final Round and Presentations

Telecast Times

Live coverage of the tournament will be broadcast via The ABC at the following times:

Day	Telecast Time
Thursday 31 January	3.00pm – 6.00pm
Friday 1 February	3.00pm – 6.00pm
Saturday 2 February	2.00pm – 5:00pm
Sunday 3 February	1.00pm – 6:00pm



TRAVEL / TRANSFERS / TRANSPORTATION

Transport Office:

Coordinator: Sue Cannon

Ph: +61417 010 587

Opening Hours: Sunday 27th January – Sunday 3rd February 2008

- If you require airport pickup / drop offs please notify the Transport Coordinator ASAP (within 24 hours of flight)
- If you require transport on Saturday 26th January or Monday 4th February please notify the transport coordinator in advance either by phone or at the tournament office.

Directions:

Nearest airports:

Melbourne Tullamarine Airport is approximately 50km from the Golf Club – approximately 1 hours drive. Avalon Airport (domestic) is approximately 80km from the Golf Club – approximately 2 hours depending on traffic.

Airport Transfers:

Airport pickup times will depend upon the arrival/departure times you provide to Coco Eke / Sue Cannon at Golf Australia (Ph: +61401 559 624 Email: cocoe@golfaustralia.org.au) Players should receive confirmation of their hotel booking direct from their desired hotel and will need to forward this information to Coco Eke at the tournament office.

Conditions:

Transport will only be available from the airport and official hotels. Players need to provide the transport office with airport arrival / departure times.

Please log onto - www.kingstonheath.com.au - for more information on the Club, Course and facilities. Please note: course routing for the Championships differs from the regular course routing

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

→ **IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR ALL PLAYERS AND CADDIES – VISA APPLICATIONS**

- It is possible to arrange group visas when travelling to Australia. Players and caddies are advised to ensure their visa requirements are in order **before travelling.**
- It is recommended all players and caddies take out the Sport Visa (subclass 421), and please check the Australian Embassy or their web site for details on how to apply, what information you will need to supply etc.

→ **Transurban CityLink:**

If you are planning on driving yourself around Melbourne, you may need a CityLink Pass. CityLink is an electronic tolling system (no tollbooths) that connects Tullamarine, West Gate and Monash Freeways. It means drivers need a CityLink Pass to travel on these freeways.

You can choose from:

- **24 Hour Pass:** Unlimited access for a 24 hour period from your first trip. (approx \$11.30)
- **Tulla Pass:** Unlimited travel between Bulla Road and Flemington Road only, for a 24 hour period from your first trip. (approx \$4.00)
- **Weekend Pass:** Unlimited access from midday Friday to midnight Sunday. (approx \$11.30)

Prices were correct at Tuesday, 13 November 2007



→ **Internet Facilities:** There will be Wi-Fi facilities in the Hotel and in the Player's Lounge / Locker Room

APPROXIMATE CURRENCY EXCHANGE RATE

AUD	EUR
\$1	€0.64
\$5	€3.19
\$10	€6.38
\$50	€31.92

THANK YOU LETTERS

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