



Australian Government
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2008 AUSTRALIAN BOYS' AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP

conducted by

Golf Australia

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to be played at

Spring Valley Golf Club



Heatherton Road, CLAYTON SOUTH, VICTORIA

[Entrants must be under 18 as at 26/3/2008](#)

Wednesday 26 March to Friday 28 March, 2008

Closing Date for Entries – Wednesday 27 February 2007 at 5.00 pm

HANDICAP LIMIT – 6.4

FORMAT – 72 HOLES STROKE PLAY (cut to the leading 60 players and ties after 36 holes)

CHAMPIONSHIP DRAW

The final field & associated information for competitors will be posted on www.golfaustralia.org.au two weeks prior to the event.

www.golfaustralia.org.au

2008 Australian Boys' Amateur Championship – ENTRY FORM

METHOD OF PAYMENT (tick selected option and complete credit card details if applicable)

(ACCEPTED CREDIT CARDS) Visa MasterCard CHEQUE MONEY ORDER CASH (Golf Australia Office Payments Only)

Amount \$ Expiry Date / / Card Number

Cardholder's Name Cardholder's Signature

Please enter me in the 2008 Australian Boys' Amateur Championship. I am an amateur golfer in accordance with the Rules of Amateur Status as approved by R&A Rules Limited, and am eligible under the Conditions of the Championship.

THE ENTRANCE FEE (\$100.00) MUST BE ATTACHED

NAME	Surname		Preferred Given Name	
ADDRESS				Postcode
Private Phone	(0)	Business Phone	(0)	
Mobile Phone			EMAIL	
Home Club		GOLF Link No.		Australian Handicap
Date of Birth		Age as at 26/3/2008		Club Handicap (Exact)
Official Home Club Stamp	STAMP REQUIRED			
Signature of Manager of Home Club	SIGNATURE REQUIRED			
	Date:			

(I endorse the player's entry and certify that the entrant is a member of the above club, is an amateur golfer in accordance with the Rules of Amateur Status and confirm their listed handicap is correct.)

I confirm that the information supplied is correct, that I am eligible to enter under the Conditions of the Championship, and that I submit myself to be bound by these Conditions. I also confirm that I have read and understood Condition 4.12.

Signature of Competitor	NB – All entrants must supply <u>either</u> a six-month HANDICAP RECORD or a GOLF LINK NUMBER.
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ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RECEIPT

A list of all entries received by Golf Australia will be posted at www.golfaustralia.org.au – please note that inclusion on this list is not an indication of inclusion in the Championship field. A player's entry form has not officially been received until their name appears on this list.



2008 Australian Boys' Amateur Golf Championship

CONDITIONS

1. Format

1.1 The Championship will be played over 72 holes stroke play at Spring Valley Golf Club.

Round 1: Wednesday 26 March.

Round 2: Thursday 27 March.

The leading 60 players after 36 holes, and any tying for 60th place, will qualify for the 3rd and 4th Rounds; the remainder will be eliminated.

Round 3: Friday 28 March – am.

Round 4: Friday 28 March – pm.

1.2 The winning player will be the *Australian Boys' Amateur Champion*, hold the Championship Trophy for one year and receive the Championship Gold Medal. The runner-up will receive a silver medallion. The 3rd place getter will receive a bronze medallion.

1.3 In the event of a tie for first place after 72 holes, those players tying for first place will continue over such holes as the Championship Play Committee determines, in a sudden-death hole-by-hole play-off until the winner is determined.

2. Championship Play Committee

2.1 The Championship Play Committee will comprise the Co-Chairs of the Golf Australia Championships Committee, Golf Australia's Director - Championships, Manager - Championships, and Manager - Rules & Handicapping.

2.2 In the absence of a full Championship Play Committee, such members as may be present at the time may give a decision, and any decision so given will be deemed to be a decision of the full Championship Play Committee.

2.3 The Championship Play Committee will have the sole management and control of the Championship, with full power at any time to alter or vary any of the conditions.

2.4 The Championship Play Committee's decision on matters affecting the Championship will be final.

3. Rules of Play

The Rules of Golf, as adopted by R&A Rules Limited, will apply together with Local Rules as drawn up by the Championship Play Committee.

4. Entries

4.1 Eligible players are male amateurs whose Australian Men's Handicap or overseas equivalent does not exceed 6.4, or who are members of Boys' Interstate Teams or official international teams, plus 3 players nominated by each state/territory association, and who have not reached their eighteenth (18th) birthday by 26 March 2008.

4.2 Entrance Fee \$100.00 (includes GST).

4.3 Entries must be made via the Golf Australia on-line entry process, or on the entry form issued by Golf Australia, or a facsimile copy thereof. Entry by email is acceptable provided it is a scanned image of the official entry form.

4.4 The decision of the Championship Play Committee as to acceptance or refusal of any entry will be final.

4.5 Entrants must conform in all respects to the Rules of Amateur Status as adopted by R&A Rules Limited.

4.6 Entries will be subject to approval from the committee of the entrant's Home Club. (NB this requirement may be waived in exceptional circumstances by Golf Australia.)

4.7 All entries must be signed and stamped by the Manager (or their representative) of the entrant's Home Club. This confirms the endorsement of the player's entry by the Home Club, and that the player is an amateur golfer in accordance with the Rules of Amateur Status, and that the player's listed exact Handicap is correct.

4.8 Entry Forms must be accompanied either by; a copy of the entrant's current handicap record for the past six months (officially endorsed by his Home Club), or by the entrant's GOLF Link number.

4.9 Fully completed entry forms, together with appropriate entrance fees, must be received by Golf Australia by 5pm Wednesday 27 February 2008. IT IS THE SOLE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE ENTRANT TO ENSURE THAT THEIR ENTRY HAS BEEN RECEIVED. A player's entry form has not officially been received until their name has been posted at www.golfaustralia.org.au.

4.10 In the event of entry applications exceeding the number of places available in the Championship (156), applications from those higher handicap competitors not exempt from a handicap ballot as detailed in Condition 4.1 will be decided by a handicap ballot. The exact handicap certified at the date of entry will be used for all purposes. Unsuccessful applicants will be informed without delay and given the opportunity to compete if withdrawals subsequently occur. Monies received from balloted entrants, who do not subsequently compete, will be refunded in entirety.

4.11 Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the Championship Play Committee. Any such entry will be subject to the application of a \$40.00 late fee (includes GST).

4.12 In the event that an entry is received after the closing time for entries and that it is accepted, the entrant will be automatically liable to Golf Australia for the sum of \$40.00 (the "late entry fee" – includes GST). Where the entrant nominates to pay the entry fee by credit card, by providing their credit card details, the card holder additionally authorises Golf Australia to debit the nominated account for the sum of the late entry fee (if applicable). Where payment is made by cheque, money order or cash, the entrant will be invoiced for the amount of the late entry fee and the entry will not be accepted until the full requisite payment has been received.

- 4.13 Acceptable payment methods are only as follows – credit card (Visa, or MasterCard only), cheque (personal or bank), money order, cash (please note though that Golf Australia will NOT accept responsibility for cash sent that is not received). Cheques or money orders are to be made payable to *Golf Australia*.
- 4.14 Only entry forms accompanied by credit card payment will be accepted by facsimile or email. Entry forms accompanied by other acceptable payment methods must be submitted by post or in person. Entries will not be accepted by telephone. Entry forms will not be accepted unless they are fully completed.
- 4.15 Monies received will only be refunded in the case of a withdrawal being advised before the closing time for entries, except for those entrants who may be balloted out and who do not subsequently compete.

5. Television and Media

All rights for televising live, television recordings or for any visual or electronic reproduction of the Championship are reserved only to Golf Australia and may only be made under licence.

6. Starting Times

If the player arrives at their starting point, ready to play, within five minutes after their starting time, in the absence of circumstances that warrant waiving the penalty of disqualification as provided in Rule 33-7, the penalty for failure to start on time is two strokes at the first hole to be played. The penalty for lateness beyond five minutes is disqualification.

7. Golf Balls

- 7.1 The balls the player plays must be named on the current List of Conforming Golf Balls.
Penalty: Disqualification
- 7.2 During a stipulated round, the balls a player plays must be of the same brand and type as detailed by a single entry on the current List of Conforming Golf Balls.
Penalty: 2 strokes for each hole at which any breach occurred; maximum penalty per round – 4 strokes.

8. Driving Clubs

The driver the player carries must have a clubhead, identified by model and loft, that is named on the current List of Conforming Driver Heads issued by R&A Rules Limited. Note: Any individual driver on the List, if tested on pendulum apparatus approved by R&A Rules Limited, must not have a characteristic time greater than 257 microseconds. (The list may be viewed via www.golfaustralia.org.au) Penalty: Disqualification.

9. Drug Testing

All competitors are subject to drug testing by the Australian Sports Anti-Doping Agency for banned substances as laid down in Golf Australia's Anti-Doping Policy. Any competitor infringing this policy, or refusing to take a test, will be disqualified and subject to any sanction(s) brought down by ASADA. A list of prohibited substances will be available at registration. Clarification of any medication can be obtained via the ASADA hotline – 1800 020 506, or from www.asada.gov.au

10. Code of Conduct

All entrants assent to be bound by Golf Australia's Code of Conduct. A copy of the code is available at www.golfaustralia.org.au.

11. Use of Motorised Transport

During play, it is prohibited for a player or their caddie to ride in or on a motorised vehicle unless specific written permission has been granted by the Championship Play Committee. Penalty: 2 strokes for each hole at which a breach occurred; maximum penalty per round – 4 strokes.

Procedure when breach discovered: Use of any unauthorised form of transportation must be discontinued immediately upon discovery that a breach has occurred. Otherwise the player is disqualified.

12. Practice

Tuesday 25 March 2008.

13. Registration

Competitors must register between 12.00 pm and 3.00 pm at Spring Valley Golf Club on Tuesday 25 March. Failure to comply may result in disqualification from the Championship.

14. Pace of Play

Rule 6-7 will be strictly enforced. Each group must maintain its position on the course with respect to the group preceding it. Any group with a clear hole in front of it will be considered out of position. Penalties will be issued to individuals in such groups who by their pace contribute to such delay. Warnings may not be issued prior to penalties.

15. Database of Competitors' Details

The personal data contained in this entry is permanently retained by Golf Australia. This data may be utilised by Golf Australia or its sponsors for the distribution of correspondence, in both electronic and hard copy means. From time to time players may be sent entry forms, event literature, the Golf Australia e-newsletter, or marketing material by the sponsor(s) of Golf Australia events, or information about events conducted by Golf Australia-approved bodies. Upon receipt by Golf Australia of a written request, a player may either have access to their details, or have their details deleted from the database.

ACCOMMODATION GUIDE – Internet

See the “Player Information” tab on the 2008 Australian Boys' Amateur Championship page on the Golf Australia website www.golfaustralia.org.au.