

Golf Australia Museum

The Golf Australia Museum is managed by the Golf Society of Australia Inc. The Society was formed in 1982 to research and preserve the history of golf in Australia.

Items from the Golf Australia Museum are displayed at:

National Sports Museum

Melbourne Cricket Ground

Brunton Avenue

Richmond, Melbourne (within Yarra Park)

(Located across two levels of the Olympic Stand, entrance to the Museum is via Gate 3)

The Clubhouse - Moonah Links

Peter Thomson Drive

off Truemans Road, Fingal

(on the Mornington Peninsula)

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(open Clubhouse hours)

Some of the clubs in the Museum

- Clubs used by Louis A Whyte, first Australian Amateur Champion (1894) in canvas bag with wood 'carry stand'
- Clubs used by Warren Bennett, 100th Australian Amateur Champion in 1994
- Club used by P C Anderson, winner of British Amateur Championship 1893
- Clubs used by Doug Bachli, the only Australian to date to win the British Amateur Championship, 1954
- Putter used by Peter Thomson in 1956 British Open
- Driver used by David Graham to win the US Open in 1981
- Pitching wedge used by Kel Nagle in Centenary British Open in 1960
- Sand iron used by Greg Norman in British Open 1986
- Set of irons used by Ossie Pickworth, four-time winner of Australian Open
- Driver used by Betty Kernot to win the Australian Ladies' Amateur Championship 1937 & 1938
- Clubs used by Lindy Goggin, Australian Ladies' Amateur Champion 1971, 1977 & 1980

Other items in the Collection

- Royal & Ancient Golf Club of St Andrews Captain's Jacket and medal
- AGU trophies
- Trophies won by Harry Williams, W A Higgins, Alf & Peter Toogood, Mona Macleod, Judith Percy and others
- Selection of golf club making equipment
- the Moncur Collection - series of films of golf in Australia in 1950's and 1960's
- Don Lawrence Collection - scrapbooks, photographs and press-related material

- The Library collection includes books on tuition, biographies & autobiographies, club histories, handbooks and bound series of Australian golf publications

Items sought for the Museum

- Clubs - range of styles and types over time, including those significant for their style, maker or use, unique and unusual designs
- Balls, tees & bags - different styles and method of manufacture, etc
- Medals & trophies - significant events and winners
- Apparel and golf fashions
- Score cards - courses, course records and other significant scores, changes to courses, etc
- Courses design and green-keeping, including design, construction and management
- Rules - records of rules, changes and decisions
- Books and other printed material relating to all aspects of golf
- Material relating to golf tuition
- Club records, including published histories
- Historical accounts written by or about notable people, events and places

Items can be accepted on donation or loan.

The Australian Golf Museum is managed according to accepted Museum standards.