Victorian Golf Association

THE NATIONAL SENIOR MASTERS CHAMPIONSHIP

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Venue: THE NATIONAL GOLF CLUB, CAPE SCHANCK, VICTORIA
Wednesday 19th to Friday 21st May, 2010

- Victorian Senior Order of Merit Event for the Doug Bachli Trophy
- A 2010 Australian Men's Senior Amateur Ranking Event
- 54 holes stroke play for a maximum field of 176 players.
- Seeded draw for all players will be conducted after 36 holes.
- Winner to receive the inaugural Green Jacket as The National Senior Masters Champion.

TOURNAMENT P R O G R A M

1st Round - Old Course		
Wednesday 19th May	**- 18 Holes Stroke**	**Shotgun Start at 8.00 am** **Shotgun Start at 1.00 pm**
2nd Round - Ocean Course		
Thursday 20th May	**- 18 Holes Stroke**	**1st & 10th Tee Start at 7.30am** **1st & 10th Tee Start at 11.30am**
3rd Round - Moonah Course		
Friday 21st May	**- 18 Holes Stroke**	**Shotgun Start at 7.30am (leading 88)** **Shotgun Start at 1.00pm (all others)**

- **HANDICAP LIMIT:- 24 (If entries are oversubscribed, a ballot will be conducted based on handicap as at the closing date of entries. Players ranked in the top 20 of the current Australian Senior Rankings & and in the top 10 of each respective state event are exempt from the ballot.)**
- **AGE LIMIT: 55 and above as of 19th May, 2010**
- **ENTRANCE FEE: $165 includes: golf, cart on day 1 (compulsory), GST, lunch pack for all three rounds and all trophies.**
- **Optional daily cart hire days 2 and 3 (twin share) - $15 per player.**
- **Thursday evening gourmet dinner buffet and presentations (days 1 & 2) - $30 pp**
- **Seeded draws for final round on Friday May 21st. AM field to be 88 leading Gross scores**
- **Major presentation ceremony between 1st and 2nd Friday shotgun starts.**
- **VGA Annual (one-off) Senior Registration Fee of $22 (inc.GST) payable by affiliated Victorian players competing in their first Victorian Senior Event for 2010 and Interstate players desiring to be eligible for the 2010 Doug Bachli Trophy.**

Entries close with Victorian Golf Association
PO Box 187, BURWOOD VIC 3125
5.00pm, Friday 7th May, 2010

DRAWS & RESULTS
will appear on www.golfvic.org.au

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THE NATIONAL SENIOR MASTERS CHAMPIONSHIP – CONDITIONS

1. THE NATIONAL SENIOR MASTERS CHAMPIONSHIP

1.1 Eligible players are male amateurs who have reached their 55th birthday by the 19th May, 2010 and whose Australian Handicap at the time of entry does not exceed 24 strokes in accordance with the Australian Handicapping System.

1.2 The Event is scheduled to be played over 54 holes stroke play, 18 holes each on Wednesday 19th, Thursday 20th and Friday 21st May, 2010.

1.3 The field for the Event will be limited to 176 players.

1.4 A seeded draw for the top 88 gross scores (including count backs) will be conducted after the first two rounds

1.5 If entries exceed the number of available places in the Event, a ballot will be undertaken with players on the highest handicaps subject to elimination.

1.6 The player with the lowest stroke score after 54 holes shall be The National Senior Masters Champion and shall receive a trophy. The runner-up and third place-getter shall also receive a trophy.

1.7 The player with the lowest nett score after 54 holes shall be The National Senior Masters Handicap Champion and shall receive a trophy. The runner-up and third place-getter shall also receive a trophy.

1.8 Daily trophies for the first two rounds will be awarded and presented at the Thursday evening dinner at the Club.

1.9 All ties shall be decided by count-back as recommended by Golf Australia.

1.10 No player may win a trophy in both the stroke and nett sections.

2. EVENT COMMITTEE:

The Event Committee shall consist of representatives of The National Golf Club and an additional person(s) as may be nominated by the VGA Senior Committee. In the absence of the full Event Committee, such members thereof as may be present at any time may give a decision of the full Event Committee. The Event Committee reserves the right to vary any condition of this event.

In the event of bad weather, or for any other reason, the Event Committee may shorten the competition, appoint another day or days for completion or, may transfer play to another course.

Protests must be made to the Event Committee not later than 10 minutes after the conclusion of each round. The decision of the Event Committee will be final in all matters relating to the Tournament.

3. ENTRIES:

Entries will be restricted to amateurs, who are members of clubs for the Victorian Golf Association, or of golf clubs registered with such State or Overseas Associations as are affiliated with or recognised by this Association, or of clubs affiliated with the Victorian Golf League and Registered Golfers. The Event Committee shall have the right to refuse the entry of any person without being required to give any reason for such refusal. Entrance fees must be paid at the time of entry. Any entrant may withdraw and have his entrance fee refunded providing that notification is received by the time that entries close. All entries must be accompanied by either a current handicap record verified by the club or GolfLink Number. Entries shall only be made on the official entry form unless otherwise permitted by the Event Committee.

4. RULES:

The competition shall be played in accordance with the Rules of Golf as adopted by R&A Rules Limited, together with such local rules as are in force on the course over which the competition rounds are being played. If any dispute arises on any point, it shall be decided by the Event Committee whose decision shall be final. All players are required to adhere to the VGA's Code of Conduct for the duration of the competition.

5. DRAW AND STARTING TIME:

A draw will be made by the Event Committee. The Committee has the power to amend the draw or substitute another player for any competitor who is not at the tee at the time for any player. However, it is a condition of the competition that, in the absence of circumstances which warrant waiving the penalty of disqualification as provided in Rule 33-7, if the player arrives at his starting point, ready to play within five minutes of his starting time, the penalty for failure to start on time is two strokes at the first hole in stroke lay instead of disqualification.

6. HONORARY MEMBERS:

Competitors will be made Honorary Members for the day, of the club upon whose course the rounds are being played.

7. PRACTICE:

Any arrangements for practice rounds MUST be made with the host club concerned. It is permissible to practice on the competition courses between Event rounds subject to appropriate green fees being paid/arrangements made with the host venue.

8. MOTORISED TRANSPORT:

There are no restrictions on the use of motorised transport with the requirement that all carts must be arranged via The National Golf Club.

9. 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 them. Any group with a clear hole in front of them 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.

10. DRESS STANDARDS:

Players and caddies must observe the dress standards and any course requirement of the host clubs.

11. DRUG TESTING:

All Competitors are subject to drug testing by the Australian Sports Drug Agency for banned substances as laid down in the Golf Australia's Doping Policy. Any competitor infringing this policy or refusing to take a test, may be disqualified.

12. MEASURING DEVICES:

During all rounds of the event a player may obtain distance information by using a device that measures distance only. However, if during a round, a player uses a distance measuring device that is designed to gauge or measure other conditions that might affect his play (eg, gradient, windspeed, temperature, etc), the player is in breach of Rule 14-3, for which the penalty is disqualification, regardless of whether any such additional functions are actually used.

13. DATABASE OF COMPETITOR'S DETAILS:

13.1 The data contained on an entry form submitted by an entrant for a Senior Golf event is permanently retained by the VGA within its database of competitor's details.

13.2 This database is operated to assist with the management of current and future Senior Golf events. From time to time the VGA may also allow a sponsor/s to utilise the information contained in this database for its/their own purposes.

13.3 From time to time players may be sent entry forms or event literature for either VGA events, or events conducted by VGA-approved bodies, and accompanying material.

13.4 Upon receipt by the VGA of a written request, a player may either have access to their details, or have their details deleted from the database.

ACCOMMODATION AVAILABILITY

Accommodation is available by contacting Fairways Resort 03 5950 2111 or RACV Cape Schanck 03 5950 8000. Other local accommodation is available.

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ENTRY FORM

TAX INVOICE
ABN: 26 589 569 172

TO: **Victorian Golf Association**
PO Box 187
BURWOOD 3125
Ph: 9889 6731 Fax: 9889 1077

Name (Block Letters): _____

Address: _____ Postcode: _____

Home Club: _____ GolfLink No. _____ Aust. Handicap: _____

Telephone No: (Business) _____ (Home) _____

(Mobile) _____ (E-Mail) _____

Date of Birth: _____ / _____ / _____ Age as at 19/5/2010 _____

- Please enter me for The National Senior Masters Championship 19 - 21 May 2010 as per the Entry Conditions.
- I am eligible under the conditions of the Event, I am an amateur golfer in accordance with the Rules of Amateur Status as approved by the R & A Rules Limited and I will adhere to the Victorian Golf Association's Code of Conduct for the duration of the Event.
- I have provided either my GolfLink No. or a current handicap record verified by my home club.
- Payment details (Please complete):-

Entry Fee:	**$165.00**
Other Items	
• **Optional Motorised Cart Hire (Twin Share) - two rounds at $15.00 per player:**	$_____
• **Thursday Evening Gourmet Buffet - to be held at the Club - $30.00:**	$_____
• **VGA Senior Registration Fee* of $22.00:**	$_____
Total	$_____

* An annual (one-off) senior registration fee of $22 (inc GST) is applicable for each affiliated Victorian player participating in 2010 Victorian Senior events and Interstate players desiring to be eligible for the 2010 Doug Bachli Trophy, payable at the first senior event that the player enters for the year. (Please disregard if this fee has already been paid).

- Cheque for the above amount(Including GST) is enclosed or please charge my credit card (details below):

☐ VISA ☐ MasterCard

Card No: ☐☐☐☐ ☐☐☐☐ ☐☐☐☐ ☐☐☐☐

Expiry Date: _____/_____ Cardholder's Signature: _____

Signature of Competitor: _____

ENTRIES CLOSE AT 5.00PM ON FRIDAY 7TH MAY, 2010