



2011 NSW MEN'S FOURBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

Entry into this event is free.

Qualifiers from your Club will play in the District or Zone play-offs for a chance to play in this year's State Final to be held at Bonville Golf Resort.

RULES AND CONDITIONS

THE MATCH COMMITTEE means the Match Committee of Golf NSW

RECOGNISED GOLF CLUB means a golf club affiliated with Golf NSW

The 2011 Golf NSW Standard Conditions for State Events (including the Golf NSW Transportation Policy*) and the Golf NSW Code of Conduct apply to this State event. A copy of the Golf NSW Standard Conditions for State Events (including the Golf NSW Transportation Policy*) and the Golf NSW Code of Conduct are available from the Golf NSW website at www.golfnsw.org

* Motorised transport may be used at Club Qualifying in accordance with the Club's conditions for the event of the day or where there is sufficient motorised transport available for all players in the field.

GENERAL

1. The event is open to members of golf clubs affiliated with Golf NSW or an affiliated DGA.
2. The competition is open to any male golfer with a current Golf Australia handicap not exceeding 36, who is a member of a recognised golf club, **who has attained the age of 18 years by January 1, 2011.**
3. Each pair will consist of two males, who are members of the same golf club, being the club conducting the Stage 1 event and **MUST** remain financial members of that club for the duration of the competition.
4. The Rules of Golf and the Local Rules of the venue clubs shall apply.
5. The competition will be conducted in three (3) stages;
Stage 1: Club
Stage 2: District (District, Metropolitan)
Stage 3: Final
6. All stages will be conducted as a Fourball Stableford with the stroke allocation in accordance with the Clubs' stroke index.
7. All Club nominations must be made on the official application form (enclosed).
8. No entry fee is payable.
9. Any pair who has finished in the top three (3) places in the Final during the previous three (3) years **are not** eligible to compete as a team.
The Ineligible teams for the year 2010 are:

2008	1 st	B Bradford and J Rowland (Newcastle DGA)
	2 nd	I Jordan and K Jordan (Central North DGA)
	3 rd	D Mills and S Goodwin (Central Coast DGA)
2009	1 st	D Monch and P Rae (Terrey Hills G & CC)
	2 nd	M Kemister and M Hayes (Woollooware GC)
	3 rd	K Terrens and P Marklew (Far South Coast DGA)
2010	1 st	M Hoath and S Swansborough
	2 nd	F Pawlak and B Pope
	3 rd	B N Lee and T Moody
10. After the commencement of the competition **NO SUBSTITUTES** will be permitted. However, reserve pairs, in order of qualifying, must be nominated on the official result sheet issued to the club (enclosed).
11. a) Each player will play from his handicap applicable on the day of each round (subject to Condition 2).
11. b) The Match Committee has the authority to re-handicap any player during the event.
12. In the event of a tie between teams, at any time during the competition, the Golf Australia count back system shall apply.
13. The Match Committee shall have the right to alter or make any variations to the Conditions or Program should it deem necessary.
14. The Match Committee shall have the right to refuse the entry of any person without being required to give a reason for such refusal.
15. All disputes shall be settled by the Match Committee.

COMPETITION

STAGE 1 – CLUB QUALIFYING

Please advise Golf NSW if you will or will not be participating in this year's NSW Mens Fourball Championship. Entry forms can also be downloaded from our website at www.golfnsw.org.

Nominations should be completed by 1 March 2011.

The competition will commence with club qualifying between 1 January and 26 June, 2011. Clubs should arrange for their qualifying event to be conducted in conjunction with an already scheduled 4BBB stableford event.

Country Club Qualifying Results – Advise Golf NSW and your DGA of your three (3) qualifying pairs (and reserves) by no later than 27 June 2011.

Metropolitan Club Qualifying Results - Advise Golf NSW of your qualifying pair (and reserves) by no later than 27 June 2011.

STAGE 2 - DISTRICT and METROPOLITAN QUALIFYING

Country Districts

Golf NSW to write to qualifiers with details of the District play-off venue and date for the play-off. District Play-Offs **must** be held between June 27 and August 15, 2011.

The DGA is responsible for providing Golf NSW with a final list of players who have been invited to participate in the District play-off. DGAs are responsible for conducting the District play-off and advising Golf NSW of their qualifying pair (and reserves).

Where a qualifying pair withdraws from a District play-off within 14 days of the date of the DGA play-off, the relevant DGA will be responsible for contacting the next placed pair from the same Country DGA Club to participate in the District play-off.

Metropolitan

Three (3) Metropolitan Zone play-offs will be conducted during the week of 9 - 13 August, 2011 at three (3) venues to be advised. Pairs will be allocated to one course on one day on a geographical basis. Twenty (20) pairs in total will qualify from the three (3) Metropolitan play offs combined i.e. the number of pairs from each play-off will be determined on a per ratio basis of the number of pairs that contest each play off against the combined total of pairs that contest all the Metropolitan play-offs.

NOTE: The Match Committee has the authority to re-handicap any player during any event.

STAGE 3 – FINAL

1. The final will be held at Bonville Golf Club on 12 - 13 October, 2011. Qualifiers will be required to arrive on 11 October, 2011.
2. The event will be conducted over two (2) rounds of 18 holes. The aggregate stableford points over the two rounds will determine the NSW Men's Fourball Champions. Trophies will be awarded to the 1st, 2nd and 3rd placegetters in the Championship. Trophies will also be awarded to the winners and runners-up of each round. However, players may win only one trophy, with the Championship taking precedence.
3. The event will be under the control of the Match Committee, which comprises nominated members of Golf NSW. The Match Committee has the authority to re-handicap any player during the event.
4. The cost of accommodation for the nights of 11, 12 & 13 October, 2011 as well as the cost of the welcome barbecue 11 October, 2011, presentation dinner on 13 October, 2011 and breakfasts on the mornings of 12,13 & 14 October, 2011 will be covered by Golf NSW.

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