



Tournament Details

Where

Royal Perth Golf Club
Labouchere Road
SOUTH PERTH WA 6105

Phone (Office): 08 6436 4900
Phone (Pro Shop): 08 9367 1666
Website: www.rpgc.com.au

When

30 November to 2 December 2012

Purse

AUD\$100,000

Field

The field will contest 54-holes stroke play for the ISPS Handa Australian Senior Open title. A minimum field of 60 players will be eligible to compete, and there will be no cut.

A list of full exemption categories can be found on the official entry form on the PGA of Australia website www.pga.org.au or the Golf Australia website - www.golfaustralia.org.au or Asia Pacific Champions Tour website - www.apchampionstour.com.

Amateur Entries are to be submitted to Golf Australia - www.golfaustralia.org.au. Amateur handicap limit is 3.0.

Australian Professional entries are to be submitted to the PGA of Australia.

Asia Pacific entries are to be submitted to the Asia Pacific Champions Tour.

Groups

Rounds 1 and 2 will be conducted Pro-Am style in groups of 4. Each professional competitor will have a sponsor amateur partner for the first 36-holes of competition.

The Sponsor partner and the Professional will play a best ball stableford competition. Sponsor amateurs are requested to pick up if they cannot score on a hole to ensure play is not delayed. Professionals are encouraged to ensure sponsor partners pick up to maintain pace of play.

A seeded draw will apply for the third and final round of the tournament.

Tee-Times

Official tee-times will be published on the PGA website www.pga.org.au.

The official Round 1 and 2 Draw will be released at 5.00pm Wednesday 28 November 2012.

Pro-Am

The tournament will have one official Pro-Am on Thursday 29 November. Approximately 20 professionals will be required to play in the Pro-Am. Players will receive notification from the PGA of Australia if they are required to play the Pro-Am. This information will also be available at registration.

Light lunch will be served preceding the commencement of the Pro-Am from 11.00am.
Shot gun start commencing at approximately 12.30pm.

Players **ARE** required to stay for presentations following the completion of play. Players are not required to change but are NOT permitted to wear golf shoes in the Clubhouse.

Drinks and canapés will be served throughout presentations.



Schedule of Events

The schedule for the week will be as follows:

Tuesday 27 November

Qualifying and Practice Day

Qualifying will take place from 7.30am.

RPGC Ladies Members will be conducting a Club Competition until 12.00pm (after Pre Qualifying groups have tee'd off).

Practice rounds will be available from 12.00pm.

Registration from 9.00am to 5.00pm located in the Tournament Office.

Wednesday 28 November

Practice Day

Practice will be available to all competitors all day.

Registration from 9.00am to 5.00pm located in the Tournament Office.

Thursday 29 November

Practice Day and Pro-Am

Practice rounds will be available to all players up to 12.00pm.

Pro-Am will be a shotgun start at 12.30pm.

Approximately 20 sponsor groups will play with selected professionals over 18 holes.

Friday 30 November

1st Round

Groups of 4 from 1st and 9th tees from approximately 10.00am to 12.00pm.

Saturday 1 December

2nd Round

Groups of 4 from 1st and 9th tees from approximately 10.00am to 12.00pm.

Sunday 2 December

3rd Round

Groups of 3 starting at approximately 9.30am from the 1st and 9th tees.

Tickets

Entry for spectators will be a gold coin donation at the gate with proceeds going to the Telethon Adventurers and the Handa Foundation.

Player's Lounge and Meals

A Player's Lounge will be set up in the Clubhouse at Royal Perth Golf Club for players throughout the tournament week.

Lunch will be provided for **competitors ONLY** on tournament days (Friday 30 November to Sunday 2 December).

Meals on practice days will be available for purchase by competitors from the standard Clubhouse menu and from the Casual Dining area.

Medical Services

First Aid officers will be on hand on all tournament days (ie: Friday 30 November to Sunday 2 December).



Registration

All competitors in the Championship must register by 5.00pm Wednesday 28 November. Registration will be available in the Tournament Office, located in the clubhouse at Royal Perth Golf Club on the following days:

Tuesday 27 November	9.00am to 5.00pm
Wednesday 28 November	9.00am to 5.00pm

Any competitor failing to register within these times may be eliminated from the Championship. The Championship Committee reserves the right to waive this condition in special individual circumstances.

If it is impossible to register in person, competitors must contact the Tournament Office on registration day.

ONCE REGISTERED IN THE CHAMPIONSHIP, COMPETITORS **DO NOT** NEED TO REGISTER AGAIN. INFORMATION WILL BE GIVEN TO COMPETITORS ON THE TEE DAILY.

Withdrawals

If you are unable to compete, please contact the following person immediately:

Professionals: PGA of Australia on 03 8320 1911.
Amateurs: Therese Ritter on 0414 696 810.
Sponsors: Vault Sports Management on 0411 060 006.

Results & Draws

All results and draws will be posted on the following websites:

PGA of Australia – www.pga.org.au
Golf Australia – www.golfaustralia.org.au
Vault Sports Management – www.vaultsm.com

Course Guides

Yardage books/course guides will be available for purchase at Registration for a cost of \$20 per book.

Practice Facilities and Balls

The Royal Perth Golf Club range will operate according to the following times:

Tuesday	07:30 – 16.00 (Pre-qualifying competitors may access the range from 06.30am)
Wednesday	07:30 – 16:00
Thursday	07:30 – 16.00
	Pro-Am professionals only from 10.30am to 12.30pm
Friday	One hour before the first start time – 16.00
Saturday	One hour before the first start time – 16.00
Sunday	One hour before the first tee time – Final Tee-off

Range balls will be available for collection from the Pro Shop.

Putting Green: Large putting green located directly outside clubhouse.
Short game facility located adjacent to the clubhouse next to the 8th green.

Due to the length of the Range, players are limited to **irons only**. Competitors are encouraged to practice at **Collier Park Golf Course** in Como for longer practice sessions.

Club Storage and Lockers

Lockers will be available. Keys can be collected from the Tournament Office or upon registration. Limited storage is available and it is recommended players take their golf clubs with them daily.



Caddies

Caddies are NOT compulsory.

The tournament organisers will endeavour to provide caddies for those players who request one however it is recommended players source their own caddie. The recommended caddie fee is AUD\$70 per day.

Please confirm with the PGA of Australia and Golf Australia upon submitting your entry form if you will require a caddie to be supplied for you.

Pull Buggies

Buggies will be available to those players who require them.

Motorised Carts

Players must not ride in any form of transportation during a stipulated round unless authorised by the Championship Play Committee. Penalty: Stroke Play – 2 strokes for each hole at which a breach occurred; maximum penalty per round – 4 strokes.

Any player or caddie seeking authorisation to use a golf cart due to a disability as defined under the Disability Discrimination Act 1992 should contact Golf Australia to obtain information on procedures for submitting such requests. All such requests and required information must be submitted to GA simultaneously and together with the entry form (or within 2 days of the on-line entry being received).

Requests due to temporary injuries or impairments that do not qualify as a permanent disability under the Act will not be granted. In the event of a change in a medical condition after submitting the entry form but before the commencement of the event, written submission of all documentation must be received by GA no later than 7 days prior to the first day of the event.

GA will consider any such request in accordance with these conditions and its rules, regulations and policies.

Competition Conditions

Please refer to the Championship Conditions as listed on the entry form pertaining to Conforming Golf Balls, Conforming Driver Heads, and the One Ball Condition.

Please note: Clubs Conforming with Groove and Punch Mark Specifications: It is NOT a condition of this competition that clubs must comply with the groove and punch mark specifications in the Rules of Golf that are effective from 1 January 2010.

Competitors are requested to report to the starter approximately **10 minutes prior** to the advertised starting time. Score cards, Local Rules and hole placement sheets will be distributed by the starter on their starting tee. The current list of Conforming Golf Balls can be viewed via www.golfaustralia.org.au (see the Rules and Handicapping Section).

Distance Measuring Devices

Distance Measuring Devices are NOT permitted for use at anytime during the Championship. Players may use them in the practice rounds and the Pro-Am.

Ties

In the event of a tie for the ISPS Handa Australian Senior Open, players in such a tie will continue over such holes as the Championship Committee will decide in a sudden-death, hole-by-hole play-off until the winner is determined. The play-off hole will be Hole 18.

Presentations

Tournament presentations will take place following the completion of play at approximately 4.00pm on Sunday 2 December on the 1st tee at Royal Perth Golf Club.

Dress Requirements

“Hard/Metal” spikes are not permitted. Soft spikes are permitted in the spike bar area only. Players, caddies and spectators must adhere to dress which is neat, tidy and appropriate to the game. Denim jeans/shirts, track or leisure pants, and clothing, hats, caps, and visors with excessive slogans or advertising are not permitted.

Travel and Accommodation

Broadwater Resort Apartments

137 Melville Parade
COMO WA 6152

Phone: +61 8 9474 4222

www.broadwaters.com.au

Room Type	Rate	Sleeps	Bedding
1 bedroom apartment	\$195	2	1 x queen
1 bedroom loft apartment	\$235	4	1 x queen OR 2 x singles
2 bedroom apartment	\$250	4	1 x king and 2 x singles OR 2 x king OR 4 x singles
2 bedroom loft apartment	\$290	6	1 x king and 4 x singles OR 2 x king and 2 x singles
3 bedroom apartment	\$315	6	1 x king and 4 x singles OR 2 x king and 2 x singles OR 6 x singles
3 bedroom loft apartment	\$365	8	1 x king and 6 x singles OR 2 x king and 4 x singles OR 8 x singles

NOTE: Accommodation in Perth is typically expensive and difficult to find due to the high number of Fly In and Fly Out workers from the mines. The above rates are discounted for the tournament and extremely competitive in comparison to other hotels in Perth.

All apartments have a fully equipped kitchen and separate living / dining area.

The hotel is walking distance to Preston Street, which has a variety of cafes and restaurants as well as supermarket, petrol station and other stores. Room charge back facilities are also in place at the Karalee Tavern.

Other Resort facilities include swimming pool, sauna and spa, tennis court and onsite restaurant.

TO BOOK: Contact Emma Kent via email emma.kent@broadwaters.com.au or by phone on +61 8 9474 4222 and quote Vault Sports Management – Group Reference # 2037798.

Alternatively, download the group booking form from Vault’s website <http://www.vaultsm.com/docs/Broadwater%20Group%20Booking%20Form.pdf>. Please note that rooms are subject to availability so the hotel may contact you (if you use the booking form) to offer alternative rooms if the required room is not available.

Transportation

Players are required to provide their own transport throughout the tournament.



Parking

Parking will be available for competitors in Amherst Street (running alongside RPGC between the cricket fields).

Competitors will require a Sports Club parking pass, which can be collected at Registration for the duration of the tournament.

Parking in the Zoo carpark is free on the weekend.

General Information

Functions

A number of functions will be hosted throughout the 2012 ISPS Handa Australian Senior Open. Players required to attend functions will be issued with an invitation from tournament organisers.

Welcome Cocktail Party

Where: Royal Perth Golf Club

When: Wednesday 28 November 2012

Time: 6.30pm to 8.30pm

What: Welcome function for all sponsors. Official draw to be done throughout the evening pairing amateur players with their professional partners.

Important Tournament Contact Numbers

Vault Sports Management	08 9380 6978	www.vaultsm.com
PGA of Australia	03 8320 1911	www.pga.org.au
Golf Australia	03 9626 5050	www.golfaustralia.org.au
Royal Perth Golf Club	08 6436 4900	www.rpgc.com.au

Tournament information is updated regularly on the Vault Sports Management website.