



# 2013 NSW MEN'S FOURBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

## RULES AND CONDITIONS

**THE MATCH COMMITTEE** means the Men's Match Committee of Golf NSW

The 2013 Golf NSW Standard Conditions for State Events and the Golf NSW Code of Conduct apply to this State event. A copy of the Golf NSW Standard Conditions for State Events and the Golf NSW Code of Conduct are available from the Golf NSW website at [www.golfnsw.org](http://www.golfnsw.org)

### GENERAL

1. The competition is open to any male golfer with a current Golf Australia handicap, who is a member of a golf club affiliated with Golf NSW, who has attained the age of 18 years by January 1, 2013.
2. Competitors will play off their full Golf Australia handicap, current on the day of play. All stages will be conducted as a Mens Fourball Stableford with the stroke allocation in accordance with the Clubs' stroke index.
3. Each pair will consist two male players, 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. If a player is a member of more than one club, then that player may attempt to qualify at each of those Club qualifying rounds, but once the player has qualified for one District Final they may no longer participate at Club level.
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 Qualifying** – the winning pair(s) to progress to Stage 2  
**Stage 2: District / Metropolitan Playoffs**  
**Stage 3: State Final**
6. Motorised Transport may be used as follows:  
Stage 1: Club – according to the Club's Conditions in force on the day;  
Stage 2: District / Metropolitan Playoffs - carts may be used, and are subject to availability at the host venue.  
Stage 3: State Final - carts to be used by all competitors at Bonville.
7. All Club nominations must be made via our website at [www.golfnsw.org](http://www.golfnsw.org).
8. Any pair who has finished in the top three places in the State Final during the previous three years are not eligible to compete as a team.  
The Ineligible teams for the year 2013 are:

2010	1 <sup>st</sup>	M Hoath and S Swansborough
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	F Pawlak and B Pope
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	B N Lee and T Moody
2011	1 <sup>st</sup>	K Cagney and B Jaeger
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	R Baldini and P Binskin
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	M Smith and S Crow
2012	1 <sup>st</sup>	Luke McNamara & Dean McNamara (Fox Hills Golf Club)
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Wayne Stephens & Sim Tuitavake (Griffith Golf Club)
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Rod Fitzgerald & Jeff Mitchell (Carnarvon Golf Club)
9. 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 (enclosed).
10. The Match Committee has the authority to re-handicap any player during the event.
11. In the event of a tie between teams, in the Club or District qualifying rounds, the Golf Australia count back system shall apply. In the Final, a sudden-death play-off will be used to determine the winner, and subject to sufficient time being available (at the discretion of the Match Committee).
12. The Match Committee shall have the right to alter or make any variations to the Conditions or Program should it deem necessary.
13. The Match Committee shall have the right to refuse the entry of any person without being required to give a reason for such refusal.
14. All disputes shall be settled by the Match Committee.

## COMPETITION

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### STAGE 1 – CLUB QUALIFYING

Please advise Golf NSW if you will or will not be participating in this year's NSW Mens Fourball Championship. This must be done via our website at [www.golfnsw.org](http://www.golfnsw.org). Nominations should be completed by 1 March 2013.

The competition will commence with club qualifying between 1 January and 30 June, 2013. Clubs should arrange for their qualifying event to be conducted in conjunction with an already scheduled Fourball stableford event.

**Country Club Qualifying Results** – Advise Golf NSW of your three (3) qualifying pairs (and reserves) by no later than 30 June 2013.

**Metropolitan Club Qualifying Results** - Advise Golf NSW of your one (1) qualifying pair (and reserves) by no later than 30 June 2013.

### STAGE 2 - DISTRICT and METROPOLITAN PLAYOFFS

#### Country Districts (within the men's DGA boundaries)

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 by 26 August 2013.

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, Golf NSW will be responsible for contacting the next placed pair from the same Country DGA Club to participate in the District play-off and advise the DGA Secretary of same.

#### Metropolitan

Three Metropolitan Zone play-offs will be conducted in the second week of August 2013 at three venues to be advised. Pairs will be allocated to one course on one day, generally on a geographical basis, but not at the pair's home Club. Twenty pairs in total will qualify from the three 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.

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### STAGE 3 – FINAL

1. The final will be held at Bonville Golf Resort on 8-11 October, 2013. Qualifiers will be required to arrive on 8 October, 2013.
2. The event will be conducted over two (2) rounds of 18 holes and the aggregate stableford points over the two (2) rounds will determine the 2013 NSW Men's Fourball Champions. Trophies will be awarded to the 1st, 2nd and 3rd place getters 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 8, 9, & 10 October, 2013 as well as the cost of the welcome barbecue 8 October, 2013, presentation dinner on 10 October, 2013 and breakfasts on the mornings of 9,10 & 11 October, 2013 will be covered by Golf NSW.

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