



2014 AUSTRALIAN MEN'S AMATEUR FOURSOMES CHAMPIONSHIP



Red Hill Lookout Road, Red Hill ACT

Sunday 27 April, 2014

FORMAT

36-holes stroke play

HANDICAP LIMIT

3.4

CLOSING DATE FOR ENTRIES

5.00 pm AEDT Monday 31 March 2014



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2014 Australian Men's Amateur Foursomes Championship – ENTRY FORM

METHOD OF PAYMENT (tick selected option and complete credit card details if applicable)

(ACCEPTED CREDIT CARDS) Visa MasterCard CHEQUE MONEY ORDER CASH (GA Office Payments Only)
 Note: Debit cards cannot be accepted

Entry Fee Late Entry Fee (if applicable) \$

TOTAL AMOUNT PAYABLE \$

CCV Number Expiry Date / Card Number

Cardholder's Name Cardholder's Signature

Please enter us in the **2014 Australian Men's Amateur Foursomes Championship**. I am an amateur golfer in accordance with the Rules of Amateur Status as approved by R&A Rules Limited, and am eligible under the Conditions of the Championship.

THE ENTRANCE FEE (\$80.00) * MUST BE ATTACHED

** A \$20.00 discount applies to players who enter on-line*

PLAYER 1	Surname		Preferred Given Name	
Address				Postcode
Private Phone	(0)	Business Phone	(0)	
Mobile Phone			E-mail	
Home Club	GOLF Link No.			
Date of Birth				Australian H'cap (Exact)
PLAYER 2	Surname		Preferred Given Name	
Address				Postcode
Private Phone	(0)	Business Phone	(0)	
Mobile Phone			E-mail	
Home Club	GOLF Link No.			
Date of Birth				Australian H'cap (Exact)

I confirm that the information supplied is correct, that I am eligible to enter under the Conditions of the Championship, and that I submit myself to be bound by these Conditions. I also confirm that I have read and understood Condition 4.8.

<i>Signature of Competitors</i>	NB – All entrants must supply <u>either</u> a six-month HANDICAP RECORD or a GOLF LINK NUMBER.
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ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RECEIPT

A list of all entries received by Golf Australia will be posted at www.golf.org.au – please note that inclusion on this list is not an indication of inclusion in the Championship field. A player's entry form has not officially been received until their name appears on this list.

2014 Australian Men's Amateur Foursomes Championship - CONDITIONS

1. Format

- 1.1 The Championship shall be decided over 36-holes of Foursome stroke play on Sunday 27 April 2014.
- 1.2 The order of play from the tee must be changed for the 2nd Round.
- 1.3 The winners will be the Australian Men's Amateur Foursome Champions and receive silver medallions. The runners-up shall receive bronze medallions.
- 1.4 In the event of a tie, joint winners will be declared.

2. Championship Play Committee

- 2.1 The Championship Play Committee will comprise the Chair of the Golf Australia Championships Committee, Golf Australia's Director - Championships, and Manager – Championships.
- 2.2 In the absence of the full Championship Play Committee, such members as may be present at the time may give a decision and any decision so given shall be deemed to be a decision of the full Championship Play Committee.
- 2.3 The Championship Play Committee shall have the sole management and control of the Championship with full power at any time to alter or vary any of the conditions.
- 2.4 The Championship Play Committee's decision on matters affecting the Championship will be final.

3. Rules of Play

The Rules of Golf, as adopted by R&A Rules Limited, will apply, together with Golf Australia's Hard Card (see condition 14), and any additional Local Rules as drawn up by the Championship Play Committee.

4. Entries

- 4.1 Eligible players are male amateur golfers whose individual Australian Handicap or overseas equivalent does not exceed 3.4 strokes. (NB. The handicap limits do not apply to those players who are exempt as detailed in Condition 5.) The exact Handicap certified at time of entry is the handicap to be used for ballot purposes.
- 4.2 The Entrance Fee is \$80.00 (includes GST). **A \$20.00 discount applies to players who enter on-line.**
- 4.3 Entries must only be made via the Golf Australia on-line entry process, or on the entry form issued by Golf Australia, or facsimile copies thereof. Entry by email is acceptable provided it is a scanned image of the official entry form.
- 4.4 The decision of the Championship Play Committee as to acceptance or refusal of any entry will be final.
- 4.5 In the event of applications exceeding the number of places available in the Championship (40 pairs), entries from the higher aggregate handicap pairs who are not exempt will be decided by a handicap ballot. Unsuccessful entrants will be informed without delay and given the opportunity to compete if withdrawals subsequently occur.

Entrance Fees will be refunded to entrants balloted out, who do not compete.

- 4.6 Fully completed Entry Forms must be received by Golf Australia Club by no later than 5.00pm (AEDT) Monday 31 March. It is the sole responsibility of the pair to ensure that its entry is received prior to the closing time for entries.
- 4.7 Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the Championship Play Committee. Any such entry shall be subject to the application of a \$40.00 late fee (includes GST).
- 4.8 In the event that an entry is received after the closing time for entries and that it is accepted, the entrant shall be automatically liable to the Golf Australia for the sum of \$40.00 (the "late entry fee" – includes GST). Where the entrant nominates to pay the entry fee by credit card, by providing their credit card details, the card holder additionally authorises Golf Australia to debit the nominated account for the sum of the late entry fee (if applicable). Where payment is made by cheque, money order, or cash, the entrant will be invoiced for the amount of the late entry fee and the entry will not be accepted until the full requisite payment has been received.
- 4.9 Acceptable payment methods are only as follows – credit card (Visa, or MasterCard only), cheque (personal or bank), money order, cash (please note that Golf Australia will NOT accept responsibility for cash sent that is not received). Cheques or money orders are to be made payable to **Golf Australia**. Debit cards cannot be accepted.
- 4.10 Only entry forms accompanied by credit card payment will be accepted by facsimile or email. Entry forms accompanied by other acceptable payment methods must be submitted by post or in person. Entries will not be accepted by telephone. Entry forms will not be accepted unless they are fully completed.
- 4.11 Entrance Fees will be refunded in the case of a withdrawal being advised before the closing time for entries, except for those entrants who may be balloted out and who do not subsequently compete.
- 4.12 For each player, an entry must be accompanied either by a copy of his current handicap record for the past six months officially endorsed by his home club, or by his GOLF Link number.

5. Exemptions

Exemptions for the 2014 Australian Men's Amateur Foursomes Championship will be granted to the below (Note – Where applicable, it is the sole responsibility of the player to ensure that the Championship Play Committee has received notification of their exempt status. Should the Championship Play Committee not be so advised, that player will be deemed to be a non-exempt player).

- 5.1 Any pair where at least one player is in the top 10 of the WAGR as at close of entries.
- 5.2 Any pair where both players are in the top 100 of the WAGR as at close of entries.

- 5.3 Any pair where both players are in the top 50 of the Australian Rankings as at close of entries.
- 5.4 Any pair where one of the players is the 2013 Australian Amateur Foursomes Champion.
- 5.5 Any pair where both players are members of the 2014 Interstate Teams Matches.
- 5.6 Players exempted by Golf Australia.

6. Conforming Golf Balls, and Conforming Driver Heads

The specimen conditions in the Rules of Golf are in effect as regards Conforming Golf Balls, and Conforming Driver Heads.

7. Pace of Play

Rule 6-7 will be strictly enforced. See the Golf Australia Hard Card for Pace of Play conditions.

8. Motorised Transport

Players or caddies must not ride in any form of transportation during a stipulated round unless authorised by the Championship Play Committee. Penalty: 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 Golf Australia simultaneously and together with the entry form (or within 2 days of the on-line entry being receipted). 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 Golf Australia no later than 7 days prior to the first day of the event. Golf Australia will consider any such request in accordance with these conditions and its rules, regulations and policies

Note: Where a player or caddie is granted an exemption to used Motorised Transport, they are being granted an exemption to carry their clubs (or their player's clubs) only, as well as themselves. That is, the player or caddie is not permitted to transport the clubs of their partner (unless the Committee specifically authorises otherwise).

9. Practice

There is no official practice round for the Australian Foursomes Championship. Times may be available at the discretion of the host club.

10. Drug Testing

All competitors are subject to drug testing by the Australian Sports Drug Agency for banned

substances as laid down in Golf Australia's Anti-Doping Policy. Any competitor infringing this policy, or refusing to take a test, will be disqualified and subject to any sanction(s) brought down by ASADA. A list of the prohibited substances will be available at registration. Clarification of any medication can be obtained via ASADA Hotline- 1800 020 506, or from www.asada.gov.au.

11. Publicity and Promotion; Broadcasting

Golf Australia may arrange for promotion of the Championship, for radio, internet and television broadcasting and other exhibition and publication of the Championship or excerpts thereof in any and all media throughout the world, whether now known or hereafter developed. By this application, the player consents to the use by Golf Australia, or persons authorised by Golf Australia, of their name, likeness, voice and references to them and photographs and other images of them and their play connected with their appearance in the Championship, or any portion(s) thereof, in connection with such media promotion, broadcasting and other exhibition and publication of the Championship. Golf Australia may utilise the rights granted it hereunder in connection with the promotion of this Championship as well as other Golf Australia Championships and Golf Australia. The cooperation of players with authorised representatives of the media is required, provided that no pre-Championship activities outside of those activities which are part of the Championship will be required and provided that the player's Championship play is not unreasonably interfered with.

12. Code of Conduct

All entrants are bound by Golf Australia's Code of Conduct ("the Code"). A copy of the Code is available at www.golfaustralia.org.au. Any breach of the Code may be recorded on the Central Register of the Code ("the Register"). The Register may be accessed (and published from time to time) by any State Association or Golf Australia for the purposes of administering Competitions or state championships, events, competitions, practice sessions or major activities conducted or sanctioned by a State Association, or any State Association or Golf Australia codes of conduct and/or other related matters.

13. Smoking Policy

Players are prohibited from smoking cigarettes, cigars or the like during a stipulated round. See Golf Australia's Code of Conduct.

14. Golf Australia Hard Card

The Golf Australia Hard Card will be in effect throughout the Australian Men's Amateur Foursomes Championship.

Note i: Distance Measuring Devices are NOT permitted. Penalty in accordance with Rule 14-3.

Note ii: The new condition relating to Club Face Grooves will not be in effect until 2015