

2014 AUSTRALIAN MEN'S SENIOR AMATEUR MATCH PLAY CHAMPIONSHIP

Coolangatta-Tweed Heads Golf Club

Soorley St, Tweed Heads South NSW 2486

Monday 27 to Wednesday 29 October 2014

ELIGIBILITY Entrants must have a Ranking on the Australian Men's Senior Rankings as at close of entries

> **FORMAT** Elimination Match Play, with all players contesting five rounds of Matches

> > **CLOSING DATE FOR ENTRIES** 5.00 pm on Thursday 2 October 2014

CHAMPIONSHIP ENTRY FEE

\$240.00

Includes

Championship Entry (plus Practice Round) Use of Shared Golf Cart on all Championship Days

CHAMPIONSHIP INFORMATION:



Australian Government Australian Sports Commission

Information for competitors will be posted on <u>www.golf.org.au</u>

To: Golf Australia, Level 3, 95 Coventry Street, South Melbourne, Victoria, 3205, Australia Telephone +61 3 9626 5000; Facsimile +61 3 9626 5095; Email <u>championships@golf.org.au</u>

2014 Australian Men's Senior Amateur Match Play Championship – ENTRY FORM

CHAMPIONSHIP PRESENTATION FUNCTION

<u>Championship Presentation Luncheon:</u> (The Championship Luncheon is <u>NOT</u> included in the <u>ENTRY FEE</u>) This will be held at Coolangatta Tweed Heads Golf Club at approximately 1.30 pm on Wednesday 29 October. The cost is \$30.00 per person (Barbecue Buffet). Please note that drinks are <u>NOT INCLUDED</u>. Places should be purchased at the time of entry but, subject to numbers, places may still be purchased up until Registration Day.

	Number of Purchased Places	Guest's Name	Price per Ticket	Cost
PRESENTATION LUNCHEON (NB Not included in entry fee)			\$30.00	\$
			Total	

CHAMPIONSHIP (please tick the relevant box)

Championship Section:	
Australian Men's Senior Match Play Championship	
Australian Men's Senior Match Play Championship – Super Senior Section *	
Cart:	
I am happy to share a cart during the matches	
I would like my OWN cart during the matches #	

* Eligible players for the Super Senior Section are those on the Australian Super Senior Ranking System. Super Senior players may CHOOSE whether they wish to contest the Australian Men's Senior Match Play Championship, or the Super Senior Section. # An additional charge of \$75.00 will apply

METHOD OF PAYM	ENT – VISA	Master	Card 🔲 🛛	CHEQUE		eyorder C	CASH (Golf Australia O	ffice Payment	s) 🗖	
Cart (if own cart preferred)	\$	Luncheon	\$		Entry Fee	\$240	Late Entry	/ Fee (if ap	oplicable)	\$	
							TOTAL /	AMOUNT P	PAYABLE	\$	
CCV Number	Expiry Date		Ca	ard Nur	mber						
Cardholder's Name				0	Cardholder's	Signature					

NB In the event that this entry is received after the closing time for entries and <u>that it is accepted</u>, the entrant shall be automatically liable to 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.

Please enter me in the 2014 Australian Men's Senior Amateur Match Play Championship. I am an amateur player 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 (\$240.00) MUST BE ATTACHED

NAME	Surname		Preferred	Given Nam	e	
A data a c						
Address					Postcode	
Private Phone	(0)		Business Phone	(0)		
Mobile Phone		E-mail				
Home Club		Date of Birth		Age as a	at 27/10/2014	
Exact GA H'cap			Golf Link Number			

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 4.9.

	Signature of Competitor	
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2014 AUSTRALIAN MEN'S SENIOR AMATEUR MATCH PLAY CHAMPIONSHIP - CONDITIONS

1. Format

- 1.1 The Championship will be played in two sections at Coolangatta-Tweed Heads Golf Club (West Course)
- 1.2 (i) The first section will be the Australian Men's Senior Match Play Championship and will be played over five (5) rounds of 18 holes elimination Match Play:

(5) rounds of 18 holes elimination Match Play:			
Round 1 (AM):	Monday 27 Oct		
Round 2 (PM):	Monday 27 Oct		
Quarter Finals (AM):	Tuesday 28 Oct		
Semi Finals (PM):	Tuesday 28 Oct		
Final (AM):	Wednesday 29 Oct		

The Championship will consist of successive rounds of match play, with losers being eliminated and winners progressing to the next round. The general numerical draw will be applied to establish the match pairings (based on the player's position on the 2014 Australian Men's Senior Rankings after the Australian Senior Amateur) with the highest ranked player receiving the lowest available number, in accordance with the published Golf Australia procedure. If two or more players are tied in the Australian Rankings, the player's exact Australian Handicap at the time of entry will be used, with the player with the lowest exact handicap receiving the lowest number available.

Once eliminated from the main Championship, all eliminated players will be drawn to play in additional match play draws which will ensure all players play all five (5) Rounds.

(iii) The second section will be the Australian Men's Senior Match Play Championship - Super Senior Section. The Super Senior Section will be played over three (3) rounds of 18 holes round robin match play (after the players are divided into two Pools), with the leading player in each Pool progressing to the Final:

Round 1 (Round Robin) (AM):	Mon 27 Oct
Round 2 (Round Robin) (PM):	Mon 27 Oct
Round 3 (Round Robin) (AM):	Tues 28 Oct
Final (AM):	Wed 29 Oct

The Pools will be determined by the player's position in the Australian Men's Super Senior Rankings after the 2014 Australian Senior Amateur (30 September -2 October), with player's ranked 1, 4, 5, and 8 constituting Pool A, and players ranked 2, 3, 6 and 7 constituting Pool B. If two or more players are tied in the Australian Rankings, the player's exact Australian Handicap at the time of entry will be used, with the player with the lowest exact handicap receiving the lowest number available. Players in each Pool will play each other once, with the player in each Pool having won the most number of matches progressing to the Final. In the event that two or more players have the same number of wins, the result(s) of the match(es) between the tied players will be used to determine the winner. If still a tie, the number of holes won between the tied players in all matches will be used, and if still a tie, the Finalists will be determined by their original seeding within the Pools. Those players not progressing to the Final will be drawn to play on the final day, with the second placed player from Pool A playing the second placed player from Pool B, and so on. In the event of a tie, the above procedure will be used.

- 1.3 In the event of a halved match in any round;
 - (i) players will continue to play until a winner is determined, and;
 - (ii) the round is deemed to extend to as many holes as are required for a match to be won.
- 1.4 The winner of the first section will be the Australian Men's Senior Amateur Match Play Champion and will receive the Championship gold medallion and hold the Championship Trophy for one year. The runner-up will receive a silver

medallion. The third place getter (ie. the winner of the match between the losing semi-finalists) will receive a bronze medallion. The winner of the second section will be the *Australian Men's Senior Amateur Match Play Super Senior Champion* and will receive a gold medallion. The runner-up will receive a silver medallion. The third place getter (ie. the winner of the match between the two players who placed second in their respective Pool) will receive a bronze medallion.

2. Championship Play Committee

- 2.1 The Championship Play Committee will comprise Golf Australia Board Member, Golf Australia's Director -Championships, and Manager – Championships & Rules.
- 2.2 In the absence of a full Championship Play Committee, such members as may be present at the time may give a decision, and any decision so given will be deemed to be a decision of the full Championship Play Committee.
- 2.3 The Championship Play Committee will 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 18), and any additional Local Rules as drawn up by the Championship Play Committee.

4. Entries

4.1 Eligible players for the first section are male amateurs who have reached their 55th birthday by 27 October 2014 and who are the leading 32 entries according to the 2014 Australian Men's Senior Rankings as at after the 2014 Australian Senior Amateur.

Eligible players for the second section are male amateurs who have reached their 65th birthday by 27 October 2014 and who are the leading 8 entries according to the 2014 Australian Men's Rankings – Super Senior Section System as at after the 2014 Australian Senior Amateur.

NB. A player aged 65 years and over may CHOOSE whether he wishes to contest the first section or the second section of the Championship.

- 4.2 Entrance Fee \$240.00 (includes GST). Entry Fees will not be processed until after the event.
- 4.3 Entries must be made on the entry form issued by Golf Australia, or a facsimile copy 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 Entrants must conform in all respects to the Rules of Amateur Status, as adopted by R&A Rules Limited.
- 4.6 Fully completed Entry Forms, together with appropriate Entrance Fees, must be received by Golf Australia prior to 5:00 pm on Thursday 2 October 2014. <u>IT IS THE SOLE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE ENTRANT THEMSELVES TO ENSURE THAT THEIR ENTRY IS RECEIVED PRIOR TO THE CLOSING TIME FOR ENTRIES.</u> A player's entry form has not officially been received until their name has been posted at <u>www.golf.org.au</u>
- 4.7 In the event of entry applications exceeding the number of places available in the first section of the Championship (32), or the second section of the Championship (8), applications outside of the leading 32 entries, (or 8 entries) according to the 2014 Australian Men's Senior Rankings as at after the Australian Senior Amateur will be balloted. Unsuccessful applications will be informed without delay and given the opportunity to compete if withdrawals

subsequently occur. Entry Fees will not be processed until after entries have closed.

- 4.8 In the event that 64 or more entries are received by the closing date, Golf Australia <u>may</u> consider increasing the field size to 64 players.
- 4.9 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).
- 4.10 In the event that an entry is received after the closing time for entries and that <u>it is accepted</u>, the entrant will be automatically liable to 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.
- 4.11 Acceptable payment methods are only as follows credit card (Visa, or MasterCard only), cheque (personal or bank), money order, cash (please note though 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*.
- 4.12 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.
- 4.13 Entrance Fees will only be refunded in the case of a withdrawal being advised before the closing time for entries, except for those entrants who fail to secure a place.

5. 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.

6. Pace of Play

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

7. Motorised Transport

All players are permitted to use motorised transport.

8. Practice

Sunday 26 October, Tee times between 1pm – 2:30pm

9. Registration

Competitors are to register between 3.00 pm and 5.00 pm at Coolangatta-Tweed Heads Golf Club on Sunday 26 October. If a player cannot be at the club at that time, players may register via phone. Failure to comply may result in disqualification from the Championship.

10. Match Play Draw and Withdrawals

The draw will be released once all players have registered. If there is a subsequent withdrawal, the opponent will receive a forfeit. A player is <u>not</u> permitted to withdraw from any round of the Championship unless on the receipt of a medical certificate, or in exceptional circumstances (as determined by the Championship Play Committee). Penalty: As determined by the Golf Australia's Championship Committee.

11. Drug Testing

All competitors are subject to drug testing by the Australian Sports Anti-Doping 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 the ASADA hotline – 13 000 ASADA (13 000 27232), or from <u>www.asada.gov.au</u>.

12. Database of Competitors' Details

The personal data contained in this entry is permanently retained by Golf Australia. This data may be utilised by Golf Australia or its sponsors for the distribution of correspondence, in both electronic and hard copy means. From time to time players may be sent entry forms, event literature, the Golf Australia e-newsletter, or marketing material by the sponsor(s) of Golf Australia events, or information about events conducted by Golf Australia-approved bodies. Upon receipt by Golf Australia of a written request, a player may either have access to their details, or have their details deleted from the database.

13. Publicity and Promotion; Broadcasting

GA 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 GA, or persons authorised by GA, 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. GA may utilise the rights granted it hereunder in connection with the promotion of this Championship as well as other GA Championships and GA. 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.

14. Code of Conduct

All entrants are bound by Golf Australia's Code of Conduct ("the Code"). A copy of the Code is available at <u>www.golf.org.au</u>. 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 GA for the purposes of administering state and national championships, any codes of conduct and/or other related matters.

15. Legal Policies (e.g. Match Fixing Policy)

All entrants are bound to comply with all of GA's legal policies. These policies relate to the golfer's behaviour and the behaviour of their associates during the tournament. Any breach of these policies may result in the competitor being withdrawn from the competition and subject to investigation and disciplinary proceedings. Depending on the nature of the offence, the competitor may also be subject to criminal charges arising from their conduct. It is the duty of the competitors and their associates to familiarise themselves with the relevant policies and ensure they comply. Copies of GA's Legal Policies can be found on the GA website under the Industry Information page on the ABOUT US Tab.

16. Smoking Policy

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

17. Distance Measuring Devices

In this competition a player may obtain distance information by using a device that measures distance only. If, during a stipulated round, a player uses a distance-measuring device that is designed to gauge or measure other conditions that might affect their 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 function is actually used.

18. Golf Australia Hard Card

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