



## NSW Aboriginal Golf (INC)

Invites players to participate in The 2014 New South Wales Aboriginal Golf Championship proudly sponsored by the New South Wales Aboriginal Land Council and Yarnteen Ltd.

Hunter Valley Golf Club  
(430 Wine Country Drive, Lovedale, 2321)

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> &  
Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> December 2014

The Championship is a 36 hole stroke event open to Male and Female amateur golfers with a current Australian Handicap.

There will be Scratch and Handicap Events in three Grades as well as an overall Veterans (60 years and over), Ladies and Juniors Divisions (12-18 years).

A Grade up to 12 handicap

B Grade 13 to 19

C Grade 20 +

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Please ensure that you read the attached conditions of entry carefully and fill out all information in the nomination form.

# Player Nomination Form

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Club: \_\_\_\_\_ Golflink: \_\_\_\_\_

Handicap: \_\_\_\_\_ Veteran or Junior (Please Circle)

Contact: Tel \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Please note your entry must be submitted by the closing date, (5pm on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> November 2014) to guarantee your shirt in the right size. Limited shirts will be available for purchase at the Championships. Polo Shirt Size (Please circle gender and size required)

Men's/Ladies      S      M      L      XL      XXL      XXXL

There are 2 package deals for players competing in the Champion, they are:

1. Two day package including golf (walking), polo shirt and hat:  
\$200pp (Including lunch pack both days and presentation)

2. Two day package including golf, motorized cart, polo shirt and hat:  
\$240pp (See rule 11 of Conditions of Entry for motorized cart eligibility rules)

Payment must be provided at time of entry which can be made by the following:

Payment in Person at the Hunter Valley Golf Resort Office which is located at 430 Wine Country Drive, Lovedale, NSW 2321

Payment by Money order or Cheque to NSW Aboriginal Golf Incorporated (NAGI)

Payment by Credit Card over the phone or provide details as below:

Name on card: \_\_\_\_\_ Card Type: \_\_\_\_\_

CardNumber: \_\_\_\_\_ Expiry: \_\_\_\_\_

Office Use

Payment receipted: \_\_\_\_\_ Entrant ID number: \_\_\_\_\_

# 2014 NSW Aboriginal Golf Championships

## CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

1. THE CHAMPIONSHIP: The Championship will be played over 36 holes on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> and Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> of December 2014 at the Hunter Valley Golf Resort. Play will be off the championship tees (Blue plates).

### 2. CHAMPIONSHIP COMMITTEE:

The Championship Committee, appointed by NSW Aboriginal Golf Incorporated, shall have sole management and control of this event. The Championship Committee reserves the right to:

- (a) fix and/or alter starting times.
- (b) in the event of bad weather, or for any other reason, either shorten the contest , or fix another date/venue.
- (c) vary any condition should they deem it advisable.
- (d) reject any entry without assigning any reason.

The decision of the Championship Committee will be final in all matters and in the absence of a full Committee, such members as may be present at the time may give a decision, and any such decision shall be deemed to be a decision of the full Championship Committee.

## 4. ENTRIES

### 4.1

The Championship is open to all male and female Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander amateur golfers who are aged a minimum of 12 years, as at the 20<sup>th</sup> June, 2013, with an approved Australian Men's or Women's handicap, who are members of a Club affiliated through their District Golf Association and with their respective States Golf Association.

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Wherever possible, entrants should provide Golfink numbers on the registration form. Others without such will need to provide documented evidence of an established, current handicap to the Organising Committee at time of Registration. There will be no exceptions

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The committee has provided the opportunity for non indigenous golfers (Vistors) to participate in the championship, but those persons cannot contest the main championships. They must hold a current AGU handicap.

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### 4.2

An Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander is someone who is of Australian Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent, who identifies as such, and is accepted by the Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Island communities as an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander.

### 4.3

The field will be limited to 144 players – should entries be received in excess of this number, the latest received entries may be balloted out and their entry fee refunded.

### 4.4

Entries must be received by NAGI, by 5pm on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> November 2014. For more information call Hunter Valley Golf Resort or Michael Ridgeway, Convenor; Championship Organising Committee on 0417 217 301 Late entries will only be accepted at the discretion of the Committee.

#### 4.5

The prescribed nomination fee (incl.GST) must accompany the nomination form at the time of nomination. Faxed entries require Credit Card information and telephone contact so that payment can be processed and confirmed.

#### 4.6

Do not send cash in the mail – NAGI will not accept responsibility for cash that is reportedly made in this way.

#### 4.7

Once the draw is completed there will be no refund of entry fees to players who withdraw from the event.

#### 5. RULES:

The Rules of Golf as adopted by the R&A Rules Limited will apply, together with such Local Rules as are approved by the Championship Committee. Failure to adhere to the rules of Golf will result in disqualification from the championship

#### 6. PROTESTS:

All protests must be lodged in writing with the Championship Committee, no later than 10 minutes after the conclusion of the player's round on each day.

#### 7. TIES:

In the event of a tie or ties for the Championship, unless the Championship Committee determines otherwise, play shall continue over such holes as the Championship Committee shall decide, players being eliminated hole by hole as they fail to maintain equality with others, or until the winner is determined. All other ties will be decided by the Australian Count - back System.

#### 8. PACE OF PLAY:

Rule 6-7 will be strictly enforced. Each group must maintain its position on the course with respect to the group preceding it. Any group with a clear hole in front will be considered out of position. Penalties will be issued to individuals in such groups who, by their pace, contribute to such delay. Warnings may not be issued prior to penalties.

#### 9. DRAW AND STARTING TIMES:

The draw for the 5<sup>th</sup> December 2014 (first 18 holes) will be in groups of 4 players with similar AGU Handicaps and will be available on the Hunter Valley Golf Resort Website and displayed on the club notice board from Monday 1<sup>st</sup> December 2014. For the second day (last 18 holes) all players will be seeded by their Gross score from Day one and posted on the Club Notice Board after 7.00pm on Day one for a shot gun start of 9.30am for Day Two.

Rule 6-3a provides

“The player must start at the time established by the Committee”. The penalty for breach of Rule 6-3a is disqualification. However it is a condition of this Championship that, in the absence of circumstances that warrant waiving the penalty of disqualification as provided in Rule 33-7, if the player arrives at his/her starting point ready to play within 5 minutes of his/her starting time, the penalty to start on time is 2 strokes at the first hole, instead of disqualification.

#### 10. BALL:

It will be obligatory for all competitors to play with a ball which is named in the current list of Conforming Golf Balls issued by the R&A. Penalty for breach of Condition is Disqualification.

#### 11. USE OF MOTORISED BUGGIES/GOLF CARTS:

Players must not ride in any form of motorised transport in any stipulated Championship round unless authorised by the Championship Committee. Exemptions to this condition may be granted when a player suffers from a medical condition and/or is over the age of 55. A copy of the medical certificate must accompany the player's nomination form and the original produced to the Championship Committee at time of Registration.

Private motorised Golf Carts may only be used under this condition. Non-exempt players cannot ride in exempted player's vehicle. The use of motorised Golf Carts is at the sole discretion of the Committee. Contact Hunter Valley Golf Resort Proshop on 61-2-4991-4777 to book a motorized golf cart.

#### 12. DRESS REGULATIONS:

It is a requirement of this Championship that all players comply with the dress regulations of the host course. As a guide, dress shorts may be worn (board shorts/athletic shorts or tracksuit pants are not permitted); predominantly white sports socks; tailored slacks; Golf shirts with collars or turtle necks (T- Shirts and Tank tops are not permitted); golf or sports shoes must be worn (metals spikes, thongs or bare feet will not be permitted). Failure to comply will result in disqualification from the championship.

#### 13. ELECTRONIC AIDS:

Devices that measure or gauge distance only may be used in the Championship. However, the use of a distance - measuring device that is designed to gauge or measure other conditions that might affect a player's play (e.g., gradient, wind speed, temperature, etc.) is not permitted regardless of whether such an additional function is used. (See Note Rule 14- 3)

#### 14. TROPHIES:

Trophies will be awarded to the Championship winners of the overall men's, ladies' and juniors' gross, overall net and runners up. Veteran golfers (60+ years) will be awarded a best gross and a best net prize. Visitors will be awarded for best gross and a best nett prize. A, B & C Grades best gross and best net prizes will be awarded, as well as 4 nearest to pins prizes for each day will be awarded. Major prizes will be limited to one per competitor.

#### 15. PRACTICE:

Prior practice on the course will only be available by arrangement with Hunter Valley Golf Resort. On any day of the Championship, no practice on the course, or testing of the surface of greens, is allowed -Rule 7-1b.

#### 16. REGISTRATION:

Competitors will be required to register on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> December in person to the Championship Office at the Hunter Valley Golf Resort. Each competitor will receive conditions for the Championship and a gift pack. The office will be open from 7.00am.

#### 17. PRIVACY:

NSW Aboriginal Golf Incorporated may retain the personal details (i.e. name, address, email address, handicap) of entrants in this Championship on their records. The purpose of doing so is such that information on future events conducted by NAGI can be forwarded, as deemed appropriate. This information will not be available to any other organization, and any person may have their details removed from this database by contacting the NAGI Secretary

#### 18. MEDIA:

An agent for National Indigenous Television (NITV), or other media organisations, may be filming players on the course and conducting pre and post golf interviews, and/or on-course vision on the driving range or any other areas within the Hunter Valley Resort

course. All players and their assistants that participate in the Championship agree that their images may be used in all media to promote the event. Your signature on the nomination form is used as acceptance to this condition. Players and the assistants are encouraged to be friendly and approachable during the Championship in order that the best possible coverage can be displayed to the nation.

**19. ETIQUETTE AND BEHAVIOUR:**

Participants must ensure that they adhere to local rules and go  
If etiquette including repair of pitch marks, raking bunkers, carrying sand buckets and any other requirements stipulated by the Championships committee or representative of Hunter Valley Golf Resort. As representatives of our communities and of the championships all entrants are required to act in a respectful manner when on the course and in the Club House