

# 2015 LAKE MACQUARIE WOMEN'S AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP CONDITIONS

These are to be read in conjunction with the Golf NSW Standard Conditions for Events Run By Golf NSW, the Golf NSW Code of Conduct and the Golf NSW Hard Card. Should a conflict occur between conditions, then the conditions outlined on this entry form take precedence.

## 1. Event Procedure

- 1.1 The Championship will be stroke play over four rounds of 18 holes. A seeded draw will be completed for round 3 at the conclusion of round 2, and for round 4 at the conclusion of round 3.
- 1.2 **TIES:** In the event of a tie for the Championship, players in such a tie will continue over such holes as the Championship Committee determine in a hole-by-hole play-off until the winner is determined. If insufficient time is available, joint winners will be declared. All other ties to be determined using the Golf Australia Countback method.
- 1.3 Scratch and Nett trophies will be awarded, with a limit of one trophy for each player (awarded in order of value).

## 2. Championship Play Committee

- 2.1 The Championship Play Committee will comprise the Belmont Golf Club Ladies Match Committee and/or their appointees.
- 2.2 In the absence of a full Championship Play Committee, such members that 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 decision of the Championship Committee as to acceptance or refusal of any entry will be final.
- 2.4 Protests must be made in writing and submitted to the Championship Committee within 15 minutes of the conclusion of the day's play. The Championship Committee's decision on matters affecting the Championship shall be final.
- 2.5 The Championship Committee reserves the right to amend these Conditions.

## 3. Rules of Play

The Rules of Golf, as adopted by R&A Rules Limited, will apply, together with Golf NSW Hard Card (see condition 10), and any additional Local Rules as drawn up by the Championship Play Committee.

## 4. Entries

- 4.1 **Handicap:** Eligible players are women amateur golfers whose Golf Australia Handicap (or overseas equivalent) does not exceed 15.0 strokes at the time of entry.
- 4.2 **Age:** There is no age restriction for the Championship. Only those aged under 18 years or over 50 years of age as at the first day of the Championship are eligible for the Junior and Senior trophy respectively.
- 4.3 **Entry Fee:** The entry fee applicable for this event is \$140 inclusive of GST.
- 4.4 In the event of entry applications exceeding the number of places available in the event (168), precedence will be given in order of handicap. Unsuccessful applicants will be informed without delay and given the opportunity to compete if withdrawals subsequently occur. Monies received from balloted entrants, who do not subsequently compete, will be refunded in entirety.
- 4.5 In the case of a withdrawal, entrance fees will only be refunded if the withdrawal is prior to the closing date or if an entrant withdraws for medical reasons. (A medical certificate must accompany the request for withdrawal on medical grounds).  
Note: upon withdrawal, as detailed in the Standard Conditions, a \$10 administration fee is deducted (the \$10 admin charge for entries not made online is also non-refundable).
- 4.6 Late entries may be accepted after the closing date at the discretion of the Championship Committee. Any such entry **MAY** be subject to \$20.00 late fee (includes GST).

## 5. Motorised Transport

See Golf NSW Standard Conditions. Participants must walk at all times during a stipulated round unless permission has been granted by the Committee. Applications for permission **MUST** be made at the time of entry and a valid medical certificate is required to support this. Players are responsible for arranging their own motorised transport.

## 6. Practice

- 6.1 Practice rounds prior to the week of the Tournament are at the discretion of Belmont Golf Club. Permission must be sought from the club and practice times may be booked directly with the Professional Shop on 02 4945 2058.
- 6.2 Practice on the course will be available to all competitors on Friday 2 January (all day) and Saturday 3 January (after 3.00 pm). Such practice must be booked directly with the Professional Shop on 02 4945 2058.
- 6.3 Practice Range: Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> to Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup>, each player will be entitled to one bucket of balls at no charge. Additional balls may be purchased.
- 6.5 Practice During Event: In accordance with the note to Rule 7-1, the specimen condition will be in effect i.e.
  - (a) Practice on or near the green of the hole last played, and
  - (b) Rolling a ball on the putting green of the hole last played is prohibited.

## 7. Registration

Competitors **MUST** register at least 30 minutes before their starting time on each day of play.

## 8. Pace of Play

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

## 9. Trophies

Competitors may win only one prize.

Prizes will be awarded based on value:

- Scratch: first to fourth places;
- Nett: first to fourth places.

Depending on the number of players in the Senior and Junior categories, additional prizes may be awarded for:

- Senior Scratch and Nett winners; and
- Junior Scratch and Nett winners.

## 10. Golf NSW Hard Card

The Golf NSW Hard Card will be in effect throughout this event.

Note i: Distance Measuring Devices are permitted.