

to be played at



Qingdao Linghai Hot Spring Golf Club, China

Entrants must be at least 55 years of age as at 14/10/2015



CHINA GOLF ASSOCIATION

on behalf of the

Asia Pacific Golf Confederation

Wednesday 14 October to Friday 16 October, 2015

Closing Date for Entries: Monday 14 September 2015 at 5:00 pm

FORMAT: 54 Holes Stroke Play

CHAMPIONSHIP INFORMATION

The draw and other important competitor information will be posted on www.asiapacificgolf.org at 5.00 pm on Wednesday 30 September 2015



2015 Asia-Pacific Senior Amateur Championship CONDITIONS



1. Championship Procedure

1.1 The Championship will be played over 54 holes of stroke play at the Qingdao Linghai Hot Spring Golf Club, China.

Round 1 – Wednesday 14 October – AM/PM

Round 2 – Thursday 15 October – AM/PM

Round 3 – Friday 16 October – AM/PM

NB: There will be no cut.

There is both a scratch and handicap element to the event."

- 1.2 The winner will be the *Asia-Pacific Senior Amateur Champion* and will receive a Championship Gold Memento and hold the Y.A. Bhg. Tun Abdul Hamid Omar Cup for one year. The runner-up will receive a Silver Memento.
- 1.3 In the event of a tie after three rounds for the Championship, the winner will be decided by a holeby-hole play-off to take place immediately after the final round has concluded. Unless the Championship Committee determines otherwise, other positions will be decided by count-back in accordance with The R&A's Matching Cards procedure.
- 1.4 Winners in each of the following categories will receive mementoes (count-back will apply if ties occur). Note: The player's handicap on the first day of play will apply for all net events.
 - 55-59 years of age gross winner
 - 60-64 years of age gross winner
 - 65-69 years of age gross winner
 - 70 years of age and over gross winner
 - Overall net winner
 - Overall net runner-up
 - First round net winner
 - Second round net winner
 - Third round net winner

2. Asia Pacific Golf Confederation Teams Event

2.1 Each country may nominate a team comprising a maximum of **SIX** players who must be citizens or Nationals of the country they represent.

Team entry forms will be emailed to each APGC Member country.

- 2.2 The winning team will be determined by the lowest aggregate of the **FOUR** best gross scores from each round.
- 2.3 Disqualification of a team member under the Rules of Golf in any round will not be effective for any subsequent round of the Asia Pacific Golf Confederation Teams Event unless the Championship Committee determines otherwise.
- 2.4 In the event of a tie joint winners will be declared.
- 2.5 Members of the winning team(s) will receive mementoes.

2.6 International Teams Event

2.61 International Teams can compete for international team event but not allowed to compete for Asia Pacific Golf Confederation Team event.

2.62 Each international team may nominate a team comprising a maximum of **SIX** players. The winning international team will be determined by the lowest

aggregate of the $\ensuremath{\textbf{FOUR}}$ best gross scores from each round.

- 2.63 Disqualification of a team member under the Rules of Golf in any round will not be effective for any subsequent round of the Asia Pacific Golf Confederation International Teams Event unless the Championship Committee determines otherwise.
- 2.64 In the event of a tie joint winners will be declared.

3. Championship Committee

- 3.1 The Championship Committee will comprise the APGC Championship Committee Chairman, Tournament Director, Chief Referee, and one representative each of the China Golf Association and Linghai Hotspring Golf Club.
- 3.2 In the absence of the full Championship 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 Committee.
- 3.3 The Championship 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.
- 3.4 The Championship Committee's decision on matters affecting the Championship will be final. Protests must be made in writing and submitted to the Championship Committee within ten (10) minutes of the conclusion of the relevant day's play.
- 3.5 The decision of the Championship Committee as to acceptance or refusal of any entry will be final.

4. Rules of Play

The Rules of Golf, as adopted by R&A Rules Limited, will apply together with Local Rules as drawn up by the Championship Committee.

5. Entries

5.1 Eligible players are male amateurs who have reached their 55th birthday by 14 October 2015 and; whose Handicap does not exceed the handicap limit for their age category at the time of entry, or who are an exempt player as detailed in Condition 6. The exact handicap certified at the date of entry will be used for ballot purposes.

Handicap limits are as follows:

- Group A (55-59 years) 14.4
- Group B (60-64 years) 16.4
- Group C (65-69 years) 18.4
- Group D (70 years & above) no limit
- 5.2 Entrance Fee CNY¥2100 or US\$350 (excludes caddie tips)

The Entry Fee includes the following:

- Championship Entry (plus Practice Round)
- Transport from Hotel to Course & return
- Championship Welcome Cocktail Party
- Championship Dinner
- Motorised Golf Cart and Practice Balls for Championship Rounds and Practice Round
- Championship Gift Pack
- Caddie service with a ratio of 1:2

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- 5.3 Entries shall only be made on the Entry Form issued by the APGC, or a facsimile copy thereof.
- 5.4 Entrants must conform in all respects to the Rules of Amateur Status as adopted by R&A Rules Limited, and shall sign a declaration to that effect in the Entry Form.
- 5.5 Entries shall be subject to approval from the committee of the entrant's Home Club/National Association.
- 5.6 In the event of entry applications exceeding the number of places available in the Championship age categories (Group A - 60, Group B - 30, Group C - 25 & Group D - 15), applications from those higher handicap competitors not exempt from a handicap ballot as detailed in Condition 6 shall be decided by a handicap ballot. If any Championship age category has fewer entries than their maximum field, the balance will be allotted to other Championship age categories at the Championship Committee's discretion. 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.
- 5.7 Fully completed Entry Forms, must be received by the APGC at the Qingdao Linghai Hot Spring Golf Club prior to 5:00 pm on Monday 14 September 2015. <u>IT IS THE SOLE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE ENTRANT HIMSELF TO ENSURE THAT HIS ENTRY IS RECEIVED PRIOR TO THE CLOSING TIME FOR ENTRIES.</u> A player's entry form has not officially been received until his name has been posted on www.asiapacificgolf.com.
- 5.8 Entry fee must be paid upon registration.Cash Only. All charges will be in Chinese Yuans(CNY) or US Dollars.
- 5.9 Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the Championship Committee.
- 5.10 Entry forms will be accepted by facsimile, email. Entries will not be accepted by telephone. Entry forms will not be accepted unless they are fully completed.
- 5.11 Monies received will only be refunded in the case of a withdrawal being advised before the registration, except for those entrants who may be balloted out and who do not subsequently compete.
- 5.12 Entry Forms must be officially endorsed by the player's Home Club or National Association.

6. Exemptions

Exemptions from a handicap ballot for the 2015 Asia-Pacific Senior Amateur Championship will be granted to the following: (**Note** – Where applicable, it is the sole responsibility of the player to ensure the Championship Committee has received notification of his exempt status.

Should the Championship Committee not be so advised, that player will be deemed to be a non-exempt player.)

- 6.1 Team members Asia Pacific Golf Confederation Teams Event.
- 6.2 Players exempted by the china Golf Association (maximum 3).
- 6.3 Senior Amateur Champions of APGC Member Countries 2010-2015.
- 6.4 Previous APGC Senior Amateur Champions.

7. Television and Media

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8. Conforming Golf Balls, Conforming Driver Heads,

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

9. Practice

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10. Pace of Play

Rules 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 of it will be considered out of position. Penalties will be issued to individuals in such groups who by their pace contributed to such delay. Warnings may not be issued prior to penalties.

12. Registration

Competitors must register between 9.30 am and 3.00 pm at Qingdao Linghai Hot Spring Golf Club on Tuesday 13 October. Failure to comply may result in disqualification from the Championship.

13. Database of Competitors' Details

The personal data contained in this entry is permanently retained by the APGC. This data may be utilised by APGC 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, an APGC e-newsletter, or marketing material by the sponsor(s) of APGC events, or information about events conducted by APGC-approved bodies. Upon receipt by APGC of a written request, a player may either have access to their details, or have their details deleted from the database

14. Distance Measuring Devices

In this championship, a player may obtain distance information by using a device that measures distance only. If, during a stipulated round, a player uses a distancemeasuring device that is designed to gauge or measure other conditions that might affect his play (e.g. 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.