

2016 Sorrento Open Amateur

Men's and Women's 36 Hole Amateur Stroke Play

to be played on

Sunday 26 June 2016

Conducted under the auspices of Golf Victoria

Maximum GA Handicap
Men - 3.4 and Women - 10.4

Enter through 'mitournament.com'
Entries close at 5pm on Friday 17 June

Entry fee \$95 per person (includes light lunch)

A copy of the draw will be published on the club website and e-mailed to participants

PROGRAM OF EVENTS

(No player will be permitted to win more than two trophies)

EVENT 1	WOMEN'S SCRATCH, 36 HOLES STROKE PLAY Trophy to the Winner	MEN'S SCRATCH, 36 HOLES STROKE PLAY Trophies to the Winner and Runner up
EVENT 2 & 3		MEN'S SCRATCH, (am and pm) Trophy to the Winner
EVENT 4	WOMEN'S NETT, 36 HOLES STROKE PLAY Trophy to the Winner	MEN'S NETT, 36 HOLES STROKE PLAY Trophy to the Winner
EVENT 5 & 6		MEN'S NETT, 18 HOLES (am and pm) Trophy to the Winner

SORRENTO OPEN AMATEUR - TOURNAMENT CONDITIONS

TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE

The committee shall consist of the Match Committee and the General Manager of the Sorrento Golf Club, or such members thereof as may be available. The Match Committee shall have the sole management and control of the tournament and full power at any time, to alter or vary any of the conditions. The decision of the Tournament Committee shall be final.

ENTRIES

Entries will be restricted to amateurs who are members of clubs of Golf Victoria or of Golf Clubs registered with such State or Overseas Associations as are affiliated with or recognised by this Association, or of clubs affiliated with the Victorian Golf League and Registered Golfers who hold a current **Golf Australia (or equivalent) handicap not greater than 3.4 (men) or 10.4 (women).** The Tournament Committee shall have the right to refuse the entry of any person without being required to give any reason for such refusal, and to admit some players who do not meet the handicap qualification.

Entries close at 5pm on 17th June. Late or telephoned entries will NOT be accepted. The Tournament Committee shall have the power to limit the number of entries. In the event there are more entries than can be accommodated in the field a ballot for positions will be conducted amongst those players on the highest handicap at the time of entry. Exemptions exist in some cases.

Entry fees must be paid at the time of entry. Refunds will NOT be made for scratching's notified after the closing date of entries.

RULES

The competition shall be played in accordance with the Rules of Golf as adopted by R&A, together with such local rules as are in force on the course over which the competition rounds are being played. If a dispute arises it shall be decided by the Tournament Committee whose decision shall be final. Provided however that the committee if in doubt shall have the right to refer any such dispute to the Council Golf Victoria whose decision shall be final.

The following local rules will apply during the tournament: "If a player arrives at his starting point ready to play within 5 minutes after his starting time, in the absence of circumstances which warrant waiving the penalty of disqualification, as provided in Rule 33-7, the penalty for failure to start on time is two strokes. Penalty for lateness beyond five minutes maybe disqualification." and "A player may obtain distance information by using a device that measures distance only."

The Committee has the power to temporarily alter a player's handicap in accordance with the Australian Handicapping System. Any protests must be lodged in writing with the Tournament Committee not later than 10 minutes after conclusion of the day play.

Completed and signed cards must be returned within 15 minutes of finishing the round. Failure to hand in a card within the appointed time will result in a "No Card Returned" entry. Current handicaps must be entered on all scorecards at commencement of play.

In the event of a tie in the men's open gross events over 36 holes, a sudden death playoff commencing at the 1st hole will decide the winner. This play off will commence as soon as practicable after the return of the final scorecard. In all other events including the ladies gross event the winners and runners up will be determined using the Australian count-back system.

GOLF CARTS

Only those persons authorized to use a motorised cart may do so. Specific written permission maybe required from the GV match committee.

DRAW

A draw will be made by the Tournament Committee which has the power to amend the draw or substitute another player for one who is not on the tee at the appointment time. It may also alter the starting time for any player. Competitors must be ready on the tee at least ten minutes before the appointed start time. A shotgun start will be used for both AM and PM rounds. In the event of bad weather, or for any other reason, the Tournament Committee may either shorten the Tournament or appoint another day for play.

A copy of the draw will be published on the clubs web site www.sorrentogolf.com.au as well as emailed to participants.

PRACTICE

Practice rounds are available at the discounted price of \$30 per 18 holes for competitors on Thursday 23rd June by booking with the pro shop on (03) 5984 2626. There is no practice available (course, putting green or range) on Friday 24th or Saturday 25th June.