

# 2017 VICTORIAN MEN'S, COLTS & BOYS COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIPS

to be played at the

**Rosebud Country Club**

on the weekend of

**Saturday 25- Sunday 26 February**

<b>Entry Fee:</b>	<b>\$105.00</b> paper entry ( <i>inc. GST</i> ) <b>\$90.00</b> online entry ( <i>inc. GST</i> ) (\$20 for those participating in Junior Regions)
<b>Inclusions:</b>	<b>Lunch on both days; Breakfast on day of morning round</b>
<b>Format:</b>	36-Hole Stroke
<b>Starting Field:</b>	220 maximum field (inc. Junior Regions)
<b>Entries:</b>	First 60 entrants will be accepted as per receipt of entry. Balance of field will be determined by ballot as per condition 1.4.
<b>Tee Time:</b>	<u>Round 1- Saturday 25 February</u> Multi-Tee Starts (AM & PM) <u>Round 2- Sunday 26 February</u> Multi-Tee Starts (AM & PM)- Reverse of round one
<b>GA Handicap Limit:</b>	18.4 as at close of entries (see condition 2.1)
<b>Entries Close:</b>	5:00pm on Friday 3 February 2017
<b>Note:</b>	<i>Victorian Men's Country Championship (Open age)</i> <i>Victorian Colts Country Championship (Age 18-23)</i> <i>Victorian Boys Country Championship (Aged under 18)</i>

*All Country Championships & Junior Country Regions will be played concurrently.*

*For further eligibility criteria please refer to tournament conditions.*

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**2017 VICTORIAN MEN'S, COLTS & BOYS COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIPS- TOURNAMENT CONDITIONS**  
(To be read in conjunction with the Golf Victoria Standard Event Conditions as published on the GV Website at [www.golfvic.org.au](http://www.golfvic.org.au))

**1. COMPETITION PROCEDURE**

- 1.1 All Championships will be played over 36-holes stroke play (18 holes each day) at the Rosebud Country Club.
- 1.2 The Victorian Country Colts Championship; Victorian Country Boys Championship and the Victorian Junior Country Regions event will all be played concurrently with the Men's Country Championship.
- 1.3 The total field for the Championships/event specified in condition 1.2 will be limited to 220 players (including eligible colts & boys).
- 1.4 Entry into the starting field for the Men's, Colts & Boys' Championships (excludes Junior Regions) will be filled as follows:
  - (i) First 60 entrants are as of receipt of entry
  - (ii) If remaining entries exceed capacity; a ballot will be undertaken with players on the **highest GA handicaps subject to elimination.**

**Exemptions:** Players will be exempted into the starting field for the Championship in order of priority in accordance with the following exemption categories: -

  - a) 2016 Victorian Men's Country Champion (1)
  - b) 2016 Victorian Colts Country Champion (1)
  - c) 2016 Victorian Boys Country Champion (1)
  - d) All current District Champions (15)

**Notes:**  
To receive an exemption into the starting field for the 2017 Victorian Men's, Colts & Boys Country Championships, a player must have submitted an entry to the event by the stated time on the closing date for entries.
- 1.5 In the event of a tie after 36 holes for the Men's Country, Country Colts and Country Boys Championships, a sudden-death play-off will be conducted immediately after the final round. Players who have tied will be eliminated as they fail to maintain equality with other(s) until the winner is determined. Ties for the B Division Gross and all other places will be decided by the system of countback as specified by Golf Australia.
- 1.6 The 2017 Victorian Boys Junior Country Regions event will be played concurrently with the above Championships. Specific details in relation to event conditions; format and District entry procedure is available from the Golf Victoria Junior Department.

**2. ELIGIBILITY**

- 2.1 Eligible players are male amateurs in accordance with the Golf Victoria eligibility requirements for Victorian Country Championships & Country Week (as specified in condition 2.2) who's GA Handicap at the close of entries does not exceed 18.4 strokes in accordance with the Australian Handicapping System. Players competing simultaneously with the Junior Regions are eligible if their GA Handicap does not exceed 27.4.
- 2.2 Every competitor must be an amateur golfer and a bona fide member of a Golf Victoria affiliated country club in the District they represent OR an individual Golf Victoria affiliated country member, who holds a District Affiliation of the District he wishes to represent, irrespective of residential location. Players must have played a minimum of 10 competition rounds at either the affiliated country club or in designated District events in the preceding twelve months for the player to be eligible.

**Note:** Non-stroke Club or District events such as District Pennant or club match play events (as approved by the GV Match Committee) will also count towards the minimum of 10 competition rounds.

**Exception:** Upon written application, the Golf Victoria Match Committee will consider an exemption being granted to a player for this condition.

- 2.3 Players eligible for the **Country Colts Championship** are male amateurs in accordance with the eligibility requirements as specified in Conditions 2.1 and 2.2 and who are aged from 18 to 23 (Under 24) as of 25 February 2017.
- 2.4 Players eligible for the **Country Boys Championship** are male amateurs in accordance with the eligibility requirements as specified in Conditions 2.1 and 2.2 and who are aged under 18 as of 25 February 2017.

**3. ENTRIES**

- 3.1 The entry fee for the Championship is \$105 (paper entry) OR \$90.00 (online entry) (inc. GST). For those participating in the Junior Country Regions, the entry fee is \$20.00 (inc. GST). The entry fee includes a light lunch on both days and breakfast on the day the player is paired in the morning field.
- 3.2 All entries must be made either on the attached entry form or online at [www.golfvic.org.au](http://www.golfvic.org.au) **by 5pm on Friday 3 February 2017.** Entries will not be accepted via telephone.

All entries shall be subject to the approval of the Championship Committee who reserve the right to accept or refuse any entry without giving any reason for the decision which shall be final.

**4. TROPHIES**

Trophies will be awarded to:

Victorian Men's Country Championship (A & B Divisions)

- Overall Gross Winner (Victorian Men's Country Champion), Runner-Up & Third Place
- Best B Division Gross
- A Division: Nett Winner & Runner Up
- B Division: Nett Winner & Runner Up

Victorian Colts Country Championship

- Gross Winner (Victorian Colts Country Champion) & Runner-Up
- Nett Winner & Runner Up

Victorian Boys Country Championship

- Gross Winner (Victorian Boys Country Champion) & Runner-Up
- Nett Winner & Runner Up

Players may only win 1 trophy in the Victorian Men's Country Championship, plus 1 additional trophy in subsequent sections.

**5. CHAMPIONSHIP COMMITTEE**

The Championship Committee shall consist of representatives of the Rosebud Country Club and Golf Victoria.

In the absence of a full Committee, such members thereof as may be present at the time, may give a decision and any such decision given, shall be deemed to be a decision of the full Committee. The Committee shall have the entire management of the competitions, with full power to alter or vary the conditions. In the event of bad weather, or for any other reason, the Championship Committee may shorten the competition, appoint another day or days for completion of, or may transfer play to another course. The Committee's decision will be final in all matters affecting all events.

**6. REFUND POLICY**

Entrance fees must be paid at the time of entry. Any entrant may withdraw and have their entry fee refunded provided notification is received within **three working days** prior to the commencement of the event. Under no circumstances will entry fees be refunded after this date unless players can provide Golf Victoria supporting documents regarding their withdrawal from the event (ie. Medical Certificate).

**7. MOTORISED TRANSPORT**

According to GV's standard conditions of competitions, it is the responsibility of the player, if they require the use of a golf cart during the event to send a Medical Certificate and a completed copy of the Golf Victoria Motorised Transport Approval Return Form for consideration by the Match Committee. Please go to the GV website under Rules & Handicapping → GV Motorised Transport for the return form and more information. Exemption: Players aged 75 years and over do not require a Medical Certificate.

Golf carts are at the player's own expense and **MUST** be booked directly with the respective golf club as soon as possible. Golf Victoria cannot guarantee the use of a golf cart on any given day of play as this is subject to each host club's conditions of usage.

**Note:** In the event in which a limited number of carts are available, players requesting carts will be paired together. Caddies are permitted to ride in the cart with the player **ONLY** when sufficient carts are available.



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## Entry Form

TAX INVOICE – ABN: 26 589 569 172

Competitor Name (BLOCK Letters)  (First Name)  (Surname)

Mailing Address  Suburb

State  Postcode  Date of Birth (Compulsory) /

Home Phone  Mobile Phone

Email

Home Club

GOLFLink Number  GA Handicap

Dietary Requirements

Please enter me for the following events (tick box as required)

Men's Country Championship  Country Colts Championship  Country Boys Championship

Junior Country Regions Player (\$20 entry fee applies)

Exemption (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

Player requires the use of a player shared golf cart and comply with Tournament Condition #7 (please book directly with Club)

Signature  Date

I am eligible under the conditions of the championship, am an amateur golfer in accordance with the Rules of Amateur Status as approved by the R & A Rules Limited and will adhere to Golf Victoria's Code of Conduct for the duration of the Championship. I have provided either my GOLFLink No. or a current handicap record verified by my home club.

**PAYMENT DETAILS:** (Please make Cheques payable to Golf Victoria)  Cheque/Money Order  MasterCard  VISA

Card Number

Expiry Date /  Contact Number of Payer

Signature  Entry Fee  \$105.00\*/\$20.00

Name as it appears on card  TOTAL

\*\$90.00 entry fee applies if entering online

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