



Golf Queensland

**2017 WOMEN'S AMATEUR
FOURSOMES**

Conditions of Competition

WYNNUM GOLF CLUB

26th March, 2017

This year's event will be held at the same time and venue as the 2017 Men's Foursomes Championship with a total field capacity of 96 pairs

FORMAT

36 Holes Foursomes Stroke Play

Entries Close

Friday 17th March 2017 at 5:00pm
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2017 WOMEN'S AMATEUR FOURSOMES CHAMPIONSHIP OF QUEENSLAND CONDITIONS OF COMPETITION

- 1. THE CHAMPIONSHIP:** The Championship will be played over 36 holes of stroke play, in Foursome format at Wynnum Golf Club.
- 2. CHAMPIONSHIP COMMITTEE:** A Championship Committee, appointed by Golf Queensland, shall have sole management and control of the 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 day/venue, (c) vary any condition should they deem it advisable, (d) reject any entry without assigning any reason therefore. 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 decision so given shall be deemed to be a decision of the full Championship Committee.
- 3. ENTRIES**
 - 3.1. The Championship is open to pairs of female amateur golfers. Both players must be members of a golf club affiliated through their District Golf Association with Golf Queensland, or other State/National Associations.
 - 3.2. The field will be limited to 96 pairs – the allotment of the field over the three categories (Men's, Women's Div 1 & 2) will be at the discretion of the Championship Committee. Should entries be received in excess of the number deemed by the Championship Committee to be appropriate, higher aggregate handicap pairs in some or all divisions may be balloted out, and their entry fee refunded.
 - 3.3. Entries must be received by Golf Queensland by 5:00pm on Friday 17th March 2017. Late entries will be accepted at the discretion of the Committee. Telephone enquiries should be directed to the Golf Queensland on (07) 3252 8155.
 - 3.4. The prescribed nomination fee of \$70.00 (incl. GST) **must** be paid at the time of nomination. Telephone entries will not be accepted.
 - 3.5. Do not send cash in the mail - Golf Queensland will not accept responsibility for cash sent that is not received.
 - 3.6. Entries without a Golf Link number must be supported by a printed handicap record endorsed by an official of the player's home club.
 - 3.7. Nominations are accepted at face value, on the basis that information contained therein is correct, and up to date. Should this subsequently be proven not to be the case, Golf Queensland reserves the right to deem any competitor ineligible – at any time prior to or during the Championship.
 - 3.8. Once the draw is published there will be no refund of entry fees to players who withdraw from the event. Players who withdraw prior to the draw being published will be refunded their entry fee, less an administration fee of \$11.00.
- 4. PUBLICITY:** Golf Queensland arranges publicity before, during and/or after this Championship. It is a condition of entry that all players assent to references to them, and pictures of them in practice and play being published via any medium (including the internet).
- 5. PRIVACY:** Golf Queensland may retain the personal details (i.e. name, address, handicap) of entrants in this Championship on its records. The purpose of doing so is such that information on other future events conducted by Golf Queensland (or other parties) can be forwarded as deemed appropriate by Golf Queensland. This information will not be available to any other organisation. Any person may have their details removed from this database by phoning the Golf Queensland on 3252 8155.
- 6. DRESS REGULATIONS:** It is a requirement of this tournament that all players must comply with the dress regulations of the host club.
- 7. PRACTICE** will be subject to the terms, conditions and availability as determined by Wynnum Golf Club.
- 8. RULES:** The Rules of Golf as adopted by the R & A Rules Limited will apply together with the Golf Australia Hard Card and any supplementary Local Rules as are approved by the Championship Committee.
- 9. COURSE MARKERS:** During practice or during the Championship a player shall not place on the course, or cause to be placed on the course, any artificial marker or other device designed to indicate course measurements. A player in breach of this condition shall be disqualified.
- 10. DRAW AND STARTING TIMES:** A shotgun start will be held for each round. A draw for each round's play will be published on the Golf Queensland website. Players shall start at the time and in the order arranged by the Championship Committee. Rule 6-3a provides "The Player shall start at the time laid down 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 which warrant waiving the penalty of disqualification as provided in Rule 33-7, if

the player arrives at his starting point, ready to play, within five minutes of his starting time, the penalty for failure to start on time is two strokes at the first hole, instead of disqualification.

11. **ORDER OF PLAY** for the second 18 holes will be reverse of that played in the first 18 holes, i.e. players tee off the odd numbered holes in the morning and will hit off the even numbered holes in the afternoon round.
12. **BALL:** It will be obligatory for all competitors in all events to play with a ball which is named in the current list of Conforming Golf Balls issued by the R&A Rules Limited and/or USGA Approved Lists. Copies of these lists are available from www.randa.org. Penalty for breach of this condition: Disqualification.
13. **DRIVING CLUBS** - "Any driver the player carries must have a clubhead, identified by model and loft, that is named on the current List of Conforming Driver Heads issued by the R&A. Exception: A driver with a clubhead that was manufactured prior to 1999 is exempt from this condition.
*PENALTY FOR CARRYING, BUT NOT MAKING STROKE WITH, CLUB OR CLUBS IN BREACH OF CONDITION: Stroke play – Two strokes for each hole at which any breach occurred; maximum penalty per round – Four strokes. *Any club or clubs carried in breach of this condition must be declared out of play by the player to his opponent in match play or his *marker* or a *fellow-competitor* in stroke play immediately upon discovery that a breach has occurred. If the player fails to do so, he is disqualified.
PENALTY FOR MAKING STROKE WITH CLUB IN BREACH OF CONDITION: Disqualification."
14. **TRANSPORTATION:** For a team to be eligible for the Queensland Foursome Championships (Gross Championship), competitors may NOT ride in or on any form for transportation unless authorised by the Championship Committee.
PENALTY FOR BREACH OF CONDITION: See Page 142 of the Rules of Golf Book.
15. **USE OF MOBILE TELEPHONES:** The use of mobile phones by players and/or caddies during a stipulated round is prohibited. Serious breaches of etiquette may result in disqualification.
16. **PACE OF PLAY:** Rule 6-7 will be strictly enforced. A Pace of Play Schedule and description of applicable penalties for breaching this schedule will be supplied to competitors prior to the first round of the Championship.
17. **DRUG TESTING:** All competitors are subject to drug testing by the Australian Sports Drug Agency for banned substances as laid down in Golf Australia's Doping Policy endorsed by the Golf Queensland. Any competitor infringing this condition, or refusing to take a test, may be disqualified.
18. **ALCOHOL:** The consumption of alcohol by competitors on the golf course is not permitted.
19. **TIES:** In the event of a tie for the Championship, unless the Championship Committee determines otherwise, play shall continue over such hole(s) as the Championship Committee shall decide, pairings being eliminated hole by hole as they fail to maintain equality with other or others until the winner is determined. All other ties will be decided by applying the Australian Countback system.
20. **PROTESTS:** Protests must be lodged in writing with the Championship Committee no later than 5 minutes after the conclusion of the player's round on each day.
21. **TROPHIES:** Trophies will be awarded to the Amateur Foursome Champions of Queensland, the runner-up, 36 hole nett winners and runners-up. A player is only eligible to win one trophy.
22. **CODE OF CONDUCT:** All entrants are bound by Golf Australia's Code of Conduct ("the Code"). A copy of the Code is available at www.golf.org.au. Any breach of the Code may be recorded on the Central Register of the Code ("the Register"). The Register may be accessed (and published from time to time) by any State Association or Golf Australia for the purposes of administering Competitions or state championships, events, competitions, practice sessions or major activities conducted or sanctioned by a State Association, or any State Association or Golf Australia codes of conduct and/or other related matters.

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