## 2017 Queensland Men's Mid-Amateur Championship



## **CONDITIONS OF COMPETITION**

**Online Entry Only** 

10 – 12 September

Entries Close
Wednesday 30 August at 5:00pm



Other Events

**CLUB TEAMS EVENT** 

Upper Mid-Amateur division (44 – 54 years)





## **CONDITIONS OF COMPETITION**

- 1. 1.1 THE MEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP: The Championship will be played over 54 holes of stroke play 18 holes on each of Sunday 10, Monday 11 and Tuesday 12 September 2017. The entire field will contest all three rounds.
  - **1.2 CLUB TEAMS EVENT -** will be played in conjunction with the Championship. Teams will consist of 3 players from the same golf club. The aggregate nett scores for the 3 players for the 54 holes will count towards the team's total. Players should nominate their team on the entry form. A player can be part of one team only.
  - **1.3 UPPER MID-AMATEUR DIVISION -** will be played in conjunction with the Championship. The event will be open to players aged 44 54 years as at the 10 September 2017. A minimum of 5 players is required for the event to go ahead.
- 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 all male amateur golfers between the ages of 30 and 54 (as at 10 September 2017) with a current GA Handicap (**not exceeding 15.4 at the time of entry**) who are members of a golf club affiliated through their District Golf Association with Golf Queensland, or other State/National Golf Associations.
- **3.2** The field will be limited to <u>200 players</u>. Should entries be received in excess of this number the higher handicap players will be eliminated and their entry fee refunded.
- 3.3. Entries without a GA Handicap (International) must be endorsed by an official of the player's home club.
- **3.4** 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.
- **3.5** Once the draw is completed there will be no refund of entry fees for 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.
- **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 Golf Queensland on (07) 3854 1105.





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- **6. DRESS REGULATIONS:** It is a requirement of this tournament that all players must comply with the dress standards of the club hosting the event. Players not conforming to the dress requirements of the course on which they are playing will not be permitted to take their place in the field.
- **7. PRACTICE:** Practice rounds will be at the discretion of RACV Royal Pines Resort, under whatever terms and conditions they determine. A limited number of practice rounds will be available in the week leading up to the event. Bookings essential phone 1800 886 880. Cost- RACV Auto Club Rate.
- **8. RULES:** The Rules of Golf as adopted by the R&A Rules Limited will apply together the Golf Australia Hard Card and 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 draw for each day's play will be published. 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 in stroke play instead of disqualification. For the third round, an automatic draw will be conducted, based on the progressive aggregate scores for the first two rounds.
- **11. BALL:** It will be obligatory for all competitors in the Championship to play with a ball which is named in the current R&A Approved List. Copies of these lists are available from www.randa.org Penalty: Disqualification.
- **12. USE OF MOTORISED VEHICLES:** RACV Royal Pines Resort is a "compulsory carts" course, and all players in the Championship will be required to ride in carts. The tournament nomination fee includes cart fee.
- **13. MOBILE PHONES:** The use of mobile phones by players and/or caddies during the play of any competition round is prohibited. Serious breaches of etiquette may result in disqualification.
- **14. 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 tournament.
- **15. 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 Golf Queensland. Any competitor infringing this condition, or refusing to take a test, may be disqualified.
- **TIES:** In the event of a tie for the Queensland Men's Mid-Amateur Championship, play shall continue hole by hole, until one player gains at least a one stroke advantage. The sudden death play off will be decided over such holes as determined by the Championship Committee. The breaking of ties for all other events/trophies will be determined by use of the Australian Count-back System.
- 17. CODE OF CONDUCT: All entrants are bound by Golf Australia's Code of Conduct ("the Code"). A copy of the Code is available at <a href="www.golf.org.au">www.golf.org.au</a>. 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
- **18. PROTESTS:** Protests must be lodged in writing with the Championship Committee no later than 10 minutes after the conclusion of the day's play.
- 19. PRESENTATION OF TROPHIES: Trophies will be presented at the conclusion of the Championship, and will be awarded at the determination of the Championship Committee.



