# 2017 Arthur J Gallagher Golf NT COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIPS

(Including the NT Mixed Foursomes Championship)

# **CONDITIONS OF PLAY**

## 1 FORMAT

- 1.1 The Country Championships will be played over 54 holes stroke, play at Humpty Doo and Rural Area Golf Club. (HDRAGC)
  - **Round 1** Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> August, **Round 2** Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> August and **Round 3** Monday 7<sup>th</sup> 2017.
- 1.2 Rounds 1 and 2 of the Championship will not be seeded. Players can expect one morning and one afternoon tee time.
- 1.3 The playing field will be limited at 112.
- 1.4 A fully seeded draw will be conducted for Round 3 of the Championship.
- 1.5 The winning player shall be the Northern Territory Country Champion (Men's and Women's), Senior Champion (Men's and Women's) and Junior Champion (Boy's and Girl's). **NOTE**: A minimum of five (5) players must enter the Junior Championships for the event to be conducted. A player is eligible to win only one Championship.
- 1.6 In the event of a tie for any major event, which includes gross events for all grades, there will be a suddendeath play-off commencing on the **1st** hole until a winner is determined.

#### 2 CHAMPIONSHIP COMMITTEE

- 2.1 The Championship Committee will include a representative of Golf NT together with the HDRAGC Tournament Committee.
- 2.2 The Tournament Committee for the event will be the HDRAGC Club Captain and Match Committee.
- 2.3 The Championship Committee's decisions on matters affecting the Championship shall be final.

  Protests must be made in writing and submitted within fifteen (15) minutes of the conclusion of the day's play.

## 3 RULES OF PLAY

**3.1** The Rules of Golf, as adopted by the R&A Ltd, shall apply together with the Golf Australia Hard Card and the Local Rules as drawn up by the Championship Committee.

#### 4 ENTRIES

- 4.1 Entries shall be made on the MiTournament website. Cash payments may be paid at the HDRAGC. Paid Entries will be confirmed on the List of Entries on the MiTournament website.
- 4.2 The Entry Fee is detailed on the Nomination Form on www.golfnt.org.au and MiTournament website
- 4.3 Eligible players are amateurs who must be a financial member of a recognised affiliated club in the country the player resides in and must have a Golf Australia or equivalent handicap at the time of play that does not exceed 25.6 for Males and 34.6 for Ladies.
- 4.4 The decision of the Championship Committee as to acceptance or refusal of any entry will be final.
- 4.5 Prizes for overall handicap winners will be based on your Round 1 handicap. Prizes for daily events will be awarded on adjusted handicaps for that day's play.
- 4.6 To be eligible for the Junior and Senior Championships, players are to age qualify as of the 1st day of the Championship i.e. Juniors must be under 18 years as of the 5<sup>TH</sup> August, 2017 and Seniors to be 55 or over as of the 5<sup>th</sup> August, 2017.
- 4.7 Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the Championship Committee. Any such entry may be subject to a late entry fee of \$20.00 per player.
- 4.8 It is the sole responsibility of the entrant themselves to ensure that their entry is received prior to the closing time for entries.
- 4.9 Players take part in this event at their own risk.
- 4.10 In case of cancellation of the Championships Golf NT and the host club is only liable to refund the entry fee

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#### 5 MOTORISED TRANSPORT

Players are permitted to use golf buggies during this Championship without restriction.

#### 6 PACE OF PLAY

6.1 Rule 6-7 of the Rules of Golf will be strictly enforced.

#### 7 CODE OF CONDUCT

7.1 All entrants assent to be bound by Golf NT's Code of Conduct. This code is available via the Golf NT website.

## 8. DATABASE OF COMPETITOR'S DETAILS

- 8.1 The data contained on an entry form submitted by an entrant for a Golf NT event is permanently retained by Golf NT within its database of competitor's details.
- 8.2 This database is operated to assist with the management of current and future Golf NT events. From time to time Golf NT may also allow a sponsor/s and/or host clubs to utilise this information contained in the database for its/their own purposes.
- 8.3 From time to time a player may be sent entry forms or event literature for either Golf NT events or events conducted by Golf NT approved bodies.
- 8.4 Upon receipt by Golf NT of a written request, a player may either have access to their details or have their details deleted from the database.

# 9. DRESS STANDARDS

9.1 Players and caddies must observe the dress standards and any course requirements of the host club.

## 10. DRAW AND STARTING TIMES

- 10.1 A draw for each day's play will be made by the Championship Committee.
- 10.2 The Committee has the power to amend the draw or substitute another player for any competitor who is not at the tee at the time appointed to play. It may also alter the starting time for any player.

## 11. GOLF BALLS

11 It will be obligatory for all competitors in the Championship to play with a ball that is listed in the current R&A and/or USGA Conforming Golf Balls. Penalty: Disqualification.

### 12. PRACTICE

- 12.1 Practice times will be available on the course. Players not participating in the NT Mixed Foursomes at 12 Noon, on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> August, 2017 may book a practice round that morning.
- 12.2 Practice will not be permitted on the course between rounds of the Championship. Penalty Disqualification.
- 12.3 The Committee has prohibited; (a) the practice on or near the putting green of the hole last played, and (b) rolling a ball on the putting green of the hole last played.

#### 13. DISTANCE MEASURING AND ELECTRONIC DEVICES

- 13.1 Distance measuring devices maybe used.
- 13.2 The use of a mobile phone during play is prohibited. The exceptions are; for emergency purposes or to contact a Rules Official. See Golf NT's Code of Conduct.