

CONDITIONS OF COMPETITION



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430 Pine Mountain Road, MT GRAVATT

19 September – 22 September 2017

Entries Close Wednesday 6 September 2016 at 5:00pm



2017 GARY PLAYER CLASSIC CONDITIONS OF COMPETITION

1. **THE CLASSIC:** The Classic will be played in three (3) age divisions, over 72 holes of strokeplay. The Classic will be played at Pacific Golf Club - 18 holes on each of Tuesday 19th, Wednesday 20th, Thursday 21st and Friday 22nd September 2017.

1.2 The field will be reduced to the leading 30 players (plus any ties) in the 15 and Under division, leading 30 players (plus any ties) in the 16-17 years division, and the leading 20 players (plus any ties) in the 18-20 years age division after 54 holes. These players will contest the final round on Friday 22nd September.

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 date/venue, (c) vary any condition should they deem it advisable, (d) reject any entry without assigning any reason therefore. The decisions 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 such decision shall be deemed to be a decision of the full Championship Committee.

3. ENTRIES:

3.1 The Classic is open to all male amateur golfers who have not attained the age of 21 years, as at Tuesday 19th September 2017, with a Golf Australia handicap or overseas equivalent who are members of a golf club affiliated through their District Golf Association with Golf Queensland, or other State/National Associations. Entrants must satisfy the following age and handicap criteria:

15 Years & Under – GA Handicap limit 18.4; 16 -17 Years – GA Handicap limit 10.4; 18 - 20 Years – GA Handicap limit 6.4. **3.2** The field capacity is 192 with the capacity of each division as follows: 15 and Under – 72 players; 16-17 Years – 72 players; 18-20 Years – 48 players. Should entries be received in excess of this number per age division, the higher handicap players in one or all age divisions, will be eliminated based on their exact GA handicap at close of entries and placed on a reserve list in their age division. Should a division be undersubscribed at close of entries, any players originally balloted out in the other divisions will be entered in their respective divisions in an alternating allotment, with the youngest division of the remaining divisions selected first.

3.3 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, GQ reserves the right to deem any competitor ineligible – at any time prior to or during the Championship.

3.4 Once the draw is completed 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:** GQ 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:** GQ 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 GQ (or other parties) can be forwarded as deemed appropriate by GQ. This information will not be available to any other organisation. Any person may have their details removed from this database by phoning GQ 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: Pacific Golf Club has limited places for a practice round on Monday 18^h September (AM only) at a cost of \$20.00 per player bookings must be made with the club (Phone 3343 0887).
- 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. DRAWS 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 35-7, if the player arrives at his starting point, ready to play, within five minutes of his starting time, the penalty for failing to start on time is two strokes at the first hole, instead of disqualification.

The draw for the 3rd and 4th rounds will be an automatic draw determined on the scores returned from previous rounds.

- 11. CADDIES: A player is prohibited from using a caddie during a stipulated round. *PENALTY BREACH OF CONDITION: Stroke play Two strokes for each hole at which any breach occurred; maximum penalty per round Four strokes.
- **12. 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 *fellowcompetitor* 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 BREACHOF CONDITION: Disqualification."

- **13. BALL:** It will be obligatory for all competitors in the Championship to play with a ball which is named in the current R&A and/or USGA Approved Lists. Copies of these lists are available from www.randa.org. Penalty: Disqualification.
- 14. TRANSPORTATION: Players must not ride on any form of transportation during a stipulated round unless authorised by the Committee. PENALTY FOR BREACH OF CONDITION: 2 strokes at each hole at which a breach of this condition occurred; maximum penalty per round 4 strokes.
- **15. MOBILE PHONES:** The use of mobile phones by players for any other purpose other than as Distance Measuring Device during the play of any competition round is prohibited. Serious breaches of etiquette may result in disqualification.
- 16. PACE OF PLAY: Rule 6-7 will be strictly enforced. To assist players and the Committee, a pace of play schedule will be published, and players will be bound by this schedule and the penalties detailed therein.
- 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 Golf Queensland. Any competitor infringing this condition, or refusing to take a test may be disqualified.
- 18. SMOKING AND ALCOHOL: Smoking and/or the consumption of alcohol during a stipulated round by competitors is not permitted.
- **19. TIES:** In the event of a tie or ties in any of the three age divisions of the classic, play shall continue over such holes as the Championship Committee shall decide, players being eliminated as they fail to maintain equality with other or others until the winner is determined. The breaking of ties for all other events/trophies will be determined by use of the Australian Countback System.
- 20. 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.
- 21. PROTESTS: Protests must be lodged in writing with the Championship Committee no later than 15 minutes after the conclusion of the player's round on each day.
- **22. TROPHIES:** Trophies will be awarded to the leading 10 players in each division. In addition a trophy for the most improved player overall will be awarded. The leading 10 players in each division are requested to be available for the trophy presentation that will be held immediately following the conclusion of play on Friday 22nd September.





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