



PLAYER INFORMATION – 2017 Australian Men's Senior Amateur Championship (10-12 October)



Venue: Royal Hobart Golf Club
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Format:

Monday 9 October: Practice round from 7.00 am
Registration: 10.00 am – 3.30 pm
Tuesday 10 October: 1st Round 2017 Australian Men's Senior Amateur Championship
Wednesday 11 October: 2nd Round 2017 Australian Men's Senior Amateur Championship
Thursday 12 October: 3rd Round 2017 Australian Men's Senior Amateur Championship (Seeded draw)
Presentation Reception (conclusion of play): 6.30 pm – 8.00 pm

Registration:

Competitors are required to register between 10.00 am and 3.30 pm on Monday 9 October at Royal Hobart Golf Club. At this time, competitors will be required to provide a phone number where they can be contacted during the event. Failure to register may result in disqualification from the Championship. If it is impossible to register in person, competitors must contact the Championship Office on registration day on 0448 366 224.

Competitors are not required to register each day. Players are requested to report to the Starter at least 5 minutes prior to the advertised starting time. Score cards, Local Rules and hole placement sheets will be distributed by the Starter on the starting tee.

Withdrawals:

If you are unable to compete, please contact Golf Australia immediately on 03 9626 5011.

Results & Draws:

All results and draws will be posted at www.golf.org.au

The draw for rounds 1 and 2 will be available one week prior to the event. If players have requests to coordinate travel, please email adamp@golf.org.au and these will be accommodated where possible. These must be advised no later than **13 September**.

The draw for round 3 will be seeded based on scores from the first 36-holes.

Practice:

A complimentary practice round is available on Monday, 9 October 2017 from 7.00 am-12.00pm.

Golf Australia will forward competitors a link following the close of entries on 13 September to make practice round bookings via the Golf Australia tournament system.

Additional practice rounds may be available prior to the event by contacting the pro shop. Players will be charged \$85.00 for additional rounds.

During a practice round a player may play one ball only throughout the round with the following exceptions:

- If a player misses the fairway with their drive, they may play one additional tee shot from the tee;
- If a player misses the green with their approach shot, they may play one additional shot to the green;
- Not more than three chip shots may be played from beside the green, and only then provided such practice shots do not damage the course;
- Due to the demands on staff for the course preparations for Round 1, Golf Australia requests that ALL players practicing from greenside bunkers play one (1) shot only. We also ask that the bunker be raked immediately after;
- Only three practice putts are permitted.

Ready Golf:

In stroke play, "Ready Golf" should be played, but in a safe and responsible way Play when you are ready – you don't have to wait until the farthest away players has played.

For example, play Ready Golf:

- When the player farther away has a difficult shot and is assessing options
- When a longer hitter has to wait for the green to clear
- On the tee if a player with the honour is delayed
- By playing your shot before helping to look for a lost ball

Course Guides:

Yardage books/course guides are not available. Sprinkler heads distances are available along with fairway markers.

Distance Measuring Devices/GPS:

Distance measuring devices are permitted for this Championship. The Specimen Local Rule on page 153 in the 2016 Rules of Golf will be in effect.

Practice Facilities and Balls:

A driving range and putting green is available for player use. Balls will be available from the pro shop for \$5.00 per bucket.

Pull Buggies:

Pull buggies are available from the pro shop for \$15.00 (this includes use for all 3 rounds).

Motorised Carts:

Players are permitted to use Motorised Transport on the production of a Medical Certificate. The Medical Certificate must be received by Golf Australia prior to the event. Players requiring a motorised cart **MUST** book with **Golf Australia on 03 9626 5011 or email adamp@golf.org.au by 13 September**. Carts will be approximately \$45.00-50.00 each (this cost will depend on whether additional carts are required from an external supplier for the championship).

Club Storage:

There is limited club storage available at Royal Hobart Golf Club. Please see GA staff if this is required.

Physiotherapist, Medical Centres & Local Services:

A list of physiotherapists, medical centres and other local services is available from the Tournament Office if required.

Caddies:

Caddies will not be supplied. If players require a caddie they must make their own arrangements.

Ties:

In the event of a tie for the championship, unless the Championship Play Committee determines otherwise, players in such a tie shall continue over such holes in a sudden-death, hole-by-hole play-off until the winner is determined.

Dress Requirements:

Players, caddies and spectators must adhere to dress regulations of Royal Hobart Golf Club which is neat, tidy and appropriate to the game. Please refer for to the following link for Royal Hobart Golf Club's dress and etiquette code <http://www.rhgc.com.au/cms/dress-code/>

Catering:

Catering will be available (opening times TBC). All food and beverage for players for the duration of the event is at the player's expense.

Complimentary Water:

Complimentary bottled water will be supplied to players on the Championship Days only, from on or near the starting tees. Players are requested not to abuse this privilege and to place empty bottles in rubbish bins. Players are entitled to 3 bottles per round only.

Mobile Phones:

Mobile phones may be used on the golf course during competition to access a distance measuring device application or to call for a ruling only.

The use of mobile phones in the clubhouse is not permitted. Telephones may remain active on silent setting but calls must be taken outside these areas.

Golf Australia Hard Card:

The Golf Australia Hard Card will be in effect throughout the Championship and will be provided to players at registration. [Click here](#) to view the Golf Australia Hard Card and related championship policies

Course Care:

All clubs which host Golf Australia National Championships kindly give up their course for the duration of the event. Hence, so that the course is left in a suitable condition once the Championship is completed, players MUST carry AND use a sand bucket. Any player seen to be in breach of this request may face action under Golf Australia's Code of Conduct.

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