



2017 KEPERRA BOWL

CONDITIONS OF COMPETITION



EVENT INFORMATION

THE COURSE: The Keperra Bowl 2017 will be played on the Old Course which measures 6056 metres with an ACR of 72. A course flyover is available on the Club's website.

PRESENTATION OF TROPHIES: Trophies will be presented immediately following the conclusion of play at Keperra Country Golf Club.

PRIZES: 1st \$850, 2nd prize \$500, 3rd \$350 and daily gross \$150. No player can receive more than one prize/trophy.

COMPLIMENTARY TO PLAYERS: A sausage sizzle on event days, range balls, pull buggies - limited numbers (players requested to bring their own), booked practice rounds through Golf Shop – Thursday 5th October (any booked times), Monday 9th October from midday (subject to change). Note: Players to produce identification for complimentary practice rounds. Practice rounds on other days will cost \$25.

ACCOMMODATION: There is some accommodation within close proximity to the venue and an abundance exists within the Brisbane CBD (linked at regular intervals by suburban trains to Keperra Railway Station). Please contact Keperra Country Golf Club for information on the event's preferred accommodator.

EVENT CONDITIONS

1. **THE CHAMPIONSHIP:** The 2017 Keperra Bowl will be played over 72 holes of stroke play at Keperra Country Golf Club (Old Course) – 18 holes Tuesday 10th October, Wednesday 11th October and the leading 70 players (plus ties) after two rounds shall play the final 36 holes –18 holes on Thursday 12th October and 18 holes on Friday 13th October. The draw for the final two rounds will be an automatic draw, determined by the finishing positions after the first 36 holes.
2. **CHAMPIONSHIP COMMITTEE:** The Championship Committee, appointed by Keperra Country Golf Club and 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 Event 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 events are open to all male amateur golfers with a Golf Australia Handicap (not exceeding 4.4 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 Entries must be received by Golf Queensland, GPO 1518, Brisbane Q 4001 at 5:00 pm on **Monday 25th September, 2017**. Late entries will be accepted at the discretion of the Committee. An entry will be deemed accepted when the player's name is noted on the Entries Received document on the Golf Queensland website under the event page.
Note – acceptance of a player's entry for non-exempt players does not guarantee inclusion in the Championship field.
 - 3.3 Should entries be received in excess of the capacity field of 156, players not exempt will be balloted from the field based on their exact Golf Australia Handicap as at Monday 25th September 2017. Players on the same exact Australian Men's Handicap will be separated by lot. An alternate list will be established. Those players not gaining a place in the field will have their full entry fee refunded after the first round unless otherwise requested. (Note – see Condition 19 for exemption categories)
 - 3.4 The total entry fee for the Event is \$170.00 (incl. GST). Online and faxed entries will only be accepted if payment is made by credit card. Telephone entries will not be accepted.
 - 3.5 Do not send cash in the mail – Golf Queensland will not accept responsibility for cash forwarded in this manner.
 - 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, Keperra Country Golf Club reserves the right to deem any competitor ineligible – at any time prior to or during the Event.
 - 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:** Keperra Country Golf Club and Golf Queensland arranges publicity before, during and/or after this Event. 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:** Keperra Country Golf Club and Golf Queensland may retain the personal details (i.e. name, address, handicap) of entrants in this Event on its records. The purpose of doing so is such that information on other future events conducted by Keperra Country Golf Club and Golf Queensland (or other parties) can be forwarded as deemed appropriate by Keperra Country Golf Club and 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 3252 8155.
6. **DRESS REGULATIONS:** It is a requirement of this tournament that all players must comply with the dress standards of Keperra Country Golf Club.
7. **RULES:** The Rules of Golf as adopted by the R&A Rules Limited will apply together with the 2017 Golf Australia Hard Card and any supplementary Local Rules as are approved by the Championship Committee.
8. **COURSE MARKERS:** During practice or during the Event 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.
9. **DISTANCE MEASURING DEVICES:** Even when the Local Rule is in effect, the device must not be used for any purposes that are prohibited by Rule 14-3, including but are limited to:
 - the gauging or measuring of slope;

- the gauging or measuring of other conditions that might affect play (e.g. wind speed or direction);
 - recommendations that might assist the player in making a stroke or in his play (e.g. club selection, type of shot to be played, green reading or any other advice related matter); or
 - calculating the effective distance between two points based on elevation changes or other conditions affecting shot distance. A multi-functional device, such as a smartphone or PDA, may be used as a distance-measuring device, but it must not be used to gauge or measure other conditions where doing so would be a breach of Rule 14-3.
10. **DRAW AND STARTING TIMES:** A draw for each day's play will be published on the Golf Queensland websites. Players shall start at the time and in the order arranged by the Event 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 Event 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. **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. Penalty for breach of this condition: Disqualification.
 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 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."
 13. **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.
 14. **MOBILE PHONES:** The use of mobile phones by players and/or caddies during the play of any competition round is prohibited, with the exception of being used as distance measuring device only. Serious breaches of etiquette may result in disqualification.
 15. **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.
 16. **DRUG TESTING:** All competitors are subject to drug testing by the Australian Sports Drug Agency for banned substances as laid down in the Golf Australia's Doping Policy endorsed by Golf Queensland. Any competitor infringing this condition, or refusing to take a test, may be disqualified.
 17. **TIES:** In the event of a tie for the overall Championship, play shall continue hole by hole over such holes as the Championship Committee shall decide, until one player gains at least a one stroke advantage. The breaking of ties for all other events/trophies will be determined by use of the Australian Count-back System.
 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 except on the final day when they must be lodged no later than 5 minutes after the conclusion of play.
 19. **EXEMPTIONS FROM BALLOT:** Exemptions from ballot if the event is oversubscribed will be granted to the following players (provided they meet eligible to enter the event as stated in Condition 3):
 1. 2017 GA National Squad members
 2. 2 Players nominated by each State Men's Association (includes National Squad players)
 3. Members of any State Team that contested the 2017 Men's Interstate Teams Matches.
 4. Members of any State Junior Team that contested the 2017 Boys Interstate Teams Matches.
 5. Members of an International Golf Club (not within Australia) that meet condition 3.1.
 6. The leading 10 players on the Angus Buchanan Trophy as at 1st Sept 2017.
 7. 12 players at the discretion of Keperra Country Golf Club.
 8. Top 75 Australian Men's National rankings as at 1st Sept 2017.

Exempt players must note their exemption category on the comments section online.
 20. **CODE OF CONDUCT:** All entrants are bound by GA's Code of Conduct ("the Code"). A copy of the Code is available at www.golfaustralia.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 GA 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 GA codes of conduct and/or other related matters.

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