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2017 South Australian Men's Amateur Championship

(Under the auspices of and subject to the control of GOLF SA Inc)

to be played at

Blackwood Golf Club

All Stroke Play and Match Play rounds at Blackwood GC



Monday 25th – Friday 29th September 2017

SA Medal & Amateur Championship: Open to all male amateur golfers who are members of Clubs affiliated with Golf SA or State or overseas associations as are affiliated with or recognised by this Association.

Golf Australia (GA) Handicap limit 5.4

SA Medal – Monday 25th & Tuesday 26th September 2017

Awarded to the leading qualifier after 36 Holes Stroke Play

First 32 to qualify for the match play of the SA Amateur Championship

SA Amateur Championship – Wednesday 27th – Friday 29th September 2017

Wednesday 27th September – AM & PM elimination-finals (18 holes)

Thursday 28th September – AM - quarter-finals (18 holes) & PM semi- finals (18 holes)

Friday 29th September – AM & PM Final (36 holes)

The Winner will be the SA Amateur Champion and hold the Championship Cup for one year

Trophy vouchers for Winner, Runner-up & Semi-Finalists

ONLINE REGISTRATION ONLY FOR THIS EVENT

(Enter via the Golf SA Website > link to MiTournament registration site)

REGISTRATION CLOSING DATE

5.00pm Monday 11th September 2017

ENTRANCE FEE

\$90.00 (incl GST)

***includes a practice round on Sunday 24th September – PM. Bookings essential - phone Blackwood Pro Shop on 08 8388 2250
players must have registered for the event prior to booking their practice round***

Event Partnered by:



Government of South Australia
Office for Recreation and Sport



CONDITIONS – South Australian Men’s Amateur Championship

1. Format

- 1.1 Refer to events list.
- 1.2 The SA Medal will be awarded to the leading player after 36 Holes Stroke play on Monday and Tuesday. In the event of a tie, players in such a tie will continue over such holes as the Championship Match Committee will decide in a sudden-death, hole-by-hole play-off until the winner is determined. However, if the Championship Match Committee determines that there is not sufficient time available for a play-off, such a tie will be resolved by count back.
- 1.3 After 36 Holes Stroke Play of the SA Medal the 32 lowest scores will compete in the SA Amateur Championship Match Play.
- 1.4 In the event of there being a tie for a position after 36 Holes Stroke Play such that more than 32 players remain in the Championship, those players tying for the last qualifying position or positions will continue over such holes as the Championship Match Committee determines in a sudden-death, hole-by-hole play-off until the 32 qualifiers for the SA Amateur Championship have been determined. However, if the Championship Match Committee determines that there is not sufficient time available for a play-off, such a tie will be resolved by count back.
- 1.5 The SA Men’s Amateur Championship will consist of successive rounds of match play, with losers being eliminated and winners progressing to the next round. The automatic draw will be applied to establish the match pairings.
- 1.6 In the event of a halved match in any round players will continue to play until a winner is determined.
- 1.7 The winner will be the *SA Amateur Champion* and hold the Amateur Championship Cup for one year.

2. Match Committee

- 2.1 The Match Committee will comprise the Golf SA Match Committee.
- 2.2 In the absence of the full Match Committee, such members as may be present at the time, may give a decision, and any decision so given will be deemed to be a decision of the full Match Committee.
- 2.3 The Match Committee will have the sole management and control of the Championship, with full power at any time to alter or vary any one of the Conditions.
- 2.4 The Match Committee’s decision on matters affecting the Championship will be final.
- 2.5 Any dispute or protest must be made to the Match Committee not more than 15 minutes after the conclusion of play on the day on which the disputed matter has arisen.

3. Rules of Play

- 3.1 The Rules of Golf, as adopted by R & A Rules Limited, will apply together with the Golf Australia Hard Card supplemented by the Local Rules of the venue Club. The GA Hard Card will be issued on registration, and is available on the Golf Australia Website.

4. Entries

- 4.1 Eligible players for the SA Amateur Championship are male amateurs whose Golf Australia Handicap or overseas equivalent does not exceed GA 5.4 at the time of registration. A player entering on the GA Handicap limit of 5.4 and who exceeds that GA Handicap before the first day of play will remain in the event playing on a maximum GA Handicap.
- 4.2 The Entrance Fee for the Championship is \$90.00 (including GST). The entrance fee includes a practice round on Sunday 24th September – PM. Bookings essential - phone Blackwood Pro Shop on 08 8388 2250. Players must have registered for the event prior to booking their practice round.
- 4.3 Entries must be made via the Golf SA online registration system. Entries by any other method will not be accepted.

- 4.4 The decision of the Match Committee as to acceptance or refusal of any entry will be final.

- 4.5 Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the Match Committee.

- 4.6 Players must register by **5.00pm on Monday 11th September 2017**. IT IS THE SOLE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE ENTRANT THEMSELVES TO ENSURE THAT THEY HAVE REGISTERED CORRECTLY. A player has not officially registered until their name is listed in the **Registered Participants** section of the event registration page.

- 4.7 The Match Committee reserves the right to determine the size of the field. The event is played in conjunction with the South Australian Women’s Amateur Championship. The field must comprise a minimum number of 32 men and 32 women. If a ballot is required, the higher handicap competitors as at the closing date of registrations will be eliminated first. Unsuccessful entrants will be informed without delay. Entrance fees will be refunded to competitors balloted out.

- 4.8 Entrance fees will only be refunded in the case of a withdrawal being advised before the closing time for entries, except for those entrants who fail to secure a place.

5. Conforming Golf Balls and Conforming Driver Heads

- 5.1 The specimen conditions in the Rules of Golf are in effect as regards Conforming Golf Balls and Conforming Driver Heads.

6. Drug Testing

- 6.1 All competitors are subject to drug testing by the Australian Sports Anti-Doping Agency for banned substances as laid down in Golf Australia’s Anti-Doping Policy. Any competitor infringing this policy, or refusing to take a test, will be disqualified and subject to any sanction(s) brought down by ASADA.

7. Smoking

- 7.1 Players are prohibited from smoking cigarettes, cigars or the like during a stipulated round. See Golf SA’s Code of Conduct.

8. Mobile Phones

- 8.1 Except in case of emergency, mobile phones must not be used to make or receive calls or messages when on the golf course.

9. Pace of Play

- 9.1 Rule 6-7 will be strictly enforced. Each group must maintain its position on the course with respect to the group preceding it. Any group with a clear hole in front of it will be considered to be out of position. Penalties will be issued to individuals in such groups who by their pace contribute to such delay. Warnings may not be issued prior to penalties.

10. Motorised Transport

- 10.1 Ride-on buggies will be permitted only on medical evidence from the player’s Club and by permission of the venue Club. Application and approvals to be forwarded to Golf SA at time of registration. Caddies are not permitted to use ride-on buggies.

11. Code of Conduct

- 11.1 All entrants assent to be bound by Golf SA’s Code of Conduct. A copy of the Code is available at www.golfsa.com.au

12. Measuring Devices

- 12.1 A player may obtain distance information by use of a distance-measuring device. If, during a stipulated round, a player uses a distance-measuring device to gauge or measure other conditions that might affect their play (e.g. elevation changes, wind speed etc.), the player is in breach of Rule 14-3.

13. Draws

- 13.1 Tee times will be available on the Golf SA website www.golfsa.com.au from Monday 18th September 2017.

Practice Round: The entrance fee includes a practice round for the **PLAYER ONLY** on Sunday 24th September – PM. Bookings essential - phone Blackwood Pro Shop on 08 8388 2250. Players must have registered for the event prior to booking their practice round.