

PLAYER INFORMATION: 2018 Australian Boys' Amateur Championship (11-13 April)



Venue: Gosnells Golf Club
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Format:

Tuesday 10 April: 18 holes practice from 7.30 am
Registration: 10.00 am – 3.30 pm
Wednesday 11 April: 2018 Australian Boys' Amateur Championship – Round 1
Thursday 12 April: 2018 Australian Boys' Amateur Championship – Round 2
Cut to leading 60 players plus ties.
Friday 13 April: AM: 2018 Australian Boys' Amateur Championship – Round 3
PM: 2018 Australian Boys' Amateur Championship – Round 4
Presentation Ceremony for the Australian Boys' Amateur and Opening Ceremony for the Australian Boys' Interstate Teams Matches – approximately 5.45 pm

Championship Presentation Ceremony:

All players are invited to attend the Australian Boys' Amateur Championship Presentation Ceremony & Australian Boys' Interstate Teams Matches Opening Ceremony on Friday 13 April at Gosnells Golf Club commencing at approximately 5.45 pm. Dress is smart casual (i.e. no jacket or tie) for those players not in their State or Territory Team. Finger food and drinks will be served at the conclusion of the Ceremony.

Registration:

Competitors are required to register between 10:00 am and 3:30 pm on Tuesday 10 April at Gosnells 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 Therese Magdulski on registration day on 0414 696 810.

Competitors are not required to register each day. Players are requested to report to the Starter no less than 5 minutes prior to the advertised starting time. Score cards, Local Rules and hole placement sheets will be distributed on the tee.

Unavailability:

If you are unable to compete, please contact Golf Australia immediately on 03 9626 5000.

Draws & Results:

All draws and results will be posted at www.golf.org.au. The FINAL draw will be released at 5.00 pm on Wednesday 4 April. Players are asked to contact Golf Australia by **16 March** if they are travelling with another player and would like a similar tee time (every effort will be made to action requests). Requests after this time will not be considered.

Draw for Rounds 3 and 4:

The draw for Rounds 3 and 4 will be seeded based on scores after the first 36-holes.

Practice:

A practice round is available on Tuesday 10 April from 7.30 am. Bookings will open following the close of entries; Golf Australia will send all entered players an email allowing bookings to be made online. Please ensure the correct email address is supplied to Golf Australia during the online registration process.

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;
- Only two bunker shots may be played towards the green from a greenside bunker. All other bunker shots must be played away from the green;
- Only three practice putts are permitted.

For practice rounds outside of the official practice day please contact the club directly to ascertain availability and costs.

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 player 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

Yardage Books/Course Guides:

Yardage books/course guides are included in the entry fee and will be distributed on the practice day.

Distance Measuring Devices:

In this competition 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.

Range Facilities and Balls:

The practice range will be open from 6.00 am daily. Players are limited to irons only. Range balls for the practice day and championship days are complimentary.

Pull Buggies:

Pull buggy hire is included in player's entry fee. Golf Australia asks that local players bring their own buggy where possible. Players are asked to advise Golf Australia when they enter whether they will require a pull buggy.

Club Storage:

There is limited club storage. Please see Golf Australia staff if this is required.

Caddies:

A player is prohibited from using a caddie during the stipulated round. Penalty: Two strokes for each hole at which any breach occurred; maximum penalty per round – Four strokes. In the event of a breach between the play of two holes, the penalty applies to the next hole. A player having a caddie in breach of this condition must immediately upon discovery that a breach has occurred ensure that they conform with this condition for the remainder of the stipulated round. Otherwise the player is disqualified.

Motorised Carts:

Players must not ride in any form of transportation during a stipulated round unless authorised by the Championship Play Committee. Penalty: Stroke Play – 2 strokes for each hole at which a breach occurred; maximum penalty per round – 4 strokes.

Any player seeking authorisation to use a golf cart due to a disability as defined under the Disability Discrimination Act 1992 should contact Golf Australia to obtain information on procedures for submitting such requests. All such requests and required information must be submitted to Golf Australia simultaneously and together with the entry form (or within 2 days of the on-line entry being receipted). Requests due to temporary injuries or impairments that do not qualify as a permanent disability under the Act will not be granted. In the event of a change in a medical condition after submitting the entry form but before the commencement of the event, written submission of all documentation must be received by Golf Australia no later than 7 days prior to the first day of the event. Golf Australia will consider any such request in accordance with these conditions and its rules, regulations and policies.

Ties:

In the event of a tie for the Australian Boys' Amateur Championship, players in such a tie will continue over such holes as the Championship Play Committee will decide in a sudden-death, hole-by-hole play-off until the winner is determined. Any competitor in the play-off not ready to play when called will be disqualified.

Dress Regulations:

During both practice and competition, competitors and their supporters must ensure a standard of dress is in keeping with national championships. Jeans, t-shirts, and garments with excessive advertising are not permitted on the course or in the clubhouse. Shirts must be tucked in; golf shoes must be worn. Metal spikes are not permitted. The dress regulations are available on the event information page on the GA website.

Catering:

The bistro will be open daily and players are encouraged to use the catering facilities that Gosnells Golf Club has to offer.

Bottled Water:

Complimentary bottled water will be provided to players for the Championship Rounds from the starting tees.

Mobile Phones:

Mobile phones may only be use on the golf course to access a distance measuring device or to call for a ruling. A COMPETITOR FAILING TO ADHERE TO THIS REGULATION WILL BE IN BREACH OF GOLF AUSTRALIA'S CODE OF CONDUCT. Telephones may remain active on silent setting but calls must be taken outside the clubhouse.

Golf Australia Hard Card:

The Golf Australia Hard Card will be in effect throughout the Championship and will be provided to players at registration.

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 and repair divots. Any player seen to be in breach of this request may face action under Golf Australia's Code of Conduct.

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