



2018 JOAN FISHER PLATE

(inc. Victorian Women's Champion of Champions)

Susie Tolhurst Trophy State Ranking Event

to be played at the



Metropolitan Golf Club

Friday 14 September

Entry Fee:	\$100.00 inc. GST \$50.00 - Metropolitan GC members (inc. GST)
Inclusion:	Light lunch – Caddies/Guests permitted at a cost of \$20.00
Format:	36-Hole Stroke
Tee Time:	Rd 1 Multi-Tee start at 7:30am (max. 88 players) Rd 2 Two-Tee start from 1:00pm (*top 30 gross players plus ties) *see Condition 1.5
Eligibility:	Victorian Champion of Champions *See Conditions 1.4d-f
GA Handicap Limit:	15.4 at date of entry
Entries Open:	Monday 26 February 2018
Entries Close:	5:00pm on Friday 31 August 2018

Note:

The field for the Joan Fisher Plate will be limited to 88 female players. If excess entries are received, a handicap ballot will apply. See Condition 1.4 for further details including exemption categories.

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2018 JOAN FISHER PLATE & VICTORIAN WOMEN'S CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS - TOURNAMENT CONDITIONS

(To be read in conjunction with the Golf Victoria Standard Event Conditions as published on the GV Website at www.golfvic.org.au)

1. TOURNAMENT CONDITIONS

- 1.1 The 2018 Joan Fisher Plate (inc. Victorian Women's Champion of Champions) will be played over 36-holes stroke play.
- 1.2 Eligible players are female amateurs whose GA Handicap or overseas equivalent at the date of entry does not exceed 15.4 strokes unless otherwise exempt as per condition 1.4
- 1.3 The starting field for the Championship will be limited to 88 female players. In the instance the number of entries exceeds the maximum field capacity, a **ballot by handicap** will occur. Unsuccessful entries will be informed without delay and given the opportunity to compete if subsequent withdrawals occur.

1.4 Exemptions:

A maximum total of 16 players will be exempted into the starting field in accordance with the following exemption categories:-

- a) 2018 Victorian Women's State Team Member
- b) 2018 Victorian Junior Girls' State Team Member
- c) Players exempted by Golf Victoria and Metropolitan GC (4 max)

A further maximum of 50 players will be exempted into the starting field and be eligible for the Victorian Women's Champion of Champions in accordance with the following exemption categories:-

- d) Current Metropolitan GC Women's Club Champion
- e) 20 Women's Club Champions at Golf Victoria affiliated golf clubs - Member, VGL & Country (see Note ii below). Championship must have been played between 22 September 2017 and 14 September 2019.
- f) Winners of the following Championships:
 - 2017 Victorian Women's Champion of Champions
 - 2017 Victorian Women's Amateur Champion
 - 2017 SAJG Signature Tournament Girls Champion
 - 2017 Champions Trophy Winner
 - 2017 Future Champions Trophy Winner
 - 2017 Victorian Women's Senior Amateur Champion
 - 2018 Victorian Women's Mid-Amateur Champion
 - 2018 Victorian Women's Country Champion
 - 2018 Victorian Women's Sand Greens Champion
 - 2018 Victorian Women's Par 3 Champion
 - 2018 Victorian Junior Girls' Champion
 - 2018 Victorian Junior Masters Girls Champion
 - 2018 Women's Champions - Victorian Country District Golf Associations (15)
 - 2018 VGL Women's Champion

Notes:

- (i) To receive an exemption into the starting field, a player must have submitted an entry to the event by the stated time on the closing date for entries.
 - (ii) Should the maximum total of 20 exempt players as per condition 1.4e be exceeded, the exempt players will be determined on the basis of those with the lowest exact GA Handicap as at the close of entries.
 - (iii) It is not permissible for a nominated representative to be eligible for the Victorian Women's Champion of Champions title in the place of a particular Champion who is unable to participate.
 - (iv) All remaining positions up to the maximum field of 88 players will be filled on the basis of exact GA Handicap as at the close of entries.
 - (v) Any additional player(s) that achieves a position in the starting field on the basis of handicap **and** who is also the current Women's Champion of a Golf Victoria affiliated club will be eligible for the Victorian Women's Champion of Champions.
- 1.5 A total of 30 players (plus ties) with the lowest stroke scores will qualify to compete in the 2nd round via a seeded two-tee start from 1:00pm.
 - 1.6 The player with the lowest stroke score after 36 holes shall be the Joan Fisher Plate Champion.
 - 1.7 The player that is eligible under conditions 1.4d-f above with the lowest stroke score after 36 holes shall be the Victorian Women's Champion of Champions.
 - 1.8 In the event of a tie for the Joan Fisher Plate, a play-off is to be staged if time permits, otherwise a count-back will be utilised. The play-off will be played at a time and in a manner as decided by the Championship Committee. Ties for all other positions shall be decided by count-back as recommended by Golf Australia.
 - 1.9 In the event of a tie for the Victorian Women's Champion of Champions title, joint winners will be declared. Ties for all other positions shall be decided by count-back as recommended by Golf Australia.

2. ENTRIES

- 2.1 The entry fee is \$100 for non-members or \$50 for members of the Metropolitan GC. Entry fee must be paid at the time of entry and includes GST and light lunch.
- 2.2 Golf Victoria shall have the right to refuse the entry of any person without being required to give any reason for such refusal.
- 2.3 Entries shall only be made on the official entry form or online at www.golfvic.org.au.
- 2.4 The draw for the competition will be sent to players and available at www.golfvic.org.au approximately one week before the event.

3. TROPHIES

Trophies will be awarded for:

Joan Fisher Plate

- **36-Hole Gross** – Joan Fisher Plate Champion & Runner-up
- **36-Hole Nett** – Winner & Runner-Up

No player may win a trophy in both the stroke and nett sections in the Joan Fisher Plate.

Victorian Women's Champion of Champions

- **36-Hole Gross** – Victorian Women's Champion of Champions & Runner-Up
- **18-Hole Nett (AM Round)** – Winner (Gwenda Anderson Trophy) & Runner-Up.

4. CHAMPIONSHIP COMMITTEE

The Championship Committee shall consist of representatives of the Metropolitan Golf Club and Golf Victoria. In the absence of the full Championship Committee, such members thereof as may be present at any time may give a decision and any decision shall be deemed the decision of the full Championship Committee. The Championship Committee reserves the right to vary any condition of this event.

In the event of bad weather, or for any other reason, the Championship Committee may shorten the competition, appoint another day or days for completion of, or may transfer play to another course. Protests must be made to the Championship Committee not later than 10 minutes after the conclusion of each round. The decision of the Championship Committee will be final in all matters relating to the Tournament.

5. REFUND POLICY

Any entrant may withdraw and have their entry fee refunded providing notification is received within **three working days** prior to the commencement of the event. Under no circumstances will entry fees be refunded after this date unless players can provide Golf Victoria supporting documents regarding their withdrawal from the event (ie. Medical Certificate).

6. MOTORISED TRANSPORT

According to GV's standard conditions of competitions, it is the responsibility of the player, if they require the use of a golf cart during the event to send a Medical Certificate and a completed copy of the Golf Victoria Motorised Transport Approval Return Form for consideration by the Match Committee. Please go to the GV website under *Championships & Events* → *Event Resources* → *Motorised Transport* for the return form and more information. **Exemption:** Players aged 75 years and over do not require a Medical Certificate.

Golf carts are at the player's own expense and **MUST** be booked directly with the respective golf club as soon as possible. Golf Victoria cannot guarantee the use of a golf cart on any given day of play as this is subject to each host club's conditions of usage.

Note: In the event in which a limited number of carts are available, players requesting carts will be paired together. Caddies are permitted to ride in the cart with the player **ONLY** when sufficient carts are available.

7. DATABASE OF COMPETITORS DETAILS

The personal information you provide in the relevant event entry form is collected, used and disclosed in accordance with the Golf Victoria Privacy Policy (available from www.golfvic.org.au). Golf Victoria may use and disclose your personal information for the purposes of conducting the relevant event, administering golfing and other related activities across Victoria, providing you with event-related services or promotional material, complying with legal obligations or otherwise in accordance with the Golf Victoria Privacy Policy.

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