2018 WESTCOAST OPEN AMATEUR

FRIDAY 25 — SUNDAY 27 MAY
WARRNAMBOOL & PORT FAIRY GOLF CLUBS











TOURNAMENT DETAILS

Host Clubs

Venue: Warrnambool Golf Club

Address: Younger Street, Warrnambool VIC 3280

Venue: Port Fairy Golf Club

Address: Woodbine Rd, Port Fairy, VIC 3284

Phone: (03) 5568 2866

Website: www.portfairy.golf.com.au

Date: Friday 25 – Sunday 27 May 2018 **Format:** 72-Hole Stroke (Men & Women)

Tournament Committee

Stephen DeMartin (Port Fairy – Operations Manager)

Cathie West (Warrnambool – Manager)

Stephanie Wearne (GV Golf Events Coordinator)

Event Format

Friday 25 May (Round 1 - Warrnambool GC)

11:00 am Registration starts
12:10 pm Briefing (in front of clubhouse)
12:30 pm Play commences – Multi-tee start

Saturday 26 May (Rounds 2 & 3 – Port Fairy GC)

6:00 am Registration starts

7:10 am Briefing (in front of clubhouse)
7:30 am Play commences – Multi-tee start
12:30 pm Play commences – Multi-tee start

Sunday 27 May (Round 4 - Warrnambool GC)

6:30 am Registration starts

7:30 am Play commences – Multi-tee start

1:00 pm Presentations (approx.)

Trophies

Trophies will be awarded to:

Men:

- Overall 72-Hole Gross Winner, Runner-Up & Third Place
- Overall 72-Hole Nett Winner & Runner-Up
- Best Gross & Nett (Each Round) Winner
- Daily NTP

Women:

- Overall 72-Hole Gross Winner & Runner-Up
- Overall 72-Hole Nett Winner & Runner-Up
- Best Gross & Nett (Each Round) Winner
- Daily NTP

Players may win a maximum of 2 trophies (exc. NTP)

Presentation

All trophies will be presented immediately after the conclusion of the final round on Sunday. It would be appreciated if as many competitors as possible remain for the presentation to honour the respective trophy winners.

Rd's 2&3 and 4 Draw

A seeded draw will be created for rounds 2 & 3 and again for round 4 on the basis of 18-hole and 54-hole gross scores respectively. The draw will be made available on the GV Website at www.golfvic.org.au, from approximately 7:00pm on each night.

Lunch

Light lunch has been included in the entry fee and will be provided to all players as follows:

- Friday: BBQ buffet from 11:00am
- Saturday: Light lunch after the morning round
- Sunday: BBQ buffet after play

Drinks and other items will be at each player's own expense.

Practice

A driving range, practice putting green and hitting net are available at both venues. Please note that players must bring their own range balls.

Bookings must be made with both pro shops for practice rounds prior to the event.

Pull Buggies

Pull buggies are available for hire, however there are a limited amount so players are encouraged to bring their own.

Withdrawals

Any player wishing to scratch prior to 5:00pm Tuesday 22 May must ring GV tournaments on (03) 8545 6214. After this date please call the GV mobile on **0435 949 992 (Stephanie)**

Oates Vic Open Exemptions

The Westcoast Open Amateur will be allocated conditional men's and women's amateur exemptions into the 2019 Vic Open.







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Course Map
Players are requested to familiarise themselves with the course maps below to avoid any delay in commencement of play from allocated holes.







GENERAL INFORMATION

Registration

All competitors are required to report to Golf Victoria representatives inside the clubhouse at the respective clubs upon arrival at the course. Players must then be present at the briefing then on the appropriate tee **no later than 10 minutes prior the tee time**.

Handicaps

All players must ensure that their current and correct daily handicap is recorded on the scorecard in accordance with Rule 6-2b. Players must play from their **DAILY** handicap during the Championship, with the exception that no player shall play from a GA handicap greater than the maximum limit of 9.0 (Men) and 15.0 (Women).

Scorecards

All score cards are to be returned to the registration area immediately at the conclusion of play.

Dress Regulations

All **players and caddies** are requested to adhere to the Club's dress regulations. Neat, tidy and clean golf attire is required. Advertising or display materials must not appear on clothing except for small logos. Denim clothing and metal spikes are <u>not</u> permitted. Players and guest not adhering to the Host Clubs' dress regulations may be prohibited from playing and requested to leave the facilities.

Course Care / Club Regulations

Players are reminded that sand buckets **MUST** be taken and used, pitch marks are to be repaired, and bunkers raked following play at each course. Mobile phones are not to be used in the clubhouse or on the course unless in the case of an emergency or a ruling during the round. Play will be from the nominated tee markers. Any player not complying with these requirements will be subject to action in accordance with the GA Codes of Behaviour.

Slow Play

"Ready Golf" will be encouraged during the event. Rule 6-7 will be strictly enforced. Each group must maintain its position on the course with respect to the group preceding them. Any group with a clear hole in front of them will be considered 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.

Suspension of Play

In the event of heavy rain, lightning or for any other reason, the Championship Committee will be responsible for deciding whether to suspend play. The signal for suspending play will be one short siren blast. The procedure when play is suspended is outlined under Rule 6-8b. When the course is ready for play, players will be advised to return to various locations. The signal for the resumption of play will be one long siren blast.

Refunds

Any entrant may withdraw and have the entrance fee refunded provided notification is received within three working days (5:00pm on Tuesday 22 May) prior to 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).

Practice

It is permissible to practice on the competition courses between Championship rounds subject to appropriate green fees being paid/arrangements made with the host venue.

Motorised Carts

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. 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 <u>limited</u> 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.

'Safe thru 18' - First Aid Information Guide for Golfers

Golf Victoria is aware that occasionally situations arise out on golf courses where first aid or emergency action is needed, and often golfers are unsure of the best way to respond.

A compact and comprehensive first aid guide titled "Safe thru 18" has been developed in a format that can easily fit into a player's bag. This guide provides information covering many situations that players may face out on course, both critical and common.



A PDF version of the 'Safe Thru 18' guide can be obtained at www.golfvic.org.au under Championships & Events — Event Resources. In addition, a complimentary "Safe thru 18" guide will be available for all players at registration. Additional copies can be purchased through the Golf Victoria office for \$1 per guide.

Golf Victoria stresses that "Safe thru 18" is not designed as an alternative to a first aid course and we encourage all clubs and members to consider taking a professionally delivered first aid course.

Golf Victoria Website

The Golf Victoria Website is located at www.golfvic.org.au. Complete tournament draws, preview/review articles and a full summary of results can be found within the "Open Club Events" section of the "Championships & Events" page from the Golf Victoria homepage.

Further Conditions

For further conditions please consult the Event Entry Form and GV Standard Event Conditions.