

Dear Competitors,

Welcome to the 2018 Women's and Men's Port Phillip Open Amateur tournament.

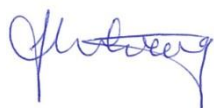
The Port Phillip Men's Open Amateur commenced in 1976 as a joint initiative of the Commonwealth and Kingston Heath Golf Clubs. Both clubs recognized the importance of providing championship tournament conditions for up and coming amateur golfers, as a way of testing their skill and as a pathway to professional golf.

In 2002, a Women's Port Phillip Open Amateur was introduced in conjunction with the Men's event. Notable past winners include Stacey Keating, Su Oh and Lisa Jean.

Over the tournament's 40-year history, the event has had a variety of formats such as "Invitational" and "Open Amateur". Both clubs are proud of the list of female and male previous winners, many of whom have forged successful international careers in professional golf.

In 2008, the two clubs in conjunction with Golf Australia, resolved to have the Port Phillip 72-hole stroke play event as the qualifying rounds for the Women's and Men's Victorian Amateur Championship. This has seen the tournament grow into one of the leading amateur events in Australia, attracting players from overseas and interstate, which has enhanced the local field of quality players.

We wish all players the best of luck in the Port Phillip Open Amateur and hope you all enjoy your Melbourne Sandbelt golfing experience.



Steven Craig  
**Club Captain**  
Commonwealth Golf Club



Robert Worthington  
**Club Captain**  
Kingston Heath Golf Club



## About

The Port Phillip Open Amateur is a 72-hole stroke Championship which commenced in 1976 as a men's only event. Since its beginning it has been played annually at Kingston Heath and Commonwealth Golf Clubs within Melbourne's Sandbelt. A women's field was added in 2002, in 2008 the event became the qualifying rounds for the Victorian Men's and Women's Amateur Championship.

The starting field for the Port Phillip will consist of 129 male and 39 female players. According to the Championship conditions, a cut in both sections will apply after the opening two rounds to determine the top 52 male and 22 female players plus ties to progress through to the final 36-holes to be played on the Saturday.

After the completion of the Port Phillip Amateur, the leading 32 male and 16 female players will advance to contest the match play rounds of the Victorian Men's & Women's Amateur Championships at Huntingdale Golf Club from Monday 11 December. The 36-hole finals to decide both the Men's and Women's titles will be played on Wednesday 13 December.

Men's & Women's Honour Roll - [www.golfvic.org.au/eventdisplay/10091](http://www.golfvic.org.au/eventdisplay/10091)

## Venues

### Kingston Heath Golf Club

**Address:** Kingston Rd, Cheltenham VIC 3192  
**Pro Shop:** (03) 8558 2700  
**Website:** [kingstonheath.melbourne](http://kingstonheath.melbourne)  
**Dates:** Thursday 6 – Friday 7 December 2018

### Commonwealth Golf Club

**Address:** Glennie Ave, South Oakleigh VIC 3167  
**Pro Shop:** (03) 9575 0444  
**Website:** <https://www.commonwealthgolf.com.au/cms/>  
**Date:** Saturday 8 December 2018

## Tournament Committee

- Peter Parks (Commonwealth GC General Manager)
- Gregg Chapple (Kingston Heath GC General Manager)
- Tim Witherow (GA Victorian Events Coordinator)
- Olivia Kline (GA Victoria Events Officer)
- David Greenhill (GA Events Senior Manager)

## Event Format

### Thursday 6 December - Round 1 – Kingston Heath

6:30 am Registration starts  
 7:30 am AM field: Play commences – Stroke – Two tee start  
 12:00 pm PM field: Play commences – Stroke – Two tee start

### Friday 7 December - Round 2 – Kingston Heath

6:30 am Registration starts  
 7:30 am AM field: Play commences – Stroke – Two tee start  
 12:00 pm PM field: Play commences – Stroke – Two tee start

### Saturday 8 December - Rounds 3 & 4 – Commonwealth

6:30 am Registration starts  
 8:00 am Round 3: Play commences – Stroke – Multi tee start  
 1:00 pm Round 4: Play commences – Stroke – Multi tee start

## 36-Hole Cut

The top 52 male players and top 22 female players including ties will continue to rounds three and four.

## Draws - Rounds 3 & 4

A seeded draw will be created for the third and fourth rounds on the basis of 36-hole totals. The third and fourth rounds will commence via a multi-tee start from 8.00am on Saturday 8 December at Commonwealth Golf Club. The draw will be emailed to the players and made available on the GA – Victorian Website at [www.golfvic.org.au](http://www.golfvic.org.au) from approximately 8:30pm on Friday 7 December. Alternatively, players may call the GA Mobile on **0488 401 041 (Liv)**. Golf Australia reserves the right to modify the draw.

## Trophies

Kingston Heath and Commonwealth Golf Clubs will present the following trophies:

### Men's:

#### 72 Hole Port Phillip Open Amateur

- Winner, Runner Up, Third & Fourth Place

#### Kingston Heath GC Open Amateur

- Winner & Runner Up

#### Commonwealth GC Open Amateur

- Winner & Runner Up

### Women's:

#### 72 Hole Port Phillip Open Amateur

- Winner & Runner Up

#### Kingston Heath GC Open Amateur

- Winner

#### Commonwealth GC Open Amateur

- Winner

In addition to the above trophies, Golf Australia will also award medallions to the Victorian Men's & Women's Medalists.

## Pace of Play

It is the responsibility of each competitor to understand the Pace of Play policy. **Failure to comply with the pace of play policy may result in you being penalized.** With this in mind you are advised to carefully read the the pace of play policy found within the Golf Australia standard event conditions.

It is the responsibility of each group to play within the published maximum times allowed and keep up with the group in front. In an effort to eradicate slow play, players may also be subject to random timing even when not out of position.

## Presentation

All trophies will be presented immediately after the conclusion of play on Saturday 8 December at Commonwealth GC. It would be appreciated if competitors remain for the presentation to honour the respective trophy winners.

## Lunches

Lunch will be provided for all rounds of the Port Phillip Open Amateur. Lunch will be made available to players competing in the afternoon field prior to the commencement of the round. Morning players may collect their lunch following the conclusion of their round. Please note that all other expenses will be the responsibility of the competitor.

## Practice

Practice rounds will **NOT** be available at either Commonwealth or Kingston Heath Golf Clubs prior to the Port Phillip Open Amateur. This includes playing the course, walking the course and use of practice facilities.

During the tournament at both venues, range ball tokens will be available from the Pro Shop at no charge and are the only practice balls to be used on the Practice fairways. At Commonwealth GC, players are permitted to use irons only on the practice fairway. Practice nets are available for woods.

## Pull Buggies

Complementary pull buggies will be available for all players competing in the Port Phillip Open Amateur. However, players are encouraged to bring their own pull buggy as required.

## Withdrawals

Any player wishing to withdraw prior to Thursday 6 December 2018 must ring GA tournaments on 03 8545 6200. To withdraw on the day of play please call the GA mobile on **0448 577 640 (Tim)** Withdrawals must be telephoned through as soon as possible to allow players on the emergency list the opportunity to compete.

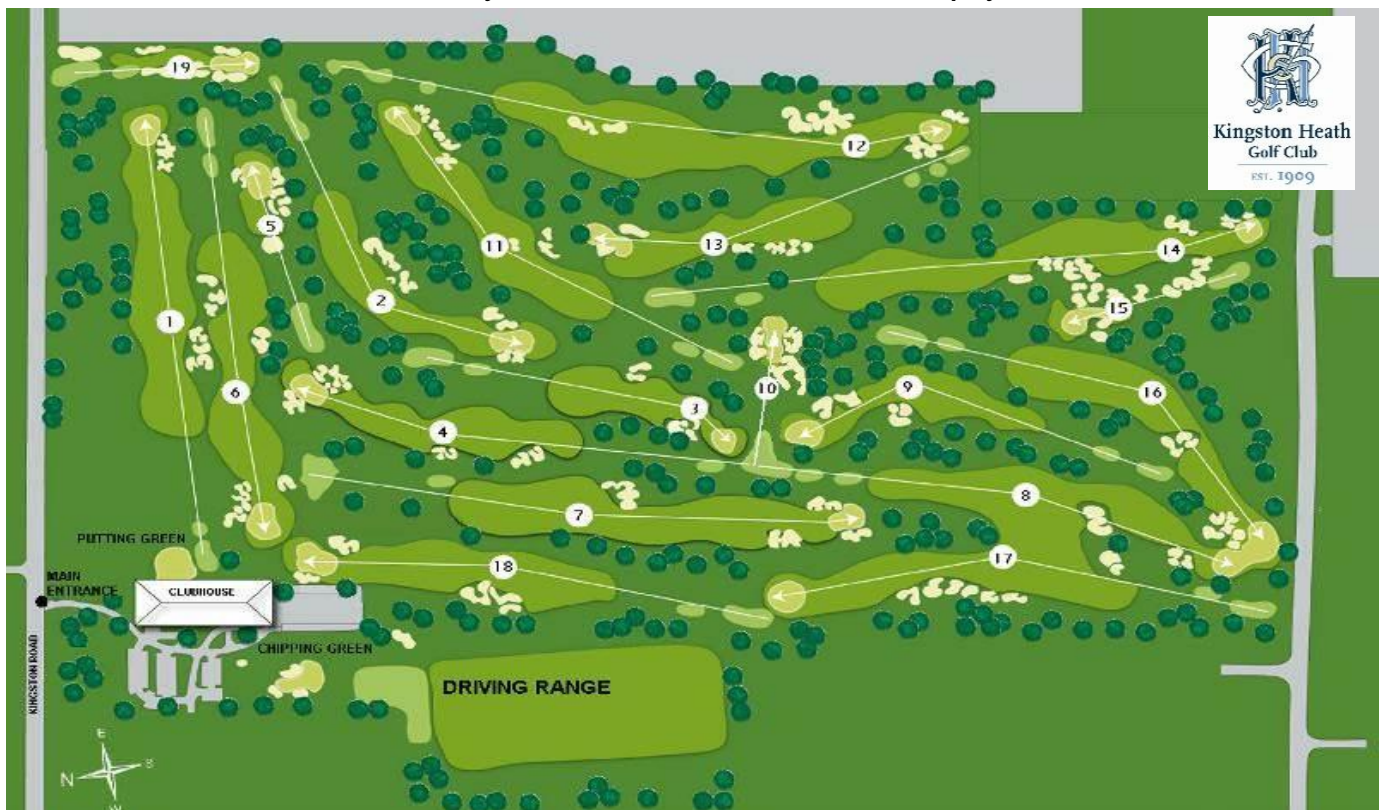
## 2019 Vic Open Exemptions

The Men's and Women's 2018 Port Phillip Open Amateur champions will be awarded exemptions into the 2019 Vic Open.

Course Maps



Players Note: 'Inner Outer' course will be in play







# 2018 VICTORIAN AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP - TOURNAMENT DETAILS

## About

The Victorian Men's and Women's Amateur Championship match play rounds will be contested at Huntingdale Golf Club. The leading thirty-two (32) male and sixteen (16) female players after the Port Phillip Open Amateur will advance to the Victorian Amateur match play rounds. Ties for the final qualifying positions shall be decided by a hole by hole play-off following the final round of the Port Phillip Open Amateur.

The Victorian Men's & Women's Amateur Championships shall consist of successive rounds of knock-out match play being played. The automatic draw shall be applied to establish the first-round matches. The first round, second round (Men only), quarter-finals and semi-finals shall be determined over 18 holes of match play. The finals shall be determined over 36 holes' match play.

Men's & Women's Honour Roll - [www.golfvic.org.au/eventdisplay/10092](http://www.golfvic.org.au/eventdisplay/10092)

## Venue

### Huntingdale Golf Club

**Address:** Windsor Ave, South Oakleigh, VIC 3167

**Pro Shop:** (03) 9579 4622

**Website:** <https://www.huntingdalegolf.com.au/welcome/index.mhtml>

## Championship Committee

- David Greenhill (GA Events Senior Manager)
- Olivia Kline (Victorian Events Officer)
- Tim Witherow (Victorian Events Coordinator)
- Sue Rea (GV Match Member)

## Event Format

### Monday 10 December – Huntingdale GC

7:30 am 1<sup>st</sup> Round Men's matches commence (1<sup>st</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> tees)

12:00 pm 1<sup>st</sup> Round Women's matches commence (1<sup>st</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> tees)

12:32 pm 2<sup>nd</sup> Round Men's matches commence (1<sup>st</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> tees)

### Tuesday 11 December – Huntingdale GC

7:30 am Men's & Women's Quarter Final matches commence (1<sup>st</sup> tee)

12:00 pm Men's & Women's Semi Final matches commence (1<sup>st</sup> tee)

### Wednesday 12 December – Huntingdale GC

7:30 am Men's & Women's Finals matches commence (1<sup>st</sup> tee – 36 holes)

## Draw

Qualifying players are requested to note their tee-off time after the conclusion of play and confirmation of the leading thirty-two male and sixteen female players following the Port Phillip Open Amateur. Alternatively, players may visit the GA website at [www.golfvic.org.au](http://www.golfvic.org.au) or call the GA Mobile on **0488 401 041 (Liv)** between 7:00pm – 8:00pm on Saturday 8 December.

**Players unable to compete in the Victorian Amateur Championship are asked to advise the Golf Australia office as soon as possible.**

## Trophies

Trophies will be awarded to:

- Winner – Victorian Men's & Women's Amateur Champions
- Runners Up
- Semi-Finalists
- 2018 Susie Tolhurst Trophy, Runner Up and Third Place

## Presentation

All trophies will be presented immediately after the conclusion of the final on Wednesday 12 December at Huntingdale GC.

## 2019 Vic Open Exemptions

The Men's and Women's 2018 Victorian Amateur champions will be awarded exemptions into the 2019 Vic Open.



# GENERAL INFORMATION

## Registration

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

## Scorecards

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

## Dress Regulations

All **players and caddies** are required to adhere to the Club's dress regulations with particular reference to the following:

- ❖ Clean dress shoes **MUST** be worn in the clubhouse at all times. Athletic jogger type shoes are not permitted.
- ❖ Advertising or display materials must not appear on clothing except for brand name logos.
- ❖ All shirts must have a collar.
- ❖ Tailored shorts are permitted. Gentlemen must wear long socks or white short socks with such shorts.
- ❖ Denim clothing of any description is not permitted.

Any player not adhering to the Host Clubs' dress regulations will be prohibited from playing. Any caddie or guest not adhering to the Host Clubs' dress regulations will be requested to leave the course.

Huntingdale GC: <https://www.huntingdalegolf.com.au/guests/golf/dresscode.mhtml>

## Golf Footwear

Players are requested to note that soft spikes are mandatory.

## 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 Code of Conduct.

## Motorised Carts

According to GA'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 Australia Motorised Transport Approval Return Form for consideration by the Match Committee. Please go to the GA 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 Golf Australia as soon as possible. Golf Australia 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.

## Slow Play

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.

## GA Victorian Website

The GA – Victorian Website is located at [www.golfvic.org.au](http://www.golfvic.org.au). Complete tournament draws, preview/review articles and a full summary of results can be found within the "Mens" & "Womens" sections of the "Championships & Events" page from the GA – Victorian homepage.



# GENERAL INFORMATION

## Safe thru 18' – First Aid Information Guide for Golfers

Golf Australia 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 via the following link:

<http://events.golfvic.org.au/content.aspx?file=40155|27510q>

In addition a complementary “Safe thru 18” guide will be available for all players at registration. Additional copies can be purchased through the Golf Australia office for \$1 per guide.

Golf Australia 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.



## Further Conditions

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