



# **Tasmanian High Performance update**

# Re: High Performance Program applications

You may have seen that Golf Australia recently announced a new application and selection policy for all One Golf states and territories. I wanted to explain how this will roll out in Tasmania and plans for 2019 and beyond.

# **Golf Australia Tiers**

- Tier 1 Golf Australia rookie program (professionals only)
- Tier 2 State High Performance programs
- Tier 3 State development programs
- Tier 4 State talent ID programs

The tier system is consistent throughout Australia, with players who apply through the national process selected in tiers 2 & 3. It is envisaged that tier 3 players progress to tier 2. Players at tier 2 level will receive more coaching, service provision and tournament opportunities. Players selected at this level will be those we feel have the potential to reach Golf Australia's long term high performance objective of reaching the top 100 in the professional rankings.

### **Coaching structure**

There will remain three regional coaches in Tasmania in the north-west, north-east and southern regions. All current regional coaches will be required to re-apply for their roles when their current contracts expire in May. These coaches will form the backbone of the coaching structure in Tasmania, with the support of Richard Cooney who will provide coach education and oversee the state coaching pathway.

### Interstate & Junior Interstate Series

Whilst the tier 2 & 3 squads will consist of players we feel can reach Golf Australia's long term high performance objectives; representative opportunities remain open to the best performed players. Put simply, these teams will be made up of the players that are likely to give Tasmania the best chance of performing well, regardless of age, experience or whether they are a member of the tiered squads.

### Start date

Whilst other state programs will begin in March/April, we will look to begin the tiered development program in June, after the Interstate Teams Matches. We will begin with a camp which will involve all coaches, service providers and potential tiered development players. More information will follow in due course including confirmed dates and venue.