



THE ROYAL MELBOURNE GOLF CLUB



2019 VGF PAUL RAK MEMORIAL TROPHY DAY

to be played at

**The Royal Melbourne Golf Club
(West Course)**

Monday 1 July

Entry Fee:	\$280.00 per pair (incl. GST)
Inclusion:	AM Pairs – two-course lunch PM Pairs – light lunch and post-golf snacks
Format:	18-Hole 4BBB Stableford *3 Sections – Men's, Women's, Mixed
Tee Time:	Multi-tee starts at 7:45am & 12:30pm
GA Handicap Limit:	36.4 (Men), 45.4 (Women) at date of entry
Entries Open:	Monday 6 May 2019
Entries Close:	5.00pm on Friday 21 June 2019 or prior if a capacity field is reached.

To raise funds for the Educational and Golf Development of Golf in Victoria

From 2016, the event, in honour of the late Paul Rak, has been renamed to the VGF Paul Rak Memorial Trophy Day.

Paul had contributed greatly to golf in Victoria along with an outstanding commitment to his General Manager role at the Royal Melbourne Golf Club.

2019 VGF PAUL RAK MEMORIAL TROPHY DAY – TOURNAMENT CONDITIONS

1. COMPETITION PROCEDURE

- 1.1 The VGF Paul Rak Memorial Trophy Day will be played as a Four-Ball Stableford event over 18 holes in the following sections:
 - Men's Section
 - Women's Section
 - Mixed Section
- 1.2 A maximum of 84 pairs (42 – AM field, 42 – PM field) will compete in the event. Entries to the event will be accepted on an **as received basis** until total field capacity is reached. Unsuccessful entries will be informed without delay and given the opportunity to compete if withdrawals subsequently occur.
- 1.3 A minimum of 10 women's & 10 mixed entrants will be reserved up until the date of close of entries. After this date the field will be filled by receipt of entry.
- 1.4 Ties for all positions shall be decided by the system of count back as specified by Golf Australia.

2. ELIGIBILITY

- 2.1 Eligible players are male and female players whose GA Handicap at the time of entry does not exceed 36.4 strokes (Men) and 45.4 strokes (Women) in accordance with the Australian Handicapping System. Professionals are also eligible to compete.
- 2.2 **Professionals' Handicaps** – Professionals' handicaps for the Victorian Golf Foundation Annual Golf Day are to be determined as follows: -
 - (i) Where a professional is a member of a club or has a handicap calculated at a club where he/she is employed, then that handicap shall apply for the Victorian Golf Foundation Annual Golf Day.
 - (ii) If (i) above is not applicable, Professionals are to play from scratch.

Exception: All professionals who hold playing rights on any PGA or LPGA Tour shall be allocated a playing handicap by the Championship Committee.

3. ENTRIES

- 3.1 The entry fee is \$280.00 (incl. GST) per pair. For players in the AM field, a two-course lunch is included after the round. For players in the PM field, a light lunch prior to the round and post-golf snacks are included. Entry fee must be paid at time of entry.
- 3.2 Golf Australia shall have the right to refuse the entry of any person without being required to give any reason for such refusal.
- 3.3 Entries shall only be made online at www.golf.org.au/victoria.
- 3.4 The draw for the competition will be sent to players and available at www.golf.org.au/victoria approximately one week before the event.
- 3.5 Each individual is permitted to compete in only **one** of the following sections: men's, women's or mixed.
- 3.6 **Dependent on numbers, women's & mixed pairs will be allocated to the morning field for presentation purposes.**

4. TROPHIES

Trophies will be awarded to:

- Winning pairs and Runners-Up in each section for both morning and afternoon rounds.

Notes:

- (i) Trophies awarded may be altered depending on the number of entries received.
- (ii) Sections may be combined should there be less than 10 entries received.

5. EVENT COMMITTEE

The Committee shall consist of Golf Australia representatives and the Match Committee of the Club upon whose course the rounds are being played. In the absence of a full Event Committee, such members thereof, as may be present at the time, may give a decision so given shall be deemed to be a decision of the full Event Committee. In the event of bad weather, or for any other reason, the Event 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 Event Committee not later than 10 minutes after the conclusion of each round.

6. REFUND POLICY

Any entrant may withdraw and have their entry fee refunded provided 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 Australia supporting documents regarding their withdrawal from the event (ie. Medical Certificate).

7. MOTORISED TRANSPORT

Competitors are permitted to ride in or on a motorised vehicle during the Event. It should be noted that the use, hire or provision of such transport is at the competitor's own expense subject to arrangements and agreements with the Royal Melbourne Golf Club.

8. DATABASE OF COMPETITORS DETAILS

The personal data contained in this entry is permanently retained by Golf Australia. This data may be utilised by Golf Australia or its sponsors for the distribution of correspondence, in both electronic and hard copy means. From time to time players may be sent entry forms, event literature, the Golf Australia e-newsletter, or marketing material by the sponsor(s) of Golf Australia events, or information about events conducted by Golf Australia-approved bodies. Upon receipt by Golf Australia of a written request, a player may either have access to their details, or have their details deleted from the database.

