

2019 South Australian Men's & Women's Amateur Championship

Championship History: The Men's Amateur Championship has a history dating back to the inception of

the South Australian Golf Association (SAGA) in 1905. The Women's Amateur Championship dates to 1902 when it was played as the Ladies' State Championship. In 2009 Golf SA combined the Men's & Women's Medal &

Amateur Championships into one consolidated event.

Venue:

The Vines of Reynella Golf Club

Reynell Road, Happy Valley SA 5159

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Format:

Sunday 22nd September: Practice round from 11.00am onwards

Monday 23rd September: 1st Rd SA Medal (Men) & Vesta Cup (Women) 2nd Rd SA Medal (Men) & Vesta Cup (Women)

The leading 32 Men & 16 Women qualify for the Matchplay

Wednesday 25th September: SA Amateur Championship

Men: Round 1 (AM) & Round 2 (PM) Match Play

Women: Round 1 (AM) Match Play

Thursday 26th September: Men & Women: Quarter Finals (AM) & Semi Final (PM) Match play

Friday 27th September: Men & Women: 36-hole Match Play Final (AM & PM)

Handicap Limit: Men: GA 3.5

Women: GA 10.0

Entry Fee: \$90 (includes practice round)

Entries Close: Monday 9th September 2019 at 5pm (ACST)

Practice Round: To book a practice round, please call The Vines Pro Shop on (08) 8381 3300

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For event information and to register please visit - www.golf.org.au/golfsa

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Terms of the Competition

1. Championship Procedure

- 1.1. The championship is played in two separate sections.
- 1.2. The first section will be played over 36-holes of stroke play at The Vines of Reynella Golf Club for the SA Medal (Men) and Vesta Cup (Women).
 - Round 1: Monday 23rd September
 - Round 2: Tuesday 24th September
- 1.3. After the first section, the lowest 32 Men's scores & 16 women's scores will qualify for the second stage, the SA Amateur Championship.
- 1.4. In the event of a tie for the SA Medal (Men) and/or Vesta Cup (Women), unless the Championship Play Committee determines otherwise, players in such a tie will continue over such holes as the Championship Play Committee decides in a sudden-death, hole-by-hole play-off until the winner is determined.
- 1.5. In the event of there being a tie for the last qualifying position (32 men and/or 16 women) after 36 Holes Stroke Play, those players tying for such a position will continue over such holes as the Championship Match Committee determines in a sudden-death, hole-by-hole play-off until the 32 qualifiers for the SA Men's Amateur Championship and 16 qualifiers for the SA Women's Amateur Championship has been determined. However, if the Championship Match Committee determines that there is not sufficient time available for a play-off, such a tie will be resolved by count back.
- 1.6. The SA Men's & Women's Amateur Championship will consist of successive rounds of match play, with losers being eliminated and winners progressing to the next round. Qualifying positions will be determined by count back.
- 1.7. In the event of a halved match in any round players will continue to play until a winner is determined.
- 1.8. The winners (male & female) will be the SA Men's & Women's Amateur Champion and hold the Amateur Championship Cups for one year.

2. Eligibility

- 2.1. Eligible players are male & female amateur golfer and;
- 2.2. Whose GA Handicap (or overseas equivalent) does not exceed 3.5 (Men) or 10.0 (Women) at the time of entry.
- 2.3. An entrant who holds current handicaps in multiple countries is required to advise GA of the details of all handicaps they hold. GA will determine which handicap is to be used for ballot purposes; this handicap will also be used to determine whether the player has conformed with the handicap limit for the championship.

3. Entry Requirements

- 3.1. The Entrance Fee is \$90.00 (includes GST).
- 3.2. Entries will be accepted via the Golf Australia online entry system only. Manual entries may be accepted at the discretion of Golf Australia. Payment will be made online using the Paypal gateway.
- 3.3. The decision of the Championship Play Committee as to acceptance or refusal of any entry will be final.

- 3.4. Entrants must conform in all respects to the Rules of Amateur Status as adopted by R&A Rules Limited.
- 3.5. Fully completed registrations, together with appropriate entrance fees, must be received by Golf Australia by 5.00pm (ACST) on Monday 9th September 2019. It is the sole responsibility of the entrant to ensure that their entry has been received. A player's registration has not officially been received until his name has been posted at www.golf.org.au.
- 3.6. In the event of entry applications exceeding the number of places available in the Championship (30 women, 60 men), applications from those higher handicap competitors will be decided by a handicap ballot.
 - NOTE: The maximum field size must not exceed 90 players
- 3.7. If insufficient entries are received in either category, additional players may be accepted into the Championship with the lowest handicap players regardless of age at the close of entries accepted.
- 3.7. The exact GA handicap at close of entries will be used for all purposes. Unsuccessful applicants will be informed without delay and given the opportunity to compete if withdrawals subsequently occur. Monies received from balloted entrants, who do not subsequently compete, will be refunded in entirety.

4. Trophies

- 4.1. The male and female with the lowest scores after the 36 hole Strokeplay will be awarded the SA Medal (Men) and Vesta Cup (Women)
- 4.2. The Winners of the match play section, male & female, will be awarded the SA Amateur Championship Trophies and hold them for one year

5. Championship Play Committee

- 5.1. The Championship Play Committee will comprise of the GA – SA Golf Operations Manager, GA – SA Golf Support Officer and the South Australian Match Committee
- 5.2. In the absence of a full Championship Play Committee, such members as may be present at the time may give a decision, and any decision so given will be deemed to be a decision of the full Championship Play Committee.
- 5.3. The Championship Play Committee will have the sole management and control of the Championship, with full power at any time to alter or vary any of the conditions.
- 5.4. The Championship Play Committee's decision on matters affecting the Championship will be final.

6. Rules of Golf & Golf Australia Hard Card

6.1 The Rules of Golf, as adopted by R&A Rules Limited, will apply, together with GA's Hard Card, and any additional Local Rules as drawn up by the Championship Play Committee. The 2019 Golf Australia Hard Card will be in effect throughout the Championship.



7. Practice Rounds

7.1 The official practice round will be held on Sunday 22nd September 2019. To book a practice round, please call the pro shop on (08) 8381 3300.

8. Drug Testing

8.1 All competitors are subject to drug testing by the Australian Sports Anti-Doping Agency for banned substances as laid down in GA's Anti-Doping Policy. Any competitor infringing this policy, or refusing to take a test, will be disqualified and subject to any sanction(s) brought down by ASADA. A list of the prohibited substances will be available at registration. Clarification of any medication can be obtained via the ASADA hotline – 13 000 ASADA (13 000 27232), or from www.asada.gov.au.

9. Database of Competitors' Details

9.1 The personal data contained in this entry is permanently retained by GA. This data may be utilised by GA 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 GA enewsletter, or marketing material by the sponsor(s) of GA events, or information about events conducted by GA approved bodies. Upon receipt by GA of a written request, a player may either have access to their details, or have their details deleted from the database.

10. Code of Conduct

10.1 All entrants are bound by GA's Code of Conduct ("the Code"). A copy of the Code is available at golf.org.au. Any breach of the Code may be recorded on the Central Register of the Code ("the Register"). The Register may be accessed (and published from time to time) by any State Association or GA for the purposes of administering Competitions or state championships, events, competitions, practice sessions or major activities conducted or sanctioned by a State Association, or any State Association or GA codes of conduct and/or other related matters.

11. Legal Policies (e.g. Match Fixing Policy)

11.1 All entrants are bound to comply with all of GA's legal policies. These policies relate to the golfer's behaviour and the behaviour of their associates during the tournament. Any breach of these policies may result in the competitor being withdrawn from the competition and subject to investigation and disciplinary proceedings. Depending on the nature of the offence, the competitor may also be subject to criminal charges arising from their conduct. It is the duty of the competitors and their associates to familiarise themselves with the relevant policies and ensure they comply.

12. Smoking Policy

12.1 Players and caddies are prohibited from smoking during a stipulated round. (Note: In addition to the more traditional forms of smoking, this policy is also considered to cover vaping and the like, etc.) Details of sanctions for a breach of this policy are contained in GA's Code of Conduct.

13. Images

13.1 Golf Australia may arrange for promotion of the Championship, for radio, internet and television broadcasting and other exhibition and publication of the Championship or excerpts thereof in any and all media throughout the world, whether now known or hereafter developed. By this application, the player consents to the use by Golf Australia, or persons authorised by Golf Australia, of their name, likeness, voice and references to them and photographs and other images of them and their connected with their appearance in the Championship, or any portion(s) thereof, in connection with such media promotion, broadcasting and other exhibition and publication of the Championship. Golf Australia may utilise the rights granted it hereunder in connection with the promotion of this Championship as well as other Golf Australia Championships and Golf Australia. The cooperation of players with authorised representatives of the media is required, provided that no pre-Championship activities outside of those activities which are part of the Championship will be required and provided that the player's Championship play is not unreasonably interfered with.

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