

# 2019 Australian Men's & Women's Mid-Amateur Championship

## Championship History:

The first Australian Mid-Amateur Championships were played in 2007. For the first three years, the women's championship was played in conjunction with the Australian Women's Senior Amateur, over 54-holes stroke play. The men's event was played over 54-holes stroke play and for the first three years the winner received an exemption into the Australian Open.

In 2010 the men's and women's championships were combined and since then have been played at the same venue and at the same time.

#### Venue:



## Magenta Shores Golf & Country Club

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#### Course Information:

Magenta Shores Golf & Country Club is the only private golf course located on the Central Coast, boasting magnificent ocean views from the front 9 holes with the back 9 holes adjacent to the rainforest and National Parks. Members and their guests, Corporate Groups and hotel guest of Pullman Magenta Shores Resort have the opportunity to play one of the most unique, challenging and highly ranked courses in Australia at this 5-star location.

## Office Bearers:

General Manager: Rob Hurley

Club Captains: Julie Liddle and John O'Keefe

Chair of Directors: Peter Gaydon Directors: Tony Slater Colin Kaye

Ron Latham Yuan Zhao Howard Cao Peter Gaydon Ross Liddle



## Player Information

Format:

Tuesday 12 November: Practice round from 10.00 am

Registration: 9.00 am - 3.30 pm

Wednesday 13 November: 1st Rd 2019 Australian Mid-Amateur Championship Thursday 14 November: 2nd Rd 2019 Australian Mid-Amateur Championship

Friday 15 November: 3<sup>rd</sup> Rd 2019 Australian Mid-Amateur Championship (seeded draw)

Presentation Reception: Conclusion of play, approx. 5.00 pm

## Registration:

Competitors are required to register between 9.00 am and 3.00 pm on Tuesday 12 November at Magenta Shores Golf & Country Club. At this time, competitors will be required to provide a phone number where they can be contacted during the event. Failure to register may result in disqualification from the Championship. If it is impossible to register in person, competitors must contact Ashley Marshall on 0419 154 003 on registration day.

Competitors are not required to register each day. Players are requested to report to the Starter at least 5 minutes prior to the advertised starting time. Score cards, local rules and hole placement sheets will be distributed by the Starter on the starting tee.

## Withdrawals:

If you are unable to compete, please contact Golf Australia immediately either via email <a href="mailto:ashleym@golf.org.au">ashleym@golf.org.au</a> or on 0419 154 003.

## Results & Draws:

All results and draws will be posted at www.golf.org.au

The draw for rounds 1 and 2 will be available one week prior to the event. If players have requests to coordinate travel, please email <a href="mailto:championships@golf.org.au">championships@golf.org.au</a> and these will be accommodated where possible. **These must be advised no later than Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November.** 

The draw for round 3 will be seeded based on scores from the first 36-holes. <u>Therefore, no time requests can be</u> accommodated for the Round 3 draw.

## Practice:

A complimentary practice round is available on Tuesday 12 November from 10.00am onwards.

Golf Australia will forward competitors a link following the close of entries to make practice round bookings via the Golf Australia tournament system.

Additional practice rounds may be available prior to the event by contacting the pro shop. Players will be charged the member's guest rate for additional rounds. Please contact the club to ascertain availability and to confirm costs.

During a practice round a player may play one ball only throughout the round with the following exceptions:

- If a player misses the fairway with their drive, they may play one additional tee shot from the tee;
- If a player misses the green with their approach shot, they may play one additional shot to the green;
- Not more than three chip shots may be played from beside the green, and only then provided such practice shots do not damage the course;



- Due to the demands on staff for the course preparations for Round 1, Golf Australia requests that ALL
  players practicing from greenside bunkers play one (1) shot only. We also ask that the bunker be raked
  immediately after;
- Only three practice putts are permitted.

## Ready Golf:

The Championship is a "Ready Golf" event. "Ready Golf" should be played, but in a safe and responsible way. Play when you are ready – you don't have to wait until the farthest away players has played. E.g. play Ready Golf

- When the player farther away has a difficult shot and is assessing options
- When a longer hitter has to wait for the green to clear
- On the tee if a player with the honor is delayed
- By playing your shot before helping to look for a lost ball

#### Course Guides:

Yardage books/course guides are available from the pro shop for \$10.00 A course tour is available online and can be <u>found here</u>

## Distance Measuring Devices/GPS:

Distance measuring devices are permitted for this Championship.

#### Practice Facilities and Balls:

A driving range and putting green is available for player use. Players are limited to irons only with a carry distance of no more than 150 meters on the range. Balls will be available from the pro shop; \$5 small bucket, \$10 medium, \$18 large. The range is open from 6.30 am each morning

#### **Pull Buggies:**

Pull buggies are available from the pro shop for \$10 per day.

## Motorised Carts:

Players are permitted to use Motorised Transport on the production of a Medical Certificate. The Medical Certificate must be received by Golf Australia prior to the event. Players requiring a motorised cart MUST book with **Golf Australia on 03 9626 5050** or email <a href="mailto:championships@golf.org.au">championships@golf.org.au</a> by **November 4, 2019.** Carts will be approximately \$35.00 each (this cost will depend on whether additional carts are required from an external supplier for the championship).

#### Club Storage:

There is limited club storage available at Magenta Shores Golf & Country Club. Please see GA staff if this is required.

#### Caddies:

Caddies are permitted during the championship. If players require a caddie, they must make their own arrangements.

#### Ties:

In the event of a tie for the championship, unless the Championship Play Committee determines otherwise, players in such a tie shall continue over such holes in a sudden-death, hole-by-hole play-off until the winner is determined.

#### **Dress Requirements:**

Players, caddies and spectators must adhere to dress regulations of Magenta Shores Golf & Country Club which is neat, tidy and appropriate to the game. The dress code can be <u>found here</u>



## Catering:

Catering will be available on all championship days inc. breakfast from 7am each day. All food and beverage for players for the duration of the event is at the player's expense.

## Complimentary Water:

Complimentary bottled water will be supplied to players on the Championship Days only, from on or near the starting tees. Players are requested not to abuse this privilege and to place empty bottles in rubbish bins.

## Mobile Phones:

Mobile phones may be used on the golf course during competition to access a distance measuring device application or to call for a ruling only. The use of mobile phones in the clubhouse is permitted and phones must be on silent.

#### Golf Australia Hard Card:

The Golf Australia Hard Card will be in effect throughout the Championship and will be provided to players at registration. Click here to view the Golf Australia Hard Card and related championship policies

## Course Care:

All clubs which host Golf Australia National Championships kindly give up their course for the duration of the event. Hence, so that the course is left in a suitable condition once the Championship is completed, players MUST carry AND use a sand bucket. Any player seen to be in breach of this request may face action under Golf Australia's Code of Conduct.

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