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## THE RIVERSDALE GOLF CLUB LTD.

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Under the auspices of Golf Australia

Presents the



### 2020 RIVERSDALE CUP

An Ivo Whitton Trophy Event

First staged in 1896 and now rated in the top 100 World Amateur Ranking Events

And the:

### 2020 WOMEN'S RIVERSDALE CUP

(First played in 1959 and now a Golf Australia Order of Merit Event,  
a Susie Tolhurst Event and a Karrie Webb Series Event)

**Events to be played concurrently as a combined tournament over four days  
from THURSDAY 5<sup>th</sup> March to SUNDAY 8<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2020**

Entries close on Wednesday, 19<sup>th</sup> February 2020 at 5pm

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Picture above: 2019 Winners:  
Yuna Nishimura and Chris Crabtree

## CONDITIONS COMMON TO THE RIVERSDALE CUP and the WOMEN'S RIVERSDALE CUP

### **C1. GENERAL**

C1.1 The events will be played over 72-holes stroke play consisting of 18 holes on each of Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March, Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March, Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> March and Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2019.

### **C2. CHAMPIONSHIP COMMITTEE**

C2.1 The Championship Committee shall consist of the Match Committee of the Riversdale Cup.

C2.2 In the absence of the full Championship Committee, such members thereof as may be present at any time may give a decision and any decision shall be deemed the decision of the full Championship Committee. The Championship Committee reserves the right to vary any condition of this event.

In the event of bad weather, or for any other reason, the Championship Committee may shorten the competition, change the size of the cut fields, appoint another day or days for completion of, or may transfer play to another course. Protests must be made to the Championship Committee not later than 15 minutes after the conclusion of each day's play except on the final day when they must be made within 5 minutes of the conclusion of play. The decision of the Championship Committee will be final in all matters relating to the Riversdale Cups.

In every event Competitors will be drawn against each other for the day in such a manner as the Championship Committee may arrange.

### **C3. ENTRIES**

C3.1 Entries will be restricted to amateurs, who are members of clubs affiliated with Golf Australia, or of golf clubs registered with such State or Overseas Associations as are affiliated with or recognised by this Association, or of clubs affiliated with the Victorian Golf League and Registered Golfers.

C3.2 Entries must be made online via [www.golf.org.au](http://www.golf.org.au) not later than 5pm Wednesday, 19<sup>th</sup> February.

C3.3 Entrance Fee must be paid at time of entry and includes complimentary practice range balls, pull buggies and drinks on the course. Entrants from the state of Victoria are requested to bring their own golf buggy if possible.

C3.4 All entries shall be subject to the approval of the Championship Committee who reserve the right to accept or refuse any entry without giving any reason for the decision which shall be final.

C3.5 Handicaps for ballot purposes will be those at the date of close of entry.

### **C4. RULES**

The competition shall be played in accordance with the Rules of Golf as adopted by R&A Rules Limited, the current CONDITIONS OF COMPETITION & LOCAL RULES FOR GOLF AUSTRALIA AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIPS and any other local rules and temporary local rules as are in force on the course over which the competition rounds are being played. If any dispute arises on any rule, it shall be decided by the Championship Committee whose decision shall be final. It should be noted that players may be subject to disqualification for a breach of etiquette in accordance with the 2019 Rules of Golf - Rule 1.

### **C5. DRAW AND STARTING TIMES**

C5.1 All draws will be set up by the Championship Committee. The draw for the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> rounds of the events (two-tee starts am/pm) will be available on the Riversdale Golf Club website ([www.riversdalegolf.com.au](http://www.riversdalegolf.com.au)) as soon as practicable after close of entries.

C5.2 The Championship Committee has the power to amend the draw or substitute another player for any competitor who is not at the tee at the time appointed to play. It may also alter the starting time for any player. In the absence of circumstances which warrant waiving the penalty of disqualification as provided in Rule 5.3 an alternative penalty will be applied: If the player arrives at their starting point, ready to play within five minutes of their starting time, the penalty for failure to start on time is two strokes at the first hole instead of disqualification.

Competitors are asked to report to the registration area at least 30 minutes before the notified time of starting.

### **C6. HONORARY MEMBERS**

Competitors will be made Honorary Members of the Riversdale Golf Club for the duration of their involvement in the events.

### **C7. DRESS STANDARDS**

Players must observe the Riversdale Golf Club dress standards posted on the Club website.

### **C8. PRACTICE**

Course facilities may be available for practice, on application at the professional shop on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> March and Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> March, 2020 (subject to availability).

**C9. PACE OF PLAY**

Rule 5.6 will be strictly enforced. Current CONDITIONS OF COMPETITION & LOCAL RULES FOR GOLF AUSTRALIA AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIPS apply.

**C10. CODE OF CONDUCT**

All entrants are bound by Golf Australia's Code of Conduct ("the Code"). A copy of the Code is available at [www.golf.org.au](http://www.golf.org.au). Any breach of the Code may be recorded on the Central Register of the Code ("the Register").

**C11. MOTORISED TRANSPORT**

Current CONDITIONS OF COMPETITION & LOCAL RULES FOR GOLF AUSTRALIA AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIPS apply.

**C12. MEASURING DEVICES**

Current CONDITIONS OF COMPETITION & LOCAL RULES FOR GOLF AUSTRALIA AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIPS apply.

**CONDITIONS SPECIFIC TO THE RIVERSDALE CUP**

- M1.1 Eligible players are male amateurs whose official handicap at time of entry does not exceed 1.0 stroke unless specified under condition M1.4.  
An entrant who holds current handicaps in multiple countries, and who is not exempt from a handicap ballot, is required to advise The Riversdale Golf Club of the details of all handicaps they hold. The Riversdale Golf Club 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.
- M1.2 The field for the Riversdale Cup will be limited to 120 male players, or otherwise determined by the Championship Committee
- M1.3 At the end of 36 holes, the leading 57 male players plus ties will qualify to play in Rounds 3 & 4 of the 2019 Riversdale Cup with the proviso that the Match Committee will consider a further cut after day two or three due to bad weather or if the number of players (both male and female) qualified to contest Day 4 exceeds a total of 84. Such a reduction, if any, shall be made pro rata between Men and Women on the basis of the 36 hole cut limits. If necessary, the count back method recommended by Golf Australia will be used.  
It is the responsibility of all competitors to ascertain their starting times for Day 3 and Day 4 by logging onto Riversdale's web site [www.riversdalegolf.com.au](http://www.riversdalegolf.com.au).
- M1.4 Players will be exempted into the starting field in order of priority in accordance with the following categories:  
A - Players exempted by the Championship Committee (maximum of four). (Maximum Handicap 2.0)  
B - Players exempted by Golf Australia (maximum of four).  
C - International or State Invited Players – maximum of two male players per Country or State  
D – Players ranked within the top 200 of the Men's World Amateur Golf Ranking (WAGR - R&A) as at 31 January 2020.  
E- Players ranked within the top 50 of the Australian Order of Merit (AOOM) System as at 30 November 2019  
F - Last five Riversdale Cup Champions  
G - Leading 25 competitors plus ties in the 2019 Riversdale Cup.  
H - Players ranked – 201 to 1500 in the Men's World Amateur Golf Rankings (WAGR - R&A) as at 31 January 2020.  
I - Players ranked within the top 10 in the 2019 Ivo Whitton Trophy list.  
J - Players ranked 51 to 100 in the Australian Order of Merit (AOOM) System as at 30 November 2019.
- In the event that entries from the above categories exceed the tournament limits, the ranking order or a handicap ballot (at close of entries) will be applied to the category that takes the total beyond the limit.
- M1.5 Entries outside the above categories but within a handicap limit of 1 may be submitted. These entries will be ranked in handicap order and placed on a Reserve list. Entrants will be contacted immediately places in the field become available. (Handicap ties will be resolved by ranking the entries involved in date and time received at the Club in ascending order.) (see Condition M1.1 for further handicap conditions). Any entrants who do not wish to remain on the Reserve list should contact Riversdale Golf Club as soon as possible.
- Entrants who do not gain a start in the event will receive a full refund of their entry fee.
- M1.6 The leading player shall be the 2020 Riversdale Cup Champion and receive a trophy. In the event of a tie, a hole by hole play-off will be conducted (as decided by the Championship Committee). Players who have tied will be eliminated as they fail to maintain equality. In the event of a tie for runners-up not determined by the above play-off, the count back method recommended by Golf Australia will be used. The runner-up shall also receive a trophy.

## CONDITIONS SPECIFIC TO THE WOMEN'S RIVERSDALE CUP

- W1.1 Eligible players are female amateurs whose official handicap at time of entry does not exceed 3.0 strokes unless specified under condition W1.4.  
An entrant who holds current handicaps in multiple countries, and who is not exempt from a handicap ballot, is required to advise The Riversdale Golf Club of the details of all handicaps they hold. The Riversdale Golf Club 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.
- W1.2 The field for the Riversdale Cup will be limited to 48 female players, or otherwise determined by the Championship Committee.
- W 1.3 At the end of 36 holes, the leading 25 female players plus ties will qualify to play in Rounds 3 & 4 of the Cup with the proviso that the Match Committee will consider a further cut after day two or three due to bad weather or if the number of players (both male and female) qualified to contest Day 4 exceeds a total of 84. Such a reduction, if any, shall be made pro rata between Men and Women on the basis of the 36 hole cut limits - if necessary, the count back method recommended by Golf Australia will be used.  
It is the responsibility of all competitors to ascertain their starting times for Day 3 and Day 4 - seeded draws - by logging onto Riversdale's web site [www.riversdalegolf.com.au](http://www.riversdalegolf.com.au).
- W1.4 Players will be exempted into the starting field in order of priority in accordance with the following categories:  
A - Players exempted by the Championship Committee (maximum of two).  
B - Players exempted by Golf Australia (maximum of four).  
C - International or State Invited Players – maximum of two female players per Country or State. (Maximum Handicap 2.0)  
D - Players ranked within the top 200 of the Women's World Amateur Golf Rankings (R&A) at 31 January 2020.  
E - Players ranked within the top 50 of the Australian Order of Merit (AOOM) System at 30 November 2019.  
F - Last five Women's Riversdale Cup Champions  
G - Leading 10 competitors plus ties in the 2019 Women's Riversdale Cup.  
H - Players ranked – 201 to 1000 in the Women's World Amateur Golf Rankings (WAGR - R&A) at 31 January 2020.  
I - Players ranked within the top 5 of the 2019 Susie Tolhurst Trophy list.  
J - Players ranked 51 to 75 in the Australian Order of Merit (AOOM) System as at 30 November 2019
- In the event that entries from the above categories exceed the tournament limits, the ranking order or a handicap ballot (at close of entries) will be applied to the category that takes the total beyond the limit.
- W1.5 Entries outside the above categories but within a handicap limit of 3 may be submitted. These entries will be ranked in handicap order and placed on a Reserve list. Entrants will be contacted immediately places in the field become available. (Handicap ties will be resolved by ranking the entries involved in date and time received at the Club in ascending order - see Condition M1.1 for further handicap conditions). Any entrants who do not wish to remain on the Reserve list should contact Riversdale Golf Club as soon as possible.
- Entrants who do not gain a start in the event will receive a full refund of their entry fee.
- W1.6 The leading player shall be the 2020 Women's Riversdale Cup Champion and receive a trophy. In the event of a tie, a hole by hole play-off will be conducted (as decided by the Championship Committee), Players who have tied will be eliminated as they fail to maintain equality. In the event of a tie for runners-up not determined by the above play-off, the count back method recommended by Golf Australia will be used. The runner-up shall also receive a trophy.

**COMPETITOR INFORMATION:**

Players wishing to participate in the Sponsors Event on Tuesday, 3<sup>rd</sup> March may contact the Administration Office on 03 9807 1411 or [admin@riversdalegolf.com.au](mailto:admin@riversdalegolf.com.au) to arrange a tee time.

IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE COMPETITORS TO ASCERTAIN THEIR STARTING TIMES EACH DAY BY LOGGING ONTO RIVERSDALE'S WEB SITE [www.riversdalegolf.com.au](http://www.riversdalegolf.com.au) .

**DRESS REQUIREMENTS**

**Players' Lounge/Clubhouse – Neat Casual. Those who are not suitably attired will be refused admittance.**

The Board of the Riversdale Golf Club extend a welcome to all visiting Competitors and will be pleased to appoint them Honorary Members during the course of the Tournament.

**ENTRIES CLOSE WEDNESDAY 19<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2020 AT 5PM.**

Entries will not be accepted by telephone.