



2020 SOUTH AUSTRALIAN MEN'S & WOMEN'S AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP

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(both OOM's cancelled in 2020 due to Covid-19)

Mount Osmond GC | 28th September – 2nd October

Entry Fee:

\$95.00 (including a practice round on Sunday 27th September)

Note: all registrations via online portal at:

www.golf.org.au/eventscalendar

Format:

Monday & Tuesday – 36 holes stroke qualifying (18 holes each day – AM)
Leading 32 Men & 16 Women qualify for the Match Play (subject to change)
Wednesday – Men Rd 1 & Rd 2 (AM & PM) / Women Rd 1 (AM)
Thursday – Men & Women Quarter Finals (AM) & Semi Finals (PM)
Friday – Men & Women 36 hole Match Play Final

GA Handicap Limit:

4.5 (Men) & 12.0 (Women)

Practice Round:

Sunday 27th September from 11:30am

Players will be emailed a booking link after registrations close to book their practice round

Entries Close:

5.00pm (ACST) on Monday 14th September 2020

Please Note: handicap limits may be extended based on the number of entries. Refer to the website for updates

TERMS OF COMPETITION

1. COMPETITION PROCEDURES

- 1.1. The championship is played in two separate sections.
- 1.2. The first section will be played over 36-holes of stroke play for the SA Medal (Men) and Vesta Cup (Women) on Monday & Tuesday.
- 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 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 after 36 Holes Stroke Play, those players tying for such a position will continue over such holes as the Championship 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 Committee determines that there is not sufficient time available for a play-off, such a tie will be resolved by count back.
- 1.6. Qualifying number in the women's championship is subject to change and may be reduced based on the number of entries.
- 1.7. 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.
- 1.8. In the event of a halved match in any round players will continue to play until a winner is determined.
- 1.9. 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 amateurs and female amateurs whose Golf Australia handicap at the time of entry does not exceed 4.5 strokes (men) and 12.0 strokes (women) in accordance with the Australian Handicapping System.
- 2.2. Handicap limits may be extended based on the number of entries received.

3. ENTRIES

- 3.1. The entry fee is \$95.00 (incl. GST). Entry fee must be paid at the time of entry.
- 3.2. Entries shall only be made online via the registration portal at www.golf.org.au/eventscalendar
- 3.3. Golf Australia shall have the right to refuse the entry of any person without being required to give any reason for such refusal.
- 3.4. Fully completed registrations, together with appropriate entrance fees, must be received by Golf Australia by 5.00pm (ACST) Monday 14th September 2020. 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 their name has been posted at www.golf.org.au.
- 3.5. 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.
- 3.6. 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.

3.8. Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the Championship Play Committee.

3.9. The draw for the competition will be sent to players and available at www.golf.org.au/eventscalendar approximately one week before the event.

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. PRACTICE ROUND

- 5.1. The official practice round will be held on Sunday 27th September 2020. Players accepted into the Championship will be emailed an online booking link after registrations have closed to book their practice round.
- 5.2. Players are responsible for booking their own practice round.
- 5.3. Additional practice rounds on other days are permitted but only at the discretion of the host venue. Players must ensure they have appropriately booked with the host club.

6. CHAMPIONSHIP COMMITTEE

- 6.1. The Committee shall consist of Golf Australia representatives. In the absence of a full Championship 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 Championship Committee. In the event of bad weather, or for any other reason, the Championship 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 Championship Committee not later than 10 minutes after the conclusion of each round.
- 6.2. The Championship 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.

7. REFUND POLICY

- 7.1. Any entrant may withdraw and have the entrance fee refunded provided notification is five (5) days prior to the start of the event. To be eligible for a refund after this date players must provide Golf Australia supporting documents regarding their withdrawal from the event (i.e. Medical certificate).

8. MOTORISED TRANSPORT

- 8.1. Ride-on buggies will be permitted only on medical evidence and by permission of the venue Club. Applications and approvals to be forwarded to Golf Australia - SA at time of registration. Caddies are not permitted to use ride-on buggies.
- 8.2. Golf carts are at the player's own expense and MUST be booked directly with the host club.

9. RULES OF GOLF & GOLF AUSTRALIA HARD CARD

- 9.1. 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.

10. DRUG TESTING

- 10.1. 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.

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11. DATABASE OF COMPETITORS' DETAILS

11.1. 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 e-newsletter, 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.

12. CODE OF CONDUCT

12.1. All entrants are bound by GA's Code of Conduct ("the Code"). A copy of the Code is available by clicking [here](#). 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.

13. LEGAL POLICIES (E.G. MATCH FIXING POLICY)

13.1. 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. Click [here](#) to view GA's Legal Policies

14. SMOKING POLICY

14.1. 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.

15. IMAGES

15.1. 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 play 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.