



2023

NORTHERN TERRITORY AMATEUR

GA National Open Age Order of Merit Event
GA NT State Open Age and Junior Order of Merit Event

ALICE SPRINGS GC
25 – 28 May 2023

Entry Fee:	\$160.00 (incl. GST) Note: all registrations via online portal at: www.golf.org.au/events
Inclusions:	Presentation Dinner on Sunday evening & all trophies.
Format:	72-hole stroke play (no cut)
Field Size	Max 200 players (100 men & 100 women) Note: Entries will be accepted on an as received basis . 20 places for men and 20 places for women will be reserved for tournament invitations at the discretion of the Championship Play Committee
GA Handicap Limit:	12.0 (men) & 25.0 (women)
Entries Open:	9am ACST on Sunday 1 January, 2023
Entries Close:	5pm ACST on Friday 19 May, 2023

TERMS OF COMPETITION

(To be used in conjunction with the [Golf Australia Hard Card](#))

1. COMPETITION PROCEDURES

- 1.1 The NT Amateur is scheduled to be played over 72 holes stroke-play at Alice Springs GC as follows:
- Round 1 – Thursday 25 May
 - Round 2 – Friday 26 May
 - Round 3 – Saturday 27 May
 - Round 4 – Sunday 28 May
- 1.2 The following divisions will be played in conjunction with the overall NT Amateur:
- A & B Grades – (dependent on final numbers).
Note: Handicap divisions will be determined by GA at the close of entries based on GA Handicaps as at the close of entries.
- 1.3 If a competitor alters their handicap during the competition, their handicap as of the first day of play shall prevail throughout for all prizes. Players must play from their current handicap during the championship, with the exception that no player shall play from a GA handicap greater than the maximum limit of 12.0 strokes for men and 25.0 strokes for women.
- 1.4 In the event of a tie for the Championship titles, unless the Championship Play Committee determines otherwise, players in such a tie will continue over such holes as the Championship Play Committee will decide in a sudden-death, hole-by-hole play-off until the winner is determined.

2. ELIGIBILITY

- 2.1 Eligible players are amateur golfers whose GA handicap or overseas equivalent at the time of entry does not exceed 12.0 (men) and 25.0 (women) in accordance with the World Handicap System.
- 2.2 An entrant who holds current handicaps in multiple countries, and who is not exempt from a handicap ballot, 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. ENTRIES

- 3.1 The entry fee is \$160.00 (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/events
- 3.3 GA 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 GA by 5.00pm (ACST) Friday 19th May. It is the sole responsibility of the entrant to ensure 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 The field for the championship will be limited to 200 players. 100 men's positions and 100 women's positions will be reserved until the close of entries, with entries accepted on an **as received basis**. 20 places for men and 20 places for women will be reserved for tournament invitations at the discretion of the Championship Play Committee.
Note: The Championship Play Committee reserves the right to increase the number of male or female players should the total field size not be achieved.
- 3.6 Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the Championship Play Committee.
- 3.7 The Championship Play Committee reserves the right to increase the field size to accommodate COVID-19 related circumstances.
- 3.8 The Championship Play Committee has the right to withdraw any person from the event at any time for COVID-19 related circumstances.

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

4. TROPHIES

- 4.1 Trophies will be awarded to men & women for the following:
- NT Amateur Champion (Gross & Net)
 - A & B Grade -Mens & Women's
Note: Grades for men & women dependant on final numbers in each category.
 - Daily Gross & Net in each Grade
- 4.2 A player cannot win more than one daily prize each day (excl NTP), with Gross prizes taking precedent over Net prizes.

5. CHAMPIONSHIP PLAY COMMITTEE

- 5.1 The Championship Play Committee will comprise of; GA Tournament Coordinator(s), a representative from the host venue and/or a representative from the host state.
- 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 terms.
- 5.4. The Championship Play Committee's decision on matters affecting the Championship will be final.

6. REFUND POLICY

Any entrant may withdraw and have the entrance fee refunded provided notification is received 5 days prior to the first round. To be eligible for a refund after this time players must provide GA supporting documents regarding their withdrawal from the event (eg. medical certificate). In the case of an event not being completed (for example due to weather delays) refunds will not be provided.

7. MOTORISED TRANSPORT

- 7.1 A player will only be permitted to ride on motorised transportation in circumstances expressly described in (a) or (b) or (c) below.
- a) When authorised (or later approved) by the committee in charge of the competition due to circumstances that arise during the playing of a round. For example, a player who is about to play (or who has just played) under penalty of stroke and distance, is automatically authorised to ride on motorised transportation.
- b) When approved by GA due to one of the 10 eligible disability impairments recognised by the International Golf Federation.
- Details of the 10 eligible impairments are provided by [clicking here](#).
 - A player seeking authorisation to ride on any form of motorised transportation as a result of one of the 10 eligible disability impairments recognised by the International Golf Federation must email GA (golfoperations@golf.org.au) to obtain information on procedures for submitting requests.
 - All such requests and required information must be submitted to GA before the closing time for entries.
 - c) Any player who is not covered by one of the 10 eligible disability impairments recognised by the International Golf Federation (see clause (b)), but who believes they are impacted by exceptional circumstances, has the option of applying to GA for special approval to use motorised transportation. To be considered, such applications must be received via email by GA's General Manager – Events & Operations before the event's closing time for entries (email: golfoperations@golf.org.au). Penalty for breach of Local Rule: The player gets the general penalty for each hole during which there is a breach of this Local Rule. If the breach occurs between the play of two holes, it applies to the next hole.

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8. RULES OF GOLF & GA HARD CARD

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.

9. ANTI-DOPING POLICY

The GA anti-doping policy applies for this event. The GA anti-doping policy is the Australian National Anti-Doping Policy, effective from 1 January 2021, and can be found by [clicking here](#).

10. DATABASE OF COMPETITORS' DETAILS

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. For further details, please refer to our privacy policy by [clicking here](#).

11. CODE OF CONDUCT

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.

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

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.

13. SMOKING & CONSUMPTION OF ALCOHOL POLICY

Players and caddies are prohibited from smoking and consuming alcohol during a round. (Note: In addition to the more traditional forms of smoking, this policy is also considered to cover vaping and the like).

The following penalty structure applies for a breach of the above policy:

- o First breach: Warning
- o Second breach: One-Stroke Penalty
- o Third breach: General Penalty
- o Fourth breach or any subsequent misconduct: Disqualification

The Championship Play Committee will impose any penalty, where applicable. Their decision is final.

14. IMAGES

GA 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 GA, or persons authorised by GA, 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. GA may utilise the rights granted it hereunder in connection with the promotion of this Championship as well as other GA Championships and GA. 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.