

GOLF AUSTRALIA

SENIOR SELECTION EVENTS & FUNDING

POLICY as at 01/07/24

This document outlines:

- The selection events in which the Golf Australia (GA) Senior Selection Committee select male and female golfers to represent Australia and/or GA;
- The funding policy for each selection event.

This document should be read in conjunction with the GA Senior Selection Committee Charter.

For all Australian senior representatives, players must:

- i. be an Australian citizen;
- ii. be a member of a current Golf Australia affiliated golf club.

1. NZ Men's Senior Amateur or another approved international event

About: The annual men's senior championship held in New Zealand, traditionally played in February, or another approved international event such as the US Senior Amateur or the British Senior Amateur.

Selection: The top two Australian players of the preceding Australian Men's Senior Amateur.

Funding: \$750 grant per player (GST exempt).

2. NZ Women's Senior Amateur or another approved international event

About: The annual women's senior championship held in New Zealand, traditionally played in February, or another approved international event such as the US Senior Amateur or the British Senior Amateur.

Selection: The top two Australian players of the preceding Australian Women's Senior Amateur.

Funding: \$750 grant per player (GST exempt).

3. GA v ADF Match

About: An annual match between a 12-person GA team and a 12-person Australian Defence Forces Team, to be played in March at Portsea GC, VIC. The format is four-ball match-play, foursomes match-play and singles match play.

Selection: Categories as follows:

- i. One (1) leading female senior player as determined by the Senior Selection Committee
- ii. Leading one (1) local male player from each state/territory (total of eight (8) players) as determined by the Senior Selection Committee.
- iii. One (1) leading male mid-amateur player as determined by the Senior Selection Committee.
- iv. One (1) leading female mid-amateur player as determined by the Senior Selection Committee.
- v. One (1) captain's pick (may be male or female).

Captain is nominated by GA. In the event there is no available player in the above categories, any remaining places will be at the discretion of GA and the Captain.

Players who have played in the most recent Asia-Pacific Senior Amateur or Senior Trans-Tasman, or have been selected in the current teams, are ineligible for selection.

Funding: \$350 per person (GST exempt) (including a non-playing team manager if applicable) to offset travel and/or accommodation. Host venue costs, meals as determined, practice round and uniforms will be covered by GA. Any additional requested items (e.g. golf bags) and/or ad-hoc meals, caddie fees etc are at the players' expense.

4. Men's & Women's Senior Trans-Tasman Matches

About: A biennial match between a 6-woman senior GA team and a 6-woman senior NZ Golf team (Women's Senior Trans-Tasman Cup), played concurrently with a 6-man senior GA team and 6-man senior NZ team (Sanctuary Cove Cup). The format is four-ball match-play, foursomes match-play and singles match play.

Date: 3-days adjacent to the respective Australian and New Zealand Senior Amateur Championships.

Next event: Australia to host in 2026.

Selection: Categories as follows:

Women's Team

- i. Leading four (4) available women from the GA National Senior Order of Merit as at the time of selection (3 months prior to the event).
- ii. Two (2) additional women as determined by the Senior Selection Committee

A female playing team manager/captain will be nominated by the Senior Selection Committee. In the event there is no available player in the above categories, any remaining places will be at the discretion the Senior Selection Committee.

Men's Team

- i. Leading four (4) available men from the GA National Senior Order of Merit as at the time of selection (3 months prior to the event).
- ii. Two (2) additional men as determined by the Senior Selection Committee

A male playing team manager/captain will be nominated by the Senior Selection Committee. In the event there is no available player in the above categories, any remaining places will be at the discretion the Senior Selection Committee.

Funding: \$1000 travel & accommodation grant per person (the tournament will cover lunch on the event proper days and GA will cover uniforms). Any additional requested items (e.g. golf bags) and/or ad-hoc meals for team members or their guests, caddie fees, local transport, etc are at the players' expense.

5. Asia-Pacific Senior Amateur

About: An annual individual championship conducted by the APGC, with a 4-man and 3-women team event played in conjunction.

Date: 12-14 November 2024 – Philippines (Course TBC)

Selection: Selection will take place in September, following the Victorian Senior Amateur.

Categories as follows:

Women's Team

- (i) Leading one (1) available woman from the GA National Senior Order of Merit as at the time of selection
- (ii) The leading Australian woman from the previous year's Australian Senior Amateur
- (iii) One (1) additional woman as determined by the Senior Selection Committee

Men's Team

- (i) Leading two (2) available men from the GA National Senior Order of Merit as at the time of selection (3 months prior to the event).
- (ii) The leading Australian man from the previous year's Australian Senior Amateur
- (iii) One (1) additional man as determined by the Senior Selection Committee

Funding: \$1,250 (GST exempt) grant per person to assist with the entry fee, travel & accommodation. GA will cover uniforms, with any additional requested items (e.g. golf bags) and/or ad-hoc meals, caddie fees, local transport, etc at the players' expense.

6. Australian Senior Amateur – State Teams

About: An annual individual championship conducted by Golf Australia, with a 2-man and 2-women team event played in conjunction.

Date: October 16 – 18 2024 – The Links Lady Bay (SA)

Selection: Categories as follows:

Women's State Teams

- i. Leading one (1) available woman from the GA National Senior Order of Merit as at the time of selection
- ii. Leading one (1) available woman from the relevant State Senior Amateur

Men's State Team

- i. Leading one (1) available man from the GA National Senior Order of Merit as at the time of selection
- ii. Leading one (1) available man from the relevant State Senior Amateur

Note: Selection to be completed at the close of entries of the Australian Senior Amateur (21 September 2024).

Funding: Three shirts, a cap and a grant of \$250 (GST exempt).

Note: This selection policy applies to Victorian, Queensland, South Australian, Northern Territory and Tasmanian teams only. NSW, ACT and WA teams will be selected by the individual states.

7. Individuals contesting international senior events

GA does not provide grants for individuals who contest international senior events (exception point 1 and 2). Individuals may secure their own funding. Methods to assist securing funding are below:

- [Promotion & Advertising](#): see pages 4 and 5
- [Australian Sports Foundation](#)