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QUALIFYING – COMPETITOR INFORMATION

The Grange Golf Club, East Course Tuesday, 13 February 2018

Venue

The Grange Golf Club - East Course, White Sands Drive, Grange, South Australia

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Draw

The draw will be posted by 5.00 pm on Thursday 8 February. Tee times will be from 8.00 am to approximately 10.00 am.

Withdrawals

Any competitor wishing to withdraw prior to 5.00 pm on Thursday 8 February (AEDT) must e-mail championships@golf.org.au. For withdrawals after that time, please phone Golf Australia 03 9626 5000 or 0414 696 810.

Qualification for Championship Proper

Three (3) places are available in the Championship Proper for non-exempt players. Ties for the last available place will be decided by sudden-death, hole-by-hole play-off as soon as practicable after all players have finished play. Reserve places (alternates) in case of subsequent withdrawals of Qualifiers from the Championship Proper will be decided either by sudden-death, hole-by-hole play-off, or by lot, as the Committee in charge may determine.

In the event of an exempt player withdrawing from the Championship or further places becoming available in the starting field up until the commencement of Qualifying (i.e. 8.00 am on Tuesday 13 February), these places will be taken from the relevant eligibility categories. In the event players are not available from the relevant eligibility categories, remaining places will be filled by the alternates from the qualifying. Places in the field as a result of withdrawals after 8.00 am on Tuesday 13 February will be allocated to the alternates from Qualifying.

Results

Any competitor who does not show for qualifying, and who does not advise of their withdrawal, will be listed as <u>Disqualified</u> for result purposes.

Championship Proper and Registration

The Championship Proper will be played at Kooyonga Golf Club, South Australia from 15-18 February 2018. Successful qualifying competitors must register at Kooyonga Golf Club immediately after play on Tuesday 13 February.

Practice

All competitors are entitled to one complimentary practice round on Monday 12 February. Competitors must ring Erin or Terrisa on +61 8 8355 7100 to book a time. Practice outside of these times is by private arrangement with The Grange Golf Club as follows:

- Thursday 8 & Friday 9 February- \$75.00
- Sunday 11 February \$75.00 and cannot be booked until Friday 9 February.

Players may play one ball only throughout the round, however if a player misses the fairway with their drive, they may play one additional tee shot, or if they miss the green with their approach they may play one additional shot into the green. Players MUST keep up with the group in front.

Practice Balls

Players may collect practice balls from the pro shop on Tuesday 13 February. These balls are free of charge.

Yardage Books

Yardage books (in metres and yards) will be available for a cost of AUD\$15.00 from the pro shop from Sunday 11 February.

Club Face Groove Regulations:

The following regulation applies to the Championship Proper AND QUALIFYING:

Clubs Conforming with Groove and Punch Mark Specifications: The player's clubs must conform to the groove and punch mark specifications in the Rules of Golf that are effective from 1 January 2010.

*PENALTY FOR CARRYING, BUT NOT MAKING STROKE WITH, CLUB OR CLUBS IN BREACH OF CONDITION: Two strokes for each hole at which a breach occurred; maximum penalty per round – four strokes. *Any club or clubs carried in breach of this condition must be declared out of play by the player to their marker or fellow competitor immediately upon discovery a breach has occurred. If the player fails to do so, they are disqualified.

PENALTY FOR MAKING STROKE WITH CLUB IN BREACH OF CONDITION: Disqualification.

Distance Measuring Devices

The following Local Rule will be in effect for Qualifying.

A player may obtain distance information by use of a distance-measuring device. If, during a stipulated round, a player uses a distance-measuring device to gauge or measure other conditions that might affect their play (e.g. elevation changes, wind speed, etc.), the player is in breach of Rule 14-3.

<u>Please note:</u> Mobile phones are permitted during a stipulated round to access a distance measuring device application or to ring for a ruling only. Please check the R&A flowchart to ensure your device is conforming – <u>R&A Advice Regarding DMDs</u>

Please note DMD's are NOT permitted in the Championship proper.

Dress

During both practice and competition, competitors and their caddies must ensure a standard of dress in keeping with national championships. Jeans, t-shirts, and garments with excessive advertising are not permitted on the courses or in the clubhouses. Shirts must be tucked in; golf shoes must be worn. In addition, competitors must ensure that they and their caddies adhere to the host club's dress regulations.

Practice Putting

Practice putting and chipping on the green of the hole last played is prohibited in Qualifying and the Championship Proper.

Further Conditions

For further conditions please consult the championship conditions of play.