



The Australian Veteran Golf Championship will be held in Launceston from 10-15 November this year. This major event is an annual national championship sanctioned and promoted by the Australian Veteran Golfers Union and hosted by the selected State on a rotational basis.

The 2016 event was in Adelaide, 2017 Gold Coast, 2018 Port Stephens (NSW). It was held in Launceston last in 2003 and in Hobart 2011.

Our aim is to not only run a successful national golf championship but also to showcase Launceston, the Tamar Valley and Tasmania as a tourism and golfing destination. The event will provide an economic benefit to the Launceston region in excess of \$500,000 as participation in the Championship will require interstate visitors to spend a minimum of six nights in the City. Many visiting golfers are taking the opportunity to extend their stay by touring the State before or after the event and have also booked on pre and post tours.

#### *Programme*

- Sunday 10 November - Registration and 'Taste of Tassie' promotion
- Monday 11 November - 4BBB Medley Stableford at Mowbray, Launceston, Riverside and Country Club
- Welcome Function (includes finger food and drinks) Country Club Tasmania
- Tuesday, Thursday and Friday - Competition rounds with players rotating between Riverside, Launceston and Country Club Tasmania
- A rest day is scheduled on Wednesday with an option of transport and 18 holes golf at Barnbogle/Lost farm
- Friday 15 November- Gala Presentation Dinner (includes 3 courses, drinks and entertainment)

#### *Entries*

Field capacity 540 golfers - payment to be made by 30 June

We have nearly 400 golfers booked to date with 70 non golfing accompanying partners

#### *Trophies and Prizes*

AVGU Championship (Men and Ladies - Gross and Stableford)

A, B, C Grades + Age Divisions

State Championship (top 10 scores count each day)

Club Championship (best 5 scores from your club each day)

#### *Eligibility (GA Handicap and a Golf Link Number)*

Men born prior to 11/11/1964 and ladies born prior to 11/11/1969

Must be financial members of a Veterans Group affiliated with the AVGU or are partners of male championship entrants. In States that do not admit ladies as full members, membership of the TVGU will be available at registration on payment of \$5 fee.

#### *Major Sponsors*

Naming rights sponsor – Regis Aged Care

Other major sponsors include Country Club Tasmania, Government of Tasmania, Launceston City Council, Events Tasmania

#### *Club Coordination and Volunteers*

Riverside Golf Club Members on the Management Committee include George Hambly, Bill Laughlin, Amanda Smith and Sue Shea. Other Members who have offered support and who are directly involved with various responsibilities are Frances Hudson, Christine Wadley, Julie Langford, Mel Thurlow and Stuart McGrath-Kerr.

*RGC will benefit financially from this Championship so how can RGC members help?*

1. Play in the event or
2. Volunteer in some capacity

Volunteer rosters will be forwarded very shortly (there will be a range of volunteer roles required which will be detailed in the rosters when circulated).

- Stuart McGrath-Kerr will be co-ordinating volunteers in and around the Club
- Sue Shea will be recruiting volunteers to assist with Registration on Sunday 10 November at Country Club

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