



## **GENERAL CONDITIONS FOR ALL BALLARAT DISTRICT GOLF AFFILIATED EVENTS**

- Competitions shall be played in accordance with the Rules of Golf, as adopted by the Royal and Ancient Club of St. Andrew's, Scotland subject to the modifications hereinafter mentioned, together with such local rules as are in force on the links over which the competition takes place.
- The Committee shall make all arrangements and have full power to alter or make any variation in the conditions should they deem it desirable and have the right to refuse any entry of any person without being required to give any reason for such refusal.
- The Committee may, in the event of bad weather, either shorten any contest or fix another day.
- In every event, competitors will be drawn against each other for the day in such a manner as the Committee arrange, and a player not on the tee at the appointed time will lose their place in the field.
- The use of Distance Measuring Devices is allowed, but use is restricted to devices that calculate distance only. The use of any device that calculates any other factors such as wind speed or gradient will result in disqualification.
- Players who do not have golf shoes with soft spikes must check with the Club where the event is being played to ascertain if they are permitted to wear shoes with metal spikes.
- In the event of ties, the Australian count back system will apply to determine winners except for District Championships as outlined below.
- The Committee have the right to determine grades.
- Field size will dictate prizes awarded and classes played as determined by the Committee.

## **SPECIFIC EVENT CONDITIONS**

***Ballarat District Golf Men's and Women's Championships, Sandgreen Championships, Foursome Championships. Pennant (Weekend and Midweek) and any other District Events: -***

1. Competitors must be affiliated with a Ballarat District Golf Club to be eligible to enter and that their membership class pays the appropriate BDGI Affiliation fee.

2. Competitors must not be under suspension from **any affiliated club** when these events are held. (If a player receives a life ban from a club, the District can be approached in writing, to review their ban after a period of 24 months.) Ballarat District Golf reserves the right to not offer a place in any of our events if the player requesting a place in an event is suspended.
3. In the event of a tie a three-hole play-off will apply if time permits, a sudden death playoff or count back system as determined by the Committee of the day.
4. Championship Events will be played as Stroke Events. Players 60 years of age and above are automatically eligible to win the Veteran's Championship Event. A player can win both the Graded Scratch Championship and the Veteran's Scratch Championship. Players cannot win both Net events.
5. A minimum of 10 players will be required in each grade for the event to be played.
6. Players are eligible to win only one major trophy on the day. (Scratch or Handicap).

Major Trophies: - The Open Scratch Championship "Scratch" will be awarded before "Grade Scratch" events.

The "Scratch" Trophy will be awarded before the "Handicap" trophy.

Winning trophies will be awarded before Runner-up, third etc.

The following are not included in major trophies for the District Championships: -

- i. Champion of Champions Trophy
- ii. Veteran's Trophies
- iii. Putting Trophies
- iv. Team Events

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