





2025 NORTHERN WOMENS SPRING TOURNAMENT

Incorporating Iris Meek A grade, June Atkinson B Grade, Frances Hudson C Grade and Shirley Atkinson Senior Trophies

Riverside Golf Club | November 09, 2025

Senior

Entry Fee: \$25.00 (incl. GST) – 18-hole events

Note: all registrations via online portal at: www.golf.org.au/events

Format: Sunday: Riverside Golf Club Women's Spring Tournament

A Grade 18 hole Stroke, B & C Grade 18 hole Stableford, Teams Event

Anyone over 50 will be automatically entered into the Senior Trophy

GA Handicap Limit: 54.0 (women) – 18-hole event

Entries Open: 8:00am AEST on 6 October 2025

Entries Close: 5:00pm AEST on Sunday 2 November 2025

TERMS OF COMPETITION

1. COMPETITION PROCEDURES

- 1.1 The Northern Women's Spring Tournament 18 Hole Stroke and Stableford will be played on Sunday 9th November 2025 at the Riverside Golf Club
- 1.2 All Players must have a handicap.
- 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 54.0 strokes for men and 54.0 strokes for women.
- 1.4 In the event of a tie for the gross or net events, unless the Championship Play Committee determines otherwise, players in such a tie will be determined by count-back.
- **1.5** Competitors will be made honorary members of Riverside Golf Club on Sunday 9th November 2025

2. ELIGIBILITY

- 2.1 This event is open to Women members of any golf clubs affiliated with Northern Golf, Golf Tasmania & Golf Australia.
- 2.2 An entrant who holds current handicaps in multiple countries, and who is not exempt from a handicap ballot, is required to advise Northern Golf of the details of all handicaps they hold. Northern Golf 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.
- 2.3 Players must comply with GA's <u>COVID vaccination policy</u> at the time of the competition.

3. ENTRIES

- 3.1 The entry fee is \$25.00 (incl. GST) for the Spring Tournament. 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 Northern Golf 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 Northern Golf by 5.00pm AEST on Sunday 6 October 2025. 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 Grades will be as follows based on a players GA on the day

A Grade + to 17.8

B Grade 17.9 to 26.5

C Grade 26.6 to 54

- 3.7 Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the Championship Play Committee.
- 3.8 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 for the following:

Iris Meek A Grade 18 holes Stroke

June Atkinson B Grade 18 Hole Stableford

Frances Hudson C Grade 18 Hole Stableford

Shirley Atkinson Seniors Trophy Age 50 + Years

5. CHAMPIONSHIP PLAY COMMITTEE

- 5.1 The Championship Play Committee will comprise of; Northern Golf 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 Northern Golf 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 or a caddie 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, and their caddie, is automatically authorised to ride on motorised transportation.
 - (b) When approved by Northern Golf as a person who currently requires the use of motorised transportation in order to participate in the game of golf. To be considered for approval, the player or caddie must provide to Northern Golf written advice from a medical practitioner, or a physiotherapist, or a chiropractor, or an osteopath, or the like, stating they currently require the use of motorised transportation to participate in the game of golf. The advice must be emailed to info@northerngolf.com before the event's closing time for entries. The advice from the health professional must specify the period of time that use of the motorised transportation is required (i.e. 1 week, 1 month, 1 year, or indefinitely). When an exemption is granted, the use of motorised transportation must solely serve the purpose of transportation.

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.

7.2 Golf carts are at the player's own expense and MUST be booked directly with the host club. Carts are subject to availability, and players may be requested to share. Use of own carts is permitted.

8. RULES OF GOLF

The Rules of Golf, as adopted by R&A Rules Limited, and any supplementary local rules as determined by the Championship Play Committee, will apply.

9. CLUBS AND BALLS

List of Conforming Driver Heads: Model Local Rule G-1 is in effect. Penalty for making a stroke with a club in breach of Local Rule: Disqualification.

List of Conforming Golf Balls: Model Local Rule G-3 is in effect. Penalty for breach of the Local Rule: Disqualification.

Note: An updated List of Conforming Clubs and Balls is available on www.randa.org.

10. PRACTICE (RULE 5.2)

In stroke play, Rule 5.2b is modified in this way: A player must not practise on the competition course before or between rounds. Exception: All recognised practice areas within the bounds of the course may be used by players for practice on any day of the competition.

11. PACE OF PLAY (RULE 5.6)

In the absence of mitigating circumstances, a group is liable to be timed if it is in excess of the time allowed and in the case of second or subsequent groups, out of position. From the commencement of timing, if any player exceeds 50 seconds on a 'first to play approach shot (including Par 3 tee shot), chip or putt', or 40 seconds if it is a tee shot or 'second or third to play shot', they shall be deemed to have had a bad time.

The time allowed will be determined by the Committee and will be available prior to play. Out of position is defined as being more than the starting interval behind the group in front.

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A player whose group is timed will have a bad time carried forward in the round even if the group subsequently arrives back in position or within time.

PENALTY FOR BREACH OF LOCAL RULE:

1 Bad Time Verbal warning from referee and told that if they have a further bad time, they will be penalised;

Stroke Play

2 Bad Times: One Stroke Penalty

3 Bad Times: Additional Two Penalty Strokes

4 Bad Times: Disqualification

Note:

- It is not necessary for players to be advised they are being timed.
- Timings will be taken from the moment it is deemed by the Official that it is the player's turn to play.
- In exceptional circumstances, an individual player, or two of the three players in a group, may be timed.

When Timing Commences:

Other than on the putting green, the timing of a player's stroke will begin when it is their turn to play and they can play without interference or distraction. Reasonable time spent by the first player to play in determining their yardage will not count as time taken for the next stroke.

On the putting green, the timing of a player's stroke will begin after a player has been allowed a reasonable amount of time to mark, lift, clean and replace their ball, repair damage to the green, and remove loose impediments on their line. Time spent looking at the line from beyond the hole and/or behind the ball will count as part of the time taken for the next stroke.

12. DISTANCE MEASURING DEVICES

In accordance with Rule of Golf 4.3a(1), a player may obtain distance and direction information by use of a distance-measuring device. The provisions of Rule 4.3 apply in relation to Use of Equipment.

13. SUSPENSION OF PLAY (RULE 5.7)

The following signals will be used to suspend and resume play:

- Immediate stop for imminent danger one prolonged note of a siren
- Stop for a non-dangerous situation three consecutive notes of a siren
- Resumption of play two consecutive notes of a siren
- Note: When play is stopped for imminent danger, all practice areas will be immediately closed.

14. RETURNING OF SCORE CARD

A player's scorecard is officially returned to the Committee when the player has left the recording office/area with both feet.

15. RESULTS OF THE COMPETITION - COMPETITION CLOSED

When the Championship trophy is presented to the winner, the results of the competition are officially announced, and the competition is closed.

16. 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 <u>clicking here</u>.

17. DATABASE OF COMPETITORS' DETAILS

The personal data contained in this entry is permanently retained by Northern Golf. This data may be utilised by Northern Golf 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 Northern Golf e-newsletter, or marketing material by the sponsor(s) of Northern Golf events, or information about events conducted by Northern Golf approved bodies. Upon receipt by Northern Golf 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.

18. CODE OF CONDUCT

All entrants are bound by GA's Code of Conduct ("the Code"). A copy of the Code is available by <u>clicking here</u>. 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.

19. 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.

20. 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.

21. IMAGES

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