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| CONDITIONS FOR MAJOR EVENTS 2025 |

**MAJOR EVENTS ELIGIBILITY**

From the commencement of the 2025 Program all the daily events in the Event Calendar are open to all Financial members of Tallwoods Country Club or visitors with a current Australian golf handicap. Major Events that involve a perpetual trophy and/or Honour Board recognition are restricted to Tallwoods Country Club members.

**MAJOR EVENTS SUMMARY (Alphabetical Order)**

1. **ANZAC DAY SHIELD**
2. **AUSTRALIA DAY SHIELD**
3. **CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS**
4. **FOURSOMES CHAMPIONSHIPS**
5. **HANDICAP MATCH PLAY CHAMPIONSHIPS**
6. **HUNGOVER GAMES**
7. **KING’S BIRTHDAY CUP**
8. **MONTHLY MEDALS (GOLD AND MEDAL OF MEDALS)**
9. **NAGGERS CUP**
10. **OCTOBER AMBROSE**
11. **PRO’S MUG**

#### AMBROSE (General)

This event can be played as a two, three or four-person event. Each team member drops a ball within one club length (except on the green) of and no nearer the hole than the selected ball and continues playing in this manner until a ball is holed. The first ball in the hole is the score recorded.

If the selected ball is in the *General Area*, other balls must be dropped in the *General Area*. If the selected ball is in a *Penalty* *Area*, the other balls must be dropped in the *Penalty Area*. On the green, all balls must be placed and putted from within 15cm of and no nearer the hole than the selected ball.

The selected ball should be marked in order to provide the reference point for dropping (or on the putting green placing) by other team members. The selected ball if marked and lifted must be replaced but not cleaned unless it lies on the putting green or preferred lies are in play in which case it may be cleaned.

Each player must have a minimum number of tee shots to count as the selected ball and this must be recorded on the scorecard. In a four-person team the number of tee shots to count in an 18- hole event is 3, in a three-person team it is 4 and in a two-person team it is 6.

Ambrose is played as a stroke event, handicapped in 18-hole events as follows:

Two-person l/4 of combined handicaps

Three-person l/6 of combined handicaps

Four-person l/8 of combined handicaps.

For events of less than 18 holes, the team handicap is adjusted on a pro rata basis and number of tee shots to be taken will be advised by the Committee at the time. All handicaps must be recorded on the card with total and nett scores.

#### ANZAC DAY SHIELD (Perpetual Trophy)

This is a 4-Person Ambrose, played on Anzac Day, April 25 (or observance day) over 18 holes. Men play from the white tee markers and Women play from the green tee markers. Ties are determined by countback.

#### AUSTRALIA DAY SHIELD (Perpetual Trophy)

This is a 4-Person Ambrose, played on Australia Day, January 26 (or observance day) over 18 holes. Men play from the white tee markers and Women play from the green tee markers. Ties are determined by countback.

**CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS**

**Overview**

The Club Championships for Men will be conducted in three grades over 4 stroke rounds from the blue tee markers. Medal Round grade ranges apply. Men’s grades are: A Grade 0-14, B Grade 14-22 and C Grade 23+.

The Club Championships for Women will be conducted in three divisions over 4 stroke rounds from the red tee markers. The Division handicap ranges for women are flexible so that the numbers of players in each division can be equalized on Day 1. The GA handicaps and division ranges will then be the same for the remainder of the championships and only adjusted for the daily events.

#### Winners

Results will be determined based on the aggregate scores. There will be an overall scratch winner and runner-up in each grade, Men and Women. There will also be an overall nett winner and runner-up in each grade. The scratch winner and runner-up take precedence and cannot win the nett events. Handicaps for Championships are handicaps immediately prior to the first round. Handicaps for daily events, held in conjunction, are current handicaps.

#### Ties

Ties for scratch winners will be determined by a 3-hole playoff (holes 10, 11 and 12). The player with the best aggregate score for those 3 holes will be declared the winner. Should scores

still be tied, the winner will be decided by sudden death using in rotation, holes 10, 11 and 12. Nett winners will be decided by countback (last 18, last 9, last 6, and last 3, then hole by hole).

#### Seeds

For the first 3 rounds for Men and first 3 rounds for Women order of play is as per computer time sheet booking and unrelated to grade etc. The order for the final round will be seeded players moved to the reserve time slots on the first tee. There will be 4 seeded players in each grade, Men and Women, based on aggregate scratch scores at the conclusion of the second last round. The order of play in the seeded groups will be: Division 3, C Grade, Division 2, B Grade, Division 1 & A Grade.

#### Adverse weather

In the case of inclement weather and carts are not permitted the scheduled round will be at the discretion of Management. If the course is open for play but for less than 18 holes, that round will be deferred to a date put aside for weather delays. Only when the two reserve days are used up will rounds be cancelled due to adverse weather conditions.

If during a round, Management suspends play, players are obliged to proceed in accordance with the Rules of Golf (Rule 6-8). In such an instance Management will only abandon play when there is no possibility that all players can complete their rounds after resumption. Should Management be forced to abandon play, the round will be cancelled and no scores recorded for that round will apply. The Championship will thus be decided by a reduced number of rounds unless additional dates have been provided for such a contingency. Two or more rounds need to be completed in order for winners and runners up to be declared. If this is not possible the Championships will be cancelled.

#### Cost of Entry

Entry fee for all 4 rounds is payable prior to the first round. This fee will cover the daily event prizes and ball rundown for nett results plus Championship trophies. Those not competing in the Club Championships will pay the daily entry fee.

**FOURSOMES CHAMPIONSHIPS**

#### MEN’S FOURSOMES CHAMPIONSHIPS

#### LADIES FOURSOMES CHAMPIONSHIPS

#### MIXED FOURSOMES CHAMPIONSHIPS

Each of these major events consists of two 18 hole rounds. The order of play (odd and even holes) is reversed for the second round. For the Mixed Event men are to hit the first tee shot on Day One and Women are to hit the first tee shot on Day Two. Grades do not apply. Men are to play from the blue tee markers and Women from the red tee markers. Half (1/2) of the aggregate handicaps apply. There will be an overall scratch winner and runner-up, Men and Women. Nett winner and runner-up also apply. The scratch winners and runners-up take precedence and cannot win the nett event. Ties for scratch winner will be determined using the same method as per the Club Championships (see above). The player who teed off on the first hole played on that day will tee from the 10th, his/her partner on the 11th and alternately thereafter, inclusive of any sudden death playoff holes that may be required. Ties for nett winner and nett runner-up will be determined by the count-back method. Entry fee is payable prior to first round.

Should one round be cancelled due to the course being closed, that round will be rescheduled for the Sunday of the following week and replace the event originally scheduled in the Fixtures. In such instance the first round played will be deemed to be Round 1 and conditions of teeing order apply as above.

Should only one round be completed during this timeframe, the event will be reduced to one round. Handicaps will be those that applied immediately prior to the first round. Should no rounds be possible, Management will attempt to reschedule to another month or cancel the event.

**HANDICAP MATCH PLAY CHAMPIONSHIPS (HMPC)**

Five **Annual Trophy Handicap Match Play Championship** events will be held concurrently during the year and all events must be completed before the Club Championships.

1. **MEN’S INDIVIDUAL HMPC (Cock of the Walk)**
2. **WOMEN’S INDIVIDUAL HMPC (Chick of the Walk)**
3. **MEN’S FOURBALL HMPC**
4. **WOMEN’S FOURBALL HMPC**
5. **MIXED FOURBALL HMPC**
* For all these events Men are to play from the Blue tee logs and Women from the Red tee logs. The teeing Ground is the rectangle formed by the perpendicular width of the tee box and up to a maximum of two club lengths back and no closer to the hole than the log.
* Any match will have a calendar month maximum time frame for completion although completion asap is preferable. (See schedule below). If an individual/team is available and their opponent/s are unable (for any #reasons) to play within this this timeframe then they can claim a forfeit after consulting with the Proshop. (#For example: inclement weather, short term absence, temporary injuries). If both individuals or teams are unable to play in this time frame then both must forfeit.
* Players must book matches and report to the Pro Shop before playing matches to confirm handicaps and receive a score card with the match play index. The entry fee of $10 per player for each event must be paid before playing.
* Handicaps used are to be calculated on the day of play.
* Players are responsible for recording the results on the sheet provided on the Notice Board.
* Accepted etiquette is for the losing player/team to record/inform the results.
* The Balanced Match Play Index applies (see below).

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| Hole | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 |
| Index | 18 | 8 | 12 | 3 | 14 | 6 | 10 | 1 | 16 | 5 | 11 | 2 | 15 | 7 | 13 | 4 | 17 | 9 |

* For individual matches the player with the lowest handicap plays at scratch and the other player uses the difference between his/her handicap and that player’s handicap.
* For fourball matches the player with the lowest handicap plays at scratch and the other three players use the difference between their handicap and the handicap of the lowest marker.
* The lowest nett score based on the index above wins the hole.
* If the lowest nett score is a tie then the hole is halved.
* The match is over when one player/team leads by more holes than are left in the round.
* If the match is all square after 18 holes, the match will be extended. The first player/team to subsequently win a hole is the winner. Handicap strokes allocated are as in the original round and according to the same Match Play Index

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| **EVENTS** | **ENTER BY** | **MARCH** | **APRIL** | **MAY** | **JUNE** | **JULY** | **AUGUST** | **SEPT** | **OCT** |
| **Individual** | **28 Feb** | **R1** | **R2** | **R3** | **R4** | **R5** | **R6** | **R7** | **R8** |
| **Pairs** | **30 Apr** |  |  | **R1** | **R2** | **R3** | **R4** | **R5** | **R6** |
| **Mixed** | **30 Jun** |  |  |  |  | **R1** | **R2** | **R3** | **R4** |

#### HUNGOVER GAMES (Annual Event)

Held on New Years Day, a mixed 2 person Ambrose over 18 holes with a shot gun start at 11am or as determined by the Pro.

#### KING’S BIRTHDAY CUP (Perpetual Trophy)

This is a 4 Person Ambrose over 18 holes. To be played in June on the declared public holiday over 18 holes. Men play from the white tee markers and Women play from the from the green tee markers. Ties are determined by countback.

#### MONTHLY MEDAL

An 18-hole Stroke round played each month. Men play from the blue tees and Women play from the red tees. Men’s grade ranges are: A Grade 0-14, B Grade 14-22 and C Grade 23+. The Women’s GA Range divisions are flexible so that the numbers of players in each division can be equalized.

Winners of a Monthly Medal qualify to play for the Medal of Medals in December (where current handicaps apply). Monthly Medals are awarded for the best nett score for each grade. Ties will be decided by countback.

Medal of Medals. Those Men and Women who are Monthly Medal winners in the previous 12 months are eligible to play for a Medal of Medals for all Grades in conjunction with the December Monthly Medal round. Those qualified will use the handicap that applies in the December Monthly Medal round. Ties will be decided by countback.

#### Gold Medal

A Gold Medal is awarded to the best Men’s and the best Women’s score from all Grades and Divisions among those qualifying for the Medal of Medals event in December. Ties will be decided by countback.

#### NAGGERS CUP (Annual Trophy)

This is a mixed 4BBB Stableford competition over 18 holes. Men play from the white tee markers and Women from the green tee markers. The event is open to all mixed pairs.

**OCTOBER AMBROSE (Perpetual Trophy)** This is 4 Person Ambrose over 18 holes. To be played on the Labour Day holiday in **October.** Men play from the white tee markers and Women play from the from the green tee markers. Ties are determined by countback.

#### PRO’S MUG (Perpetual Trophy)

Sponsored by Jeff Mendham

This is an Individual Par event over 18 holes. Men play from the multi blue/white tee markers and Women play from the multi red/green tee markers. Best male and female scores will be declared the winners. Grades do not apply. Ties are determined by countback. Entry fee is payable prior to play on the day of the event.

**MANAGEMENT DISCRETION**  Whilst every attempt will be made to maintain the program of Major Events Management reserves the right to make alterations to the program, entry fees and/or playing conditions should circumstances warrant such decisions.