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2022 BALLARAT JUNIOR OPEN

Geoff Ogilvy and Future Champions Order of Merit Event

Buninyong Golf Club | Wednesday 12th January

Entry Fee:	\$30 Enter online at https://www.golf.org.au/events#/competition/3046237/info At the login screen, select the "Golf Australia" option
Inclusions:	Lunch and all trophies
Format:	18-Hole Stroke
Tee Times:	Tee times will be emailed to all players on Sunday 9 th January
GA Handicap Limit:	36 for boys, 45 for girls
Age Limit:	Under 18 as at Wednesday 12 th January 2022
Entries Open:	Monday 8 th November
Entries Close:	5:00pm on Wednesday 5 th January
Further Information:	Andrew Milligan – andrewm@sportscentral.org.au or 0419 590 674

Enter online: [golf.org.au/eventscalendar](https://www.golf.org.au/eventscalendar)

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1. COMPETITION PROCEDURES

The tournament is scheduled to be played over 18 holes of stroke play.

The following events will be played – Under 18 Boys, Under 18 Girls, Under 15 Boys and Under 15 Girls.

Ties: In the event of a tie in the gross category of an event, a playoff will be conducted to determine the winner. In the event of a tie in the net category of an event, the final placings shall be determined on count-back, under the system recommended by Golf Australia.

2. ELIGIBILITY

Eligible players are male and female amateurs who are under 18 years of age on the competition start date and whose Golf Australia Handicap does not exceed 36 for males and 45 for females.

3. TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE

Representatives from the Ballarat District Golf – Junior Development Committee shall have the entire management responsibility for the tournament. In the event of bad weather, or for any other reason, the Tournament Committee may shorten the competition, appoint another day or days for completion of, or may transfer play to another course. Protests must be made to the Tournament Committee not later than 10 minutes after the conclusion of each round.

4. ENTRIES

The entry fee is \$30 and must be paid at the time of entry. Entries shall only be made via the online registration portal at www.golf.org.au/eventscalendar.

The Tournament Committee shall have the right to refuse the entry of any person without being required to give any reason for such refusal.

Tee times will be emailed to all players on Sunday 9th January.

5. TROPHIES

A minimum of five players will be required for trophies to be awarded for a specific age/gender group. The Tournament Committee reserves the right to redefine age/gender groups should insufficient entries be received. A player winning a trophy in a gross event/s is ineligible to win a trophy in a net event. A player may only win one net event trophy.

As this tournament also serves as the Junior District Championships, the player from a Ballarat District Golf affiliated club with the leading gross score in each event will be presented with a perpetual trophy.

6. DRESS CODE

All players will be made honorary members of the Buninyong Golf Club for the duration of the tournament. Dress standards will apply to all players and spectators whilst on the course or in the clubhouse.

7. CADDIES

All competing players must transport their own clubs. Upon application, the Tournament Committee will consider an exemption being granted.

8. COVID-19 VACCINATION POLICY

The Victorian Government's COVID-19 roadmap for sport and recreation currently states all golfers must be fully vaccinated to participate in competitions.

Golf Australia and Ballarat District Golf are committed to providing a safe environment for players, families, volunteers and staff. As detailed in the host venue COVID-19 policy, any person aged 12 and over attending the 2022 Ballarat Junior Open will need to be fully vaccinated.

9. REFUND POLICY

Any entrant may withdraw and have their entry fee refunded providing notification is received a minimum of five days prior to the commencement of the tournament. Under no circumstances will entry fees be refunded after this date unless the player can provide the Tournament Committee with supporting documents regarding their withdrawal from the tournament (EG. A medical certificate). In the case of an event not being completed (for example due to weather delays), refunds will not be provided.

10. MOTORISED TRANSPORT

According to Golf Australia's standard conditions of competitions, it is the responsibility of the player, if they require the use of a golf cart during the tournament to send a medical certificate and a completed copy of the Golf Australia motorised transport approval return form for consideration by the Tournament Committee. Please go to the Golf Australia website under *States → Victoria → Events & Event Resources → Motorised Transport Policy* for more information and a list of approved players.

11. 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

12. 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.

13. 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

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being more than the starting interval behind the group in front.

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;

<u>Stroke Play</u>	<u>Match Play</u>
2 Bad Times: One Stroke Penalty	One Stroke Penalty
3 Bad Times: Additional Two Penalty Strokes	Loss of Hole
4 Bad Times: Disqualification	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.

14. **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.

15. **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

16. **RETURNING OF SCORE CARD**

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

17. **RESULTS OF THE COMPETITION – COMPETITION CLOSED**

When the trophies are presented, the results of the competition are officially announced, and the competition is closed.

18. **DRUGS**

All competitors are subject to drug testing by the Australian Sports Anti-Doping Agency for banned substances as laid down in Golf Australia's Anti-Doping Policy. Any competitor infringing this policy, or refusing to take a test, will be disqualified and subject to any sanction(s) brought down by ASADA. A list of the prohibited substances will be available at registration. Clarification of any medication can be obtained via the ASADA hotline – 13 000 ASADA (13 000 27232), or from www.asada.gov.au.

19. **DATABASE OF COMPETITOR'S DETAILS**

The data contained on an entry form submitted by a player for the Ballarat Junior Open is retained by Ballarat District Golf within its database. This database is operated to assist with the management of current and future Ballarat District Golf events. Players may be sent entry forms or event literature. Upon receipt of a written request, a player may either have access to their details, or have their details deleted from the database.