

Dear Senior Golfers

33rd New Zealand International Seniors Golf Championship

Sunday 15 – Friday 20 February 2015 | Taupo Golf Club, Central Plateau, New Zealand

In conjunction with Turangi Golf Club

The below is an update on the 2015 New Zealand International Seniors Golf Championship, which you are invited to attend once again. This will be the 33rd International Tournament and again we return to the popular spot, of Taupo and play two courses, Taupo Golf Clubs, Centennial and Tauhara courses. These have proved to be worthy but fair tests and have held many international and national championships. As per the 2014 programme there will be an optional stroke play / teams event at nearby Turangi Golf Club on the scheduled lay day in the middle of the week long tournament.

In line with modern trends, entries will be encouraged on line – via the New Zealand Golf DotGolf system. We are working on this now and you will be advised when this is available. In the meantime we have a new entry form being finalised, that can be accessed via our web site next week, and posted, scanned or faxed back to us please.

An update and outline of the 2015 Championship follows. Please also pass onto others in your golfing circle, and / or local Senior Golfers Associations.

Dates and Programme

Sunday 15 February – optional practice round and registration @ Taupo Golf Club

- Welcome Function and Official Opening

Monday 16 February

- Day one match play draws – seeded by handicap
- 2 rounds will be played on Taupo's Tauhara Course today

Tuesday 17 February

- Day two match play – all divisions on Tauhara Course

Wednesday 18 February

- Scheduled lay day from the Match Play Championships
- Optional stroke play / teams event at Turangi Golf Club

Thursday 19 February

- Semi finals / Flights / Plates all divisions – on Centennial Course

Friday 20 February

- Finals / Flights / Plates all divisions – on Centennial Course
- Awards Celebration Dinner

Costs and Inclusions

- Golfer entry @ NZ \$129 per person, including 4 days match play golf, welcome function, complimentary practice round on Sunday 14 February, extensive trophy & prize table
- Trundler (Pull trolley) @ NZ \$5 per round
- Quality Tournament Shirt @ NZ \$59.95
- Opening function, partner / additional guests @ NZ \$39.00 each
- Closing dinner & awards evening @ NZ \$49.95 per person (refreshments included)
- Cart @ NZ \$42 per round (reserved for medical reasons)
- Turangi Optional Stroke Play round NZ \$40 including morning tea on arrival and prize table
- Overnight parking / camping @ Taupo GC, NZ \$10 (TGC donation expected via PaR nz Golfing Holidays on entry form please) per campervan per night
- Accommodation options @ the preferred hotel, Millennium Manuals on Taupo's Lake Front include
 - Non-lake front room NZ \$115 per person, twin share B&B
 - Lake front room NZ \$135 per person, twin share B&B
 - Includes welcome drink on arrival and a 2 for 1 dinner deal for 6 nights plus stays

Format & Tournament Overview

All amateur male golfers with a valid golf membership aged 55+ as at the tournament start date, and women aged 50+, are invited to enter. Final divisions will be advised when entries close and the first round draw is published, but will be either in eights or sixteen's, depending on handicap spreads. This is to ensure the most competitive divisions possible with the top Men's Open division only, been off the stick match play. All other match play will be handicap match play.

There will prizes for flights and plates thus ensuring all players get 4 rounds of match play. Divisions will be split by

- Men's Open 55+
- Men's Super Seniors, 77+
- Women's Open

All handicaps are frozen for the week and will be handicapped in line with a players index, and the NZG Slope for the respective Taupo golf course.

Rules of play governing golf balls, driving clubs, and code of conduct will be issued when the initial draw is published.

Measuring devices in line with R&A guidelines are allowed. Available carts will be reserved for genuine medical reasons (note a valid medical certificate may be requested).

Tournament Committee

PaR nz Corporate Events, on behalf of the New Zealand Senior Golfers Association are responsible for the management of all aspects of the tournament including possible arrangements of media and publicity before, during or after the tournament.

The Tournament Committee will comprise of Denise Langdon (Tournament Director) or another appointed PaR nz Corporate Events representative, the President of the New Zealand Golfers Association and a nominated Rules Official, and whose decisions on all matters relating to the tournament, shall be final. The Championship Committee will decide all disputes, will be responsible for all arrangements and reserve the right to change any tournament condition, starting time or alter the order of events.

All players are encouraged to have their own insurance and enter at their own risk. The Tournament Committee, PaR nz Corporate Events, New Zealand Senior Golfers Association, host clubs, sponsors and / or suppliers of services or goods accept no liability for any death, injury, property loss or damage incurred during or arising out of any aspect of the conduct of the Championship.

We look forward to seeing you again – the 2015 entry form is being finalised now!

Many thanks and kind regards

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