



Horsham Telstra Store Western Open

Horsham Golf Club, Victoria
Saturday 6th & Sunday 7th October 2018

Tournament Conditions

1. The Horsham Telstra Store Western Open 2018 will be played on Saturday 6th and Sunday 7th October, 2018 at the Horsham Golf Club, which is situated at 304 Golf Course Road, Haven, Victoria, 3401.
2. Entries are open to male and female amateurs who have a Golf Australia (GA) Handicap or overseas equivalent at the close of entry shall not exceed 9.0 strokes (men) and 15.0 strokes (women) in accordance with the Australian Handicapping System.
3. All entries are \$100.00 per player and must be made via the Golf Victoria online registration system at www.golfvic.org.au (Please note, payment must be made at time of entry).
4. Entries are restricted to amateurs who are members of clubs of Golf Victoria or golf clubs registered with such state or overseas associations as are affiliated with or recognised by them, or of clubs affiliated with the Victoria Golf League and the committee shall have the right to refuse the entry of any person without being required to give any reason for such refusal.
5. In the instance the number of entries exceeds the maximum field capacity, a **ballot by handicap** will occur at the close of entries. Unsuccessful entries will be informed without delay and given the opportunity to compete if subsequent withdrawals occur.
6. Competition shall be played in accordance with the rules of golf as adopted by R&A Limited, together with such local rules as are in force on the course over which the competition takes place. If a dispute arises on any point, it shall be decided by the committee in charge of the competition, whose decision shall be final. If the committee is in doubt, it shall have the right to refer any such dispute to Golf Victoria.
7. The Tournament Committee shall consist of a representative from the Australian PGA (Heath McLeod) and Horsham Golf Club (Paul Riley). The Championship Committee reserves the right to vary any condition of this event. 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 Championship Committee not later than 10 minutes after the conclusion of each round. The decision of the Tournament Committee will be final in all matters relating to the Tournament.
8. In the event of a tie for first-place, the winner shall be determined by a sudden-death play-off, if time permits, otherwise a count-back will be utilised. The play-off will be played at a time and in a manner as decided by the Championship Committee. Ties for all other positions shall be decided by count-back as recommended by Golf Australia.
9. Amateur players may only win a maximum of one trophy each (Gross and the Net events). Please note prizes will be awarded to the Gross Champion, Runner-Up and Third Position.

Professionals Only: The winner of the 2018 Horsham Telstra Western Open will be granted a sponsor's invite into the 2019 Oates Vic Open, should their current exemption category not gain them a start. Please note, the Professional must be the outright winner of the Horsham Telstra Store Western Open and this invite does not slide.

10. Any entrant may withdraw and have their entry fee refunded provided notification is received within **three working days** prior to the commencement of the event. Under no circumstances will entry fees be refunded after this date unless players can provide the club supporting documents regarding their withdrawal from the event (i.e. Medical Certificate).
11. All visiting competitors will be made Honorary Members of the Horsham Golf Club for the Tournament.

Additional Information for Competitors

1. Practice Rounds

There will be complimentary practice round(s) available on the following days, please contact the Horsham Golf Club Pro-Shop on (03)53823312 for more details:

- Thursday 4th October from 12:00 noon onwards
- Friday 5th October from 7:00am. However, all competitors must be off the course by 12:30pm, due to a Horsham Telstra Store Western Open Sponsors/Members Pro-Am.

2. Saturday Afternoon Shoot-Out

There will be a Saturday afternoon (6th October) shoot-out after play has been completed on the 9th hole from approximately 120-metres for both Amateurs and Professionals. Please note a NTP prize of \$400.00 and 2nd place of \$200.00 will be awarded. If an Amateur(s) wins, they will be given the equivalent in Pro-Shop Vouchers and if a Professional(s) wins, they will be given cash.

3. Range Balls

The practice range will be open each day from 6:30am till 7:00pm and range balls will be made available to competitors throughout the day at \$7.00 a basket.

4. Food and Beverage

Our Bistro will be open throughout the event. Along with take-away sandwiches, pies, snacks and drinks that can be purchased in our Bar and/or Pro-Shop. Please note a complimentary set-lunch will be provided in the Clubhouse both Saturday 6th and Sunday 7th October.

5. Prize Presentation

The prize presentation will be held after the close of play on Sunday 7th October, estimated time will be around 5:30pm.

6. Dress Code

It is the responsibility of each player to be aware of and abide by, the Dress Code for Golf Victoria Events. Please note, players should observe a reasonable and inoffensive manner of dress.

In general, the following rules should be observed:

- Denim wear including jeans, is not permitted
- Swimwear and athletic attire including tracksuits, shorts, T-shirts and sports shoes are not allowed
- Shirts should be collared and worn inside trousers and shorts. However, this is not applicable for Females
- Shorts should be tailored and of a conservative length
- Footwear should be worn at all times and not changed in public areas.

7. Discounted and/or Billet Accommodation in Horsham

- Horsham Mid City Court Motel: 14 Darlot St, Horsham
Ph: 1800 033 141
Fax: 03 5382 5947
Email: horsmidcity@bigpond.com
Website: horsham-midcity.com.au
15% discount to all golfers
- Golden Grain Motor Inn: 6 Dimboola Rd, Horsham
Ph: 03 5382 4741
Fax: 03 5382 0151
Email: info@goldengrainmotel.com.au
15% to all golfers

Also, please feel free to check the following link for alternative options: www.visithorsham.com.au

Additionally, there are limited billeting options and host-families are assisting with accommodation. However, this is on a first-come-first-served basis, so please email manager@horshamgolfclub.com for more details.

8. Contact Information

Address: Horsham Golf Club, 304 Golf Course Road, Haven, Victoria, 3401
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