



MARRICKVILLE GOLF,

SPORTING & COMMUNITY CLUB

Major Events & Conditions of Play

Information Package for members

Updated 3 January 2017

Our Club is represented by:

Marrickville Golf Sporting & Community Club

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Board of Directors¹ comprises of the following positions:

PRESIDENT

VICE PRESIDENT

CAPTAIN

TREASURER

DIRECTORS

The Women's Sub Committee² is represented by:

WOMEN'S SUB-COMMITTEE

PRESIDENT

VICE PRESIDENT

CAPTAIN

VICE CAPTAIN

SECRETARY

TREASURER

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

¹ See Fixture Book for Board of Director's names

² See Fixture Book for Women's Sub Committee's names

GENERAL CONDITIONS OF PLAY

HANDICAPS

The maximum handicap set under Golf Australia Handicapping system are:

- Men 36
- Women 45

MEN'S SLOPE RATING **99**

WOMEN'S SLOPE RATING **96**

MEMBERSHIP CATEGORIES

Membership is between the 1 September of one year and 31 August of the next. Membership Categories include:

- ❖ 7 Day Membership
 - ❖ 6 Day Membership (Not currently Available)
 - ❖ 5 Day Membership (Not currently Available)
 - ❖ Junior Membership
 - ❖ Country Membership
 - ❖ Student Membership
 - ❖ Life Membership
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- 7 Day Membership – Full Membership entitles a member to all social and playing privileges of the Club. These playing privileges may be exercised on any day of the week, including all competition tee times.
 - 6 Day Membership – Partial Membership entitles a member to limited social and playing privileges of the Club and whose playing privileges may be exercised on specific days of the week, including all competition times. They are:
 - Sunday to Friday including Mixed Foursomes Championship
 - Saturdays subject to paying Visitors fees
 - Compete for Trophy of the Day but not Major Competitions
 - 5 Day Membership – Partial Membership entitles a member to 5 Day Membership – Partial Membership entitles a member to limited social and playing privileges of the Club and whose playing privileges may be exercised on specific days of the week, including all competition times. They are:
 - Tuesday Competitions
 - Saturdays & Sundays for Men and Women, subject to paying Visitors fees
 - Compete for Trophy of the Day but not Major Competitions

BOOKING A COMPETITION TEE TIME

Tee Times and Competitions for Men and Women are held on:

- *Saturdays: From 7.30am – Open Mixed Events, except for Men's "Major" Competitions days*
- *Sundays: From 9am – Includes separate Men's & Women's Competitions and/or Medleys*
- *Tuesdays: From 6.48am – Includes separate Men's & Women's Competitions*
- *Public Holidays except Christmas Day: From 9am – e.g. Medleys*

Players should book tee times using the Electronic Time Sheet (SLICE) and report to the Pro Shop at least 15 minutes prior to Teeing-off. Players not booked on the time sheet will play in times, if available, allocated to them by the Pro Shop.

NORMAL CLUB COMPETITIONS

A “Competition” is determined by the number of starters. The full allocation of Full Prizes is determined by achieving these numbers in competition.

The Match Committee at Marrickville GS&CC have set specific tee times for competitions to be played. As such, the following number of players constitutes a Competition:

Single Events

Individual Nett Events e.g. Stroke, Stableford & Par

- MEN & MEDLEY: A minimum of **Fifteen (15) single cards** will constitute an Event of the Day i.e. an Individual Nett Trophy
- WOMEN: A minimum of **Eight (8) single cards** will constitute an Event of the Day i.e. an Individual Nett Trophy

Individual Scratch Events

- MEN & MEDLEY: A minimum of **Thirty (30) single cards** will be necessary to activate an Individual Scratch Trophy
- NOTE: Single Scratch Scores must be calculated & recorded on the Scorecard by a Player to be eligible for a Scratch Trophies – except for Stroke events
- WOMEN: Individual Scratch Trophy are ONLY awarded during **Medal and Stroke Events**

Team Events

Team Nett Events e.g. Best Ball or Aggregate Stableford

- MEN & MEDLEY: A minimum of **Fifteen (15) team cards** will constitute an Event of the Day i.e. a 2BBB/Aggregate Team Nett Trophy
- WOMEN: A minimum of **Eight (8) team cards** will constitute an Event of the Day i.e. a 2BBB/Aggregate Team Nett Trophy

Team Scratch Events

- MEN & MEDLEY: A minimum of **Thirty (30) team cards** will be necessary to activate a 2BBB/Aggregate Team Scratch Trophy
- NOTE: Team Scratch Scores must be calculated & recorded on the Scorecard by a Player to be eligible for a Scratch Trophies – except for Stroke events

Note: In the interest of all members and the Club, the Match Committee has the discretion to award a Trophy of lesser value in the event the above numbers are not achieved. Also see “Order of Allocations of Trophies” and “Special Notes”.

Ambrose Events

- MEN: Minimum of Ten (10) Team cards (Four Players per team) for a Nett event
- A minimum of Fifteen (15) Team cards are required for both Nett & Scratch Trophies
- WOMEN: Minimum of Six (6) Team cards (4, 3 or 2 Players per Team) for a Nett event
- A minimum of Ten (10) Team cards are required for both Nett & Scratch Trophies
- For both the above, Holden Scramble “Three Tee Shot” rule applies i.e. Three tees shots per player and MUST be recorded on card – See Rule 7.8 under “Special Rules”

ORDER OF ALLOCATION OF TROPHIES

- Trophies will be awarded in order of the Event of the Day, i.e. Nett then Scratch
- Team scores take precedence over Single Scores i.e. 2BBB or Aggregate and then Single scores (including Ball Competition)
- In multiple round Major Event’s, players may win the major prize only. All other Nett or Scratch prizes will be allocated to the next best score in order of value/prestige or at the discretion of the Match Committee
- In the event a field does not meet the required number of starters for a “formal” competition, trophy allocations are awarded at the discretion of the Match committee
- A guide for such allocation includes:
- Men Competition with 1 to 14 single/two ball players cards:
 - Half “Nett” prize for Single Card ONLY
 - Ball Competition at normal rate for both single and two ball events
 - No Nearest the Pin Prize
 - Submitted Cards are processed and handicapped
- Women Competition with 1 to 7 single/two ball players cards:
 - Half “Nett” prize for Single Card ONLY
 - Ball Competition at normal rate for both single and two ball events
 - No Nearest the Pin Prize
 - Submitted Cards are processed and handicapped

SWINGERS

- If player A swings with players B & C, and was involved in the winning Nett & Scratch scores for the day in a 2BBB /Aggregate, player A and partner, would be awarded the Nett trophy
- Player A’s other partner, C (ONLY) would receive the Scratch trophy
- The “Swingers“ fee is for eligibility into the two ball competition

COUNTBACKS

At the end of 18 Hole Competitions, if a tie has occurred a count-back ensues. The following applies:

- Best score for last nine (9) holes (deduct 1/2 handicap in Stroke events), if still tied
- Best score for last six (6) holes (deduct 1/3 handicap in Stroke events), if still tied
- Best score for last three (3) holes (deduct 1/6 handicap in Stroke events), if still tied
- Hole by hole from the 18th (deducting handicap for each hole in Stroke)
- In 36, 54 and 72 Hole Events, the last 18 hole card shall be used, and if still tied, a count-back will be used as above

EAGLES NEST – Hole 3

- **Only members** are eligible to compete for golf balls allocated for the day
- The Eagles Nest is won by being within 60cms of the hole
- If the prize won by more than one person on any day, the balls allocated are shared
- The maximum to be reached will be Two Dozen (24) golf balls
- If won, the balls are reduced to Three (3) golf balls for the next competition round & increase by Three (3) balls for each competition round until won again or reaches the maximum

DRIVE AND PITCH – Hole 6

- Saturdays ONLY
- **All players** are eligible to compete for Club Vouchers in their respective A, B, & C Grades

NEAREST THE PIN – Hole 18

- **All players** are eligible to compete for golf balls & monetary voucher
- Women Members in their events can only compete for the voucher (i.e. Sunday's and Tuesdays) as a separate Women's ball comp is provided on this hole
- Exception: Medleys, where women compete for both voucher & golf balls

GUIDE TO HANDICAPS IN EVENTS

Single, 2B, 4B: Stroke, Stableford & Par Competitions – Full Handicap

Foursomes: 1/2 Combined Handicap

Ambrose:

- Team of Four: 1/8 Combined Team Handicap
- Team of Three: 1/6 Combined Team Handicap
- Team of Two: 1/4 Combined Team Handicap

SCORECARDS

- Players are responsible for ensuring the correct name(s), date, handicap(s) and strokes are recorded in correct Single/Team Nett/Scratch boxes and signed by both Player and Marker

INCLEMENT WEATHER

- From time to time players may decide themselves to stop play or leave the course in the event of extreme weather conditions e.g. heavy rain/extreme heat.
- In the event of heavy rain, the Match Committee will confer with ground staff as to whether the Course is playable or unplayable. If play is temporarily suspended players will be directed to leave the course. If a hole is not completed, players are reminded that they should mark the position of their ball before leaving the course.
- In the unlikely event the course is declared unplayable, players will be refunded, less an administration fee.
- All cards completed and submitted will be handicapped and a modified prize(s) may be offered.

USE OF THE COURSE FOR PRACTICE BY MEMBERS

- Members are ONLY permitted to play/practice outside the Competition Sheet times, without cost, providing they do not impede pre-booked social players.
- A maximum of **THREE** balls per player may be used on the course proper during a practice round
- More than two balls may only be used on Designated Practice Areas
- All members practicing MUST report to the Pro Shop to ensure they are aware of events occurring on the Course
- Members and Visitors MUST carry a Sand Bucket and fill divots when practising

Designated Practice Areas include:

- Putting Green, Practice Nets and Chipping Green, if not “In Play”
- Between the Fairway and Cooks River of 1st & 2nd Holes, except on Competition days, and not for landing on the respective greens
- Members should not “practice” e.g. with multiple balls, at anytime on Hole 12-15 as this would encourage non-members to do the same

PLEASE NOTE: The grassed car parking area around the Practice Nets is considered part of the Golf Course and is therefore NOT a practice area.

SPECIAL NOTES

- **At any time, the Match Committee reserves the right to change or alter any Competition or Trophy allocation, whether it is through inclement weather, unforeseen representative schedules, field sizes or under these Conditions of Play guidelines.**
- Changes will always be made in fairness to the majority of all Members of the Marrickville Golf Club.
- “Conditions of Play” may also be altered at any time.

MEN'S PROGRAM

VISITORS

Members inviting visitors into the Clubhouse must ensure the visitor registers their name in the Club Register.

MEMBERSHIP

Three (3) months fully paid Seven (7) day membership is necessary to compete in all Club Championships & most Major Events.

GENERAL HANDICAPS

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| A Grade | 0 to 12 |
| B Grade | 13 to 17 |
| C Grade | 18 to 36 |

NOTE: All handicap events are determined by using the "Daily Handicap".

MENS CHAMPIONSHIP GRADES

All Major Events are played on Saturday's unless stated otherwise.

Handicaps are divided into four (4) grades:

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| A Grade | 0 to 7 |
| A Reserve | 8 to 12 (Club Championships only) |
| B Grade | 13 to 17 |
| C Grade | 18 to 36 |

Club (A), A Reserve, B, C, & Junior Championships

See Fixture Book

Prize Allocation:

- Two (2) Qualifying Rounds of Stroke in A, A Reserve, B, C grades (Separate Junior Event applies also)
- Qualifiers MUST write "Q" (qualifying) on the second-round card
- Count-back system applies if required
- Best eight (8) single qualifiers in each Grade compete in Match-play play-offs through Quarter-Finals, Semi-Finals & Finals, in set tee-off times allocated by the Committee
- Juniors: Eighteen (18) years of age or under on date of first round
- The Final for A, A Reserve, B, C grades are played over 36 Holes
- The Final for Junior's is played over 18 Holes

J.J. MILEY TROPHY

See Fixture Book

Prize Allocation:

- A Nett Event held over Fifty-four (54) holes
- Count-back system applies if required

MIXED FOURSOMES CHAMPIONSHIPS

See Fixture Book

Prize Allocation:

- A 36 Hole Mixed Team “Scratch” Event held over two (2) Rounds
- Count-back system applies if required

72 HOLE MEDAL A, B, & C Grade

See Fixture Book

Prize Allocation:

- An Event held over Four (4) Rounds of Stroke - Scratch for A, B & C
- Count-back system applies if required

FOURSOMES CHAMPIONSHIPS

See Fixture Book

Prize Allocation:

- Two person Team Event held over two (2) Qualifying Rounds for A, B, C Grades. Count-back system applies if required
- Best four pairs qualify in each Grade to compete in Match-play play-offs through Semi-finals & Finals, in set tee-off times allocated by the Committee

NOTE: A minimum fee is payable by players competing in ALL “play-offs” to cover course levies

CRYSTAL BOWL & CRYSTAL VASE

MEN: Open 18 Hole Stroke

Date: See Fixture Book

WOMEN: Open 18 Hole Stableford

Prize Allocation:

- Nett Stroke event, open to all Members and Visitors
- Members of the PGA may only win the major Gross (Scratch) Event
- Men’s Bowl, Senior’s and Women’s Vase, and Junior Plate
- Daily Handicaps for ALL players apply

COCK O' THE WALK

See Fixture Book

Prize Allocation:

- Two person Nett Team Event held over Two (2) Rounds of Aggregate Par
- Count-back system applies if required

MEDAL OF MEDALS

Saturday Men's Event Only

Date: See Fixture Book

Prize Allocation:

- Medal rounds will be held on the Second Saturday of each Month (excluding January) for A, B & C Grades.
- Medal of Medals - Medal winners of all grades, from February of to January compete for best Nett of the Day
- Count-back system applies if required
- A Visitor is entitled to compete for the Nett and Scratch Trophies in his allotted handicap grade
- Where a Visitor wins the Nett event, they will receive the Nett trophy of the day. A Visitor can only win one (1) trophy
- The best Members Nett will receive the Medal only
- If there is a donated Trophy on the day, it is awarded to the best Members Nett of the day, unless otherwise requested by the donor
- If a Visitor were to win the donated Trophy, a Club Trophy would be allocated, and the donated Trophy would be allocated to the next best Member's score

Note: *In all of the above events where an event is divided into Grades, the Handicap a player starts with will determine the Grade in which they play. However, for the multiple Nett Event calculations, they will play off their 'Handicap of the Day'.*

LEGEND TO TROPHIES IN EVENTS

Unless specifically designated in an Event, Trophies will be:

1. 2BBB & Aggregates – Single Nett & Scratch & Team Nett & Scratch
2. Open Events – Single Nett & Scratch
3. Ambrose – Team Nett & Scratch

All Trophy allocations are governed by "Conditions of Play".

TROPHY DONORS

Generally, the names of Major and Weekly trophy donors in this book are members who include their "trophy" at the time subscriptions were paid. This represents recognition of their trophy.

All other Major and Club events donors will be recognised at the time of presentation.

The Committee of the Marrickville Golf Sporting & Community Club wish to express their sincere appreciation to all trophy donors listed in this Fixtures Book. Your trophies greatly assist the Club

WOMEN'S PROGRAM

CHICK O' THE WALK

See Fixture Book

MIXED FOURSOMES CHAMPIONSHIP

See Fixture Book

KNOCK OUT COMPETITION

See Fixture Book

WOMEN'S NSW BOWL (FOMERLY INTERNATIONAL BOWL)

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP – CLUB, DIVISION 2 & 3

See Fixture Book

FOURSOMES CHAMPIONSHIP - DIVISION 1 & 2

See Fixture Book

TUESDAY PLAYERS NETT CHAMPIONSHIP

See Fixture Book

WOMEN'S CHARITY DAY

See Fixture Book

CHALLENGE (VETERANS) BROOCH

See Fixture Book

GOODWILL PLATE

See Fixture Book

PEWTER PLATE

See Fixture Book

NSW WOMEN'S 4BBB CLASSIC (REPLACES 3BBB PAR)

See Fixture Book

CORONATION MEDAL

See Fixture Book

BRONZE MEDALLION

See Fixture Book

MEDAL OF MEDALS

See Fixture Book

WOMEN'S PRESENTATION NIGHT

See Fixture Book

ETTIQUETTE OF GOLF

Keep It Safe

- ✓ Do not swing your club until you know that others in your group are at a safe distance. Likewise, keep your distance when others are swinging. Be aware to steer clear of trouble
- ✓ When practicing your swing, never swing in the direction of another player. There may be pebbles or twigs or other matter in the grass that could fly up and injure a playing partner
- ✓ Do not hit the ball until you are certain that the group ahead of you is out of range
- ✓ If your ball appears headed toward another player or another group, give them a warning by yelling out, “Fore” (an internationally recognised alert)
- ✓ Observe the safety suggestions posted in golf carts and drive carefully. Golf etiquette requires keeping your cart off the grass as much as possible
- ✓ Never throw clubs in anger. In addition to being rude and childish, it could also be dangerous

Be Kind to the Course

- ✓ Observe cart rules. Some courses will post "cart path only" signs; others will ask you to observe the “90 degree rule.” Do as you are told
- ✓ Keep carts away from greens and hazards. The wheels on carts can damage these sensitive areas
- ✓ Repair your divots in the fairway
- ✓ Repair your ball marks on the green
- ✓ Always rake sand bunkers after hitting to erase your footprints and damage to the area where your ball was
- ✓ Avoid taking a divot on a practice swing

Maintain a Good Pace

- ✓ Keep moving by being prepared to hit your shot when it is your turn. You probably don't like waiting on other groups - don't make other groups wait on you
- ✓ The player who is away hits first in a group. However, in friendly matches (as opposed to tournament play), this rule can be ignored in favour of "ready play" - players hit as they are ready. All players should agree to "ready play" before it is put into effect
- ✓ Do not spend too much time looking for a lost ball, particularly if there is a group behind you ready to play. If you insist on taking the full five minutes allotted in the rulebook to look for lost balls, golf etiquette says wave up the group behind to allow them to play through
- ✓ Always try to keep pace with the group ahead of you. If space opens in front of you, allow a faster group to play through
- ✓ When two players in a cart hit to opposite sides of a hole, drive to first ball and drop off that player with his club, then drive to the second ball. After both players hit, meet up farther down the hole
- ✓ When walking from your cart to your ball, take a couple of clubs with you. Taking only one club, then having to return to the cart to retrieve a different club, is a huge time-waster
- ✓ Always leave the putting green as soon as your group has finished putting

And a Few More Golf Etiquette Hints

- ✓ Quiet, please! Never talk during another player's swing
- ✓ Do not yell out following a shot. Even if boisterous behaviour doesn't bother your playing partners, there are other people on the course who may be within earshot
- ✓ Be aware of your shadow on the putting green. Don't stand in a place that causes your shadow to be cast across another player or that player's putting line
- ✓ Never walk through a playing partner's putting line. Your footprints might alter the path of a partner's putt. Step over the putting line, or walk around (behind) the partner's ball