

# 2024 FAIRBAIRN GOLF CLUB OPEN AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIPS

# 26 & 27 OCTOBER 2024

# **CONDITIONS OF PLAY**

The 2024 Fairbairn Golf Club Open Amateur Championships will be a 36-hole event played over two stipulated rounds, with 18 holes played each day. The days of competition will be 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> October 2024.

## **Eligibility:**

The event is open to all male amateur golfers who are full financial members of a recognised golf club affiliated with a State Association and having a current GA handicap.

Junior competitors are to be 18 or under, and Veteran's competitors 55 or over on the first day of the event.

If entering these Divisions, the Starter must be advised upon registering on the first day of the event and proof of age provided.

#### **Rules:**

The event will be conducted with strict adherence to the Rules of Golf, any Local Rules in force and standard regulations contained in the Fairbairn Golf Club By-Laws. This includes any additional requirements in place at the time to comply with current ACT COVID directions.

The Event will be played on the Men's Black course.

All competitors are required to dress in neat golf attire. Soft Spikes are mandatory.

Players MUST report to the Starter 15 minutes before their tee off. Failure to do so may result in disqualification.

### **Entry:**

Full entry fee of \$80.00 must be paid by COB Wed 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2024. Should the field become full, handicaps will be used to determine the final players accepted for the event (any players missing out will have their entry fee refunded). The final draw for the event will be published on the club's website.

#### **Prizes:**

Divisions will be determined by the numbers of entries received but may include Men's A, B & C; Veterans; and Junior. A minimum of 10 players is required to constitute a division.

Prizes will be awarded for:

- Overall Gross and Net Winners and Runners-up for the 36 Hole Open Championship Event.
- Division Winners and Runners-up in Gross and Net for the 36 Hole Open Championship Event (excluding A Grade Gross as these players will have been the Overall Winner and Runner-up above).
- Nearest the pin prizes on all par 3s will be awarded each day. Sunday's NTP on the 13th hole will be a year's supply of beer from Capital Brewing (this is one 16 pack of Capital Brewing Co beer a month for 12 months, to be sent out by Capital Brewing to the winner monthly). This prize is not redeemable for cash.

A competitor may win only one major (Gross or Net) prize.

**HOLES IN ONE** (Current or former PGA Professionals or trainees are not eligible to win these prizes)

**Saturday:** This prize is a Spa Pool supplied by Spa World. It will be awarded for the FIRST Hole-in-One attained on Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> October 2024 at the 8<sup>th</sup> hole of the Fairbairn Golf Course. The Hole-in-One must be witnessed and verified by the Official Witness and the appropriate forms completed at the time. This prize is not redeemable for cash.

**Sunday:** This prize is a Mazda 2 supplied by Phillip Mazda. It will be awarded for the FIRST Hole-in-One attained on Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> October 2024 at the 8<sup>th</sup> hole of the Fairbairn Golf Course. The Hole-in-One must be witnessed and verified by the Official Witness and the appropriate forms completed at the time. This prize is not redeemable for cash.

## **Handicaps:**

Handicaps for the tournament will be those held by competitors on the first day of the event, with a maximum Men's GA Handicap of 36.

## **Seeding:**

The players with the 8 lowest gross scores from the first day will be seeded into the final two playing groups for the Sunday round (countback will be used if required). These players will be seeded together with player 5-8 playing in the 1:00 pm tee slot and players 1-4 playing together in the final 1:10 tee time). Every effort will be made to advise these seeded players using their contact details provided on their entry form after completion of the Saturday round and advised on the FGC website. It is the player's responsibility to make themselves available for these tee times if they are in the top 8 players for the Open event. If a player is not available for these seeded tee times, they may still play but cannot win the Open's Overall Gross or R/U prizes. This is to ensure all top players play in the same conditions on the final day.

### Ties:

In the event of a tie for the Open Championship overall Gross event, the result will be decided by a sudden death play-off from the 13th hole onward until a result is reached. It is the players' responsibility to be at the course ready to play in the event of a play-off.

Normal Fairbairn Golf Club count back procedures will be applied to decide other ties.

#### **Match Committee:**

The Match Committee of the Fairbairn Golf Club will have control of the event and power to vary Conditions of Play on the day and to decide any dispute or question. The Match Committee's decisions are final and binding.

## **Practice:**

Players are reminded of the rules regarding practice during the Championships. Rule 7.3.2 prohibits practice on the course. **This includes any practice between the consecutive stipulated rounds.** Practice before the start of play on each day, may only be conducted in the recognised practice areas: the practice putting greens, the nets and the driving range. If you make a stroke in breach of this Rule, you will have the general penalty applied to your first hole. If you make an additional stroke in breach of this Rule, you are disqualified.

# Match Committee Fairbairn Golf Club