

BELCONNEN MAGPIES OPEN CONDITIONS OF PLAY

1. Belconnen Magpies Golf Club (BMGC) Open Amateur Championship is open to male golfers (including juniors) with a valid and current Golf Australia Handicap and a member of a Golf Australia affiliated golf club. The maximum handicap for this event is 36. **Please note that if your handicap changes as a result of your score in the first round you MUST record your original handicap and your changed handicap on your score card for the second round. Your handicap for the overall event remains the same as the handicap you commenced the championship with, and your new handicap is used for the day competition.**
2. The BMGC Open Amateur Championship is a 36 hole stroke event.
3. Starting times are 0700-1230 on Saturday 11 and Sunday 12 September 2010. Players are required to report to the Pro Shop at least 15 minutes before their starting time. Every effort will be made to place participants in their preferred starting times. Preferred starting times will be allocated in order of Entry Form receipt. Late entries may be accepted if vacancies exist. The entry form will not be accepted unless accompanied by the entry fee.
4. Entries will close on Friday 3 September 2010 at 5.00pm, or when a capacity field is reached. Draw will be emailed to all entrants providing an email address and participating Clubs.
5. Handicap divisions will be determined by the BMGC Match Committee after entries close.
6. **Distance-Measuring Devices:** A player may obtain distance information by using a device that measures distance only. Use of a device that is designed to gauge or measure other conditions that might affect play (eg. Gradient, wind speed, temperature etc.) is in breach of Rule 14-3, for which the penalty is disqualification, regardless of whether any such additional functions are actually used.
7. Play shall be in accordance with the Rules of Golf, as recognised by Golf Australia, and the BMGC Local Rules. Penalties for slow play will be applied.
8. The BMGC Match Committee shall have the power to vary any conditions and to determine any dispute or question arising as to the disqualification of any entrant and may, at its absolute discretion at any time and without assigning reason therefore, refuse entry or declare any entrant ineligible to compete.
9. In the event of a tie in the Open Championship, the winner will be decided by a three hole playoff on holes 1, 9 and 18, immediately after completion of play in the final round. If scores are still tied after the three hole playoff, a sudden death play-off on the 18th hole will be held until a winner is determined. Players not present to contest the play-off will be declared ineligible for the play-off and forfeit their right to contest the playoff. All other events, Gross and Nett will be decided by count back as prescribed by Golf Australia.
10. Unless the full Golf Link Number is provided evidence of affiliated club membership and a handicap card must be available for perusal by the BMGC Match Committee.
11. Players and their caddies MUST comply with the dress requirements of the Belconnen Magpies Golf Club. Non-compliance could see the player not allowed to start or asked to leave the course. Note - Metal spikes are not permitted.
12. Gross results take precedence over nett results. A competitor is entitled to win only one daily prize each day, and one 36 hole prize overall, except for Junior prize winners, who are also eligible for major prizes.
13. **Cancellation and refunds:** No refunds will be made for any cancellation received less than 7 days prior to the event except that cancellations on medical grounds or incapacity will be given consideration.