



2018 NSW OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP

PLAYER INFORMATION

TOURNAMENT

Host Venue	Twin Creeks Golf & Country Club
Dates	8 th – 11 th November 2018
Website	www.nswopen.com / www.pga.org.au
Prize Fund	AU\$400,000
Entries Close	Thursday 18 th October 2018 at 5:00PM AEDT
Field Size	156 players
Field Breakdown	84 PGATA Professionals; 20 International Tour Professionals; 18 International Amateurs; 9 Elite Amateurs; 7 Regional Amateur Qualifiers; 10 Pre-Qualifying; 8 Tournament Invitations

TOURNAMENT FORMAT

The tournament shall be decided over 4 rounds (72 holes) stroke play. 156 players will play one round on each of the first two days, after which the leading 60 professionals plus ties for 60th place, plus any amateurs on the same score after the second round, shall qualify to play rounds 3 and 4. In the event of a tie for first place, a 'sudden death' play-off will take place on the 18th until there is a result or as otherwise determined by the tournament committee.

REGISTRATION

Registration will be at the PGA Tournament Office. Registration will be open from Monday 5th November, 9:00AM to 5:00PM and Tuesday 6th November, 7:00AM until 5:00PM. Players who fail to register by the deadline with the PGA tournament office may be removed from the tournament and replaced with the first available alternate.

TOURNAMENT OFFICE

The PGA Tour of Australasia Tournament Office will be located in the demountable located adjacent to the clubhouse at the far end of the car park.

PRE QUALIFYING

Pre-Qualifying will take place on Monday 5th November at Liverpool GC, Long Reef GC and Glenmore Heritage Valley GC and. There will be a minimum of 10 positions available. The number of positions available at each venue will be determined on a pro-rata basis.

PRACTICE FACILITIES AND TIMES

Players will use the Twin Creeks Golf & Country Club driving range (adjacent to the 10th tee) and short game facilities.

Monday	7:30AM to 6:00PM
Tuesday	6:30AM to 6:00PM (Pro-Am players have priority 1 hour before shotgun start)
Wednesday	6:30AM to 6:00PM (Championship Pro-Am players have priority 1 hour before shotgun start)
Thursday	5:45AM to 6:00PM
Friday	5:45AM to 6:00PM
Saturday	6:00AM to 5:00PM
Sunday	6:00AM to last tee time

COURSE PRACTICE

Practice rounds are available on Monday and Tuesday. See below for details. There will be no timesheets.

Monday	1st and 10th tee from 7:00AM and 1st tee only from 9.00AM onwards All players must be off the course by 9.45am. Practice also available after the completion of the Twin Creeks Corporate Pro-Am.
Tuesday	Course practice available from 1:00PM after the conclusion of the Junior Pro-Am.
Wednesday	Course closed for Sponsors Pro-Am

PRO-AM

Monday 5 November	Twin Creeks Corporate Pro-Am 10.00am shotgun start. (20 Pro's Required)
Tuesday 6 November	Junior Pro-Am 7.30am shotgun start. (22 Pro's Required)
Wednesday 7 November	Sponsors Pro-Am 7.30am shotgun start. (25 Pro's Required) Sponsors Pro-Am 1.30pm shotgun start. (25 Pro's Required)

PLAYER SERVICES

Medical The medical services team will be located adjacent to the Player's Lounge. The team will consist of **Dr Cory Cunningham** (Doctor, onsite Tuesday, Wednesday only), **Kym Davis** (Chiropractor), **Matt Green** (Physiotherapist), **Amanda Rickard** (Masseur).

The Player Medical Services Team work on a booking system and attempt to honour all reasonable requests outside of the following general operating hours:

Tuesday	9:00AM to 6.00PM
Wednesday	6:00AM to 6.00PM
Thursday	5:45AM to 6.00PM
Friday	5.45AM to 6.00PM
Saturday	6.00AM to 6.00PM
Sunday	6.00AM until last tee time

Parking Participating players will park in the club car park or adjacent grassed area using their PGA Tour accreditation for access

Caddies All players must have a caddy for the NSW Open. Caddy master will be Lauren Grumley LaurenG@twincreeks.com.au 02 9670 8888
Caddies will be able to park in main clubhouse car park or adjacent grassed area.
Caddies will be permitted to use pull carts on Thursday and Friday only.

First Aid Golf NSW will be providing first aid service on all 4 tournament days.

Locker Room Participating players will use the Men's Locker Room in the clubhouse. There will be lockers available and the club will provide name tags for each locker.

Bag Storage Bag storage will be available. Players should contact the pro shop.

Club Repairs Basic club repair services will be available in the Pro Shop during each day of the tournament week. Please note that all costs will be charged to the player

Tickets Players are to use PGA Tour accreditation. In addition to this, players will also receive 1 x caddy pass, 2 x general admission season passes and 6 x general admission any one day passes

Child Care There is no child care available for this tournament

PLAYERS LOUNGE

The players' lounge will be located in the function room in the south east corner of the clubhouse with access shared with the VIP Dining area. The lounge will be open from the following hours.

Monday:	Not Available
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Tuesday: Breakfast 5:45AM – 10:30AM
Wednesday: Breakfast 5:45AM – 10:30AM
Thursday: Breakfast 1 ½ hrs before first tee time to 10:30AM then 10:30AM to 6:00PM
Friday: Breakfast 1 ½ hrs before first tee time to 10:30AM then 10:30AM to 6:00PM
Saturday: Breakfast 1 ½ hrs before first tee time to 10:30AM then 10:30AM to 5:00PM
Sunday: Breakfast 1 ½ hrs before first tee time to 10:30AM then 10:30AM to 4:00PM
Entry to the Players Lounge will be with PGA Tour accreditation only and food will only be provided free of charge for players

Continental breakfast will be provided on Tuesday and Wednesday.

Monday – Wednesday players may purchase food from the restaurant area at a reduced rate.

PLAYER ATTIRE

Players and caddies are to follow the dress regulations as stated in the Membership Regulations Handbook. Players will be permitted to wear shorts during all practice rounds and during the pre-tournament pro-am. All shorts should be knee length, tailored shorts and predominately of one colour. "Cargo pocket styled" shorts are not permitted. **Long pants are required to be worn during all tournament rounds.**

PLAYER ACCOMODATION

Holiday Inn St Marys

Players will be able to book accommodation for the event at a reduced rate. To do so, please contact:

Lawrence Ong: L Ong@histmarys.com.au (02) 9677 7732

Air BNB Accommodation

Opportunities may be available through the Club. Players should make direct contact with the owner via Air BNB.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Monday 5 November	Pre-qualifying @ Liverpool GC, Long Reef GC, and Glenmore Heritage Valley Practice and Registration at Twin Creeks (See available times above) Twin Creeks Corporate Pro-Am commencing at 10:00am
Tuesday 6 November	Junior Pro-Am – 8:00AM shotgun start Official practice day – course available from 1:00PM onwards Player Registration Round 1 draw released
Wednesday 7 November	Morning Pro-Am – 7:30AM shotgun start Afternoon Pro-Am – 1:30PM shotgun start Course closed to practice.
Thursday 8 November	Round 1 - commencing at approximately 6:45AM
Friday 9 November	Round 2 - commencing at approximately 6:45AM Field cut to leading 60 professionals + ties as well as any amateurs on the same score or better
Saturday 11 November	Round 3 – last tee time approximately 11.00AM
Sunday 12 November	Round 4 – last tee time approximately 11.00AM Presentation ceremony on 18 th green following completion of play