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Important notes for you keen golfers!

April 2017 will be the third year into New Zealand Māori Golf Association's (NZMGA) 10 year partnership with Taupo Golf Club. We're looking forward to seeing you all again for another great week of golf. So shine your clubs, dust off your shoes and make sure you get your entry form completed before 1 April 2017!

In 2016 we trialled a new playing format for the senior men and women's divisions. In 2017 we will revert back to the old format. It's important that you read through the following information before you complete your entry form. Players will be notified of any further changes when registering.

Registration - Sunday 23 April — Registration opens at 7am to 2pm at the Taupo Golf Club. Players must **register in person** so they are aware of any changes to the tournament conditions.

Membership

- a) All current affiliated members (members registered with Golf Clubs throughout NZ) that enter in the National Tournament will automatically have their annual NZMGA membership subscription paid and/or renewed which is included with your entry fee. Members in this category would be known as NZMGA Affiliated Members and their fee is \$50.
- b) All current and new members that are registered with NZMGA through the Taupo Golf Club (with the exception of those members that reside within the Taupo District Council Region) that enter in the National Tournament will automatically have their NZMGA annual membership subscription paid and/or renewed which is included in the entry fee. These members are to be known as NZMGA Registered Members and the NZMGA membership fee is \$135.
- c) All current and new members that are registered with NZMGA through the Taupo Golf Club that reside in the Taupo District Council Region can enter in the National Tournament as NZMGA Registered Members but they would not have their membership automatically renewed. You need to renew your membership with an additional \$60 on top of the entry fee.
- d) All non playing members of partners participating at the National Tournament wishing to purchase Award tickets will automatically become Honorary Members of NZMGA and will have their Honorary Membership automatically paid and/or renewed. The Honorary NZMGA membership fee which also includes a ticket to the Awards evening is \$60.

Playing Format

Senior Men Format - Senior Men will play stroke play on Monday and Tuesday (36 holes) for the stroke play championship. These two rounds will be the qualifying rounds for match play. The top 16 players who qualify will form the top division for the match play championship. The remaining senior players who do not make the cut (top 16) will continue to play match play as normal. The top 16 players and all other divisions will play one round of match play on the Wednesday (18 holes). On Thursday all division play two rounds of match play (36 holes) with the finals on Friday.

Senior Ladies Format - Senior Ladies will play stroke play on Monday and Tuesday (36 holes) for the stroke play championship. These two rounds will be the qualifying rounds for match play. The top 16 players who qualify will form the top division for the match play championship. The remaining senior players that do not make the cut (top 16) continue to play match play as normal. The top sixteen players and all other divisions will play one round of match play on the Wednesday (18 holes). On Thursday all division play two rounds of match play (36 holes) and the finals held on Friday.

Masters Format - The Masters division will be split into three groups based on age. Aged is determined as at 1 January 2017. The groups are as follows:

Group One: 55 to 60 years Group Two: 61 to 69 years Group Three: 70 years +

Golden Girls Format – The Golden Girls division will be determined by the number of entries into the tournament.

Rangatahi - All players who are under 19 years of age have their own division. It is the intention of NZMGA to seek funding support to help subsidise the entry fee. Should NZMGA be successful those who play in this division will be advised at registration what the subsidy amount is. Please note: Those under 19 years of age who enter the Senior, Intermediate, Junior Men and Ladies divisions must pay the full entry fee.



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Un-registered Players - All players who do not currently have an official registered handicap can become a NZMGA Registered Member and enter in the division according to their handicap and/or age. The entry fee is the division fee plus the membership fee (subject to meeting criteria). It is best to become a registered member of NZMGA and obtain your handicap before entering the tournament and this fee is \$135.

Complimentary Entries - Players who win a Complimentary Entry to the National Championship must still pay the NZMGA membership fee of \$50. This membership fee is not included in the Complimentary Entry.

ANZAC DAY - Tuesday 23 April - Start times may be changed to coincide with Anzac day celebrations. Players will be notified at time of registration. Players who want to attend the Taupo RSA Memorial Service or their own local dawn parade service must notify the Tournament Director when registering to arrange a late tee time.

Calcutta - Tuesday 23 April The Calcutta will be held on Senior Men's match play division (subject to Internal Affairs Approval). The Calcutta is one of the highlights of the week. Make sure you organise your syndicate. Our sponsors have also been invited to place their bids ©

Masters, Golden Girls and Under 19 Evening - Thursday 27 April A complimentary meal and presentation for those in these divisions will be held at the Taupo Golf Club. Prior to the meal minor presentations would be made and these would be notified to the members by announcement during the week.

Corporate Day - Friday 28 April To thank our sponsors for their support we will hold a Corporate Day that is by invitation only. This will be an Ambrose format with an 8am shot gun start at the Tauhara Golf Course. Teams will be made up of three sponsors and 1 - 3 invited players. A light lunch and small presentation will follow around 1:30pm before the main Awards evening.

Awards Evening and Prize Giving Dress - Friday 28 April Again the Awards Evening will be held at the spectacular Taupo Great Lakes Centre. This is a black tie event for both men and ladies. Please, no shorts, jeans, polo shirts, t-shirts, jandals, sneakers or clothes you have worn on the golf course that day... "No exceptions"

Tournament 2's - Players can enter for the Two's competition when completing their entry form or on registration day. The Two's competition is \$10 for 4 rounds (Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday). Players who enter and pay for the Two's Competition when they complete their entry form will be entitled to include their practice round in the Two's Competition. All other players who pay on registration day can only compete in the 4 rounds listed above. Winners of the Two's Competition will be announced and distributed at 5pm every night at the Taupo Golf Club.

Please note: the NZMGA Two's Competition is independent to competitions organised by the Pro Shop.

Entering Cards - Taupo Golf Club enters results digitally. It is important that players return their cards to the **Pro Shop** to be checked and entered online. Please make sure your cards are in order and signed by the yourself and the marker.

Polo Shirts - Tournament Polo Shirts with the NZMGA logo will be available for purchase throughout the week. Polo shirts can be preordered when you complete your Entry Form below or online. The pre-order price is \$40. Polo shirt prices may differ depending on style.

Slow Play - Can be very frustrating for us all! Last year too many players were slow, with some losing up to 4 fairways! Basic ettiquette is "keep up with the group in front". The rules are well known and course marshals will be monitoring this closely. If a warning is not heeded a two stroke penalty will be imposed. Repeated offence can result in the player's disgualification.

We look forward to seeing you in April 2017 in fine golfing form!



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Sunday 23 April to Friday 28 April 2017 Programme

Entries	Close: S	Saturda	y 1 A	pril	2017
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Please note: Course and start times may change

Sunday 23 AprilTee bookings onlyTaupo Golf Club – 07 378 6932Practise Dayfrom 9:30am to 12:00pmCentennial and Tauhara Courses

Registration All Divisions from 7:00am to 2:00pm Taupo Golf Club
4:30pm Powhiri & Hakari Nukuhau Marae
6:30pm AGM (Maybe prior to Hakari) Nukuhau Marae

Note: Hakari may follow the AGM, in this case the AGM will start at 5.30pm

Monday 24 April Ladies, Senior Men, Intermediate Men

7:00am start Junior Men

Masters, Golden Girls

Rangatahi

1st Qualifying & Stroke play round - Centennial 1st Qualifying & Stroke play round - Tauhara

1st Stroke play round - Tauhara 1st Stroke play round - Tauhara

Tuesday 25 April Ladies, Senior Men, Intermediate Men

7:00am start Junior Men

subject ANZAC celebrations Masters, Golden Girls

Rangatahi

5:30pm Calcutta

2nd Qualifying & Stroke play round - Centennial 2nd Qualifying & Stroke play round - Tauhara

2nd Stroke play round - Tauhara

2nd Stroke play round - Tauhara

Taupo Golf Club

Note: Senior Men Tee off first Centennial Course

Wednesday 26 April Senior Men and Ladies 7:00am start Intermediate Men

Intermediate Men Junior Men

Masters, Golden Girls

Rangatahi

1st Match play round - Centennial

1st Match play round - Centennial

1st Match play round - Tauhara

3rd Stroke play round - Tauhara

3rd Stroke play round - Tauhara

Thursday 27 April Senior Men and Ladies

6:30am start Intermediate Men

Junior Men Masters, Golden Girls

Rangatahi

From 5.30pm Masters and Golden Girls Celebration

Music Entertainment and presentation

Match Play 2nd and 3rd Round - Centennial 2nd & 3rd Match play round - Centennial

2nd & 3rd Match play round - Tauhara Final Stroke play round - Tauhara

Final Stroke play round - Tauhara

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Friday 28 April FINALS DAY

8:00am

8:00am start Senior Men and Ladies Finals - Match Play round - Centennial

Intermediate & Junior Men Final Match play round - Centennial Sponsors Corporate Day Invitational Shot gun start with light lunch to follow

5:00pm Awards Evening Great Lakes Centre

Note: Junior Men Finals to be played on Centennial Golf Course



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TOURNAMENT CONDITIONS

ENTRIES

Entries will be received from amateurs with handicaps computed in accordance with the handicapping and course rating systems of the National Golf Association of the country they reside in. Entries will only be accepted from financial members (with playing rights) of golf clubs affiliated to their National Golf.

Association and NZ Maori Golf registered members. Entrants must conform to the Rules of Amateur Status of the Royal and Ancient Golf Club of St Andrews. Registrations with Entry fees can be applied on line or if sending by post must reach the Tournament Director, **258 Huia Street, Waikanae**. Entries must be received **before 5.00pm on Saturday 1st April 2017 (Closing Date)**. Entries must be on the official entry form, which must be complete; late or incomplete entries and entries without fees will not be accepted. Entry fees will not be refunded to entrants who withdraw after the closing date.

2 SIZE OF FIELD

The number of entries is limited to the first 350 players for two courses, who have prepaid and completed the official entry form.

3. DIVISIONS: A division will consist of up to 16 players (subject to numbers as determined by the Tournament Director and the Stroke Play with Senior Men and Ladies)

Senior Men - 0 to 9.0 Intermediate Men - 9.1 to 17.5 Junior Men - 17.6 to 25.6 Rangatahi Boys U/19 - 0 to 25.6 Ladies Open - 0 to 32.7 Masters (55+ years) Golden Girls (55+ years) Rangatahi Girls U/19 - 0 to 39.4

Centennial Course – Senior Ladies, Senior Men, Intermediate Men Divisions

Tauhara Golf Course - Junior Men (Finals on Centennial Course), Masters, Golden Girls Rangatahi Divisions

** Please note: above divisions may change playing venue should a third course be required.

4. RULES OF PLAY

The rules of play shall be the Rules of Golf as approved by the Royal and Ancient Golf Club of St Andrews and local rules approved by the Tournament Director and Tournament Committee.

REGISTRATION AND DRAW

All players must register at the Taupo Golf Club Sunday 23rd April 2017 between the hours of 7:00am and 2:00pm to enable NZMGA complete the draw. The draw will be available when you register at the golf club and online Sunday evening and after each day of play.

STARTING TIMES, POSTPONEMENTS

Competitors must be prepared to play any round of the event whenever called upon to do so, and any round may be cancelled or postponed by the Committee to such day and hour, as may be thought fit.

7. DISPUTES

NZMGA Disputes committee will decide on all disputes or protests. All protests must be lodged with the Tournament Director/General Manager within 10 minutes of completing the round. Their decision on all points, disputes or protests shall be final.

8. BALLS

It is a condition of the Tournament that only those brands of ball published in the current Lists of Conforming 1.68 Balls, which have been tested by the R & A or the USGA and found to conform to the Rules, may be used in the Tournament. The penalty for use of a brand not listed is DISQUALIFICATION.

TEE-OFF

Competitors MUST be on the tee, ready to start, 10 minutes before their advertised time. Competitors not ready to start will be dealt with under the Rules of Golf, Rule 6.3a (two strokes on first hole, stroke play only).

10. TIES

Ties for Divisional stroke play championship shall be decided by sudden death play-off. The Tournament Director will decide all other ties.

11. SLOW PLAY

Marshals will be on the course to monitor slow play and if a warning to a player is not heeded a two stroke penalty will be imposed. A repeated offence will result in the player's disqualification.

12. DRESS

Competitors are requested to maintain a respectable standard of dress as laid down by the clubs on and off the course. Failure to comply, the Tournament/Course Directors reserves the right to ask any player to leave the club(s) or central venue.

13. PROMOTION The New Zealand Maori Golf Association reserve the right to use pictures, references and information collected during the 2017 New Zealand Maori Golf Championship for promotional purposes before, during and after the event.

14. FLIGIBILITY

Any person may enter and play in any New Zealand Maori Golf Association tournament. Eligibility to win the New Zealand Maori Golf Association Championship Senior Men and Ladies Open Division is only open to those persons of Maori descent or who is married and or partner to a person of Maori descent.



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ENTRY FORM Please complete the next two pages

Sunday 23 April to Friday 28 April 2017

TO BE COMPLETED BY ALL ENTRANTS ENTERING THE 80th NEW ZEALAND MAORI GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP

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OFFICIAL MEMBERS (Please circle the division & \$		R AUSTF		TRY FI	E					
								\$22	20.00	
Masters Golden Girls (55 years and over)							\$18	35.00		
Rangatahi Championship (competing for the Rangatahi Under 19's National Championship) (subject to numbers)							\$15	50.00 **		
Note: Rangatahi (Under 19) e	ntering in Seni	or, Interme	diate, Junior Men & Ladies Divisio	n must pay	the full entry fee					
			FICAL MEMBER OF A NZ			CLUB				
NZMGA Registered Memb	ered Members entering Senior Intermediate Junior Men Ladies					\$305.00				
NZMGA Registered Memb	ers entering	Masters	G Golden Girls (55 year	ers and ov	er)			\$	275.00	
Entry includes full 12 mor	nth golf NZM	GA playing	membership with a registered	l handicar))					
HOLES IN TWO CO	MPETITIO	N								
10.00 Fee to enter into the NZMGA Holes in Two Competition (PRO Shop Two's Competition is separate)							\$10.00			
All winners of 2's will be p	resented eac	h evening	during NZMGA announcement	s around	5.30PM					
Golf Carts - мо			ll other players must present a	medical	certificate to the Tou	rnament D	irector b	pefore c	ommencen	nent of play.

With the exception of Masters and Golden Girls all other players must present a medical certificate to the Tournament Director before commencement of play Failure to comply will result in disqualification.

There is a restriction on Golf Carts this coming tournament and players requesting Golf Carts (Masters & Golden Girls) will need to share and pay for the cart they are given. Should there be excess demand over numbers available; carts will be re-allocated in order of need.



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I will be attending the Powhiri at the Nukuhau Marae Non-golfers/supporters attending with you							Υ	N		
Awards Evening - Registered players have free entry, however you must register your attendance at Registration to confirm a seat. Non-golfers/supporters attending with you						Υ	N			
Award Tickets are \$60.00 p/p							\$60			
Marae accommodation available at Nukuhau Marae Campervan parking area available at Taupo Golf Club KOHA payable to NZMGA KOHA								Y Y	N N	
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