



MEMBERS

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MISSION STATEMENT

We come together at the Ringwood Golf Club to share our common love of golf, to experience comradery and to enjoy a little dose of healthy competitiveness. We strive to do our best in all aspects of club life by participating with enthusiasm, honesty and loyalty.

CLUB HISTORY

Ringwood Golf Club had its origins at Eastfield in the early sixties until the land was subdivided for housing towards the end of decade. After a short stay at Olinda the club moved to Chirnside Park in 1969 until Ringwood golf course's first nine was opened in 1974 (2nd nine in 1976). This became the official home for the club and the clubhouse was built with the Council's aid on its present site. It has since been extended twice to accommodate a larger mixed membership.

CLUB COLOURS

Navy and Gold

CONTACT INFORMATION

CLUB WEBSITE

<https://ringwoodgolfclub.com.au> (syllabus, notices, committee)

<https://ringwood.1golf.com.au/welcome/index.mhtml> (results, personal details, login required)

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Note: All positions are honorary.			

LIFE MEMBERS

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C.R.C. Smart*	J. Gretton*
J.K. Wedge*	L. Simmons*
C.H. Martin*	M. Cupples*
R. McFadzean*	E. Coulthard*
B. Meehan	J. Magee*
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J. Jewell*	R. Flaherty*
P.D. Ross	H. King
T. O'Regan	
T. Dodd	
J. Donald	
J. Mulvogue*	
D. Pinfold	
B. Dempsey	
G. Wallis	
G. Stack	
R. Canet	
G. Mahoney	
*Denotes deceased Life Member	

BIRTHDAYS

Each financial playing member is entitled to receive a free drink*, to be consumed within the clubrooms, during the month of the member's birthday.

* Free drink is defined as two beers or two glasses of wine or two soft drinks.

DAILY COMPETITIONS

MONDAY

18-hole mixed competition

WEDNESDAY

18-hole men's competition

THURSDAY

18-hole women's competition

9-hole women's competition (available to long time members)

Hylton's Heroes (9-hole men's social golf)

Twilight [daylight saving only] (9-hole mixed social golf)

SATURDAY

18-hole mixed competition

CONDITIONS APPLYING TO ALL COMPETITIONS

1. Unless otherwise advised by the Match Committee, all events are conducted in accordance with the current Rules of Golf as approved by R&A Rules Limited and The United States Golf Association. All members are responsible for understanding and adhering to the Rules of Golf, Syllabus, and Temporary Local Rules as posted on the whiteboard and Pro Shop directives.
2. Where circumstances warrant, all events, the Rules and dates of play are subject to change without notice. The Match Committee rulings are final relative to their respective events.
3. Competitors must be financial members of the club at times of play for all events.
4. Competitors must have a current GA handicap and the appropriate number of completed cards required for that competition. (See 'Eligibility for Competition').
5. Competition results are not official until posted in the Competition room / into MiClub system.
6. Hole in ones, albatrosses, and eagles are only recognized (awarded balls payout, ball mounting*, and Honour Board entry*) when playing in a club sanctioned event.
7. Birdie and eagle payouts only apply to single player competitions, not pairs or team events.
8. Where the situation of temporarily shortened holes applies (par 5 to par 4 and par 4 to par 3, or a temporary tee box or green that shortens a hole significantly) and there has been no official course re-rating; ball payouts for hole-in-ones, albatross', and eagles will be altered or cancelled at the discretion of the Match Committee. Where the Par rating of a hole has been temporarily changed, albatrosses, and eagles will be recognised based on the temporary Par rating.
9. No trophy, whether a club or member's trophy, may be taken from the clubhouse without permission from a member of the Match Committee.
10. A player cannot be awarded more than one trophy in any competition.
11. A minimum of 8 (registered and comp fee paid) players (playing 18 holes) are required for the prizes in the competition of the day to be awarded, or 12 players (registered and Comp fees paid) for Major Events to be awarded (Junior Championship is exempt from this rule.) A minimum of 5 (registered and Comp fees paid) players (playing 9 holes) is required for the trophy of the day to be awarded. An exception applies to mixed competitions if either gender's field is less than 8 players then reduced prize payouts apply (see Prizes section.)

12. Competitors playing the competition of the day must pay the daily competition fee prior to commencing the round. Exceptions will be made for any player teeing off prior to the clubrooms being opened, in this case they must pay either after 9 holes or immediately following their round.
13. In accordance with the directive from Maroondah Leisure there is to be NO call-up on par three holes.
14. All events will be played on the nominated day unless otherwise stipulated by the Match Committee. The daily competition and any qualifying round, held on the same day, will be the same event for all players.
15. Only players with an official handicap can mark another player's card.
16. In the event of a group of three players in a 4BBB or pairs event, the low marker partners with the other two players as two separate teams and is only eligible to win one comp of the day prize.
17. For Foursomes events, players in a group of three with no partner will play an individual Stroke round and will be eligible for Nearest the Pin and Eagle payouts. Their handicap will not be affected.
18. Nominated events and other 'choose own partner' events require all participants to register via MiClub.
19. Standard weekly competitions / events will be decided by count-back.
20. A play-off will be arranged as soon as possible if there is a tie in any honour board event. In the event of a tie after an 18-hole play-off, the Match Committee will decide how the result will be achieved.
21. In the event that a player's score does not comply, then the following score entry statuses will be used to record the score in the competition of the day:
 - a. Non-Standard Entry (NSE) – A player in Stroke, Par, or Stableford completes all holes, is disqualified, and the Handicapping Authority wishes to use the score for handicapping purposes. This applies for example when a score card is not signed, competition fees paid.
 - b. No Score Not Approved (NSNA) – No card returned.
 - c. No Score Approved (NSA) No card returned due to weather conditions, medical or other as approved by the match committee.
 - d. Illegitimate Score (IS) – Player disqualified for breach of rules i.e.: cheating, non-conforming clubs/balls/other equipment.

22. If the Course should become unplayable before or during a competition, as determined by Match Committee, then the following applies:

- a. Major Events will be cancelled and rescheduled if possible. Players will be notified of this via text message. The daily competition will proceed as outlined below.
- b. Daily competitions will proceed at each player's own discretion, if sufficient players complete their round the competition will be handicapped, and prizes awarded accordingly. Players will adhere to all directives by the Pro Shop for their own safety.

*Does not apply to eagles

HANDICAP CATEGORIES AND GRADES

Men				
# of Players	A Grade	B Grade	C Grade	D Grade
8-25	0-36	Not Required		
26-44	0-19	20-36	Not Required	
45+	0-13	14-20	21-36	Not Required
Club Ch'ships	0-8	9-15	16-21	22-36
VGL Medals	0-13	14-20	21-27	Not Required
Women				
# of Players	A Grade	B Grade	C Grade	
8-25	0-45			
26-44	0-25	26-45		
45+	0-20	21-30	31-45	
Club Championships	0-20	21-30	31-36	
Other				
All pairs and team events		Single grade		
Women's' 9-Hole Comps				

Note: All grades based on daily handicap

FEES

Competition	Type	Fee
Saturday	Mixed	\$7
Monday		
Wednesday	Men	
Thursday	Women	
	Women's 9-Hole	\$3
	Hylton's Heroes	\$2
	Twilight	
Juniors	All competitions	\$1
Optional upfront 18-hole annual competition fees		
Monday		\$210
Wednesday		
Thursday		
Saturday		
Please Note: There is no <i>pro-rata</i> available for upfront fees.		

COMPETITION FEE REFUNDS

In the event that a daily competition is abandoned while in progress, or has insufficient players to constitute a competition, all daily competition fees will be refunded.

Fees will be available in the comp room and must be collected on the day of play.

Any comp fees not claimed on the day will be donated to the Good Friday Appeal.

ELIGIBILITY FOR COMPETITION

Competitors must be financial members of the club at times of play for all events.

A minimum of 10 cards (in RGC sanctioned events and Pennant) in the preceding 12 months is required in order to be eligible for all major events.

Junior members must be under 21 years of age prior to the commencement of the first round of the Junior Championship in order to be eligible.

Senior members must be at least 60 years of age prior to the commencement of the first round of the Senior Championship in order to be eligible.

PRIZES

PRIZE ACCRUAL

It is the player's responsibility to redeem competition prizes. Prizes will be automatically cleared from the MiClub system *exactly 6 months* after they were issued.

Prizes are redeemable once competition results are finalised and reflected in a member's MiClub prize balance.

If a member wishes to redeem their accrued prizes, they must complete a prize redemption voucher [found on the wall in comp room) and hand it to one of the authorised Match Committee members [see below] who will pay out the prizes.

Balls from NTP, Birdie, Ball run, Eagle, Runner-up & Hole in one can be accrued in lots of 16 to equal a \$40 voucher.

Prize payouts and redemptions can only be done by the following people.

1. Men's Captain
2. Men's Vice Captain
3. Women's Captain
4. Women's Vice Captain
5. Monday Competition Manager
6. Wednesday Competition Manager
7. Saturday Bar Manager

PRIZES (CONT.)

18-Hole competitions (Mixed, Ambrose and fours competitions)				
Winner	\$40 voucher			
Runner-up:	\$7.50 credit			
Nearest the Pin	\$2.50 credit is awarded to nearest the pin based on the following handicap/gender categories, regardless of daily competition grades			
	Monday (Men)			
	0-16		17-36	
	Monday (Women)			
	Single Category			
	Wednesday			
	0-13	14-20		21-36
	Thursday			
	0-20	21-30		31-45
	Saturday (Men)			
	0-13	14-20		21-36
	Saturday (Women)			
Single Category				
Birdies	Any 2 scored on a Par 3			
Eagles	Hole	Balls	Hole	Balls
	1 st	\$25	10 th	\$25
	2 nd	\$45	11 th	\$25
	3 rd	\$60	12 th	\$60
	4 th	\$15	13 th	\$20
	5 th	\$60	14 th	\$45
	6 th	\$45	15 th	\$30
	7 th	\$25	16 th	\$60
	8 th	\$60	17 th	\$45
9 th	\$10	18 th	\$45	
Ball Run	Ball run is calculated based on the number of players in the field. One ball is awarded per every 6 players in the competition.			
9-Hole Competition (Thursday Women's)				
Winner	\$20 voucher			
Mixed Competitions (Less than 8 players of one gender)				
For mixed competitions where either gender's field is less than 8 players, the following prizes will apply				
# of Players	Winner	Runner-up		Ball Run
6-7	\$20	3 Balls		Not Awarded
<6	3 Balls	Not Awarded		

PROCEDURES

IN THE CLUBHOUSE

BEFORE TEE OFF

Read the whiteboard for the appropriate details and temporary local rules of the day.

If playing Match Play check Match Play rulings regarding tied matches.

Before commencement of play, each competitor shall enter the nominated competition.

Register for the competition of the day by entering your membership number on the touch screen – and select to print card. Failure to register renders the player ineligible for the competition.

Unless the annual competition fee for that day's play has been prepaid, write your name and membership number on a provided envelope. Place the correct Entry Fee in the envelope and then place it into the Competition Fees box.

ON COMPLETION OF ROUND

Enter your marker's name on your card.

You must return your scorecard or submit it via the MiScore App, signed by yourself and your marker, within 15 minutes of completion of that competition round otherwise you may be disqualified from the competition.

It is the players' responsibility to ensure that the recorded scores on a card are correct and properly recorded on the MiClub system.

If gross score for each hole on a returned card does not match the electronic record accepted by the player, then that player will be disqualified from the event.

Cards must still be returned in the event of an incomplete round. Include the score for every completed hole.

A player who returns a card that does not comply with the "Rules of Golf" or has not tendered the correct competition fee will be disqualified.

PRO SHOP

Tee times are a privilege, not a right. The Pro Shop is responsible for the directing of all tee times, the order of play, and the tee from which play shall commence.

All players are required to report to the Pro shop *at least 15 minutes before their tee time.*

TEES AND MARKERS

	Competition	Markers
Men	Monday	White movable
	Wednesday	White movable
	Saturday: Normal events and Monthly Medal	Blue movable
	Saturday: VGL Medal, Club Championship	Blue Fixed Distance Markers
Women's	Monday	Red movable
	Thursday	Red movables or Red Fixed Distance Markers
	Saturday	Red Fixed Distance Markers

COURSE RECORD

RGC Course records are only eligible when:

The score is achieved in an official RGC Stroke play competition.

The competition is played from the Fixed Distance Markers.

The score is *better than or equal to* the previous lowest score.

ENQUIRIES AND COMPLAINTS

Under no circumstances shall a member reprimand a member of the committee or Maroondah Leisure staff.

All enquiries or complaints should be addressed in writing to the Secretary. Golf competition matters should be addressed to the Captain or Women Captain. Committee members may assist with general inquiries.

Members wishing to suspend their membership are required to notify the Club Secretary in writing.

No enquiries or complaints shall be presented to Committee members while they are participating in the daily competition.

ETIQUETTE AND COURTESY

Etiquette is an integral part of the game, defining golf's core values. It describes the manner in which the game of golf should be played to ensure all players gain maximum enjoyment. In short, it's about *respect*:

Respect for the course – leave the course as you would like to find it by repairing pitch marks, replacing divots, and raking bunkers.

Respect for your fellow players – be sportsmanlike, polite, and avoid causing distractions.

Respect for the game – by knowing the rules and etiquette of golf.

All RGC members are strongly encouraged to familiarise themselves with the R&A's etiquette guidelines found at

https://www.randa.org/rog/the-rules-of-golf/rule-1#1_2a

IN THE CLUBHOUSE

The Clubhouse is for the use and enjoyment of ALL members and therefore all members are responsible for their personal conduct and acceptable behaviour with consideration for other members. All Rulings, Codes and Standards must be adhered to. Persons and property will be treated with respect at all times.

ON THE COURSE

At all times etiquette and courtesy on the course are paramount. Each member is ultimately responsible for their behaviour and knowledge of the Rules of Golf. Members must not behave in any manner that will bring the Ringwood Golf Club into disrepute. Refer to "Etiquette and Courtesy" section of the Rules of Golf.

All players should refer to the "Local Rules" on the back of the club scorecard. Rulings and pertinent instructions from the Pro Shop must be adhered to.

Note: The lowest handicapped member/s of the playing group is/are deemed to be the *captain* of that playing group, and responsible for the overall conduct and pace of play for that playing group. **In the interests of improving the pace of play off the tee, the match committee insists that the player who is ready to play will hit off first, this does not apply in match play events.**

DRESS CODE

IN THE CLUBHOUSE

Acceptable: On competition days, acceptable on-course dress* (see below) with clean, suitable footwear (including smart sandals.) On non-competition days the dress code in the clubhouse is as above, including neat, clean denim jeans.

Unacceptable: Any type of thongs or crocs, and hats or caps of any description.

Note: Non-competing members and/or guests wishing to use the clubhouse on competition days who do not meet the dress code and are dressed in neat, tidy attire must stay in the pool room until the official presentation of that day's competition has concluded.

ON THE COURSE

Acceptable: Collared or mock neck shirts, slacks or dress shorts with a belt, tailored shorts, slacks, or pedal pushers (may be elasticized). Accredited type golf shoes.

Unacceptable: Garments with large motifs or slogans, sports or brief shorts, denim, elastic or drawstring style pants or shorts (men), track or leisure suits, t-shirts, singlets or sun tops.

*Golf shoes permitted only in the competition room.

FREE RELIEF AREAS

Three areas on the golf course are defined as free relief areas, all other areas are considered integral parts of the course.

1. The fence line dividing the 2nd hole fairway and the 3rd teeing area is a free relief area.
2. The area directly in front of the 9th tee box. All other areas on 9th hole are an integral part of the course.
3. The area on the right side of the 18th green between the green and 10th tee box remains a free relief.

A map detailing these locations is available on the whiteboard in the comp room.

GREEN FEES

Green Fees are to be paid at the Pro shop prior to the commencement of a member's round.

HANDICAPS

A player with multiple Club Memberships must nominate one club as the "Home" club. The "Home" club is responsible for maintaining that member's handicap and must be given the name/s of the other club/s.

When membership has ceased at another club, report this fact to the "Home" club.

Three completed 18-hole singles cards are required for new members to obtain an official handicap under the World Handicapping System. On receiving a handicap, a player is eligible to participate in the competition of the day.

HEAT POLICY

In the interests of player health, if the Bureau of Meteorology forecast predicts a temperature of 38°C or greater for the day of the competition, then the competition will be cancelled by the Match Committee. Relevant forecast is taken from Scoresby at 6pm on the evening before a competition.

HOLE IN ONE

Any playing member achieving a hole in one in an 18-hole club competition is awarded the following.

1. 24 balls
2. A hole-in-one trophy with ball mounted (to be presented at annual presentation night)
3. Their name on the hole-in-one board
4. A bar tab for 25 drinks

The bar tab is designed to be shared with other players. The bar tab is valid for 1 playing day only, within 3 weeks of the date the hole in one is scored. Ideally this would be on the day the hole in one is scored.

MATCH PLAY CONDITIONS

Competition fees need to be paid to be eligible for nearest the pin, hole-in-ones, albatrosses, and eagles during match play rounds.

Match play events cannot be combined with any other form of competition (Rule 33-1).

Players absent from any of the nominated knockout rounds, without making alternate arrangements with the Match Committee and opponent/s, will forfeit.

In all forms of handicap match play, players must use the Australian Match Play Index found on the back of the card.

Match play contestants will forfeit their match if they are not present at the first tee when their allocated tee time has passed.

All knockout match play rounds are to be played on, or before, the nominated day. When not playing on the nominated day, it is the responsibility of the participants to arrange this with the Match Committee.

Matches that are all square after 18 holes must continue, in a sudden death format, until a winner can be declared. Play is to be from the 1st tee only, unless otherwise directed by the Pro Shop or Match Committee. Strokes given on handicap will continue throughout the play off holes.

MATCH PLAY WALKOVER POLICY

In the event that a participant in a match play event (Darryl Meehan, Eric Kimberley, Thursday Women's Match Play, Saturday Women's Match Play, Scratch Match Play, Ringwood Trophy) gives a walkover, in bad faith, at any point in the event, that member may be prohibited from playing in ANY match play events the following year, at the discretion of the Match Committee.

Members may appeal the Match Committee's decision in writing to the Committee for consideration at the next Committee meeting, where the captain will abstain from voting. The result of the match will stand, however, and all Committee decisions on appeals are final.

MAJOR EVENTS

WEDNESDAY

ERIC KIMBERLEY MEMORIAL TROPHY*

All members 60 years & over are eligible.

Knock Out Matchplay

Played Monday, Wednesday or Saturday using the Australian Match Play Index.

Names to be placed on the nomination sheet, all match pairings will be drawn from a ballot to determine first round matches. No qualifying round required.

MIDWEEK TROPHY

Three rounds of individual Stableford.

THURSDAY

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS *#

Three rounds of gross Stroke (with a concurrent nett event).

Three grades: A, B, and C.

Best overall gross for Club Champion.

Note: The four leaders in each grade of the Club Championships will be required to play in the same group in the final round, as directed by the Match Committee.

ECLECTIC

Best scores from each individual Stroke (Gross & Nett), played in conjunction with Monthly Medal days.

FOURSOMES CHAMPIONSHIPS *#

Two rounds of foursomes. Choose your own partner.

MATCH PLAY CHAMPIONSHIP *#

The best 16 players from the qualifying round proceed to knockout match play on nominated dates.

Handicap remains as played when qualifying.

MEDAL OF MEDALLISTS

Playoff of all Monthly Medal winners throughout the year.

MAJOR EVENTS (CONT.)

MEMBERS' SHIELD *#

Two rounds of nett stroke.

MONTHLY MEDAL #

Nett stroke played 8 times throughout the year.

MOST CONSISTENT PLAYER

Played in conjunction with Monthly Medal. Aggregate of best 5 scores.

PUTTING CHAMPIONSHIP

Played alongside Monthly Medal. Aggregate of best 5 scores.

PAR CHAMPIONSHIP

Three rounds Par.

STABLEFORD CHAMPIONSHIP

Three rounds Individual Stableford.

RINGWOOD BOWL

Teams and individual stableford played against other competing VGL clubs.

SATURDAY

CAPTAIN'S TROPHY

One round nett stroke. Played in conjunction with the qualifying round for the Ringwood Trophy.

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS*

Four rounds gross stroke. 4 grades (A, B, C, D) with the overall winner being declared the Club Champion.

The four leaders in each grade of the Club Championships will be required to play in the same group in the third and fourth rounds, as directed by the Match Committee.

DARYL MEEHAN MEMORIAL TROPHY*

Knockout 4BBB matchplay. Top 16 pairs to qualify.

MAJOR EVENTS (CONT.)

ECLECTIC

An 18-hole stroke score is compiled from the best score achieved by a player on each hole over the nominated 8 rounds.

Played in conjunction with the 8 VGL Medal events.

Half handicap determines nett score after the final event.

FOURSOMES CHAMPIONSHIPS*

Two rounds of gross foursomes. Choose your own partner.

GERRY SMART PERPETUAL TROPHY

Four rounds nett stroke. Played in conjunction with the Club Championships.

JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP*

Two rounds nett stroke. Played in conjunction with the first 2 weeks of Club Championships.

WOMEN'S SUMMER CUP NETT

Four rounds of nett stroke played in conjunction with the Club Championships.

WOMEN'S SUMMER CUP GROSS*

Four rounds of gross stroke played in conjunction with the Club Championships.

MATCH PLAY CHAMPIONSHIP*

Knockout Gross Match Play. Top 8 Gross to qualify.

MIXED FOURSOMES MEMORIAL TROPHY

One round nett foursomes. Choose your own partners.

Gross & nett winners qualify to play in VGL Mixed Foursomes Championships.

MONTHLY MEDAL

Stableford played 12 times throughout the year. Winners are awarded in all grades of the day.

Note: Monthly medals will be provided to winners of the Monthly Medal event upon request only. The request must be made in writing to the Captain or the Vice-Captain.

MAJOR EVENTS (CONT.)

PAR CHAMPIONSHIP – MEN* AND WOMEN

Three rounds Par.

PRESIDENT'S TROPHY*

Two rounds of nett foursomes. Choose your own partner.

PUTTING CHAMPIONSHIP

Played in conjunction with VGL Medal. Aggregate of best 6 scores.

RINGWOOD TROPHY*

Knockout handicap Match Play; using current handicap. Top 32 players qualify.

SATURDAY WOMEN'S HANDICAP MATCH PLAY CHAMPIONSHIP*

Knockout handicap match play, using current handicap. The top 8 players qualify.

STABLEFORD CHAMPIONSHIP – MEN* AND WOMEN

Three rounds Individual Stableford.

SENIORS CHAMPIONSHIP*

Four rounds nett stroke. Played in conjunction with the Club Championships.

STAR MEDALLIST

One round nett stroke. The 8 winners of the VGL Medals qualify. The winner represents the club at the VGL Medal of Medalists.

VGL MEDAL

One round nett stroke played 8 times throughout the year, February to September.

WINTER CUP – MEN* AND WOMEN

Best nett over three rounds.

One round of stroke, 1 round of stableford, 1 round of par.

* Indicates an honour board event

indicates a maximum handicap of 36 for this event

TIES FOR MAJOR EVENTS

In the event of a first-place tie for a major event, the winner will be determined by a playoff for honour board events, and by countback for all other major events.

MEMBERS' CONTACT INFORMATION

For up-to-date contact numbers of active members, please look up the member in the Directory section of the MiClub system. <http://ringwood.miclub.com.au/>

It is the members' responsibility to update phone numbers and email addresses when they change. This can be done by logging into the MiClub system.

MOTORISED RIDE-ON CARTS

The RGC Match Committee views walking as an integral part of playing in an RGC competition, however use of motorised carts is permitted in any event.

PENNANT

RGC participates in a number of VGL pennant competitions. Monday Women's, Thursday Senior Men, Sunday Men's Handicap, Sunday Mixed, and Sunday Scratch.

All RGC members are eligible to participate in the appropriate teams.

The Pennant Convenor is responsible for all pennant related matters.

CANCELLATION PROCEDURES

If you are unable to play on a particular day you must cancel your booking in MiClub or on the day prior to the competition with the Pro Shop.

A member who has booked a tee spot who does not show up for that booking on 2 or more occasions in a 6-week period having not provided formal written advice to the match committee or cancelled the booking via MiClub or the Pro Shop will have all future tee time bookings for a 2-month period moved to the end of the field.

TEE TIMES AND BOOKING

All tee time bookings are made via MiClub.

There are two ways to book a tee time,

1. Using the MiClub Kiosk in the comp room
2. By logging into MiClub on the internet

TIMESHEET OPEN AND CLOSE TIMES

Opening Times	
Monday	7 days and 1 hour prior to first tee time
Wednesday	
Thursday	
Saturday	8 days prior (Friday) at 8:30pm
Closing Times	
Monday	Friday 9:00am
Wednesday	Sunday 9:00am
Thursday	Monday 9:00am
Saturday	Wednesday 9:00am

NOTE: The Match Committee reserves the right to adjust a booking sheet for operational reasons such as compressing the field to maximise tee times, and filling gaps to maximise available spots

VISITORS AND GUESTS

Visitors and guests are required to sign the visitor's book upon entering the clubhouse and must be introduced by a member: If playing golf, the appropriate competition fee must be paid.

Booking of a guest into any tee sheet must be done through either the Captain (Men's/Women's) or Vice-Captain (Men's/Women's). Invited guests may play in club competitions no more than four times in any calendar year. Intending members may play up to three times only before joining.

Visitors and guests are not eligible for trophies except on special days as determined by the Match Committee. If they have the best score, then the trophy is awarded to the eligible player with the next best score.

Visitors must have a *bona fide* Golf Australia handicap and provide their full Golf Link number to be eligible for prizes in competitions.

NO SHOW POLICY

Definition: A '*No Show*' is a member who does not attend for their tee time without making a reasonable attempt to notify the Pro Shop of their nonattendance.

A '*reasonable attempt*' to contact the Pro Shop is a call made during their normal operating hours. If the Pro Shop is not reachable during normal operating hours the member must note this in writing to a member of the Match Committee (see, contact details page). Calls made to the Pro Shop outside normal operating hours are not considered a reasonable attempt.

If a member records two *No Shows* in any given two-month period, across all comp days, they will be given a written warning and moved to the back of the field on their next playing day (back of the relevant block on Saturdays). Further *No Shows* occurring in this time will be dealt with at the discretion of the Match Committee and will likely result in a suspension from competition play.

No Shows will be monitored by the Pro Shop and reported back to the Match Committee.

SLOW PLAY

Slow play is defined as a group being more than 1.5 holes behind the group in front at any time during the round.

The lowest handicapper in each group is responsible for pace of play of the group.

Policy application is at the discretion of the Match Committee. Notification will be via email to the affected players, if a player doesn't have an email account, then notification will be via a phone call.

POLICY

Any group that is reported to have been playing slow in a round, the lowest handicapper of that group will be contacted by the Match Committee to explain the round. The Match Committee will assess the information and deliver their findings.

If the lowest handicapped player of the group fails to respond to the Match Committee's request for an explanation, that player will be deemed responsible for the slow play.

Each player identified as being responsible for the slow play will have their tee times moved to the end of the allocated block for competitions, they play in for a period of 2 weeks. In the case of the Saturday competition this will be the end of the 2nd block.

Tee times will be adjusted for the affected player(s) with immediate effect.

Slow play will be monitored through feedback from the Pro Shop, RGC club members, and RGC committee members. Feedback from RGC club members must be in writing to the Match Committee.

Should a player reoffend within a 6-month period, then their tee time will be moved to the end of competitions they play in for a period of 4 weeks.

The Match Committee will have the discretion to exclude offender(s) from any single competition round for each offence.

The Match Committee decision is final.