



Emerald Downs Golf Course
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Membership Form – 2025/2026

Given Name: _____ Surname: _____

Residential Address: _____

Town/City: _____ State: _____ Postcode: _____

Postal Address: _____

Phone: Mobile: _____ Home: _____ Work: _____

Date of Birth: ____/____/____ Gender: Male / Female

Email: _____

Any information provided on this form will only be used in accordance with The Privacy Act Australia (1988)

Membership Type (Please tick appropriate box)

<u>Mens Membership</u>	<u>\$349.00</u>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<u>Ladies Membership</u>	<u>\$349.00</u>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Do you or have you previously held a golf link handicap Yes No

Have you ever been suspended from a Golf Club Yes No

I wish EDGC to be my Nominated Home Club Yes No

Golf Link Number _____

Home Club _____

I _____ understand and agree that in making application for membership at the Emerald Downs Golf Club I will be subject to the Golf Australia handicapping System and my handicap may be reviewed in the absolute discretion of the Emerald Downs Golf Course Management on the basis of cards returned in any competition. I also expressly acknowledge and agree that I will have no right to make and representation to the handicapper before any decision is made to review my handicap and that there shall be no appeal whatsoever from any decision of the management in relation to a review of my handicap.

Signed _____ Date _____



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Membership Information

Membership includes 12 months membership to Emerald Downs Golf Club with access to the Golf Australia Handicap System and Competition Play, Members Discount on Social Golf (Membership Card must be presented)

Please Note : Membership runs 1st July – 30th June

Competition Days are as follows

- Vets - 18 Holes First Tuesday of the Month (Not January)**
- Men - 18 Holes Wednesday Morning**
18 Holes Saturday Morning
- Ladies - 18 Holes Thursday Morning**
18 Holes Saturday Morning

Competition Fee \$20.00 includes green fee

Minimum numbers for competitions

4 Ball Events 20 players

Single Events 20 players

Grade Events 20 players in each grade

HANDICAP GRADES (Handicap grades will be determined by numbers on the day)

Men A-Grade 0 – 12	Ladies Division 1. 0 – 22
B-Grade 13 – 18	Division 2. 23 – 32
C-Grade 19 – 36	Division 3. 33 – 45

Please Note

If your Application is approved, you will be notified and be given payment details this can take upto 3 weeks for processing.

GOLF - General

The following rules and regulations are in addition to any bylaws, conditions of play, local rules or rules and notices posted from time to time.

Each player must have their own set of golf clubs and bag.

CONDITIONS OF PLAY - GOLF COMPETITIONS

All Emerald Downs Golf Club events shall be played in accordance with the Rules of Golf, any Local Rules as published on the Local Rules Board and any published on the Scorecard.

Players are responsible for knowing the Rules of Golf and the Conditions under which the competition is played.

STARTING TEE, THE STARTER & TEE TIME STARTING

All players must:

- ***report to the starter at least fifteen (15) minutes before the nominated tee off time.***
- ***be on the tee ready to hit off at their appointed time and if a player does not report by the final call shall lose his place in the field.***
- ***notify the starter if running late or withdrawing so that adjustments, if appropriate, can be made.***
- ***only start in competitions or social play on tees as directed by the starter.***
- ***All Men's competition play is from the Blue markers and Ladies's play from the red markers.***
- ***The starter has absolute discretion and authority in determining group allocations and starting of the field.***
- ***The maximum number of players in the final group is at the discretion of the starter.***

BLOCKING, FAILURE TO CANCEL OR GENERAL GOLF BREACH

The following process applies for any member failing to cancel from timesheet at least one hour prior to hit off, who is found to be blocking times without intent to play or a general breach of golfing requirements:

- **1st Offence**
 - *Letter of information*
- **2nd Offence**
 - *Official warning*
- **3rd Offence**
 - *One-month suspension from competition*
- **4th Offence**
 - *Citation to a disciplinary hearing, all competition privileges suspended until the matter is heard and dealt with.*

FOURBALL EVENTS

- *If a team (2 players) does not report by the final call the team loses its place in the field.*
- *If a side does not have opponents or a marker it may hit off with the final group - if necessary as a six (6)*

LOCAL RULES AND NOTICES

- *Members should check the Notice Board and Local Rules Board before starting play, for they are deemed to be aware of all notices and rules posted.*

NTP

- *The markers must have the distance from the pin recorded in centimetres and ensure that all group membership' numbers are put on the card with the signature.*

VISITORS AND GUESTS

- *Golf link numbers must be provided when entering the competition.*

RULES OF DRESS

- *Members and their guests must dress to a standard consistent with our vision of the Club progressing to one of the best regional golf courses in Australia.*
- *Unless published otherwise on the Golf Shop Local Rules Board, dress on the course, for competition play, Members and their guests must maintain a standard of dress consistent with those observed by players at professional golf events. For social play Visitors, Members and Guest are expected to maintain a similar level of presentation.*
- *Enclosed golf or sporting shoes are required at all times on the course.*
- *The starter and/or pro shop staff reserve the right to refuse entry to the course to any player failing to meet an acceptable standard of dress.*

CLUB REGULATIONS

- *Posting of notices, canvassing for donations, raffles or subscriptions by outside bodies is not allowed in or about the Club premises, unless permission is granted by the Directors.*

COMPLAINTS AND CORRESPONDENCE

- *All complaints and correspondence concerning the Club must be made in writing and conveyed to the General Manager. In no instance shall an employee of the Club be directly reprimanded or instructed in duties by a Member.*

GENERAL: NEW MEMBERS

- *Before entering any competition, a new member should be sufficiently advanced in the knowledge of the Rules of Golf to be competent to perform the duty of marker to a fellow competitor.*
- *Members are encouraged to promote the services of the Club to friends or family for golfing or social functions.*

RECOVERY OF GOLF BALLS

- *Members are reminded that in accordance with the general practice at Golf Clubs, the Club has sole rights in recovery of lost golf balls and the sale of golf balls found.*
- *Members must not buy balls from persons on and around the course other than the Club.*

MOTORISED BUGGIES

- *Carts must not be driven on tees, within 10 metres of any green.*
- *Any damage to hire carts must be paid for by the hirer.*
- *When the course is wet make sure that you know the cart rules of the day and adhere to these rules.*
- *Drivers must be over the age of 18*
- *No more than two players and two bags shall be permitted on any golf cart either hired or private.*

SCORE CARDS

- *The Rules of Golf place the onus on the competitor to see that the correct score is recorded for each hole.*
- *The score must be recorded on completion of play of each hole but not as to contribute to slow play.*
- *No player is to mark his/her own card, this must be done by his playing partner or another player in the group.*
- *It is not permissible for a player to mark both his own and his partners scorecard.*
- *The management require the player to enter his/her score in the computer and to place the correctly completed scorecard in the box next to the computer, IMMEDIATELY UPON COMPLETION OF THE ROUND.*

HANDICAPS

The Directors may from time to time approve the alteration of a member's handicap if in its absolute discretion and having regard to all of the circumstances including the member's results in any form of competition, it considers that the change is warranted under the handicap system that the Club follows.

The member shall have no right to make any representation to the Directors in relation to any proposed alteration to the member's handicap.

APPLICATION OF HANDICAP:

Individual, Mixed and Medley Fourball Events: Full

4 Person Ambrose :1/8 of aggregate of 4 players.

3 Person Ambrose :1/6 of aggregate of 3 players.

2 Person Ambrose : ¼ of aggregate of 2 players.

Foursomes: ½ of aggregate of 2 players.

American & Canadian Foursomes: ¾ of combined handicap.

Eclectic ½ Handicap as at final round.

SLOW PLAY

Your pace of play can impact the enjoyment of the round for fellow members, please make every endeavour to maintain your place in the field which is immediately behind the group in front.

Keeping pace is maintaining an interval of no more than 7 minutes behind the group in front.

Poor pace of play impacting fellow members may be considered a serious breach of etiquette subject to penalties within the Rules of Golf and or as follows

- 1st Offence Letter of information**
- 2nd Offence Official warning**
- 3rd Offence One-month suspension from competition**

● 4th Offence Citation to a disciplinary hearing, all competition privileges suspended until the matter is heard and dealt with.

CAPTAIN OF EACH GROUP

The lowest marker is Captain of each group and should see that:

- *all points of etiquette are observed*
- *the group keeps its expected place in the field, (judged by the distance of the group in front rather than the group behind)*
- *That each player in the group repairs divots and pitch marks on the greens, carries and uses a sand bucket for divot repairs and smooths bunkers following play therein.*

COURSE RANGER/MARSHAL

Members and Visitors are to follow directions given by any Club representative acting in the capacity of course ranger with regard to any regulations contained in these notes with focus on prohibited areas for motorised carts, pace of play, course care, order of play, etiquette and dress.

CARE OF THE COURSE

Members are expected to contribute to promoting proper course care, this includes:

- *Taking care with the flagstick when placing on the ground and replacing in hole.*
- *Using the buckets of sand & soil mix provided and repairing all divots by chopping in the sides and covering in provided soil and sand mix.*
- *Repairing their own pitch marks and are requested to repair as many pitch marks on the green as possible without unduly holding up play.*
- *The preferred method is to twist and cover the pitch rather than pop up the indentation.*
- *Entering bunkers from low points, raking bunkers after playing your shot and leaving the rake on a flat section of the bunker parallel to the direction of play.*

Men's Club Championship (View Calendar for Dates)

Format	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• STROKE Event for Division 1, Division 2 & Division 3 played over 4 rounds (Total 72holes)• All grades to be played over 18 Holes.
Grades	Division 1 - 0 to 12.9 Division 2 - 13 to 18.9 Division 3 - 19 to 36 (Number of Grades will be determined by numbers on the day)
Handicap	Your qualifying Daily Handicap on the day of round 1 will determine the Division you play in for the entire 4 rounds
Eligibility	Male Members of Emerald Downs Golf Course, must play in 5 individual club competitions in the same financial year prior to the start of the Club Championships
Playoff	Sudden Death Play-off on 9 th hole

Woman's Club Championships (View Calendar for Dates)

Format	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• STROKE Event for Division 1, Division 2 & Division 3 played over 4 rounds (Total 72holes)• All grades to be played over 18 Holes.
Grades	Division 1 - 0 to 22.9 Division 2 - 23 to 32.9 Division 3 – 33 to 45 (Number of Grades will be determined by numbers on the day)
Handicap	Your qualifying Daily Handicap on the day of round 1 will determine the Division you play in for the entire 4 rounds
Eligibility	Female Members of Emerald Downs Golf Course, must play in 5 individual club competitions in the same financial year prior to the start of the Club Championships
Playoff	Sudden Death Play-off on 9 th hole

Men's Monthly Medal – Week Day & Weekend Competition

Format	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• STROKE Event for Division 1 & Division 2, Stableford for Division 3• Played over 18 Holes
Grades	Division 1 - 0 to 12.9 Division 2 - 13 to 18.9 Division 3 - 19 to 36 (Number of Grades will be determined by numbers on the day)
Handicap	Your qualifying Daily Handicap on the day of your first round will determine the Division you play in for the entire financial year.
Eligibility	Male Members of Emerald Downs Golf Course Only
Draw	Count-Back

Woman's Monthly Medal – Week Day & Weekend Competition

Format	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• STROKE Event for Division 1 & Division 2, Stableford for Division 3• Played over 18 Holes
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Grades	Division 1 - 0 to 22.9 Division 2 - 23 to 32.9 Division 3 – 33 to 45 (Number of Grades will be determined by numbers on the day)
Handicap	Your qualifying Daily Handicap on the day of your first round will determine the Division you play in for the entire financial year.
Eligibility	Female Members of Emerald Downs Golf Course Only
Draw	Count-Back