

Countdown to the Nationals Newsletter 3

Fellow lefties and invited guests, with only 7 weeks until the closing date for registrations and eligibility for inclusion in the entry refund draw, it really is time to commit to this year's NALGA National Golf Championships.

At the time of writing we have a total of 69 registrations made up of 41 LH players (34 men and 7 ladies), 9 RH players (5 men and 4 ladies) and 19 non-playing partners. Pleasingly we have received 10 registrations from overseas entrants, comprising 2 from the UK, 1 from the USA, 4 from Sweden and 3 from New Zealand.

In terms of cart and buggy hire provision is made on the registration form to indicate requirements for these. So far 14 medical carts have been requested and 3 non-medical. Both courses in the National Championships are quite easy to walk, and some of the younger golfers may prefer to carry their own clubs. If you do require either a cart or buggy you should include this on your form. This will enable us to advise the clubs of anticipated bookings and make appropriate arrangements in the shotgun start draws. You should note that while we will make the bookings and will pair cart users in the draws, the cost of cart hire should be shared by the respective players. In the event that sufficient carts are not available, preference will be given to players with medical grounds. As an indication the cost for hire of a 1motorised cart is about \$45 (shared by 2 players) and \$8 for a hand buggy.

Payment for registration for these championships has recently been made easier with the introduction of a PayPal account as a further payment option. If you have an account with PayPal provision is now included on the registration form to indicate that you wish to make your payment using your account. Just indicate on the form that you wish to use this to make your payment and we will send an invoice to your email address for payment within 14 days. A fee of 3.5% will apply for this payment option.

The revised form is available from the ACT website www.nalg-act.org.au/event-program/national-championships/ and the National website <http://www.lefthandedgolfaustralia.com/national-and-world-championships.html>

I look forward to seeing everyone here in Canberra in October.

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