



Welcome to Club 19 - thanks for joining and we trust that you enjoy the activities and camaraderie of the club.

Calendar of Events

This information is attached and includes Club 19 Golf days and extended week-end getaway trips.

Golf Days

You will receive an invitation by email approximately 4 weeks prior to a golf day. This invitation will allow you to respond online together with any guest information.

You will receive the draw 3 days prior to play. After this time there are no refunds offered if you and/or your guests are unable to play, as the clubs are very strict once we confirm numbers.

We will attempt to put in the draw in your first game with a committee member who will "take you under their wing" explain the format etc. There is no need to be nervous in the history of the club only one person not accepted! They are not there to evaluate your golf ability!!

Registering on the day – please ensure that you come into the club and register on the day of play.

Handicaps and Golflink Membership

Our member's ability ranges from handicaps from 7-35, with the maximum being 35 for men and 44 for ladies.

If you wish to compete in our competitions you must have a recognised handicap.

If you do not have a home club you may obtain a Golflink number at a cost of \$150 per annum through Georges River Golf Club. Please note that this fee is to register and maintain a handicap only – it does not assign playing or membership rights at Georges River Golf Club. You will also need to send 3 signed score cards for 18 holes to Georges River GC, which can easily be arranged if you are playing Club 19 monthly golf days. Please let us know if you would like us to send you an Application Form.

Once your Golflink number has been issued your handicap can be updated every time you play a monthly Club 19 game.

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Visitors

After your first game you are welcome to invite guests to play with you with the maximum being three at any one game. Visitors generally pay \$20.00 more than the member's price.

Dinners

After golf at all games we will either have finger food to keep costs down or a quality two course sit down dinner or BBQ – these dinners are a very important part of our day and the cost is not separated from the cost of the day. If you do not wish to stay please let us know keeping in mind there is no reduction in the price. The committee is firm on this as the social aspect of the presentations is as important as the golf. Two bottles of wine per table are included in the cost of dinners but if just finger food then members will purchase drinks at own cost.

Competitions

Club Championship is a handicap match play competition and invitations are sent out in January each year. If you wish to play you will be advised who your opponent is and you may play at a Club 19 day or at a mutually suitable time in between Club 19 days. You must ensure that you play within the timeframe of the competition to ensure we complete all rounds by the end of the year. You must be available to play the final at the last event of the year.

The Brian Ireland Shield (named after our founder) is given to the member with the highest number of stableford points throughout the year. These events are indicated on the calendar of events. The best 5 scores from the 11 rounds count. (Changed from 4 for 2018 and onwards)

The Anzac Trophy is awarded at our annual Gold Coast Week end in April each year.

The Cottom Cup (named after one of our committee members, Ivan Cottom) commenced at the end of 2004 and will continue as an ongoing perpetual trophy

Hole in One – sponsored by WYZA. \$1000 travel voucher to spend on WYZA TRAVEL.

Trips away

We conduct three trips away each year. Partners (golfing and non golfing) are welcome. The dates are in the Calendar of Events and again an invitation will be sent out to you. We do not include flights so you may like to book these ahead.

Administration of the Club

The Club is administered by Teed-Up who are a golf focused organisation offering Club administration, Corporate Golf Days and Escorted Golf Tours.

Teed-Up is paid a variable amount depending on the income club19 receives so their interests are aligned with ours. This protects us from having fixed costs that can not be covered by membership fees. The Club Manager is Bede Hendren. Please do not hesitate to contact him at bedeh@teed-up.com if you have any questions.

Dress Code

As a general rule soft spikes are worn on the courses we play and smart casual wear is required for dinner. Some clubs require a jacket and tie for dinner and we will let you know in the draw if required. If you need further information on each course you may like to check the Website of the course being played.

Credit card Authority

On joining we ask that you complete the authority for us to hold your payment details on file for future use. This streamlines the payment process for us and means you do not have to provide us with your credit card details every time you play. Your details are kept in a secure place. Unfortunately we have had to pass on the cost of merchant fees and therefore the following fees apply to credit card payments. Visa/MasterCard 1.5% Amex 1.5%. You may pay by cash or cheque on the day otherwise we will charge the credit card we have on file.

Slow Play

To speed up play we ask that; the low marker is responsible for speed of play in the group. 9 holes should take no more that 2 hrs 15 mins. Please be ready to play your shot when your turn arrives. Pick up your ball once you have wiped the hole. Line up putts while waiting for others to putt. "It is the responsibility of the following team to keep up with the team in front" This will ensure an enjoyable round for everyone.

Following recent court cases it is vital that players do not hit their golf ball if another player is in range. If you do hit someone you may be personally liable for damages.

Day Sponsorship

Sponsorship is available at every Club 19 event. The cost is \$1,500 and in return the sponsor receives the following:

- Exclusive naming rights to the day
- Promotion in conjunction with registration sign up
- Sponsorship and presentation of the winner trophies
- Opportunity for signage (depending on course regulations)
- Opportunity to deliver a short presentation at the evening dinner
- 2 rounds of golf and dinner on the day for sponsor and guest
- Complimentary advertisement in our Club 19 newsletter
- Signage poster (up to A1 size) in the registration area and at dinner event with the trophies
- Complimentary photos of presentation of trophies
- Opportunity for distribution through marketing material

For more details please contact us.

Correspondence

If you change your email address please advise us ASAP as this is how we mainly communicate with you. Again we welcome you to Club 19 and if you have any questions at all please do not hesitate to contact me. In the meantime we will look forward to welcoming you to Club 19 soon.

Kind regards,

Bede Hendren
Club 19 Manager



Club 19 Rules (Updated November 2017)

Club 19 is a registered Golf Club with the AGU.

The results of all games are processed by Golfink and returned to the home club of each player.

All games are played under the **Rules of Golf**.

Local Rules

From time to time the committee may introduce a local rule which will be highlighted in the draw.

At each course that we play any local rule/s in place on the day is in force. It is recommended that all players check for local rules at the pro shop before teeing off. It is the sole responsibility of the player to be aware of local rules and no protests after the event will be entertained.

Handicaps

Members of Club 19 who do not belong to another club:

1. **MUST** join Golfink via Georges River Golf Club or another means so that they can obtain an official handicap
2. Until such times that they receive an official handicap they will either
 - (i) play off the lowest handicap that they have previously had, or
 - (ii) play of 18 if they have never had a handicap or lower if they think they should
3. The committee reserves the right to adjust handicaps of players without official handicaps at any time. Any player without an official handicap that is eligible to win a prize may have their handicap recalculated using the Galloway system which takes their score from 6 random holes, multiplies it by 3 to obtain the handicap for the day.

To be eligible for prizes on any day players must hand in legible completed cards promptly at the end of the round with their home club and handicap listed.

Competitions

The maximum handicaps allowable in any Club 19 competitions are 35 for men and 44 for ladies unless an exemption has been obtained from the committee.

1. **Monthly golf days.** – Individual event and team event – usually stableford scoring.
2. **Club Championship**
 - (i) Any player entering the event must have an official Golflink handicap and be a Club 19 member before the registrations close.
 - (ii) Nomination for this event will close on or before the first game of the year and all players must ensure they will be available for the final golf day at NSW
 - (iii) It is a knockout stroke handicap matchplay competition played over the entire 12 months with the final at the last game each year
 - (iii) Each player plays off their handicap on the day (handicaps may change over the course of the year)
 - (v) The difference in handicaps is taken and shots allocated based on the match index on the card.
 - (vi) Club 19 Matchplay is played according to the Matchplay Index. If there are different match indexes for male & female players then the male match index is used in matches between a male & female player.
 - (vii) **Singles Match Play Matches: where a woman and man compete against each other.** An adjustment in handicap will be made to account for the difference between the Scratch Rating of the tee position on the course for Women and Men.
That is achieved as follows:
 - Firstly, each player will calculate the Daily Handicap that is appropriate to the Slope Rating of the set of tees from which they are to play.
 - Secondly, the player with the lower Daily Handicap is reduced to a handicap of 0, and the other player's handicap is reduced by the same amount. For example, where Player L's Daily Handicap would be 16 and Player M's Daily Handicap would be 28 – Player L is reduced to nil and Player M is reduced to 12.
 - Thirdly, Player M's handicap for the match is then adjusted by the difference between the Scratch Ratings.
 - If the Scratch Rating for Player M's course is higher than the Scratch Rating of Player L's course, the difference between the two Scratch Ratings is added to the handicap off which Player M plays in the match.
 - If the Scratch Rating for Player M's course is lower than the Scratch Rating for Player L's course, the difference between the two Scratch Ratings is subtracted from the handicap off of which Player M plays the match.

- Note: If a subtraction would result in Player M's handicap being reduced to a negative number (because for example there is only a one shot difference between the Daily Handicaps of the two players), Player M will not play off a negative handicap. Instead, Player L will be credited with the strokes. **For example, Player M's Daily Handicap would be 13 and Player L's Daily Handicap would be 12 so Player M is reduced to 1 and Player L to 0. If Player L's Scratch Rating is 74 and Player M's is 71, this means that Player L gets three strokes credited to his/her handicap. So Player L will play off a handicap of 2 in the match, and Player M will play off a handicap 0 in the match.**
- (viii) Matches must be completed by the dates set by the committee.
 - (ix) By mutual agreement between the two contestants matches may be played at another course and time apart from Club 19 events and the results transmitted to the secretariat. The only exception to this is the final.
 - (x) Failure to complete matches by the due date may result in disqualification of one or both players at the discretion of the committee. Where a player has played more of the relevant monthly events that relate to the round for the Matchplay than the opponent, then this will likely result in a determination in favour of the player who has played more of the rounds. In the absence of a clear basis for awarding the match to one or other party, the Committee may determine the winner by coin toss.
 - (xi) Any disputes should be fully documented and referred to the committee.
 - (xii) Matches are to be played under the official rules of golf and only local rules put in place by the host club at the time of playing can be applied.

3. The Cottom Cup.

The event is a 2 ball Stableford aggregate competition played over one round in June with the team with the best aggregate score from the day winning.

Before the start of the competition players will need to nominate which partner they wish to be paired with N.B – **the two do not have to play with each other in the round.**

The team with the highest aggregate score from the one round will be the winner. In the event of a tie, a count back will be done according to the rules of golf.

Both players must be members of Club 19 at the time of entering the event.

4. Brian Ireland Shield

This event is run over eleven months throughout the year (all except December) and the 5 best stableford scores are added to determine the winner. In the event of a tie the final game of the year in December will be a play off and the player with the highest stableford score on the day will be the winner.

5. Anzac Trophy

Played over Anzac day long weekend on the Gold Coast each year and is the best 4 of 5 stableford scores. To be eligible to win you must be a member of Club 19 before entering the competition.