



Nomads Golf Australia

National Tournament

Magenta Shores

Friday 5th – Sunday 7th October 2012



Nomads Sydney North invites you to participate in the 2012 Nomads Golf Australia National Tournament to be held at Magenta Shores Golf and Country Club which is located a few minutes' drive north of The Entrance, on the New South Wales Central Coast (90 minutes north of Sydney).

Welcome to the First Nomads Golf Australia 2012 Nationals Newsletter

This newsletter was going to be called Jibber Jabber but it sounded too much like starting rumours and this is all FACT.....of course!!!

SO we are just going to say *The FLY* on the WALL.....

The Fly overheard at the last tournament committee meeting that there are already entries from South Africa, New Zealand, Sydney South, Brisbane Nomads and Sydney North. This is setting the scene for a magnificent tournament. *The Fly* advises that if you have not already sent in your entry form that you get onto it pronto.

Also overheard at the same meeting was some speculation on handicapping. The result of the Super 15 Rugby Tournament may influence the way certain teams will be handled.

One of the most important ingredients to spectacular Nationals is the venue. *The Fly* can guarantee that you will be impressed by Magenta Shores.

As the first links-style golf course on the Central Coast of NSW, the Magenta Shores Golf course was created by acclaimed golf architect Ross Watson and was recently rated the best Resort Course in NSW and 6th best Resort Course in Australia.

Magenta Shores Golf Course began with a brilliant location teamed with the brilliant mind of Ross Watson: "I have been waiting for a site like this since I first began designing golf courses 30 odd years ago. With its rolling landscape, coastal dunes and tranquil National Park it was the ideal 'canvas' on which to create a truly sensational course, one which will appeal to golfers of all levels. The thinking golfer will really enjoy Magenta Shores. Built on a deep sand base and shaped in the spirit of the famous Scottish Links courses, Magenta Shores Golf & Country Club will call on golfers to use their imagination and every club in the bag."

There is something truly inspiring about a golf course – whatever the quality of its playing surfaces – that offers the smells and sounds of the ocean. This is perhaps what first persuaded the Scots to use seaside land for golf. And when the course is up to the high standards of Magenta Shores, an unforgettable golfing adventure awaits.

Magenta Shores, which opened for play in 2006, is an impressive layout that will keep getting better as the playing surfaces mature and the course set-up is tweaked to get it just right. Located a few minutes' drive north of The Entrance, on the New South Wales Central Coast, the land where the first seven holes now lie was once a rubbish dump. To turn it into a rolling, sand-based, links-style layout – complete with dunes, mounds and bunkers – the construction team, under the guidance of Ross Watson, raised the land profile nearly eight metres to bring the Pacific Ocean into view.



Millions of cubic metres of sandy fill were pushed and piled to form a seemingly natural dunescape: the foundation of Watson's finest achievement in an already glittering career. The course, a par-72, is dominated by some excellent long holes, including two of the best par-fives in New South Wales: the 523-metre 2nd and the downhill 8th, which measures 474 metres from the championship markers.

The 2nd fairway flanks the scrub separating the course from Magenta Beach and gives players a wonderful view south, towards The Entrance, as they snake between bunkers and dunes to reach the green.



The Fly can confirm that the course and facilities are in excellent condition and will only get better the closer we get to the tournament and will go as far as to guarantee that no one will be disappointed with the course layout, club facilities and the on-course accommodation. You may be unlucky and share with a snorer but the luxury will go a long way to make up for it.



This will test your Golf. The Fly also recommends, after a quick fly over the course, that you make a big effort to take part in the practise round. The course layout is challenging and we want to mitigate the home course advantage arguments up front.

Accommodation

You will need to book your own accommodation through Getaway Golf, Australia. There is a separate accommodation booking form so get this completed and send it to Kristy

To simplify the accommodation we have booked a number of studio, 2 bedroom and 3 bedroom apartments. All rates include breakfast on Saturday and Sunday only.

The Studio apartments are suitable for those golfers bringing a partner and this will cost you \$210 per night (ie. \$105 per person per night).

The 2 bedroom villa will be set up to have 3 golfers—2 sharing a room and the other in a single room. If you're sharing it'll cost you \$95 per night and if you chose to have a room on your own then you'll pay a little premium, but it will only cost you \$125 per night.

The 3 bedroom villa, however, is suitable for 5 golfers—2 rooms with 2 golfers sharing and a single room for that golfer that finds it difficult to share (a nice way of saying "he snores too much"). Again, it's \$95 twin share and \$125 going solo.

If you require an Accommodation Booking form, you can get this from the Nomads Golf Australia website at nomadsgolfaustralia.com and go to the "National Tournament" tab.

Should you have any queries regarding the accommodation, please don't hesitate to call Kristy Skopp at the following:



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Transfers to and from Magenta

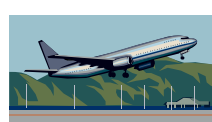
The only official transfers that have been arranged are for the Brisbane Nomads as we are expecting around 40 to attend the Nationals at Magenta Shores. We have organized shuttle buses to convey the participants from Newcastle airport to the Central Coast at a cost of \$35 per trip.

The shuttles will run on Friday 5th (at times to be advised) and Sunday 7th only. If you are planning to arrive on Thursday or Saturday then you'll need to make your own transport arrangements.

If you're from Brisbane and require this service then please don't forget to request this on your Registration Form and include the \$70 when paying for your entry. Specific details on the Newcastle/Magenta Shuttles will be sent to the Brisbane Coordinator, David Pichanick, to distribute to his members.

Because the other overseas visitors will be arriving in Sydney at vastly different times, an official shuttle has not been organized from Kingsford Smith's Sydney International Airport. However, should you be flying in from New Zealand or South Africa and require transport to Magenta Shores, please send in your individual request to the Tournament Coordinator, Mark Howard-Browne, and he'll make sure that you get to the Tournament on time.

Please will the Sydney Nomads who have space in their car and can assist in getting some of the international visitors to and from Sydney contact Mark on 0411 809 474 or email him at markrhb@gmail.com.au





Cost

The tournament entry fee remains unchanged at AU\$300 which includes two rounds of golf with cart, tournament shirt and cap, goodie bag, great prizes, arrival cocktail party, Saturday dinner/prize giving & Sunday lunch/prize giving. Partners are welcome to attend all the functions (Friday night cocktail party AU\$30, Saturday night dinner/prize giving AU\$60, Sunday lunch/prize giving AU\$30). Airport transfers to/from Newcastle airport are AU\$35 per person (each way). The Practice Round is optional at AU\$70 (from 11:30am Friday).

Registration

To register simply go to nomadssydneynorth.com to download the entry form and return the completed form together with your entry fee receipt by email to markrhb@gmail.com or fax to +612 9756-3003. For more information contact National Coordinator Mark Howard-Browne on +61 411 809 474 or at the email address above.

Please register early as there are only 112 places available and we expect the field to fill quickly.

Entries close on 31st July 2012

You will receive updates and further information closer to Tournament time but in the meantime, *The Fly* will be out there listening in, making notes to make sure you get the latest goss.

Your tournament committee is working hard to make sure you experience the camaraderie, fellowship and entertainment that is synonymous with Nomads Golf.



So until next time

The Fly

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