



Hervey Bay Golf Club
2026 Hervey Bay Men's Open
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Conditions of Play

1. **The Hervey Bay Men's Open** is an 18-hole Stroke (Gross) and Stableford event played on **Sunday 23rd August 2026**.

In conjunction with the **Hervey Bay Men's Open**, the following events will be played:

- A Grade 18 hole Stroke/Nett
- B and C Grade 18 hole Stableford

2. The event is under the Management and Control of the appointed Match Committee.

The Match Committee reserves the right to:

- (a) Fix and/or alter starting times,
 - (b) In the event of bad weather, or for any other reason, shorten the event,
- or
- (c) Vary any conditions as and when deemed necessary.

3. **Entries:**

Entry fee for the event is **\$35.00** payable at the Pro Shop on the day.

The event is open only to Male, Ordinary Members of Golf Australia affiliated Golf Clubs who hold a current recognised GA handicap.

Players with **PROVISIONAL** handicaps, or those exceeding **GA handicap 36.3**, are not permitted to play in this event.

4. **Handicap Grades:**

The field will be divided into three (3) Grades.

- a. A Grade, +5 – 11.8 GA Handicap (+5 to 12)
- b. B Grade, 11.9 – 17.9 GA Handicap (13 to 18)
- c. C Grade, 18.0– 36.3 GA Handicap (19 to 36).

5. **Ties:**

In the event of a tie for the **Hervey Bay Open Champion**, play will continue on the 18th hole until an outright winner is achieved. Ties in 'B' and 'C' Grades will be decided by the standard Count Back procedure.

6. **Rules:**
The Rules of Golf as adopted by the Royal and Ancient Golf Club of St Andrews will apply together with such local rules of **Hervey Bay Golf Club Inc.** as approved by the Match Committee.
7. **Protests/Disputes:**
The decision of the Match Committee will be final in all matters and in the absence of a full Committee, such members as may be present at the time may give a decision. Any decision so given shall be deemed to be a decision of the full Committee. Protests/Disputes must be lodged in writing with the Match Committee no later than 30 minutes after the conclusion of play.
8. **Trophies:**
Trophies will be awarded at the discretion of the Match Committee. No player may win more than one (1) major trophy.
9. **Pace of Play:**
Pace of play will be strictly enforced (Rule 6.7). Each group must maintain its position on the course with respect to the group preceding it.
10. **Use of Motorised Vehicles:**
Use of authorised motorised conveyances are permitted under the provisions of the Hervey Bay Golf Club By-Law Admin/4/2023. (Copies available on request).
11. **GPS/Laser Devices:**
The use of approved GPS/Laser Devices are permitted in this event without the use of slope and wind function.

Wayne Barnard
Club Captain