



Proudly presents the 63rd
MASTER BUILDERS OF AUSTRALIA
National Golf Tournament

Playing for
M. R. HORNIBROOK CUP
at

VICTORIA'S BELLARINE PENINSULA
8TH – 12TH OCTOBER 2023

Tournament Host:
Master Builders Association of Victoria & Exchange Golf Club Inc

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

As President of the Master Builders of Victoria Golf Club, I am pleased to welcome you to the 63rd National Master Builders of Australia Annual Golf Tournament where State Teams will again compete for the Hornibrook Trophy.

In a departure from the previous Victorian Hornibrooks which have been played on the famous Melbourne Sandbelt, we are basing this years' Tournament on the Geelong side and are playing three top Bellerine Peninsula courses The Sands at Torquay, Curlewis and The Beach course at 13th Beach.

All three Clubs will present good playing conditions and great hospitality. Each day after golf the Clubs will offer a sit down lunch.

We are greatly indebted to all our sponsors who make a significant contribution to this event. I wish to acknowledge the significant assistance provided by our major sponsors namely Incolink and CBUS. We will welcome representatives from these organisations to play golf with us on the final round and attend the Presentation Dinner.

The organising committee led by Wayne Berger has planned an outstanding week of golf and fellowship, I wish all golfers and teams good luck and kind weather.



President MBAV Golf Club



WELCOME

The MBA Master Builder & Exchange Golf Club Committee and members warmly welcome you to the Victoria's Bellarine Peninsula and trust your enjoyment and comradery are fulfilling and your memories are long lasting.

ORGANISING COMMITTEE:

President: Richard Lees
Captain: Geoff Hay
Secretary/T: Wayne Berger

MATCH COMMITTEE:

Chairman: Geoff Hay
Committee: Wayne Berger
Roger de Kretser

TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR:

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A guide to your week

THE TOURNAMENT PROGRAM

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BADGE RECIPIENTS

10 YEARS:	Mark Dunn	Victoria
	Paul Pridham	Gold Coast
	Barry Fox	Newcastle
	Harry Nagi	South Australia
	Roger Stokes	Tasmania
	Paul Faulks	Tasmania
	Tim Elmer	Tasmania
15 YEARS:	Garry Gibson	New South Wales
	Wayne Berger	Victoria
20 YEARS:	Brett Mooney	Queensland
	Syd Thomson	Victoria
30 YEARS:	Ross Lewis	Newcastle
40 YEARS:	Rod Wheatley	New South Wales

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SUNDAY 8TH OCTOBER

DRESS: DINNER JACKET

VENUE:

RYDGES GEELONG

ON ARRIVAL: 2PM TO 4PM – REGISTRATION

CLUB STORAGE IN STARBOARD ROOM

3.00pm	Captains Meeting	Otway Room
5.00pm	Pre-dinner Drinks	Bellarine Room

TEAM PHOTOS – OTWAY & BARWON ROOMS

(ARTACENT TO KARDINIA ROOM)

5.00pm	- QLD
5.10pm	- Gold Coast
5.20pm	- NSW
5.30pm	- South Australia
5.40pm	- Tasmania
5.50pm	- Newcastle
6.00pm	- Victoria
6.10pm	- Captains

WELCOME DINNER – KARDINIA ROOM

DRESS: DINNER JACKET, M.C: IAN COVER

6.30pm	Welcome
6.45pm	1st Course: Captains Overview – Geoff Hay
7.15pm	2nd Course: Year Medal Presentation
9.30pm	Bar Closes



MONDAY 9TH OCTOBER

VENUE:

THE 'SANDS' TORQUAY

NOTE: HOME TEAM SHIRT DAY

6.00am	Breakfast – MS Nautica
7.00am	Bus Arrives – Load Clubs
7.15am	Bus Departs to 'Sands' Torquay
8.00am	Player Registration – Collect Cards
8.30am	Captain Introduction
8.45am	Shot Gun Start
12.45pm	Return Cards to Registration Desk
12.55pm	Store Clubs Ready for Loading to Bus
1.30pm	BBQ Lunch
2.00pm	Presentations
2.45pm	First Bus Leaves for Rydges
3.15pm	Last Bus Leaves for Rydges
4.00pm	Collect + Store Clubs – Starboard room
4.30pm – 6.30pm	Hospitality – Portside Room with Score Board Display
	<u>Evening Free</u>

TUESDAY 10TH OCTOBER

VENUE:

CURLEWIS GOLF CLUB



NOTE: SPONSORS SHIRT DAY

6.00am	Breakfast – MS Nautica 60m
7.00am	Bus Arrives – Load Clubs
7.15am	Bus Leaves to Curlewis Golf Clubs
7.45am	Player Registration – Collect Cards
8.15am	Captain Introduction
8.30am	Shot Gun Start
12.30pm	Return Cards to Registration Desk
12.45pm	Store Clubs Ready for Loading to Bus
1.30pm	BBQ Lunch
2.00pm	Presentations
2.45pm	First Bus Leaves for Rydges
3.15pm	Last Bus Leaves for Rydges
3.45pm	Collect + Store Clubs - Starboard room
4.30pm – 6.30pm	Hospitality – Portside Room – Update Score Board <u>Evening Free</u>

WEDNESDAY 11TH OCTOBER

VENUE: THE “WHARF SHED”

6.30am	Breakfast <u>Morning Free</u>
11.15am	Meet at Reception
11.30am	Short 1KM Walk to “Wharf Shed”
12.00pm	Lunch
1.00pm	Entertainment
3.00pm	Days End, Stroll Back to Rydges



THURSDAY 12TH OCTOBER

VENUE:

13TH BEACH GOLF CLUB

6.00am	Breakfast
7.00am	Bus Arrives – Load Clubs
7.15am	Bus Leaves for 13 th Beach
8.00am	Player Registration + Collect Cards
8.30am	Captain Introduction
8.45am	Shot Gun Start
12.45pm	Return Cards to Registration Desk
12.55pm	Store Clubs Ready for Loading to Bus
1.30pm	BBQ Lunch
2.00pm	Presentations
2.45pm	First Bus Leaves for Rydges
3.15pm	Last Bus Leaves for Rydges
3.45pm – 4.00pm	Collect Clubs from Bus
5.00pm – 6.30pm	Pre Dinner Drinks
6.30pm – 9.30pm	Dinner



THURSDAY 12TH OCTOBER

Presentation Dinner

DRESS: DINNER JACKET

VENUE:

IN THE KARDINIA ROOM

5.00pm	Pre Dinner Drinks Outside Bellarine Room
6.30pm	Move into Dining Room Presidents Welcome
6.45pm	1 st Course and Incolink speech
7.00pm	Presentations - 13 th Beach Event - Overall State Winners & Runner-ups - Overall Single Winner & Runner-ups - Hornibrook Cup Winner
8.00pm	Newcastle 2024 Presentation
9.30pm	Bar Closes

HANDICAPS

A player's current GA Handicap will be locked in on the Friday preceding play on day 1 which will be used to determine the players daily handicap on each of the three days of competition unless changed by the Match Committee as per Tournament Rules of Conduct/Handicaps.

Example: $\text{GA Handicap} \times \text{Slope Rating of the course} =$
Daily Handicap at that course.

This means your daily handicap may vary between courses.

Tee blocks and slope ratings at each of the courses are:

‘THE SANDS’ TORQUAY

Tee Block (White)

CURLEWIS GOLF CLUB

Tee Block (White)

13TH BEACH GOLF CLUB (BEACH COURSE)

Tee Block (White)

**NB: Your daily handicap will be printed
on your card each day.**

GOLF CLUBS

NOTE: YOU WILL NEED TO SELF MANAGE YOUR GOLF CLUBS DURING THE WEEK

DAY 1 – 7.00AM: Deliver your clubs to Rydges Reception area, for loading on to bus for 'Sands' Torquay Golf Club. On arrival at 'Sands' collect your clubs and place on allocated golf cart, after golf, deliver your clubs back to bussing area and load onto bus for Rydges Geelong. On return to Rydges clubs can be stored in the Starboard Room.

DAY 2 – 7.00AM: Collect clubs from Starboard Room + load to bus for 'Curlewis Golf Club', on arrival at Curlewis, collect your clubs + place on appropriate golf cart. After golf, same as day 1.

DAY 4 – 7.00AM: Collect clubs from Starboard Room + load to bus for 13th Beach Golf Club. As per day 1 and day 2, load your clubs on an appropriate golf cart. After golf, same as day 1 and 2.

2023 TOURNAMENT MBAV & EXCHANGE G.C MATCH COMMITTEE RULES OF PLAY

1. As defined by the Royal and Ancient Golf Club of St Andrews.
2. All local rules of the respective host golf clubs on the days of play.
3. Ready Golf – avoiding slow play — if you are ready on the tee and the fairway is clear, take your drive. On the green when someone is ready to putt please do so. Should a ball be perceived to have travelled out of bounds or **COULD BE LOST** a provisional ball must be played immediately.
4. Water Hazards – If it is known or virtually certain that your ball is in a water hazard immediately identify the line/point of entry with marker and continue play from this point with the appropriate penalty.
5. Scoring – All cards must be checked and signed by both marker and player. Unsigned cards will result in the player being disqualified.
6. Course Management – Please ensure all bunkers are raked, all divots are filled with sand and pitch marks are repaired on the greens.

NOTE: Please let the group behind through if you are holding up the field. There is no penalty for doing so and it is encouraged.

M R HORNIBROOK TROPHIES

~ M R HORNIBROOK OVERALL SINGLE, WINNER & RUNNER UP ~

Best Single Stableford aggregate score over three days

Runner Up Single Stableford aggregate score over three days

~STATE WINNERS ~

Best Single Stableford aggregate score in each
State/Regional team over three days

~ STATE RUNNER-UP ~

Runner Up – Single Stableford aggregate score in each
State/Regional team

(Overall winner is not eligible to win State/Regional team trophies)

WINNER & RUNNERS-UP EACH DAY

Single Stableford score – each grade

A Grade	Scr to 12
B Grade	13 to 19
C Grade	20 to 36

NEAREST THE PINS ON FOUR PAR 3'S EACH DAY

NOTICE OF TEAMS

GOLD COAST (13)

Paul Pridham, Scott Jackson, Peter McClintock (Capt), Brian May, Ed Potter, Gary Soyka, Steve Robson, Bob Raman, Rod McNeven, Chris Adams, Dean Gray, Bennett Cronan, John Flanagan

NEWCASTLE (21)

Jon Heppell, Barry Fox, Phil Jones, Denis Barnett, Lynn Gray, Mark Wayne Wyborn, Ross Lewis, Denis Handcock, Bernard Handcock, Trevor Mowbray, Terry Keelan, John Handcock, Lou Buzai, Chris Davies, Wayne Masters, George Bannerman, Peter Diprinzio (Capt), Lindsay Bowen, Ron Smith, John Young, Wayne Smith, Gary Sheppard.

NEW SOUTH WALES (13)

Noah Myint, Garry Gibson (Capt), Colin Billyard, Graeme Degnan, Tim Hooper, Greg Harris, Reynold Sciuriaga, Lynn Astley, Allan Scully, Sam Jooste, Rod Wheatley, Barry Morcom, Paul Watson

QUEENSLAND (2)

Brett Money (Capt), Tony Mapley

SOUTH AUSTRALIA (12)

Peter Ewan (Capt), Chris Bowman, Franco Filippi, Bruce Groves, Grant Arg, Peter Walls, R Ian Seaborn, Andrew Stoler, Anthony Todd, Mirco Dallosto, Harry Nagi, Peter Economou

VICTORIA (23)

Wayne Berger (Sec), Roger deKretser, Giovanni Abelardo, Craig Purcell, Richard Lees, Jamie McKellar, John Eddington, Geoff Hay (Capt), Mick Ponton, Syd Thomson, Lou Defede, Sal Defede, Peter Skidmore, Kevin O'Keeffe, Andrew Stone, Ashley Blyth, Brian Welch, Mark Dunn, Ray Pobjoy, Mick McLaughlin, Rod Brown, Mark Dahdah

TASMANIA (30)

Neil Faulks, Vincent Henderson, Eddie Saville, David Walker, Tony Wilton, Roger Stokes, Ian Mansfield, Selwyn Dalton, Peter Johnson, John Errends, Shane Cleary, John Rainbird, John Wright, Derek Mcpherson, Athol Tubbs, Leigh Hinds, Matt Pedler, David King, Paul Faulks, Craig Johnson, Christopher Errends, Roger Wooley, Gary Linton, Gary Harwood, Rodney Simpson, Michael White, Greg Allen, John Bosworth, Tim Elmer, Geoff Doig



OBITUARIES

It is with sincere regret that we note the passing of these previous Hornibrook participants:

Bob Watson

Queensland

Peter Campbell

South Australia

Sam Koukorou

South Australia



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(Competing for the M R Hornibrook Cup)

If at any time in the future a name change is contemplated for the Golf Tournament, such a name change can only be approved by a unanimous vote from all States/Regional members and approved by the national body i.e. Master Builders Australia Inc.

These rules were amended on 13th February, 2014 and are effective from that date.

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MEMBERSHIP

1. Competitors must conform with the following rules to be eligible to compete in the tournament.
2. All competitors must be financial members of their States/Regional Master Builders' Golf Club or its recognized equivalent.

HANDICAPS

1. All competitors must be financial members of an affiliated golf club of their respective State or Regional Area and have a current Australian handicap as issued by the said club.
2. Competitors to be responsible to supply proof of current handicap if so requested by host State/Regional tournament committee.
3. The match committee of the host State/Regional team will have sole right to adjust any competitor's handicap if it so desires for the duration of the tournament only.
4. Competitors to play off their full current golf handicap. (This however may be adjusted according to the rules of the tournament as laid down by the host State/Regional match committee).
5. The decision of the host State/Regional match committee will be final and binding in all respects.

COMPETITION RULES

1. The rules of play during the tournament will be those as set out by the Royal and Ancient Golf Club of St Andrews in vogue at the time; except where they are modified by the local rules of the club in which the competition is played.
2. Local rules of the respective clubs where the tournament is played must be observed at all times.
3. The M.R. Hornibrook Cup will be played for by the competing States/Regional teams over three (3) days:

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- a. The competition will be individual Stableford.
 - b. The State/Regional team score to be calculated by using 75% of the highest scores of competitors aggregated over the three (3) days and divided by the number of players included in the 75% to arrive at an average. For the purpose of percentage calculation, a State or Regional team shall be the number of players who commence play on the first day, excluding players who give prior notification to the match committee of their inability to play the full tournament.
 - c. After Rule 3(b) has been applied the minimum number of players that count shall be eight (8).
 - d. Percentage of players to be taken to the full number .5 and over. i.e. a team of 14 players $\times 75\% = 10.5 = 11$ players.
4. All competitors are obliged to return their score card immediately on completion of each day's play.
 5. All protests must be in the hands of the host State/Regional Match Committee not later than 30 minutes after competition play ceases each day and all rulings handed down shall be final.
 6. Postponement or cancellation of play due to weather or course conditions will be the decision of the host State/Regional match committee. This is to be made as early as possible on the day concerned. If the tournament cannot continue after two (2) days of play, the winners will be decided by the same method taken over two (2) days in lieu of three (3) days. If only one (1) day's play is possible the tournament will be abandoned.
 7. Competitors must be on the tee ready to start at least 10 minutes before their starting time. Any player arriving late may be relegated to the rear of the field at the discretion of the starter.
 8. Fours to be made up of one (1) host State/Regional player, the remaining players to be from different States/Regions wherever this is possible.

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9. The host State/Region may reserve the right to conduct other competitions in conjunction with the M.R. Hornibrook Cup under the same tournament rules, but such an event shall in no way interfere with the standard or the successful running of the cup.
10. All competitors shall be charged a registration fee as laid down for the current tournament, this to be at the discretion of the host State/ Region.
11. The number of players allowed to enter from each State/Regional team shall be 24 and the host State/Regional team be allowed 40. The size of the field to be no more than 184 and whenever a short fall may occur the host State/Regional team has the power to allocate accordingly.
12. Each State/Regional body has the right to veto with regard to new members. Only affiliated State/Regional teams accepted by current members and approved by Master Builders' Australia Ltd. shall participate for the MR. Hornibrook Cup. The members are: NSW, South Australia, Tasmania, Newcastle, Victoria, Queensland, Gold Coast.
13. A State/Regional team must field a minimum of eight (8) players for three (3) consecutive tournaments prior to being eligible to host a tournament.
14. No other permanent trophy shall be competed for other than the M.R. Hornibrook Cup.
15. Each State/Region to be responsible that all entry nominations with accompanying fees are forwarded to the host State/Region no later than forty five (45) days prior to the start of the tournament and that entries only be lodged on a collective team sheet.
16. Each host State/Region to be responsible for the arrangements of functions and/or entertainment, with a minimum of an opening and a closing function.

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17. Alterations, additions and/or deletions to or from these rules can only be made by a properly constituted delegates' meeting or a meeting called for that purpose by the host State/Region at a place to be agreed upon. Each State/Region to have one (1) vote only with the Chairman to have the casting vote.
18. Tournament reports are to be prepared each year by the host State/Region. Other records, if any or as the host State/Region nominates, to be included.
19. Captain of the host State/Regional team to chair Sunday or any other meeting which may be arranged and each State/Regional team is entitled to have two (2) representatives in attendance at meetings and are entitled to vote.
20. The Secretary of the host State/Regional team to circulate minutes of the meetings and tournament results to each State/Regional team and to hand out daily results to each Captain.
21. Photographs will be provided at host State/Regional team's expense. These will comprise a team photograph for each participant, a Captain's photograph and a group photograph for each State/Regional team.
22. At least four States/Regions must be represented at the mid-year Captain's meeting for a quorum to be formed.
23. If expense has been incurred by the host State/Region in regard to the cancellation of a registration, a proportionate refund can be made and that if no expense has been incurred by the host State/Region, a full refund can be allowed.
24. Ties.--
 - a. Should a tie occur for the Individual Aggregate trophy, then a countback to be conducted to determine the winner in accordance with the Rules of Golf.
 - b. Should a tie occur for the MR Hornibrook Aggregate Trophy a countback is to be conducted on the last day's team score.
25. During the tournament, no play shall take place on any course listed in the tournament until after that day has completed.

TOURNAMENT VENUES & WINNERS

1959	Melbourne	Victoria
1960	Adelaide	South Australia
1961	Sydney	NSW & Newcastle
1962	Melbourne	Victoria
1963	Brisbane	Victoria
1964	Adelaide	Victoria
1965	Sydney	New South Wales
1966	Melbourne	Victoria
1967	Newcastle	Newcastle
1968	Gold Coast	South Australia
1969	Adelaide	South Australia
1970	Sydney	New South Wales
1971	Newcastle	Victoria
1972	Melbourne	South Australia
1973	Hobart	New South Wales
1974	Gold Coast	Queensland
1975	Adelaide	South Australia
1976	Sydney	New South Wales
1977	Newcastle	Newcastle
1978	Melbourne	New South Wales
1979	Hobart	Tasmania
1980	Adelaide	South Australia
1981	Surfers Paradise	South Australia
1982	Sydney	New South Wales
1983	Newcastle	South Australia
1984	Melbourne	Victoria
1985	Hobart	New South Wales
1986	Adelaide	South Australia
1987	Brisbane	Queensland
1988	Sydney	New South Wales

TOURNAMENT VENUES & WINNERS

1989	Melbourne	South Australia
1990	Newcastle	Newcastle
1991	Hobart	Queensland
1992	Adelaide	Victoria
1993	Brisbane	Victoria
1994	Sydney	Tasmania
1995	Melbourne	Victoria
1996	Newcastle	Newcastle
1997	Launceston	Gold Coast
1998	Adelaide	South Australia
1999	Sydney	Gold Coast
2000	Gold Coast	Newcastle
2001	Melbourne	Victoria
2002	Newcastle	Newcastle
2003	Hobart	Victoria
2004	Brisbane	Victoria
2005	Adelaide	Victoria
2006	Sydney	Victoria
2007	Gold Coast	No Winner Declared
2008	Melbourne	Victoria
2009	Newcastle	Victoria
2010	Hobart	South Australia
2011	Brisbane	South Australia
2012	Adelaide	South Australia
2013	Sydney	South Australia
2014	Gold Coast	Gold Coast
2015	Melbourne	Gold Coast
2016	Hunter Valley	Gold Coast
2017	Hobart	Victoria

TOURNAMENT VENUES & WINNERS

2018	Brisbane	Queensland
2019	Adelaide	Queensland
2020	Tournament Cancelled	Due to Covid
2021	Tournament Cancelled	Due to Covid
2022	Gold Coast	Gold Coast
2023	Victoria	

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HISTORY OF THE HORNIBROOK

1959: and so the stage was set for the first interstate tournament for the M.R.Hornibrook Cup, hosted in Melbourne by Victoria. Teams from New South Wales and South Australia joined the Victorians in 2 match days of 27 holes each, at Kingswood Golf Course on Monday 20th July and at the Commonwealth Club on the Tuesday. At the closing buffet dinner the President of the Master Builders Federation of Australia Mr Jack McDougall called upon Mr (later Sir) Manuel Hornibrook, whose name has become synonymous with building in Australia, to present the cup which bears his name.

In presenting the trophy, Mr Hornibrook said that the event, by bringing together as it did builders from all over Australia, who in the friendly rivalry of sport would make new and enduring friendships, would be of great value to the industry.

Victoria defeated New South Wales with South Australia a very close third, to become the first holders of the magnificent cup. It should be noted here that the MBFA Executive Director at the time, Mr. Lin Dudley, characterised this first victory by Victoria as a “swindle”. Some would say that history is’ “condemned to repeating itself.” Others may merely comment.... “prophetic words”.

1960: Adelaide was the venue in 1960, where three matches were played and the local team was the winner.

1961: The scene shifted to Sydney where a combined New South Wales and Newcastle team took off the cup.

1962: Queensland entered the tournament, held again in Melbourne, and the Victoria team again won.

1963: The tournament was held in Brisbane. Newcastle, as independent members of the Federation, were represented and became serious contenders for the Cup. Here again Victoria proved too strong for the opposition.

1964: A return to Adelaide. The traditional spirit of the tournament was again augmented by keen competition, the advancement of goodwill and the cementing of old and new friendships. Victoria won again.

1965: Sydney was the venue for the 1965 Tournament and much was done by New South Wales to further augment the new and old friendships of the past. They even won the Cup and made it known they would be hard to beat next year.

1966: A return to Melbourne saw the Victorians win the Cup on their home courses with several States hot on their heels. This year saw participation by a Tasmanian contingent for the first time.

1967: Newcastle held the Tournament for the first time, and in so doing set a target hard to surpass. It also created another first by winning the Cup.

1968: The host State was Queensland. A fine week was had on the "Gold Coast" but the southerners from Adelaide proved too good for the Sunshine States.

1969: A return to Adelaide where the spirit of the Tournament was again renewed. Keen competition and renewed friendships were the order of the day. The cup was retained by South Australia.

1970: Back to Sydney. Again, the usual hospitality was extended. A sadder note this year being the death of Sir Manuel. The Cup was won by New South Wales.

1971: Newcastle was the venue and their splendid hospitality proved too much for all but the Victorians who were proud to win the coveted trophy.

1972: Victoria was the host State. After stealing a march on the first day, the South Australians held off all opposition and took the Cup back to Adelaide.

1973: Tasmania held the tournament for the first time. Hobart was the venue and the Casino a big attraction. New South Wales recorded their fourth win.

1974: Queensland were hosts and the competition was again held at the Gold Coast. They are to be congratulated on their first win and a most successful tournament.

1975: Adelaide were hosts again and were successful once more. Competition was very keen. A good time was had by all.

1976: New South Wales was host again. As always, old friendships were renewed. We played on top courses and with local knowledge and good golf the New South Wales team came out the victors.

1977: Newcastle, the ever-popular host did a great job and capped it off with a very narrow win.

1978: Victoria hosted yet another fine tournament and competition was very close. New South Wales recorded their sixth win.

1979: Tasmania hosted their second tournament in Hobart and celebrated the 21st Anniversary of the "Hornibrook" by recording their first ever win.

1980: South Australia are honoured to again be hosts and wished all participants good golfing and good fellowship.

1981: Queensland hosted a great week of hospitality on the Gold Coast. Congratulations and best wishes to South Australia who were this year winners.

1982: New South Wales did a magnificent job of organising this tournament but unfortunately the weather let them down, it poured down each golf day. They received some compensation for their efforts by winning the Cup.

1983: Celebrating the 25th Anniversary at Newcastle, the players were hosted by Newcastle in their usual excellent manner — winners are gridders and South Australia had the widest grin you could imagine on their way home this year.

1984: Victoria hosted the competition in Melbourne and were the ultimate winners.

1985: Hobart hosted their third Tournament which was won by New South Wales.

1986: Hosted by South Australia and retained by South Australia.

1987: Queensland hosted a splendid Tournament with a return to Brisbane and were rewarded for their efforts with a long awaited win.

1988: Hosts — New South Wales. In Australia's Bi-Centenary year, the Tournament was recognised as part of the Celebrations. Sydney is to be congratulated for a job well done and on winning the Tournament.

1989: All players converged on Victoria and once again the courses were in top condition, proving difficult to all except South Australia.

1990: Newcastle winners all round as hosts and winners.

1991: Hobart turned on its usual top quality programme and demanding courses. Queensland proved too good for the week, taking the Cup back home.

1992: It is always a delight to play golf in Adelaide and this year was no different. The competition was fierce and keen, with Victoria being the fiercest and keenest team overall.

1993: Travelling north to the land of Sunshine and meter maids, players enjoyed Brisbane's hospitality to the max and renewed longstanding friendships and established some new ones. Victoria had no problem transporting the spoils by armoured guard 'south of the border'.

1994: Sydney turned on a great Tournament including the variation of a Shot-Gun Start one day. Good fellowship was enjoyed by all with Tasmania spiriting the spoils back to the homeland for the very first time.

1995: Victoria is consistent with its sand belt courses in Melbourne where the quick greens and strong winds blew the Cup right into the hands of the host team.

1996: Newcastle, as hosts, extended a very warm welcome to Gold Coast (QLD) in their first M.R. Hornibrook as a regional team. Courses were Horizons, Steelworks and Newcastle. Victoria was victorious.

1997: Launceston, Tasmania turned it on to give competitors an insight into the top half of Tasmania and to enjoy the hospitality of the nation's oldest provincial city. The Gold Coast in only their second appearance in their own right, were worthy winners of the Cup.

1998: South Australia and appropriately Adelaide was the venue for 40th Tournament. It was South Australia all the way as Bert Baulderstone initiated the first M.R. Hornibrook and South Australian team won this milestone event.

1999: We visited Sydney, the Olympic city and saw first hand the magnificent Stadium Australia and the modern Olympic Village. Bonnie Doon, New South Wales and The Lakes golf courses were most impressive and favoured the Gold Coast.

2000: Gold Coast hosted their first ever Tournament since becoming a member and did it in grand style — as did Newcastle winning the Cup in a close finish.

2001: Just to “wet” the appetite, Melbourne “showered” us with hospitality which saw the last day washed out, however great week was enjoyed by all — Victoria ‘came in from the rain’ overall winners for the week.

2002: Novocastrian hospitality at its best — first class courses (food & golf), Hunter Reds and pristine white beaches. Featuring quality golf facilities throughout Port Stephens, Hunter Valley and Lake Macquarie regions. Newcastle recorded its second win in three years.

2003: A return after 12 years to the southern region of Tasmania around the State Capital of Hobart. Perfect weather and a victory by Victoria ended another memorable week of competition and friendship.

2004: Back in Brisbane, first time since 1993, great weather, great hospitality and some 'challenging courses' saw Victoria run out winners, making it two in a row.

2005: South Australia hosted the Tournament and the weather for golf was perfect, a bit wet on Wednesday. The golf venues were pleasant, played at Kooyonga Golf Club, Glenelg Golf Club and Grange Golf Club, all prepared in top condition.

2006: New South Wales were our gracious hosts and we were installed in luxury at Star City. Once again great courses – Camden Lakeside, Terry Hills and NSW. What more could you ask for? Victoria made it four in a row.

2007: Gold Coast was the host and a competitive tournament was anticipated playing on testing courses, Coolangatta Tweed, Arundel Hills and Robina Woods. Unfortunately the weather intervened and the first and second days play was cancelled due to inclement weather. The final day was completed but, for the first time in 'Hornibrook' history the tournament had to be abandoned due to only one day's play being completed.

2008: Melbourne was the venue for the 50th Anniversary Tournament and a record field of 184 players enjoyed excellent golf conditions and hospitality. Yarra Yarra, Keysborough & Kingston Heath. The Victorian team came out on top.

2009: Newcastle were pleased to host the tournament at Newcastle Golf Club, Pacific Dunes and Hawks Nest. Under the reign of Jack Carr for the last time, Victoria managed to take it out one more time.

2010: Tasmania welcomed players back to Hobart where they played at Royal Hobart, Kingston Beach and Tasmania. The wild wet weather that preceded and followed the tournament abated for the whole week when we enjoyed the most perfect cool summer days. Without Jack Carr, Victoria was without a helm and South Australia stepped in and won the Tournament for the first time since 1998.

2011: For the second time in a row we congratulated the South Australian team who ran out winners in convincing style. The tournament was ably hosted by the Master Builders Queensland Golf Club and the players enjoyed the three Brisbane courses chosen; Indooroopilly Golf Club – River Course, Carbrook Golf Club (home of the Shark Lake Challenge) and Pacific Golf Club.

2012: South Australia pulled off the ultimate double: an outstanding job as hosts of the 54th Tournament, rewarded with a hat-trick of tournament wins... congratulations all around. The courses played – Kooyonga, Grange (West Course) and Glenelg proved very challenging, evidenced by the conservative scoring throughout the event...

2013: New South Wales raised the bar with an exceptional effort as hosts of the 55th Tournament. The venues – St Michael's, Liverpool GC and Macquarie Links – were very demanding, as shown by the averaged scores. South Australia continued their strong run, with a fourth consecutive tournament win, albeit by a very narrow margin over the hosts... congratulations all round.

2014: Gold Coast. Winners, Gold Coast.

2015: Victoria. Winners, Gold Coast.

2016: Newcastle – Hunter Valley — A fantastic tournament with great courses played being Vintage, Cypress Lakes and Hunter Valley. Moving into the wine region did not seem to affect many players. The venue and accommodation chosen by the NMBAGC did their club proud. Winners, Gold Coast

2017: Hobart — Another great year had with games played at Claremont, Tasmania and Royal Hobart. Great week had by all. Congratulations to the winning team – Victoria

2018: Brisbane — The 60th Hornibrook was held in Brisbane. Brisbane was deluged with significant rain immediately before the tournament & several courses closed as a result. Fortunately the chosen courses Wynnum, Oxley & Gailes allowed play even with the use of Motorised buggies. For the first time in 27 years Queensland managed a win.

2019: Adelaide — A great tournament held at Victor Harbour, West Lakes & Glenelg. Enjoyed by all especially Queensland who backed up their Brisbane win with another victory back to back.

2020: NSW tournament cancelled due to Covid.

2021: NSW tournament cancelled due to Covid.

2022: Gold Coast – winners Gold Coast. After missing 2 years of Hornibrook delight Gold Coast was a joyous reunion and as usual the tournament was well run with the local team producing the form.



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