

# **NDGA - ORDER OF MERIT**

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## **INTRODUCTION:**

Following feedback from a number of the golfers in the District over the past year and discussions within the NDGA Executive it has been decided to introduce an NDGA Order of Merit Competition during 2016. The competition will be based solely on points awarded for performances at various Club Open Major Events and NDGA events between February and November 2016.

It is the intention that this competition will replace the Stroke Average based District Vardon Event.

The main objectives of this competition are: 1) to promote Golf in the District, particularly participation of elite golfers in Club Open Major Events; 2) to recognize outstanding performances within the District in these events; 3) to use the results to assist with selection for NDGA representative teams.

The competition will commence with the first scheduled Club Open event in 2016, which is the Karuah Cup in February and will conclude at the Beresfield Bowl, in November.

A trophy for the winner and significant voucher prizes will be awarded to the first three positions at the conclusion of the competition.

## LIST OF EVENTS TO BE INCLUDED

Date	Venue	Event	100% Points
Feb 06	Karuah	Karuah Cup	100
Mar 12	Charlestown	Charlestown Cup	100
Mar 19	Waratah	Waratah Cup	100
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Apr 02	Tanilba Bay	Tanilba Bay Cup	100
Apr 09	Toronto	Toronto Bowl	100
Apr 24	Karuah	Karuah Men's Open	100
April 30	Hawks Nest	Myall Autumn Classic – Sa	t 100
May 01	Newcastle	Autumn Record	200
May 22	Hawks Nest	NDGA District Championsh	nips 250
Aug 20-21	Magenta Shores	Regional Championships	200
Oct 01	Merewether	Merewether Cup	100
Oct 03	Shortland Waters	Steelworks Cup	100
Oct 09	Muree	Muree Cup	100
Oct 15	Toronto	Toronto Cup	100
Oct 23	Pacific Dunes	Pacific Dunes Cup	100
Nov 5-6	Waratah	W.E. Alexander Open	200
Nov 13			
	Newcastle	Newcastle Cup	100

#### FORMAT:

Points will be awarded for the top 8 places in each event. Points will be allocated as follows. First place – 100%, Second place – 80%, Third place – 70%, Fourth place – 60%, Fifth place – 50%, Sixth place – 40%, Seventh place – 30%, Eighth place – 20%.

Points will only be allocated to Registered NDGA players. Registered NDGA players will be credited with the points applicable to the actual place they finish.

Scratch Scores only to be considered.

Each event will be ranked and allocated a value number. This number will be the 100% mark.

Individuals will be required to play in a minimum number of 12 events to qualify for the prizemoney.

10 points will be allocated for playing in an event and entering a scorecard with a valid score.

NCR's or incomplete cards will not be acceptable.

#### PLAYER ELIGIBILITY:

Entry into the NDGA Order of Merit Competition will be restricted to male playing members of NDGA affiliated clubs, and there are no age restrictions. There is no cost to register. Players wishing to participate will be required to register their intention to compete in the 2016 NDGA Order of Merit Competition with the NDGA. They may enter at any time during the year, but must nominate <u>before</u> playing in their first event. Obviously, the more events that a participant plays in, the more points they are likely to accumulate, so registration before, or at, the Karuah Cup is recommended.

The coordinator of the OOM Competition for 2016 will be Paul Cortaville ;

phone 02 4943 9415. email – <u>vicepresident@ndga.com.au</u>.

Please supply the following details when registering -

Name, Golf Club, GolfLink number, email address, mobile phone number.

### **ENTRY AND CONDITIONS:**

Players will need to adhere to all entry and playing conditions as set down by the host golf clubs that are running the individual Club Open events that they enter.

Ties will be determined as per the Conditions of Play for each event. Either Playoff, Countback or Shared title. Points will be allocated in accordance with the result as obtained.

Additional details on the NDGAOOM Competition, including participation conditions, tier structure, awards point structure and prize schedule etc. will be posted on www.ndga.com.au in the near future.

It is proposed to have a dedicated link on the website to track the OOM progressive scores.

It will never be confused with the Fedex Cup or Charles Schwab Cup – but is merely our humble attempt to reward consistency and excellence.

Register now – you have to be in it – to win it.

**Rod Carruthers** 

NDGA Hon Secretary

- Rev 1 Waratah Cup Points reduced to 100 (18 hole event)
- Rev 2 Myall Autumn classic Saturday Event Added.
- Rev 2 Changes to the method of allocating points.