

*36th Australasian
Fire Brigades
Golf Championships*



**The Metropolitan Fire Brigade
Social Golf Club**

**Invites you to attend the
36th Annual
Australasian Fire Brigades
Golf Championship**

**Sun 11th Nov-Fri 16th Nov
2012
Ballarat Golf Club
Ballarat**

MFBSGC Committee

The Metropolitan Fire Brigade Social golf club committee wishes to invite you and your partner to attend the 36th Australasian Fire Brigade Golf Championships to be held in Ballarat from the 11th — 16th November 2012.

Ballarat, about 110km north-west of Melbourne, is the state's largest inland city and is renowned for its well-preserved Victorian era heritage. Buildings dating back to the gold rush of the 1850s can still be found and its strong links with Australian history don't end there. Of course, Ballarat was the site of the Eureka Stockade, the only armed civil uprising in Australian history, in 1854, and the iconic Eureka flag, which was raised during the uprising, can still be seen today at the Ballarat Fine Art Gallery.

A great week has been planned for both golfers and non golfers.

The golf will be played at Ballarat Golf club one of the oldest clubs in Australia it was established on its original site in 1835 until it moved to its new site in 2008 some of the old course was retained in the new Ross Pettit Peter Thompson layout. The course and facilities available at Ballarat GC can be found on the web site www.ballaratgolfclub.com.au we will have our own page on the site hopefully in the next month plus we will constantly update firegolf with information.

The welcoming night and the presentation night will both be held at the spacious golf club. As there is a bistro at the club it is envisaged that we will be spending a lot of time at the club house, everyone who attends will be made an honorary member of the club for the week.

With a majority of the accommodation within easy walking distance of the club we will need very little transport except for those who choose to stay in the city of which will only be providing basic transport in and out a couple of times a day anyone who chooses motels away from those recommended will need to provide their own transport.



A Message from the CEO

The Metropolitan Fire Brigade, Melbourne, would like to extend a warm invitation to members of the Australasian family to attend the 36th running of the Australasian Fire Brigades Golfing Championships. The event is being held in the historic "gold rush" city of Ballarat, about an hour out of Melbourne. The M.F.B. supports events which encourage fellowship among firefighters. In the light of recent natural disasters in Australia and New Zealand, it has never been more important for fire fighters from across the country to get together to make new friendships, to rekindle old ones and to compete with friendly rivalry in sporting arenas.

Nick Easy
Chief Executive Officer
Metropolitan Fire and Emergency Services Board



Program

Welcoming Night Sunday 11th Nov
Venue Ballarat Golf Club

Golf Days Practice rd Monday 12th Nov
1st rd championships Tuesday 13th Nov
2nd rd championships Thursday 15th Nov
Fun day TBA Friday 16th Nov
All golf will be played at Ballarat Golf Club

Day Off TBA Wednesday 14th Nov

Presentation Night Friday 16th Nov
Venue Ballarat Golf Club



Ladies Trips Ballarat

Ballarat boasts wide, leafy boulevards, wonderful heritage buildings and world class attractions.

Ideally located, Ballarat offers the best of both worlds; the relaxed atmosphere of a country town with contemporary and high quality facilities. It's a place where you can sip coffee in a city style cafe and then, minutes later, be walking a bushland trail surrounded by the tranquillity of nature.

The focus for the ladies tours in Ballarat will be on a relaxing time with lots of opportunities for a pampering day in nearby Daylesford at the mineral springs, and the time for those who want it to indulge themselves in the bath house with spas and massages. Also Ballarat has some great history and we will be visiting some of these sites. We will be indulging in some retail therapy as the region offers some wonderful shops and markets.

Ladies Committee

ACCOMMODATION

These are the preferred Motels. They are within easy walking distance of the golf club. We purposely have not published rates they can be negotiated with the motels by the individuals who require them. They do know we are coming and will give you the best possible rate as long as you mention that you are attending the Australasian's

Comfort Inn Bell Tower 03 53341600	www.belltower.com.au
Alfred Motor Inn 03 53341607	www.alfredmotorinn.com.au
Avenue Motel 03 53341303	www.avenuemotel.com.au
Ambassador Motor Inn 03 53341505	www.ballarat.com/ambassador

The Caravan park is about a km from the course it has about 30 self contained units available. The units can take between 4 and 5 comfortably and are self contained and very well priced. This accommodation is also an easy walk to the golf club
Windmill Holiday Park www.ballaratwindmill.com.au
1800 256633

For those who wish to stay in town we will have limited transport but we will be able to run a shuttle to and from the course

Mid City Hotel 03 5327 7588	www.midcity.biz
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For those who wish to pay top dollar

The Mercure Ballarat 03 5327 1200	www.mercureballarat.com.au
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There are numerous other types of accommodation available (and can be found on the internet) in and around Ballarat. However be aware we will only be running a shuttle from those mentioned above ,all others you will need your own transport .

Transport from the Airport to Ballarat and return

An excellent shuttle service runs between the airport and Ballarat all info (rates and times) can be found on their web site .As airport parking is very prohibitive we will not be running a pick up service.

www.airportshuttlebus.com.au

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