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Dear Lian,

The Australian Master of the Amateurs International Championship Committee would like to extend an invitation to Chinese Taipei Golf Association for your <u>R&A ranked male & female players</u> in the top 700, as per the exemption criteria, to participate in the **2020 Men's & Women's Australian Master of the Amateurs Championships**, to be played in January 2020, at The Victoria Golf Club.

The Men's Australian Master of the Amateurs is currently ranked as the number one national amateur golf event in Australia and is in the top 5 in the world, "Category A" as by the R&A World Amateur Golf Rankings, and the Women's Australian Master of the Amateurs is currently ranked as the number one national amateur golf event in Australia and is ranked in high "Category B" as by the R&A World Amateur Golf Rankings.

The 2020 Men's & Women's Australian Master of the Amateurs will be hosted at The Victoria Golf Club, one of Melbourne's famous sandbelt golf courses. The Championship dates are  $5^{th} - 10^{th}$  January 2020, inclusive of one practice round (Sunday), the AM-AM Day (Monday) and the four rounds of the championship (Tuesday – Friday), with a cut after 54-holes.

The 2019 Men's & Women's Australian Master of the Amateurs hosted 18 countries. The countries the Australian Master of the Amateurs are in contact with for the 2020 Men's and Women's Championships are Korea, Canada, Scotland, Philippines, India, South Africa, Japan, Singapore, Indonesia, Thailand, New Zealand, England, Mexico, Germany, Chinese Taipei, Dubai, Wales, Spain, Malaysia, France, Ireland, Austria, Netherlands, Norway, Sweden, Italy, China, Cook Islands, Chile, USA, Myanmar, Switzerland, Hong Kong and Australia. Many of these countries have shown strong interest in sending their best male and female players to represent their country. In addition, there are many other new countries applying for the 2019 Men's and Women's Australian Master of the Amateurs Championships.

The Australian Master of the Amateurs has been used as a stage to host top international amateur golfers to compete against the best elite amateurs around the world. The Australian Master of the Amateurs has hosted such players as Jason Day, Rickie Fowler, Tommy Fleetwood, Victor Dubuisson, Marc Leishman, Aaron Wise, Andrew Dodt, Nathan Holman, Cameron Smith, Andy Sullivan, Bud Cauley, Derek Ernst, Russell Henley, Patrick Rodgers and many other international players. The 2019 Men's Australian Master of the Amateurs hosted Matthew Wolff (USA) who turned professional on his return to the USA from this championship and who has recently won the 3M Open on the USA PGA Tour.

Your selected male championship players will compete in a field capped at 78 male amateur golfers in a Men's 72-hole stroke event with a cut after 54-holes. Your selected female championship players will compete in a field capped at 48 female amateur golfers in a Women's 72-hole stroke event with a cut after 54-holes. The top 45 male players plus ties and the top 25 female players plus ties after 54-holes of the championships will compete in the final round (Round 4) of the championships.

The selected players must be ranked in the top **700 on the World Amateur Golf Rankings (WAGR)**. The entry fee for the Championship is \$360.00 AUD incl GST per player, which is further outlined in the Players' Exemption Information Letter which I have also attached to this email. I have also attached the Men's & Women's Australian Master of the Amateurs Championship Terms and Conditions.

Could you please respond by email ASAP, with the number of playing positions you would like to reserve for the Men's and Women's Championships, as we need to allocate numbers for a field of 78 male players and a field of 48 female players in total.

On accepting the exemptions for your players, I shall email the Championship Entry Form to be completed by your players. There is a brief itinerary on our web site <u>www.masteroftheamateurs.com.au</u> Players will only be confirmed in the field once the completed championship entry form, together with full payment of the entry fee is received and processed by the Australian Master of the Amateurs.

The dates of the Championships week are:

- Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2020 Championship player registration prior to a complimentary Championship morning practice round, at The Victoria Golf Club. There is an evening Welcome Cocktail Party all players are required to attend, and players with International Golf Blazers are asked to wear them to this function.
- Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2020 Championship players will be allocated either a position in a morning practice round or will be allocated a position in the afternoon Players and Corporate AM-AM Teams Event. Player positions will be allocated by the Australian Master of the Amateurs. All players are required to be available to play on this day.
- Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> January Friday 10<sup>th</sup> January 2020 72-Hole Championship. Only players who make the cut after 54-holes will participate in the championship play on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> January.

The preferred local accommodation for the Australian Master of the Amateurs is the Quest Serviced Apartments Cheltenham. Please visit <u>www.masteroftheamateurs.com.au</u> for accommodation details and prices. This accommodation needs to be booked by your Golf Association or players direct with Quest Cheltenham.

Return complimentary golf transport will be provided from Quest Apartments Cheltenham to The Victoria Golf Club from Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> January to Friday10<sup>th</sup> January 2020, for bookings made direct through Quest Apartments Cheltenham. Bookings made through a third party will incur a fee by Quest Apartments Cheltenham for golf transfers.

A detailed Championship Itinerary will be emailed to you and your players in mid-December which will contain all the information you will require for the tournament.

I look forward to your response and confirmation of your acceptance of these player exemptions. Please do not hesitate to email or telephone if you require any further information.

Kind regards, Angela Mann Director Australian Master of the Amateurs LIVE THE DREAM. Tel: + 613 9877 9155