



Veterans Golf Club

‘The Doug Jones’ Individual Match Play Competition



History. The Doug Jones Match-play Competition, herein after referred to as ‘The Doug Jones’, was first contested in 1992 in an era when it was common practice, with many golf clubs, for club members to provide a trophy (maximum value \$30) and present the trophy on the member’s named trophy day. The late Doug Jones served as the Veterans' Treasurer from the 1989/90 to 1992/93 golfing calendar years and then as President for the 1993/94 and 1994/95 competition years. In 1992, Doug Jones presented a trophy to the winner of the individual, match-play, knock-out event; an event, which is contested annually. A list of previous winners is shown in a later paragraph.

Rules. The Doug Jones is to be played in accordance the *Rules of Golf as approved by Royal and Ancient (R&A) Rules Limited and the United States Golf Association* (as amended from time to time), *Golf Australia Advice* publications and the *Tamborine Mountain Golf Club Matchplay Events* directive promulgated from time to time.

Doug Jones Match Committee. The Tamborine Mountain Veteran Golfers Committee, herein after referred to as the ‘committee’ will act as the Doug Jones Match Committee. The committee will be solely responsible for resolving any disputes and the committee’s decision will be final.

Eligibility to compete. Financial members of the Tamborine Mountain Golf Club, who are also financial members of the Tamborine Mountain Veterans’ Golf Club, (aged 55 years and over), at the time of the competition draw, are eligible to compete in the Doug Jones.

Males playing females. In accordance with the Tamborine Mountain Golf Club Matchplay Events Directive (last reviewed in June 2017), and approved for Veteran Golf Competitions by the Main Club Committee, females will play from the forward (red) tees and males will play from the middle (white) tees. Daily handicaps are to be used without adjustments for females. Specifically, the 4th, 7th, 13th and 15th holes are to be played as birdies, pars and bogies at described in the following example.

On the 7th hole, if a male scores a four, then it is a par. If a female scores a four, then it is a bogie. Therefore, the male wins the hole.

On the 15th hole, when a shot is given: a male scores a four (a bogie), and a female scores a 5 (bogie), and the female gets a shot on this hole, then this becomes a four (par) and the female wins the hole.

Honour-Board Event. From inception in 1992 until August 2018, the Doug Jones was not a Tamborine Mountain Golf Club Honour Board Event. In September 2018, the Veterans Committee approved the Doug Jones being an Honour Board Event. The Committee undertook to erect an Honour Board with entries backdated from the first competition in 1992.

Trophy. The Doug Jones trophy is a golfing figurine mounted on a wooden plinth affixed with yearly winners names. The Doug Jones winner will be presented the trophy at a ceremony befitting the occasion, for example the Veterans' Golf Club end-of-year presentation function. The winner's name will be engraved on the perpetual trophy, which will be retained in the Tamborine Mountain Golf Club trophy cabinet.

Previous Winners. Previous winners of the Doug Jones Trophy are listed in the following table.

The Doug Jones Individual Match Play - Previous Winners

Year	Winner	Year	Winner	Year	Winner
1992	Brian Clarke	1993	Bob Duncan	1994	Angus Aird
1995	Graham French	1996	Rod Noble	1997	D. Brodie
1998	David Rankin	1999	R. Noble	2000	Neville Goodrick
2001	Angus Aird	2002	P. Stuart	2003	John Halpin
2004	M. Bailey	2005	Warren Castledine	2006	J. Cavanagh
2007	K. Castree	2008	Peter Morris	2009	Peter Dent
2010	<i>Not played</i>	2011	Gerry Lynch	2012	Brian Allen
2013	Tony Cole	2014	Keith Fraser	2015	Di Lilley
2016	John Halpin	2017	Peter Morris	2018	Tony Cole

Frequency. The Doug Jones will be conducted annually, over a five-month period, (normally July to November) as set, from time to time, by the committee and promulgated to all Veteran Golf Club members.

Draw Format. The Doug Jones will be played as an individual, match-play knockout event in accordance with the *Rules of Golf*. The Doug Jones will be conducted over three qualifying rounds. One round will be played in the first three designated months, normally July, August and September, followed by semi-final matches in October; culminating in November with the final match between the two remaining competitors. Individual match winners qualify and, therefore, progress to the next round. Individual match losers take no further part in the Doug Jones competition.

Individual Match Play Draw. In the months preceding The Doug Jones commencement date (normally July), the committee will promulgate the competition dates and call for nominations. Not less than 16 players, and thereafter, additional multiples of eight, are required for The Doug Jones to span the five-month format, as described above. If less than 16 players nominate, then a draw for matches will be conducted by substituting the word 'bye' to fill the player number shortfall. When more than 16 players nominate, but the numbers greater than 16 are not in complete multiples of eight, for example 28 (16 plus + eight + four) then a draw for matches will be conducted by substituting the word 'bye' to fill the (four, in this example) player shortfall. Players matched to a 'bye' in the first round, will automatically qualify for Round 2. The competition draw will be displayed within the club. Visit the 'Vets' site on the Tamborine Mountain Golf Club webpage, in order to see an example draw involving 32 players.

Handicapping. Competitors are to use individual Golf Australia handicaps, as adjusted with the daily handicap for the slope rating applicable for the men's middle (white) or Ladies forward (red) tee boxes. A two-shot adjustment is applicable when a lady is matched against a man.

Match Play

Conduct. The match consists of one competitor playing against another over 18 holes; played by holes. The competitor, who 'holes' his, or her, ball in the fewer strokes wins the hole. In a handicap match, the lower net score wins the hole. If the match is drawn after 18 holes have been completed, then play continues to the 19th hole and subsequent holes and played in sudden-death format with one player winning the hole and the match.

Order of Play. The Round 1 players with the honour of teeing off first are determined by the order of the competition draw. The honour of teeing off first in Rounds 2 and 3, the semi finals and final match will be decided by a coin toss. During play, after both players have started play of the hole, the ball farther from the hole is played first.

Day and time of play. Competitors are to arrange to play the match on a day other than weekly-scheduled Veteran Golf Day competitions, as promulgated in the annual Tamborine Mountain Golf Program. The match is to be completed not later than the last day in the month in which the match is scheduled. When the competition is scheduled from July to November, Round 1 is to be completed by not later than 31st July, Round 2 by not later than 31st August and so on until 31st November. In the event that a player, or players, is/are not able to be complete the match in the prescribed month, the committee may, at its discretion, allow the match to be carried over to a date in the following month.

Results recording. Starting from Round 1, after each match, the winners will progress to the next round. It is customary for the person not advancing to the next round, that is, the match loser, to record the match result on the competition draw, which will be on display in the club until the competition concludes in November.