



## 2012 GOLF PROGRAM SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION FORM

### Program Benefits

The Illawarra Academy of Sport (IAS) is an independent sporting organisation that provides the opportunity and encouragement for talented athletes to achieve excellence in sport.

The scholarship program is based on developmental activities which will enhance progress to higher levels within golf. Scholarships are offered for a twelve-month period, and scholarship athletes are expected to attend IAS sessions in addition to club and representative commitments.

The benefits of an IAS Golf Scholarship include: exposure to high quality coaching from the regions leading coaches; individualised skill and technical training; sports science and video analysis; camps and tours; fitness testing; uniforms; golf-specific education sessions; and; personal development activities in areas including sport psychology, drugs awareness and nutrition.

Coaching sessions are held at venues throughout the Southern Councils Group. In 2012 it is anticipated that there will be up to ten weekend sessions along with up to three competition tours.

### Sponsors and Supporters

The IAS Golf Program is supported by the Illawarra District Golf Association, the Jack Newton Junior Golf Foundation and the NSWGA.

### Costs

The IAS covers the majority of costs associated with the scholarship program. Scholarship holders are, however, required to contribute to some components of the program such as uniform and tours. The cost to scholarship holders in 2011 was no more than \$350.00 - the majority of which was for athletes selected to attend the ClubsNSW Academy Games.

### Eligibility

To be eligible for a Scholarship, athletes must:

- Reside within the Southern Council Group (SCG), Wollongong, Shellharbour, Kiama, Shoalhaven and Wingecarribee
- Be a playing member of a golf club affiliated with NSWGA through the IDGA.
- Age requirement: born in 1995, 1996, 1997 or 1998
- Have an AGU Handicap of 12 or less (males)/WGU Handicap of 20 or less (females).

## Selection Criteria

Satisfy the eligibility criteria and selection process;

- Demonstrate through past performance and/or potential capacity, the potential to improve performance to a high level.
- 1st year athletes (and parents/carers) be available to attend a short interview between Monday, 12 April and Wednesday 14 April.
- Demonstrate dedication to improving performance.
- Display an ability to apply coaching & technical instruction.

## Selection Process

<b>Stage 1</b> Nominate to trial	Open Mon 16 Jan Close Fri 17 Feb 2012	IAS website
<b>Stage 2</b> Invitation to attend trial	Tue 21 Feb 2012	via Email
<b>Stage 3</b> Attend trial	Sat 3 Mar 2012	Port Kembla
<b>Stage 4</b> Invitation to interview (1 <sup>st</sup> Yr Athletes)	Mon 5 Mar 2012	via Email
<b>Stage 5</b> Attend Interview – athlete and parents/carers	Mon 12 Mar 2012	Wingecarribee
	Tue 13 Mar 2012	Kiama/Shoalhaven
	Wed 14 Mar 2012	Shellharbour/Wollongong
<b>Stage 6</b> Notification of scholarship offer	Fri 30 Mar 2012	via Email
<b>Stage 7</b> Sign agreement accepting scholarship terms	Thu 4 Apr 2012	Return to IAS Office
<b>Stage 8</b> Attend athlete induction	Sun 6 May 2012	University of Wollongong

**To submit your nomination please visit:**

**[www.illawarraacademy.org.au](http://www.illawarraacademy.org.au)**