



**THE 17<sup>TH</sup> AUSTRALIAN DEAF GOLF CHAMPIONSHIPS  
PACIFIC DUNES  
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10-13 APRIL 2009**

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Deaf Golf Australia along with New South Wales Deaf Golf Association were the proud hosts of the 17<sup>th</sup> Australian Deaf Golf Championships, at Pacific Dunes at Newcastle, NSW, over the Easter Weekend (10-13 April 2009). Pacific Dunes proved to be a stern but fair test of golf with the front nine in thick forest, and the back nine surrounded by water !

This tournament was attended by 35 golfers from 5 states, broken down with 10 golfers from Victoria, 8 from NSW, 7 from Western Australia, 6 from Tasmania and 4 from Queensland.

Jack Besley, a 16 year old from Melbourne, in his first Australian Deaf Golf Championships, belied his youth to shoot rounds of 77,69, 76 to finish 14 shots in front of the current World Deaf Golf Champion, Denver Magnusson also from Victoria after rounds of 77,77,82. Mark Aird of Queensland finished third after rounds of 87,84,77.

In the hotly competed teams championships, Victoria backed up its win at the 2008 Australian Deaf Golf Championships (held at Australian Deaf Games in Gold Coast) and finished 24 shots in front of NSW with a score of 996. The Victorian team comprised of Jack Besley, Denver Magnusson, Raymond Reid, Gary Kerridge, Gavin Balharrie and Thomas Beggs (Captain). NSW finished second on 1020 and Western Australia in 1129.

Tony Klimek of WA, won the Seniors Championship (over 50 years old) with a score of 255 from Alan Bitters (WA) on 261.

Simon Hogan, from Deniliquin in NSW, won the Nett Championships with a score of 221 from Tony Klimek (WA) 222 and Ray McGuinness (NSW) of 226.



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This tournament also doubled as the selection trial for the 2010 World Deaf Golf Championships which will be held at the 'home' of golf at St Andrews in Scotland. The Australian Team of 6 players based on the top 6 scores were :-

- Jack Besley, Victoria
- Denver Magnusson, Victoria
- Mark Aird, Queensland
- Luke Ellis, NSW
- Ray McGuinness, NSW
- Craig Douglas, NSW

Thanks must be conveyed to Wendy Home (tournament co-ordinator), Craig Douglas / Robert Bowler (NSW Deaf Golf Association), Jessica Erchul (Group Golf Manager - Pacific Dunes), and all the staff at Pacific Dunes for their great work in preparation and running of the tournament.

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Pacific Dunes 7<sup>th</sup> Hole



Denver Magnusson – 18<sup>th</sup> Hole



Pacific Dunes – 8<sup>th</sup> Hole



Craig Douglas – 18<sup>th</sup> Green



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Jack Besley – Final Putt in 18<sup>th</sup> Green



Denver Magnusson – Runner Up Mens  
Championship



Denver, Luke, Jack and Craig – 18<sup>th</sup> Green



Jack Besley – Winner Mens Championship



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Tony Klimek – Winner Seniors Championship



Tony Klimek – Runner Up Nett Championship



Simon Hogan – Winner Nett Championship



WA Team – 3<sup>rd</sup> Place State Teams



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NSW – 2<sup>nd</sup> Place State Teams



Victoria – Winner State Teams Championship  
(Note Declan Birt in lieu of Gary Kerridge – absent)



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### MENS INDIVIDUAL CHAMPIONSHIPS (GROSS)

#### MENS : GROSS

RANK		STATE	ROUND 1 Gross	ROUND 2 Gross	ROUND 3 Gross	TOTAL Gross	
1	BESLEY Jack	VIC	77	69	76	222	MEN WINNER
2	MAGNUSSON Denver	VIC	77	77	82	236	MEN RUNNER UP
3	AIRD Mark	QLD	87	84	77	248	MEN THIRD
4	ELLIS Luke	NSW	86	78	86	250	
4	McGUINNESS Ray	NSW	83	84	83	250	
6	DOUGLAS Craig	NSW	81	78	92	251	
7	CLIFFORD Ben	TAS	86	84	82	252	
8	KLIMEK Tony	WA	85	88	82	255	*SENIOR SENIOR WINNER
9	MALM Philip	TAS	81	92	85	258	
10	BITTERS Alan	WA	87	87	87	261	*SENIOR SENIOR RUNNER UP
11	REID Raymond	VIC	80	88	94	262	
12	HOGAN Simon	VIC	88	90	88	266	
13	HAMMOND Paul	NSW	93	86	90	269	
14	BEGGS Thomas	VIC	94	91	90	275	
15	KERRIDGE Gary	VIC	99	97	93	289	
16	HAYDEN Kevin	QLD	98	101	91	290	
17	O'HALLORAN Daniel	NSW	91	104	97	292	
18	CROWE James	NSW	105	96	92	293	
19	BOWLER Robert	NSW	93	98	103	294	*SENIOR
20	PANZIC Ray	WA	97	96	102	295	*SENIOR
21	COOPER Chris	NSW	102	101	102	305	
21	HILLS Scott	TAS	113	100	92	305	
23	HOME Graham	QLD	103	110	105	318	*SENIOR
24	BIRT Declan	VIC	111	108	108	327	
25	BLOCKEY Peter	WA	108	126	108	342	
26	MALLINSON Andrew	TAS	106	120	120	346	
27	ENGELSMAN Barry	VIC	124	110	124	358	
28	SMALES Joel	WA	121	120	126	367	
29	BAIN Anthony	TAS	128	116	134	378	
30	BROWN Peter	WA	131	131	125	387	
	BALHARRIE Gavin	VIC	95	103	N/R		
	FILLEUL Paul	WA	110	102	DQ		
	HARRISON Leigh	TAS	140	N/R	130		*SENIOR

#### LADIES : GROSS (UNOFFICIAL COMPETITION)

RANK		STATE	ROUND 1 Gross	ROUND 2 Gross	ROUND 3 Gross	TOTAL Gross
1	MARIC Jennifer	QLD	98	105	92	295
2	PIERCE Therese	VIC	130	122	116	368



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**NETT CHAMPIONSHIPS (COMBINED)**

RANK			STATE	HANDICAP	ROUND 1		ROUND 2		ROUND 3		TOTAL Nett	
					Gross	Nett	Gross	Nett	Gross	Nett		
	BESLEY	Jack	VIC	3	77	74	69	66	76	73	213	NOT ELIGIBLE FOR NETT COMPETITION (WON GROSS)
1	HOGAN	Simon	VIC	15	88	73	90	75	88	73	221	NETT WINNER
	MAGNUSSON	Denver	VIC	5	77	72	77	72	82	77	221	NOT ELIGIBLE FOR NETT COMPETITION (RUNNER UP GROSS)
2	KLIMEK	Tony	WA	11	85	74	88	77	82	71	222	NETT RUNNER UP
3	McGUINNESS	Ray	NSW	8	83	75	84	76	83	75	226	NETT THIRD PLACE (ON COUNTBACK)
3	PANZIC	Ray	WA	23	97	74	96	73	102	79	226	
5	AIRD	Mark	QLD	7	87	80	84	77	77	70	227	
5	BEGGS	Thomas	VIC	16	94	78	91	75	90	74	227	
5	HAMMOND	Paul	NSW	14	93	79	86	72	90	76	227	
8	BITTERS	Alan	WA	11	87	76	87	76	87	76	228	
9	MALM	Philip	TAS	9	81	72	92	83	85	76	231	
10	ELLIS	Luke	NSW	6	86	80	78	72	86	80	232	
11	PIERCE	Therese	VIC	45	130	85	122	77	116	71	233	
12	HOME	Graham	QLD	27	103	76	110	83	105	78	237	
13	DOUGLAS	Craig	NSW	4	81	77	78	74	92	88	239	
14	REID	Raymond	VIC	7	80	73	88	81	94	87	241	
15	CLIFFORD	Ben	TAS	3	86	83	84	81	82	79	243	
16	BIRT	Declan	VIC	27	111	84	108	81	108	81	246	
17	MARIC	Jennifer	QLD	16	98	82	105	89	92	76	247	
17	O'HALLORAN	Daniel	NSW	15	91	76	104	89	97	82	247	
19	HAYDEN	Kevin	QLD	14	98	84	101	87	91	77	248	
20	KERRIDGE	Gary	VIC	13	99	86	97	84	93	80	250	
21	CROWE	James	NSW	13	105	92	96	83	92	79	254	
22	BOWLER	Robert	NSW	13	93	80	98	85	103	90	255	
23	HILLS	Scott	TAS	16	113	97	100	84	92	76	257	
24	BLOCKEY	Peter	WA	26	108	82	126	100	108	82	264	
25	COOPER	Chris	NSW	13	102	89	101	88	102	89	266	
26	MALLINSON	Andrew	TAS	26	106	80	120	94	120	94	268	
27	ENGELSMAN	Barry	VIC	27	124	97	110	83	124	97	277	
28	SMALES	Joel	WA	27	121	94	120	93	126	99	286	
29	BAIN	Anthony	TAS	27	128	101	116	89	134	107	297	
30	BROWN	Peter	WA	27	131	104	131	104	125	98	306	
	BALHARRIE	Gavin	VIC	13	95	82	103	90	N/R			
	HARRISON	Leigh	TAS	27	140	113	N/R	-27	130			
	FILLEUL	Paul	WA	20	110	90	102	82	DQ			



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### MENS STATE TEAMS CHAMPIONSHIP

Team	Player	Result day			Total	
		1	2	3		
<b>VICTORIA</b>	DENVER MAGNUSSON	77	77	82		
	RAYMOND REID	80	88	94		
	JACK BESLEY	77	69	76		
	GARY KERRIDGE	99	97	93		
	GAVIN BALHARRIE	95	103	N/R		
	THOMAS BEGGS	94	91	90		
			328	325	341	<b>994</b>
<b>NEW SOUTH WALES</b>	ROB BOWLER	93	98	103		
	JAMES CROWE	105	96	92		
	CRAIG DOUGLAS	81	78	92		
	LUKE ELLIS	86	78	86		
	PAUL HAMMOND	93	86	90		
	RAY MCGUINESS	83	84	83		
			343	326	351	<b>1020</b>
<b>WESTERN AUSTRALIA</b>	TONY KLIMEK	85	88	82		
	ALAN BITTERS	87	87	87		
	PAUL FILLEUL	110	102	DQ		
	RAY PANZIC	97	96	102		
	PETER BLOCKEY	108	126	108		
	JOEL SMALES	121	120	126		
		377	373	379	<b>1129</b>	<b>3RD</b>
<b>TASMANIA</b>	SCOTT HILL	113	100	92		
	PHILLIP MALM	81	92	85		
	LEIGH HARRISON	140	N/R	130		
	ANOTHONY BAIN	128	116	134		
	BEN CLIFFORD	86	84	82		
	ANDREW MALLINSON	106	120	120		
		386	392	379	<b>1157</b>	<b>4TH</b>
<b>QUEENSLAND</b>	GRAHAM HOMES	103	110	105		
	KEVIN HAYDEN	98	101	91		
	MARK AIRD	87	84	77		
	PETER BROWN	131	131	125		
		419	426	398	<b>1243</b>	<b>5TH</b>