



Asia-Pacific Amateur Championship heads to Hoiana Shores in 2027 and New South Wales in 2028

Description

The Asia-Pacific Amateur Championship is heading to Vietnam for the first time. The Asia-Pacific Golf Confederation (APGC), the Masters Tournament and The R&A announced on 29 October 2026 that Hoiana Shores in Hoi An will host the 2027 edition, followed by New South Wales Golf Club in Sydney in 2028. For Singapore golf fans who follow the region's best amateurs, here is what the announcement means.



Hoiana Shores in Hoi An, Vietnam, will host the 2027 Asia-Pacific Amateur Championship.
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Hoiana Shores hosts the 18th Asia-Pacific Amateur Championship

The 2027 championship runs from 28 to 31 October 2027, making it the 18th edition and the first in Vietnam. Designed by Robert Trent Jones Jr. and opened in 2019, Hoiana Shores is a links-style course built along more than two kilometres of beachfront sand dunes, with views of the South China Sea and the nearby Cham Islands. It was named the world's best new golf course in 2020 by the World Golf Awards and hosted the Women's Amateur Asia-Pacific in 2025.

The par-71 layout sits just south of Hoi An, the UNESCO World Heritage Site known as the City of Lanterns. In a nod to the town, the club uses red basket lanterns instead of traditional flags on each hole. Wee Peng Siong, Vice President, Golf, of Hoiana Shores, said golf in Vietnam is on the rise and that the club is honoured to welcome the championship.

New South Wales Golf Club follows in 2028



New South Wales Golf Club in Sydney will host the 2028 edition. Image: APGC / The R&A

The 19th championship takes place from 2 to 5 November 2028 and will be the third edition in Australia, after Royal Melbourne in 2014 and 2023. New South Wales Golf Club was originally designed a century ago by Alister MacKenzie, known for his co-design of Augusta National, and overlooks Botany Bay. The world top-50 venue is known for its links style, rugged terrain and ocean views, and its par-3 6th hole features a dramatic tee shot from Cape Banks over the rocky coastline.

Chris Coudounaris, President of New South Wales, said the course is both strategic and unique and will produce a deserving champion. Both venues will host the championship for the first time.

Why the Asia-Pacific Amateur Championship matters

The field is made up of the top male amateurs from the 43 affiliated organisations of the APGC. The champion earns an invitation to the Masters Tournament at Augusta National and an exemption into The Open the following year, while the runner-up or runners-up gain a place in Final Qualifying for The Open.

The event has been a springboard for stars such as Hideki Matsuyama, a two-time winner and 2021 Masters champion, along with Takumi Kanaya, Keita Nakajima, Cameron Smith, Cameron Davis, Min Woo Lee, Ryan Fox, Si Woo Kim and C.T. Pan. Alumni have gone on to win 34 PGA Tour events and more than 180 tournaments on major professional tours.

This year's 17th championship is under way at Te Arai Links in New Zealand, with live scoring at AACGolf.com. If you like following Singapore's golfers abroad, read our report on [Shannon Tan's third-place finish at the Hero Women's Indian Open](#), our piece on [the inaugural WTGL Women's League](#), and our [Bintan weekend getaway guide](#) for golf-friendly trips closer to home.

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