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## Destination: Dublin Ireland for the 2018 World Deaf Golf Championships

Congratulations to players who have been selected to represent Australia to the next World Deaf Golf Championships that will be held in Dublin, Ireland in July 2018. That is a little over a year away and there's a lot to do.

Firstly, we need to finalise the exact number of players who have expressed interest in going. Once that is determined, we need to set about the task of raising funds to help defray the costs of sending a team to Ireland. The DGA executive committee is already working hard with number of organisations to identify fundraising opportunities for a maximum outcome.

It should be mentioned here that the auction that was held at the Wollongong Championships was very successful. Over \$4,800 was raised at the auction so a very big **THANKS** to everyone who helped donate the auction items **AND** to those who made successful bids! But \$4,800 is not going to be quite enough for a contingent of at least 15 players & officials. Over the next 12 months the executive committee is hoping to finalise plans with the State representatives and other organisations to raise as much funds as possible for the Australian team.

We must remember the average cost of sending a single golfer has always been in the vicinity of AUD\$6,000. Not easy and not cheap either. However, it is a great privilege to represent and a lifetime opportunity for each player. Please ask your state representative for the latest information on our preparations for Ireland.

**Albury Deaf Games** - don't forget 31<sup>st</sup> May is the last day to take advantage of the "early bird" discount offer. Don't delay if you are planning to play the next Australian Deaf Games Golf Championships!



## NEW! Check out DGA's new Video Channel!

We are proud of our growing collection of video clips on our website. You can view the latest additions under "Video Channel" at :-

## www.deafgolfaustralia.com.au

We are delighted with the TV news coverage of our event that was aired in the region – TWICE! The first clip that went to air was in the evening news on Friday 21st April featuring Deaf Golf NSW's president Luke Ellis. The second clip was aired in the evening news on the last day of the Championships – featuring the winners of the Championships – Lydia Ingman (UK) and Jack McLeod. Both clips have full captions so be sure to check them out if you haven't done so already ©



Thank you Wollongong!

It wasn't so long ago when we all converged at Wollongong Golf Club to play the 24<sup>th</sup> Deaf Golf Championships. Who could forget the amazing course and incredible weather!? If you are interested in obtaining an A3 size copy of our souvenir photo of the Championships (thumbnail photo on the left which includes all the players names) please email <a href="mailto:dgaprmarketing@gmail.com">dgaprmarketing@gmail.com</a> for information and pricing options. Please note this is a fundraiser to help with the costs of sending our Team representatives to the 2018 World Deaf Golf Championships in Ireland.