



Dear St Michael's Golf Club,

Congratulations on becoming a signatory to the R&A Women in Golf Charter.

Australian Golf salutes you for your courage, your foresight and your commitment to equal opportunity in the game.

The Women in Golf Charter was launched by the R&A in 2018 to foster a more inclusive culture within golf around the world, and to enable more women and girls to flourish and maximise their potential at all levels of the sport.

It is a substantial piece of work, in our view.

In late-2021, the main organising bodies for the sport here – the WPGA, the PGA and Golf Australia – all backed this movement by bringing the charter to Australia and invited clubs and facilities to become signatories.

It fits perfectly within our national strategy for golf – the inclusiveness, the embracing of all golfers, the notion that golf is for everyone, and the rejection of the false perception that golf is an exclusive sport.

The response by golf clubs and facilities has been quick. There is a groundswell of support for the cause of equal opportunity in our great game of golf and it is fundamentally essential that we foster a gender-equal environment in our sport.

We know that women and girls are underrepresented in golf not only in Australia, but worldwide. We acknowledge this statistical fact, and more importantly, we are driven to significantly improve it.

The time has come for action, and your appearance as a signatory to the charter is a part of that response by a game that chooses to be inclusive of everyone.

We applaud you for becoming part of a historic journey.

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