

Brookwater to host first Hills Australian Junior Golf Championship – 1.11.12

The Brookwater Golf & Country Club is set to host the inaugural Hills Australian Junior Golf Championship in January 2013.

The Australian Junior Golf Championship will be part of the Hills International Golf Academy's Asia Pacific Junior Golf Series, set to be launched next year.

Classified as a world-ranking event by The R&A (world golf's governing body), the event will be open to boys and girls with the winners qualifying for an all-expenses paid tour of the series' events in Korea, China and Taiwan in June and July 2013.

Brookwater Golf & Country Club General Manager Warren Seeto said Brookwater was eagerly looking forward to hosting the Hills Australian Junior Golf Championship.

"We're honoured that the Brookwater Golf & Country Club has been chosen to host the first championship of the Hills Asia Pacific Junior Golf Series," Mr Seeto said.

"The junior championship series is great news for the industry, representing a big step forward in developing elite golf players in Australia.

"Brookwater is a proud supporter of junior golf development, with the Hills Junior Golf Championship a great opportunity for young players to experience what is set to be one of the most challenging competitions of its kind in Australia," Mr Seeto said.

The Hills Asia Pacific Junior Golf Series was developed with the vision of becoming a vital stepping stone for the next generation of golfers in the region.

Ipswich City Council Mayor Paul Pisasale said the recent announcement was a great opportunity to further harness Brookwater as a leading golf destination.

"Brookwater is one of Queensland's fastest-developing hotspots for emerging professional golfers, having been the training ground for some of the world's best players including major winner Karrie Webb and multiple tournament winner Nicolas Colsaerts," Cr Pisasale said.

"The announcement by Hills International Golf Academy represents a wonderful opportunity for Australia's top young players to compete with the best of the best, right here on Queensland's number one course," he said.

The Brookwater golf course was designed by two-time major winner Greg Norman, whose award-winning courses are famed for using the natural contours of the landscape while maintaining a strategic design. The Brookwater golf course features a varied terrain encompassing two nine-hole loops and an overall distance of 6,505 metres.

Earlier this year Brookwater was announced as Queensland's number one golf course in the Australian Golf Digest's exclusive ranking of Australia's top 100 courses and was named Queensland's number one public-access course by Golf Australia.