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Australia Golfing Legends Open Champions Course

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Sandhurst Clubhouse, Thompsons Road, Sandhurst

Some of Australia's most famous golfing legends including Billy Dunk, Wayne Grady, Peter Thomson, Graham Marsh and Frank Phillips will make golfing history today when they officially launch the Champions Course at Sandhurst Club, a homage to the champions of PGA of Australia.

The 18 hole Champions Course has each hole dedicated to one of Australia's champion golfers.

A Highland Piper will lead the golfing legends to the tee on the first hole dedicated to Carnegie Clark, who is recognised as a founding father of the PGA of Australia with golfing legend Dan Soutar.

Carnegie Clark, a Scotsman, won the first professional tournament played in Australia at Botany in 1902.

He won the Australian PGA Championship in 1908 and the Australian Open in 1906, 1910 and 1911. Carnegie Clark is credited with introducing the Vardon overlapping grip and rubber wound golf balls to Australia.

The opening of the Champions Course is a major addition to the golfing infrastructure of Victoria and a showcase of environmental management and modern golf course design.

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