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“World Deaf Golf Ladies Champion Qualifies for Vic Open”

Melbourne, Australia – Diksha Dagar, 18 from the village of Chappar, Haryana – India, tied in first place in the final ISPS Handa Vic qualifying round at Sanctuary Lakes – scoring 3 under par 69 and finally earning a much sought after tee spot in this week’s ISPS Handa Vic Open 7-10 February.

It will be Dagar’s first real tournament as a touring professional – after qualifying to play the Ladies European Tour (LET) in 2019. A remarkable achievement considering Dagar was born profoundly deaf and has a Cochlear implant.

“This is an outstanding result after only just arriving in Australia last week and missing out on a spot after playing two tough qualifying rounds in Ballarat. The Sanctuary Lakes round last Monday was the final attempt to qualify and it is so pleasing to see Diksha not only earn a spot but to win the round!” – quoted Therese Pierce, Deaf Golf Australia secretary.

“We are not sure if the reality of the win has sunk in for Diksha but it is an incredible opportunity in her rookie year as a professional.”

Dagar is the current World Deaf Golf Ladies Champion (as an amateur) winning the title by 29 strokes and scoring 279 on the tough O’Meara course at Carton House, Dublin Ireland in July 2018.

Deaf Golf Australia (DGA) is delighted to assist with Dagar’s traveling & tournament schedule in February and March. DGA is appreciative of the support shown by ALPG CEO Karen Lunn to all new golfers playing the qualifying rounds and Christian Hamilton, Golf Australia Senior Inclusion Manager.

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