



**The  
Hampshire Golf Club**

**Local Rules  
and  
Competition Rules**

**Issue 32**

**Nov  
2020**

## Revision History

Issue	Date	Revision
1	Jan 2003	First Issue
2	Jan 2008	Periodic Review / Update
3	Jan 2009	Periodic Review / Update
4	May 2009	Update for OOB and Trees
5	Feb 2010	Revision of Competition Rules
6	July 2010	Revision of No. of Qualifiers
7	Sept 2010	Various Rule Changes
8	Nov 2010	Ladies Competitions Qualification
8.1	Mar 2011	Mixed KO – White Tees
8.2	May 2011	Minor Rule Changes
8.3	June 2011	Seniors Rule Changes
8.4	Jan 2012	Ladies Par Tree Handicap Range
9	Feb 2012	Weekend Competition Tee Bookings
10	May 2012	Various Rule Updates
11	Jan 2013	Updates to Local Rules, Weekend Competition Arrangements and Ladies Competition Rules
12	Apr 2013	Update to Champions' Cup Qualification criteria and Non Qualifying competition ruling
13	Apr 2014	Addition of local rule regarding use of Distance Measuring Devices, clarification of rules for sudden death playoffs in club match play competition and Men's weekend two's pot, various updates to dates that competitions will be played.
14	Aug 2014	Amendments to local rules regarding entry criteria for Points For Golf members, qualification requirements for Club Competitions and sudden death playoffs in club match play competitions. Change to entry criteria for S&M Trophy.
15	Feb 2015	Amendments to arrangements for Seniors mid-week roll ups and number of qualifiers required to take part in Seniors competitions. Introduction of new Seniors' competition – President's Putter.
16	June 2015	Addition of rules for Club Championship Junior Plate
17	August 2015	Addition of rule regarding eligibility to take part in Men's Weekend Competitions with or without a "competition" handicap.
18	Dec 2015	Clarification of Mixed Championship Rules
19	Jan 2016	Changes to rules governing the John Smith and Ben Mullin competitions.
20	May 2016	Delete Local Rule 37 sub para "e". "A minimum of five entries is required for the competition to run".
21	Oct 2016	New Rule 1p and an amendment to the handicap allowance Pairs 4 ball better ball (from ¾ to 9/10) Page 27

22	Apr 2017	Major update to all areas to reflect Rules of Golf 2016; CONGU changes 2016 and new local rules. Format change throughout document.
23	Jun 2017	Amendment of competition format for Members Day & Golf Swappers.
24	Nov 2017	Amended rules for events played from different sets of tees & Club Mid-week Medal roll-up change of tees
25	Dec 2017	Amended rules to account for the changes in CONGU handicap status: Increase of the maximum handicap for the High Handicap Trophy & Texas Scrambles from 28 to 36. Permitting players who have a handicap greater than the maximum permissible handicap specified for the competition to play off the maximum handicap specified for that competition.
26	May 2018	Amended to include: Combining the results of Saturday and Sunday medals/stablefords played on the same weekend. A fixed rate for Two's scored in Club weekend medals/stablefords Champions Cup qualification for 1 <sup>st</sup> & 2 <sup>nd</sup> place only
27	Jun 2018	Eligibility of P4G members to play in competitions. New prize money matrix. Where there are less than 5 players in any one of the two divisions for Club weekend medal & stableford competitions, there will only be one division (0-28)
28	Jan 2019	Amendment to Local Rules due to 2019 Rules of Golf changes, change of definitions & change to play-off holes for Club Stroke Play Championship
29	Apr 2019	Amendments to address changes in club committee, competition changes, entry for twos competition and prize money.
30	Oct 2019	Amendment to local rule on use of motorised transport (buggies).
31	Jan 2020	Para 2.10 moved to Para 1.31.
32	Nov 2020	Amendments to competition rules resulting from introduction of World Handicapping System, R&A/USGA Rules of Handicapping and CONGU Guidance on the WHS Rules of Handicapping as Applied Within GB&I.

## Notes about this document

1. This document is issued by the Hampshire Golf Club.
2. It is intended for use by the member's as a general reference guide only in the interests of fair play and equity and not an unrivalled account of the complete rules of all club competitions.
3. It is not to be used as the final word in settling disputes arising during the playing of Golf either socially or in competitions. Such disputes must be referred to the club management, whose decision will be final.
4. Club management reserves the right to make changes to the rules of all club competitions if it is deemed necessary and as such, this document is subject to amendment at any time.
5. The latest versions of the and the R&A Rules of Golf, and R&A/USGA Rules of Handicapping and CONGU Guidance on the Rules of Handicapping as Applied Within GB&I are the reference documents for all disputes and are available to all club members.

## Index

Introductory pages.	i to iv
Section 1 – Local Rules.	1-1 to 1-4
Section 2 – General Competition Rules.	2-1 to 2-5
Section 3 – Men’s Competitions.	3-1 to 3-2
Section 4 – Open & Mixed Competitions.	4-1 to 4-4
Section 5 – Ladies Competitions.	5-1 to 5-4
Section 6 – Seniors’ Competitions.	6-1 to 6-4
Section 7 – Juniors’ Competitions.	7-1 to 7-2
Section 8 – EGU Recommended Handicap Allowances for Competitions.	8-1 to 8-3
Section 9 – Prize Money Matrix for Weekend Medals & Stablefords	9-1

## **Section 1 - Local Rules**

### **Out of Bounds (Rule 18.2)**

1.1 The boundary to the left of the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> hole is defined by the wire fence in the hedge row.

1.2 The boundary to the left of the 5<sup>th</sup> hole is defined by the wire fence that borders with the road.

1.3 The boundary to the left of the 9<sup>th</sup> hole is defined by the wire fence that borders with the road and beyond the hedge that borders the driveway and the extension of the line of the hedge to the clubhouse

1.4 On the 17<sup>th</sup> hole the Out of bounds is defined by the line between the course-side points at ground level of white stakes to the right of the fairway. Out of bounds is also defined by the fence line to the rear of the green.

1.5 On the 18<sup>th</sup> hole the Out of bounds is defined by the line between the course-side points at ground level of white stakes to the right of the fairway and to the rear of the green.

### **Internal Out of Bounds**

1.6 During play of the 9<sup>th</sup> hole on the area to the right side of the hole, defined by white stakes, is out of bounds. These stakes are treated as boundary objects during the play of the 9<sup>th</sup> hole. For all other holes, they are immovable obstructions.

### **Penalty Areas (Rule 17)**

1.7 The drainage ditch across the 4<sup>th</sup> hole and the pond to the right of the 9<sup>th</sup> and back of the 10<sup>th</sup> hole are defined as Red penalty areas and relief may be taken in accordance with Rule 17.

### **No Play Zones**

1.8 The areas defined by black stakes on left of the fairway on the 7<sup>th</sup> hole, left of the fairway on 13<sup>th</sup> hole and right of the fairway of the 15<sup>th</sup> hole are no play zones that are to be treated as an abnormal course condition. Free relief must be taken from interference by the no play zone under Rule 16.1f.

### **Defining Open Water Course as Part of General Area**

1.9 Drainage ditches to the left of the 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> fairways, to the right of the 12<sup>th</sup> fairway, and to the left of the 18<sup>th</sup> fairway are treated as part of the general area and not as a penalty area. These ditches are deemed as abnormal course conditions and free relief may be taken in accordance with Rule 16.1b.

### **Ball Deflected by Power Line**

1.10 If it is known or virtually certain that a player's ball hit a power line, pylon or telegraph pole during the play of 3<sup>rd</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> holes, the stroke does not count. The player must play a ball without penalty from where the previous stroke was made (see Rule 14.6 for what to do).

## All Roads, Paths and tracks Treated as Immovable Obstructions

1.11 All roads, paths and tracks on the course even if not artificially-surfaced, are treated as immovable obstructions from which free relief is allowed under Rule 16.1.

1.12 As an extra option for a ball on the path to the left of the 17<sup>th</sup> hole and not beyond the hedgerow on the left-hand side of the green, a player may drop a ball in the dropping zone, without penalty, within one club length of the dropping zone marker and no nearer the hole. The dropping zone is a relief area under Rule 14.3.

## Damage by Animals

1.13 In the general area, areas of damage caused by Rabbits and Badgers are treated as ground under repair from which relief is allowed under Rule 16.1b.

## Animal Hoof Damage

1.14 Damage that is clearly identifiable as having been caused by animal hoofs is ground under repair from which free relief is allowed under Rule 16.1. But on the putting green, Rule 16.1 does not apply as such damage may be repaired under Rule 13.1.

## Aeration Holes

1.15 If a player's ball lies in or touches an aeration hole:

1.15.1 Ball in General Area. The player may take relief under Rule 16.1b. If the ball comes to rest in another aeration hole the player may take relief again under this Local Rule.

1.15.2 Ball on Putting Green. The player may take relief under Rule 16.1d.

1.15.3 **But** interference does not exist if the aeration hole only interferes with the player's stance or, on the putting green, on the player's line of play.

## Immovable Obstructions Close to Putting Greens

1.16 Relief from interference by an immovable obstruction may be taken under Rule 16.1.

1.17 The player also has these extra options to take relief when such immovable obstructions are close to the putting green and on the line of play:

1.18 Ball in General Area. The player may take relief under Rule 16.1b if an immovable obstruction (sprinkler head) is:

1.18.1 On the line of play, and is:

1.18.1.1 Within two club-lengths of the putting green, and

1.18.1.2 Within two club-lengths of the ball.

1.18.2 **Exception - No Relief If Line of Play Clearly Unreasonable**. There is no relief under this Local Rule if the player chooses a line of play that is clearly unreasonable.

## Preferred Lies

1.19 A temporary local rule for preferred lies is in operation normally from 1<sup>st</sup> November

through to 31<sup>st</sup> March (subject to Greenkeepers discretion. When a player's ball lies in a part of the general area cut to fairway height or less, the player may take free relief once by placing the original ball or another ball in and playing it from this relief area:

1.19.1 Reference Point: Spot of the original ball.

1.19.2 Size of Relief Area Measured from Reference Point: Six inches from the reference point, **but** with these limits:

1.19.2.1 Limits on Location of Relief Area:

1.19.2.1.1 Must not be nearer the hole than the reference point, and

1.19.2.1.2 Must be in the general area.

1.20 In proceeding under this Local Rule, the player must choose a spot to place the ball and use the procedures for replacing a ball under Rules 14.2b(2) and 14.2e.

### **Use of Caddie Prohibited**

1.21 Rule 10.3a is modified in this way: A player must not have a caddie during any competition round.

1.22 **Penalty for Breach of Local Rule:**

1.22.1 The player gets the **general penalty** for each hole during which he or she is helped by a caddie.

1.22.2 If the breach happens or continues between two holes, the player gets the **general penalty** for the next hole.

### **Alternative to Stroke and Distance for Lost Ball or Ball Out of Bounds**

**Note: This local rule is only applicable for social golf; it is not applicable for any competition, supplementary round or handicap qualification round**

1.23 When a player's ball has not been found or is known or virtually certain to be out of bounds, the player may proceed as follows rather than proceeding under stroke and distance.

1.24 For **two penalty strokes**, the player may take relief by dropping the original ball or another ball in this relief area (see Rule 14.3):

1.24.1 Two Estimated Reference Points:

1.24.1.1 **Ball Reference Point**: The point where the original ball is estimated to have:

1.24.1.1.1 Come to rest on the course, or

1.24.1.1.2 Last crossed the edge of the course boundary to go out of bounds.

1.24.1.2 **Fairway Reference Point**: The point of fairway of the hole being played that is nearest to the ball reference point, **but** is not nearer the hole than the ball reference point.



1.25 For purposes of this Local Rule, "fairway" means any area of grass in the general area that is cut to fairway height or less.

1.26 If a ball is estimated to be lost on the course or last crossed the edge of the course boundary short of the fairway, the fairway reference point may be a grass path or a teeing ground for the hole being played cut to fairway height or less.

1.27 Size of Relief Area Based on Reference Points: Anywhere between:

1.27.1 A line from the hole through the ball reference point (and within two club-lengths to the outside of that line), and

1.27.2 A line from the hole through the fairway reference point (and within two club-lengths to the fairway side of that line).

**But** with these limits:

1.27.2.1 Limits on Location of Relief Area:

1.27.2.1.1 Must be in the general area, and

1.27.2.1.2 Must not be nearer the hole than the ball reference point.

1.28 Once the player puts a ball in play under this Local Rule:

1.28.1 The original ball that was lost or out of bounds is no longer in play and must not be played.

1.28.2 This is true even if the ball is found on the course before the end of the three-minute search time (see Rule 6.3b).

1.29 **But** the player may not use this option to take relief for the original ball when:

1.29.1 That ball is known or virtually certain to have come to rest in a penalty area, or

1.29.2 The player has played another ball provisionally under penalty of stroke and distance (see Rule 18.3).

1.30 A player may use this option to take relief for a provisional ball that has not been found or is known or virtually certain to be out of bounds.

1.31 During a round, a player or caddie must not ride on any form of motorised transport except as authorised or later approved by the committee<sup>1</sup>.

---

<sup>1</sup> In this context 'Committee' is defined as the organising committee for the competition: ie the Club Management is the organising committee for Club competitions, other than for Seniors and Ladies only competitions which are organised by the respective Seniors and Ladies committees.

## **Section 2 – General Competition Rules and Qualification Requirements**

### **Course Record Definition**

2.1 The term “course record” is not defined in the Rules of Golf. However, it is generally accepted that a record score should be recognised as the official “course record” only if made in an individual stroke-play competition (excluding bogey, par or Stableford competitions) with the holes and tee markers in their proper medal or championship positions.

2.2 A course record score will not be recognised as the official “course record” if a Local Rule permitting preferred lies is in operation.

### **Hole-in-One Board**

2.3 Only a Hole-in-One scored by a member of the Hampshire Golf Club in an official club competition with the holes and tee markers in their proper medal or championship positions will be recorded on the Hole-in-One Board; this includes: Medals, Stablefords, Annual Competitions, Singles KOs, Doubles KOs and Club Matches, but NOT Sunday morning roll-ups or fun competitions.

### **Scores Acceptable for Handicap Purposes and Preferred Lies (Winter Rules)**

2.4 A score is acceptable for handicap purpose if the round has been played:

2.4.1 EGU authorised format of play (general play or competition medal, stableford, par/bogey and maximum score rounds) for either a 9-hole or 18-hole score.

2.4.2 By the Rules of Golf.

2.4.3 In the company of at least one other person or player (for supplementary rounds and scorecards submitted for initial award of handicap see para 2.19).

2.4.4 On a golf course with a current Course Rating and Slope Rating.

2.5 During the period of Preferred Lies, EGU authorised formats of play are acceptable for handicap purposes, unless:

2.5.1 The measured course for the relevant permanent distance marker is shortened or lengthened by more than 100 yards<sup>2</sup>.

2.5.2 No more than 2 temporary greens are in play for an 18-hole round or one temporary green is in play for a 9-hole round.

### **Weekday and Points-for-Golf Membership Qualification Privileges**

2.6 Weekday members are deemed to be members from Monday through to Friday and are entitled to play all midweek club competitions, excluding Bank Holidays. Five-day members may play at the weekend and Bank Holidays on payment of a green fee at the visitors' rate unless playing with a full member in which case the rate shall be the members' guest rate. For certain competitions, weekday members may be permitted to play on a weekend or a Bank Holiday at a lesser rate agreed by the Club management.

---

<sup>2</sup> Where the course has been temporarily shortened or lengthened by more than 100 yards from the relevant permanent distance markers and with the approval of the authorised association a temporary Course Rating and Slope Rating may be issued in accordance with World Handicap System Rules of Handicapping Annex G

2.7 Points-for-Golf (P4G) members may take part in monthly Club medal and stableford competitions, as well as fun competitions, provided they have paid the appropriate points levy in the pro shop before beginning their round(s), but are not eligible to play in honours board or trophy competitions.

**Note:** P4G members are not eligible to take part in competitions if they pay a green fee.

### **Competitions – General Rules**

2.8 All competitions must be played at the Hampshire Golf Club.

2.9 Players entering club competitions must have a handicap index.

### **Medal/Competition Tees**

2.10 Unless otherwise stated in the competition rules, Men will play from the White Tees; Ladies and Juniors (under the age of 14) will play from the Red Tees. In the event that the White tees are removed from play, the Yellow tees become the medal/competition tees.

### **Handicap Index Limits for Competitions**

2.11 Unless otherwise specified in the competition, the maximum handicap indexes permitted for entry into all club competitions, unless otherwise stated, are:

2.11.1 Men – 36.0.

2.11.2 Ladies – 48.0.

2.11.3 Juniors – 48.0.

2.11.4 Players who have a handicap index higher than the maximum permissible handicap index for the competition may play in the competition, but their handicap index for that competition will be limited to the maximum permissible handicap index.

### **Open Events Played from Different Sets of Tees**

2.12 Owing to the difference Course Rating & Par of the different sets of tees, where ladies/juniors (under the age of 14) playing from the red tees will receive an adjustment to their playing handicap dependent on the format of the competition:

2.12.1 Medal and Matchplay:

Playing handicap = (Course Handicap x handicap allowance) + difference in course ratings

White & Red – Ladies and juniors playing from Red tees receive 1.8 shots which is rounded up to 2

Yellow & Red – Ladies and juniors playing from Red tees receive 3 shots

2.12.2 Stableford:

Playing handicap = (Course Handicap x handicap allowance) + difference in number of points required to 'play to handicap' (highest to lowest)

White/Yellow & Red – Ladies and juniors playing from Red tees receive 2 shots

## **Resolution of Ties**

2.13 Stroke Play: Unless otherwise stated in the Competition Rules, in the event of a tie, the winner will be determined using count-back over the back 9, then 6 and then 3 holes where applicable. In Stroke Play handicap competitions, the fractions of the applicable handicaps are deducted from the gross scores for the applicable holes. In this context, the exact fractions i.e. one-half, one-third, one-sixth etc. or commonly accepted decimal equivalents are deducted. The fractional or decimal allowances should not be rounded to a whole number.

2.14 Stableford & Par/Bogey: Unless otherwise stated in the Competition Rules, in the event of a tie, the winner will be determined using the count-back of points over the back 9, then 6 and then 3 holes where applicable.

2.15 Match Play: Where in any official club Match Play competition a match is all square after completion of the stipulated number of holes in regular play, the match is decided by sudden death, playing the course starting at hole 1 and then proceeding, if necessary, to holes 2,3, 4 etc. Strokes are to be given/received on the extra holes as per the Stroke Index on the scorecard.

## **Knockout Competitions.**

2.16 For all knockout competitions the matches must be played by the specified dates. It is the responsibility of both players/pairs to arrange a mutually convenient match time. All players must be prepared to play during the weekend if required. If difficulty is experienced in arranging matches, representation must be made to the respective competition organiser (Club, Ladies or Seniors) in good time, before the match play by date. In the interest of all concerned, please be as co-operative as possible when arranging matches. If you cannot arrange the match the respective competition organiser will arbitrate, resulting in the possible disqualification of one or both players/pairs.

## **Signing and Returning of Score Cards.**

2.17 Players must ensure their card is completed, signed by them and the Marker before entering the clubhouse. The covered veranda outside the Pro-shop is the designated area for this activity. The scorecard must be returned to the competition organiser within 5 minutes of completing the round; this includes a No Return score. This will be done by recording the scores via the computer for all monthly Medals and Stablefords, and any individual Annual Competition and placing a signed scorecard in the box in the clubhouse. Alternatively, players may submit their score electronically via How Did I Do (HDID) Mobile Score Interface (MSi) which is available by logging in HDID website or HDID App and going to Today's Golf and entering score. Failure to do so may result in your being excluded from entering the next club competition(s). All players must complete their round unless injury, bad weather or similar such circumstances dictate otherwise. Where this is not possible, players who have completed a minimum of 10 holes are to submit their scores. An adjustment of hole scores for the remaining holes will be made in accordance with the R&A/USGA Rules of Handicapping Rule 3.2

2.18 Any player who fails to complete a round, return a scorecard, show up for a reserved tee time, or fails to turn up for the second round of a 36-hole competition, without providing an explanation, which in the opinion of the club management is acceptable, may be temporarily banned from entering all club competition(s).

## **Supplementary Scores and Cards Submitted for Award of Initial Handicap**

2.19 Players are encouraged to submit supplementary scores for general play (social golf) as long as the following conditions are met:

2.19.1 The round is played in accordance with the Rules of Golf

2.19.2 The player must sign in prior to commencing his/her round either at the clubhouse or via HDID app or website (this is not applicable for scorecards submitted for initial handicap)

2.19.3 The scorecard is signed by both the player and the marker or the digital equivalent if submitted via HDID.

2.19.4 The supplementary scorecard is either handed in at the pro-shop or entered digitally via HDID. For scorecards for initial handicap, they are either handed in at the pro-shop or scan/picture of the scorecard.

2.19.5 The marker must be a member of The Hampshire Golf Club and clearly identified on the scorecard or on the HDID digital record.

## **Men's Weekend Competitions – Tee Booking Arrangements**

2.20 Weekend competitions will generally be held on the first and third weekends of the month. Groups may play as 3 or 4 balls, 2-balls are only permitted where it cannot be avoided.

2.21 Tees can be booked by contacting the pro-shop or booking online via The Hampshire Golf Website or the BRS App. Any competition reserved tees times can only be booked by contacting the pro-shop.

2.22 For other weekend competitions, such as the Champions' Cup, Hampshire Hundred or Hopgood Trophy, an entry sheet will be placed on the Men's Competition Noticeboard. Entries will close 11 days before the date of the competition (i.e. the Wednesday of the preceding week). Tee times will be published on the noticeboard or emailed to competitors via BRS.

## **Entry Qualification Requirements for Major Club Competitions**

2.23 All full and weekday members with a handicap index, who have competed in 3 qualifying competitions at The Hampshire Golf Club over the previous 12 months, can enter into the following Major Competitions:

2.23.1 Men's Major Competitions: Open Club Championship, Stableford Championship, Men's Club Championship, Men's Champions Cup, Mixed Championship, Mixed Pairs Knockout and Men's Singles & Pairs Knockout.

2.23.2 Ladies Major Competitions: Open Club Championship, Stableford Championship, Ladies Club Championship, Mixed Championship, Mixed Pairs Knockout and Ladies Singles & Pairs Knockout.

2.24 For Seniors' major competitions, the number of qualifiers required is defined in the rules for each individual major competition. All other competitions require the player to hold a current handicap index.

2.25 Qualification is gained by participating in monthly Medal and Stableford Competitions and any other Qualifying Competitions at The Hampshire Golf Club, in the 12 months prior to

the respective Competition, including the Mid-week Medal and Stableford Competitions.

2.26 Qualification for entry into Fun Competitions is at the discretion of the competition organiser.

## Section 3 – Men's Competitions

### Men's Club Championship – Rules

3.1 Competition Entry Pre-qualification. Yes (Para 2.24.1).

3.2 Competition Format: The Championship is medal stroke-play played over 36 holes; 18 holes on Saturday and 18 holes on Sunday. Order of play on the Saturday of the competition will be in handicap order, lowest handicap going out first. The reigning club champion automatically plays in the first group. The start list for the Sunday round will be the Men's lowest gross Saturday scores out last - for those that have a realistic chance of winning the gross competition - thereafter, the start list will be based on lowest nett mixed score going out last.

3.3 Handicap Allowance:

3.3.1 Men's Gross Championship – Nil.

3.3.2 Men's Net Championship – 95%.

3.3.3 Handicap adjustments will not be made until the end of the 36-hole competition.

3.4 Results: In the event of a tie for first place in the Club Champion Gross Competition, a sudden play-off in a medal stroke-play format will decide the winner playing the 18<sup>th</sup> hole. If the competition is still tied, then the 18<sup>th</sup> hole will be continually played until there is a winner.

3.5 Ties for second and third place in the Gross Competition, and for all places in the Club Champion Nett and Plate competitions are decided on count-back over the second round back nine, back six and then back three if required.

3.6 The Championship awards Club Champion Gross, Club Champion Nett and Plate Champion. The defending Club Champion Gross is automatically invited to enter to the competition, subject to still being a full member and having completed the requisite number of qualifying rounds.

3.7 All entrants compete for the Club Championship Gross and Nett over the 2 days and the Plate on the second day. The Club Champion Gross is excluded from winning the Club Champion Nett competition.

3.8 Any player who records a Nil Return on the first day will be disqualified and ineligible to enter the Plate Competition.

### The Plate Competition

3.9 The Plate is open to all members, Men, Ladies and Juniors. Players may only enter the Plate if they wish. The top three places in both the Gross and the Nett Competition are excluded from the Plate Competition.

### **Men's Annual Summer/Winter Singles – Rules**

3.10 Competition Entry Pre-qualification. Nil.

3.11 Competition Format: Match play played over 18 holes. The Singles Knockout Competitions are played from April to September in summer and from October to March in winter.

3.12 Handicap Allowance: 95%.

### **Men's Annual Summer/Winter Pairs Knockout – Rules**

3.13 Competition Entry Pre-qualification. Nil.

3.14 Competition Format: Four-ball better ball match play format over 18 holes. The Pairs Knockout Competitions are played from April to September in summer and from October to March in winter.

3.15 Handicap Allowance: 90% of the difference in course handicaps between the lowest and higher handicap players.

### **Men's Monthly Medals and Stablefords – Rules**

3.16 Competition Entry Pre-qualification. Nil

3.17 Competition Format: Medal stroke-play/Stableford over 18 holes played from the white tees. Where there is a monthly Medal or Stableford on the Saturday and Sunday of the same weekend, the results will be combined into one competition. Players may only enter the competition on one of the combined competition days. There will be 2 handicap divisions for these competitions (0-14 and 15-28); however, if there are less than 5 players in any one of the 2 divisions for these competitions, then the number of divisions will be reduced to one (0-28).

3.18 Handicap Allowance: 95% of course handicap.

3.19 Results:

3.19.1 Prize Money. Prize money will be allocated proportionally between Division 1 (Handicap Index 14.4 and below) and Division 2 (Handicaps 14.5 and above) based on the number of entrants per division.

3.19.2 Two's Competition. Members wishing to enter the two's competition will need to pay into the two's sweepstake prior to commencing their round. When there is no two recorded in the competition, the prize money will be carried forward to the next monthly medal or stableford competition.

3.19.3 Where a player submits a "Nil Return" he is still eligible to take part in the Two's Sweep *providing the "2" was scored whilst still in the competition and providing the score was entered into the computer*. Where a player is disqualified, he is ineligible to take part in the Two's Pot.



## Section 4 – Open & Mixed Competitions

### Stableford Championship - Rules

- 4.1 Competition Entry Pre-qualification. Yes (Para 2.24).
- 4.2 Competition Format: Two-day stableford competition played over 36 holes, 18 holes on Saturday and 18 holes on Sunday.
- 4.3 Handicap Allowance: 95% of course handicap plus a handicap adjustment as per Para 2.12 above. Handicap adjustments will not be made until the end of the 36-hole competition. Play on the course between rounds is prohibited and will result in disqualification from the competition.

### Open Club Championship – Rules

- 4.4 Competition Entry Pre-qualification. Yes (Para 2.24)
- 4.5 Competition Format: Medal stroke-play over 18 holes. Order of play will be by draw. Men will play from the White Tees; Ladies and Juniors (under the age of 14) will play from the Red Tees.
- 4.6 Handicap Allowance: 95% of course handicap plus a handicap adjustment as per Para 2.12 above.

### Champions Cup – Rules

- 4.7 Competition Entry Pre-qualification. Yes. Open to all full and weekday members, Men's Ladies or Seniors' who finished 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> in a Club, Ladies or Seniors' Medal or Stableford competitions that took place between 1 May and 30 Apr in the preceding year are eligible to enter Champions Cup.
- 4.8 Competition Format: Medal stroke-play format over 18 holes.
- 4.9 Handicap Allowance: 95% of course handicap plus a handicap adjustment as per Para 2.12 above.

### The High Handicap Trophy – Rules

- 4.11 Competition Entry Pre-qualification. Yes. Open to all members with a 'competition' handicap of 18 or more.
- 4.12 Competition Format: Medal stroke-play played over 18 holes.
- 4.13 Handicap Allowance: 95% of course handicap up to a maximum handicap index of 54. Ladies and Juniors (under-14) playing off red tees receive a handicap adjustment as per Para 2.12 above.

### Annual Bogey-Par Competition – Rules

- 4.14 Competition Entry Pre-qualification. Nil.
- 4.15 Competition Format: Match play against the course played over 18 holes. Record the Gross Score in column 'A', record the Net Score in column 'Net', record the 'Bogey' Score in column 'Points'. Over Par score is -1 (you lost the hole), Par score is 0 (you halved the hole), Under Par score is +1 (you won the hole).

4.16 Handicap Allowance: 95% of course handicap up to a maximum handicap index of 54. Ladies and Juniors (under-14) playing off red tees receive a handicap adjustment as per Para 2.12 above.

**Annual Mixed Knock Out – Rules**

4.17 Competition Entry Pre-qualification. Yes (Para 2.24).

4.18 Competition Format: Foursomes alternate shot match play played over 18 holes. One partner will tee off the odd-numbered holes and the other the even-numbered holes.

4.19 Handicap Allowance: The Handicap allowance is 50% of the full difference between the combined course handicap of either side.

**Annual Mixed Club Championship - Rules**

4.20 Competition Entry Pre-qualification. Yes (Para 2.24).

4.21 Competition Format: 18 holes in a mixed-foursomes, stroke-play format. The ladies tee off from the red tees on odd numbered holes and the men tee off from white tees on the even numbered holes.

4.22 Handicap Allowance: 50% of the combined Course Handicap plus Course Rating adjustment as shown in the example below:

Player	H'Cap Index	Course H'Cap	50% CH	Tee Set	Course Rating	50% CR Adjusted	Adjusted H'Cap	Playing H'Cap
Male	11.8	13	20.5	White	71.2	0	21.4	21
Female	25.7	28		Red	73.0	0.9		

**Texas Scramble – Rules**

4.23 Competition Entry Pre-qualification. Nil.

4.24 Competition Format: Team’s will be determined by a balanced draw. The competition consists of Teams of 3 or 4 players playing Texas scramble format over 18 holes. Once all players have teed off, each successive shot is played from where the Team members decide whose shot to use, if the ball is on the fairway or green, the ball may be placed, otherwise it must be dropped within one club length and not nearer the hole. All players do not have to take their shot. Regardless of the team consisting of 3 or 4 players, each team member must take 4 drives. The team’s scorer is to record the initials of team member’s drive taken on each hole in the ‘Markers Score’ column and the gross score for the hole recorded in column ‘A’ of the scorecard.

4.25 Handicap Allowance: Maximum handicap index limit is 36. Teams of 4 will have a handicap allowance of 25%/20%/15%/10% from lowest to highest Course Handicap. Teams of 3 will have a handicap allowance of 30%/20%/10% from lowest to highest Course Handicap. If there is a mix of teams of 3 and 4 players, then the team of 3’s playing handicap is multiplied by 1.33. Example of the playing handicap calculation is shown below:

#### Team of 4

Player	H'Cap Index	Course H'Cap	Tee Set	Course Rating	CR Adjust	Allowance	Playing H'Cap	Strokes Rec'd
A Male	11.8	12	Yellow	70.0	0	25%	3.0	14
B Male	16.2	17	Yellow	70.0	0	20%	3.4	
C Male	25.7	26	Yellow	70.0	0	15%	3.9	
A Female	34.1	37	Red	73.0	3	10%	4.0	

#### Team of 3

Player	H'Cap Index	Course H'Cap	Tee Set	Course Rating	CR Adjust	Allowance	Playing H'Cap	Strokes Rec'd
A Male	11.8	12	Yellow	70.0	0	30%	3.6	11 see note
B Male	16.2	17	Yellow	70.0	0	20%	3.4	
A Female	34.1	37	Red	73.0	3	10%	4.0	

Note: If the competition is mixed 3 and 4-ball teams then the 3-ball team stroke received is multiplied by 1.33 and in the above example the strokes received would be 15.

#### Hopgood Trophy - Rules

4.26 Competition Entry Pre-qualification. Nil.

4.27 Competition Format: Pairs Better Ball Stableford competition played over 18 holes. Each player will record his/her score in the Marker column and the other Pair's scores in Column A & B and the Best points score in the Net/Points column.

4.28 Handicap Allowance: 90% of course handicap plus Ladies and Juniors (under14) playing from the red tees receive a handicap adjustment as per Para 2.12 above.

4.29 Results: Prizes will be awarded for the best pair and for the best individual Stableford scores. The winning pair will be excluded from winning the best individual prize.

#### Hampshire Hundred - Rules

4.30 Competition Entry Pre-qualification. Nil.

4.31 Competition Format: 'Flag' competition playing stroke-play against the course. Record the Gross Score in column 'A', Record the Total Gross shots played in Column 'Points' Your stroke allowance is 72 + your course handicap. When you have used up your stroke allowance push your marker in the ground at the place where your ball comes to rest. If you still have strokes in hand after putting out on the 18th you then proceed up the 1<sup>st</sup> hole and so on until you have used up your stroke allowance and placed your marker.

4.32 Handicap Allowance: Full course handicap plus Ladies and Juniors (under14) playing from the red tees receive a handicap adjustment as per Para 2.12 above.

4.33 Results: The Winner is the player furthest round the course (+ extra holes) with their stroke allowance. In the event of a tie, the players tied for first place will be declared joint winners.

## Annual 4-Club Challenge - Rules

4.34 Competition Entry Pre-qualification. Nil.

4.35 Competition Format:

4.38.1 Medal stroke-play over 18 holes played from white tees.

4.38.2 Only 4 clubs are allowed, one of which must be a putter

4.36 Handicap Allowance: Full course handicap plus Ladies and Juniors (under14) playing from the red tees receive a handicap adjustment as per Para 2.12 above.

## The Miller Bowl – Rules

4.37 Competition Entry Pre-qualification. Nil

4.38 Competition Format: Pairs foursomes' stroke-play competition played over 18 holes. Each Player must play alternate shots to hole out. One partner will tee off the odd numbered holes and the other the even holes.

4.39 Handicap Allowance: 50% of the pair's combined full handicap. Ladies and Juniors (under 14) playing from the Red Tees, handicap plus a handicap adjustment as per Para 2.12 above.

Player	H'Cap Index	Course H'Cap	50% CH	Tee Set	Course Rating	50% CR Adjust	Adjusted H'Cap	Playing H'Cap
Male	11.8	13	20.5	White	71.2	0	21.4	21
Female	25.7	28		Red	73.0	0.9		

## Section 5 – Ladies Competitions

### Ladies Qualifying Requirements.

5.1 All qualifying competitions are to have been played at The Hampshire Golf Club.

### Ladies Pairs Knockout – Rules

5.2 Competition Entry Pre-qualification. Yes (Para 2.24.2).

5.3 Competition Format: Four-Ball Better-Ball match play played over 18 holes.

5.4 Handicap Allowance: 90% of the course handicap difference between the lowest and higher handicap players.

### Ladies Singles Knockout – Rules

5.5 Competition Entry Pre-qualification. Yes (Para 2.24.2).

5.6 Competition Format: Match play played over 18 holes.

5.7 Handicap Allowance: Full course handicap difference between the lowest and highest handicap player.

### Ladies Club Championship – Rules

5.8 Competition Entry Pre-qualification. Yes (Para 2.24.2).

5.9 Competition Format:

5.9.1 The Ladies Club Championship is medal stroke-play played over 36 holes; 18 holes on Saturday and 18 holes on Sunday. The reigning ladies club champion automatically qualifies as long as she remains a member of the Club. The order of play on the Saturday of the competition will be in handicap index order, with the lowest handicap going out first. The start list for the Sunday round will be the Men's lowest gross Saturday scores out last - for those that have a realistic chance of winning the gross competition - thereafter, the start list will be based on lowest nett mixed score going out last.

5.9.2 Ladies may enter the Plate Competition on day 2 only if they wish.

5.9.3 In addition to complying with the competition registration/signing-in requirements, Ladies must sign the Ladies Competition Book on the first day only.

5.10 Handicap Allowance:

5.10.1 Ladies Gross Championship – Nil.

5.10.2 Ladies Net Championship – 95% of course handicap.

5.10.3 Handicap adjustments will not be made until the end of the 36-hole competition.

5.11 Results:

5.11.1 In the event of a tie for first place in the Ladies Club Champion Gross Competition, a sudden play-off in a medal stroke-play format will decide the winner playing the 18<sup>th</sup> hole. If the competition is still tied, then the 18<sup>th</sup> hole will be continually played until there is a winner

5.11.2 Ties for second and third place in the Gross Competition, and for all places in the Club Champion Net and Plate competitions are decided on count-back over the second round back nine, back six and then back three if required.

### **The Plate Competition**

5.12 The Plate is open to all members, Men, Ladies and Juniors. Players may only enter the Plate if they wish. Any player who records a Nil Return on the first day is ineligible for the Plate Competition. Prize winners in the Gross and Nett competitions are excluded from the Plate Competition.

### **Ladies Par Tree - Rules**

5.13 Competition Entry Pre-qualification. Nil.

5.14 Competition Format:

5.14.1 The Par Tree competition runs from 1<sup>st</sup> April to 30<sup>th</sup> September and is open to all members with a handicap index between 24-36. Record all Pars scored in any club competition in the Par Tree book.

5.14.2 Club competitions include Medals, Stablefords and all other qualifying competitions plus those competitions listed at the front of the Par Tree book.

5.14.3 A minimum of five entries is required for the competition to run.

### **Ladies Birdie Tree - Rules**

5.15 Competition Entry Pre-qualification. Nil.

5.16 Competition Format: The Birdie Tree competition runs from 1<sup>st</sup> April – 30<sup>th</sup> September and is open to all members with a handicap index of 30 or below. All Birdies scored in any club competition are to be recorded in the Birdie Tree book

5.17 Club competitions include Medals, Stablefords, all other qualifying competitions plus those competitions listed at the front of the Birdie Tree book.

### **Ladies Order of Merit Trophy - Rules**

5.18 Competition Entry Pre-qualification. Nil.

5.19 Competition Format: The Ladies Order of Merit competition will run from 1<sup>st</sup> January to 31<sup>st</sup> December and is Open to all Ladies with a current handicap who will automatically be entered into the competition. Each competitor will be awarded ONE point whenever they take part in any qualifying competition. In addition, the winner will be awarded a further THREE points, runner up TWO points and 3<sup>rd</sup> place ONE point.

5.20 Results: The winner will be the Lady with the most points.

### **Ladies Medal Winners – Rules**

5.21 Competition Entry Pre-qualification. Yes – only those members who have won a monthly Medal competition in the previous **calendar** year are eligible to play.

5.22 Competition Format: Medal stroke-play played over 18 holes.

5.23 Handicap Allowance: 95% of course handicap.

### **Ladies Stableford Winners – Rules**

5.24 Competition Entry Pre-qualification. Yes – only those members who have won a monthly Stableford competition in the previous **calendar** year are eligible to play.

5.25 Competition Format: Stableford played over 18 holes.

5.26 Handicap Allowance: 95% of course handicap.

### **Ladies Summer/Winter Eclectic - Rules**

5.27 Competition Entry Pre-qualification. Nil.

5.28 Competition Format: The Summer & Winter eclectic competitions are played from 1<sup>st</sup> April to 30<sup>th</sup> September and from 1<sup>st</sup> October to 31<sup>st</sup> March respectively. A player's best score at each hole over a maximum of 12 rounds is taken and then added together to provide an eclectic score over the 18 holes.

5.28.1 Notify your intention to complete an eclectic card by entering the date in the eclectic book prior to commencing your round.

5.28.2 The first eclectic card must be a completed 18 holes. Thereafter each time you play you must sign for a new card even if you only play a few holes.

5.28.3 The eclectic card must be marked and signed by your playing partner. Record score on every hole even if there is no change. Leave your card in the blue box even if there is no change to your score.

5.29 Handicap Allowance: Handicap stroke allowance is 75% of your handicap index at the close of the competition.

### **Ladies Mince Pie Madness - Rules**

5.30 Competition Entry Pre-qualification. Nil

5.31 Competition Format: Competition consists of Teams of 3 or 4 players playing Texas Scramble format played over 9 holes. Once all players have teed off, each successive shot is played from where the Team members decide whose shot to use, if the ball is on the fairway or green, the ball may be placed, otherwise it must be dropped within one club length and not nearer the hole. All players do not have to take their shot. For teams of 4 the team must take at least 2 drives from each player; for Teams of 3 the team must take at least 3 drives from each player. The team's scorer is to record the initials of team member's drive taken on each hole in the 'Markers Score' column and the gross score for the hole recorded in column 'A' of the scorecard.

5.32 Handicap Allowance: Teams of 4 will have a Handicap allowance of 5% of their Total Handicaps. Teams of 3 will have a Handicap allowance of 7.5% of their Total Handicaps

### **The Lady Captain's Trophy – Rules**

5.33 Competition Entry Pre-qualification. Nil

5.34 Competition Format: Stableford format played over 18 holes. Players are only to carry and use irons and a putter for this competition.

5.35 Handicap Allowance: 95% of course handicap.

## Grandmothers Plate – Rules

5.36 Competition Entry Pre-qualification. Only Grandmothers and Step-Grandmothers can enter.

5.37 Competition Format: Stableford played over 18 holes. Players may select up to seven clubs of their own choice, which is to include a putter.

5.38 Handicap Allowance: 95% of course handicap.

### Golf Swappers

5.39 Competition Entry Pre-qualification. Yes. Ladies & Seniors' section members only.

5.40 Competition Format: Greensomes stroke-play played over 18 holes (both players tee off, decide which tee shot to play and then play alternate shots).

5.41 Handicap Allowance: 60% of lower course handicap plus 40% of higher course handicap; the ladies receive a handicap adjustment as per para 2.12 above. An example of the playing handicap is shown below.

Player	H'Cap Index	Course H'Cap	60/40%	Tee Set	Course Rating	60/40% CR Adjust	Adjusted H'Cap	Playing H'Cap
Male	11.8	13	7.8	White	71.2	0	19.7	20
Female	25.7	28	11.2	Red	73.0	0.72		

### Guys & Dolls Trophy

5.42 Competition Entry Pre-qualification. Yes. Ladies & Seniors' section members only.

5.43 Competition Format: Four-ball better ball match play played over 18 holes. Ladies play from the red tees and Seniors' from the yellow tees. The Ladies Par and Stroke Index are used for scoring. The competition is contested between 6 pairs from each section (additional pairs may be added if more than 12 players from either section wish to play, subject to agreement between the two captains).

5.44 Handicap Allowance: 90% difference in course handicaps between the lowest and higher handicap players. The ladies receive a handicap adjustment as per para 2.12 an example calculation is shown below.

Player	H'Cap Index	Course H'Cap	Tee Set	Course Rating	90% CH	CR Adjust	Playing H'Cap	Strokes Rec'd
A Guy	11.8	12	Yellow	70.0	10.8	0	11	0
B Guy	25.7	26	Yellow	70.0	23.4	0	23	12
A Doll	16.2	17	Red	73.0	17.0	3	20	9
B Doll	34.1	37	Red	73.0	33.3	3	36	25

5.45 Result: The overall match result will be decided on points: one point for a win and ½ point for a draw being awarded for each game. The losing team will pay for the engraving of the trophy.



## Section 6 – Seniors' Competitions

### Seniors Competition Entry Requirements

6.1. The Seniors' competitions are open to all paid up members of the Seniors' Section, i.e. those club members who have paid their Seniors' subscription by the end of April each year or within two calendar months of their being eligible to join.

6.2. For Competition Entry Pre-qualifications only paid up members of the Seniors' Section, as defined in Para 6.1 above, who have played in 8 qualifiers - of which 4 must be in seniors' competitions (e.g. roll-ups) - are eligible to enter these Competitions<sup>3</sup>.

### Seniors' Tuesday and Friday Roll-Ups – Rules

6.3. Competition Entry Pre-qualification. Nil

6.4. Competition Format:

6.4.1. Tuesday: Medal stroke-play over 18 holes played from white tees.

6.4.2. Friday: Stableford over 18 holes played from yellow tees.

6.4.3. Play can be 3 or 4 balls; playing groups and order of play will be established by drawing lots.

6.5. Handicap Allowance: 95% of course handicap.

6.6. The roll-up competitions are organised by the Seniors' Section and played on Tuesday and Thursday each week as published in the Seniors' Diary.

6.7. Entrants are required to register with the organiser and pay the relevant entry fee on the day of the completion a minimum of 15 minutes prior to the first tee time - as published in the Club Diary.

6.8. All players must complete their round unless injury, bad weather or similar such circumstances dictate otherwise. Where this is not possible, payers who have completed a minimum of 10 holes are to submit their scores. An adjustment of hole scores for the remaining holes will be made in accordance with the R&A/USGA Rules of Handicapping Rule 3.2

6.9. All players must return their scorecard and enter the score into the computer. Alternatively, players may submit their score electronically via How Did I Do (HDID) Mobile Score Interface (MSi) which is available by logging in HDID website or HDID App and going to Today's Golf and entering score. This is a Club regulation and failure to do so may result in your being excluded from entering the next club competition(s).

### Seniors' Medal Championship

6.10. Competition Entry Pre-qualification: Yes (Para 6.2)

6.11. Competition Format: Medal stroke-play over 18 holes off white tees.

6.12. Handicap Allowance: 95% of course handicap.

6.13. The entry fee must be paid before teeing off. The starting order will be drawn in advance of the competition.

---

<sup>3</sup> Seniors who have not played sufficient qualifiers may enter the Seniors' Medal Championship, Seniors' Stableford Championship and 4-Club Challenge to gain OOM points but cannot compete for the trophies.

### **Seniors' Stableford Championship**

- 6.14. Competition Entry Pre-qualification: Yes (Para 6.2)
- 6.15. Competition Format: Stableford played over 18 holes off white tees.
- 6.16. Handicap Allowance: 95% of course handicap.
- 6.17. The entry fee must be paid before teeing off. The starting order will be drawn in advance of the competition.

### **Seniors' 4-Club Challenge**

- 6.18. Competition Entry Pre-qualification: Yes (Para 6.2)
- 6.19. Competition Format:
- 6.22.1. Medal stroke-play (handicap non-qualifier) over 18 holes played from yellow tees.
  - 6.22.2. Only 4 clubs are allowed, one of which must be a putter.
- 6.20. Handicap Allowance: Full course handicap
- 6.21. The entry fee must be paid before teeing off. The starting order will be drawn in advance of the competition.

### **Seniors' Singles Knockout & Plate Competition**

- 6.22. Competition Entry Pre-qualification: Yes (Para 6.2)
- 6.23. Competition Format: Match play played from yellow tees.
- 6.24. Handicap Allowance: Full course handicap difference.
- 6.25. Results: The match is won when one side leads by a number of holes greater than the number of holes remaining. Where the match is tied after 18 holes, the winner will be determined by a sudden death play-off starting at hole 1 and then proceeding, if necessary, to holes 2, 3, 4 etc. Strokes are to be given/received on the extra holes as per the scorecard.
- 6.26. The Seniors Committee will make the draw for the singles knockout competition and the plate competition.
- 6.27. The entry fee must be paid before the first match. Failure to pay the entry fee before the first match will result in disqualification.
- 6.28. Only those seniors who have entered the Seniors' Single Knockout and paid the entry fee, but have lost their first match (preliminary or first round) are eligible and automatically entered in the plate competition.
- 6.29. In the event that a player who loses their preliminary or first round match subsequently does not wish to play in the Plate Competition, then they are to inform the Seniors' Captain and that Plate match will be awarded to their opponent.

## **Seniors' Doubles Knockout**

- 6.30. Competition Entry Pre-qualification: Yes (Para 6.2)
- 6.31. Competition Format: 4-ball better ball match play from yellow tees (Rule 2).
- 6.32. Handicap Allowance: 90% of difference in course handicap between the lowest and higher handicap players.
- 6.33. Results: The match is won when one side leads by a number of holes greater than the number of holes remaining. Where the match is tied after 18 holes, the winner will be determined by a sudden death play-off starting at hole 1 and then proceeding, if necessary, to holes 2, 3, 4 etc. Strokes are to be given/received on the extra holes as per the scorecard.
- 6.34. Seniors' Committee will draw the pairings for the competition.
- 6.35. The entry fee must be paid before the first match. Failure to pay the entry fee before the first match will result in disqualification.

## **President's Putter**

- 6.36. Competition Entry Pre-qualification: Nil
- 6.37. Competition Format: Dubai stableford over 18 holes played from yellow tees.
- 6.38. Handicap Allowance: Full course handicap.
- 6.39. Results: The team of 3 with the highest stableford score wins the competition.
- 6.40. The entry fee must be paid before teeing off. The Seniors Committee will make the draw for the teams of 3 and starting order.

## **Seniors' International**

- 6.41. Competition Entry Pre-qualification: Nil
- 6.42. Competition Format: 4-ball better ball match play from yellow tees (Rule 2). All players entering the competition will be divided into two teams, the UK and The Rest of the World. The respective team captains will select the pairings and competitors will be advised of the pairings and start times in advance.
- 6.43. Handicap Allowance: 90% of difference in course handicap between the lowest and higher handicap players.
- 6.44. Results: The match is won when one side leads by a number of holes greater than the number of holes remaining. Where the match is tied after 18 holes, the match is halved. In the event of the overall teams' match score being tied; there will be a sudden death putting competition between the team captains to determine the winning side. The winning 'team' will have their team name engraved on the trophy for that year.
- 6.45. The Seniors' Committee will determine the competition entry fee.

## **John Smith and Ben Mullin Putter Competitions**

6.46. Competition Entry Pre-qualification: Nil

6.47. Competition Format: Putting competition within medal stroke-play over 18 holes off white tees.

6.48. Results: The player with the least number of putts wins the competitions. In the event of a tie the competition will be decided on count-back of the putts over the back nine, then back six and then back three if required.

6.49. The John Smith and Ben Mullin Putter competitions will be incorporated within 2 nominated Seniors' medal roll ups during the year. Participants' entry to these medal competitions will result in their being automatically entered for the John Smith and Ben Mullin Putter competitions respectively. Players are to record the number of putts taken on the green for each hole in the net score column and add them together to give the total number of putts for the round.

## Section 7 – Juniors' Competitions

### Junior Competitions – General Rules

7.1 All Juniors playing in the monthly medal and Stableford competitions must have an adult club member playing with them and all male Juniors over 14 will play from the men's competition tees as defined in para 2.10 above.

### Junior Club Championship

7.2 Competition Entry Pre-qualification. Yes.

7.3 Competition Format: Medal stroke-play played over 27 holes with boys 14 and over playing off the white tees and girls & boys under 14 playing off red tees; morning round of 9 holes and an afternoon round of 18 holes

7.4 Handicap Allowance:

7.4.1 Juniors' Gross Championship: –Nil.

7.4.2 Juniors' Nett Championship: 95% of course handicap plus Juniors (under14) playing from the red tees receive a handicap adjustment as per Para 2.12 above.

7.4.3 Handicap adjustments will not be made until the end of the 27-hole competition.

7.5 Results: In the event of a tie in the Junior Club Champion Gross Competition, a 3-hole play-off in a medal stroke-play format will decide the winner. If the competition is still tied, a sudden death play-off will decide the winner. In each case, the play-off holes will be the 1<sup>st</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>, until a winner is found. Ties in the Junior Club Champion Net competition are decided on count-back over the second round back nine, back six and then back three if required.

### Junior Annual 4-Club Challenge

7.6 Competition Entry Pre-qualification. Nil

7.7 Competition Format:

7.7.1 Medal stroke-play over 18 holes boys aged 14 and over playing off the white tees and boys under 14 years old & girls playing off red tees.

7.7.1 Only 3 clubs and a putter are allowed.

7.8 Handicap Allowance: Full course handicap plus Juniors (under14) playing from the red tees receive a handicap adjustment as per Para 2.12 above.

### Club Championship Junior Plate

7.9 Competition Entry Pre-qualification. Yes

7.10 Competition Format: The Junior Plate is played on the Sunday of the Club Championship in medal stroke consisting of 18 holes with boys aged 14 and over playing off the white tees and boys under 14 years old & girls playing off red tees Order of play will be in handicap index order, lowest handicap out first, unless the junior is competing in the Club championship, where their tee-off time will be defined by the Club Championship rules.

7.11 Handicap Allowance: 95% of course handicap plus Juniors (under14) playing from the red tees receive a handicap adjustment as per Para 2.12 above.

7.12 Results: Juniors taking part in the Club Championship are eligible to take part in the Junior Plate, with their second round of the Club Championship counting as their qualifying round for the Junior Plate. However, any junior who is placed in the top three of the Club Championship Gross, Nett or Plate is excluded from winning the Junior Plate.

## Section 8 – CONGU Mandatory Handicap Allowances for Competitions<sup>4</sup>

<b>STROKEPLAY, STABLEFORD &amp; MAXIMUM SCORE</b>	
Singles	95%
Four-Ball Better-Ball	90%
Foursomes	50% of combined team course handicap
Greensomes	60% of lower handicap + 40% of higher handicap
<b>PAR/BOGEY</b>	
Singles	95%
Four-Ball Better-Ball	90%
Foursomes	50% of combined team course handicap
Greensomes	60% of lower handicap + 40% of higher handicap
<b>MATCH PLAY</b>	
Singles	100%
Four-Ball Better-Ball	90% difference between course handicaps taken from lowest handicap.
Foursomes	95% of the difference between 50% of combined team course handicap taken from the lowest team course handicap
Greensomes	60% of lower handicap + 40% of higher handicap
<b>OTHER FORMATS</b>	
Scramble (Team of 4)	25%/20%/15%/10% of course handicap from lowest to highest handicap
Scramble (Team of 3)	30%/20%/10% of course handicap from lowest to highest handicap <sup>5</sup>
Scramble (Team of 2)	25%/20%/15%/10% of course handicap from lowest to highest handicap

All competition organisers are reminded that it is the duty of the competition organiser to determine the conditions of each tournament in accordance with the R&A Complete Rules of Golf – Committee Procedures.

<sup>4</sup> CONGU Guidance on the WHS Rules of Handicapping as Applied within GB&I Appendix C

<sup>5</sup> CONGU Guidance on the WHS Rules of Handicapping as Applied within GB&I Appendix I recommendation

**Stroke Allowance**

Course Handicap	Handicap Allowance										
	95%	90%	85%	75%	60%	50%	40%	25%	20%	15%	10%
1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
2	2	2	2	2	1	1	1	1	0	0	0
3	3	3	3	2	2	2	1	1	1	0	0
4	4	4	3	3	2	2	2	1	1	1	0
5	5	5	4	4	3	3	2	1	1	1	1
6	6	5	5	5	4	3	2	2	1	1	1
7	7	6	6	5	4	4	3	2	1	1	1
8	8	7	7	6	5	4	3	2	2	1	1
9	9	8	8	7	5	5	4	2	2	1	1
10	10	9	9	8	6	5	4	3	2	2	1
11	10	10	9	8	7	6	4	3	2	2	1
12	11	11	10	9	7	6	5	3	2	2	1
13	12	12	11	10	8	7	5	3	3	2	1
14	13	13	12	11	8	7	6	4	3	2	1
15	14	14	13	11	9	8	6	4	3	2	2
16	15	14	14	12	10	8	6	4	3	2	2
17	16	15	14	13	10	9	7	4	3	3	2
18	17	16	15	14	11	9	7	5	4	3	2
19	18	17	16	14	11	10	8	5	4	3	2
20	19	18	17	15	12	10	8	5	4	3	2
21	20	19	18	16	13	11	8	5	4	3	2
22	21	20	19	17	13	11	9	6	4	3	2
23	22	21	20	17	14	12	9	6	5	3	2
24	23	22	20	18	14	12	10	6	5	4	2
25	24	23	21	19	15	13	10	6	5	4	3
26	25	23	22	20	16	13	10	7	5	4	3
27	26	24	23	20	16	14	11	7	5	4	3
28	27	25	24	21	17	14	11	7	6	4	3
29	28	26	25	22	17	15	12	7	6	4	3
30	29	27	26	23	18	15	12	8	6	5	3
31	29	28	26	23	19	16	12	8	6	5	3
32	30	29	27	24	19	16	13	8	6	5	3
33	31	30	28	25	20	17	13	8	7	5	3
34	32	31	29	26	20	17	14	9	7	5	3
35	33	32	30	26	21	18	14	9	7	5	4
36	34	32	31	27	22	18	14	9	7	5	4
37	35	33	31	28	22	19	15	9	7	6	4
38	36	34	32	29	23	19	15	10	8	6	4
39	37	35	33	29	23	20	16	10	8	6	4



Course Handicap	Handicap Allowance										
	95%	90%	85%	75%	60%	50%	40%	25%	20%	15%	10%
40	38	36	34	30	24	20	16	10	8	6	4
41	39	37	35	31	25	21	16	10	8	6	4
42	40	38	36	32	25	21	17	11	8	6	4
43	41	39	37	32	26	22	17	11	9	6	4
44	42	40	37	33	26	22	18	11	9	7	4
45	43	41	38	34	27	23	18	11	9	7	5
46	44	41	39	35	28	23	18	12	9	7	5
47	45	42	40	35	28	24	19	12	9	7	5
48	46	43	41	36	29	24	19	12	10	7	5
49	47	44	42	37	29	25	20	12	10	7	5
50	48	45	43	38	30	25	20	13	10	8	5
51	48	46	43	38	31	26	20	13	10	8	5
52	49	47	44	39	31	26	21	13	10	8	5
53	50	48	45	40	32	27	21	13	11	8	5
54	51	49	46	41	32	27	22	14	11	8	5

## Prize Money Matrix for Weekend Medals & Stablefords

Per Division	Received	Amount Payable			Percentage			Mgt Fund
		1st	2nd	3rd	1st	2nd	3rd	
5	£15	£8	£4	£0	66.7%	33.3%	0.0%	£3
6	£18	£10	£5	£0	66.7%	33.3%	0.0%	£3
7	£21	£10	£6	£0	62.5%	37.5%	0.0%	£4
8	£24	£12	£7	£0	63.2%	36.8%	0.0%	£5
9	£27	£14	£8	£0	63.6%	36.4%	0.0%	£5
10	£30	£12	£8	£4	50.0%	33.3%	16.7%	£6
11	£33	£13	£9	£5	48.1%	33.3%	18.5%	£6
12	£36	£15	£10	£5	50.0%	33.3%	16.7%	£7
13	£39	£16	£10	£5	51.6%	32.3%	16.1%	£8
14	£42	£17	£11	£6	50.0%	32.4%	17.6%	£8
15	£45	£18	£12	£6	50.0%	33.3%	16.7%	£9
16	£48	£19	£12	£7	50.0%	31.6%	18.4%	£10
17	£51	£21	£13	£7	51.2%	31.7%	17.1%	£10
18	£54	£22	£14	£7	51.2%	32.6%	16.3%	£11
19	£57	£23	£16	£7	50.0%	34.8%	15.2%	£11
20	£60	£24	£16	£8	50.0%	33.3%	16.7%	£12
21	£63	£25	£17	£8	50.0%	34.0%	16.0%	£13
22	£66	£26	£18	£9	49.1%	34.0%	17.0%	£13
23	£69	£28	£18	£9	50.9%	32.7%	16.4%	£14
24	£72	£29	£19	£10	50.0%	32.8%	17.2%	£14
25	£75	£30	£20	£10	50.0%	33.3%	16.7%	£15
26	£78	£31	£21	£10	50.0%	33.9%	16.1%	£16
27	£81	£32	£22	£11	49.2%	33.8%	16.9%	£16
28	£84	£33	£23	£11	49.3%	34.3%	16.4%	£17
29	£87	£34	£23	£12	49.3%	33.3%	17.4%	£18
30	£90	£36	£24	£12	50.0%	33.3%	16.7%	£18

Notes:

Between 18% to 20% of Entry fee retained for Club Management funds