

PGC SENIORS WINTER CHAMPIONSHIP 2024-2025

RULES:

1. There will be a ONE-OFF entry fee of £3.00 to compete in the Winter Championship. Payment should be made via the Club V1 Members App or Webpage. Select "Seniors Winter Championship 2024/25 (ENTRY FEE ONLY)" from the list of Bookable Competitions and sign in to pay your fee. Entries open 1st October and the fee MUST be paid before playing your first round of the Championship.
2. The competition (Stableford) will be played on Mondays and Thursdays - first tee around 10.00.
3. Entry will be via the Club V1 Members App or Webpage. Select the day you want to play from the list of Bookable Competitions. Entries will close at 6pm on the evening before play.
4. Notification of tee time/playing partners will be by email via BRS system.
5. On the day, players must sign in to enter the competition using the Ipad in the Pro shop or, if the Pro Shop is closed, using the PSI situated outside the Locker Rooms and pay the £1.00 Sweep from your Competition Wallet. No cash will be collected and there will no longer be the paper sign-in sheets. Scorecards will be available in the Locker Room if the Pro Shop is closed.
6. Scorecards (signed) to be returned to the box in Clubhouse immediately following the round. Full results and handicap changes will be emailed to all competitors after each round and also posted on the PG Website in the Seniors Section.
7. Sweep money will be awarded using our usual formula and paid directly into the golfer's account.
8. Everyone will start the winter season playing off 85% of their WHS Handicap Index.
9. We will be using the standard (summer) scorecard and therefore manual amendments will need to be made. On both Courses, the Stroke Index for Holes 16 and 17 will be swapped to SI17 and SI10 respectively. On the Blue Course **ONLY**, Holes 6 and 17 will be played as Par 3s. These holes will remain as Par 4s when the Red course is being played. If Yellow tees remain in use, the Rules per Red Course will apply.
10. If we have to play on a shortened course with 15 or more holes in play, then record your playing scores and ignore the missing holes. If the course is shorter than 15 holes, then the scores on the day will not count towards the Winter Championship.
11. Ensure you use your correct handicap to avoid disqualification! Handicap cuts will be applied to ALL golfers playing each round, based on the following:

Handicap Adjustments - Red and Blue Courses: (Buffer = Average +4)

A Score less than or equal to Buffer - No change.

A Score greater than Buffer - 1 stroke cut (unless fewer than 10 merit points scored).

For the purposes of calculating the Average, the two lowest returned scores will be ignored.

The winner of 12 merit points will always be cut by 1 stroke.

No one scoring fewer than 10 merit points will receive a handicap cut.

12. Merit points will be awarded as follows: -

12 or more competitors: 12 merit points for 1st place, 11 points for 2nd place, 10 points for 3rd place through to 1 point for 12th place. (If say 2 golfers share 2nd place, they will each get 11 points and the 4th place golfer will get 9 points). No merit points or handicap adjustments will be made when entry numbers total less than 12.

13. If the number of competition rounds is reduced due to bad weather or any other reason, the number of merit point rounds is reduced based on this formula:

For 24 rounds or more played, the figure will be the best 12 merit point scores. 23/22 rounds played - best 11 merit point scores, 21/20 rounds - best 10 merit point scores and 19 or less rounds - best 9 merit points scores.

14. At the end of the Winter season, the golfer with the best merit points total will be the Seniors Winter Champion. In the event of a tie, the golfer with the most 1st places, 2nd places etc. will be the Champion. Vouchers of £30, £25, £20, £15 and £10 will be awarded for the first five places.

15. The competition will commence on Monday 21st October 2024 and will continue up until Thursday 20th March 2025.

16. Players whose first competitive round does not leave them sufficient dates to complete the minimum 12 rounds (or as adjusted due to weather) will be ineligible to enter the competition and sweep. They are welcome to play non-competitively, however.

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SUMMER SCORECARD AMENDMENTS

Hole 6: This will be a PAR 4 when playing the Red Course. It will be a PAR 3 when we play the Blue Course).

Hole 14: This will be a PAR 4 when playing both the Red and Blue Courses

Hole 16: S.I becomes 17

Hole 17: S.I. becomes 10. This will be a PAR 4 when playing the Red Course. It will be a PAR 3 when we play the Blue Course.