



**THE PITLOCHRY GOLF
CLUB COMPETITIONS RULES**

Ladies Section

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Eligibility:

Ladies Competitions, other than those designated as open to visitors, are restricted to members of Pitlochry Golf Club but, subject to further restrictions as stated in the Ladies Competition Rules, members of Blair Atholl Golf Club would also be eligible to participate. Junior girls are not eligible to compete in ordinary Members' Competitions unless they hold an official playing LGU handicap.

The course handicap for individual match play competitions is limited to 36 (this includes the championship qualifying rounds). The Doreen Manson Foursomes is restricted to players with a maximum course handicap of 36. Further handicap restrictions may be applied by external competitions.

Draws:

In general, the draw for a competition will be made at 6pm on the Sunday before the competition. For weekend competitions, the draw will generally be done on the Tuesday before the competition.

For the Club Championship Qualifiers there will be a segregated draw i.e. where possible, Silver Division drawn with Silver Division and Bronze Division drawn with Bronze Division. All other competitions are straight draws, playing with someone close to your chosen time.

The draws for the Knockout Competitions (Fergusson Cup, Balnakeilly Rosebowl & Doreen Manson Cup) should be done at the end of April / beginning of May. For the Doreen Manson Foursomes, where possible the draw will be made to pair a low & a high handicapper.

The draw for the Club Championship is automatic according to qualifying position.

Playing numbers:

Play in medal competitions will be in groups of two or three.

All players in a group must play in the competition unless playing "for handicap".

Entry Fee / Charity Donation/ Twos Club:

The entry fee for all normal competitions is **£2**, to be made to the Professional.

The Twos Club for all competitions is £1, to be made to the Professional.

Donations for Charity to be put in brown envelope then placed in brown box in the locker room. Unless specified, the amount of the donation is up to the competitor.

Unless a competition is cancelled, all players who have entered the draw should make their payment, even if they decide not to play. If the competition is cancelled, the players' entry money shall be refunded. For Charity events, please make your donation, even if the competition has to be cancelled.

If a cancelled competition is rescheduled and combined with another competition, then the entry fee may be correspondingly increased.

Start Times:

Prior to starting their round, all competitors must check in with the Professional, who will give them their score card.

The first group of players must not start their round before their allocated starting time.

Score Cards and Scores:

All competitors must use the Club's current score card. Failure to do so will result in disqualification.

If someone wishes to play in the competition and does not have someone to play with the Committee can appoint someone to mark that persons card whether or not she is actually playing in the competition.

On completion of the round the *marker* must sign the scorecard and hand it to the *competitor*. If more than *one marker* records the scores, each must sign the part for which she is responsible. The *competitor* should check her scores for each hole and ensure the *marker* or *markers* have signed the scorecard and then sign the scorecard herself. Failure to do so will result in disqualification.

Competitors are requested to enter their score in the computer and place their score card in the box in the Ladies locker room. This includes "No Return" cards. Failure to return cards will result in disqualification.

Course unplayable:

If the course is deemed unplayable by authority of the Professional or his deputy, and/or if possible after consultation with a member of the Committee or on recommendation from a member of the Greens Staff, the competition will be rescheduled for another day or cancelled.

Suspension/Abandonment of Play:

All players must adhere to the rules regarding suspension or abandonment of play laid out in The Rules of Golf - Rule 6-8. In addition, even though a competition is not formally suspended or abandoned (the air horn has not sounded), a player, believing there is danger from lightning, is entitled to mark their ball and discontinue play under Rule 6-8. They must then follow the procedures laid out in this Rule.

Cancelled Competitions:

If a competition is cancelled, any completed cards count for reduction only against SSS for handicap purposes. This applies to all competition days.

- *Alternative Day Cancelled* - The Alternative Day will not be re-scheduled unless the Main Day is also cancelled. Players are permitted to sign up for the Main Day.
- *Main Day Cancelled & not Re-scheduled* - Except for the designated Medal rounds, the Alternative Day competition will be cancelled. For Medal competitions, then the medal element of the competition will stand, but it will not count towards any Club Competition.

- *Main Day Cancelled & Re-scheduled* - The Alternative Day will be cancelled and rescheduled along with the Main Day.

Tied Competitions:

In the event of a tie the winner will be the player with the lowest scratch or handicap score, unless otherwise stated as appropriate, over:

- the inward half, and if undecided over
- the last six holes, and if undecided over
- the last three holes, and if undecided over
- the last hole, and if undecided over
- the last twelve holes, and if undecided over
- the last fifteen holes

For multi-round competitions, the countback will be done over the aggregate scores

Match Play Competitions:

The first named player on the draw is the challenger. The challenger should give 3 possible dates for playing the tie (non-consecutive dates, including at least one weekend date).

Every effort should be made to play ties by the date stipulated. An extension (maximum one week) will only be granted in special circumstances, after application has been made in writing to the Committee.

For all Match Play Competitions the stipulated round is 18 holes. Any match that is tied after 18 holes should proceed up the 1st hole and continue until there is a winner. For handicap competitions, strokes for extra holes will be given at the same holes as on the stipulated round.

If any match is suspended at the agreement of all players, then it must be resumed at the hole at which the suspension occurred. (If necessary, in order to get into position on the course, the preceding holes may be played, but do not affect the match.)

Buggies:

Any adult may use a golf buggy in competition play without needing a medical certificate. Priority for buggy allocation will be given to those who have a Certificate.

Alternative Day:

Subject to availability, the Saturday before the Main Tuesday Competition will be the Alternative Day, with tee times from 2.00pm to 2.16pm.

Competitors wishing to play on the Alternative Day should enter their name on the alternative day list by 6pm on the previous Wednesday.

The Alternative Day is intended for players who are unable to play on the Main Competition Day. Players are requested to play on the Main Competition Day if possible.

1. MEDALS (Stroke Play)

There are **seven Medal Competitions** (April – October). Medal days are usually held on the 1st Tuesday in the month.

Extra Medals are the **Spring, Summer and Autumn Meetings**, and the **Extra Medal**, making 11 Medal Competitions in all.

The qualifiers for the Regional Medal Finals will be the three Pitlochry Golf Club Members returning the lowest aggregate of four net scores in the Medal competitions.

If two or more competitors tie, the winner shall be decided on the net score of the last 9, 6, 3 or 1 holes of all four cards added together. The winners are entitled to compete in the Regional Medal Finals.

2. THE CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP (Scratch)

(Restricted to the Pitlochry Golf Club Members)

The **Club Champion** will be the Match Play winner from the four qualifiers with the best gross **two** round aggregate score in the May and June Medals and the May and June Butter Cups. The Match Play dates are fixed and known in advance.

Competitors should state whether they are available to play if they qualify. These dates will be posted on the notice board at the beginning of the season.

It is an automatic draw i.e. 1 v 4; 2 v 3

3. THE SILVER CHAMPIONSHIP (Handicap)

Donated by Margaret Macrae

(Restricted to the Pitlochry Golf Club Members)

For those in the Silver Division who have not qualified for the Club Championship.

The same conditions and dates as for the Club Championship apply for the Silver Championship, calculated on the best **EIGHT** net **two** round aggregate score returned in the Silver Division. A maximum course handicap of 20 is applied to both the qualifying rounds and the match play.

It is an automatic draw i.e. 1 v 8; 5 v 4; 3 v 6; 7 v 2

4. THE BRONZE CHAMPIONSHIP (Handicap)

Donated by Margaret McCallum

(Restricted to the Pitlochry Golf Club Members)

For those in the Bronze Division who have not qualified for the Club Championship.

The same conditions and dates as for the Club Championship apply for the Bronze Championship calculated on the best **EIGHT** net **two** round aggregate score returned in the Bronze Division. A maximum course handicap of 36 is applied to both the qualifying rounds and the match play.

It is an automatic draw i.e. 1 v 8; 5 v 4; 3 v 6; 7 v 2

5. THE SENIOR LADIES CHAMPIONSHIP (Scratch)

Donated by Margaret Chalmers
(Restricted to the Pitlochry Golf Club Members)

The same conditions and dates as for the Club Championship apply for the Senior Ladies Championship but with 4 qualifiers calculated on the best gross two round aggregate score returned by players aged 50 and over on January 1st. If necessary the final can be played on either of the two weekends following the specified Finals Day.

6. THE LADY MYRA BUTTER TROPHY

The Lady Myra Butter Trophy is a **Knockout Match Play** Competition played during May, June, July, August and September. It is a Handicap Competition i.e. full difference in handicaps. There is a maximum course handicap of 36.

7. THE BALNAKEILLY ROSEBOWL

Donated by the Stewart Stevens (Wilson) Family

The Balnakeilly Rosebowl is a **Knockout Match Play** Competition for the Silver Division, played during May, June, July, August and September. It is a Handicap Competition i.e. full difference in handicaps.

8. THE FERGUSSON CUP

Donated by Fergussons of Baledmund

The Fergusson Cup is a **Knockout Match Play** Competition for the Bronze Division, played during May, June, July, August and September. It is a Handicap Competition i.e. full difference in handicaps. There is a maximum course handicap of 36.

9. THE DOREEN MANSON CUP

Donated by the Family of Doreen Manson, a former member of the Club

The Doreen Manson Cup is a **Knockout Foursomes Match Play** Competition, played during May, June, July, August and September. It is a handicap competition i.e. half of difference in combined handicaps. A draw will be made for partners. No substitutes will be permitted once players are through their initial round. Prior to this, under exceptional circumstances, a substitute partner may be requested and will be selected by the Committee (subject to availability). Such a request should be submitted to the Committee at least one week prior to the end date stipulated for that round. There is a maximum course handicap of 36. Players must have a handicap of 36 or below to enter this competition.

10. THE BUTTER CUP

Donated by Butter Family
(Trophy restricted to the Pitlochry Golf Club Members)

The Butter Cup is a stroke play competition. There are seven Butter Cup Competitions (April – October). Butter Cup Competitions are usually held on the 2nd Tuesday of each month.

The Butter Cup winner is the Club Member with the lowest aggregate of **three** nett scores. If two or more competitors tie, the winner shall be decided on the nett score of the last 9, 6, 3 or 1 holes of all three cards added together.

11. THE DOUGLAS KEILLER SALVER

Donated by Gertrude Keiller a former member of the club

The Douglas Keiller Salver is a stroke play competition and will be awarded for the best **two** round nett aggregate scores in the **Spring, Summer & Autumn Meetings**

12. THE TOM HARDY TROPHY

Donated by Shirley-Ann Hardy
(Restricted to the Pitlochry Golf Club Members)

The Tom Hardy Trophy is a stroke play competition for the **Handicap Championship**. It will be awarded to the player with the best **two** out of **four** nett scores in the **July, August, September and October Medals**.

13. THE MARY CRERAR ROSEBOWL

Donated by Mary Crerar, a former member of the Club

The Mary Crerar Rosebowl is a **Stableford** Competition open to seniors of **55 years and over**. As this is a smaller competition it is normally played in the evening, although not essentially.

14. THE PAST CAPTAIN'S CUP

Donated by Liz Miskimmin

The Past Captain's Cup is a stableford competition, open to all Past Captains and is followed by a supper in the Clubhouse. It is a small, friendly, social gathering and some come for the supper only. Currently the Captain draws the competition to the attention of all playing Past Captains and writes a personal invitation to all nonplaying Past Captains.

15. CAPTAIN'S PRIZE

This is normally a counting competition – the format is decided by the Captain. Maximum handicap 54

16. VICE CAPTAIN'S PRIZE

This is a fun competition – the format is decided by the Vice Captain. Maximum handicap 54

17. MADGE RANKIN TROPHY

Donated by the Family of Madge Rankin, a former member of the Club

This is a fun competition, usually a personal greensomes strokeplay. Maximum handicap 54

18. LESLEY REID TROPHY

Donated by the Family of Lesley Reid, a former captain of the Club
This is a fun competition. Maximum handicap 54

19. PROFESSIONAL'S PRIZE

The Professional's Prize is a stroke play competition. Prizes for the best scratch and best handicap are donated by the professional.

20. CORONATION FOURSOMES

Players enter with a partner of their choice; winning Pitlochry Golf Club team go forward to the draw for the Area Final.

21. ABERFELDY TROPHY

Donated by Aberfeldy Ladies Section
This is a fun competition; format will be decided prior to competition.

22. BLAIRGOWRIE TROPHY

Donated by Blairgowrie Ladies Section
This is a fun competition; format will be decided prior to competition.

23. PGC CUP

Donated by Pitlochry Golf Club
This is a fun competition to be play in teams of 3's partners to be drawn; format will be decided prior to competition.

24. DAILY MAIL FOURSOMES

The Daily Mail Foursomes is a foursomes Strokeplay competition. Players may choose their playing partner.
There is a maximum course handicap of 36. Players must have a handicap of 36 or below to enter this competition.
The winning Pitlochry Golf Club Members are entitled to play in the Daily Mail KO Foursomes. If one of the winners is unable to take part in the Daily Mail competition, then a draw will be made between the losing Club Members to decide who should represent the club. Players must be 18 or over on the 1st January of the year immediately following qualification.

25. CLUB ECLECTIC

This is an eclectic competition covering all Competitions. Use 5/8 course handicap at close of play. There are three winners: Course Handicap 1-20, Course Handicap 21-28 and Course Handicap 29-54.

26. WINTER LEAGUE

Format – ‘Stableford’ scoring, but the medal scores must be entered on the card, as these will be used for the eclectic competition.

The start/finish date of the winter league will be posted on the competition notice board in the clubhouse.

Entry – members who intend to play in the winter league are requested to enter their names on the entry sheet on the competition board in the clubhouse. This is to enable the handicap list, score & eclectic sheets to be prepared in advance of the competition.

Entry fee: £1 entry fee plus £3 minimum donation with the first card. All **donations** go to charity. All entry fees should be placed in the box in the ladies locker room.

Stableford Scores – only one card per week may be submitted for a stableford “score”. A week runs from Sunday to Saturday.

Eclectic Cards – an unlimited number of cards may be submitted for the eclectic competition. To count for the eclectic competition at least 9 holes must be played.

Play – any day, any time, but on Tuesday a draw will be done at 10.15 am (sharp) for those present and play will commence at 10.28 am. On Saturday and Sunday the draw will be at 11.15am for play at 11.30am

Cards must be placed in the box in the ladies locker room on the day of play. Cards that you **do not** wish to be entered for a “score” must be clearly marked as for eclectic only. Once a “score” card has been entered for the week, any further cards submitted in that week will be counted as for eclectic only.

Course – play must be over the course designated as open for the day of play.

Handicap - **Players will play with 75% of their full course handicap, regardless of course length. The winter handicap will not change.**

Stableford Competition – this will be decided by the best four aggregate Stableford scores submitted throughout the competition. There will be a trophy for the overall winner, and also prizes for the 1st Silver & 1st Bronze.

Eclectic Competition – There will be prizes awarded in the categories for Course Handicaps 0-20, 21-27 and 28-36.