

Pitlochry Golf Club

Gents Senior Section

This document contains details of the various rules we operate to ensure that our competitions are run in a consistent and fair manner giving everyone (all handicaps) an equal opportunity to win. The various types of competition and the general rules of those competitions are shown on separate pages and may change slightly from time to time in the light of experience.

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Pitlochry Golf Club Gents Senior Section

General Rules

In general, the rules for the Senior Section very much mirror the rules of the main PGC Gents section and of course the Rules of Golf.

However, because our competitions are tailored for the Senior golfer and are usually played on Monday mornings with tee times of 08.24 to 10.08 then in some areas we operate slightly differently.

ENTRY TO TEAM COMPETITIONS

We have a mix of team competitions over the summer. Some allow entry as a team others have drawn teams when the draw is made.

For competitions where teams are drawn from the list of entered names, please enter your names in chronological order in the numbered spaces on the entry sheet. The teams will be created by the organiser on a first come first served basis. It may not be possible to place the last entered 1 or 2 names on the list into a team, so these golfers would be able to play on the day but not be part of a team. Such golfers, not part of a team, will be shown on the draw when it is emailed out. These golfers would be reserves if anyone should cancel. There is of course, nothing stopping such golfers ringing round other members to try to recruit a member(s) to make up a team should they wish.

SENIOR SECTION RULES FOR AWARDING SWEEP MONEY

The following rules will be used by competition organisers to award sweep money.

Awards will be rounded to the nearest £1.00

Singles Competitions

1-10 competitors - 1st prize only,

11-20 competitors - 1st prize (67%) and 2nd prize (33%)

21 -30competitors - 1st prize (50%), 2nd prize (30%), and 3rd prize (20%)

31 and over - 1st prize 40%, 2nd Prize 30%, 3rd prize 20% 4th prize 10%

2 Man team competitions

Up to 15 teams (30 Golfers) 1st prize (67%), 2nd prize (33%)

Over 15 teams 1st prize 50%, 2nd Prize 30%, 3rd prize 20%

3 Man team competitions

1st prize only up to 10 teams.

Over 10 teams 1st prize (67%), 2nd prize (33%)

When we have 2 or more golfers with the same winning score over 18 holes then the winner will be decided by the scores over the best back 9, best back 6, best back 3 and finally last hole score.

Order of Merit Competitions

This is a season long competition incorporating the results from all 11 of our Medal competitions including the 2 rounds of the Killiecrankie Cup.

Merit points are awarded as follows:

Winner 10 points

2nd place 9 points

3rd place 8 points etc down to 1 point for 10th place.

Below 10th place no merit points are awarded. If there was a tie say for first place then the countback procedure (best back 9, best back 6 , best back 3 etc) would decide the position and points allocated.

A spreadsheet will show the updated list of points awarded after each O.O.M. competition takes place.

An order of Merit Trophy will be presented to the winner at the end of the season.

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The TCL Decanter (Stableford)

Competition format/rules

- This is the opening competition of the Seniors season.
- It is a Handicap Qualifying Competition.
- The format is Stableford.
- The winner will be presented with the TCL Decanter.
- The tradition is that the previous year's winner fills the Decanter with a "drink" of their choice at the following year's competition.!
- Vouchers will be awarded for 1st, 2nd and 3rd placed competitors.
- £2.00 entry, Optional £1.00 sweep and £1.00 "2s"

Enjoy the golf and the whisky!

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Monthly Medals

Competition format/rules

- We play one medal a month during the season starting in April and ending in October.
- The format of the medals alternates between Strokeplay and Stableford.
- All these medal rounds are qualifiers for the Order of Merit Competition.
- The Strokeplay medal rounds will be in handicap order wherever possible, but we will try to accommodate requests for early or late starts.
- Full results will be shown on the “How did I do” website.
- The winner of each medal will receive a voucher at the end of the season.
- £2.00 entry, Optional £1.00 sweep and £1.00 “2s”

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Pairs Better Ball Strokeplay Dyson Salver Competition

Competition format/rules

This is a 2 man Better ball strokeplay team competition where the team's best score at each hole is recorded on the score card taking into account the handicap allowances.

Entry can be as a team or alternatively the organiser will make up teams from single entries.

Each player is given 90% of their normal singles handicap for this type of competition.

The **Gross Score** is entered in Column A or column B depending on which player scores the better net score taking into account the handicap and stroke index. The corresponding **Net Score** should be entered in column C. If each player records the same score then the player who holes out first is credited with the score.

Below is a typical score card correctly completed.

COMPETITION		4BBB 90% HDCP		DATE	H'CAP		PAR				
PLAYER A		D. Smith (20)		20x0.9 =		18	WHITE	YELLOW	RED		
PLAYER B		S. Jones (27)		27x0.9 =		24	69	69	72		
PLAYER C							SSS				
							WHITE	YELLOW	RED		
							69	67	70		
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MARKER SCORE	HOLE	WHITE	YELLOW	PAR	SI	SCORE		NETT	RED	PAR	SI
						A	B	C			
4	1	Distillery	384	376	4	6	5	4	362	5	3
5	2	Old North Road	419	362	4	2	6	4	331	4	7
5	3	Craigiedun	306	279	4	11	5	4	245	4	11
3	4	Picts Fort	168	146	3	18	4	3	115	3	17
5	5	Queen Mary's Rest	361	354	4	4	6	4	345	4	1
4	6	Druid Stones	347	334	4	9	5	4	319	4	5
4	7	Craig-Eiche	277	273	4	15	4	3	265	4	15
5	8	Bruce's Look Out	329	319	4	8	5	4	302	4	9
4	9	Drumchorry	347	345	4	12	5	4	335	4	13
39	.	OUT	2938	2788	35	.		34	2619	36	.
PLEASE AVOID SLOW PLAY AT ALL TIMES											
5	10	Lag-Na-Buie	421	414	4	1	7	5	403	5	8
4	11	Drum-Dearg	185	163	3	14	4	3	149	3	12
5	12	Moine-Dubh	411	411	4	7	6	5	398	4	2
5	13	Clach-Na-Cat	367	359	4	3	6	4	352	5	6
4	14	Tulloch	277	265	4	16	4	3	252	4	18
5	15	Drumcroy	290	276	4	5	5	4	267	4	4
2	16	Clunimore	180	148	3	10	4	3	119	3	16
4	17	Balghulan	284	273	4	17	5	4	258	4	14
4	18	Max's Leap	328	317	4	13	6	5	310	4	10
38	.	IN	2743	2626	34	.		36	2508	36	.
39	.	OUT	2938	2788	35	.		34	2619	36	.
77	.	TOTAL	5681	5414	69	.		70	5127	72	.
Player's Signature		<u>S. Jones</u>		H'CAP				STABLEFORD POINTS		OR PAR RESULT	
Marker's Signature		<u>A.N. O'Her.</u>		NETT				70			

Add up Column C for outward and inward 9s and make sure the card is signed by both a player and the marker. The marker's team net score goes in the left hand column as a cross check and to see which pair is winning!

Vouchers will be awarded for 1st, and 2nd placed competitors

£4.00 entry per team, Optional £2.00 sweep per team and £1.00 individual "2s"

Enjoy your round and Good Luck!!

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The Killiecrankie Cup Competition

Competition rules

- This is a Stableford Medal played over 36 Holes. Both competitions are handicap qualifying competitions.
- The competition is open to fully paid up Senior members at both Blair Atholl and Pitlochry golf clubs.
- An entry sheet will be placed on both the Blair Atholl G.C and Pitlochry G.C. notice boards.
- The first 18 holes will be played at Blair Atholl. Usually this will be played whilst the Ladies Highland week is taking place at Pitlochry.
- The second 18 Holes will be played at Pitlochry.
- There is no compulsion to play in both events, each competition can be played as an 18 hole medal.
- The trophy winner will be the person with best aggregate Stableford score over 36 holes.
- In the event of tie, the winner will be the person with the best 18 hole score at Pitlochry, followed by best back 9, best back 6 etc.
- Vouchers will be awarded for 1st, 2nd and 3rd placed competitors.
- £2.00 entry, Optional £1.00 sweep and £1.00 “2s”

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Captain's Trophy Competition

Competition rules

- This is a handicap qualifying competition.
- This is an order of Merit qualifying competition.
- The format is strokeplay.
- The winner will be presented with the Trophy at the end of the season.
- Vouchers will be awarded for 1st, 2nd and 3rd placed competitors.
- £2.00 entry, Optional £1.00 sweep and £1.00 “2s”

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The Vrackie Cup

Competition rules

- This competition is an annual match against the Pitlochry Ladies.
- The format may vary from year to year.
- Each of the teams will consists of 8, 10 or 12 players.
- The Vrackie Cup will be presented to the winning team after the competition result is known.

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Matchplay Knockout Competition for the Neil Panton Cup

Competition rules

- The draw for this competition will take place in early April in order for any preliminary ties to take place.
- The Rules for this competition follow the Gents Club rules for knockout competitions. Entrants should be aware that under no circumstances will there be time extensions given for unplayed ties.
- The Knockout Rounds results sheet will be displayed on the Seniors' notice board.
- The Final round will be played in September.
- The winner will be presented with the Neil Panton trophy at the Seniors Prizegiving in October.
- Vouchers will be awarded for 1st and 2nd placed competitors and the 2 losing semi-finalists.
- Entry fee is £2.00.

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3 Man Texas Scramble Competition

Competition rules

- The draw for this competition can vary slightly. Teams can sometimes be drawn by the organiser or alternatively, members can enter as a team. The Entry sheet will state which type of draw is in place.
- There will be an allowance is 1/5 of total team handicap.
- Shots can be played in any person order.
- Each player must use 4 of his drives and a maximum 8.
- Place within 6” on fairway or in a bunker, drop in rough.
- Gross scores should be entered in Column A. Enter the initials of the person whose drive was used in the marker’s column.
- Show the total Net score by subtracting the fractional handicap from the total Gross score.
- £1.00 entry, Optional £3.00 team sweep and NO “2s”
- In the event of only 2 players being available, then a ghost player with a handicap of average of the other 2 will be deemed to be playing for handicap purposes. Additionally, at alternative holes, (Player A odd holes and Player B even holes), will each get an attempt play a 2nd ball at each ball position until the ball is holed. The 2 players will each have a minimum of 7 drives and no maximum.

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Captain vs Vice Captain Competition

Competition format/rules

- Handicap Allowance 90%
- This is a 2 man team matchplay competition where the 2 man teams (pairs) are drawn to play for either the Captain or Vice Captain's team. Holes are won, halved or lost after taking into account the handicap allowances and stroke indexes at each hole.
- The handicap adjustments are made against the lowest handicap player in the 4 ball group. So, for example: If **Player A is 10**, **Player B is 17**, **Player C is 22** and **Player D is 28**, then Player A gets zero strokes, Player B gets 90% of 7= 6 strokes, Player C gets 90% of 12= 11, and player D gets 90% of 18=16 strokes. Players to take their shots at the appropriate holes.
- Mark the card to show holes won (+), halved (0) or lost (-) for each pair over 18 holes.
- **Unlike normal matchplay where the game ends if say for example, one team is 4 up with 3 to play, in the Captain vs Vice Captain match it is important to complete all 18 holes before recording the final score.**
- Record the final 18 hole score on the card and hand it to the competition organiser.
- He will add all the scores from each pair in the competition to decide the overall winning team.
- £1.00 Entry, No sweep, optional £1.00 "2s"
- In the event of a single player, he will receive a notional handicap increase of 5 shots.

Enjoy your round and Good Luck!!

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Stableford 1-2-3 Competition

Competition format/rules

- Played in teams of 3 off full handicap on a Stableford basis.
- Remember to mark each player's handicap on the card.
- At each of the first 6 holes record the best Stableford points and gross score of one player.
- At holes 7 to 12 record the best Stableford points and gross scores of 2 players.
- At holes 13 to 18 record all 3 players Stableford points and gross scores.
- Finally add up the total of Stableford points scored. (6 from first 6 holes, 12 from second 6 holes and 18 from last 6 holes)
- £1.00 entry, Optional £3.00 team sweep and £1.00 individual "2s"
- In the event of the team only having 2 players, then over the last 6 holes a ghost player will be created scoring 2 points at each hole.

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4BBB Stableford Competition

Competition format/rules

- This is a Better Ball Pairs competition played off 90% full handicap on a Stableford basis.
- This is very similar to the Pairs Strokeplay competition (The Dyson Salver) except the format is Stableford
- The organiser will mark the card with each players stroke allowance.
- The best score at each hole should be entered on the card in the appropriate A or B column. Please mark the card with the gross score and associated Stableford points so that the card can easily be checked.
- The Stableford points should be totalled at the bottom of the card.
- £2.00 Entry per team, £2.00 Optional sweep per team, £1.00 optional individual “2s”
- In the event of only 1 player then the single player will receive a notional handicap increase of 5 Shots.

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3 Man Alliance Competition

Competition format/rules

- This can be either a Strokeplay or Stableford competition. The entry sheet and the team card will show the format to be used.
- Played in teams of 3 off full handicap allowance.
- This is a team competition where the best 2 out of 3 scores are recorded on the card.
- Enter the scores in the appropriate column
- Enter the aggregate score in the Markers column
- Enter the total score at the bottom of the card.
- £1.00 entry, Optional £3.00 team sweep and £1.00 individual “2s”
- In the event of the team only having 2 players then both players will receive a notional handicap increase of 5 shots.

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Yellow Peril Competition (Stableford)

Competition format/rules

- Played in teams of 3 off full handicap on a Stableford basis.
- A yellow ball **MUST** be used by one of the team members on every 3rd hole e.g. Player A on holes 1, 4, 7 etc, Player B on holes 2, 5, 8 etc and Player C on holes 3, 6, 9 etc.
- The team may choose which players play 1st, 2nd and 3rd but they must keep to that order thereafter.
- If a player loses the yellow ball or hits it out of bounds he must play the shot again under the usual penalty of 2 shots.
- The net Stableford score of the yellow ball plus the best net of one of the other 2 team members will be the counting scores at each hole.
- Record the counting players scores (Gross and points) in column A, B or C and the total points for each hole in the Markers Score column.
- Add up the overall total for 18 holes.
- The pleasure – and pain – of this format is the added pressure on the player whose yellow ball score **must** count.
- £1.00 entry, Optional £3.00 team sweep and £1.00 individual “2s”
- In the event of a team only having 2 players then both players receive a notional handicap increase of 5 shots. The yellow ball score will of course count at each hole.

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Melody 1 from 3 Competition (Stableford)

Competition format/rules

- Teams of three, full handicap allowance, Stableford format.
- All players play and at the end of each hole select one player's score which is to be recorded on the card.
- This selection must be done after the completion of each hole and not at the end of the round.
- Each player must have their gross and Stableford score recorded for 6 holes only. Use columns A, B and C.
- The game relies on the team's good judgement when choosing whose score to record at each hole.
- Add up the team's total stableford score for 18 holes.
- £1.00 entry, Optional £1.00 team sweep and £1.00 individual "2s"
- In the event of a 2 man team

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Scotland v England

Competition rules for the day

This is basically a 9 hole pairs matchplay competition followed by two 9 hole singles matchplay competitions.

Holes 1 – 9: In each group calculate 90% of the difference in handicaps from the player with the lowest handicap and take strokes according to the stroke index on the score card.

For example, if a player would have got 8 shots from the lowest handicap player over 18 holes, he will get 4 shots over the first 9 holes ie at stroke index 6, 2, 4 and 8.

The pair with the best net score wins the hole.

The pair with the most wins gets 1 team point or ½ for ties.

Holes 10 – 18: The first named player on the Scotland team score card plays against the first named player on the England card and the two second players play each other. Full handicaps with strokes taken from the lower handicapped of the two players.

Again if the full handicap difference over 18 holes is say 6 shots the higher handicapped player will get 3 shots over the back 9 ie. holes with stroke index 1, 3 and 5.

Each winner gets 1 team point or ½ for a tie.

If each team has 16 players 24 points are at stake so the winning team must score at least 12½ points.

No sweep for this competition but an optional “2s” competition will be available.

In the event of uneven teams where 1 player has to play against 2 opponents, then the single player will receive a notional handicap increase of 5 shots and play all 18 holes against the 2 opponents for 1 match point.

Have Fun and may the best team win !!

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2 Man Texas Scramble Rules.

Competition format/rules

- The team handicap will be calculated by taking 40% of the combined Handicap of both players.
- The Competition organiser will show this calculation on the team scorecard.
- Each Team member's tee shot to be used a minimum of **8 times** during the 18 Holes.
- Teams exchange scorecards before commencement of play. Each team is required to record the gross scores of their playing partners.
- A team's net score is calculated by subtracting the combined scramble handicap from its gross score.
- Countback will be used in the event of a tie.
- £1.00 entry, Optional £2.00 team sweep and NO "2s"

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Hidden Pairs Rules.

Competition format/rules

- This is played in 3 ball groups, but individual scores are used in the result. Full handicap allowance, Stableford format.
- The organiser will draw each player a hidden partner.
- The hidden partners will only be revealed as golfers finish their round.
- Cards should be marked in the usual way for a Stableford competition showing gross score / Stableford points so that scores can be checked easily.
- In the event of a tie normal countback procedures will apply.
- The winners will be the 2 golfers (partners) with the best aggregated score.
- £1.00 entry, Optional £1.00 sweep and £1.00 “2s”
- In the event of an odd number of entries, before the start, one player is drawn from the entries and his score is used twice to create a 2 man team.

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The Winter Championship.

Competition format/rules

This Stableford competition is played throughout the winter season and the number of counting rounds will vary from one year to another depending upon the weather.

The rounds will be played over either the Red or Blue course or a combination of both, the conditions on the day will dictate which course is in use. If there are 15 or more holes open on any particular course then the competition will be valid. The players will be awarded 2 points at each of the unavailable holes. There must be a minimum of 10 competitors for the round to count towards the Winter Championship.

Merit points are allocated to the top 10 competitors each round in the usual way, i.e. 1st place 10 points, 2nd place 9 points 3rd place 8 points etc..... etc down to 1 point for 10th place.

Below 10th place no merit points are awarded. If there was a tie say for first place then both golfers would receive 10 points, and then the next placed golfer would get 8 points etc.

A spreadsheet will show the updated list of merit points scores. The Championship winner is the person with the highest best 12 merit point scores (including zero scores).

In the event of a severe winter with a limited number of rounds the committee reserve the right to reduce the number of merit points scores down from 12 to a number which gives at least 50% of the participants a chance of competing.

The handicaps will be adjusted using a formula decided by the Seniors Committee and incorporated into the spreadsheet.

The Winter Championship Trophy will be presented to the winner at the conclusion of the winter season.

Vouchers will be awarded for 1st, 2nd placed competitors.

There is one off £2.00 entry fee and £1.00 sweep on the day.