

Sickleholme



Golf Club

1898



SICKLEHOLME LADIES' TERMS OF COMPETITION

1. All competitions are played under the rules adopted by the R & A.

Local rules governing play on the course as agreed from time to time by the Sickleholme General Committee are shown on the score cards or advised on notice boards/via email.

The Ladies Competition Committee comprises the Lady Captain, The Handicap Secretary, the Competitions Secretary and the Assistant Competitions Secretary.

2. Eligibility to enter competitions.

Ladies' Competitions are open to full playing, six day, country and junior members whose subscriptions are paid and who hold a WHS Handicap Index.

Terms of Competition for each event played are displayed in the Competition Conditions Book.

All entrants will be eligible for divisional prizes. There are three Divisions: Division 1: 0–20.4. Division 2: 20.5–28.4. Division 3: 28.5 and above.

If less than 8 players in any one division then for prizes 2 divisions will be amalgamated. If less than 8 players in all three divisions then there will only be one division for prize purposes. Prizes in Pro-shop vouchers will be dependent on the numbers who have entered that day and split between the number of divisions on that day.

Lady winners in the Saturday Mixed Medal and Stableford competitions do qualify for the Betty Horsfall Medal Final and the Betty Carson Trophy.

3. Major and Trophy competitions

There is a Handicap Index limit of 45 to win major trophies, the Presidents Prize and the Lady Captain's competitions. This ruling does not apply to the McCall Cup, Speedwell trophy and Lady Past Captains Competitions. Players with a HI above 45 may still enter and be eligible for divisional prizes.

Competitors must play with another competitor or someone eligible to play in that competition. In exceptional circumstances, a non-competitor, provided they are a playing member of the club and hold a Handicap Index.

Members must have three cards attributed to their EG record within the last 12 months and have 17 cards visible on their Handicap Record to be eligible to win Major and Trophy Competitions.

4. Weekday (5 day) members who hold a Handicap Index can play in weekday Medals, Stablefords, 9 hole Stablefords, McCall Cup, Speedwell Trophy, YLCGA events, Given Days, Bank Holiday Mixed and selected charity events.

5. Six Day members can play in all ladies' competitions including the knockout competitions, Sunday to Friday.

6. Eligibility to play in 36 Hole competitions.

Where there is a club medal or stableford running concurrently with a Trophy Competition, a weekday member is eligible to take part in the club medal or stableford, but not for the main competition prizes.

If there is no "stand alone" competition accompanying the second round, anyone not having played in round one, together with any weekday members, cannot play in round two.

7. General Play Cards

A general play card can be returned for handicap by signing in on the terminal before playing if there is no other qualifying competition in which they are eligible to play.

8. Competition Charges

Each Lady must establish a competition account, which is used to pay entry fees. Players who do not have sufficient funds in their competition account will not be allowed to sign in via the Psi terminal. Accounts may be topped up in the shop/office or via the Golf Manager.

Entry fees will be decided by the committee and displayed in the competition book.

9. Scores.

Ladies must sign in on the terminal before playing and indicate which competition they are entering.

For 18 hole competitions, the computer will not allow a score to be entered within 2 hours of signing in and for 9 hole competitions within 1 hour of signing in.

All cards must be signed by the competitor and countersigned by the marker before the gross score is entered in the computer. The Committee asks ladies to enter their own score into the computer.

Signed cards must be returned as soon as possible after completion of the round and placed in the Competition Box. Scorecards may be checked inside the clubhouse.

Ladies are responsible for their own scores. If there is a discrepancy between the score on the card and the score on the computer the Committee reserves the right to change the score on the computer to agree with the score on the card.

10. Marking Cards.

Competitors must make every effort to play with another competitor. In exceptional circumstances, cards may be marked by a non-competitor, provided they are a playing member of the club and have a Handicap Index.

11. Disputes.

The Ladies' Committee will control all Ladies Only competitions and their decision on any dispute is final.

12. Tee Times.

Ladies have priority on the 1st tee on Wednesdays from 8.00 am (7.30 am in the summer) until 1.00 pm on a competition day. Other members may be able to play during these times

at the discretion of the Professional. If there is no competition, there is no restriction. Players may not change their reserved tee times on the day of a competition.

Times of play from 1st May to 30th September: The tee will be reserved from 7.30 am to 1.00 pm for Wednesday competitions. Qualifying competitions will stay open for the remainder of the day to accommodate later players (“Extended Daylight Play”). Lady Captain’s Day, President’s 2nd Round and Lady Vice Captain’s Day will not have extended daylight play.

13. Juniors

A junior is defined as “anyone under the age of 18 on the 1st January”.

Juniors with a Handicap Index may compete in all ladies’ competitions so long as they meet the handicap requirements in the Competition Conditions Book. In an 18-hole qualifying competition, juniors must be accompanied by an adult. A parent must be informed who will accompany their daughter and give oral consent.

In fourball and foursome competitions, juniors should be partnered by an adult unless approved otherwise.

14. Incomplete rounds and no returns.

Players entering any competition are expected to complete the round. Cards must be signed and returned even if a player walks off. In extreme circumstances (injury or illness) a partner may join another group to complete the round. Competitors whose partner cannot play on the day must play in a three at the end of the field.

15. Transportation.

Players shall walk at all times unless they have permission from the Competition Secretary to use a buggy.

16. Knock-Out competitions.

All players must arrange matches early. No extensions allowed. Matches must finish by the deadline. Losing players must enter winners’ names.

17. Severe Weather policy.

If a course closure occurs, competitions are cancelled and rearranged. If the course is open but players discontinue due to weather, the competition is deemed played and will not be rescheduled.

18. When no trollies or buggies are allowed, the course is unsuitable for a qualifying competition.

19. Distance measuring devices may be used.

20. Tied competitions.

Ties for trophies are decided on countback.

21. Mixed competitions and competitions open to men and women.

Handicap limits and conditions are set by the Club.

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