

Competition Guidelines.

This manual outlines guidance and rules for the running of Competitions and Handicaps at Scarborough South Cliff Golf Club and it is subordinate to the Rules of Golf as published by the R&A and to the World Handicap System as laid down by England Golf and Congu.

The Handicap Committee and Chairman of Golf shall be responsible for enforcing the rules laid down. Any appeals against their decisions must be made in writing within seven days and will be heard by the Handicap Committee in the first instance. The England Golf Rules of Appeal are available online or displayed at the Club.

All competitors are responsible for adhering to the 'Rules of Golf'

To gain a Handicap

A member obtains a Handicap index by posting score cards totalling 54 holes (3 x 18, 6 x 9 or a combination of both) marked by another member and posted in the competitions box on the day of play. Evidence of a reasonable standard of golf is expected prior to being given a Handicap Index.

Scores for initial handicap must be marked by a person acceptable to the Club's Handicap Committee.

Competitions

The Club competitions entry limits are shown as Playing Handicap:

Handicap Index – personal to you and is updated after each qualifying competition.

Course Handicap – Your Index shown as shots received when playing from the White, Yellow or Red Tees on our Course. A conversion chart is used to convert the Index to Course Handicap.

Playing Handicap – The Course Handicap adjusted by the Allowance for a particular Competition (i.e. Stableford or Medal the Allowance is 95% of Course Handicap).

See Attachment 1.

In most cases, COURSE HANDICAP and/or PLAYING HANDICAP is used to calculate competition results.

Competitors score cards **SHOULD** show the COURSE HANDICAP and preferably also the Handicap Index. The Handicap Committee will be responsible for applying the Handicap Allowances where appropriate, to determine the winners of competitions. The Handicap Allowances are set by the World Handicap System (Attachment 1).

Handicapping

1. The Club competitions operate under the rules of the World Handicapping System GB&I.
2. All Individual Strokeplay Competitions Played over a Measured Course will be Qualifying Competitions.
3. All Cards for Qualifying Competitions **MUST** be posted in the Competitions Box.

4. The Club operates a Player Score Input system (PSI) and each player is responsible for the correct input of his score at the end of each round. The Scorecard remains the sole requirement for scoring in the Competition.
5. A Member obtains a Handicap Index by presenting a CDH number from another Club or by posting score cards totalling 54 holes (3 x 18 holes, 6 x 9 holes or a combination of both) signed by another member into the Competition Box, evidence of a reasonable standard of Golf is expected prior to being given a Handicap Index.
6. Members with prior Golfing experience are expected to inform the Club Manager of this prior to being allocated a Handicap Index.

Handicap Qualifying scores in the Winter.

Under the WHS the following rules apply to handicap qualifying rounds in the winter.

1. Preferred Lies

Can only be taken on closely mown areas (areas cut to fairway height or lower). The ball must be moved within 6" of the original lie, no closer to the hole.

Our 'Winter Local Rules' permit preferred lies anywhere on the course, this is for non handicap qualifying rounds only.

2. Fairway Mats

You can still submit a score for handicap using fairway mats, as long as mats are only required on closely mown surfaces – fairway height or lower. The mat must be placed as near the ball as possible, and the ball can be cleaned.

Our 'Winter Local Rules' permit players to pick the ball off the fairway and walk 90 degrees to the nearest rough and place it in the rough, this is for non handicap qualifying rounds only.

3. Bunkers

Our 'Winter Local Rules' state that "When a player's ball lies in a bunker the player may take free relief once by placing the ball within 6 inches, not nearer the hole and still within the bunker. The player may rake the bunker before taking relief." This is for non handicap qualifying rounds only.

If all of our bunkers are marked "Ground Under Repair" they are treated as "Abnormal Ground Conditions" and relief can be taken. Handicap qualifying scores are still acceptable under these conditions.

4. Temporary Greens

Up to two temporary greens in operation permit scores to be accepted for handicap purposes.

Eligibility to Play in Competitions.

1. All Competitors MUST have a bona fide Handicap Index.
2. Country Members are eligible to play in all competitions apart from the Club Championship, Tradesmans Bowl, Bright Cup, Parker Cup, Wissler Trophy, Furby Trophy and Kingsley

Trophy. The Club Captain only may invite Country Members to play in other events. Country Members cannot qualify as representatives of the Club in sponsored events.

3. All male junior members may compete in Monthly Medal and Stablefords and Yellow Tee Stablefords and Extra competitions only, provided they have a Playing Handicap of 28 or less. They become eligible for all other events on attaining a Playing Handicap of 14. In all senior competitions they must play with a Full member.
4. Junior Competitions are open to Boys and Girls under the age of 18 years.
5. Competitors in all Competitions must play with a Marker who has entered the SAME Competition unless a marker is agreed by the Club Manager or Chairman of Golf prior to the Competition.
6. In all gentleman's Club competitions, with the exception of Monthly Medals, Stablefords and Yellow Tee Stablefords entrants must be born biologically male.

Organisation of Competitions:

1. All Competitions will be played off White Tees unless otherwise stated.
2. Starting sheets will be used for Major Competitions and Play will be in two or threeballs only for Singles Play. Play outside of Starting sheets is permitted though not in the **20 minutes** prior to the timesheet and **not at all** on Captains' Day or Club Championship.
3. In any Competition which is drawn any individual wishing to withdraw must inform the Club Manager or Chairman of Golf. No persons may enter a drawn competition after the draw other than as a reserve at the discretion of the Club Manager or Competitions Chairman.

Competition Fees.

The current entry fees and optional sweeps will be displayed on the relevant entry sheets and may be subject to change at the discretion of the Competition Committee. All relevant fees must be paid in the Golf shop or by using a club card at a sign in terminal in the 19th hole or Golf shop prior to the commencement of the match or competition. Failure to do so will result in automatic disqualification. Only players aged 18 years and over may enter any sweep

Any Competitor wishing to enter a competition prior to the day may do so only on the previous day by entering in the Golf shop. No refund may be given.

Postponements / Cancellations.

In the event of the full 18 hole course not being open the Chairman of Golf or Club Manager will decide if the competition is played over a reduced number of holes.

Should Summer events be cancelled a further suitable date is to be found. Winter Competitions (November to March) will only be rearranged if further suitable dates can be found within the Winter period.

Abandoning a competition that has already started.

There will be two officials for all competitions.

Decisions regarding abandonment of play will be made by the designated officials if they decide an unplayable condition is present.

A competition may be abandoned even when the course remains open.

Deciding of Ties

Unless otherwise stated the Competition will be decided on Countback in the following order:

Back: 9 Holes, 6, 3, 1, Front 9, 6, 3, 1st Hole.

Following any further Ties the decision will be made by the Golf Committee.

Knock Out Competitions

1. It is the responsibility of both players or pairs to agree a convenient date and ensure the match is played before the final date.
2. If a convenient date cannot be agreed, then at least 7 days before the final date, it is the responsibility of all the players to ensure that a request to extend the deadline is made to either the Golf Chairman or Club Manager to refer to the Golf Committee. In the event of a dispute, the decision of the Chairman of Golf shall be final.
3. Matchplay Finals - The date for the matchplay finals will be printed in the fixture list. If any player is involved in more than one final, an alternative date, convenient to all parties, will be arranged as soon as possible after the date on the fixture list, by the Chairman of Golf. The final of the Parker Cup will take precedence over all other competitions.

Where possible, referees will be supplied for all matchplay finals and their decisions will be final. All replays of finals must be on dates agreeable to all competitors and the referee.

If tied after the allotted Competitive rounds (18 or 36 Holes) all rounds except the finals will be decided by sudden death. Any tied final will be decided over a further 18 holes followed, if necessary by sudden death.

Competitions Details

Individual Strokeplay Events

Unless stated, all individual competitions will have a 95% handicap allowance

CAPTAINS PRIZE - WHITE MEDAL TEES

The Captain of the year is to decide the type of competition, the tees to be used, the handicap allowance and which class of members are to be invited.

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP - WHITE MEDAL TEES

To win any prize on Club Championship Day a player must have submitted 3 handicap qualifying scorecards in the 12 months previous to the date of the Club Championship

The competition will consist of two medal rounds, one in the morning and one in the afternoon. There will be 6 trophies.

1. The Club Championship awarded for the best aggregate gross score over the 2 rounds.
2. The Oates Scratch Trophy awarded for the best gross score in the morning round.
3. The Shepherd Scratch Trophy awarded for the best gross score in the afternoon round.
4. The Committee Cup awarded for the best aggregate net score over the two rounds.
5. The Deepdale Trophy will be awarded for the best morning round net score.
6. The Matthews Salver will be awarded for the best afternoon round net score.

To be eligible to win any trophy, competitors must play both rounds and submit both cards. Any competitor may win competitions 1, 2, and 3 in any combination, however any competitor who has won competition 1, cannot win 4.

In the event of a tie in competitions 2,3,5,& 6 the winner will be decided on the last 9--6--3 etc.

In the event of a tie in competitions 1 or 4, a further 18 holes will be played, on a convenient date, to decide the winner. If still tied, extra holes will be played on a sudden death basis.

Maximum Playing Handicap to be 16 but players with a higher Playing Handicap may compete from the maximum Playing Handicap.

In competitions 4,5,& 6 the handicap held on the day of the Club Championship will apply.

It is expected that the Club Champion will, whenever possible, represent South Cliff Golf Club in national competitions, team championships and alliances etc.

A golf buggy may **not** be used in the Club Championship unless by a player who can provide a valid current medical certificate of disability and has requested permission to use a golf buggy by the closing date for the competition.

“Disability” shall have the same meaning as section 1 of the Disability Discrimination Act 1995.

A person has a disability if he/she has a physical or mental impairment which has a substantial and long-term adverse effect on his/her ability to carry out normal day to day activities

A “Valid medical confirmation of disability” shall mean a valid medical certificate from a registered general practitioner or consultant registered with the Health Professions Council that the player or caddie is suffering from a disability.

TRADESMENS BOWL- WHITE MEDAL TEES

To win any prize in the Tradesmans Bowl a player must have submitted 3 handicap qualifying scorecards in the 12 months previous to the date of the competition

18 holes medal competition. Maximum Playing Handicap to be 18 but players with a Playing Handicap of 19 – 54 may compete off a Playing Handicap of 18. In the event of a tie, the winner will be decided on count back, i.e. last 9--6—3 etc.

BRIGHT CUP – WHITE MEDAL TEES

To win any prize in the Bright Cup a player must have submitted 3 handicap qualifying scorecards in the 12 months previous to the date of the competition

18 holes bogey competition. Maximum Playing Handicap to be 18 but players with a Playing Handicap of 19 – 54 may compete off a Playing Handicap of 18. In the event of a tie, the winner will be decided on count back, i.e. last 9--6—3 etc

DAVE HALL TROPHY – WHITE MEDAL TEES

To win any prize in the Dave Hall Trophy a player must have submitted 3 handicap qualifying scorecards in the 12 months previous to the date of the competition

18 hole individual Stableford competition played from the White tees, play anytime during the day. Maximum Playing Handicap to be 18 but players with a Playing Handicap of 19 – 54 may compete off a Playing Handicap of 18. In the event of a tie, the winner will be decided on count back, i.e. last 9-6—3 etc.

MONTHLY COMPETITIONS – SUMMER - WHITE MEDAL TEES

During the period April to October (inclusive), A Monthly Medal and a Monthly Stableford competition will be held each month. Competitors will play in either 2's, 3's or 4's at any time during the day.

There will be 3 divisions for each competition and prizes will be given for 1st and 2nd best nett in each division.

From the White Tees = Division 1 will be players with a Playing Handicap of 0 – 11, Division 2 will be 12 - 18, Division 3 will be 19 – 54

In the event of a tie, the winner will be decided on count back, i.e. last 9--6--3 etc. There will be prizes for 1st and 2nd in all Divisions for the competitors with the best aggregate of 3 scores in the summer medals and summer stablefords. i.e., the lowest aggregate net score from 3 medals and the highest aggregate points from 3 stablefords.

In the event of a tie for the aggregate, the winner will be decided by a medal or stableford round, as appropriate, over 18 holes.

There will also be 1st and 2nd prizes for the competitors with the best aggregate of 3 gross scores in the summer medals. In the event of a tie for either prize, the lowest gross round will take precedence.

For aggregate purposes, players will be deemed to be in the division in which they play in the first event of the Aggregate competition.

EXTRA COMPETITIONS

During the period April to October (inclusive), Extra Competitions will be held each month. The competitions will vary in format and eligibility with 1st and 2nd prizes being awarded for each competition.

GIBSON BOWL

From October 1st to September 30th in the following year, the winners and runners up of monthly stablefords and medals in all divisions are eligible to enter the Gibson Bowl. This is an 18 hole medal competition in two divisions, prizes given for the first and second nett in each division. In the event of a tie the winner will be decided on countback, ie. 9-6-3. The competition will be played in October of each year.

WINTER STABLEFORDS – WHITE/YELLOW/BLUE MEDAL TEES

During the period November to March (inclusive), a minimum of 2 stableford competitions will be held each month. A starting sheet will be used for those scheduled on Sundays (as detailed on page 2). Each stableford will have 2 Divisions, with 1st and 2nd prizes. Division 3 players will be included in Division 2.

In the event of a tie, the winner will be decided on count back, i.e. last 9--6--3 etc. If temporary Tees and Greens are in use on the day the competition may be played as a non – qualifier. Lou Beal Order of Merit points will apply.

LOU BEAL TROPHY

Awarded to the competitor with the highest number points gained from the Winter Order of Merit. Where the top 5 in the Winter Stableford competitions will be awarded points in order 5 points for 1st Place and 1 point for 5th Place.

In the event of a tie, the winner will be decided by a medal round over 18 holes. In the event of a tie in the playoff, the winner will be decided on count back, i.e. last 9--6--3 etc.

SENIORS TROPHY- WHITE MEDAL TEES

To win any prize in the Seniors Trophy a player must have submitted 3 handicap qualifying scorecards in the 12 months previous to the date of the competition

18 holes medal competition. Maximum Playing Handicap 28, but players with a Playing Handicap of 29 – 54 may compete off a Playing Handicap of 28. Players must be aged 55 years or over on the day of the competition. In the event of a tie, the winner will be decided on count back, i.e. last 9--6—3 etc.

65 PLUS TROPHY- YELLOW TEES

The Over 65's Trophy will be a Stableford Competition played off the **YELLOW TEES**. In the case of a tie the last 9, 6, 3 etc., holes will decide.

The competition is non qualifying for handicap, full course handicap allowance and will be played in 3 age groups, the age to be that on the day of the competition.

Age 65-69 to play 18 holes

Age 70-79 to play 15 holes

Age 80 or over to play 13 holes

Players must decide the number of holes they intend to play prior to play.

To determine the winner of the Trophy the average of the points scored over the holes played, will be multiplied by the number of holes not played, and added to the points actually scored to determine the total score over 18 holes.

Prizes will not be allotted by Age Group but by position in the event following the Calculation and the number of Prizes will reflect the entry (usually only one).

NEW YEARS DAY COMPETITION - YELLOW TEES

18 holes Stableford competition to be played on New Years Day each year. Maximum playing handicap allowance is 28. In the event of a tie, the winner will be decided on count back, i.e. last 9--6--3 etc.

In the event of inclement weather, the competition will be cancelled.

Matchplay Events

PARKER CUP - WHITE MEDAL TEES

To win any prize in the Parker Cup a player must have submitted 3 handicap qualifying scorecards in the 12 months previous to the date of the draw for the first round of the competition

Matchplay knockout competition over 18 holes. Full Playing Handicap difference. Maximum Playing Handicap to be 20 but players with a Playing Handicap of 21 – 54 may compete off a Playing Handicap of 20. In the event of a tie, in all rounds except the final, the winner will be decided by sudden death. Final to be played over 36 holes and in the event of a tie, a further 18 holes will be played. If still tied, the winner will be decided by sudden death.

WISSLER COMPETITION - WHITE MEDAL TEES

To win any prize in the Wissler Competition a player must have submitted 3 handicap qualifying scorecards in the 12 months previous to the date of the draw for the first round of the competition

4 Ball better ball matchplay knockout competition over 18 holes. Maximum Playing Handicap to be 20 but players with a Playing Handicap of 21 – 54 may compete off a Playing Handicap of 20. Handicap allowance will be 90% of the difference from the lowest Playing Handicap.

Final to be played over 18 holes and in the event of a tie, a further 18 holes will be played. If still tied, the winner will be decided by sudden death.

Previous winners may not play together again.

FURBY TROPHY - WHITE MEDAL TEES - LADIES LGU TEES

To win any prize in the Furby Trophy a player must have submitted 3 handicap qualifying scorecards in the 12 months previous to the date of the draw for the first round of the competition

Mixed foursomes matchplay knockout competition over 18 holes. Players may choose own partners. Maximum Playing Handicap to be: Gentlemen 20, Ladies 30 but players with a higher Playing Handicap may compete but the maximum Playing Handicap will apply. **Shot allowance to be 50% of the combined Playing Handicaps and then to apply any adjustment to allow for difference between Course Rating.**

In the event of a tie, in all rounds except the final, the winner will be decided by sudden death. Final to be played over 18 holes and in the event of a tie, a further 18 holes will be played. If still tied, the winner will be decided by sudden death.

KINGSLEY WINTER PAIR KNOCKOUT - WHITE TEES (BLUE IF WHITE NOT AVAILABLE)

To win any prize in the Kingsley Trophy a player must have submitted 3 handicap qualifying scorecards in the 12 months previous to the date of the qualifying competition

Maximum Playing Handicap to be 20 but players with a Playing Handicap of 21 – 54 may compete off a Playing Handicap of 20. Handicap allowance will be 90% of the difference from the lowest Course Handicap. The leading 8 pairs will play in a matchplay knockout competition during the winter months. All qualifiers will be drawn to determine their opponents.

In the event of a tie, in all rounds except the final, the winners will be decided by sudden death. Final to be played over 18 holes and in the event of a tie, a further 18 holes will be played. If still tied, the winner will be decided by sudden death.

Winners may not play together again. Handicap allowance will be 90%.

Fourball and Foursomes Competitions.

CLUB CAPTAINS DRIVE IN COMPETITION - WHITE MEDAL TEES

Competition format, date and teeing arrangements (Shotgun or not) to be at the Captains discretion. The course is to be closed prior to the competition.

Prizes to be decided by the Captain. In the event of a tie, the winner will be decided on count back, i.e. last 9--6--3 etc.

Tee order and Pairs may be decided by the Captain if he so wishes.

KEN DOCKRAY TROPHY - WHITE MEDAL TEES

To win any prize in the Ken Dockray Trophy a player must have submitted 3 handicap qualifying scorecards in the 12 months previous to the date of the competition

The format of this competition will be decided by the Golf Committee on an annual basis.

HOOD TROPHY - WHITE MEDAL TEES

To win any prize in the Hood Trophy a player must have submitted 3 handicap qualifying scorecards in the 12 months previous to the date of the competition

The format of this competition will be decided by the Golf Committee on an annual basis.

JOE NIXON TROPHY - WHITE TEES

To win any prize in the Joe Nixon Trophy a player must have submitted 3 handicap qualifying scorecards in the 12 months previous to the date of the competition

The format of this competition will be decided by the Golf Committee on an annual basis.

JEFFREY DENNIS TROPHY- YELLOW TEES

This competition is the final clutch of the season and is open to members who have qualified by winning a Wednesday or Saturday clutch (October to September) and entering at least 3 during the season. The competition is played off the Yellow Tees. The competition is open to members

aged 18 years and above, no visitors may enter. Partners to be drawn prior to the competition. Competition to be played over 18 holes, allowance will be 85% of Course Handicap and in the event of a tie, the winner will be decided on count back, i.e. last 9--6--3 etc.

BOXING DAY COMPETITION - YELLOW TEES

4 Ball better ball medal competition over 15 holes. Entries to be in pairs. Members may invite a non member as their partner. Allowance will be 90% of Course Handicap. Maximum Playing Handicap to be 28, players with a higher Playing Handicap may compete off a 28 Playing Handicap. Only 2 clubs and a putter may be used. In the event of a tie, the winner will be decided on count back, i.e. last 9-6-3 etc. Prizes to be presented immediately after the competition if at all possible.

TURKEY TROT - YELLOW TEES

4 ball better ball medal competition over 18 holes with a draw for partners, allowance will be 85% of Course Handicap. max playing handicap 24, players with a higher playing handicap may compete off a 24 playing handicap.

In the event of a tie, the winner will be decided on count back, i.e. last 9--6--3 etc. Prizes to be vouchers from a local butcher.

DAILY MAIL FOURSOMES - WHITE MEDAL TEES

To be played in accordance with the rules set out by the sponsors

CASSON SHIELD - 4 BALL BETTER BALL COMPETITION

To win any prize in the Casson Shield a player must have submitted 3 handicap qualifying scorecards in the 12 months previous to the date of the competition

This is a fourball betterball medal competition played over 18 holes, Handicap allowance 85% of Course Handicap. Max Playing Handicap 24, players with a higher Playing Handicap may compete off a 24 Playing Handicap.

JUBILEE MIXED FOURBALL - WHITE TEES LADIES LGU TEES

To win any prize in the Jubilee Mixed Trophy a player must have submitted 3 handicap qualifying scorecards in the 12 months previous to the date of the competition

Mixed fourball competition over 18 holes. Allowance will be 85% of Course Handicap and any adjustment required to allow for difference between Course Ratings. Maximum Playing Handicap to be: Gentlemen 24, Ladies 32 but players with a higher Playing Handicap may compete but the maximum Playing Handicap will apply. In the event of a tie, the winners will be decided on count back, i.e. last 9-6-3 etc.

S.C.G.C. PAST CAPTAINS TROPHY - YELLOW TEES

18 hole stableford competition, allowance 95% of Course Handicap.

In the event of a tie, the winner will be decided on count back, i.e. last 9--6--3 etc.

RHODES & BALL TROPHY

Format of the competition to be decided annually..

RABBITS SECTION

All Members with a handicap index of 15 or higher may play in any of the following competitions but with a maximum playing handicap allowance of 28. Members with a playing handicap higher than 28 may play but must play off 28.

Lower handicap members (below handicap index 15) are welcome to play in the individual competitions, though only for an Associates Prize.

RABBIT CAPTAIN'S DAY – YELLOW TEES

Type of competition to be decided by the Rabbit Captain. Lower handicap members are very welcome to play in this competition, though only for an Associates Prize.

CELEBRATION TROPHY – YELLOW TEES

18 hole Stableford competition. Play anytime during the day. In the event of a tie the winner will be decided on countback (last 9 – 6 – 3 etc.) 95% handicap allowance. Lower handicap members are very welcome to play in this competition, though only for an Associates Prize.

CHADWICK TROPHY – YELLOW TEES

Matchplay singles knockout competition over 18 holes to be played during the summer months. Full handicap difference. In the event of a tie the winner will be decided by sudden death playoff.

WALKER CUP – YELLOW TEES

18 hole stableford competition. Play anytime during the day. In the event of a tie the winner will be decided by countback, back 9, 6 ,3 etc.

95% handicap allowance. Lower handicap players may enter and win this competition.

HALL TROPHY – WHITE TEES

Four ball better ball medal competition over 18 holes with a draw for partners, one low handicap with one high handicap, the high handicap level to be determined once all entries are in. 85% handicap allowance. In the event of a tie the winner will be decided on countback (last 9 – 6 – 3 etc.)

Note: The Hall Trophy and Walker Cup are competitions held jointly with low handicap players.

Junior Section

JUNIOR MEDAL & CHAMBER'S CUP - WHITE MEDAL TEES

During the period April to November (inclusive), one medal competition will be held each month for Juniors both male and female. Competitors must sign the book held in the Golf Shop prior to play and pay the appropriate entry fee. Completed cards are to be placed in the Junior Competition box. In the event of a tie, the winner will be decided on count back, i.e. last 9--6--3 etc.

CHAMBER'S CUP - WHITE MEDAL TEES

The competitor with the best 3 aggregate net scores during the months of April to October inclusive, will be the winner of the Chambers Cup. In the event of a tie, the winner will be decided by a medal round, over 18 holes. In the event of a tie in the playoff, the winner will be decided on count back, i.e. last 9--6--3 etc.

There will be prizes for 1st and 2nd for the competitors with the best aggregate of 3 scores in the medals i.e., the lowest aggregate net differential score from CSS from 3 medals.

NORTON CUP - WHITE MEDAL TEES

Medal competition played over 18 holes. Handicap index limit of 28. In the event of a tie, the winner will be decided on count back, i.e. last 9--6--3 etc.

HESLETON TROPHY- WHITE MEDAL TEES

Stableford competition played over 18 holes. In the event of a tie, the winner will be decided on count back, i.e. last 9-6--3 etc.