



MEMBERS' HANDBOOK

2024

1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1. The purpose of this handbook is to provide Club members with all the necessary information relating to the playing of the game of golf at Chester-le-Street Golf Club.
- 1.2. The handbook is a compilation of the various rules and regulations governing competition golf and club membership, which has been published in this convenient form for the guidance and benefit of all members.

2. ETIQUETTE AND DRESS

- 2.1. Attention is drawn to the Rules of Golf as approved by the Royal and Ancient Golf Club of St. Andrews, Rule 1.
- 2.2. The Committee appeals to all members, to observe the accepted etiquette of the game of golf, at all times for their own enjoyment and that of all concerned and in particular:
 - **AVOID SLOW PLAY.** In the interest of all, players should play without delay. It is the player's responsibility to keep up with the group in front, not ahead of the group behind. **Any match losing more than one hole on the match in front must allow the following match to pass.**
 - When searching for a lost ball, please ask the following match to play through as soon as they are able to do so. All players should stand aside and not re-start until all other players are out of range.
 - Balls Lost or **Out of Bounds** local Rule: for **Social golf only**, we suggest golfers exercise the Alternative to Stroke and Distance by dropping the ball in the vicinity of where the ball is lost or **out of bounds** (including the nearest fairway area), under a two-stroke penalty.
- 2.3. Members are reminded that there is a required standard of dress on the course and in the clubhouse. Please refer to the notices in the clubhouse with regard to the dress code.

3. COURSE

- 3.1. Members or visitors shall not start on the first tee within **fifteen minutes** of the scheduled starting times of club competitions or team matches.
- 3.2. Members must check in with the professional prior to commencing play. If starting play prior to Pro Shop opening hours, please check in prior to going to 12th Tee.
- 3.3. There will be no social play allowed prior to play on Club Championship day.
- 3.4. All members playing in a club competition or a team match have priority on the course and must be invited to play through any other match. Members playing in club knock-out competitions, however, do not have priority on the first tee.
- 3.5. All members are expected to afford the Club Captain and the Lady Captain the privilege of priority on the 1st Tee (except in competitions).
- 3.6. All groups, including single players, have equal standing on the course and the first tee, subject to the overriding priority of competitions and golf etiquette.

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- 3.7. Groups in excess of four players are not allowed.
- 3.8. Where relevant, players on greens must give priority to those players on tees.
- 3.9. Please read and respect all course notices in the clubhouse and on the course. Give due regard to the local rules on the scorecard.
- 3.10. Members are requested not to purchase golf balls from touts around the course.
- 3.11. Litter must not be left on the course. Please use the receptacles provided.
- 3.12. Dogs are not allowed to be brought on to the course or the practice area or into the Clubhouse.
- 3.13. Mobile phones may be carried but must remain in the silent mode and should only be used in an emergency. GPS devices can only be used in accordance with R&A rules. This includes mobile phones.

4. MANAGEMENT/PRESERVATION

- 4.1. Priority is to be given to green staff working on the course.
- 4.2. Please repair all pitch marks, divots and bunkers - even if you did not cause the damage. (Rakes should be left **inside** bunkers).
- 4.3. Players must **NOT** take trolleys on to areas prohibited by hoops or white lines. Do **NOT** take trolleys on to tees, greens, or the close-cut areas on the approach to and around the tees & greens. Use pathways where provided. Give due regard to directional notices.
- 4.4. Members should be aware that in certain weather conditions the Head Green Keeper - whilst keeping the course open - may deem it necessary to prohibit the use of buggies, trolleys and/or trolleys without winter wheels.
- 4.5. Relief must be taken whenever a staked tree or a small copse marked with blue posts interferes with a player's stance or area of intended swing (in accordance with the rules of golf or local rules as shown on the card).
- 4.6. Players should note that all distance markers are measured to the centre of the greens.
- 4.7. Course Ranger: The Committee will, at its own discretion, appoint a Course Ranger to monitor non-fee-paying players, slow play, visitors, and other matters the Committee considers important. Members should always give their support by displaying their membership tags and complying with any request made by the Course Ranger.

5. PRACTICE

- 5.1. Practice on the course is not allowed at any time. Any individual playing more than one ball is deemed to be practising.
- 5.2. No practice chipping is allowed on or to the practice putting green.
- 5.3. Five-day members may not use the practice area at weekends.

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- 5.4. The Club Professional is to be given priority and consideration when teaching in practice areas.
- 5.5. Should the course be closed owing to inclement weather, then the practice area and the practice putting green shall also be deemed to be closed.
- 5.6. Members are requested to spread wear on the practice ground, replace divots and repair pitch marks on greens.
- 5.7. Please give due regard to notices on the practice area.

6. HANDICAPS

- 6.1. Players' handicaps are adjudged in accordance with the World Handicap System as published by R&A and USGA and administered by England Golf.
- 6.2. A player's handicap is adjusted according to their score in Qualifying Competitions as well as social scores submitted. However, the Handicaps and Competitions Committee have the authority to reduce or increase the handicaps of members. This rule allows such adjustments to be made with regards to a player's 'general play.' The Committee will invoke this rule when necessary.
- 6.3. To obtain a handicap, a minimum of 54 holes (may be a combination of 18 and 9 hole cards) from a measured course must be submitted with the player's score recorded for each hole. Cards must be countersigned by a member holding a current handicap.
- 6.4. Social Scores may be submitted for handicap purposes. All scores will need to be pre-registered. There is no limit to the number of social scores that may be submitted.
- 6.5. Handicap certificates are available from the members' online facility or through the IG Member App.
- 6.6. The handicaps of all members are reviewed annually and examined under pre-determined criteria agreed by the Handicaps and Competitions Committee. Adjustments are made accordingly. Any member who is of the opinion that their handicap does not genuinely reflect their playing ability is entitled, at any time, to request a handicap review. Any such request should be made in writing, stating the reasons.
- 6.7. Members are ultimately responsible for their own handicaps but may seek advice at any time from the Secretary's Office. Members should inform the Secretary's office of any scores from other courses so that they may be taken into account at the annual review.

7. COMPETITIONS

- 7.1. Entry sheets for competitions are posted either on the Clubhouse notice board or on the computer and are normally available 16 days prior to the date of the competition. The draw for starting times and partners (where relevant) is usually made 3 days prior to the competition date.
- 7.2. In any pairs or team competition, the names of all competitors must be listed on the entry sheet. An incomplete entry, or one stating simply "and partner" may result

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in the pair being excluded from the draw. Most pairs/team competitions will now be run through the computer so members must ensure they enter in pairs/teams.

- 7.3. Each player is responsible for his/her own entry. Block entries are not permitted. A member may, in a pairs or team competition, enter his/her playing partner's or team mates' name(s) with their permission. If, subsequently, any player fails to start the competition, then both players/ whole team may be suspended from two singles competitions. Once entry to a competition has closed the competitor is liable for the entry fee. If a player withdraws from a competition before entry has closed the entry fee will be refunded after entry has closed.
- 7.4. Once the draw has been made and the starting sheet posted, any member wishing to withdraw from a competition must advise the Professional before 5.00pm on the day prior to the competition. If the player complies strictly with this condition, the Committee may, at its discretion, waive the penalty imposed under Rule 7.5.
- 7.5. Any competitor listed on the starting sheet who fails to play, for whatever reason, may, at the discretion of the Handicaps and Competitions Committee, be suspended from the next two singles trophy competitions. Should this occur in a pair's competition, the member may be suspended from the next four single trophy competitions. This rule applies to all Club competitions.
- 7.6. For the purpose of suspensions the Club Championship/Gelson Cup and the Hermitage/Gibson Cups will count as one singles competition.
- 7.7. Players who fail to complete a competition round without just cause may be subject to disciplinary action, dependent upon the circumstances of the incident. However, if any suspension is imposed, it will become effective 14 days after the date of such action.
- 7.8. All suspension notices will be posted on the notice board at the earliest opportunity. Appeals may be made in writing to the Secretary within 14 days of the posting, but no appeal will be permitted once the suspension becomes effective. Repeated transgressors may have the period of suspension lengthened.
- 7.9. A competitor who has not paid the entrance fee of a competition before playing from the first tee shall be disqualified.
- 7.10. All players shall start the competition at the time laid down by the Committee; once the draw has been made, no changes to the allocated start time will be allowed without permission of the Professional. Lateness on the tee, within 5 minutes of the start time, will be subject to penalties under Rule of Golf 6-3a: i.e. match play = loss of hole; stroke play = 2 strokes.
- 7.11. Both penalties are applicable at the 1st hole. Lateness outside of 5 minutes will result in disqualification and action under Rule 7.5 above. A player who is late on the tee must be made aware of this fact by his fellow competitor(s).
- 7.12. If, during a club competition, the weather conditions are such (e.g. the greens are flooded, owing to a sudden downpour) that the Committee decide that play should be suspended, a klaxon will sound. Rule of Golf 6-8b will then apply. Players should clearly mark the position of their ball and return to the Clubhouse to await any decision by the Committee regarding the resumption of play. Play will not be delayed for more than 15 minutes. If play cannot be resumed after 15 minutes, the competition will be cancelled and all scores during that round are cancelled (R&A Rule

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6E(4)).

- 7.13. If, prior to the competition starting, the weather conditions are such that the course is unplayable, the start of the competition may be postponed by up to one hour at the discretion of the Handicap & Competitions Committee or a green keeper.
- 7.14. All members may enter club competitions (subject to satisfying the entry criteria), but only those with a current handicap in categories 1 to 5 are eligible to win a competition or a prize, subject to a minimum number in each category.
- 7.15. Five-day members are eligible to play in mid-week competitions, by Captain's invitation or those competitions organised on an 'open' basis.
- 7.16. It will be the responsibility of each member, at the time of entry, to ensure they are eligible to compete in any club competition. This is particularly important in club competitions where entry is in pairs or teams. Ineligibility by a member will result in the disqualification of the other partner or team.
- 7.17. In competitions, including play-offs, competitors must play under the terms of their current handicap.
- 7.18. All club competitions (except winter and selected senior competitions) will be played from the white tees (red for Ladies). In mixed foursomes, ladies will play from the LGU medal tees and gentlemen will drive off from the 1st tee.
- 7.19. Scorecards: players are reminded that it is their responsibility to record on their scorecard their name, current handicap, the gross score at each hole and their signature. Failure to record any of these four items will result in disqualification. On the completion of a round, the scorecard should be posted in the competition box without delay. Each member will be responsible for recording his own score in the computer provided or via the IG Member App. Failure to post a score will result in a nil return.
- 7.20. In order that competition scores returned by a player can be accurately recorded for handicap purposes, the scorecard should be completed, irrespective of the fact there may be a nil return on individual holes.
- 7.21. Competitors who discontinue play must mark their scorecard accordingly and report the fact to the Committee (see also Rule of Golf 6E).
- 7.22. In the event of tied scores in medal, bogey or Stableford competitions, excluding the Club Championship, respective placing shall be decided over the last nine holes, or, where this is inconclusive, over the last six, three and individual holes to the 18th.
- 7.23. The Chronicle Cups preliminary and first rounds, if tied, will be decided as above (7.22) and the following rounds will be decided by extra holes. In the case of the final being tied, then it will be replayed on a date decided by the Club Captain.
- 7.24. In the event of a tie in the Club Championship, there shall be a four-hole play-off over holes 15 to 18. If the tie is still undecided, the players will play sudden-death until the tie is resolved.
- 7.25. In the event of a tied match in the Members' Cups, Calcutta Cup, Dawson-Johnston, Scarborough Bowl, Lumley Cup or Crichton Salvors, a replay over 18 holes must normally ensue. However, tied matches may be decided by 'sudden death' play-off, should all players have agreed this prior to the commencement of play. Any replay must be completed by the specified date, as shown on the draw sheet. For the finals

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of the ladies' knock-out competitions a referee will be chosen by the ladies committee.

- 7.26. In the event of a tie for the Order of Merit, the result will be decided on the best 9 competitions, or, if necessary, more competitions, until a winner is found.
- 7.27. All Knock-out competitions will be set up and administered through the computer. As soon as the draw is made, competitors will be advised of their draw and the date it needs to be played by. It is important therefore that for each competitor entering a knock-out competition, we hold a valid email address and contact telephone number on the system. It is the responsibility of both players to arrange a suitable date. The first named person in the draw must make the initial contact and offer three dates for consideration; this is to be done at the earliest opportunity. Both competitors / teams must make every effort to complete the tie before the time limit for each round expires. The penalty for not playing a match by the appointed date is disqualification of both competitors/teams, unless, in the view of the H&C Committee, the date can be extended, or one team should advance to the next round.
- 7.28. All competitions will be played according to the Rules of Golf as adopted by the R & A, modified by such local rules as are set out on the scorecard and Club notice board, as well as the competition rules set out in Section 7 of this document.
- 7.29. Any dispute must be referred to the Chair of the Handicaps and Competitions Committee.
- 7.30. No restrictions apply to the use of buggies in any competition other than 36-hole competitions, where their use is not allowed. The same restriction applies to the preliminary and first rounds of the Chronicles Cup, when they are scheduled on the same day. In this case a buggy cannot be used in either round. This rule does not apply to members who are registered disabled.
- 7.31. Members should note that the time they select on the competition starting sheet cannot be guaranteed. It is the member's responsibility to check their start time after the draw has been made.
- 7.32. Stableford and Bogey competitions: If a player cannot score on a hole, the ball must be picked up to speed up play.
- 7.33. MENS COMPETITIONS: A minimum number of entries will be required for a competition to go ahead. This minimum number will be 8 in singles competitions & 4 pairs in pairs competitions.
- 7.34. LADIES COMPETITIONS: A minimum number of entries will be required for a competition to go ahead. This minimum number will be 6 in singles competitions & 4 pairs in pairs competitions. However, for medals and the Club Championship these minimum numbers may be reduced to 3 and 2 respectively.
- 7.35. MIXED COMPETITIONS: A minimum number of entries will be required for a competition to go ahead. This minimum number will be 4 pairs.
- 7.36. A minimum number of CLUB Qualifying competitions are required to be eligible for a prize. 3 CLUB competitions noted as QUALIFIER and that adhere to WHS requirements in the previous 12 months are required.
- 7.37. Only players whose HOME club is registered as Chester-le-Street Golf Club can win a Championship Trophy i.e. Club Championship and Senior Club Championship.

8. JUNIOR MEMBERS

- 8.1. The Junior Liaison Officer (JLO) is responsible for the coordination and organisation within the Junior Section. This includes all those members who are under the age of 18 years in the current year, or, for County purposes, under 21 years of age.
- 8.2. A Junior Safeguarding policy is in place and parents are required to complete and sign a consent form for their child(ren).
- 8.3. It is most important that all junior players know the Rules of Golf, observe etiquette and take pride in the course.
- 8.4. The rules regarding dress and behaviour that are applicable to adult members apply similarly to juniors.
- 8.5. Junior members with a handicap index of 18.4 (Boys) and 54 (Girls) or less (on the day of the draw of the respective competitions) can enter most singles and pairs trophy competitions.
- 8.6. Juniors with a handicap index of 28 (Boys) and 54 (Girls) or less (on the day of the draw of the respective competition) may enter Medal competitions.
- 8.7. Juniors may win trophies, prizes and vouchers, only in those competitions for which they are eligible, but may not win sweep money.
- 8.8. All competition conditions and rules - except where specified - under Section 7 of this document apply equally to junior members.
- 8.9. Junior members cannot introduce guests either on to the course or into the Clubhouse, unless both have attained the age of 18 years.

9. VISITORS/GREEN FEES

- 9.1. Times for visitors will be agreed by the Committee from time to time and published on notice boards and the website. Every effort will be made to ensure sufficient playing time is available to members.
- 9.2. All visitors must use the tees of the day.
- 9.3. Green fees MUST be paid to the Professional prior to the commencement of play, or, if he is unavailable, to a member of the bar staff. The temporary membership ticket must be displayed at all times.
- 9.4. Members playing with guests are not afforded priority on the first tee.

10. GENERAL INFORMATION

Administration

- 10.1. The Officers and Directors of the Club undertake the administration of the Club's affairs. The Officers are the Honorary Chair, Honorary Secretary and Honorary Treasurer. The Directors are the aforementioned together with the Captain, immediate Past Captain, Chair of Golf, Chair of Trading Subsidiary and Chair of Finance.
- 10.2. The "Articles of Association" set out the constitution of Chester-le-Street Golf Club Limited and the legal principles for running the club.

Membership

- 10.3. Subscriptions are due on 1st January and any member whose subscription is unpaid by 1st February shall cease to be a member of the club but will be liable for any outstanding debt.
- 10.4. Any person not wishing to continue as a member of the Club must give notice in writing to the Secretary on or before 31st December.
- 10.5. If a suitable vacancy arises and a former member makes an application to the Committee, he/she may be reinstated, provided their resignation was made in accordance with the Articles of Association.
- 10.6. When they are on the course, members must display at all times the membership tags provided on payment of their subscription.
- 10.7. It should be noted that at times the course may be closed for competition play due to weather conditions but may be left open for general play.

Complaints/Minutes

- 10.8. All complaints must be made by letter to the Secretary for submission to the Committee. Complaints **must not** be made directly at any time to House or Course staff or to officials or committee members.
- 10.9. Copies of approved minutes of GP Committee meetings of the current year are available on the "Members" area of the Club website.

Property/Notices

- 10.10. No member shall willfully remove, deface, damage or destroy any Club property. No property shall be removed from the club without the express permission from the Club Secretary.
- 10.11. Notices shall not be posted in the Clubhouse without the authority of the Secretary.

Professional

- 10.12. Members are requested to support the Club Professional.

Parking

- 10.13. Members or visitors must not park in the spaces designated for Officers or staff.
- 10.14. Members are requested to park sensibly and within those areas provided. **Only disabled members should park in the designated disabled bays and display the relevant badge applicable to that person.**

Clubhouse Security

- 10.15. Entrance doors should be secured at all times.
- 10.16. All Members are requested to familiarise themselves with the policies contained in the Members / Governance area of the club website.

HEALTH AND SAFETY ON THE COURSE

The following information is provided to assist Members/Visitors in enjoying their golf safely, by making them aware of the hazards that may be present on the golf course or that may arise through playing the game of golf.

GENERAL SAFETY:

Members/Visitors MUST:

- Park within the designated bays in the car park ensuring that their vehicle is safely immobilised.
- Leave entry and exit points clear as access for emergency vehicles must be maintained.
- Adhere to the **one-way** system.
- MUST NOT park their vehicles in a way that obstructs traffic or causes poor visibility at either car park entrance.
- Take particular care during winter months when the car park may be slippery due to ice or snow.
- Take particular care when crossing Lumley Castle Road for access to the first tee from the car park and egress from the eleventh green to the twelfth tee.
- Always be aware that the ground may be wet and potentially slippery and that extra care is required when playing in these conditions.
- Be aware that golf shoes are the only footwear allowed on the course.
- Be aware that golf shoes of any type are not allowed in the clubhouse, except in the rear corridor and the locker rooms.
- Give way to greens staff, who have priority over players. They will move as soon as possible to allow play to continue.
- Take note of any warning signs on the course particularly those referring to the use of pesticides.

Members/Visitors MUST NOT:

- Climb any perimeter fence or enter Lumley Castle grounds to retrieve golf balls.

Members/Visitors Are Advised to ALWAYS:

- Use the steps provided to approach elevated tees and to keep clear of any steep slope to the side and rear of such tees.
- Enter bunkers and approach greens with steep sloping sides (particularly the tenth green) from the lowest access point.
- Take extra care when retrieving balls from ditches defined as hazards.
- Report any incidents of unsafe practices or behaviour to a Management Committee member.
- Wash their hands thoroughly on leaving the course as traces of chemicals may remain long after use.

Striking the Ball

Before playing ANY shot Members/Visitors MUST ensure that other players, green staff or, where applicable, members of the public are not at risk of being hit by their shot. If, once the shot has been played, this becomes a possibility, a warning MUST be shouted, "FORE Left/Right", so that the risk of being hit is reduced. This becomes particularly important where tees are situated behind greens, or fairways are adjacent to each other.

Stones may sometimes be present, particularly in bunkers, the rough or edges of ditches. Care should be taken to ensure that injury is not sustained by hitting these objects.

Use of Buggies

Members should ensure they have read and adhere to the Buggy Policy available on the club website or by request to the office.

When using a hired buggy, the following rules MUST be observed:

- No person under the age of SEVENTEEN may operate a buggy and no person under the age of SEVEN may be a passenger.
- No more than TWO persons and TWO sets of clubs are to be carried on the buggy.
- The driver must be familiar with the buggy controls and should apply the brakes gently to avoid skidding. The parking brake MUST be applied when leaving the buggy. Hands and feet MUST be kept inside the buggy and standing is not allowed whilst the buggy is in motion.
- Disabled members using buggies must conform to the Club's policy on restriction of play when access to the course is limited (carry bags only).
- Extra caution MUST be exercised when reversing, crossing bridges or travelling on slopes and inclines. (This is of particular importance on the TENTH hole, where, as far as possible, the road should be used.)
- Buggies MUST be kept clear of Tees, Bunkers, Green Surrounds, Greens, Wet areas and Ground under Repair (signed GUR). They must always give way to any vehicular traffic.
- On completion of the round the buggy MUST be parked correctly and reconnected to the charger. The key should be returned to the Professional's shop (or Bar staff when shop is closed) and all rubbish removed to the nearest waste bin.
- Members using their own buggies MUST do so in a safe manner and MUST have the relevant insurance cover, a copy of which must be lodged with the Secretary.
- The latest copy of the Buggy Policy is available on the Club Website.

Thunder and Lightning

- If, during "Social" golf, thunder and lightning immediately becomes threatening, MEMBERS/VISITORS **must** leave the course and find safe shelter.
- During "Competition" golf, Members/Visitors **MUST** mark their balls and return to the clubhouse to await the Course Manager or authorised club Official decision with regards to continuation of play.

Children under Eleven Years of Age:

Are not permitted on the course, putting green or practice area unless accompanied by an adult. Please refer to our Junior Safeguarding policy on the website for more details.

Shoe/Trolley Cleaning Equipment

Instructions attached to this machine for its safe operation MUST be followed.

The Practice Area

Members/Visitors MUST take particular care when using this facility by being aware that other golfers may also be in the area.

CLUB COMPETITIONS

Details of all club competitions are given below. (Q) Indicates a qualifying competition for handicap purposes.

MEN'S TROPHY COMPETITIONS (SINGLES)

Club Championship

36 holes, Stroke play. (Q). In the event of a tie there will be a play-off over holes 15-18 and sudden death over the same holes if equality persists. Only players whose HOME club is registered as Chester-le-Street Golf Club can win the Trophy.

Captains Cup

18 holes, Stableford. Handicap allowance: 95% (Q)

President's Cup

18 holes, Stroke play. Handicap allowance: 95% (Q)

Gelson Cup

36 holes, Stroke play. Handicap allowance: 95%. (Q).

Wilburton Bowl

18 holes, Stableford. Handicap allowance: 95% (Q)

Gibson Cup

18 holes, Stroke play. Gross. (Q)

Hermitage Cup

18 holes, Stroke play. Handicap allowance: 95%. (Q)

Lindsley Cup

18 holes, Bogey. Handicap allowance: 95%. (Q)

Edgar Cup

18 holes, Stroke play. Handicap allowance: 95% (Q)

M. A. Strong Trophy

18 holes, Stroke play. Handicap allowance: 95% (Q)

R. Stewart Cup

18 holes, Stroke play. Handicap allowance: 95%. Open to all members, but only this year's Medal winners (and winners from last year's medals which were played after the R Stewart) are eligible to win the trophy (Q)

Johnson Cup

18 holes, Stroke play. Handicap allowance: 95%. (Q) Open to all members, but only members with handicap of 17 or more are eligible for the trophy.

Seniors' Championship

18 holes, Stroke play. Prizes awarded to both best gross and best net scores. Handicap allowance: 95%. (Minimum age: 55) (Q). Only players whose HOME club is registered as Chester-le-Street Golf Club can win the Trophy.

Members' Cups

Match Play, Handicap bands 1-14 & 15-30. Handicap allowance: Full difference between the handicaps of the two players.

Calcutta Cup

18 holes, Stroke play. Handicap allowance: 95%. (Q)

Best 16 with handicap up to and including 28, qualify to Match play stage. Maximum handicap: 28. Handicap allowance: full difference between the handicaps of the two players.

Bryan Michael Cup

Best Gross score in Stroke play competition.

Order of Merit

Average of the best 8 scores posted in single Stroke Competitions.

MEN'S TROPHY COMPETITIONS (PAIRS)

T G Davison Trophies (Opening Four-ball)

18 holes, 4BBB Stableford. Maximum handicap: 28. Handicap allowance: Each partner receives 85% of full handicap.

H. F. Mole Cups

18 holes, Greensomes Stroke play. Maximum handicap: 28. Handicap allowance: 0.4 of the higher handicap added to 0.6 of the lower handicap.

Barker Stoddart Cups

18 holes. Stableford. Maximum handicap: 28. Handicap allowance: 95% of aggregate score of both players.

Macdonald Salvors

18 holes. 4BBB Bogey. Maximum handicap: 28. Handicap allowance: 85%. Draw for partners.

Chaytor Bowl

18 holes. 4BBB Stroke play. Maximum handicap: 28. Handicap allowance: 85%

Chronicle Cups

Foursomes Match Play. Maximum handicap: 28. Handicap allowance: 1/2 the full difference between the aggregate handicaps of either side.

Dawson Johnston Trophy

4BBB pairs Stableford. Handicap Allowance: 85%. Top 32 qualify for knock-out stage, which will be match play. Maximum handicap 28 (for both qualifying and knock-out rounds). Handicap allowance 90% for the knock-out rounds.

LADIES' TROPHY COMPETITIONS (SINGLES)

Cestrian Shield

18 holes, Stableford. Handicap allowance: 95% up to a maximum of 36 (Q)

Captain's Charity Trophy

18 holes. Stableford. Handicap allowance: 95% up to a maximum of 36 (Q)

Charity Trophy

18 holes. Stableford. Handicap allowance: 95% up to a maximum of 36 (Q)

Club Championship

36 holes, Stroke play. Handicap allowance: None. Silver (Q)

18 holes, Stroke play. Handicap allowance: None. Bronze (Q)

Only players whose HOME club is registered as Chester-le-Street Golf Club can win the Trophy

Edith Clegg Cup

36 holes net played in conjunction with Club Championship. Handicap Allowance: 95% (Q)

Anne Friedrichsen Trophy

18 holes. Captain's choice. Handicap allowance: 95%. (Q) Played on Captain's Day

Hassall Homes Trophy

18 holes. Stableford. Handicap allowance: 95% up to a maximum of 36 (Q)

Horner Cup

18 holes, Stroke play. Handicap allowance: 95% up to a maximum of 36 (Q). Seeded draw 1-26 & 27-54

Winifred Lawton Rose Bowl

18 holes, Stableford. Handicap allowance: 95% up to a maximum of 36 (Q). Seeded draw 1-26 & 27-54

Community Charity Trophy

18 holes, Stableford. Handicap allowance: 95% up to a maximum of 36 (Q)

Mrs. H. F. Mole Rose Bowl

18 holes. Bogey. Handicap allowance: 95%. Limited to handicaps 1-26.

Ruby Watson Trophy

18 holes. Bogey. Handicap allowance: 95%. Limited to Handicaps 27-54.

Mrs. D. M. Taylor Vase

18 holes, Stroke play. Handicap allowance: 95% up to a maximum of 36. Only members in monthly medal draw to qualify (1st, 2nd and 3rd).

Volvo

18 holes. Stableford. Handicap allowance: 95% up to a maximum of 36 (Q)

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Jean Wood Veterans

18 holes, Stroke play. Handicap allowance: 95% up to a maximum of 36 Seeded draw: 1-26 & 27-54. Players must be over 50 years. (Q)

England Golf (EG) Medal Round

18 holes, Stroke play. Handicap allowance: 95% for club competition (Q). Aggregate of best 4 cards from players with handicap not exceeding 40 for overall winner. Winner goes forward to Regional Finals.

President's Cup

18 holes, Stableford. Handicap allowance: 95% up to a maximum of 36 (Q)

Pat Eltringham Trophy

18 holes. Captain's choice. Handicap allowance: 95% up to a maximum of 36 (Q) Played on Captain's Day. Players must be 65 or over.

Scarborough Bowl

Match play. Handicap allowance: Full difference. Handicaps 1-26.

Lumley Cup

Match play. Handicap allowance: Full difference. Handicaps 27-54.

May Lowery Qualifier COUNTY COMP QUALIFIER winner goes forward to regional Final

Stroke play. Handicap allowance: 95% with maximum 36. (Q)

LADIES' TROPHY COMPETITIONS (PAIRS)

Greenfield Cup

Greensomes Stroke play. Handicap allowance: 0.6 lower & 0.4 higher. Draw for partners.

Henderson/Thursby Cups

American Greensomes Stableford. Handicap allowance, 0.6 of lower + 0.4 of higher up to a maximum of 36. Choose your own partner.

Past Captains' Cup

6 x 4BBB Stroke, 6 x Greensomes, 6 x Foursomes. Handicap allowance: Up to a maximum of 36. Full, 1/2 combined. Draw for partners.

Rhoda Richardson

4BBB Stroke. Handicap allowance: 85% each player, up to a maximum of 36. Draw for partners.

Coronation Foursomes External Qualifier

Foursomes Stableford. Handicap allowance: 50% combined. Choose own partner. Winners go forward to Regional Finals.

Millennium Salver

4 BBB Stableford. Handicap allowance: 85% each player. Choose own partner.

Federation Trophy (EG Qualifier)

4BBB Stableford. Handicap allowance: 85% each player. Choose own partner.

Daily Mail Qualifier

Foursomes Stroke. Handicap allowance: half combined. Maximum Handicap limited to 30. Choose own partner. Winners go forward to play knock-out match play.

Brenda Michael Cup

American Greensomes Stableford. Handicap allowance, 0.6 of lower + 0.4 of higher Up to a maximum of 36. Choose your own partner.

SENIORS' COMPETITIONS

Harry Smith Trophy

18 holes, Stroke. Handicap Allowance 95% (Q)

Centenary Cup

18 holes, Stableford. Handicap Allowance 95% (Q)

Jack Blair Trophy

18 holes, Stableford. Handicap Allowance 95% (Q)

Seniors Captain's Trophy

18 holes, Stableford. Handicap Allowance 95% (Q)

Bob Burrell (gross) and SW (net) Trophies

18 holes, Stroke. Handicap Allowance 95% (Q)

Hartley Brolls Trophy

4BBB Match Play knock-out. Handicap Allowance: 90% difference

Seniors Texas Scramble

18 holes Scramble (stroke). Rules appear on special scorecard.

Glendenning Tankard

18 holes, Stableford. Handicap allowance 85%, Maximum playing Handicap 18. Best two scores at each hole.

Fred Allen Trophy

18 Holes, Stableford. Handicap Allowance 95% (Q)

Jennings Vase

Singles Match play knock-out. Handicap allowance 100%

Treasurer's Trophy

4BBB Stableford. Handicap Allowance 85%

Secretary's Trophy

18 Holes. Singles, Bogey. Handicap Allowance 95% (Q)

TROPHY COMPETITIONS - MIXED

T.S Burn Cup

18 holes, Greensomes Stableford. Maximum handicap: Men 28, Ladies 40. Handicap allowance: 0.6 of lower + 0.4 of higher handicap.

4BBB

18 holes, Stableford. Maximum handicap: Men 28, Ladies 40. Handicap allowance: 85%. Men play from the white tees.

Mixed Foursomes Cups

18 holes, Foursomes stroke play. Maximum handicap: Men 28, Ladies 40. Handicap allowance: 1/2 the aggregate handicap of the partners.

Crichton Salvors

18 holes, Foursomes stroke play. Maximum handicap: Men 28, Ladies 40. Handicap allowance: 1/2 the aggregate handicap of the partners. Match play knock-out, where the handicap allowance is 1/2 the full difference between the aggregate handicaps of the teams. Open to 7-day playing members only.

OTHER COMPETITIONS

Medals

18 holes. Stroke play. Handicap allowance: 95%. (Q) Some medal competitions may be in another format approved by the R&A.

End of Season Stableford

18 holes, Stableford. Handicap allowance: 95% (Q)

Invitation Day

18 holes, 4BBB Stableford. Maximum Playing Handicap: 18, Handicap allowance: 85%.

4-Man Team Challenge

18 holes, Stableford. Maximum handicap: 18. Handicap allowance: Full. Best three scores at each hole.

Team Texas Scramble

18 holes, Scramble (Stroke). Maximum handicap: 18. Handicap allowance: 25%/20%/15%/10% from lowest to highest handicap of the team. Further rules appear on special scorecard.

Northern Goldsmiths' Trophy

18 holes, Four-man Team, Stableford. Best three scores at each hole to count. Maximum handicap: 20. Handicap allowance: Full.

Peter Durno Cup

Junior Club Champion

J O'Donnell Trophy

Most improved player

COMPETITION WINNERS 2023

MEN'S TROPHY WINNERS

Barker Stoddart Cup	Andrew Charlton & Anthony Dixon
Bryan Michael Cup (Best Gross in Medal Play)	
Calcutta Cup	Jason Emmerson
Captains Cup	Alyson Chapman
Chaytor Bowl	Paul Clough & Craig Million
Chronicle Cups	Chris Garrity & Kerr Lindsay
Club Championship	Brian Nelson
Dawson Johnston Trophy	Ross Bainbridge & David Wilkinson
Don Henderson Cup	
Edgar Cup	Anthony Dixon
End of Season Stableford	Alan Charlton
Gelson Cup	Kevin Suggett (Gross and Nett)
Gibson Cup	Alan Charlton
H F Mole Foursomes	Gary Davies & Jason Emmerson
Hermitage Cup	Jeff Barnes
J O'Donnell Trophy (Most Improved Junior)	Dylan Brolls
Johnson Cup	Andrew Wilkinson
Lindsley Cup	Stuart Flatt
M A Strong Cup	Wesley Dickinson
MacDonald Salvors	Ian Ryan & Scott Walton
Member's Cup Division 1	Anthony Dixon
Member's Cup Division 2	Kevin Robertson
Northern Goldsmiths Trophy	Messrs Emmerson, Davies, Emmerson & Oakley
Peter Durno Cup (Junior Club Champion)	James Lusk
Presidents Trophy	Scott Walton
R Stewart Cup	Gary Brown
Seniors Championship Gross	David Cudlip
Seniors Championship Nett	Stuart Nixon
T G Davison	Jonathan Gavin Mcilvaney & Frank Lanaghan
Wilburtor Bowl	Stuart Flatt
Order of Merit	Kevin Suggett

MEDAL WINNERS

C Lay	G Davies	M Rowan	S Cornforth	G Bailey
G Brown	S Cuthbertson	B Minto	P Broom	A Longley
N McAllister	G Ainsley	D Bentham	Paul Young (2)	Steve Gelson
A Gates	P Tickell	K Dawson	K Patterson	A Robinson
D Moses	G Smith			

MIXED COMPETITIONS

Crichton Salvors (mixed)	(not played)
TS Burn (mixed)	Ian & Sonya Stephenson
Mixed Foursomes Cup	Ian & Sonya Stephenson
4BBB Trophy	Ian & Sonya Stephenson

LADIES COMPETITION WINNERS

Club Competitions	
Brenda Michael Cup	Mrs J Peacock & Mrs S Stephenson
Cestrian Shield	Mrs L Redman
Lady Captain's Charity Trophy	Mrs J Sheridan
Club Championship- Silver	Ms L Nimmo
Community Charity	Ms S Neely
D M Taylor Vase	Mrs J Shaw
Edith Clegg Cup (Club Champion best Nett)	Miss C Million
Federation Trophy	Mrs C Bonney & Mrs M Atherton
Greenfield Cup	Mrs M Atherton & Mrs S Stephenson
Hassell Homes	Mrs J Shaw
Henderson & Thursby Cups	Mrs B Colling & Mrs J Jeary
Horner Cup	Mrs J Peacock
Jean Wood Veterans Trophy	Mrs M Atherton
Lawton Rosebowl	Ms S Neely
Ladies Charity Trophy	Mrs J Jeary
Lady Captain's Day - Best gross	Mrs D Ryan
Lady Captain's Day - Anne Friedrichson	Mrs S Stephenson
Lady Captains's Day - Pat Eltringham Trophy	Mrs M Atherton
Lumley Cup	Mrs S Stephenson
Millennium Salver	Mrs J Peacock & Mrs S Stephenson
Mrs H F Mole Rosebowl	Ms S Neely
Past Captains' Cup	Mrs L Redman & Mrs D Taylor
Presidents Cup	Mrs S Welsh
Rhoda Richardson Salver	Mrs J Shaw & Mrs L Baggott
Ruby Watson	Mrs S Welsh
Scarbrough Bowl Match Play	Ms S Neely
Summer Eclectic	Mrs S Stephenson
Volvo	Ms S Neely
Winter League	Not played
External Qualifiers	
Coronation Foursomes (R&A)	Mrs J Hogg & Mrs R Laybourne
Daily Mail Foursomes	Mrs B Colling & Mrs J Jeary
May Lowery (County)	Mrs J Sheridan
Medal Winner (EG)	Mrs S Stephenson

Individual Monthly Medal Winners

Mrs J Shaw, Ms J Armitage, Mrs R Laybourne, Mrs B Dunn,
Mrs A Chapman, Mrs J Jeary, Mrs M Atherton