

NORFOLK LADIES' COUNTY GOLF ASSOCIATION



GILLIESON CUP

RULES OF THE COMPETITION

1. ELIGIBILITY

- a) Clubs must pay the annual NLCGA affiliation fees.
- b) Only members of the NLCGA are eligible to enter. Players must be members of the club for which they play. Penalty - disqualification of the offending player.
- c) A player must only play for one club in any one season. Penalty - disqualification of offending player from second club's match
- d) All matches to be played off handicap – LIMIT 28. A player with a higher handicap must play off 28. Players must have a Competition Handicap. Penalty- disqualification of offending player.
- e) Clubs must confirm their entry each year or indicate their wish to join the competition by completing the NLCGA Competition Entry form for the following year. The completed form, together with the entry fee must be sent to the Hon Treasurer by 31st July.

2. MATCH DETAILS

- a) A match comprises three games of foursomes. Different players may be used each round.
- b) The Team Captains should exchange team sheets up to 15 minutes before start of play. The Handicap allowance is half the difference between the aggregate handicaps of each pair.
- c) The Team Captains will decide by the toss of a coin which club has the honour.
- d) Should any **pair** fail to be on the tee within 15 minutes after the last game has started, their opponents on the team sheet will have a 'walk over'.
- e) A game will be one round which **MUST BE PLAYED TO A FINISH**. There are no halved games (All games must be played to a finish in case of later disqualification e.g. playing off incorrect handicap) **Penalty – loss of game.**
- f) Tied games – A game that ends all square must be played off hole by hole until one pair wins a hole. The play off must start on the hole where the game began. Handicap strokes are allowed as in the stipulated round.
- g) Advice may only be given to players by their partners or their caddies (Rule 8/1).
- h) The winning pair of each game scores one point. The winning club is the one with most points.

All queries or disputes must be referred to the Competition Organiser, or in her absence the Chairman of Competitions, whose decision is final.

3. RESULTS

The **WINNING** team is responsible for emailing or sending the result sheet immediately to the Competition Organiser.

4. GENERAL

Each round will be played on the fixed date set in the previous year and printed on the draw sheet.

- a) If, due to exceptional circumstances, the HOME club is unable to host the match on the fixed date, the following procedures must be followed.
- Immediately contact the Competition Organiser, or in her absence the Chairman of Competitions, for permission to rearrange the match on a mutually agreed date as close to the original date as possible.
 - Contact the AWAY club Team Captain to rearrange the match on a mutually agreed date.
 - Inform the Competition Organiser, or in her absence, the Chairman of Competitions, of the rearranged date.
- b) (i) The Semi-finals will be played on a course which is NEUTRAL to both teams.
- The HOME club in the top half of the draw will host the two teams in the bottom half of the draw.
 - The HOME team in the bottom half of the draw will host the two teams in the top half of the draw.
 - The Competition Organiser will book a tee time at each club and notify the Team Captains of the semi-finals.
 - The Competition Organiser will arrange catering for each match and notify the Team Captains of the semi-finals which, in the semi-final is paid for by the player/club.
- (ii) The Final will be played on a course which is NEUTRAL to both teams. Arrangements for the course to be used will be made by the Competition Organiser together with the Chairman of Competitions. The Competition Organiser will arrange catering for each match and notify the Team Captains of the finals which is paid for by the County.
- c) On the day of the Final no practice round or any holes are to be played on the course where the final is being played. Holes may be walked. Penalty - disqualification of the offending player.
- d) Distance measuring devices are permitted in accordance with the Rules of Golf, Appendix IV.5.
- e) Motorised buggies are permitted subject to the Transportation Policy of the NLCGA.
- f) The NLCGA requests that caddies do not go onto greens.

5. SUSPENSION OF PLAY/ABANDONMENT

- a) If a match is temporarily suspended (e.g. thunderstorm) balls should be marked and play discontinued until resumption of play is signalled in accordance with the suspension of play procedure.
- b) If the course is unplayable on the day or has to be abandoned the HOME club must follow the procedures in Rule 4 above.

Team Captains are asked to mutually resolve situations not covered by the above.

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