

# **Burnham Beeches Golf**

## **General Competition Rules**

- 1) **Competitions** shall be played in accordance with the Rules of Golf and Local Rules as noted on the scorecard.
- 2) **Competitors** must be members of BBGC with a current WHS handicap. Index. Where there are handicap index limits for competitions, players with a higher handicap index may enter but must play off the handicap index limit.. Members may play in a competition in order to obtain a handicap index. (See appendix B (i) for additional information regarding the Ladies Club Championship)
- 3) **Entry fees** must be paid using the club card (unless otherwise advised) prior to play. If, for whatever reason, the Pro Shop is not open prior to play then competitors will be permitted to pay after their round. Entry fees may be requested from late withdrawees from events entered by list or time sheet unless a replacement is found (for example if prizes have been bought based on the number of entries), and will not be returned to late withdrawees from knockouts.
- 4) **Signing in and entering scores.** If the PSI system is in operation, as advised by the Pro Shop staff, players must enter in the system prior to play and enter their score in the system after their round. Failure to do so may result in the player being banned from a specified number of competitions.
- 5) **Scorecards** should be entered into the electronic scoring system and placed in one of the competition boxes as soon as possible after the round. For all day competitions, cards cannot be accepted once the clubhouse is closed. Any cards marked "Non Return" must also be signed and entered into the PSI system and put into the competition box .
- 6) **Marking cards** Competition cards may be marked by a fellow non-competitor provided that they are a Member of BBGC with an handicap index unless otherwise specified.
- 7) **Competition information.** The specific playing format for each competition plus any handicap index limits, tees and starting time information will be listed on the competition notice posted in the Pro Shop and on the on-line booking page.
- 8) **Weekday members** are not permitted to play in the main knock-out or weekend competitions unless otherwise advised.
- 9) **Knock-outs.** Replacements are not permitted in knock-out competitions once a pair have played their first round. (See Appendix B (ii) for additional information regarding ladies knockouts)
- 10) **Caddies** are permitted in all competitions, except Ladies' 36 hole competitions and in junior (under 18 years) competitions. In a knockout match it would be expected that your opponent is advised in good time if you intend to have a

caddy.

- 11) **Juniors** may play in the competitions as noted in Appendix A.
- 12) **Buggies** are permitted in all competitions for competitors able to produce a medical certificate signed by a Registered Medical Practitioner. If this is not practical, permission may be provided by the Club Captain, Club Vice-Captain, Ladies' Captain, Ladies' Vice Captain or General Manager prior to the competition starting (i.e. the day before). It is considered polite to advise your opponents or fellow players in advance if you intend to use a buggy. Other players are not permitted to either ride in the buggy nor allow their clubs to be carried in it.
- 13) **Distance Measuring Devices**. Rule 4.3a applies. If using a smart phone, members are reminded that, as stated in the Club rules in the members' diary, the use of mobile phones for making or receiving calls on the course is strictly prohibited unless relating to an emergency.
- 14) **Start times** will be provided for some competitions but not all. It will be noted on the relevant information as to whether competition play is permitted outside of the allocated times. Upon authorisation from the General Manager, Club Captain, Ladies' Captain and Committee or Pro Shop competition play is permitted from the 10<sup>th</sup> tee. (See Appendix B (iii) for additional information on starting times for ladies' competitions)
- 15) **Ties** for prizes will be decided according to the R&A rules of golf, Committee Procedures 5A (i.e. Net Score of the last 9, 6, 3 or 1 holes).
- 16) **Prizes**. Dependant on the numbers entering the men's monthly medal, prizes will be awarded to the winners and runners-up from the three divisions as agreed by the Competitions Committee. The value and number of prizes for all competitions will be decided by the General Manager and Head Professional. For ladies' competition prizes, see "Allocation of Prizes" in the Ladies Competition Rules document.

Any disputes or rulings will be considered by the Men's Competitions & Handicaps sub-Committee who comprise the General Manager, Committee Member with responsibility for competitions and the Club Captain or the BBGC Ladies' Section Committee, whose rulings are final.

## **APPENDIX A : JUNIOR PARTICIPATION**

Juniors may play in the following competitions, with the provisos and handicap limits shown below:

### **Mixed Competitions**

- 1) Bank Holiday Mixed: The junior must partner an adult and the playing partners must be advised in advance. No h/cap index restriction
- 2) Saints Day Mixed: as above
- 3) AGM Mixed Foursomes (Roberts Cup): Handicap limits apply - Men (24.3), Boys (12) Ladies + Girls (HI 26.1))
- 4) Cliff Day Scramble: Handicap limits apply - Men (24.3), Boys (12), Ladies (HI 31.2), Girls (HI 26.1)
- 5) Jaggard Trophy : Handicap limits apply - Men (24.3), Boys (12), Ladies + Girls (HI 26.1)
- 6) Stewards Cup : Handicap limits apply - Men (24.3), Boys (12), Ladies (HI 31.2), Girls (HI 26.1)
- 7) Brooke Trophy: Handicap limits apply - Men (24.3), Boys (12), Ladies (HI 31.2), Girls (HI 26.1)
- 8) Flag Competition : Handicap limits apply - Men (24.3), Boys (12), Ladies (HI 31.2), Girls (HI 26.1)
- 9) East London Cup : Handicap limits apply - Men (24.3), , Ladies (HI 31.2),

### **Men's Competitions**

- 1) Club Championship : 36 hole stroke play – Field limited to 66 lowest handicaps. no age restriction
- 1(a) The Ray Cox Trophy. Played for in conjunction with The Club Championship. The Trophy is for the best two round nett handicap score for a player who has not won a scratch prize i.e. 1st, 2nd or 3rd two round scratch
- 2) Diamond Jubilee Cup : Individual medal Men (20.9) , Juniors (12)
- 3) Wright Challenge Cup : Individual medal Men (20.9) Juniors (12)
- 4) Broke Bowl : Individual medal Men (20.9), Juniors (12)
- 5) Police Orphanage Cup : Individual medal Men (20.9), Juniors (12)
- 6) BBGC Challenge Cup : Greensome medal Men (20.9), Juniors (12)
- 7) Prince of Wales Cup : Medal Men (20.9 ) , Juniors (12)
- 8) Winter & Summer Matchplay : Full Members ( 18 yrs + older ) only (20.9)

## **Ladies' Competitions**

Juniors are welcome to play in all competitions run by the Ladies' Section except knockouts

## **Appendix B**

- (i) Ladies' club championship – In order to enter the Ladies' Club Championship, 54 holes of qualifying golf must have been played at BBGC in the current year.
- (ii) Ladies' Knock-out competitions - Members who play on a Tuesday must offer 2 weekday and 1 weekend dates. Members who work and play competitions at the weekend must offer 2 weekend and 1 weekday dates. Any dispute that cannot be resolved must be reported to the Committee through the Ladies' Captain, whose decision is final. Finals dates and times should be mutually agreed between the finalists. The Ladies' Captain should be informed in order to appoint a referee and notify the office for inclusion in the day diary. Finals must be played by the end of September.
- (iii) Starting times - Competitors must play with fellow competitors in the allotted tee times. When a competitor has signed up for a competition and due to exceptional circumstances cannot play in the allotted time, a card may be marked by a non-competitor (see Rule 6). In this case, the competitor must seek permission from the Lady Captain and inform the Pro Shop as soon as possible and at least 24 hours in advance. A non-competitor marking a card will only be allowed if there is no other lady competitor needing a partner.

Agreed by the Captain's Committee (15/04/2021)