Woods Cup

The Woods Cup is a Winter Pairs league played over 8 rounds, 2 per month in October, November, February, and March. The competition entry is capped at 50 pairs.

This is an Honours Board competition, and entrants must have a valid WHS Handicap Index and have returned at least 4 Acceptable Scores (of which at least two must be in qualifying competitions) from rounds played at PHGC within the twelve months prior to the closing date of the competition (Sunday 22nd September). All acceptable scores must be over 18 holes. Scores submitted for initial handicap allocation do not count towards 'Acceptable Scores'.

In the event of bad weather reducing the number of rounds, the results will be decided on however many rounds are played.

Format

Better Ball Stableford.

Course status

If the course status is carry-only then Rule 4.1b(2) is modified to allow partners in Better Ball competitions to share clubs, so long as the total number of clubs they have together is not more than 14.

If the course status is 8 holes, then the competition will be modified to be a 9-hole competition and handicaps adjusted accordingly.

If some holes are closed, the round will still take place, but only over the reduced course. In such cases, handicap shots shall be taken on the holes they would otherwise have fallen, i.e., if you would not normally receive a shot on a hole, you will not receive one even though playing on a reduced course.

If the winter course is in use, then the Stroke Indexes for the yellow course remain in place.

Entry fee

Entry Fee is £4 per person each round to cover twos and prizes.

Please check that you have sufficient funds in your account prior to the competition.

Please note that if you book your partner into a round and they cannot play they will be charged – please advise the Competitions Committee of any changes prior to the day.

Prizes

There will be prizes for each round and main prizes for the winners / runners up of the Woods Cup and the Plate. The number of participants will determine prizes for each round.

The prizes for each round will be calculated on the number of entries in each round with 27% being put towards the prizes for Winners / Runners Up of the Cup & Plate and 20% to the Club.

Dates

- October 5th
- October 19th

- November 2nd
- November 23rd
- February 1st
- February 15th
- March 1st
- March 15th

Competition Rules

- The Woods Cup will be run in a league format with the Stableford score from the competition being the points awarded.
- All rounds are drawn.
- Booking window opens at 1900 on the preceding Sunday at 1900 and closes 4 days later, on the Thursday at 1800 e.g., round 1 (5th October) – booking opens at 1900 on 28th September and closes at 1800 on Thursday 3rd October.
- The draw will be done, and the start sheet emailed out no later than midday on Friday.
- All 8 rounds will count there are no dropped rounds or alternative dates. Rounds will only be
 cancelled if the course is closed or, in the event of fog, if the fog does not clear by 0900 the
 round will be cancelled.
- The league table will be split into two after 4 rounds. The top 50% will compete for the Woods Cup and the bottom 50% will compete for the Plate.
- In the event of a tie in points after all completed rounds the winners of the Woods Cup and the Plate will be decided on:
 - Best score in the final round.
 - Countback
 - Total points scored in the last three rounds.
- Reserve players are not permitted. A single player may participate in the absence of their partner but there will be no additional adjustment to their handicap.
- The table(s) will be published after every round once the competition is closed.
- The men's course handicap will be calculated using the yellow slope rating (124) and the ladies using the red slope rating (126). The playing handicap will be 85% of the course handicap.
- Only the best score is to be recorded on the card.
- In the event that qualifying competitions are still in place when the Woods Cup commences then the competition will be a qualifying round. This means that if a pair score over 42 points and one

of the pair has scored on a minimum of nine holes then their score may be acceptable for handicap purposes.

- The men will play from the white competition tees and the ladies from the red tees.
- Unless there are extenuating circumstances, any pair that do not take up their allocated tee time without informing the Competitions Committee by email (puckrupcomps@hotmail.com) that they are unable to play will receive a two week ban from all competitions.
- Please send a photo of your scorecard to the Competitions Committee at <u>puckrupcomps@hotmail.com</u> if you are in the top six on the leaderboard at the end of the competition or if requested by a member of the Competitions Committee. Failure to provide a photo of the card for verification will result in prize money being withheld. The leaderboard is displayed on both the PSI machine and HDID.
- Pairs who do not sign into the competition prior to their round will be excluded from the round
 and their score will not count. Please email <u>puckrupcomps@hotmail.com</u> if you have any issues
 signing into the competition. Do not ask the Pro Shop to sign you into the competition either
 prior to or after your round.