

Eligibility

- The Club Championship and 'A' Championship is open to all Members and West Links Juniors
- The` B' Championship is open to all Members aged 18 and over on Saturday 20th May 2023 with a Handicap Index of 8.3 or higher and lower than 17.0.
- The Senior Championship is open to a Members aged 50 and over on Saturday 20th May 2023
- Players will be asked to confirm availability for the match play stages as they collect their cards from the starter for the qualifying rounds

Club Championship Qualifying

- A single Qualifying round will take place on Saturday 20th May 2023.
- The 16 lowest 2 round gross totals will qualify for the scratch match play stages.
- The match play stages will be played off the Black Tees.
- The Championship final will be played over 36 holes.
- Withdrawals from the match play stages prior to 6pm on Monday 22nd May will be filled from the highest qualifying available player on the Salver list and the draw reseeded. Withdrawals after Monday will result in a replacement from the highest qualifying available player on the Salver list.

'A' Championship Salver Qualifying

- Qualifying will take place on Saturday 20th May 2023.
- The scratch match play stages of the 'A' Championship Salver will be contested by the players returning the next 8 lowest gross scores after the qualifiers for the Club Championship have been decided.
- The Salver match play rounds and final will be played over 18 holes off white tees.
- A reserve list will be formed for the 'A' Championship Salver and used to fill any withdrawals from the match play stages.
- Withdrawals from the match play stages prior to 6pm on Monday 22nd May will be filled from the highest qualifying available player on the reserve list and the draw reseeded. Withdrawals after Monday will result in a replacement from the highest qualifying available player on the reserve list.
- The 'round of 16' of the Salver will be contested by the 8 qualifiers and the 8 losers from the 1st round of the championship.
- The 8 qualifiers will be seeded 1-8, the championship losers seed 9-16 based on championship match ranking eg loser from Championship match between seed 1v16 will play salver seed 1, loser from championship match 8v9 will play salver seed 8



Senior Championship Qualifying

- Qualifying will take place on Saturday 20th May 2023.
- Players must be aged 50 and over on 20th May
- The scratch match play stages of the Senior Championship will be contested by the players returning the 16 lowest single round gross scores
- The 16 qualifiers will be seeded 1-16, with matches between seeds 1v16, 2v15 etc
- The Senior Championship Match play rounds and final will be played over 18 holes off white tees.
- A reserve list will be formed for the Senior Championship and used to fill any withdrawals from the match play stages.
- Withdrawals from the match play stages prior to 6pm on Monday 22nd May will be filled from the highest qualifying available player on the reserve list and the draw reseeded. Withdrawals after Monday will result in a replacement from the highest qualifying available player on the reserve list.

'B' Championship Qualifying

- Qualifying will take place on 20th May 2023.
- Handicap Index of 8.3 or higher and lower than 17.0
- The 16 lowest gross scores after the Championship and Salver have been decided will qualify for the scratch match play stages.
- The `B' Championship Match play rounds and final will be played over 18 holes off white tees.

Count back procedure in the event of ties in the Qualifying stages

Club Championship, 'A' Championship Salver, Senior Championship and B Championship

- a. the lowest back nine of the single qualifying round score will count.
- b. then the lowest last 6 holes, the lowest last 3 holes and finally the last hole of the qualifying round score will count.

If a count back fails to produce a winner for any of the qualifying positions, a draw of lots by the Competition Committee will follow.

Draws

General Numerical Draws for the scratch match play stages of each Championship will be performed thereafter. In each draw, the leading qualifier will be seeded number 1 and the final qualifier will be seeded number 16 or in the case of the 'A' Championship Salver 8.

It is hoped the match play draws for all the Championships will be available on the evening of 20th May and will be posted in the clubhouse and on the Club website by noon on Sunday 21st May 2023.



The Scratch Match Play Stages

'B' Championship (White Tees)	Round 16 Quarter Final Semi Final Final	Thur 1 st June Fri 2 nd June Sat 3 rd June Sun 4 th June	17:30 to 18:40 18:20 to 18:50 10:00 to 10:10 13:30
'A' Championship Salver (White Tees)	Round 16 Quarter Final Semi Final Final	Sat 3 rd June Sat 3 rd June Sun 4 th June Sun 4 th June	08:40 to 09:50 13:20 to 13:50 09:00 to 09:10 13:40
Senior Championship (White Tees)	Round 16 Quarter Final Semi Final Final	Tue 30 th May Tue 13 th June Thur 15 th June Sun 18 th June	17:00 to 18:10 17:00 to 17:30 17:00 to 17:10 10:52
Club Championship (Black Tees)	Round 16 Quarter Final Semi Final Final	Fri 2 nd June Sat 3 rd June Sat 3 rd June Sun 4 th June	17:00 to 18:10 08:00 to 8:30 13:00 to 13:10 09:20 & 13:50

Other

Tied matches will play 'sudden death' extra holes beginning at the 1st hole until a winner has been determined.

If weather (or otherwise) prevents either of the qualifying rounds from being completed. The Championship Committee will look to rearrange, if that is not feasible a single qualifying round will be used.

If any of the match play stages are not completed due to weather (or otherwise), the Championship Committee will look to rearrange. The Championship Committee reserve the right to decide a tie by a draw of lots if necessary.

The Championships will be run in accordance with the Rules of Golf as laid down by the Royal

& Ancient Golf Club of St. Andrews. In the event of any disputes, the decision of the Competition Committee will be final. (The Competition Committee will usual be made up of the Captain, Match Secretary and 1 other council member, subject to availability and no conflicts of interest.)
