



# Buckinghamshire County Ladies Golf Association

## SUMMER GREENSOMES KNOCKOUT TROPHY 2019

### TERMS OF COMPETITION

1. The competition shall be played according to the general BCLGA "LOCAL RULES, TERMS OF THE COMPETITION AND REGULATIONS".
2. The competition shall be open to all Members of the Buckinghamshire County Ladies Golf Association. . All matches in the competition must be played at clubs that are affiliated to BCLGA.
3. The Management of the competition shall be vested in the Competition Organiser appointed by the Executive Committee. Any dispute must be put in writing to the Competition Organiser, who may refer to the Executive Committee for a decision, whose decision shall be final.
4. To be played as a Knockout Greensomes Competition.
5. Matches shall be played off current handicap. The Greensomes handicap for each pair shall be taken from the Greensomes Handicap Conversion Table provided to all entrants (also available on the BCLGA web site). Stroke allowance is the full difference between the Greensomes handicap of each pair, as recommended by the CONGU® system of handicapping.
6. The venue for the matches, except for the final, shall be the "home" club of one of the players. The first round draw will be done by automated software with the first named players having home advantage. For the second round draw onwards, home advantage is decided by the organiser using the following algorithm: a) if one pair had a home draw in round one and the second pair had an away draw in round one, then the second pair is given home advantage in round two. b) if both pairs had the same advantage in round one, then home advantage in round two is decided by the organiser by the toss of a coin. For the third round onwards – a similar pattern applies, if one pair has not had a home advantage then they are given It in round three, but if both pairs have had the same advantage in the first two rounds, then the organiser decides by the toss of a coin.
7. Pairs need not be members of the same club, however if they are members of different clubs, they must nominate their 'home' club for the competition on the entry form. Once a pair has played a 'home' match in the competition, they cannot change their 'home' club unless BOTH players are no longer members of the club.
8. The final shall be played on a neutral course. The course and date of the final to be arranged by the Competition Organiser.
9. **The winners of each match must notify the Competition Organiser of the result and the date the match was played within 48 hours of the completion of the match. Competitors not complying with this rule will be disqualified.**
10. Responsibility for arranging matches is shared jointly between the two players, who must agree a mutually convenient date between themselves.  
However, if the "Home" players do not contact their opponents within 7 days of the start of the current Round then they shall forfeit the right to the "Home" venue.

11. The competition dates for 2019 are:

- Round 1 must be played between 1<sup>st</sup> April and 1<sup>st</sup> May
- Round 2 must be played between 2<sup>nd</sup> May and 5<sup>th</sup> June
- Round 3 must be played between 6<sup>th</sup> June and 10<sup>th</sup> July
- Round 4 must be played between 11<sup>th</sup> July and 14<sup>th</sup> August
- Semi-finals must be played between 15<sup>th</sup> August and 11<sup>th</sup> September

Each "Home" player must offer the dates for their Home matches to their opponents ON or BEFORE the following dates:

- Round 1 by 7<sup>th</sup> April
- Round 2 by 8<sup>th</sup> May
- Round 3 by 12<sup>th</sup> June
- Round 4 by 17<sup>th</sup> July
- Semi-finals by 21<sup>st</sup> August

After these dates the "Home" players forfeit the automatic right to the "Home" venue

12. Extensions will not be given unless both courses are closed or unavailable on the last day of the round, in which case the Competition Organiser must be contacted to approve an extension.
13. If a match has not been played by the last day of the round, or the pairs fail to agree a mutually convenient date, BOTH pairs will normally be disqualified following consultation with the Competition Organiser
14. After consultation with the Competition Organiser, to avoid a pair being given a walk-over, the losing pair in the previous round may be permitted to be substituted for the pair who would be giving the walk-over.

#### **ADDITIONAL RULE FOR KNOCKOUTS**

Juniors are welcome to enter county knockouts, however parents/guardians are reminded that it is their responsibility to arrange for safeguarding of their child.

For each match a 'responsible adult' must be nominated (be it a parent or any other nominated adult) who will be responsible for the junior for the duration of the match. The 'responsible adult' must have details of emergency contact information and any special medical needs of the junior. The junior and her opponent must be provided with the contact telephone number of the nominated 'responsible adult'.

Note: 'duration of the match' includes the time from a junior being dropped off by parents/guardians to their collection by parents/guardians.

In accordance with item B4 In BCLGA Local Rules, Terms of the Competition and General Regulations, a player must not practice on the competition course before or between rounds.

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