

BELTON WOODS GOLF CLUB (BWGC)

COMPETITION CONDITIONS (GENTS SECTION)

BWGC COMPETITIONS

Will be run under the rules of the following:

The Royal and Ancient Golf Club of St Andrews (R&A), England Golf, The Lincolnshire Union of Golf Clubs (LUGC), The Council of National Golf Unions (CONGU) – Unified Handicapping System.

ELIGIBILITY FOR COMPETITION ENTRY

Competition schemes are provided for all sections of the Membership who have official handicaps. Boys who have achieved a competition handicap of 54 or less, qualify for Gents Competitions and will be able to play with an adult member of the Club or with a Junior who has obtained a single figure handicap. By invitation, junior members 18 years and under, may be included in other adult competitions, based on playing merit (certain events have an adult theme for prizes to which a group of juniors would be discouraged).

Prize winners in all competitions must hold a ‘competition’ handicap prior to the event. All Trophy Competitions require that players must have a ‘competition’ handicap and have completed 3 BWGC 18 Hole Qualifying Competitions in a rolling year prior to the event.

BEFORE PLAY COMMENCES

The committee will arrange for a Booking Sheet to be made available to the shop (either manual or electronic). Competitors will pay the appropriate entrance fee and the booking sheet will be annotated accordingly. In paying the entrance fee, the competitor agrees to all the competition conditions set out below. Competitors must pay the stated competition fee in full, but 2’s sweeps are optional. Once players have booked in (at the shop) and paid the appropriate entrance fee, players are then required to SIGN IN on the computer provided. Upon completion of a round players are to check and SIGN their cards, ENTER the score into the computer and RETURN THE CARD to the competition box.

If there is no draw for playing partners, then players should have their card marked by a fellow competitor. Where this is not possible, a Committee member or in this instance Pro Shop Staff should be approached, who may be able to appoint ‘an official marker’ (a current member of BWGC with an official CONGU handicap).

Competitors must put a personal identification mark on all golf balls to be used during competitions. Golf balls that are used as provisional balls must be marked differently from the original ball.

BWGC dress code must be observed.

ON COMPLETION OF THE COMPETITION ROUND

All scores, must be entered onto the Club V1 computerized system, even no return scores. In the unlikely event that the Club V1 system is out of commission, the card must be marked with a time of unsuccessful entry and returned to the competition box. Scores that have not been entered onto the system or time marked will be disqualified. 2's sweep entries will also be voided without a score entry.

All cards, whether completed or not, must be returned to the competition box. Incomplete cards must be returned and clearly marked NO RETURN. Each card must have the following information CLEARLY stated.

COMPETITORS NAME, COMPETITION TITLE, THE DATE, COMPETITORS PLAYING HANDICAP, COMPETITORS SIGNATURE, MARKERS SIGNATURE AND GROSS SCORE WHICH MUST BE CLEARLY IDENTIFIABLE. ALL TEAM COMPETITIONS MUST CLEARLY IDENTIFY WHICH GROSS SCORE IS TO COUNT FOR SCORING PURPOSES.

Using full handicaps (and fractions thereof). Ties will be decided on the last 9,6,3,2,1 holes and then a card playoff from the 1st hole. 36 – Hole competitions will be decided on the last 18. The Gents Club Championship will be decided by a sudden death playoff (off scratch) once from the 18th hole of the lakes course and thereafter from the 1st hole of the lakes course.

Competition prize monies will always be decided on count back.

The safe and clean return of BWGC Trophies will be the responsibility of the named holder, with said Trophies being returned to the Vice-Captain two weeks prior to presentation evening.

BWGC Members Fund – This fund belongs to the 'Registered Golfers 'of Belton Woods Golf Club, for them to administer as they see fit. The fund has no connection with the Hotel.

WEATHER CONDITIONS

It is the consensus of the BWGC that if the course is open, then the competition should start. However, if weather conditions deteriorate to such an extent during a competition to make play impossible to continue, then, a quorum of 3 committee members may agree to suspend or close the competition. The competition can then be decided over 9 holes if all competitors have completed 9 holes before the close. If not, then the competition can be voided, and entries returned.

RANGE FINDERS

On our courses and in our local competitions, a multi-functional device may be used such as a Range Finder, Watch or phone, provided the purpose is not a breach of the Rules, e.g. you cannot make a phone call to ask for advice.

The use of Distance Measuring Devices (DMD) is allowed in all BWGC competitions. DMDs must conform to R&A rulings (Rule 14/3).

CO-OPERATION AND RESPECT TO ALL COMPETITORS

In the event of a competitor cancelling a pre-booked tee time on the day of a competition or failing to turn up for the pre-booked tee time, said competitor / competitors will be excluded from the next competition entry. 2 infringements in a rolling year will result in a two competition exclusion and so on.

Any Competitor / Competitors seen by the Competition / Handicap Secretary or members of the General committee with a scorecard in hand in the bar will be disqualified unless it is complete, and the score is entered on to the Club V1 system.

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