

BRIDGNORTH GOLF CLUB



COMPETITIONS GUIDANCE

Men's Section 2019

And Incorporating Mixed Competitions

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1. Eligibility & membership:

Men's Competitions, other than those designated as open to visitors, are restricted to members of Bridgnorth Golf Club.

Membership categories and playing rights – please refer to *Appendix 1*.

2. Draws:

The draws for all the Knockout Competitions i.e. Frank Armstrong Cup, Major Foster Cup, Munster Cup, Scratch Foursomes, Summer League Cup, Walter Davis Coronation Bowl, Walter Iliff Cup and Winter Cup John Cooke Trophy will be made by the Competitions Committee as soon as possible after 1st April or after the playing date for the preliminary competition. At least 2 people must be present for the draw.

Other draws will take place the weekend prior to the main day.

3. Playing numbers:

Play for all medal and stableford competitions will be in groups of three on Saturdays or Sundays, but players may play in two's if no 3rd player. Team competitions will be in 3's or 4's determined by the competition. All players in a group must play in the competition or be marking a card

4. Entry Fee:

The entry fee for all major trophy competitions, medals and stablefords etc shall be as stated on the 'Entry Fees' notice as displayed and attached in *appendix 2*

5. Start Times:

Prior to starting their round, all competitors must check in with the Professional, pay their entry fees and play at their designated tee time. Players must start on time, failure to do so will result in breach of rule 5.3a. and a penalty applied. No player may change his tee time once the competition entry is closed.

6. Score Cards and Scores:

All competitors must use the Club's current scorecard. If someone wishes to play in the competition and does not have someone to play with the Committee can appoint someone to mark that persons card whether or not he is actually playing in the competition.

On completion of the round the marker must sign the scorecard and hand it to the competitor. If more than one marker records the scores, each must sign the part for which he is responsible. The competitor should check his scores for each hole and ensure the marker or markers have signed the scorecard and then sign the scorecard himself. Failure to do so will result in disqualification.

Apps are permitted providing all scores are **NOT** recorded on a single app.

Competitors are requested to enter their score into the computer and hand his card to the professional. If the Professionals shop is closed they must place their scorecard in the box outside the Professionals shop. This includes “No Return” cards. Failure to return cards will result in the card being removed from the CSS calculation

7. Suspension /abandonment of Play - Danger:

As determined by Competition Organiser for the day or the Professional, in the event of thunder and lightning, ONE PROLONGED SIREN BLAST will signify an immediate Suspension of Play. Mark your ball and move to safety. If you have not heard the Siren but consider the conditions dangerous mark your ball and move to safety Rules of Golf – Rule 5 7a.

8. Suspension/abandonment of Play for other reasons:

As determined by Competition Organiser for the day or the professional, if play is Suspended, other than for reasons of danger (eg water logging, fog critical accident), the signal for Suspension of Play will be THREE SHORT BLASTS, REPEATED. Players must complete the hole they are playing, or mark their ball where they lie. They must not start playing the following hole.

Penalty for breach of this Suspension of Play Rule is Disqualification.

Resumption of Play:

If resumption is not possible and play abandoned and less than half the players have returned then the competition is cancelled and replayed if possible.

The signal for Resumption of Play is TWO SHORT BLASTS, REPEATED. Play must not be resumed until the Competition Organiser or Professional has ordered a Resumption of Play.

The penalty for breach of this Resumption of Play Rule is Disqualification

9. Tied Competitions:

In the event of a tie the winner will be the player with the lowest handicap score, unless otherwise stated as appropriate, over the back 9, 6, 3 or 1 hole

10. Match Play Competitions:

All players are equally responsible for setting up dates for their match. Each player/team should give at least 3 possible dates for playing the tie (non-consecutive dates, including at least one weekend date). Every effort should be made to play ties by the date stipulated. An extension (maximum one week) will only be granted in special circumstances, after application has been made to the Committee. For all Match Play Competitions the stipulated round is 18 holes. If there is a tie after 18 holes then games should continue to sudden death from the 1st tee. For handicap competitions, strokes for extra holes will be given at the same holes as on the stipulated round. If any match is suspended at the agreement of all players, then it must be resumed at the hole at which the suspension occurred. (If necessary, in order to get into position on the course, the preceding holes may be played, but do not affect the match.)

11. Buggies:

All players may use a buggy in all club qualifying and non-qualifying competitions. For events run on behalf of England Golf, SHUGC or the R&A a medical note may be required. Players to adhere to Bridgnorth GC Transportation Policy posted in the Corridor.

12. Entry Times:

Tee times for Saturday or Sunday competitions will be displayed on notices and Club V1, howdidido. These times can be booked online up to one month before competition day. Men may play before the Pro Shop opens but must have notified The Pro of their intention the previous day.

13. Hole in One:

Any man obtaining a hole in one is entitled to the equivalent of double two's providing a two's competition is being held. Any man obtaining a hole in one in a qualifying competition is currently entitled to a Boss watch provided by Club V1. This is automatically awarded via the hole in one registered on howdidido. The player must be registered to howdidido.

14. Committee Decision

The committee reserves the right to reject any entry, to alter or amend any of the foregoing rules and to resolve finally, any dispute, which may arise in connection with a competition. The committee reserves the right to alter the format of the tournament, as laid out, should the tournament be affected by inclement weather.

15. Competition Rules

All men will adhere to the Rules of Golf and to those rules as listed in the club diary.

16. Major Cups/Trophies

All players must have a competition CONGU handicap of 36.0 or less and are not open to Lifestyle OR 'second club' members **Handicap limit 28 unless stated otherwise**

a. Baker Cup

Donated by Michael Baker in 2002, the year of his captaincy. 18 hole stableford for right handed full male and junior members. Playing handicap limit 28. Played in conjunction with Caggi Cup. Tees White.

b. Buston Cup**

Presented by A.J.Buston in 1930 on his being appointed Vice President. 18 hole medal. Open to all full male members and juniors. Playing handicap limit 28. Tees White

c. Caggi Cup

18 hole stableford for left handed full male members and juniors. Playing handicap limit 28. Played in conjunction with Baker Cup. Tees white.

d. Clipper Cup

A four ball team AMAM 18 hole medal competition. 90% handicaps. Open to all male members. Best two scores to count on each hole. Playing handicap limit 28. Tees white.

e. Curwen Foursomes Cup

Presented by Curwen Brothers. 18 hole foursomes medal played off half combined handicaps. Winners qualify for the Daily Mail Foursomes played the following year. Playing handicap limit 28. Open to all full male members. Tees white.

f. David Edwards Memorial Cup**

Played in memory of David Edwards who tragically drowned in 1961 in the sea off Aberdovey. 18 hole medal round added to the two best scores from five competitions marked with **. Open to all full male members. Playing handicap limit 28. Tees white.

g. Day Seniors Trophy

Presented by Richard Day. 18 hole stableford for full senior men 55 years and over. Playing handicap limit 28. Tees yellow. Qualifier for Seniors Championship.

h. Dickson 36 hole Handicap Trophy

Presented by the family of Ron Dickson. The club handicap championship played over 36 holes. First 18 holes played the weekend prior to the Club Championships Best available 48 scores make the cut and play second 18 holes on Club Championship day. Open to all full male members and juniors. Playing handicap limit 28. Tees white.

i. Duke Trophy - Open

Presented by Mike Duke when he was Captain in 1993. Senior Men's Open Competition in May. Awarded to best Bridgnorth Stableford score. 18 hole stableford. Tees yellow.

j. Grandfather's Trophy

18 hole stableford for grandfathers (real, fostered, adopted or step). Playing handicap limit 28. Tees yellow.

k. Major Foster Cup.

Awarded by Major A.W.Foster in 1935. 18 hole handicap singles knockout (full handicap difference). Final over 36 holes – 2 x 18 holes. Playing handicap limit 28. Open to all full male members. Tees white

l. Munster Cup**

18 hole medal. The leading eight players from a medal round qualify for a knockout off qualifying handicap (full handicap difference), Playing handicap limit 28. Open to all full male members. Tees white.

m. Nicholls Cup

18 hole stableford open to all full male members. Playing handicap limit 21 – 36. Tees yellow

n. RAF Cup

18-hole stableford off full handicap. Playing handicap limit 28. Open to all full male and junior members. Tees white

o. RNLI Trophy

18 hole stableford off full handicap. Playing handicap limit 28. Open to all full male and junior members. Optional entry for PGA Lombard Trophy for adults only. Tees white

p. Sankey Cup **

Presented by G.H.Sankey in 1930 when Vice President. Originally a four card eclectic played during September now 18 hole medal. Playing handicap limit 28. Open to all full male and junior members. Tees white

q. Scratch Foursomes

18 hole foursomes Scratch Matchplay Competition. Open to full male and junior members. Playing handicap limit 28. Tees white

r. Seniors Club Championship Trophy

Played by top 18 players from the aggregate of The Bob Fielding Trophy and The Day Seniors Trophy. 18 hole stableford, full handicap. Yellow tees. Played on a Thursday in September

s. Summer League Cup

18 hole Better-ball medal competition (choose partner). 90% handicap. The leading 8 pairs qualify for knockout played May to September. Open to all full male and junior members. Playing handicap limit 28. Tees white.

t. Veterans Cup

18 hole stableford for members over 65 years. Playing handicap limit 28. Tees yellow.

u. Walter Davis Coronation Bowl

Presented by Walter Davies, a Past Captain of 1953, who died on Christmas Day. 18 hole foursomes handicap knockout. (1/2 difference of aggregate combined handicaps). Open to all full playing male members. Playing handicap limit 28. Tees white

v. Walter Iliff Cup

18 hole singles scratch matchplay competition. Final played over 36 holes – 2 18 hole rounds. Open to all full male and junior members. Playing handicap 28. Tees white

w. Wetton 36 holes Scratch Cup

The Club Championship presented by Doug Wetton. Played over 36 holes. Medal. Open to all full male and junior members .Tees white

x. Willoughby Cup **

18 hole medal. Open to all male members who have not won a cup competition at this Club. Playing handicap limit 28. Tees white.

y. Winter Cup John Cooke Trophy

Presented by John Cooke in the year of his captaincy. 18 hole Better-ball medal competition (choose partner). 90% handicap. The leading 8 pairs qualify for knockout played between Nov and March. Open to all full male and junior members. Playing handicap limit 28. Tees yellow.

17. Minor Trophies

All players must have a **competition CONGU** handicap of 36. Play will be off full handicap but for the trophy a limit of 36 applies

a. Bob Fielding Trophy

Played in memory of former Seniors Captain, Bob Fielding who died in office. 18 hole stableford for full senior men 55 years and over. Playing handicap limit 28. Tees yellow. Qualifier for Seniors Championship.

b. Four Club Challenge

18 hole stableford where competitor can only use 4 clubs of his choice. Traditional opening competition to the season. Open to all male and junior members. Playing handicap limit 28. Tees yellow

c. Frank Armstrong Cup

Senior men's 18 hole knock out competition. Full handicap difference. Playing handicap limit 28. Tees yellow.

18. Mixed Competitions - (M denotes Major)

All players must have a **competition CONGU** handicap of 54. Play will be off full handicap but for the trophy a limit of 28 applies for men and 36 for ladies

a. Acorn Trophy

Presented to the winners of the Christmas Mixed Greensomes Competition. Tees yellow and red.

Playing handicap limits 28 for men and 36 for ladies

b. Clive Baker Trophy - Club Night

A series of 9 hole Stableford competitions played every Wednesday evening during Spring and Summer. Open to all members and non-members: ladies, seniors, men and juniors. Holes 4-12.

Handicap limits 28 for men and 36 for ladies. Tees yellow/red. Non-qualifying

c. Committee Cup (M)

18 hole Stableford competition. Open to all officers, committee members, (elected and co-opted), President, Vice-Presidents, Trustees, senior men's Captain, Ladies Captain and Ladies Committee, invited volunteers and the previous winner if a member of the Golf Club; all regardless of membership category. Handicap must be active: men 28 and ladies 36. Yellow and red tees. Non-qualifying. Followed by meal.

d. Cooksey Vase ** (M)

18 hole medal open to all full male, lady and juniors members. White and red tees. Apply Congu appendix 0. Playing handicap limits men 28 and ladies 36

e. Festival Shield (M)

18 hole stableford played over Bridgnorth Festival Weekend. Open to all full male, lady and junior members. White and red tees. Apply CONGU appendix 0. Playing handicap limits men 28 and ladies 36.

f. Fretwell Trophy

Presented to the winners of the Champagne Breakfast 18 hole Greensomes Competition. Tees yellow and red. Playing handicap limits men 28 and ladies 36

g. Mixed Foursomes Cup (M)

Played in conjunction with the Statham Millennium Trophy. Top eight pairs from an 18 hole medal qualify for match play rounds. Men drive off 1st tee. Open to all full male and lady members. Playing handicap limits men 28 and ladies 36. Tees yellow and red.

h. Octogenarian Trophy

Donated by David and Deanna Deighton. A 9 Hole Stableford Competition for those aged 80 and over on the date of play. Open to all members. Tees Yellow/Red. Non-qualifying. Handicap limit 28 men, 36 for ladies.

i. Purnell Shield

18 hole Senior men and junior better ball stableford competition, 90% handicap. Played in conjunction with Thompson Trophy. Tees white, yellow and red. Meal to finish.

j. President's Cup (M)

Presented by Brigadier C. Goulburn in 1986 on his 80th birthday. An 18 hole 4BBB medal. Open to all full male and lady members. Ladies receive 1 courtesy shot (difference in standard scratch) except if playing with a man. 90% handicap allowance. Playing handicap limits men 28 and ladies 36. Tees white and red.

k. Rolling Pin

A 12 hole match play competition - Men v Ladies. Ladies start 2 holes up. In even years men challenge ladies, in odd years ladies challenge men. Playing handicap limits men 28 and ladies 36. Yellow and red tees. Meal to finish

l. Sidaway Cup

Annual mixed competition. Ladies and Senior men (over 55). Draw for partners. 15 hole greensomes start from 4th tee. 5/12 combined handicap. Playing handicap limits men 28 and ladies 36. Yellow and red tees. Meal to finish.

m. Spencer Family Trophy (M)

Presented by Bryan and Gillian Spencer. 18 hole foursomes stableford competition open to parent/child and grandparent/grandchild (fostered, adopted or step) one of whom must be a member

of BGC. ½ combined handicaps. Non-members pay a green fee. All players must have Congu handicaps. Playing handicap limits men 28 and ladies and juniors 36.

n. Statham Millennium Trophy (M)

Presented by Martin and Vanessa Statham in their year as Millennium Captains. 18 hole foursomes stableford competition open to parent/child and grandparent/grandchild (fostered, adopted or step) (1/2 combined handicap.) Non-members pay a green fee. All players must have a competition CONGU handicap. Played in conjunction with Foursomes Cup qualifier. Playing handicap limits men 28 and ladies 36. Tees yellow and red.

o. St David's Cup (M)

Presented by E.H.Thomas, President. 18 hole greensomes stableford competition open to all full members, 7/16th combined handicap. Playing handicap limits men 28 and ladies 36. Minimum 7 drives from each player, Men and Mixed pairs play off Men's card. CONGU Appendix 0 applies. Tees yellow and red.

p. Thompson Trophy

18 hole lady and junior better ball stableford competition, 90% handicap. Played in conjunction with Purnell Shield. Tees yellow and red.

18. Area/County qualifiers

All players must have an **active competition CONGU** handicap.

a. 9 Hole Championship

An individual 9 hole Stableford competition, open to all full male members, ladies and juniors. Two best scores go forward to R&A 9-hole championship played at The Open. Full handicap. Tees white/red

b. Chronicle Cup

18 hole full handicap stableford. Open to all full male members. Handicap limit 10 – 24. Optional qualifying event for SHUGC competition, top four go forward to represent the club at a designated course, individual and team prize. Tees white

c. Daily Mail Foursomes

Open to all men with CONGU handicap. Players with handicaps 19 and above must play off 18. Format medal. Qualifying played within Curwen Cup. Winners qualify for Daily Mail Foursomes knockout in the following year.

19. Fun Comps

Fun comps are held throughout the year and will vary in format and entry fee.

20. Two's and Sweep

The Professional runs optional two's and sweep with all major and minor competitions except any team events. The entry fees are as determined on the entry fees notice and attached in *appendix 2*

21. Procedure where there are insufficient Players

When there is a shortfall in players in a team event wildcard will be assigned and procedure displayed in the locker room and attached in *Appendix 3*

APPENDIX 1

MEMBERSHIPS CATEGORIES AND PLAYING RIGHTS

X denotes eligible to play in competition – 0 not eligible to take part in competition.

Membership Category	Medals & S'fords	Major Comps	Minor Trophies	Friendlies/League Matches	Fun Comps & Club nights	Captains Days	Sunday Mixed	County Events
Full	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Intermediate 25-30 years	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Juniors	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Eightyplus	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Distance	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Lifestyle	x	0	x	0	x	x	x	0
Affiliated	x	0	x	x	x	x	x	x
2 nd Club	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	0
Trial - Get into Golf	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Temporary	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Social	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

APPENDIX 2 ENTRY FEES 2018

Entry Fee for cup competitions	£2.00
Sweep - optional	£2.00
Twos - optional	£2.00

Entry fees go into the Competitions takings and are used for the replicas / vouchers presented at The Presentation Evening
Sweep provides prizes for the day

Fun Comps -Entry fee dependent on format of competition – determined by Competitions Committee

APPENDIX 3

PROCEDURE WHERE A TEAM HAS INSUFFICIENT PLAYERS

Where a team of 3 or 4 players has a shortfall in team members a 'wild card draw' will be performed to enhance that team's score. This procedure will be carried out by the Competition Secretary or professional, preferably with a member from the team with a shortfall. If this is not possible, to enable prompt closing of a competition & publication of results, the wild card draw will be done on the behalf of the Competition Secretary or by the pro shop. The competition will be revised to allow for 'visitors' and the wild card 1 & 2 players used.

1. Wild Card Procedure for teams where the 3rd or 4th player has withdrawn

A player will randomly be selected from the players that have the same or similar handicap to the player that has withdrawn. E.g. If withdrawn partner was off 14 handicap a random draw for those players off 14 will take place. If there is no player off the same handicap then those players nearest to the handicap to be used e.g. 13 or 15. This player's score will then be used as player C in 3-ball team and player D in 4 ball teams. Wild Card person to be used.

2. Wild Card Procedure for teams where there is a shortfall in a player

Where a team has only got 2 or 3 players for a 3 or 4-ball team event then all players who are in full teams will form part of the random draw. This player's score will then be used as player C in 3-ball team or player D in 4 ball teams.

3. Wild Card Draw for balanced draws:

Where a team has a missing player and the teams are selected as a balanced draw (e.g. where team player 1 may be handicaps up to 20 and team player 2 may be handicaps up to 25 and team player 3 may be handicaps up to 36). Then the random draw for these players will be from the men playing who are in the same handicap category as the missing player.

4. Wild Card player for 1 to 3

In all cases the player who has been randomly drawn as the 3rd or 4th player will be informed before he plays so that a separate card can be completed for all his holes. He will sign this card as the player and also one of his team will sign as the marker. This is to ensure the team with a short fall will have the fairest chance of a better ball score.

5. Wild Card for Texas Scrambles:

For texas scrambles where there is one missing player the 'wild card player' will be used at a handicap of 18.

6. Prizes

Where a wild card player's score is used for a team then he can win that teams prize **IF** he has not won a prize in his original team. i.e. no person can win more than one prize. In the case of a Texas Scramble then the prize will be shared between the players only.