



# Ladies Competition Rules

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Ladies Committee

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## Ladies Competition Rules

### **1. Eligibility & Membership**

Ladies 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 the following Knockout Competitions: Foursomes Challenge, Jean Davies Salver, 4BBB Trophy and Wynne Corrie will be made by the Competitions and Handicap Committee as soon as possible after 1st April. At least 2 people must be present for the draw. The Centenary Trophy draw will be made after the second qualifier has been played. 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 Wednesdays, but players may play in two's if no 3rd player. Team competitions will be in 3 or 4's determined by the competition. On a weekend play may be in 2, 3 or 4s. All players in a group do not have to be playing in the competition but may need to mark a card.

### **4. Entry Fee**

The entry fee for all major trophy competitions, medals and Stablefords etc is 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 2 shot general penalty. No player may change her tee time once the competition entry is closed at 8am on the day of the competition. In the case where a marker fails to turn up to play the player may move her tee time to the nearest time spot that is available.

### **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 person's card whether or not she is actually playing in the competition. Players no longer need to enter their Handicap Index and course handicap on their card.

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 she is responsible. The competitor should check her scores for each hole and ensure the marker or markers have signed the scorecard and then sign the scorecard herself. Failure to do so will result in

disqualification. Players can also enter their scores via the HDID or clubV1 members app and MUST state their marker and sign in the place provided

All scores to be submitted ASAP after play and before midnight. If the professional's shop is closed they must enter their score via HowDidIDo or clubV1 members app and retain their scorecard for validation. Failure to submit scorecard without a valid reason may lead to a penalty score under rules of handicapping 7.1b

## **7. Course Unplayable**

If the Ladies Competition Committee deems the course unplayable or the Professional or greenkeeper then the competition will be re-scheduled for another day if possible or cancelled.

## **8. Suspension/Abandonment of Play**

All players must adhere to the rules regarding suspension or abandonment of play laid out in The Rules of Golf – Rule 5.7. In addition, even though a competition is not formally suspended or abandoned (the air horn has not sounded), a player, believing there is danger from lightning, is entitled to mark their ball and discontinue play under Rule 5.7b. They must then follow the procedures laid out in this Rule. If a competition is abandoned and less than half the players have returned then the competition is cancelled and replayed if possible.

## **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, SLCGA or the R&A a medical note may be required. Players to adhere to Bridgnorth GC Transportation Policy posted in the locker room.

## **12. Alternate Day**

The Alternate Day will generally be the weekend before the Main Wednesday Competition day. Competitors may play on the Alternate Day or main day but NOT both. If a player does play in both then the first day of play is deemed to be the competition card. The alternate day competitions are: Birdie, Charity Comp, Harvest, Johnny Waugh Spoon, Australian Spoons, Coronation Foursomes, Daily Mail Foursomes and Ping 4BBB.

## **13. Entry Times**

Players will book their tee times via the members tee booking or competition booking system. If they wish to enter the competition they must register and pay in the proshop BEFORE play on the day of the competition

## **14. Hole in One**

Any lady obtaining a hole in one is entitled to the equivalent of double two's providing a two's competition is being held.

## **15. 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.

## **16. Competition Rules**

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

## **17. Major Cups/Trophies**

All players must have a WHS playing handicap of 36 or less and not open to Lifestyle, Affiliated (2nd club) or Trial members. There is no handicap index entry limit. However, Eligibility for the major trophies is limited to a maximum Playing Handicap limit of 36 unless stated otherwise. For all knockouts the Playing handicap limit is 36. ie. Players at 37 or above can enter but must play off 36. A player MUST have played in 4 qualifying competitions in the previous and current 12 months to be able to enter these competitions. Any general play scores submitted do NOT count towards these 4 cards. Under WHS all singles competitions have a playing handicap of 95% of course handicap. Please refer to mandatory handicap allowances in the Rules of Handicapping Page 93 for all other formats

- **Betty Day Cup** - 18-hole stableford. Playing Handicap limit 30
- **Centenary Trophy Knockout** - The qualifier for the Centenary matchplay will be played with the Gilbert Blundell Rose Bowl in May. The Alternative day will be the weekend before. The best eight nett scores from these 2 qualifiers shall compete for the singles knockout. If a player enters both days the first day only will count.

- **Edna Boud Brooch** - 18-hole stableford.
- **Eleanor Turner Cup** - 18-hole stableford. Ladies with Playing handicap 37 to 58 on day of competition.
- **Foursomes Challenge Cup Knockout** - 18-hole Foursomes knockout. ½ difference between aggregate course handicaps of each side. Different partner in consecutive years.
- **Foursomes Cup** - 18-hole foursomes medal played off ½ combined course handicap. Draw for partners from high and low handicaps.
- **Gilbert Blundell Rose Bowl** - 18-hole medal.
- **Grandmas Salver** - 18-hole stableford. Open to all Grandmas (including fostered, adopted or step).
- **Jean Davies Salver Knockout** - 18-hole singles Matchplay knockout (full course handicap difference).
- **Kay Ward Veterans Cup** - Best 2 scores from three 18-hole medal rounds. Open to ladies over 50.
- **Linda Marklew Trophy** - 18-hole stableford.
- **Nina Howells 36-hole Scratch trophy** - The ladies club championship played over 36 holes. Medal. Played in conjunction with Vivien Catterall Trophy
- **Pritchard Gordon Cup** - 18-hole medal.
- **Trixie Murphy Rose Bowl** - 18-hole medal. Open to winners and runners up of 18 Hole medals & 18 Hole Stablefords between previous Trixie Murphy Final and current year competition each year.
- **Vivien Catterall Trophy** - 36-Hole Handicap Trophy. The ladies Club handicap championship played over 36 holes. Medal. Played in conjunction with Nina Howells Trophy.
- **Weekend trophy** - 18-hole medal. Played on a weekend.

## 18. Minor Trophies

All players must have a Handicap Index. Playing Handicap limit 40 unless stated otherwise

- **Away Day Cup** - Format decided by Ladies' Captain - played at an away course chosen by the ladies' captain
- **Birdie Comp** - 18-hole stableford. Open to all ladies who have had a birdie in official qualifying competition starting with previous birdie final and ending in October medal. Birdies in eclectic and fun comps are not eligible.
- **Brenda Camm Shield** - Individual non qualifying stableford comp over 12 holes. Played in November. Winner best stableford score
- **Brenda Camm Trophy** - Format decided by Ladies Captain. Played on Ladies Captains Day. Awarded to player or players with best nett score or pts.
- **Charity Competition** - 18-hole stableford played with Betty Day Cup. The entry fee for this competition will go to the lady captain's charity. The winner will hold the Charity Competition trophy for one year.

- **Harvest Competition** - 18-hole stableford. 3 rounds with best 2 scores to count. Starts from September.
- **Johnny Waugh Spoon** - Format decided by lady captain of the day – usually 3/4 clubs and a putter which is non qualifying
- **Summer 18 Hole Eclectic** – Starts 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday in May to 30<sup>th</sup> September
- **Winter Eclectic 18 Holes** – Starts 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday in October and finishes end of April. See additional rules in locker room
- **Witches Comp** – Stableford non qualifying either 9 or 13 holes. Prizes for 1st, 2nd & 3rd. SHOTGUN START 10.00AM
- **9-Hole stableford Championship** - qualifying 9-Hole stableford played on the front 9 (PH limit 20)
- **4BBB The Grove Trophy** – 18 hole 4BBB 85% handicap allowance. Stableford

### 19. County Area Qualifiers

All players must have a handicap index. Open to all members excluding Lifestyle & Affiliated (2nd Club) members.

- **Australian Spoons (MNR)** - Open to all players with Handicap Index 15.0 to 54.0. Stableford format over 18-holes. Winners qualify to regional final.
- **Coronation Foursomes (R&A)** – Open to all players with a Handicap Index limit 40.0. Winners qualify to regional final. Stableford.
- **Daily Mail Foursomes** - Open to all ladies with a Handicap Index limits determined by the Daily Mail. Format medal. Winners qualify for Daily Mail knockout in the following year. Enter online by 31 January. Maximum shots after Course Handicap calculation's is 30
- **Ping 4BBB** - Four ball better ball, each partner receives 85% of course handicap allowance. To be played between January and July. Handicap Index limit 54.0.
- **Ritchie Veterans Salver** – Open to all players with a Handicap Index limit 40.0 (Course handicap 47). Winner of club competition goes onto play at County Autumn Meeting
- **Wynne Corrie Knockout** - Singles knockout held at club level to be played by end of July. Handicap Index limit 40.0 (Course handicap 45) Winner must be able to play in County Autumn meeting.

### 20. Race to Woodhall Spa & Regional Qualifier

The winner of the Race to Woodhall Spa (formerly EG Medal) will be awarded to the lady returning the lowest aggregate of four nett scores in any qualifying 18 hole Competition returned over the year. Winner plays in Regional Final in following year. Handicap Index Limit 54. Winner determined from report on WHS Platform in late December/January.

### 21. Stablefords

There will be a minimum of 16 qualifying stableford competitions with 8 on a Wednesday and 8 on a weekend. Playing Handicap limit 54

## **22. 9-Hole Stablefords**

9-hole Stablefords will be held throughout the year. Playing Handicap limit 29

## **23. Fun Comps**

Fun comps are held throughout the year and will vary in format. The entry fee is as stated on the entry fees listing in the locker room and attached in appendix 3. Playing Handicap limit 54

## **24. Ladies Captain Drive in & Captains Day**

The Ladies Captain chooses the Handicap limits for her drive in and Captains Day and the format.

## **25. Christmas Greensomes**

The playing handicap limit for the Christmas Greensomes is 54. Entry fee is £2 pp, which goes to the lady captain to buy prizes. Two's comp but no sweep.

## **26. 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 as determined on the entry fees notice and attached in appendix 2&3 A two's sweep will also be held for the fun competitions but no sweep. Any 2's obtained in a team event is divided amongst all team members (or those that have paid 2's entry fee). All two's money is carried over to the next ladies' fixture if there is no two's on the day

## **27. AGM Prize Fund**

The prize fund listing is attached in Appendix 4.

## **28. Procedure where there is insufficient Players**

When there is a shortfall in players in a team event a ghost will be assigned, and procedure displayed in the locker room and attached in Appendix 5.



## APPENDIX 1 – MEMBERSHIP CATEGORIES

### MEMBERSHIPS CATEGORIES AND PLAYING RIGHTS

✓ denotes eligible to play in competition – X not eligible to take part in competition

Membership Category	Medals & S'fords	Major Comps/ Knockouts	Minor Trophies	Senior/ Friendly/ League Matches	Fun Comps & Club Nights	Captain's Days	Sunday Mixed	County Matches/ Events
Full	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
U25/U30 Student	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Juniors U14-18	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
EightyPlus 80+	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Distance	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	X
LifeStyle/ LifeStyle 80+	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
CASC	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
2 <sup>nd</sup> Club/ Affiliated	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Trial	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Social	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X

## APPENDIX 2 – ENTRY FEES

### ENTRY FEES 2023

<b>Cups - Individual</b>	£2.00 – Two's £1 optional, Sweep £1 – optional
<b>Cups -Team</b>	£4.00 – Two's £2 optional per Team
<b>Medals</b>	£2.00 – Two's £1 optional, Sweep £1 - optional
<b>Stablefords</b>	£2.00 – Two's £1 optional, Sweep £1 – optional
<b>9 Hole stablefords</b>	£1.00 – Two's £1 optional, Sweep £1 – optional
<b>Knockouts</b>	£2.00 per person
<b>Harvest</b>	£2.00
<b>Birdie</b>	Free
<b>Trixie Murphy</b>	Free
<b>Johnnie Waugh Spoon</b>	£2.00 – Two's £1 optional, Sweep £1 - optional
<b>Charity Competition</b>	£1.00
<b>Summer Eclectic 18 Holes</b>	£2.00
<b>Winter Eclectic 18 Holes</b>	£2.00
<b>Winter Eclectic 9 Holes</b>	£2.00
<b>Coronation Foursomes</b>	£4.00, Two's £2 optional – Per Team
<b>Daily Mail Foursomes</b>	No entry Fee, Two's £2 per team optional
<b>Australian Spoons</b>	£6.00, Two's £2 optional – Per Team
<b>PING 4BBB</b>	£5.00, Two's £2 optional – Per Team
<b>Wynne Corrie</b>	£1.00 - qualifying matchplay knockout (money paid to county treasurer by end of August)
<b>Ritchie Veterans Salver</b>	£1.00 - played alongside a medal (money paid to county treasurer by end of August)
<b>Brenda Camm Trophy</b>	No entry fee
<b>Brenda Camm Shield</b>	£2.00 – Two's £1 optional, Sweep £1 – optional
<b>Lady Captains Drive in</b>	Free – Two's £1 optional
<b>Christmas Comp</b>	£2.00, Two's £1 optional
<b>Witches</b>	£1.00. Two's £1 optional

### FUN COMPS

**Entry £2.00 - £1.50 towards competition and £0.50 to ladies funds**  
**Twos' - £1 optional**  
**No Sweep**

## APPENDIX 3 – SWEEP & FUN PRIZES

### SWEEP AND FUN PRIZE FUND – 2023

#### Sweep - Entry £1

<b>Sweep Entries</b>	<b>No of Prizes</b>	<b>Ratio %</b>	<b>Maximum Prize £</b>
<b>0 – 9</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>9.00</b>
<b>10 - 19</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>60:40</b>	<b>11.40</b>
<b>20 or more</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>½ : ⅓ : ⅙</b>	<b>&gt;10</b>

#### Fun Comps -Entry £2.00

**£1.50 towards prizes and £0.50 to Ladies Funds**

<b>Teams of 2, 3 or 4</b>	<b>No of Prizes</b>	<b>Ratio %</b>	<b>Maximum Prize PP £</b>
<b>0 – 5</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>7.50</b>
<b>6 - 9</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>60:40</b>	<b>8.10</b>
<b>10 -15</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>½ : ⅓ : ⅙</b>	<b>11.25</b>
<b>16 - 19</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>40:30:20:10</b>	<b>11.40</b>

## APPENDIX 4 - PRIZE FUND 2023

### MAJOR CUPS

<b>Nina Howells Scratch Trophy</b>		<b>Betty Day Cup</b>	<b>Eleanor Turner Cup</b>
<b>Vivien Catterall H/Cap Trophy</b>		<b>Pritchard Gordon Cup</b>	<b>Edna Boud Brooch</b>
<b>Linda Marklew Trophy</b>		<b>Kay Ward Veterans Cup</b>	<b>Grandma's Salver</b>
<b>Gilbert Blundell Rosebowl</b>		<b>Trixie Murphy Rosebowl</b>	<b>Weekend Trophy</b>
<b>No of players</b>	<b>Winners</b>	<b>Prize</b>	
<b>1 to 9</b>	Winner	Cup with either Glassware or M&S Gift Card. Presentation supper – Value £20	
<b>10 to 19</b>	Winner	Cup with either Glassware or M&S Gift Card Presentation supper – Value £20	
	Runner up	10.00 M&S gift card shop or bar	
<b>20+</b>	Winner	Cup with either Glassware or M&S Gift Card Presentation supper – Value £20	
	2nd	£10.00 M&S gift card shop or bar	
	3rd	£5.00 M&S gift card shop or bar	
<b>Foursomes Cup</b>	<b>Winners</b>	Cup with either Glassware or M&S Gift Card Presentation supper – Value £20	
	Runners up	£10.00 M&S gift card, shop or bar	

### KNOCKOUT MAJOR TROPHIES

<b>Jean Davies Salver</b>	<b>Foursomes Challenge Trophy</b>	<b>Centenary Trophy</b>
<b>Winners</b>	Cup with either Glassware, M&S Gift Card at Presentation supper – Value £20	
<b>Runner Up</b>	£10.00 M&S gift card shop or bar	

### 18 HOLE MEDALS & STABLEFORDS - M&S gift card, shop or bar

No of players	Prize Breakdown	Prize £				
<b>1 to 5</b>	Winner	5				
<b>6 to 9</b>	Winner	10				
<b>10 to 19</b>	Winner	10				
	Runner up	5				
No of Players	Prize Breakdown		If < 5 in Div 1 Combine with 2		If < 5 in Div 2 or 3 Combine	
<b>20+</b>	Div 1 ( Up to PH 24)	10	DIV 1/2	10	DIV 1	10
	Div 2 (PH 25 to 35)	10	DIV 3	10	DIV 2/3	10
	Div 3 (PH 36 to 54)	10	R/UP	5	R/UP	5

## 9 HOLE STABLEFORDS - M&S gift card, shop or bar

No of players	Prize Breakdown	Prize £				
1 to 5	Winner	3				
6 to 9	Winner	5				
10 to 19	Winner	10				
No of Players	Prize Breakdown		If < 5 in Div 1 Combine with 2		If < 5 in Div 2 or 3 Combine	
20+	Div 1 ( Up to PH 11)	5	DIV 1/2	5	DIV 1	5
	Div 2 (PH 12 to 17)	5	DIV 3	5	DIV 2/3	5
	Div 3 (PH 18 to 29)	5				

## MINOR TROPHIES

<b>Harvest</b>	Winner	£10.00 M&S gift card shop or bar
	Runner Up	£5.00 M&S gift card shop or bar
<b>4BBB Knockout</b>	Winners	£10.00 M&S gift card shop or bar
	Runners Up	£5.00 M&S gift card shop or bar
<b>Birdie</b>	Winner	£10.00 M&S gift card shop or bar & Birdie Trophy
<b>Johnny Waugh Spoon</b>	Winner	£10.00 M&S gift card shop or bar & Spoon
	Runner up	£5.00 M&S gift card shop or bar
<b>Charity Competition</b>	Winner	Charity Competition Trophy
<b>Summer Eclectic 18 Holes</b>	Divisions and prizes dependant on No. of entries	Minimum £10.00 M&S gift card shop or bar
<b>Winter Eclectic 18 Holes</b>		Minimum £10.00 M&S gift card shop or bar
<b>Brenda Camm Challenge Shield</b>	Winner	£10.00 M&S gift card shop or bar
	Runner Up	£5.00 M&S gift card shop or bar
<b>Coronation Foursomes</b>	Go forward to regional final around July/August enter online in June – current year	
<b>Australian Spoons</b>	Winners go forward to regional final – current year no prizes	
<b>Daily Mail Foursomes</b>	Current year's winners go forward to regional knockouts following year. No prizes	
<b>Wynne Corrie/Ritchie Salver</b>	Play in Autumn County Meeting – no prizes	
<b>Race to Woodhall Spa (Formerly England Golf Medal) Qualifier</b>	Best nett score from any 4 18 Hole qualifying medal/stablefords competitions held throughout the year. Plays in the Regional Final the following year	
<b>PING 4BBB</b>	Go forward to grand final if score high enough – prize for 1 <sup>st</sup> 2 <sup>nd</sup> from PING	
<b>Brenda Camm Trophy</b>	Free entry winner gets Trophy on L Captain's Day Best nett/pts	
<b>Most Improved Player</b>	Medium Cup	

## APPENDIX 5 – INSUFFICIENT PLAYERS

### PROCEDURE WHERE A TEAM HAS INSUFFICIENT PLAYERS

Where a team of 3 or 4 players has a shortfall in team members a 'ghost player' will be chosen to enhance that team's score. This procedure will be carried out by the Competition Secretary, (or another Ladies' Committee member if she is not present), 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 a Ladies' Committee member by the pro shop. The competition will be revised to allow for 'visitors' and the ghost player 1 & 2 to be used.

#### **1. Ghost Procedure for teams where the 3<sup>rd</sup> or 4<sup>th</sup> 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 14.0 handicap index a random draw for those players off 14.0 will take place. If there is no player off the same handicap then those players nearest to the handicap index to be used e.g. 13.0 or 15.0 this player's score will then be used as player C in 3-ball team and player D in 4 ball teams. Ghost player to be used.

#### **2. Ghost 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. Ghost 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 handicap limits up to 20.0 and team player 2 may be handicap limit up to 25.0 and team player 3 may be handicap limit up to 36.0). Then the random draw for these players will be from the ladies playing who are in the same handicap category as the missing player

#### **4. Ghost player for 1 to 3**

In all cases the player who has been randomly drawn as the 3<sup>rd</sup> or 4<sup>th</sup> player will be informed before she plays so that a separate card can be completed for all her holes. She will sign this card as the player and also one of her 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. Ghost Player for Texas Scrambles**

For Texas scrambles where there is one missing player the 'ghost player' will have a handicap index of 18.0

#### **6. Prizes**

Where a ghost player's score is used for a team then she can win that teams prize **IF** she has not won a prize in her 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.