

D.C.L.G.A CHAMPIONSHIP & GREENER CUP 2021

Introduction

Due to ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, the arrangements for this year's Championships will be slightly different to normal. Please take time to read this document so that you know what is expected of you during the event.

Arrival/Sign-in

The sign-in area will be in the main lounge to the left of the conservatory doors. Access is through the front doors of the clubhouse, there is a one way system in place which will be signposted. There is a sign in/sign out sheet as well as sanitizer on a table in the foyer for those who don't have the NHS track and trace app on their phone.

A new carpet has just been fitted therefore ladies must not come into the main lounge with their golf shoes on. Those ladies wishing to use the toilet facilities during their round do not need to take their shoes off to go into the ladies lounge/locker room when entering via the front doors. The external door to the ladies locker room is not in operation at this time and the only way to access the ladies locker room is through the main clubhouse door.

Score Cards

In order to reduce the possibility of contamination to a minimum, you will be given the card of the person in your group whose card you will be marking which will be pre-populated with name/competition and handicap information. When you are on the first tee, confirm their handicap index with them. If there have been any late changes in handicap we will sort this out when the cards are returned but note it on the card. Please enter the players score as normal in column A and your own score in the marker's column.

Food

There will be food available in the clubhouse if required and the menu will be displayed at the start table. Please let the person on duty know what you would like and the order will be placed for you and will be ready for when you finish your first round. You are not allowed to eat your own food in the clubhouse, anyone bringing a packed lunch can eat it at the seated outdoor area in front of the conservatory.

Exiting the Clubhouse

When leaving the clubhouse please following the one-way system.

Ball Spotters

We hope to have a ball spotter at the 6th hole and ask all players when teeing off at the 10th that they walk forward to make sure the fairway is clear before proceeding.

On the course

Bunkers – There will be no rakes in the bunkers therefore placing is allowed within 6 inches. Please try to smooth out any footprints etc. after playing your shot.

Flagsticks – Golfers are required to leave the flagstick in the hole at all times and not to touch it as per England Golf Play Safe Stay Safe guidance. If it is windy and the flagsticks are bending, a player is allowed to hold the flagstick straight (centre it) with a putter whilst a member of their group is putting if requested.

Caddies – Players may have a caddy but they must abide by the social distancing rules, caddies should only provide guidance to players and should not handle clubs and may not go on the greens.

Rules

Di Elsy will be acting as Rules Official during the Championship. If there are any problems the players should contact her on 07989 052460. If she cannot be contacted, then on Friday, the player should play 2 balls for that hole and get a ruling later. During the match play stages of the competition that option is not available. The players should decide the rule between them. This stands even if the decision is wrong (Rule 20.1b(1) or If no agreement can be reached then request a ruling when Di becomes available Rule 20.1b (2).

Confirming Scores and Returning Cards

When you finish your round please verbally confirm the score that you have marked with the player. You should do this on a hole by hole basis (not just the total) to confirm that you both agree. Once agreed it is only necessary for the marker to sign the scorecard. The player themselves will have never touched their card during the competition. Once confirmed, please hand the card into the start/finish table in the main lounge.

Displaying/Publishing Scores

Score will be displayed as they come in on a TV screen in the ladies lounge and they will also be available on the Live Leaderboard section of the DCLGA website (3rd option in the Fixtures Menu). Once all the scores have been entered the top 16 players (who are available) will be put into the automatic draw for the matchplay stages of the event. This cannot be done before the final card has been handed in so please be patient while this is done. The draw will be put on the DCLGA website as soon as possible and again will be in the Fixtures Menu (4th option). Matchplay games will start at 09:00 and 13:30 each day.

Presentation of Prizes

Weather permitting, it is hoped that we will be able to run a socially distanced presentation on Sunday afternoon outside the clubhouse.

Practice

The ladies playing in the Championships may book a practice round at a reduced price of £18 via the Pro-shop 01429 836689. The Pro has a list of who is playing.

The practice area will be available, the ladies must use the golf club balls then bring some sanitizer to clean the basket before handing it back to the shop. The balls will be collected by the Pro-shop