

CONCISE GUIDE TO LADIES' FIXTURES 2019

Spring Meeting (Lyon Medal)

A stroke play competition. The winner is the player from either division with the best nett score.

Coronation Foursomes

This is a Stableford competition and (unlike Daily Mail Foursomes) is open to junior players. Two players form a team. Partners must play alternately from the teeing grounds and alternately during the play of each hole. Penalty stokes do not affect the order of play. The winning pair may qualify to play in the Area Final. Handicap Allowance is half the combined playing handicap with all half strokes to be counted as one stroke. *CONGU Appendix F, note 1.* For further details see:

https://www.randa.org/Championships/CoronationFoursomes/ConditionsRegulations

3 Ball Better Ball

First introduced in 2018. This is a fun team competition and is played as better ball in stroke play format. The best nett score of the 3 players counts as the team score for each hole. Record all three scores and the computer will identify the 'better' ball.

Lucy Gordon Quaich

The format is stroke play and played in conjunction with an SGL Medal. The winner is the player who returns the best nett score.

Par Competition and Bogey Cup

These competitions are both forms of stroke play. The scoring for Par and Bogey competitions is made as in match play, but against par rather than a real opponent. Unlike true match play the entire course is completed. The marker is responsible for marking only the gross number of strokes for each hole where the competitor makes a nett score equal to or better than par. The winner is the competitor who is most successful in the aggregate of holes. Rules of Golf 21.3.

Aboyne County Open

Open to all members of ALCGA. There are club trophies for the Aboyne members with the best scratch and best nett score.

4 Aggregates Silver and Bronze Competitions (Silver Salver/ Bronze Handicap Trophy)

The format is stroke play and the winner is the Silver/Bronze player who has the lowest aggregate nett score over three out of four designated rounds. This competition is drawn in respective division when possible.

Swannies and Ladies; Swannies v Ladies

These are fun social fixtures offering a chance to play with the senior men, followed by a light lunch in the clubhouse. The format of the former is greensomes strokeplay where a lady is partnered with a senior man. The Swannies v Ladies is greensomes matchplay where pairs of ladies compete against pairs of Swannies using the full handicap difference. The Swannies' handicaps are ½ the combined full individual handicaps and the ladies' handicaps are ½ their combined full individual handicaps increased by 4 courtesy strokes. The stroke index from the yellow tees is used to determine which holes strokes will be awarded. Swannies play from the yellow tees and ladies from the red.

Club Championship

Following an EGM in 2018, it was decided to amend the format for the Club Championship in order to try and encourage more ladies to enter. It was felt that having more opportunities from which to play the two qualifying stroke play rounds would be beneficial. Therefore, six opportunities – three on Wednesday and three on Saturdays are available to choose from between the end of May and beginning of July. You have to elect to play two games of golf out of these six opportunities and these must be elected in advance of the closing time for entering the individual rounds. You cannot turn up on the day and decide to play a Championship Round if you have entered the medal on that date in



advance. Entering these rounds is exactly the same as entering other competitions throughout the season. These two rounds will be stroke play, whereas the Semi Final and Final rounds will be played as match play. These aspects of the Championship will be played on the same day at the end of August. The Club Championship will be open to all members of the Silver division, who have a handicap of 20 and below. The Bronze Club Championship will be open to all members of the Bronze division, who have a handicap of 21 and above. Competitors will be drawn in divisions where possible and must play within the allocated draw tee times.

It was determined at the EGM that this format for the Championship elements would be in place for 3 years (until and including 2021)

- The Club Championship, the Silver Handicap Championship and the Bronze Championship shall consist of two 18 hole stroke play qualifying rounds followed by a match play knockout.
- The Silver and Bronze divisions shall contend for separate Championships, with the Club Champion a winner from the Silver Division.
- The Championships shall be played in accordance with the Rules of Golf as approved by the R & A and any Local rules as laid down by Aboyne Golf Club.
- The handicap of a player will be adjusted after each qualifying round.
- The 4 players from the Silver division with the best scratch scores of the aggregate of the 2 qualifying stroke play rounds shall proceed to the match play knock out stage, contending for Club Championship.
- The 4 players from the Silver division, who have not qualified for the Club Championship, with the best nett handicap scores of the combined 2 qualifying stroke play rounds shall proceed to the match play knockout stage, contending for the Silver Handicap Championship.
- The 4 players from the Bronze division with the best nett handicap scores of the combined 2 qualifying stroke play rounds shall proceed to the match play knock out stage, contending for the Bronze Handicap Championship.
- In the qualifying rounds, ties shall be decided on the best gross score on count back of the last 18 holes, 9, 6, 3 or 1 hole(s).
- The draw for the match play shall be carried out according to the automatic draw and the number given to each qualifier is determined by the scores returned.
- Match ties shall be resolved by the players continuing play from the 1st Hole, until one of the players wins a hole.

In the Handicap Championship, match ties shall be resolved as above but with handicap allowance, until one of the players wins a hole.

- Under a local Club rule, the use of Distance only measuring devices is permissible.
- Caddies are permitted in the Semi and Final rounds of the Club Championship.

Transportation – Players must not ride on any form of transportation during the Club Championship unless authorised by the Committee



• Suspension or Abandonment of Competition will be at the Committee discretion.

(Rule 5-7a, Rule 5-7b and 3.2a-d)

• All disputes are to be settled by the Ladies Committee.

Ladies Open Tri-Am

A team competition, new for 2018. Three ladies form a team and the best nett score of the 3 players counts as the team score for each hole.

Flag Competition

This is a stroke play non-qualifying competition using full handicap allowance. A player with a handicap of 24 would be allowed 96 strokes (which is the par of the course, 72+24). When a player has used all her strokes she may leave the course with her playing partners' agreement. The winner is the player who carries the flag furthest with her allocation of strokes.

Daily Mail Foursomes

Only players over the age of 18 on the 1st January in the current year are eligible to enter this competition. Playing handicaps are restricted to a maximum of 30. Players with a higher handicap are eligible but must play off 30.Two players form a team. Partners must play alternately from the teeing grounds and alternately during the play of each hole. Penalty strokes do not affect the order of play. Winning pair qualifies for the Daily Mail tournament. Handicap Allowance - half the difference between the combined handicaps of each side with half a stroke or more counting as one stroke. Distance measuring devices are permitted. The pair which competes in the first match must play together in all future matches. For Conditions of Competition visit www.mailgolf.co.uk

Eclectic Brooch – 2 rounds

This is a stroke play competition which selects the best score at each hole over 1 or 2 rounds. Both rounds of this competition are qualifying for handicap. The winner is the player with the best nett score over 1 or 2 rounds after deduction of current handicap at the close of the competition.

Walker Cup

This is a Stableford competition. The winner is the player from either division with the most Stableford points on the day. The winner does not qualify for the Cecil Centenary finals.

Janette Wright Trophy

This is played in conjunction with an SGL Medal. The winner is the player from either division who returns the best nett score.

Ladies Open Foursomes

Two players form a team and use one ball between them, taking alternate shots. One elects to drive from the first tee and will then drive on all odd numbered holes. Her partner drives on all even numbered holes. Penalty strokes do not affect the order of play. The winners are the pair with the best nett score.

Texas Scramble

Play may be Stroke play or Stableford and in teams of 3 or 4. Each player must use at least three of their drives. Select the best drive and everyone plays from that position, then choose the best second shot, everyone plays from there and so on until the ball is in the hole. Record your gross score at each hole.

Captains' Day (Frances McColl Trophy)

This is a Stableford competition. The winner is the player from either division with the most Stableford points on the day. Played on same day as the mens' Bonnyside Trophy.



Golfing Waltz

This is a fun Stableford competition played in teams of 3. It is based on a best ball competition where at the first hole 1 score counts, the second hole 2 scores count, third hole 3 scores count, then at fourth hole 1 score counts, the fifth hole 2 scores count, sixth hole 3 scores count and so on i.e. one – two – three, one – two – three, etc hence a waltz. It is played off handicap with the best Stableford scores counting and the winning team has the greatest number of points.

Morven Cup – 9 Hole winners

The winners of the 9 hole qualifying Stableford competitions qualify to play in the final for the Morven Quaich. The winner is the player with the most Stableford points.

Ean Cecil Cup- Medal winners

The SGL Medal winners in both the Silver and Bronze divisions qualify to play in the final for the Ean Cecil Cup. The winner is the player with the best nett score.

Cecil Centenary Trophy- Stableford winners

The Stableford winners in both the silver and bronze divisions (excluding the May Walker Cup) qualify to play in the final at the end of the season for the Cecil Centenary Trophy. The winner is the player from either division with the most Stableford points.

Autumn Cup (George & Mary Strachan Trophy)

The winner is the player from either division with the best nett score.

4 Clubs and a putter

This is a Stableford non-qualifying competition. Open to all players.

Other Competitions

As well as the above fixtures there are friendlies against other local clubs, county opens and also matchplay knockouts which all offer a great way to meet other lady golfers and have fun.

MATCHPLAY (Sign up on the sheets in the locker room or at the coffee morning)

MacKay Cup (Singles Handicap Knock Out)

Full handicap difference between the handicaps of the players applies.

Hallen Foursomes Knock Out (Pair of Silver Goblets)

The entries shall choose their own partner. The pairings will consist of a Silver and Bronze division player (at the time of the draw). The pairings will be drawn and the knockout competition will be played over the summer months. Handicap Allowance - half the difference between the combined handicaps of each side with half a stroke or more counting as one stroke.

- Dates are set for completion of rounds and no extension will be given. The Challenger (the first name in each draw) must give her opponent a choice of at least three dates, not all in the same week, one of which must be a Saturday or Sunday.
- If no date can be mutually agreed, the match must be played on the final day of the draw, and if only one player is available on that day, then she shall go through to the next round.
- A match which is discontinued under the rules of golf must resume from where the play stopped. *Rules of Golf 5-7*
- For the purpose of settling a tie, a match which is all square after 18 holes will continue on a sudden death basis, strokes being conceded at the same holes as before. (*Rule 3.2a(4*).