

WEST CORNWALL GOLF CLUB



LADIES SECTION HANDBOOK

Ladies Committee

This is chaired by the Lady Captain and comprises the Lady Vice-Captain, the Ladies' Social Secretary, Competition Secretary and Assistant Competition Secretary, Treasurer and two other elected ladies. A Section AGM is held every year in November when the new Lady Captain takes over, the officers of the section retire or put themselves up for re-election and two new committee members are elected for the next two years while those who have served for two years retire. The Lady Captain also serves on the Club's Board of Directors.

Playing Golf for New Members

New members will be contacted by the Lady Captain or Vice-Captain and welcomed into the Club. They will introduce you to the Section's members and arrange for you to go out on the course and introduce you to its foibles! If you have a handicap already, you are very welcome to join in our competitions. **The Competition day is Tuesday** and the tee is generally reserved from 9.00 until 12.30, with the competition starting just before 9.30. Starting sheets are posted on the notice board several in advance; simply put your name in your chosen time, either with someone already on the list or in a new space and someone will put their name down to play with you.

If you do not already have a handicap, you will be assessed by the Professional for your readiness to play on the course; both the Club's PGA Professionals are excellent coaches. Once you are able to play, you will need to put in three full cards so that your handicap can be calculated from your overall scores.

Competitions

There is some form of competition every Tuesday; these are administered by the Competition Secretary or her Assistant, with the assistance of the Club Secretary's office. Entry fees are paid in the Professional's shop and scorecards are returned to the competition box outside the Club Secretary's office after the round. Start sheets for the next few weeks are on the noticeboard for you to enter. Please note that if you have entered a competition and cannot play for any reason, you must contact your playing partner as well as the Competition Secretary who may be able to find someone else to play in your place. A copy of the Competitions Policy is kept in the pavilion.

We also have a number of **knockout competitions** which are played over the spring and summer with finals being played on Finals Day in mid-September. The entry sheets for these will be found on the notice board, together with the competition fee and any handicap restrictions.

There are also several Open Days throughout the year; firstly, the last Thursday in May sees the Ladies Open Day, a popular event with lady golfers from around Cornwall and beyond; secondly, there is a Mixed Open Greensomes during the Club's Festival Week (usually the first Tuesday in July); lastly, the Garfield Daniels Mixed Open (a 27-hole event) takes place during the year and is always well-supported. During the year there are a few mixed Club competitions as well as some mixed matches against other local clubs.

County and National Competitions

The Section is affiliated to the Cornwall Ladies County Golf Association (CLCGA) and takes part in the CLCGA League; matches are played each year against other clubs in the county, both home and away. The League matches are 7-a-side and comprise a mix of bronze and silver players. There are also several friendly matches against other local clubs.

There are usually several entrants in the County Championship each year from West Cornwall. The Section also enters with teams in the Baron RoseBowl, the Bronze Shield and the Gammon Trophy. A number of ladies have featured in County Teams at a number of different levels, including juniors. Finally, there are also matches that take place as part of the Daily Mail Foursomes and the Mail on Sunday Cup.

Fixture Cards

Each Autumn a fixture card is produced for the coming year in conjunction with the Club Secretary, who prepares the overall diary and fixture list. The Lady Vice-Captain also arranges dates for the League & friendly matches with other clubs. This card details the Ladies' own competitions, league and friendly matches and county events. It also has the names, telephone numbers and email addresses of Lady Members as well as the Committee.