



Aboyne Golf Club
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Press Release

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Aboyne to host Scottish Women's County Finals

Aboyne Golf Club is gearing up to host the Scottish Women's County Finals this coming weekend after being selected by the governing body 'ScottishGolf' to stage the high-profile event for the first time. Visiting Royal Deeside over the three day competition from 16-18th September will be the County teams representing Midlothian, Dunbartonshire & Argyll and Dumfriesshire.

Sandra Findlay, Ladies Captain at Aboyne said "It is a great honour and privilege for Aboyne Golf Club to be hosting such as prestigious tournament as the Scottish Women's County Finals. We have a fantastic course and local area to showcase to our visitors and I hope that people will come out and support the event and see the talent that ladies golf has."

Aberdeenshire also qualified for the finals and Aboyne will be represented by leading player Shannon McWilliam. Unfortunately Kimberley Beveridge the other star Aboyne player who secured Aberdeenshire's place in the finals has had to return to the USA to continue her professional golfing studies. Each County will play each other over the three day competition in a round robin format. Play will be Foursomes in the morning and Singles matchplay in the afternoon.

Commenting on her inclusion Shannon said "It is wonderful to be representing the County on my home course and it is a real coup for Aboyne to be hosting the tournament. The course is in fantastic condition due to the brilliant work of Colin Forbes and his ground staff. I am so excited to play a big competition on my home course and it will make the competition even better. It promises to be a great occasion and a real shame Kimberley can't be with us but I know she is cheering us on from across the pond".

Spectators are warmly welcome to view what will no doubt be golf of a very high standard. Entry is free.

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Notes to Editors



Aberdeenshire Ladies County Team



Shannon McWilliam

Aboyne Golf Club

Aboyne Golf started life as a nine-hole course on the village green as early as 1881. The current stretch of 6,033 yards was modernised and reconstructed some 100 years later and the present 18 holes was opened in August 1991. The course provides a fine test for golfers of all abilities and has a membership of just under 650 players and social members. It presents a rich variety of memorable holes making the most of the natural variations in the terrain which is a mix of rolling parkland with inviting fairways and elevated links-like heathland with tighter targets.

Mature trees and water are in play on many holes. Aboyne Loch is a notable feature lending character and scenic beauty to the course as well as providing a hazard to be avoided on the last hole of the relatively flat parkland outward nine. Thereafter, the course changes character to rugged heathland terrain and climbs gently providing magnificent views of some lovely Aberdeenshire countryside. Another small loch lurks at the 15th and the closing holes test the skill of the most seasoned campaigner. The home hole is a long par 3 and provides a worthy finish to a challenging round of golf.

