DEVON JUNIOR GOLF - BASIL STEER TROPHY CONDITIONS (MAY 2014)

In addition to the Rules of Golf and the prevailing Local Rules of the Host Club, the following Conditions of the Competition shall apply:

- Each Club Team shall consist of 3 players (boys or girls), all of whom shall be under the age of 18 on the 1st January in the year of the Competition.
- 2. Players shall only be eligible to represent their Home Club and shall only represent one such Club in any calendar year commencing the 1st January in the year of the competition.

3. FORMAT

- a. Inter-Club Matchplay Competition comprising 3 singles' games under handicap with full allowance with the order of play in ascending Playing Handicap order.
- b. Handicap limits Boys 28 and Girls 36.
- c. Stroke Index Usage for Boy v Boy match: Use the Men's Stroke Index of the Venue course.
- d. Stroke Index Usage for Boy v Girl match: Use Men's Stoke of the Venue course and apply a handicap adjustment to the girl's handicap by adding the SSS difference to her handicap before any calculation is made.

e. Stroke Index Usage for Girl v Girl match: Use the Ladies' Stroke Index of the Venue course.

- f. Play from White Tees (Boys) & Red Tees (Girls).
- g. The Honour on the 1stTee lies with the Club drawn first in each match.
- h. Each match shall be played on a Course neutral to both Teams.
- i. Venues will be selected by the DCGU Junior Golf Committee.
- j. Each Game is to be played to a finish and until a clear result of the Match is known.
- k. NO CADDIES ARE ALLOWED.

4. ADMINISTRATION

- a. All rounds leading to the Final shall be completed by the date stated on the Draw Sheet, and it is the responsibility of both Clubs in each Match to make all necessary arrangements with the Host Club.
- b. Representatives of the winning Club in a Match shall be responsible for advising the DCGU Secretary of the result ASAP after the Match has been played.
- c. In the event of a Match not being played by the relevant closing date, both Clubs shall be disqualified in the absence of totally abnormal circumstances in the opinion of the DCGU Committee.
- d. Junior Organisers/Team Managers will be given no sympathy if a match is left "to the last moment" and difficulties occur.
- e. If difficulties arise, the DCGU Secretary or a member of the Junior Golf Committee should be contacted for help or guidance.
- f. Pursuant to England Golf Guidelines, adults accompanying any game shall have no contact with the players except to hand them food, drink and clothing, etc. At all times, leave a distance of at least 25 yards between them and the players.
- g. The Committee has NOT invoked the Note to the Rule of Golf 8 (Advice). i.e. No person whether e.g. a Club Junior Organiser, Team Manager, Team Coach or otherwise may give advice to any player during the actual playing of a Match.
- 5. <u>THE BEHAVIOUR RULES</u> of the South Western Counties Golf Association (SWCGA) as set out below and have been adopted by the Junior Golf Committee. They shall apply at all Championships, Meetings, Competitions, Matches and events administered by the DCGU Junior Golf Committee.

For SWCGA read DCGU SOUTH WESTERN COUNTIES GOLF ASSOCIATION (SWCGA) STANDARDS OF DRESS AND BEHAVIOUR

Sadly, the South West Executive Committee has received both written and verbal complaints about behaviour both on the course and in the clubhouse of Clubs hosting Championships. Therefore it is necessary to set out in writing various standards/requirements with which all players should comply.

Players should at all times:

• Demonstrate the highest standard and conduct both on and off the course and behave properly towards tournament officials, club members and staff, other players, and members of the public.

Whilst on the Course please -

- Replace all divots, and repair your pitch mark.
- Do not take trolleys across or near teeing ground, between greenside bunkers and the putting green.
- Keep your rubbish in your bag, or dispose of it in the appropriate bins.
- Have respect for others on the course.
- Respect all signage on the course and practice ground.
- Do not abuse equipment in any way, e.g. by striking the ground, trees, tee markers, etc., other equipment such as bags or trolleys and do not throw clubs or balls.
- Do not wear shorts, unless a special dispensation is granted. (Players must comply with the requirements of the host club as directed by team managers.)
- Tuck in shirts, do not roll up sleeves for either comfort or tanning.
- Do not use mobile phones except in the event of an emergency to summon help.

When entering the Club House, please -

- Do not wear golf shoes but wear normal footwear; do not enter in stocking feet.
- Ensure you are always properly dressed.
- Remove headgear and waterproofs.
- Respect the furniture, (e.g. do not put your feet on tables and chairs).
- Leave locker rooms in a clean and tidy state, and ensure you remove your belongings.

In all Championships you are required to change into jacket, collar and tie for the presentation.

There has been a marked tendency towards the use of unacceptable language, both on and off the golf course. Be aware that a continuation of this will not only lead the game into disrepute but will alienate those people who work to ensure the Championships are there for your enjoyment.

THE USE OF BAD LANGUAGE IN PUBLIC IS STRICTLY FORBIDDEN.

Any player who is unable to comply with the above requirements should let their team manager or County secretary know, so he can be replaced.

Any incidents that are in breach of these requirements will in the first instance be reported by the SW Championship Committee to the Captain and Officers of the offending player's County. They will report back to the SW Championships Committee as to any disciplinary action.

If the same player should be involved in a further breach, he may be disciplined by the SW Championship Committee.

6th January 2014