

CHORLTON CUM HARDY GOLF CLUB BYE LAWS

1. DEPARTMENTAL DIRECTORS

- 1.1 Departmental Directors shall have entire control over their respective departments and shall report to the club Board of Directors.
- 1.2 The Administration/Facilities Director has control of all books and documents of the Club and may also have the custody of all legal files, legal documents, paper bundles, witness statements made and tendered/or not, in any form of judicial hearing, or any other document which readily identifies, or identifies by implication, any Club members or any serving or previously serving member of Council or a past or serving Officer of the Club. The discretion to make public such articles/documents to the membership or for any member to view such articles/documents shall rest with the elected Administration/Facilities Director. Any Adult member with a genuine interest in the whole or part of such articles/documents may request to view such material. If the Administration/Facilities Director has reasonable cause to believe the request is less than honorable then he may refuse the request. However, the applicant may apply in writing to the Board for his/her decision to be overturned. The Board will consider the content of the request and should agreement be reached in allowing the application, shall instruct the Administration/Facilities Director to comply with the member's request. The decision taken by the Board will be final. None of the articles/documents mentioned may be removed from the Clubhouse or photocopied, in part or in its entirety.

2 CLUB CODE

- 2.1 Reasonable casual wear, including smart casual jeans and trainers, may be worn in the Clubhouse (no jeans or trainers on the course). Collarless T-shirts are not acceptable at any time in the Clubhouse or on the Course. Soiled golf clothing is not deemed to be reasonable casual wear. Shirts should be worn inside trousers, on the Course and in the Clubhouse.
- 2.2 Mobile phones are not to be used on the course at any time, other than for genuine emergencies. Calls received in the Clubhouse must be taken outside the Club buildings as should any outgoing calls.

3 JUNIORS

- 3.1 Junior Members may use the 'mixed 'bar for the purchase of soft drinks but may only sit in the sun lounge. Juniors may only play the snooker table if playing with a senior Member. Juniors may not be in the Club after 9.00pm unless in the company of a senior Member.
- 3.2 Juniors are allowed to sign-in visitors to play PROVIDED that person/s are bona-fide members of another recognized golf club and are in possession of a current EGU handicap. Proof of such competence can be asked for and must be produced at the time of signing-in. It is the responsibility of the

Junior Member to see their visitor/s behavior is in accordance with the Rules of the Golf Club.

- 3.3 A category 1 or 2 Junior may enter his name for a senior completion if there is space available due to a withdrawal or otherwise in the time slot filled by senior members.

4 MEMBERSHIP DISCS

- 4.1 All categories of Playing Members are issued with a coloured Membership Disc which must be displayed in a prominent position on the player's golf bag at all times.

5 VISITORS AND GUESTS

- 5.1 No Members shall introduce more than THREE Guests on any one day at the reduced fee, unless agreed in advance with the Administration/Facilities Director
- 5.2 No Visitor or Guest shall be entitled to play at the reduced fee on more than six occasions in any one year (Excluding invitations).
- 5.3 The introducing Member shall be responsible for the payment of all Fees.
- 5.4 Unaccompanied Visitors may only commence play from the First Tee.
- 5.5 The tee will be open to Visitors prior to competitions on Wednesday, Saturday and Sunday; and the Pro shop staff will be responsible for administering these tee times.

6 RESTRICTIONS ON PLAY

- 6.1 Players in Official Club Competitions or Knock out matches shall have precedence over any other players.
- 6.2 The Course will be closed for General Play once a Chorlton-cum-Hardy Golf Club Competition has commenced. In the event of an obvious lack of support for the competition then general play can be initiated by the direct approval of the Club Professional or any Handicap Committee Member. Players must give way and not hinder in any way the competitors in the Competition.
- 6.3 On Sunday, Three and Fourball Matches shall have equal standing with Two Ball Matches in the morning, but after 2pm, if the Course is not congested, they are requested to give Two Balls priority.
- 6.4 Matches starting at the 8th Hole must not commence play if players playing the 7th Hole have reached the ridge crossing the fairway. Matches which have started at the 8th Hole shall alternate with matches commencing play from the 1st Tee and vice versa from the 8th Tee.
- 6.5 On Sunday mornings play may NOT commence from the 8th Tee after 9.15am
- 6.6 Knockout Competitions shall commence play on Sundays with no restrictions.
- 6.7 **Junior Members**
Sunday

Before 11.30am
11.30am

No Play
Continuous play from the 1st Tee

Wednesday

Before 12.30pm
12.30pm to 1.30pm
1.30pm to 2.30pm
2.30pm to 5.00pm
5.00pm to 7.00pm
7.00pm

No Restrictions
8th Tee ONLY
No Play commenced
Start 1st Tee ONLY
No Play commenced
Two Ball Matches only.

Saturday

Before 12 noon
Exception
12 noon to 3.00pm (Winter)
12noon to 4.00pm (Summer)

No Restrictions
No Play on Men's Competition Days
No Play commenced
No Play commenced

OTHER DAYS- NO RESTRICTIONS

Winter – 1st October – 31st March. These hours are subject to amendment for special occasions fixed by the Board.

6.8 **Five Day Members.** Five-Day Members may play on weekdays only. They may play at weekend during visitor's hours, on payment of a green fee and may participate in club competitions on Sunday.

Six Day Members. Six Day members may play Sunday to Friday only. They may play on Saturday during visitor's hours, on payment of a green fee.

6.9 The 1st Tee is reserved for Ladies Competitions on Tuesdays from 10.30am to 11.30am.

6.10 The maximum number of players in club competitions playing together with one another shall not exceed four. The practice of playing in five balls or more is permissible, subject solely to receipt of approval from the professional on the day.

7 COMPETITION REGULATIONS (these regulations supercede any historical interpretation of previous rules and the Competitions file in the secretary's office, which is retained for guidance only)

7.1 Players in any OFFICIAL Competition or Knockout shall have precedence over any other Players.

7.2 The Board will delegate it's responsibility in respect of competitions to the Competitions Director and Handicaps Chairman. The Competitions Director and Handicaps Chairman shall have the right to reserve the Course for the playing of competitions and shall specify the dates and times of all competitions and determine the prizes to be played for. Provisional dates for competitions will be included for guidance in the club diary and posted online on the club website. Both the Competitions

Director and Handicaps Chairman have the authority to suspend play, cancel competitions and approve alternative dates where they deem it appropriate to do so. Competitors in competitions with a knockout format are responsible for ensuring that their match is played (or conceded) on or before the fixed date for each round. Where competitors are unable to agree a date, then the Competitions Director or Handicaps Chairman will make a decision on the winner after review of the reasons for the tie not being played. If neither competitor is responsible then the winner will be chosen by lot. In the event that any match scheduled by participants cannot be played due to the course being unfit to hold a club competition, participants may request an extension of the fixed date from the Competitions Director or Handicaps Chairman

- 7.3 Finals of singles and doubles knockout competitions are scheduled in the club diary, but may be altered by request of the competitors provided that the advance approval of the Competitions Director or Handicaps Chairman is obtained. Any change to a scheduled date is to be notified to members via normal means of communication by the Handicaps Chairman.
- 7.4 All competitions, Play-offs and Knockout competitions must be played from the competition tees or if the tees are not available from the marker plates.
- 7.5 On all occasions where a time sheet is used there will be an interval of 8 minutes between the start of each match, unless otherwise determined by the Competitions Director or Handicaps Chairman .
- 7.6 All Competitors shall enter their names on the time sheet.
- 7.7 No cards shall be taken out at times other than those on the time sheet.
- 7.8 Players failing to start at the time for which they entered may re-enter for any vacancy on the time sheet subject to – 2-stroke penalty in Stroke Play, loss of hole in Match Play.
- 7.9 In all competitions where an entrance fee is payable the fee must be paid and the Entry Sheet signed before commencing play.
- 7.10 All Competition Cards must be returned immediately on completion of the round. No new Member without a certified Handicap shall play in a competition until he shall have returned three signed Medal Cards and no Member is eligible to mark a card until he has obtained a handicap.
- 7.11 Any Member failing to comply with these regulations is liable to disqualification.
- 7.12 In all Stableford and Greensome competitions (other than mixed competitions) competitors' handicaps shall be restricted to 28 before applying further handicap restrictions, unless otherwise stated by the Competitions Director or Handicaps Chairman.
- 7.13 Competitors are required to comply strictly with the rules and regulations on the scorecard.
- 7.14 Ties in an aggregate competition will be decided with reference to the next best card.
- 7.15 In the event of a tie a card playoff will decide all placings in ALL competitions, other than the winners of the following, where a replay is required.

McCoy Trophy
Batty Trophy
Scratch Medal
President's Prize

Card play offs shall be decided on the last 9 holes, if still tied the last 6, last 3 then last hold. If this tied then the first 9, first 6 and first hole. If still tied then a "play off" as I match play should be applied. In the final event should there be a tie then the player with the lowest handicap will be the winner. If still tied then to be decided by lot.

7.16 Any document, other than these Bye Laws, that sets out the rules for club competitions is to be treated as being for best practice guidance only.

8 COMPLAINTS

8.1 The staff of the Club are under the control of the Board and Members must not interfere with such control.

8.2 All complaints must be made either to the Administration Director or to the Director of the department impacted by such complaint, and in no circumstances shall a member reprimand a member of staff.

9 GOLF BALLS

9.1 Members must not purchase Golf Balls from any member of staff other than the Professional.

10 LOCAL RULES

10.1 Out of Bounds (Rule 18, Rule 14.6)

- i.** Beyond any line of white stakes, fence or railing defining the boundary of the course.
- ii.** 1st Hole; the area to the right of the Tee over the hedge
- iii.** Beyond the penalty area (formerly a Water Hazard) to the right of the 1st and 18th holes and to the left of the 2nd and 3rd holes.
- iv.** Beyond the white stakes on the left of the 4th hole. Over the ditch between the 4th green and the 9th hole.
- v.** Beyond the penalty area to the left of the 5th Tee and in or beyond the trench running to the left of the fairway.
- vi.** Beyond the white stakes to the left of the 9th Fairway, or in or beyond the trench running to the left of the fairway.
- vii.** In or beyond the trench to the left of the 10th hole.
- viii.** Beyond the white stakes to the left of the fairway and in or beyond the trench to the left of the 15th hole near the green
- ix.** Beyond the white stakes behind the 18th hole.

10.2 Penalty areas (Rule 17) (Formerly Water Hazards, red or yellow stakes)

All ditches and drains crossing the line of play, or running approximately parallel to the line of play are penalty areas.

10.3 Loose impediments in Bunkers Rule 12.2a (Rules 15.1/15.2)

Before playing a ball in a bunker, a player may remove loose impediments and movable obstructions.

10.5 Abnormal course conditions (including immovable obstructions), paths, steps and tractor marks, GUR, fixed sprinkler heads, railway sleepers, drainage grids, and distance markers. Rule 16.1, (Rule 14.3)

A ball lying on a constructed path or in a tractor mark, may be lifted and dropped within one club's length not nearer the hole, without penalty.

10.6 Fixed Sprinkler Heads

Including if FSH is within two club-lengths of the green and within two club-lengths of the ball intervenes on the line of play between the ball and the hole – are immovable obstructions.

10.7 Staked Trees

A ball lying in proximity to any staked tree, so that either "normal stance" or golf swing is impeded, may be lifted and dropped within one club's length not nearer the hole, without penalty.

10.8 Distance Measuring Devices

A player may obtain distance information by use of a distance measuring device. If, during a stipulated round, a player uses a distance measuring device that is designed to gauge or measure other conditions that might affect his play (e.g. elevation changes, wind speed, etc) the player is in breach of Rule 4-3)

Definitions:

Penalty area	an area from which relief with a one shot penalty is allowed (formerly "water hazard"). Still defined yellow or red.
Relief area	The area in which the ball must be dropped (and come to rest) when taking relief under a rule
Reference point	the point from which the size of the relief is measured.
General area	anywhere on the course except Teeing areas, penalty areas, Bunkers and greens (formerly "through the green").
Temporary Water Trolleys	formerly "casual water". Trolleys must not be taken onto any Tee or Green and please keep them to the outside of the bunkers adjacent to the greens. Only trolleys with wide wheels are permitted.

ADDENDUM TO BYE LAWS

ETIQUETTE

Courtesy on the Course.

- i. In the interests of all, players should play without delay.
- ii. No player should play until the players in front are out of range.
- iii. Players searching for a ball should signal the players behind them to pass as soon as it becomes apparent that the ball will not easily be found; they should not search for three minutes before doing so. They should not continue to play until the players following them have passed and are out of range.
- iv. When the play of a hole has been completed, players should immediately leave the putting green.

Behaviour during Play

- i. No one should move, talk or stand close to or directly behind the ball or the hole when a player is addressing the ball or making a stroke. Players should play as quickly as possible and in whichever order they see fit to improve the speed of play.

Priority on the Course

- ii. There is a local rule that in morning play there is no priority for two ball matches. After 1pm, two ball matches should have precedence of and be entitled to pass any three-ball or four-ball match.
- iii. A single player has no standing and should give way to a match of any kind.
- iv. A match playing a whole round is entitled to pass a match playing a shorter round.
- v. If a match fails to keep its place on the course and loses more than one clear hole on the players in front, it should allow the match following to pass, where appropriate to do so.

Care of the Course

- i. Before leaving a bunker, a player should carefully fill up and smooth over all holes and footprints made by him.
- ii. Through the green, a player should ensure that any turf cut or displaced by him is replaced at once and pressed firmly down and that damage to a putting green made by the ball or the player is carefully repaired.

Other

- i. Please do not leave litter lying about the Course.

- ii. Members are notified that personal property, including golf clubs and accessories, IS NOT covered by the Clubs' insurance. They are accordingly strongly recommended to take out Golfers personal insurance to cover all risks.

CONDITIONS FOR PRINCIPAL CLUB COMPETITIONS

All timings mentioned below are subject to Bye Law 7.2 above.

Captain's Prize

36 Hole Medal Competition played as 18 holes on two consecutive Saturdays

President's Prize

36 Hole Par Competition played as 18 holes on Saturday and 18 holes on the following day, Sunday.

Vice-President's Singles Knock out and final

Singles match play. The prize will be played for with full difference of Medal Handicap on a 'Knock Out' principle off Competition Medal Tees

Batty Trophy

36 Hole Medal Play Competition played as 18 holes on Saturday and 18 holes on the following day, Sunday.

Scratch Medal – Club Championship

Played in conjunction with the Batty Trophy. 36 Hole Medal Play Competition played as 18 holes on Saturday and 18 holes on the following day, Sunday. Best aggregate gross score to win.

H D McCoy Trophy

Shall be 36 holes Singles Stableford, played as 18 holes on Saturday and 18 holes on the following day, Sunday.

Wednesday Silver Plate (and aggregate)

Stroke Play competition played on five Wednesdays in summer. Four competitors to qualify from each division per round, along with those who equal or better C.S.S. An aggregate competition will comprise the best three cards returned.

Four Ball Knock Out and Final

This will be played on the 'Knock Out' principle. Best handicap player to concede strokes to the other 3 players based on 90% of handicap difference, with a handicap limit of 28. Half strokes of over to be rounded up. Sudden death play-off if tied after 18 holes. This competition is subject to the provisions of Bye Law 7.2

Winter Par (and aggregate)

Competitors play under Par Rules, full medal handicap. Four best scores from each division to qualify, plus All square or better per round. Six rounds to be played in the period from October to March, plus two Wednesday rounds.

Wednesday Handicap Cup Trophy (and aggregate)

Stableford competition off full handicap played over five Wednesdays in Winter. Six competitors to qualify for the final from each division plus 36 points or better (18 holes) with two points deducted for each hole that is not played on the day. For Aggregate purposes, the 3 best net scores count.

Played off competition Medal tees or tees of the day.

Winter Foursomes Competition

This will be played on the 'Knock Out' principle over 18 holes. Half of handicap combined difference will apply with a handicap limit of 28.

Harry Andrews Trophy

Qualifying Rounds – Four best net to qualify in each division in six rounds played on Saturdays. Four best net to qualify in each division on two Wednesdays. Qualifiers for the Harry Andrews Trophy will also include competitors who equal or better S.S.S. or C.S.S. For provisional dates see fixture list. 5 and 6 day members may play in qualifiers, but are unable to take part in the final.

Harry Andrews Aggregate (Nett)

Four best nett scores from the qualifying rounds. Where a round is limited to less than 18 holes then the players will record a par for each hole omitted.

Harry Andrews Aggregate (Gross)

Four best gross scores from the qualifying rounds. Where a round is limited to less than 18 holes then the players will record a par for each hole omitted.

Centenary Salver

Greensomes Stableford, 3/8 of combined handicap; Any combination of members with lady members receiving +4 shots before calculation of handicaps. Played off Men's Card, both players tee off, choose the best drive and play alternate shots thereafter. Played off competition medal tees.

Jubilee Cup

18 hole Greensomes stableford. Handicap limits of 0.6x lower handicap and 0.4x higher handicap. Played off competition medal tees. Card play-off to decide all placings.

Autumn meeting and Veterans prize

Age 60 and over for Vets prize. Medal competition. Veteran's prize winner also received the Chris O' Grady trophy.

D K Sime Trophy

18 Hole Medal Competition.

Ted Brooks memorial

Singles Medal competition played off White/Red tees with a maximum handicap of 28 for men and 36 for ladies.

CONDITIONS FOR PRINCIPAL MIXED COMPETITIONS

Deakin Knock Out and Final

Foursomes Matchplay competition played over 18 holes. Rules of the competition each year to be posted on the club noticeboard.

Chesworth Trophy

Mixed Greensome competition, played off medal tees and Men's card. Handicap limit of 28 for gents and 30 for ladies. Donated trophy.

All timings mentioned below are subject to rule 7.2 above.

CONDITIONS FOR PRINCIPAL LADIES COMPETITIONS

All timings mentioned below are subject to rule 7.2 above.

Brook Trophy

Run in conjunction with an 18 hole stroke play competition in May. The best 16 net scores off 30 Handicap maximum to qualify for the Brook Trophy singles match play knockout. Play off maximum of 30 Handicap throughout.

Club Trophy

18 Hole par competition. Open to those who have qualified through a Club Trophy Qualifying Competition and have met the other conditions of entry

Founders Day (Centenary Spoon)

Played as near as possible to the 6th November (the date the club was founded). The trophy will be competed for over as many holes as can be available on the date. If possible it will be a handicap qualifying competition.

Foxwell Cup

An 18 Hole Stroke play competition played over a handicap qualifying course. Only veterans (Over 60) to play for the Foxwell Cup.

Lady Captain's Prize

This is an aggregate competition comprising the best four scores from six designated monthly medal competitions (see ladies competition rule book). Handicap limit of 36 applies.

Millennium Trophy

18 hole stroke play competition played on a handicap qualifying course. Draw for partners.

Mr Captains Prize

Traditionally an 18 hole stroke play on a handicap qualifying course. The conditions of entry, format and structure of the competition are entirely the choice of The Captain in discussion with the Ladies Committee.

Pairs knock out

A foursomes Knock out Competition.

President's Prize

Traditionally an 18 hole Stableford competition on a handicap qualifying course. The conditions of entry, format and structure of the competition are entirely the choice of The President in discussion with the Ladies Committee.

Singles KO (Baby Batty)

A singles knockout competition played off a handicap limit of 36.