



21st September 2023

Dear Members

I sincerely hope you have enjoyed the broad range of competitive golf that has been offered throughout the season. We still have several events during September and the first couple of weeks in October.

Beyond then we start to think about winter golf and all that it brings. You will no doubt recall that we have written to members inviting you all to identify your preferences for this year's Winter League. Thank you to those who responded as well as the useful comments that some offered.

There was a clear majority supporting the option of a drawn Betterball competition with daily prizes with the results contributing to a Winter League table. We are also staging a separate Ladies Winter League on the same dates, these dates (there are eleven) are in the club diary.

Our ambition is that each Winter League fixture will have a two tee start that will lead to a reduced duration of the competition. Hopefully it will mean there being more people in the clubhouse creating a vibrant atmosphere ahead of the presentation that will take place within 30 minutes of the last group finishing.

Regrettably it will not be possible to accommodate an individual's preferred tee time, it undermines the random draw and potentially could lead to players gaining an advantage. Having said that, it is likely that those organising each of the events will appear on the start sheet towards the middle of the event in order that they can check score cards and have enough time to prepare for the presentation.

The biggest challenge has been delivering the rules and a scoring system that will create bigger fields as well as engaging more golfers to play especially towards the end of the Winter League season.

Please find below the Winter League Rules for 2023, I hope you agree that the scoring system will create an exciting league as well as giving those who cannot regularly play the opportunity to compete in some of the events for the daily prize.

Best regards,

Steve Paice
Chair of Competitions & Handicaps



Truro Golf Club

Winter League 2023/ 2024 Rules

Overview

There will be 11 scheduled 2 Ball Betterball events throughout the Winter that form this years' Winter League. Pairings will be randomly drawn as will tee times. A proportion of the entry fee will go towards 'on the day' prizes and the remainder will roll forward to form a prize fund that will be distributed to the best performing players over the 11 events.

Competition Dates

The dates have been identified and are on the TGC website.

If it is necessary to reschedule owing to weather or other issues all members will be notified of the revised dates.

Entry and Draw

WL fixtures will appear in the Booking section of HowDidIDo and players need to enter via the application.

On the Thursday prior to a Winter League fixture a random draw will be conducted. Pairings and tee times will be notified to competitors on the club website / email. There will be no preferred tee times.

The entry fee is £3.50 per player per event. The professional may run a 2's and nearest the pin competition that are optional to enter.

Event Scoring

Each event will be played off yellow tees for men and red tees for ladies.

Scoring will be Betterball stableford. 85% of Course Handicap with a Maximum Course Handicap of 24 for men and 30 for ladies.

If a player is playing as a single, they will receive an additional 4 shots on their Playing Handicap after calculation. Scorecards will be used and signed in accordance with R&A rules. Players will submit their scorecards to the office at the end of play.

Event Prizes

The number of prizes will vary according to the size of the field. The amount will be decided by the Committee Member running each of the events. In the event of 'ties' the normal countback procedures will be adopted, and prizes will be awarded on the day.

The League

Number of Qualifying Scores

Players' performances across the events will be recorded and their best 6 performances will contribute to their overall score. Should any winter league fixtures be cancelled the following will apply:

Number of events played	Players best scores
11	6
10	6
9	5
8	5
7	4
6	4

League Scoring system

The pair(s) with the weekly leading score will each receive 15 points. Thereafter pairs that are one point behind the winners will receive 14 points. A pair who was six points behind the leading score would receive 9 points, this would reduce to 1 point for those 14 points behind the leading score. Updates will be published on the ladies & gents noticeboards and the club website following each Winter League.

Leading score (LS)	15 POINTS
1 point behind	14
2 points behind	13
3 points behind	12
4 points behind	11
5 points behind	10
6 points behind	9
7 points behind	8

8 points behind	7
9 points behind	6
10 points behind	5
11 points behind	4
12 points behind	3
13 points behind	2
14 points behind	1
15 or more behind	0

League Prizes

The number and level of prizes will be determined by the Handicap and Competitions Committee member responsible for overseeing the Winter League. This decision will be driven by the number of competitors playing. In the event of there being a tie for first place there will be a countback to determine the overall winner as follows:

The stableford score of the relevant player's last scoring event that contributed to their score will be used. Should that be the same it will be the second to last qualifying score and so on until a clear winner is identified.

Presentation Evening

The presentation of prizes will be made on Friday 22nd March 2024 at the Winter League Dinner.

