



## **The New Subscription Collection Procedure**

The YLCGA have gone onto the England Golf Real Time Subscription System, which is being administered for us by the men's Yorkshire Union of Golf Clubs (YUGC). Each club chooses a Subscription Year date for collection of their affiliation fees. Your club will receive a form for completion from the YUGC. The completed form will show all your club's male and female members split between various categories and will then be returned to the Treasurer of the YUGC together with the relevant year's fees based on those categories. The YUGC will then pay over to the YLCGA the club's and lady members' affiliation fees. There will be a second subscription collection made half way through your clubs Subscription Year to pick up new lady members.

For a normal lady club member her club will pay both her England Golf affiliation fee and her Yorkshire affiliation fee.

For a lady who is a member of two clubs in Yorkshire her home club will pay both her England and Yorkshire affiliation fee and the second club will pay nothing.

For a lady who is a member of two clubs which are in different counties because the ladies' rules state a lady can only be affiliated to one county she must choose the county to which she will be affiliated. If that is Yorkshire then her club will pay both her England and Yorkshire affiliation fee. If she chooses to be affiliated to another county then her Yorkshire club will pay nothing unless she wishes to play in Yorkshire competitions. In this case her club pays just her Yorkshire affiliation fee and in addition she must write to the Yorkshire Ladies Treasurer setting out which clubs she is a member of, the County she wishes to be affiliated to and that she wishes to be treated as an Associate Member of Yorkshire by 31<sup>st</sup> March in a year. She must request to be an Associated Member on an annual basis. As an Associate Member she cannot play in the County Championship or represent Yorkshire in a County Team. Please download the appropriate form from the Information for Clubs section of the YLCGA website.

Where clubs have lady members who are Honorary Members of their own club they are to be treated just like normal members for the purposes of paying their affiliation fees as set out above, i.e. for an Honorary Member who is a member at only one club the club will pay both her England and her Yorkshire affiliation fee.

Where a club has a lady member who is an Honorary Member of the YLCGA the club only needs to pay her England Golf affiliation fee as her Honorary Membership gives her full rights to play in all the county's competitions and to play for the County Teams. However, under the England Golf Real Time Subscription System clubs cannot only pay a lady's England Golf affiliation fee they must also pay a county affiliation fee. We therefore ask the clubs to pay the Yorkshire fee and then request the YLCGA to reimburse them.

Under the Real Time Subscription System a club may, for a specific year, have a Subscription Year date anytime from Nov of the preceding year to the following Oct. It is not like our old system whereby all subscriptions were due for a year on the 1<sup>st</sup> Jan and had to have actually been paid by 31<sup>st</sup> March in that year. The fees must now be paid 2 months after the Subscription Year date. The number of ladies for which the affiliation fee

is paid is also based on the number of members two months after the start of the clubs Subscription Year.

To take account of the spread of club Subscription Year dates the rules of the YLCGA competitions are being amended for 2018, and following years, to remove the requirement that subscriptions have to have been paid by 31<sup>st</sup> March in a year to allow clubs to participate in the Inter Club competitions and their individual members to play in YLCGA competitions. From 2019 and following years the rules will state that subscriptions need to have been paid in the preceding Subscription Year. In addition ladies joining a club during that club's Subscription Year will be allowed to play in Yorkshire competitions.

If you have any queries please contact the  
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