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#### COMMITTEES

**CLUB COMMITTEE:** Responsible for the general running of the golf club, including the coordination and control of other club committees and appeals in respect of other committee decisions.

Membership: The Officers of the Club

The following committees are responsible to the Club Committee and meet on an ad hoc basis, as and when necessary.

LADIES COMMITTEE: Responsible for: Ladies Competitions, Handicap index, Matches, Mixed Matches and other functions appropriate to Ladies Section.

Membership: Ladies Captain, Vice-Captain, Secretary,

Treasurer, Handicap Secretary, County Rep, Past Captain, General committee members.

**SENIORS COMMITTEE:** Responsible for: Seniors Competitions, Matches and catering; Senior Captain's Day and catering; other functions appropriate to Seniors Section,

**Membership:** Seniors Captain, Vice-Captain, Minutes Secretary, Fixtures Secretary, Past Captain, Treasurer, General committee members

JUNIORS COMMITTEE: Responsible for: Junior Competitions,
Matches and catering, other functions appropriate to the Junior Section.

Membership: Junior Organiser; Men's Vice-Captain, Ladies Vice-Captain.

HANDICAP COMMITTEE: responsible for members' handicap
(allocation, processing, continual review, annual review)

**Membership:** President (Chair), Men's Handicap Secretary, Ladies Handicap Secretary, Men's Captain, Ladies Captain, Seniors Captain.

#### **GENERAL RULES**

#### NAME OF CLUB

The club shall be known as Wyboston Lakes Golf Club, hereinafter referred to as the Club

# NUMBER OF MEMBERS

The size of the Club membership shall be at the discretion of the Committee.

#### MEMBERSHIP ANNUAL FEES AND SUBSCRIPTIONS

- a. Any joining fee will be determined by the Committee.
- b. The Committee may increase subscriptions by a maximum of 25% in any one year. Any increase greater than this requires the approval of a General Meeting of members. County and England Golf fees will be shown separately. Subscriptions and fees are due on or before 1st April. Failure to pay by 30th April will cause membership to cease. An administrative fee may be payable to reinstate membership.
- c. The year will commence on 1st April and end on 31st March.

#### **OFFICERS**

The Officers of the Club shall be: President, Secretary, Treasurer, Trophy Secretary, Men's Captain, Lady Captain or Representative, Seniors Captain or representative, Handicap Secretary Ladies, Competition Secretary Men, Competition Secretary Ladies, County Representative Men, County Representative Ladies, Junior Organiser and Press Officer. The Management of the Club shall be vested in these Officers who constitute the General Committee (Committee).

#### FLECTION OF OFFICERS

The Officers of the Club shall be individually elected by a majority vote at the Annual General Meeting (AGM) on the following basis:

in even dated years, Secretary, in odd, dated years, Treasurer, Trophy Secretary. The following Officers will be appointed by ratification at the AGM; President in odd dated years, all other non-elected Officers, annually. No member of the Club shall hold more than two elective offices concurrently. Any two members of the Club shall be at liberty to nominate a member to serve as an Officer. A requirement of nomination of any Officer shall be that his/her handicap index is held at Wyboston. Nominations must be received by the Secretary at least seven days before the AGM or entered on the notice that will appear on the notice board one month prior to the AGM. Should the number of candidates nominated exceed the vacancies to be filled, such vacancies shall be filled by ballot at the AGM. If any candidates obtain an equal number of votes, the Chairman of the AGM shall decide which of those candidates are to become Officers of the Club.

#### CLUB COMMITTEE

All Officers are members of the Club Committee (Committee). The Committee is responsible for the management of the Club and may appoint Sub Committees for such purposes as it sees fit. The Committee will be empowered to fill any vacancy in the number of officers during the year and will be empowered to co- opt members of the Club ad hoc to assist the Committee from time to time.

Meetings of the Committee (5 Members to form a Quorum) will be held on dates fixed by the Committee. A resolution at a Committee Meeting may be carried by a simple majority of those Members present. In the event of a tie the Chairman of the meeting will have the casting vote.

Detailed minutes will be written and maintained on the conduct of all General and Sub-Committee Meetings.

#### MFFTINGS OF THE CLUB

The Secretary shall give Members of the Club at least 21 days' notice in writing of the Annual General Meeting (AGM) or any special meeting by posting a notice on the Club notice board. a. The AGM will be held annually in February. 15 Members will form a Quorum. Members will have one vote except the Chairman of the Meeting who shall have a casting vote only. b. Special Meetings may be called by the request of any three members of the committee or on a request to the Secretary signed by at least forty members, and the notice calling such a meeting shall state the business for which it is called.

No business other than that specified in the notice shall be transacted at a Special Meeting. Forty members shall form a quorum. A resolution at any Special Meeting shall be carried by a majority of two thirds of those members present and voting by ballot. Members shall have one vote, except the Chairman of the meeting, who shall have a casting vote only.

#### NOTICES

No paper, notice or play card of any sort shall be exhibited on the notice board in the Club House unless bearing the signature of the Secretary or, in his/her absence, one of the Committee.

# CONDUCT

All members are expected to conduct themselves in an acceptable manner when using the facilities provided by the course management, this to include the course, the bar, the restaurants, changing rooms and all surrounding areas.

All members must be appropriately dressed at all times whilst in the bar, restaurants or on the course. Only clothing that is generally recognised as golf wear is acceptable on the course. Specifically, golf shoes, either spiked or studded, must be worn; tailored shorts may be worn along with suitable socks. The following items are prohibited on the course: tee shirts or sleeveless vests, jeans, tracksuits and leisure suits, trainers and similar shoes and all shorts except tailored shorts. Hats and caps are not to be worn in the bar or restaurants. Members representing WLGC at any event away from home should ensure they comply with the away club's dress code.

# BULLYING, GRIEVANCE, DISCIPLINARY & APPEALS PROCEDURES

The purpose of the bullying and grievance procedures is to sort out in an informal manner minor misunderstanding or unintended offensive behaviour. If the issue is of a more serious nature, the disciplinary procedure will be invoked.

# Any bullying incidents must be reported immediately to the Club Secretary who will take steps to deal with the issue.

If any member has a complaint or grievance concerning another member, it must be set out in writing and sent to the Secretary. If the issue is to be dealt with under the grievance procedure, the Secretary will appoint an impartial member of the Club Committee to investigate the matter.

The impartial member will invite the member against whom the complaint is made to attend a meeting to discuss the grievance, accompanied if he/she wishes by a colleague or fellow member. If he/she does not attend, the grievance may be considered in his/her absence. The impartial member will convey his/her decision concerning the complaint and that decision will be final.

A Disciplinary Panel will consist of three impartial members of the Club Committee nominated by the President. If it is not possible to find three impartial members of the Club Committee, the President may appoint three other suitable persons from within the membership of the Club. The Secretary (or another suitable person) will act as secretary to the Panel. He/she will make the necessary arrangements. An Inquiry may be initiated by a complaint sent in writing to the Club Committee, the Secretary or an Officer of the Club identifying the person/s against whom the complaint is made. The person/s against whom the complaint is made has the right to be given access to the evidence, respond to the evidence, know the name of the person(s) giving evidence, be able to challenge the evidence and expect that the evidence will be presented systematically and thoroughly. The Disciplinary Panel may, on finding the person/s guilty of an offence, issue a formal reprimand, or suspend or withdraw membership.

Any member who has been before the Disciplinary Panel may, by written notice, appeal against the decision of the Panel to the Club Committee. Such notice shall be served within 14 days of the decision of the Disciplinary Panel otherwise the right of appeal will lapse. On receipt of a notice of appeal the Club Secretary shall inform the Club Committee which shall, as soon as possible, appoint an Appeal Panel for the purpose of dealing with the appeal. The Appeal Panel will be set up along the guidelines for establishing the Disciplinary Panel. Whilst the appeal is being considered the decision of the Disciplinary Panel shall be suspended except if the decision concerned the use of drugs, or a suspension following any Child Protection or Equity Policy issue, or a suspension of handicap index. The decision of the Appeal Panel shall be final and there shall be no right of appeal by the appellant or any other person or body against it.

Full details of these procedures are available on application to the Secretary who will ensure that any person involved in any complaint will be issued with a copy.

#### **CLUB FINANCES**

A statement of accounts shall be subject to audit by an Honorary Auditor and presented to the AGM. The Treasurer shall ensure all monies received are paid promptly into the Club's account and that the correct books of accounts are kept. A bank/deposit account in the name of the Club shall be kept at any bank or building society the Committee shall determine. All cheques must be signed by at least TWO signatories from President, Secretary, Treasurer.

### CONTACT DETAILS

All members are required to communicate their current address, telephone number and e-mail address to the Secretary and all notices sent to such address shall be considered as duly delivered.

# DISSOLUTION OF CLUB

Upon dissolution of the Club, any surplus of assets over liabilities shall be distributed amongst those persons who are members of the Club at the date of dissolution in such proportions as are determined by the Committee.

# HONORARY MEMBERS

Honorary Members may be made on the recommendation of the Club Committee for ratification at the AGM. This will only be conferred for exceptional services to the Club. Recipients will have the same rights and privileges as other Members.

#### **ALTERATION OF RULES**

No alteration in, or repeal of, these rules shall be made except at the AGM or at a Special Meeting called for that purpose. Notice of all propositions affecting the rules of the Club, to be considered at the AGM, shall be forwarded to the Secretary in writing and must be received by the Secretary at least 14 days prior to the date of the meeting. A list of such propositions shall be placed on the notice board within 48 hours of receipt.

# ETIQUETTE OF GOLF

# COURTESY ON THE COURSE

### Safety:

Prior to playing a stroke or making a practice swing, the player should ensure that no one is standing close by or in a position to be hit by the club, the ball or any stones, pebbles, twigs or the like which may be moved by the stroke or swing. If a player plays a ball in a direction where there is a danger of hitting someone, he should immediately shout a warning 'fore!'.

No one should move, talk or stand close to or directly behind the ball when a player is addressing the ball or making a stroke. On the putting green, players should not stand on another player's line of putt or, when he is making a stroke, cast a shadow over his line of putt. Players should remain on or close to the putting green until all the other players in the group have holed out.

No player should play until the players in front are out of range.

Pace of Play: 'Rules of Golf' encourage players in stroke play to play 'ready golf'.

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 have passed and are out of range.

When the play of a hole has been completed, players should immediately leave the putting green.

It is a group's responsibility to keep up with the group in front. If it loses a clear hole and it is delaying the group behind, it should invite the group behind to play through, irrespective of the number of players in that group. Where a group has not lost a clear hole, but it is apparent that the group behind can play faster, it should invite the faster moving group to play through.

#### PRIORITY ON THE COURSE

Unless otherwise determined by the Committee, priority on the course is determined by a group's pace of play. The term 'group' includes a single player.

#### CARE OF THE COURSE

# **Holes in Bunkers:**

Before leaving a bunker, a player should carefully rake, fill up and smooth over all holes and footprints he or she may have made.

# Divots, Ball-Marks and Damage by Spikes:

In the general area, a player should ensure that any turf cut or displaced is replaced at once and pressed down. On the putting green damage made by a ball or golf shoes should be repaired.

# Damage to Greens, Flagsticks, Bags etc:

Players should ensure that no damage is done to the putting green and that neither they nor their caddies damage the hole when handling the flagstick or in removing the ball from the hole. The flagstick should be properly replaced in the hole before the players leave the putting green. Players should not damage the putting green by leaning on their putters. Putters must not be used to remove the ball from the hole.

# Practice Swings:

In taking practice swings, players should avoid causing damage to the course, particularly the tees, by removing divots.

# **Golf Carts:**

Local notices regulating the movement of golf carts should be strictly observed.

## COMPETITION RULES

#### **GENERAL**

 These rules may be revoked, supplemented, or altered at any time by the Committee, as the Committee sees fit. Any changes will be posted on the notice board as soon as possible.

The General Rules of the Royal and Ancient Golf Club, St Andrews shall apply, with the exception of Local Rules displayed on the Club noticeboard. Unless otherwise specified all competitions shall be over 18 holes.

Members may only play from the white tees or Ladies red metal discs when they are competing in an official Club Competition. Senior Men may play their own competitions from the yellow tees, but not the medals and championship competition.

Competitions may be altered or cancelled by the Competition Sub-Committee due to exceptional circumstances, eg course flooded or insufficient entries. There may be times when the golf course is open for general play, but it may not be in a condition suitable for a Club competition. The decision on whether the competition will be played, postponed, or cancelled will rest with the official Starter for that competition.

#### FLIGIBILITY

- Competitions shall be open to all Members with a competition handicap index, with the following restrictions:
- (a) Members who do not have a competition handicap index are allowed to play in Club medals and other qualifying competitions, but they are not allowed to win prizes other than 'nearest the pin' or 'longest drives' etc.
- (b) Men's Championship and President's Cup Members must hold a competition handicap index at Wyboston and have submitted 3 qualifying medal cards at Wyboston in the 12 months preceding each relevant competition. Junior Boys, with a handicap index of 28 or less, who fulfil the qualifying conditions are eligible to play in these major competitions.

(c) Ladies Championship and President's Cup – Members must hold a competition handicap index at Wyboston and have submitted 3qualifying medal cards at Wyboston in the 12 months preceding each relevant competition.

Junior Girls, with a handicap index of 36 or less, who fulfil the qualifying conditions are eligible to play in these major competitions.

- (d) Individual competitions already limited by handicap index, age, gender, or other qualifying conditions.
- (e) Junior Boys with a handicap index of 29 and over and Junior Girls with a handicap index over 36 are eligible only for Junior Competitions.
- (f) Seniors Championship Members must be 55 and over, hold a competition handicap index at Wyboston and have submitted 3 qualifying medal cards at Wyboston in the 12 months preceding the Seniors Championship.

#### COMPETITION FEES

- 3. (a) The fee for a competition will be clearly stated on the entry sheet. Competition entry fees will be collected on the day.
- (b) ANY MEMBER FAILING TO PAY HIS/HER ENTRY FEE WILL BE EXCLUDED FROM THE COMPETITION.
- (c) Players who cancel their competition entry or who fail to appear on the day of competition will not be entitled to a refund of their fee. Fees will only be refunded if the competition is cancelled.

#### **FNTRY**

4. (a) All competitions shall be detailed on the notice board. Any member wishing to enter should enter his or her name on the appropriate entry sheet and that member shall be deemed to have entered the competition. No member shall remove their name from the draw sheet without prior permission of the Competition Secretary who is the sole person authorised to make alterations.

Failure to comply may incur a 2-competition ban.

(b) Entry sheets shall be displayed on the notice board in the Clubhouse at least 28 days prior to the competition date.

- (c) The last date for entry into a competition shall be specified on the entry sheet. The entry sheet shall be removed from the notice board when full or on the evening of the last date whichever is the sooner.
- (d) When entering a competition, members must acquaint themselves with the detailed format eg: Strokeplay, Matchplay, Stableford etc. as well as the handicap allowance eg: full, 90% etc. and the date of play.

#### HANDICAPS

Handicap allowances for Match play, Strokeplay, Par and Stableford competitions are set out in the Appendix to the Competition Rules.

- 5. (a) Unless otherwise specifically stated for any particular competition, the maximum handicap index shall be 54 for Men, & 54 for Ladies.
- (b) When Ladies are in Match play, Stroke play or Pair's competition with Men, using the Men's scorecard, Ladies Playing handicap should be increased by the difference between the Course Ratings (at Wyboston 3 or 5 strokes) BEFORE the handicap allowance is calculated giving a maximum allowance for Ladies of 57/59.
- (c) In mixed Stableford events, for competition results only, Ladies playing with Men teeing from the white tees will have 0 adjustment shot added to their Course Handicap. Ladies playing with Men teeing from the yellow tees will have 2 adjustment shots added to their Course Handicap.
- (d) It is the player's responsibility to know their own handicap index and enter the correct playing handicap on their card. Charts showing handicap depending on handicap index are displayed on the notice board.
- (e) Revision of handicap index will be calculated in accordance with the World Handicap System and are subject to an annual self-audit.
- (f) Where a member subscribes to more than one affiliated club, he or she must select one as his/her 'home club' and notify that club and the others of his/her choice. Handicap index will only be adjusted by the 'home club'. All 'away' qualifying scores must be reported to the handicap secretary of the 'home' club.
- (g) Members are required to notify the Committee of any handicap index previously held at any affiliated club.

#### STARTING TIMES

- 6. (a) Where starting times are fixed for competitions a list of all competitors together with starting times shall be displayed on the appropriate notice boards. It shall be the duty of the members entering a competition to acquaint themselves with their correct starting time.
- (b) Any member failing to arrive for a competition that he/she has entered could be banned from playing for a minimum of two competitions. Persistent offenders will be subject to further disciplinary action by the Committee.
- (c) Any competitor who fails to report to the Starter at least 10 minutes before their teeing-off time shall be penalised 2 shots in Strokeplay and 2 points in Stableford. The 2-point penalty in Stableford shall be taken at the first hole played. If the competitor fails to score on the first hole played it will be recorded as a score of minus 2.

Competitors who report after their allotted start time may be disqualified under rule 5.3 Rules of Golf. Exceptional circumstances will be considered by the Committee.

#### COMPETITION CARDS

- 7. (a) Cards for all drawn competitions shall be prepared by the Competition Committee.
- (b) ALL competitors in every competition shall hand in correctly completed cards (3.3b of the Rules of Golf) on completion of the round to the person collecting them or the cards may be placed in the box or the Ladies envelope. Failure to do so shall be regarded as a serious breach of the Rules.
- (c) Discontinuance of Play All competitions must be completed in accordance with rule 5.7 of the Rules of Golf. The Committee will regard any failure to complete the competition as a serious breach of the Rules. Exceptional circumstances will be taken into account.

#### COMPETITION TEES

8. Unless otherwise stated in the competition rules, or on the notice board or by the Starter on the day, all club competitions for men shall be played from the white tees which are reserved for competitions and matches. The ladies and girls with a handicap index of 36 or less play from the red metal plates. Junior boys with a handicap index of 29 or over, and Junior girls with a handicap index of 37 or over play from the red tees.

#### MEDAL AND OTHER COMPETITIONS

- 9. (a) Every Medal, Stableford, Bogey and similar competition shall be played in accordance with such special rules as the Competition Committee has approved for each particular competition. These rules shall not be incompatible with the Rules of Golf and shall be written on the entry sheet displayed on the notice board.
- (b) Markers of all competition cards must hold an official club handicap index
- (c) Ties in 18/36 hole competitions, unless otherwise stated in writing by the Committee, shall be decided by count back in the following order: Last nine, last six, last three and, last one on a nett score basis. If this does not produce a winner a tie shall be declared. (See details of Club Competitions for ties in Club Championships.)

#### MATCH PLAY COMPETITIONS

- 10. (a) Matches shall be played over 18 holes. Games finishing all square shall continue from the starting hole until a hole is won. Strokes are re-applied on play off holes.
- (b) The onus is on all players to acquaint themselves with the competition draw.
- (c) The first drawn player/s shall be responsible for giving their opponents 3 dates. If possible, dates should not fall within the same week. However, arranging the match shall be the responsibility of all participants. If no attempt has been made by either party to arrange the fixture, all players will be eliminated from the competition by the relevant Competition Secretary.
- (d) Failure to appear at the agreed tee time on the date arranged will result in the player/s who has/have made an effort to complete the fixture going through to the next round.
- (e) The winner of each round is responsible for putting his/her name through to the next round and for continuing to apply the provisions of subparagraphs (a) (b) (c) (d) for each succeeding round.
- (f) The Finals of all Matchplay competitions will be played by the day specified and may be refereed by a nominee selected by the Committee.

#### PRESENTATIONS

11. It is a condition of entry to competitions that each winner will attend the presentation. The date and location of the presentation will be displayed on the notice board. In exceptional circumstances and with proper notification to the Trophy Secretary, the winner may appoint someone to collect the prize on their behalf. Failing these arrangements, the Committee reserve the right to withdraw the prize.

#### SLOW PLAY

- 12. The Competition Committee may penalise a group of players for SLOW PLAY under *rule 5.6 Rules of Golf.* Rule 5.6 is expanded as a local rule, as follows:
- (a) If a gap of 1 HOLE, PLUS A TEE SHOT opens up between groups of players and is maintained for 3 holes or more.
- (b) If the OVERALL TIME for an 18-hole round is deemed excessive for the conditions of the day (eg an 18-hole 3 ball Strokeplay exceeds 4 hours).

NB - When in these conditions slow play is encountered a complaint may be made in writing and signed by each member of the group concerned immediately on completion of play. Such complaint must be handed directly to the Competition Secretary or Competition Starter. Alternatively, a complaint of slow play may be made either by the Course Management or the Competition Committee of the day. If the case for slow play is upheld, the penalty will be either the addition of 2 strokes or the deduction of 2 points (as appropriate) to the scores of each member of the group involved in the slow play. For a repeated offence the penalty shall be disqualification.

#### INTER-CLUB MATCHES

- 13. (a) The team shall be chosen from those members who have requested to play by placing their names on the relevant list on the notice board.
- (b) Any member who is selected will be required to wear the team shirt/sweater and be expected to stay for the meal either before or after the match. A match fee is set as a contribution towards the cost of the meal and any green fees for all club matches and will be collected on the day. Any breach of this rule may result in a ban from two following Inter-Club matches
- (c) The representative team shall be chosen by the Captain and Vice-Captain of the relevant section. If the Captain and Vice-Captain are unable to play the Committee will appoint an acting representative for the day.

(d) Any member who is selected for an Inter-Club Match and fails to arrive for the match shall be subject to a fine of 50% of the match fee. If that member does not give at least 48 hours' notice to the Match Organiser of his/her intention not to play he/she may be banned from the two following matches.

NB - Exceptional circumstances will be considered by the Committee.

### COMPETITION DISPUTES

14. Any disputes, protests or claims by or between members that may arise shall be decided upon by the Competition Committee upon application in writing by the member(s) concerned.

# **BREACH OF THE RULES**

15. Any breach of these competition rules shall be regarded as a breach of the Club's Rules and will be dealt with in any way therein provided for. In addition, the Committee may disqualify or suspend any member from competing in any particular competition or suspend any member from competing in any competitions generally, for such period as it shall think fit.

### DECISIONS

16. The Committee reserve the right to make any decision which, in their opinion, is both just and compatible with the competition and the Rules of Golf.

#### LOCAL RULES

17. Local Rules are set out in detail on the noticeboard.

# APPENDIX

# HANDICAP ALLOWANCES

Listed below are the handicap allowances applicable in the following forms of play. Handicap Index to be converted to Course Handicap as listed on the Course Rating & Slope Rating Table displayed on notice boards. Then apply the appropriate % allowance for the formats listed below to arrive at the Playing Handicap. Where a qualifying competition is handled by the Club Systems, these calculations will be made automatically.

MATCH PLAY			
Singles	100% Course Handicap of players		
Foursomes	50% combined team Course Handicap		
Fourball	Back Marker (player with lowest handicap) to		
(better ball)	concede strokes to other 3 players based on		
	90% Course Handicap		
Greensomes	Full Greensome Handicap		
STROKE PLAY			
Singles	95% of course handicap		
Foursomes	50% combined course handicap of partners		
Fourball	Each partner receives 85% course handicap		
(better ball)			
Greensomes	Full Greensome Handicap		
PAR			
Singles	95% of course handicap		
Foursomes	50% combined course handicap of partners		
Fourball	Each partner receives 90% of course handicap		
(better ball)			
Greensomes	Full Greensome Handicap		
STABLEFORD			
Singles	95% of course handicap		
Foursomes	50% combined course handicap of partner		
Fourball	Each partner receives 85% of course handicap		
(better ball)			
Greensomes	Full Greensome Handicap		
*GREENSOME HANDICAP Lower handicap x 0.6 + higher handicap			

0.4. if handicap equal, halve combined handicap

# Notes

- 1.Half Strokes: Half strokes or over to be counted as one; smaller fractions to be disregarded except Foursomes Stroke Play when  $\frac{1}{2}$  strokes are counted as such.
- 2.Sudden Death play-off: When extra holes are played in handicap index competitions, strokes should be taken in accordance with the Handicap index Stroke Index.

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	HANDICAP CALCULATOR				
Course Handicap	95%	90%	85%	60%	40%
1	1	1	1	0.6	0.4
2	2	2	2	1.2	0.8
3	3	3	3	1.8	1.2
4	4	4	3	2.4	1.6
5	5	5	4	3.0	2.0
6	6	5	5	3.6	2.4
7	7	6	6	4.2	2.8
8	8	7	7	4.8	3.2
9	9	8	8	5.4	3.6
10	10	9	9	6.0	4.0
11	10	10	9	6.6	4.4
12	11	11	10	7.2	4.8
13	12	12	11	7.8	5.2
14	13	13	12	8.4	5.6
15	14	14	13	9.0	6.0
16	15	14	14	9.6	6.4
17	16	15	14	10.2	6.8
18	17	16	15	10.8	7.2
19	18	17	16	11.4	7.6
20	19	18	17	12.0	8.0
21	20	19	18	12.6	8.4
22	21	20	19	13.2	8.8
23	22	21	20	13.8	9.2
24	23	22	20	14.4	9.6
25	24	23	21	15.0	10.0

Course Handicap	<mark>95%</mark>	95%	<mark>85%</mark>	<mark>60%</mark>	40%
26	25	23	22	15.6	10.4
27	26	24	23	16.2	10.8
28	27	25	24	16.8	11.2
29	28	26	25	17.4	11.6
30	29	27	26	18.0	12.0
31	29	28	26	18.6	12.4
32	30	29	27	19.2	12.8
33	31	30	28	19.8	13.2
34	32	31	29	20.4	13.6
35	33	32	30	21.0	14.0
36	34	32	31	21.6	14.4
37	35	33	31	22.2	14.8
38	36	34	32	22.8	15.2
39	37	35	33	23.4	15.6
40	38	36	34	24.0	16.0
41	39	37	35	24.6	16.4
42	40	38	36	25.2	16.8
43	41	39	37	25.8	17.2
44	42	40	37	26.4	17.6
45	43	41	38	27.0	18.0
46	44	41	39	27.6	18.4
47	45	42	40	28.2	18.8
48	46	43	41	28.8	19.2
49	47	44	42	29.4	19.6
50	48	45	43	30.0	20.0
51	48	46	43	30.6	20.4
52	49	47	44	31.2	20.8
53	50	48	45	31.8	21.2
54	51	49	46	32.4	21.6

# CLUB COMPETITIONS

#### 1. MONTHLY MEDALS

£2 entry fee. All 18-hole individual Strokeplay, played from the Men's white medal tees and Ladies red metal discs. Full handicap index allowances up to 54. Juniors with a handicap index over 28 play from the red metal discs. Winter medals are played from the Green Course and may be qualifying subject to condition of the course. Comp Sec to decide.

Saturday/Weekday Open to Men/Junior Boys. Played in 1 division. Players to arrange own tee times. To be played in 2/3/4 balls only. All Players MUST enter their names in the book in the Pro-Shop and obtain an officially stamped medal score card prior to commencing play.

**Sunday** - Open to Men/Junior Boys. Played in 3 divisions. Only players in the drawn section are eligible to enter sponsored competitions played on that day. Players not in the drawn medal may arrange their own tee times after the drawn medal and play in 2/3/4 balls but MUST enter their names in the book in the Pro-Shop and obtain an officially stamped medal score card prior to commencing play.

LADIES - Open to Ladies/Junior Girls. Weekend and Monday Medals are drawn, but, with prior permission, ladies may arrange own tee times. Other Mid-Week Medals: ladies to arrange own tee times but MUST enter their names on the sign-up sheet.

JUNIORS - Played in 2 divisions on a Saturday.

**SENIORS** - Open to all Members aged 55 and over. Played in 4 divisions (3 Men, 1 Ladies). Division 1 and 2 Men play from White tees. Division 3 Men with handicap index 25 and over play from yellow plates using Stableford scoring system.

#### 2. ORDER OF MERIT:

**MEN** - Points are awarded to successful competitors who have taken part in the Men's Medals and other competitions (excluding any pairs competition) throughout the year. The competition for the gross score award is based on individual Strokeplay competitions and the nett score award is based on both Strokeplay and Stableford competitions.

LADIES - The Merit Trophy will be awarded to the Lady or Junior Girl who achieves the best 4 nett scores over the calendar year in Medal competitions. The Putting Trophy will be awarded to the player with the 4 lowest putting scores on Medal cards. The Sanderson Trophy will be awarded to the player with the best gross Medal card.

**JUNIORS** - Points are awarded to successful competitors who have taken part in any Junior individual competition throughout the year, including the monthly Medals. The winner is the Junior who achieves the most points.

#### 3. CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS:

Competition Rule 2 *Eligibility* will apply to qualify for entry.

Buggies will not be allowed without consent of the Organiser on the day, before start of play.

In all categories: in the event of a tie for Champion, the winner will be decided by a play-off over 4 designated holes. If not decided, then sudden death.

MEN - Open to Men and Div 1 Junior Boys. 36-hole individual Strokeplay. 95% of course handicap. Played over 2 consecutive days.

Men's Champion - lowest gross over 36 holes

Div 1 - lowest nett over 36 holes (Barry Chin Cup)
Div 2 - lowest nett over 36 holes (Secretary's Shield)

Div 3 - lowest nett over 36 holes (Ron Neville Shield)

# LADIES - Open to all Ladies and Junior Girls (95% of Course handicap)

Played over 2 consecutive days. 36-hole individual Stroke-play. Prizes for lowest gross (Ladies Champion) and lowest nett.

**JUNIORS** - 36-hole individual Stroke-play. 95% of Course handicap. Junior Champion - lowest gross over 36 holes.

SENIORS - Open to all Members aged 55 and over who have submitted 3 qualifying medal cards at Wyboston in the 12 month preceding the Championship. 18-hole individual Strokeplay. 95% of Course handicap. Played in 2 sections (men, and ladies). Senior Men's Champion – lowest gross. Senior Ladies Champion – lowest gross. Prizes awarded to Men's Div 1, 2 & 3 lowest nett and ladies' lowest net.

# 4. SUMMER/WINTER KNOCKOUTS - MATCHPLAY:

For all Matchplay competitions the first player drawn will be responsible for giving opponents 3 dates (2 of which will be weekend dates except for Senior Matchplay events) to play each match. However, arranging the match shall remain the responsibility of all parties. Each round must be played by the dates shown on the draw sheet.

All matches are to be played over 18 holes, with those finishing all square to be decided by sudden death play-off from the starting hole; all shots to be reapplied.

Matches are to be played from the white tees for Men and the red Medal plates for Ladies. Senior matches are to be played from the yellow tees for the Men and the red tees for Ladies. Winter mats should be used when the tees are closed.

**SINGLES** - Open to Men/Juniors only. Handicap allowance: full difference between players' Course Handicaps, with the lowest off scratch. Should only 9 holes be open the singles matches will be played over 2 rounds of the 9 holes.

**SINGLES SCRATCH** - Rules as for the Singles competition, except that all competitors will play off scratch.

**DOUBLES** - Open to all Members but not mixed pairs. Ladies use their own score card and receive 3 strokes. Handicap allowance 90% Course Handicap with the lowest off scratch.

**LADIES SINGLES** - Ladies and Junior Girls. Handicap allowance full difference between players' Course Handicaps, with the lowest off scratch.

## VULCAN TROPHY (Senior Singles)

Open to all Seniors aged 55 and over. Men use yellow tees Ladies use red tees, Men's score card and receive 5 strokes. Handicap allowance full difference between players' Course Handicaps with the lowest off scratch

# VIMY TROPHY (Doubles)

Match play 4 ball better ball doubles competition with the lowest handicap player off scratch and conceding strokes based on 90% of course handicap. Open to all seniors aged 55 and over. Men use yellow plates. Ladies use red plates using their own card and stroke index's (but not par) and receive 5 adjustment shots after 90% adjustment has been applied.

MIXED DOUBLES - Greensomes. Played from medal tees and Men's scorecard with ladies receiving 3 strokes. Full difference between Greensomes Handicap (calculated as outlined in the Appendix to the 'Competition Rules'), with the lowest off scratch.

LADIES SUMMER KNOCK-OUT Open to Ladies/Junior Girls.

# **5 OTHER COMPETITIONS**

#### LADIES PEUGEOT CORONATION CUP

Open to Ladies/Junior Girls. Foursomes. Half combined Course handicap.

#### **ELLIOTT TROPHY**

Open to all Seniors aged 55 and over who have submitted 3 qualifying cards in Senior Competitions at Wyboston in the 12 months preceding the competitions, prior to the entry closing date. 18 holes drawn four ball better ball Stableford. Each partner receives 85% of Course handicap. Pairs will be drawn from the list of entrants. Men play from yellow tees. Ladies play from red tees using Ladies scorecard and receive 2 adjustment shots. Seniors who do not fulfil the qualifying criteria can join the Competition, if there are spaces, must play in pairs with other non-qualifying Seniors and compete only for the 'nearest the pin' prizes. There will be a lunch afterwards.

#### SPRING CUP

Open to all Members. 18-hole fourball better ball Stableford. Each partner receives 85% of Course handicap.

## LADIES RABBITS/HARES

Open to Ladies/Junior Girls. 18-hole individual Stableford. 95% of Course handicap. Played in Handicap Divisions.

# SUMMER TEXAS SCRAMBLE

Open to all members. Maximum handicap: Men 36 Ladies 48. 4 player Texas Scramble Handicap allowance as per the published England Golf Mandatory Allowance Table and England Golf Mixed Tee Calculator. Ladies play from red plates, use men's score card. Minimum 4 drives per player.

#### ROSE BOWL

18-hole mixed Greensomes Stableford. Full Greensomes Handicap (calculated as outlined in the Appendix to the 'Competition Rules'). Maximum handicap index: 20 for Men and 30 for Ladies. Men play from white tees. Ladies play from red Medal plates and receive 3 strokes.

# LADIES PING QUALIFIER

Open to Ladies/Junior Girls. 18-hole fourball better ball Stableford. Each partner receives 85% of Course handicap. National Finals played in September.

#### BATTLE OF THE SEXES - MEN V LADIES

18 - hole fourball better ball Match Play. Men play from white tees; Ladies play from red Medal plates, own card and receive 3 strokes.

#### LADIES JUBILEE PLATE

18-hole individual Stableford. 95% of Course handicap

#### LADIES KINGFISHER PLATE

18-hole Strokeplay played on the morning of the Ladies Championship. 95% of Course handicap

# TOM JAMES TROPHY

Open to all members. 9-hole individual Stableford. 95% of Course handicap. Men play from white tees; Ladies from red Medal plates, use ladies score card and receive 1 stroke.

#### MEN'S MID WEEK MEDALS

Open to Men and Senior Men.

# **CLUB CAPTAINS' DAY**

A special day for all Club Members. Competitions for Men, Ladies, Juniors and Seniors. The prize presentations will be held on the day.

#### MID SUMMER BOWL

Open to Men/Junior Boys only. 18-hole individual Stableford. 95% of Course handicap.

## MID SUMMER MULTIPLIER

Open to Men/Junior Boys. Pairs Stableford competition. 85% of Course handicap. Multiply both players Stableford points for each hole.

#### VICE CAPTAIN'S SHIELD

Open to all Members. 18-hole fourball better ball Stableford. 85% of Course handicap. Ladies play off their own score card and receive 3 shots.

#### BERT CROWE MEMORIAL CUP

Open to all Seniors aged 55 and over who have submitted 3 qualifying cards in Senior Competitions at Wyboston in the 12 months preceding the competitions, 18-hole individual Stableford qualifying competition with 95% of Course handicap, played from the red and yellow medal plates. Ladies use Ladies scorecard and receive 2 adjustment shots.

Presentation Dinner after the event.

#### COMMITTEE FOURSOMES

Open to all Members. 18 hole Strokeplay. Half combined Course handicap allowance. Ladies receive 3 strokes.

#### SENIORS CAPTAIN'S DAY

Open to Members aged 55 and over. Format to be the choice of the standing Seniors Captain but (a) with the approval of the seniors committee and (b) in a recognised competitive format. Where players do not have an official handicap, the organising committee will decide on allowances prior to the event. Men play from yellow tees. In mixed pairs and lady pairs, ladies play from red tees, receive 2 strokes and score from men's card

#### PRESIDENT'S CUP

Open to Men/Junior Boys. 36-hole individual Strokeplay. 95% of Course handicap. Competition Rule No. 2 will apply to qualify for entry. Buggies will not be allowed without prior consent of the Committee.

# PRESIDENT'S PUTTER

Winner is the player with the lowest number of putts in round 1 of President's cup.

#### LADIES PRESIDENT'S CUP

Open to Ladies/Junior Girls. 18-hole individual Stableford. 95% of Course handicap. Competition Rule No. 2 will apply to qualify for entry.

#### MFMORIAL DAY

Open to Men/Junior Boys. 18-hole individual Strokeplay. 95% of Course handicap. Played in 3 divisions: John Newland (Div 1), Dave Smart (Div 2), Gerald Wright (Div 3). Alan Hurren Trophy awarded to lowest gross score of the day.

# LADIES MEMORIAL DAY

18-hole individual Stableford competition. 95% of Course handicap

#### LADIES WINTER ECLECTIC COMPETITION

Open to Ladies/Junior Girls. 9-hole stroke play over maximum 15 cards submitted October 1st – mid March.

# SENIORS WINTER ECLECTIC: (MARK & OCTAVIA TROPHY)

Open to Seniors aged 55 and over. Eclectic Strokeplay. Lowest gross score at each hole calculated from the maximum five competition. day cards. **The 15th winter hole should be used in each round.** The player's current Course handicap (Ladies with 5 stroke allowance) will be deducted from the overall gross score after the last day of competition in March. Lowest nett score wins.

A 9-hole competition will run alongside the main competition. A separate prize will be awarded.

# **AUTUMN COMPETITION DAY**

Open to Men only. 18-hole individual Stableford. 95% of Course handicap. Played in 2 Divisions: men under 55 for the InBetweenies Trophy; men 55 and over for the Brian Michael Watts (BMW) Trophy. The overall winner takes the Autumn Shield.

#### MARC REILLY MEMORIAL

Open to Men/Junior Boys. 18-hole Individual Stableford competition. 95% of Course handicap

#### WINTER TEXAS SCRAMBLE

Open to all Members. Maximum handicap index: Men 36 ladies 48. Three player Texas Scramble. Handicap allowance as per the England Golf Mandatory Allowance Table and England Golf Mixed Tee Calculator. Ladies play from the red plates and use men's scorecard. If the Green winter course is used the ladies will play off the mats not the red plates. Minimum 5 drives per player.

#### MID-WINTER MUDLARK

Open to Seniors aged 55 and over. 18-hole fourball better ball Stableford competition. 85% of Course handicap. Played from tees in use on the day. Men and Ladies use their own scorecard, Ladies receive 2 adjustment shots. Presentation meal after the event.

#### CHRISTMAS FOURSOMES

Open to all members. 18-hole Foursomes Stableford. Half combined Course handicap. Ladies play from red Medal plates use Men's scorecard and receive 3 strokes.

## SENIORS 2 CLUBS AND A PUTTER: DENIS CULPECK TROPHY

Open to Seniors aged 55 and over. 2 clubs plus putter only allowed in bag. Individual Stableford Competition. 95% of Course handicap. Men play from yellow tees. Ladies from red tees using their own scorecard and receive 2 adjustment shots.

TOM'S TURKEY TROT – Open to all members.18-hole individual Stableford. 95% of Course handicap. 2 clubs plus putter only allowed in bag. Putter can be used anywhere on the course.

WINTER BOWL – Open to all Members. 18-hole individual par competition. Players play every hole against their net par. If they beat net par, mark card with plus; if equal, mark zero and if par not achieved, card is marked with a minus. 95% of Course handicap Ladies play from red Medal plates and use Men's scorecard and receive 3 strokes. If played on Green Course, Ladies receive 5 strokes. All scores to be recorded on scorecard.

# CAPTAIN'S/VICE CAPTAIN'S AND PRESIDENT'S TRIANGULAR SHIELD

Open to all Members 18-hole individual Stableford. 95% of Course handicap. Scores allocated to 1 of 3 teams.

#### SENIORS CAPTAINS FAREWELL & HELLO

Open to all seniors aged 55 and over, Doubles competition – Fourball better ball stableford. Each partner receives 85% of course handicap. Men play from yellow tees; Ladies play from red tees using their scorecard and receive 2 adjustment shots after all calculation. Presentation meal after the event.

# JUNIOR GOLF

Our mission is to provide a safe and welcoming environment for the young golfer to learn, develop and enjoy the game of golf. We will do this by encouraging the safe use of all golfing facilities at Wyboston Lakes, by providing a capable and proactive organiser and by encouraging entry into competitions. In pursuit of our mission we hope to retain juniors, recruit new juniors and develop them into active adult members.

Membership is open to all young people up to the age of 18 with no restriction on age or ability. New junior members who do not have a handicap index will be given a provisional handicap index of 36\* and will be immediately eligible to enter the junior's competitions listed in the Fixture List in this Handbook. After completing the first competition a junior player will be given a WHS handicap index, which will be assessed up to the maximum junior handicap index of 54. As soon as that playing handicap index reduces to 28 for boys or 36 for girls, juniors will be eligible to enter the men's, mixed or ladies' competitions. At that level, juniors will also be eligible to represent the Club in inter Club and County matches. Outstanding players will be encouraged to take part in County Junior coaching and events.

There are no restrictions on tee times at Wyboston for Junior members. Tee times should be booked in advance for weekend and bank holiday games. Always check the board outside the Pro Shop to check on bookings from Societies who may also be using the course.

Transfer to adult membership is automatic in the year following a junior's 18th birthday, the membership subscription payable will depend on whether or not they are continuing in full time education.

If you have any questions, please contact the Club Secretary.

If you have any concerns, please speak to the Junior Organiser or Club Secretary.

All contact details are on the Officers list at the front of this Handbook

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