

## **Wednesday Winter League - Rules for 2023 / 2024**

We start from first light, around 8:00am onwards. Players to make up their own games on arrival or in advance.

**No Gimme putts allowed.** Play off old yellow tees, for stableford points.

We play only 16 holes, cutting out the 10th and 11th.

### **Handicaps**

**Check your handicap index against the white Course handicap chart, then take 95% of this number as your starting handicap.**

**Handicaps subject to Revisions during the winter league depending on scores**

If score is between 33 - 35 points handicap is cut by 1 shot.

If score is between 36 or more handicap is cut by 2 shots

### **No Handicap Increases**

Play off 3/4 of winter league handicap when course on 6 or more Winter Greens.

### **Mats to be used on the fairway only.**

Please remember that if you choose to lift your ball and place it in the semi rough to play it, you must take it to the nearest side from where it lies. If you opt to do this you must play the ball off the grass in semi rough, not from a mat.

If 18 hole course closed and we must play twice around 9 hole course – Play 16 holes by playing the 1st,2nd,3rd,4th,5th,6th,7th,8th, then cut over onto the 2nd,3rd,4th,5th,6th,7th,8th,9th.

### **Entry & Cost**

The cost to enter the league is £10 per head payable to Charlie Paul on or soon after the first days play which will provide a pool of money to be used for a weekly prize fund which will pay out £3 for Best Stableford score, £2 second best stableford score, £1 for third best stableford score.

Weekly sweepstake will only be paid out if 6 or more players play. Players must complete the full 16 holes for scores to count for stableford prizes or for handicap increases. Unless the course is closed, all submitted completed scores will count towards your total.

### **We will have a prizegiving lunch on the last day of the league.**

Weekly sweep winnings will be paid into your pro shop accounts after the prizegiving. The remaining funds will be used for final day nearest the pin and other prizes. Any remaining funds will be used to subsidise the prizegiving lunch.

In the event of a tie we will identify a winner from the best 7 & 8 scores etc.

The ongoing Prize list and results will be collated and published each week on the club website.

Players have around 24 weeks from Wednesday 18 October 2023 to Wednesday 20 March 2024 to accumulate your best 6 scores.

### **Other Rules for 2021 / 2022**

If your ball is lost and it is known or virtually certain that your ball came to rest on the fairway, in an area which is wet, muddy or soft, you may take a free drop at the nearest point of relief from the spot where you and your playing partners agree that the ball was lost.

The rule relies on your playing partners knowing or being virtually certain that your ball landed on the fairway, but you do not have to see the ball land which would cover those balls stuck over the horizon on a blind hole.

We must rely on playing partners to ensure that the new rule is applied fairly and is not abused, so playing partners should do their best to spot other players shots to allow them to make a fair assessment of the landing area of the shot. The rule will apply to both the Saturday and the Wednesday winter leagues