LADIES SECTION SUMMER AND WINTER COMPETITIONS

All 18 Hole Medal Competitions played during the Season are England Golf (EG) Qualifying Medals.

The dates and times of these competitions will be detailed on the Fixture List which all Playing Lady Members will receive a copy of.

Lady Captain's Competition – Board

Considered one of the Prestigious Competitions of the Season it is open to all 5, 6 & 7 Day Lady Members. It is an 18 hole Medal played from the Red Tees and is Handicap Qualifying. Lady Captain will give the qualifying criteria for playing in the main competition at the Ladies AGM. There is no competition fee payable as the Lady Captain provides the prizes (the number of which is decided by her). In the event of a tie for 1st place there is a three hole play-off to take place immediately after the competition. In addition, there is a 9 Hole Subsidiary Stableford competition for those ladies who do not qualify or are unable to play in the main competition plus an Indoor Putting Competition for those Ladies who are unable to play golf anymore. Again prizes are provided for these by the Lady Captain.

Major Competitions – Board/Trophy

The following **SIX** Competitions are open to all 5, 6 & 7 Day Lady Members. They are played over 18 holes from the Red Tees and are Handicap Qualifying. Following payment of Competition fees, there are prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd. In the event of a tie there will be a card play-off (countback) to decide the winner.

Centenary Salver – 18 Hole Medal. Board and Salver (no names are engraved on the Salver).

Charity Cup – 18 Hole Stableford. Board and Trophy – all competition fees on the day go to the Lady Captain's Charity.

Gibbon Bowl - 18 Hole Medal. Board and Trophy.

Jubilee Cup - 18 Hole Par (Bogey). Board and Trophy.

Maxwell Cup - 18 Hole Stableford. Board and Trophy (no names are engraved on the Trophy).

Rose Bowl Trophy – 18 Hole Medal. Board and Trophy.

Mauldeth Medal and Bunty Booth Competition

These two competitions run at the same time and one card is used for both competitions.

Mauldeth Medal - Open to all 5, 6 & 7 Day Lady Members it is an 18 Hole Medal played from the Red Tees. There is a competition fee payable to enter the Mauldeth Medal and prizes are for 1st and 2nd (The Winner also receives a Ball Marker from The Golf Foundation – Competition Fees minus the cost of 1st and 2nd Prizes are sent to the Golf Foundation). In the event of a tie there will be a card play-off (countback).

Bunty Booth – a separate competition fee is payable to participate in this Competition. There is no prize but the winner goes on to play the following year in the Final organised by Manchester & District Ladies Golf Association. Fees for the Bunty Booth Competition are sent to the Manchester & District Ladies Golf Association.

Veterans Cup

Open to all 5, 6 & 7 Lady Members aged 60 and over which is played from the Red Tees. It is an 18 Hole Medal which is Handicap Qualifying. Non Board competition but does have a Trophy. Competition fee payable and Prizes paid for 1st and 2nd. In the event of a tie, there will be a card play-off (countback) to decide the winner. *Normally there is an alternative 18 Hole Stableford Competition for those ladies not eligible to play in the Veterans Cup again which is played from the Red Tees and is Handicap Qualifying. Competition Fee payable and one prize paid for 1st.* In the event of a tie, there will be a card play-off (countback) to decide the winner.

Ladies Open Competition

Open to all 5, 6 & 7 Day Members. Considered one of the Flagship Competitions of the Season it is open to members from other Clubs to play. It is a Team Game and the format and prize breakdown is decided by the Ladies Committee which is circulated to members and local clubs in the area.

Foursome Competitions

Coronation Foursomes – Played over 18 Holes from Red Tees. Team competition fee payable and all competition fees are sent to the R & A. No prizes but winners go through to play in further rounds.

Daily Mail Foursomes – not played as a separate competition as it is the winners of the Ladies Doubles Knockout who are nominated to play in the next round.

Singles Knockouts – Board and Trophy

Format is individual Match Play Competitions over a series of rounds. Entry into the competition is by a specific date and subsequent dates by which matches are to be played are detailed on the Knockout Sheets. Prizes are provided by the Past Lady Captain's for the Winner and Runner Up at the Ladies End of Season Presentation Evening.

Doubles Knockouts – Board and Trophy

Format is Doubles Foursome Match Play. Entry into the competition is by a specific date and subsequent dates by which matches are to be played are detailed on the Knockout Sheets. Prizes are for the Winners and Runners Up at the End of Season Ladies Presentation Evening.

Invitation Day

Lady Members invite member of other clubs to play, traditionally paying for the Competition Fee and Meal. Played over 18 Holes from the Red Tees, the competition is normally a 4BBB Stableford and all competition fees are spent on prizes for 1st and 2nd.

Sunday Competitions

Open to 6 & 7 Day Lady Members and played on a Sunday from the Red Tees.

Heaton Moor 36 Hole Challenge – Board and Trophy. Played as two 18 Hole Medals which are Handicap Qualifying. The winner is the player with the two best nett scores combined (second round is played off the same handicap as the first round). A one-off competition fee is payable on the day and Prizes are paid for 1st and 2nd plus Best Gross (unless the winner has best gross). In the event of a tie there will be a card play-off (countback) to decide the winner.

England Golf (EG) Qualifying Medals – A one-off fee is paid which allows ladies to play in all the Sunday Medals which are Handicap Qualifying. There is one prize at the end of the season to the player with the best score.

Monthly Best Gross

Each month a prize is awarded to the player who has achieved the Best Gross in any of the Qualifying Medal Competitions played that month.

Running Competitions – these are non-handicap qualifying.

Summer Eclectic – Starts when the first Handicap Qualifying Competition is played and finishes when the last qualifying competition is played. Each time a qualifying score is entered into the system, the best holes from each round will be taken until there is a final 'best' round. There is no competition fee for this and one prize is awarded at the end of the Season Presentation Evening.

Running Summer Stableford – Starts at the beginning of the playing Season. It is a Stableford competition played over 12 Holes from the Red Tees. There is a one-off competition fee with no limit on the number of cards that can be taken out. 1st and 2nd prizes are awarded at the end of the Season Presentation Evening and is based on the total points from three cards.

Winter Eclectic – Starts in October and runs through to March. It is a medal competition played over 9 holes from the Red Tees. There is a one-off competition fee with no limit on the number of cards that can be taken out. Two prizes of equal value are awarded before the start of the Season – Best Gross and Best Nett.

Interclub Competitions

Information on these matches are put on the Ladies Locker Room Noticeboard.

Ladies taking part in these competitions are asked to wear the Club Team Colours – Black Trousers, Skorts, or Shorts, White Polo Top, Purple Jumper.

Bell Cup - 7 Team Players plus 2 Reserves

Organised by the Manchester and District Ladies Golf Association (who have specific rules/regulations for their competition) and the draw for which teams will play each other is made at their AGM. The team is made up of our lowest handicap players that are available. Format is individual Match Play and the winner at each round is the team that secures the most wins and will go on to play in the next round/s.

East Cheshire Interclub Shield – 7 Team Players plus 2 Reserves

Organised by the East Cheshire Shield Committee (who have specific rules/regulations for their competition) and the draw for which teams will play each other is made at their AGM. There is maximum handicap Index of 30 (higher handicappers can play but would have to play off 30). Format is individual Match Play and points are awarded based on winning or halving a match. At the end of the qualifying period, the teams with the most points go on to play in the next round/s.

Friendly Matches – 8 Team Players plus 2 Reserves (4 Teams of 2)

Organised by a Club Committee Volunteer these are an introduction to the format of Foursome or Greensome Match Play and are ideal for newcomers to golf who will have the support of a more experienced partner. There is no minimum or maximum handicap required to play in these matches and it is the Home Club who decides the format. There is around four/five local clubs who take part and matches can be played home and away. There are no prizes only the experience of playing.

9 Hole League Matches – 6 Team Players plus 2 Reserves (3 Teams of 2)

Organised by a Club Committee Volunteer these are ideal for ladies who do not have time to play 18 Holes and the format is a Team 4BBB Stableford. There are around four/five local clubs who take part and matches are played home and away. The winner of the league is the Club with the most Stableford Points who receives a Trophy.

Senior Ladies Matches – 6 Team Players plus 2 Reserves (3 Teams of 2)

Organised by a Club Committee Volunteer these matches are open to ladies who aged 60 and over with a handicap index of 20 and over. The format is Greensome Match Play. Currently there are only two clubs which are played and this can be home or away. There are no prizes only the experience of playing.

Aggregate Competitions

These are awarded at the Ladies Annual Presentation Evening which takes place in October after the last Handicap Qualifying Competition has taken place.

Butter Prize (Board and Trophy) – 1st Prize awarded to the player returning the **Six Best Nett Scores** from all EG Medal Competitions, The Rose Bowl, Gibbon Bowl, Centenary Salver, Mauldeth Medal, 1st Round of the Lady Captain's Final and the 1st Round of the Heaton Moor 36 Hole Challenge.

Club Medal Winner – Is the player returning the **Four Best Nett Medal Scores** from all EG Medal Competitions, The Rose Bowl, Gibbon Bowl, Centenary Salver, Mauldeth Medal, 1st Round of the Lady Captain's Final and the 1st Round of the Heaton Moor 36 Hole Challenge. There is no prize but the top 120 players within each region will qualify to play in the England Golf Regional Finals (for which there are specific instructions).

Singles Knockout (Board and Trophy) - 1st and 2nd Prizes – paid for by the Past Lady Captain's **Doubles Knockout (Board and Trophy)** - 1st and 2nd Prizes

Annual Gross Score (Board and Badge) – 1st Prize awarded for achieving the best gross of the year in a medal qualifying competition.

Running Summer Stableford – 1st and 2nd Prizes awarded for the most Stableford Points from the best three cards.

Summer Eclectic – 1st Prize awarded for achieving the 'Best Final Round'.

Sunday Medal – 1st Prize for the player with the best nett score.

Par Tree – For Lady members with a Handicap of 36 and Over. 1st prize awarded to the member who achieves the most Pars in qualifying competitions throughout the Season.

Birdie Tree – For all Lady members. 1st Prize is awarded to the member who achieves the most Birdies in qualifying competitions throughout the Season.

Meetings – these are non-handicap qualifying

Spring Meeting - April, Summer Meeting - July, Autumn Meeting - October

Shotgun Start to allow everyone to eat together afterwards. Played over 12 or 14 holes they are team games normally played in three's. Team competition fee payable and all money received is spent on prizes for 1st and 2nd Prizes.

Winter Competitions

Team Fun Competitions/Individual Competitions

These start in October and are played in teams of 2, 3 or 4 depending on the type of competition plus individual competitions. They are played from the Red Tees (unless the competition indicates otherwise) over 9, 12 or 14 holes depending upon weather/course conditions. Competition fees are reduced and prizes paid for 1st (in a team game) and 1st and 2nd on individual games (subject to numbers playing).

Amount is dependent on the numbers playing although a minimum amount is set. Not all the competitions listed below will be played – Lady Captain together with Match & Handicap will decide which ones.

In addition to these, there is a Christmas Competition which normally takes place on the last Tuesday before Christmas and is a Team Game with a shotgun start so everyone can eat together afterwards. Everyone pays a competition fee and all players receive a prize. It is a Fun Day with ladies sporting their Festive Attire.

Name of Competition	Stableford (S) Medal (M)	No. in Team & No. in Group	Competition Format
All Irons	S	1 & 3	Irons and Rescue Clubs only. No Drivers or Woods can be used.
Greensome	S	2 & 4	Both players hit their own tee shots at every hole and then decide which ball to continue with. Alternate shots are taken until the ball is in the hole.
American Greensome	S	2 & 4	Both players hit their own tee shots at each hole and their next shot will be with their partner's ball. Then decide which ball to take for the third shot. Normal Greensome play continues until the ball is in the hole.
Gruesome Greensome	S	2 & 4	A harsh version of Greensome. Both players hit their tee shot and their OPPONENTS pick which drive they are to play. Alternate shots are taken until the ball is in the hole.
Betterball Stableford	S	2 & 4	Two people play as a team with the best score to count at each hole. Strokes are taken as normally received by each player.
Australian Betterball Stableford	S	2 & 4	A challenging betterball designed to identify when both players are doing well. Both players record their Stableford score and then MULTIPLY one by the other. Two good scores are rewarded but if one is a no-score it nullifies the other. Two point scords are marked for each hole and the scores multiplied together and marked on one card.
Cross Country	M	1 & 3	An unconventional course plan is designated for play which will be advised on the day e.g. Tee off from the 2 nd Tee to the 5 th Green. Beware of wayward golf balls and ensure your ball is clearly marked as you often cross fairways with other players.
Flag	M	1 & 3	Depending on the number of holes each players allowance which is par for the number of holes being played plus a fraction of the players handicap (e.g. ½ for 9 holes or 2/3rds for 12 holes). When that number of shots has been taken, the player notes where they are on the course and ends their game. If they have shots left after the specified number of holes then until all shots have been used and note where they are on the course.

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Name of	Stableford (S)	Team & No.	
Competition	Medal (M)	in Group	Competition Format
			Each person fills in a Stableford Card. Another player will be allocated as a hidden partner in a
Hidden Partners	S	2 & 3	random draw. When all cards in in a combined score will be calculated by M & H for each pair. The best combined score will win.
Waltz	S	3 & 3	A team effort where one score counts on the 1 st hole, two on the 2 nd and all three on the 3 rd . The 1-2-3 format continues throughout the game. The best combined score will win.
Reverse Waltz	S	3 & 3	A team effort where three scores count on the 1 st hole, two on the 2 nd and one on the 3 rd . The 3-2-1 format continues throughout the game. One card is marked for the team score.
TIGOTOGO TTURE			Dependent on handicap, players are awarded 'throws' in place of shots. Over 19 holes, it is ½ the handicap and over 12 hole 1/3 rd . Each throw counts as one shot and may be taken at any time until the designated number of throws
Slingshot	S	1 & 3	is used up. Apart from that a conventional Stableford game is played and scored.
Best 2 of 3 Stableford	S	3 & 3	Best 2 out of 3 scores to count.
Texas Scramble 10% Combined			Each player to have a minimum and maximum number drives which will be advised on the day and dependent on the number of holes played. The drive taken MUST be clearly marked on the card. All players drive off and choose the best drive then each team member takes a second shot from within 6" of that shot. The person whose ball is chosen must play first. Continue in this format until the ball is in the hole. One
Handicaps	М	3 & 3	card is marked for the team score.
Yellow Peril	S	3 & 3	The yellow ball must be taken in turns and usually in the order of names on the card. This MUST be decided before play commences. The score on each hole is the player who has the yellow ball which is DOUBLED and the better of the other two scores
2 Mulligan			A 'Mulligan' is a no penalty free shot to be taken at the players discretion, e.g. if a ball disappears into the threes that shot can be discounted and another taken and still only count as one shot. 2 Mulligans are awarded
Comp	S	1 & 3	and can be taken at any time. Only Three clubs and a putter can be taken in
4 Club Comp	S	1 & 3	this competition. The clubs must include one wood, a long iron and a short iron (a rescue club may be counted as a long iron
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