

NELSON BAY GOLF CLUB LADY MEMBERS

CONDITIONS OF PLAY – REVISED MAY 2020

Competition Start & Closing Times:-

Start Times – 8:00 am unless otherwise stated

Finish Times – 30 minutes after last group leave the final hole of play

Countbacks:- *in accordance with the Golf Australia Method of Countback*

1. For 18 hole events the best score for the last **9 holes on the card** shall be used; if there is still a tie the **last 6 holes** or if still tied the **last 3 holes**. If a tie still persists then hole by hole from the 18th. This method of count back applies to Stableford and Par.
2. In 27 hole events the 18-hole card shall be used. If still tied count back as above.
3. In handicap events the relevant WGA playing handicap or fraction shall be applied i.e. for 18-hole event use $\frac{1}{2}$ of the handicap for the last 9 holes; if there is still a tie use $\frac{1}{3}$ rd of the handicap for the last 6 holes; if there is still a tie use $\frac{1}{6}$ th of the handicap of the last 3 holes; if there is still a tie use $\frac{1}{18}$ th of the handicap for hole by hole from the 18th hole

Course Record:-

The score must be in a stroke competition and the course must be played:-

- ✓ as the ball lies
- ✓ tees and holes placed so that the course playing distance is substantially the same as the length at which it was rated

Handicaps:-

All club single and team events to be played off FULL handicap unless stated differently in conditions of play.

Holes in One & Eagles:-

A Hole in One & an Eagle will be recognised in all official club competitions including match play. Hole in One / Eagle badges will be presented to successful players. For a Hole in One a copy of the card will be given to the General Manager for recording on the Hole in One board the club will provide a bottle of whisky (or a voucher) a certificate and a trophy to mount the ball.

Please Note: An Eagle badge will not be given for a hole in one

WET WEATHER

A competition will be held unless the course is declared unplayable and closed or if there are insufficient starters to form a competition. There need to be 16 starters to form a competition – if there are less than this number it will become a ball competition run by the Pro Shop.

The Captain in consultation with the Match Committee has the right to reprogram major events. Any player who enters the competition does so knowing that the competition will be abandoned if the course becomes unplayable or if there are insufficient starters to form a competition. If the course becomes unplayable during the play of major events the event will be rescheduled where possible.

Due to the large number of cancellations when wet conditions prevail players in the latter half of the draw who wish to play **must** report to the starter **half an hour before their scheduled hit off time**.

In the event of withdrawal after commencement of a round as a result of illness, injury, bad weather or of a situation of reasonable significance it is the responsibility of the player or playing partner to notify the Committee the reason for withdrawal. It will be the decision the Committee to give an NCR Approved at the conclusion of the competition.

Handicap Divisions and Prizes

Handicap divisions are at the discretion of the Match Committee as will be the awarding of prizes which will relate to the number of players in each division. This applies to both Tuesday and Thursday Competitions. There must be a minimum of 30 players for there to be more than 1 division.

In a Monthly Medal round there must be 12 players in each division for a medal to be awarded.

Balls will be awarded over the field in all Ladies' Competitions.

Awarding of Scratch Prizes

A ball will be awarded for the best scratch score in Divisions 1, 2 and 3 for each Monthly Medal.

Nearest the Pins

There will be 2 NTP holes on Tuesday with 1 ball awarded to each division. On Thursday there will be 1 NTP hole with 1 ball awarded for each of the divisions.

RULES GOVERNING PLAY

All rounds shall be played under the Rules of Golf as approved by the R & A Rules Limited and the United States Golf Association as well as the Nelson Bay Club's Local Rules and By-

NELSON BAY LADIES GOLF CLUB
WEEKLY CLUB COMPETITIONS – CONDITIONS OF PLAY

1. The committee shall make all arrangements and have full power to alter or make any variations to the conditions of play should it be deemed it desirable. All disputes will be settled by the match committee whose decision will be final.
2. Competitions will be Open to all lady members (Full Playing, Flexi and Limited Day) who hold a current GNSW Handicap. Limited Day members participating on a Tuesday will pay visitors green fees.
3. Players must enter on line or by calling the Pro Shop prior to the event.
4. The format for the event will be what appears in the current fixtures book. The Match Committee reserves the right to make any changes to the current fixtures book as deemed necessary however players will be fully informed of such changes
5. Players shall start at the time laid down by the committee however the committee reserves the right to fix and/or alter starting times. The penalty for breach of Rule 6-3A is disqualification. However it is a condition of the competition that in the absence of circumstances which warrant waiving the penalty of disqualification as provided in Rule 33-7 if the player arrives at her starting point ready to play within five minutes after her starting time the penalty for failing to start on time is loss of the first hole in match play or two strokes at the first hole in stroke play instead of disqualification. Committee to decide.
6. Players are requested to report to the Pro Shop 15 minutes before the appointed time given in the draw and to be on the tee 10 minutes prior to their start time.
7. The Rules of Golf and the Nelson Bay Golf Club local rules shall be the rules of play for all club competitions
8. **Pace of Play:** Rule 6-7 will be enforced – each group must maintain its position on the course with respect to the group preceding it. Any group with a clear hole in front of it will be considered out of position. Penalties will be issued to individuals in such groups who by their pace contribute to such delay. Warnings may or may not be issued prior to penalties at the discretion of the match committee
9. **Mobile Phones:** the audible emission and/or unauthorized use (including checking and sending messages) of a mobile phone by a player or her caddie during play is a serious breach of etiquette. Penalty: One warning then disqualification. However players or caddies who have a medical or other serious reason to have a mobile phone switched on may do so provided they obtain permission from their playing partners
10. Prizes will be awarded as determined by the number of players in the field. Divisions may also be determined by the Committee depending on the number of players on the day. All ties will be decided by the Golf Australia Method of Count-back.

NB: Please see separate conditions of play for all the various events held during the year (Club Championships, various yearly events, WGNSW medal rounds)

Reference to WGNSW Standard Conditions of Play will be made if deemed necessary

NELSON BAY LADIES YEARLY EVENTS

CONDITIONS OF PLAY

M & R EDGAR CHAMPIONSHIP BOWL

1. Open to all full playing lady members who hold a current WGA Handicap. If a player enters and her handicap subsequently increases or decreases prior to the commencement of the first round she will compete in the division which her handicap entitles her.
2. The handicap the player is on at the commencement of the 1st round will determine the division she plays in and will be the handicap used for the Nett event of the championships. Any change in handicap will apply to the daily competition only.
3. The format for the championships will be a 72-hole stroke event played over 4 rounds of 18 holes in 3 divisions.
4. Players must indicate their intention to play by completing a nomination form and **submitting payment for all 4 rounds up front by the closing date.**
5. Ladies not playing in the championships may place their name on a draw sheet for the competition of the day (which will be in conjunction). These players will play off the alternate tee. Late entries will be accepted for the competition of the day only and will play at the end of that field. Visitors may also play but will only be eligible for the event of the day
6. The Committee will compile the Draw one week prior to the event and make times available to all players. Players shall start at the time laid down by the Committee however the Committee reserves the right to fix and/or alter starting times. The penalty for breach of rule 6-3a is disqualification. However it is a condition of the event that (in the absence of circumstances which warrant waiving the penalty of disqualification as provided in Rule 33-7) if the player arrives at her starting point ready to play within five minutes after her starting time then the penalty for failing to start on time is loss of the first hole in match play or two strokes at the first hole in stroke play instead of disqualification.
7. The first round of the Championships players will be strictly seeded according to handicap in 3 divisions. For the next 3 rounds players will be seeded relevant to their scores. Seeding and order of play will be at the discretion of the match committee.
8. Prizes will be decided by the Committee. Players are limited to one 72 Hole Trophy and one Daily Trophy. Scratch takes precedence over Nett Prizes for the Championships only
9. Ties for Scratch in each division will be decided by a 3 Holes playoff (*holes to be decided by the Committee*) then sudden death.
10. Nett ties will be decided by WGA count - back system.
11. Motorised transport is permitted.
12. The committee shall make all arrangements and have full power to alter or make any variations to the conditions of play should it be deemed desirable. All disputes will be settled by the match committee whose decision will be final.

FOURSOMES CHAMPIONSHIPS

1. Open to all lady members (Full Playing) who hold a current WGA Handicap.
2. The Championships will consist of 1 X 27 holes stroke round played as programmed in two Divisions. The Divisions will be decided by the Committee subject to the number of entries and handicaps. The handicap of the pair will be half of their combined handicap.
3. Late entries will play at the end of the field.
4. There will be an 18 hole Nett competition of the day in 2 divisions in conjunction with the 27 hole event.
5. **Prizes** (*Committee to decide*): Players are limited to one 27 Hole Trophy. Scratch takes precedence over Nett.
6. Ties for Scratch will be decided by a 3 Hole play-off (*holes to be decided by the Committee*) and then sudden death. Nett ties will be decided by W.G.A. count back system.
7. The Committee reserves the right to vary or change the program if necessary and the Match Committee's decision on any dispute shall be final.
8. Visitors may play at the end of the field and will only be eligible for the 18 hole competition of the day.

PRESIDENT'S TROPHY

1. The Committee shall make all arrangements and have full power to alter or make variations to the conditions of play should it be deemed necessary.
2. Open to all Lady Members who hold a current GNSW handicap.
3. Current WGA handicap will apply in each round.
4. Aggregate of 3 x 18 holes of Stableford as programmed.
5. Ties will be decided by WGA count-back system.
6. There is one yearly prize awarded over the field.

CAPTAIN'S TROPHY

1. The Committee shall make all arrangements and have full power to alter or make variations to the conditions of play should it be deemed necessary.
2. Open to all lady members who hold a current WGA handicap
3. The event is a Stroke knockout to consist of 1 x 18 Holes Stroke Qualifying round with the best 16 Nett scores over the field to qualify and the following rounds to be played as programmed.
4. Players must put a Q on their card if they wish to qualify.
5. Forfeit must be given if unable to play in subsequent rounds.
6. Four Knock Out rounds to be played as programmed.
7. Current handicaps will apply in each round.
8. WGA count-back system will apply in the first 3 rounds. A play-off to be arranged in the event of a final round tie (*holes to be decided by the committee*).
9. The Committee reserves the right to vary or change the program if necessary and the Match Committee's decision on any dispute shall be final.

HANDICAP MANAGERS TROPHY

1. Open to all lady members who hold a current WGA handicap and play in our Tuesday or Thursday Competitions.
2. The best handicap reduction over the season in two divisions – to be decided by the Handicap Manager.
3. In the event of a tie – the first player to reduce her handicap will be the winner.

PATRONESS TROPHY

1. Open to all lady members who hold a current WGA Handicap.
2. The aggregate of three rounds of 18 holes 4BBB consisting of one round of Stableford, one round of Stroke and one round of Par as programmed.
3. Current handicap on the day will be used.
4. In the event of a tie winners and runners up will be decided by the GNSW count back system.

WGNSW MEDAL COMPETITION

1. Open to all lady members who hold a current WGA Handicap
2. The best three rounds of six as programmed in three divisions based on a player's GA handicap at the first round:
 1. Division One: plus to 20.0
 2. Division Two: 20.1 to 29.0
 3. Division Three: 29.1 to 45.4
3. WGNSW Medal Competition Rules and Condition apply to this event (see elsewhere on notice board)

MONTHLY MEDAL COMPETITIONS

1. Open to all lady members who hold a current WGA handicap
2. The format will be 6 x 18 holes Stroke rounds played in 3 divisions on WGNSW Medal rounds as programmed.
3. Members participating in the Medal Competition must have paid their Medal Fee prior to the commencement of each round.
4. The best Nett score in each division will be used to decide the winner
5. In the event of a tie there will be a play-off on the next Medal round. If a player is unable to play on the next Medal round she will forfeit the Medal. If there is a tie on the final Medal round the winner will be decided on a count back.
6. Divisions will be based on daily handicaps and will be subject to alteration by the Committee according to numbers in each division. Divisions will be as close as possible to GNSW Medal divisions, but may differ slightly depending on the number of entries in each division.

YEARLY MEDAL (PATRON'S TROPHY)

1. Open to all club monthly medal winners for the current year.
2. The format will be 1 round of 18 holes Stroke played in 3 divisions on the date as programmed.
3. The eligible competitors will not play in the same group as each other.
4. The best Nett score across the field will be used to decide the winner.
5. In the event of a tie there will be a 3 hole play-off on the day (holes to be decided by the Committee) then sudden death.
6. The Committee reserves the right to vary or change the program if necessary and the Match Committee's decision on any dispute shall be final

4BBB KNOCK OUT

1. Open to all lady members who hold a current WGA handicap.
2. The format will consist of an 18 holes Handicap 4BBB Qualifying round followed by Match Play in 3 divisions with 8 pairs to qualify in each division.
3. To be eligible players must put a Q on their card.
4. Divisions to be decided by the committee subject to qualifiers.
5. Matches to be played under WGA Match play rules with full handicap difference given.
6. All matches must be played on the set date unless there are extreme extenuating circumstances. In this case the Committee will liaise with the players to decide on a date.
7. The final must be played as programmed and the extra round day will be used if required.
8. The player's handicaps at the commencement of each match shall apply
9. In the event of a tie for any qualifying position in each division the WGA count-back system will apply.
10. The Committee reserves the right to alter or vary the conditions or Program should it deem it necessary. All disputes shall be settled by the Committee whose decision will be final

SINGLES KNOCK OUT

1. Open to all lady members who hold a current WGA handicap.
2. The format will consist of an 18 holes Handicap Qualifying stroke round followed by Match Play in 3 divisions with 8 pairs to qualify in each division.
3. Players must put a Q on their card if they wish to qualify.
4. Divisions to be decided by the committee subject to qualifiers
5. Matches to be played under GNSW Match play rules with full handicap difference given.
6. The rounds are to be played as programmed. In the event of a serious illness, accident or death of an immediate family member the player must contact the Captain or Vice-Captain. An alternative date may be negotiated.
7. The final must be played as programmed and the extra round day will be used if required.
8. The Committee reserves the right to alter or vary the conditions or Program should it deem it necessary. All disputes shall be settled by the Committee whose decision will be final

ALTERNATIVE STARTING PLACES

The Committee has ruled that two tees will be used for our competitions on Tuesdays. These tees will be 2 of the following three tees – 1st / 10th / 19th tees depending on the course that is being played on the day