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MEMBERSHIP TIMES

27 March – 1 May	New 2008
Monday, Thurs, Friday	14:30 - 16:30
Tuesday (Ladies Day)	08:30 – 10:30 16:00 – 16:30
Saturday & Bank Holiday	08:00 - 13:00
Sunday	09:00 – 13:00
2 May – 29 September	New 2008
Monday, Thursday, Friday	15:00 – 16:30
Tuesday (Ladies Day)	08:30 – 10:30 16:00 – 16:30
Wednesday	13:00 – 17:00
Saturday & Bank Holiday	08:00 – 13:00
Sunday	09:00 – 13:00
30 September – 31 Oct	New 2008
Monday, Weds, Thurs, Friday	13:00 – 15:00
Tuesday (Ladies Day)	08:30 – 10:30
Saturday & Bank Holiday	08:00 – 13:00
Sunday	9:30 – 13:00
1st Nov – 27 March	New 2008
Monday, Wed, Thurs, Friday	10:30 – 12:30
Tuesday (Ladies Day)	09:00 – 11:00
Saturdays & Bank Holidays	08:00 – 13:00
Sunday	08:30 – 12:00

CLUB FIXTURES AND DIARY FOR 2008

January

- 5 Winter League 1 - 14 Hole Singles S/F - Ladies and Men
- 8 Ladies 9 Hole - Singles - S/F
- 9 Invitation - 14 Hole S/F
- 12 Winter League 2 - 14 Hole - Singles S/F - Ladies and Men
- 15 Ladies 9 Hole - Singles S/F
- 16 Invitation - 14 Hole S/F
- 19 Winter League 3 - 14 Hole - Singles S/F - Ladies and Men
- 22 Ladies 9 Hole - Singles S/F
- 23 Invitation - 14 Hole S/F
- 26 Winter League 4 - 14 Hole - Singles S/F - Ladies and Men
- 29 Ladies 9 Hole - Singles S/F
- 30 Invitation - 14 Hole S/F
- 31 **Remember to book Valentines Dinner -
Ph: 01 8609600**

February

- 2 Winter League 5 - 14 Hole - Singles S/F - Ladies and Men
- 5 Ladies 9 Hole - Singles S/F - Shrove Tuesday - Pancakes in the Spike Bar
- 6 Invitation - 14 Hole S/F
- 9 Winter League 6 - 14 Hole - Singles S/F - Ladies and Men
- 12 Ladies 9 Hole - Singles S/F
- 13 Invitation - 14 Hole S/F
- 14 **St Valentine's Day - Valentine's Dinner in La Mora
Ph: 01 8609600**
- 16 Winter League 7 - 14 Hole - Singles S/F - Ladies and Men
- 18 **Remember to book Mother's Day Lunch -
Ph: 01 8609600**
- 19 Ladies 9 Hole - Singles S/F
- 20 Invitation - 14 Hole S/F
- 23 Winter League 8 - 14 Hole - Singles S/F - Ladies and Men
- 26 Ladies 9 Hole - Singles S/F
- 27 Invitation - 14 Hole S/F

March

- 1 Captain's Drive in 11 o'clock - Am-Am 12 o'clock Shotgun
- 2 **Mother's Day Lunch in Millennium - Ph: 01 8609600**

- 4 Ladies 14 Hole - Singles S/F
- 5 Invitation - 14 Hole S/F
- 8 Winter League 9 - 14 Hole - Singles S/F - Ladies and Men
- 9 **Don't forget to book Easter Sunday Lunch - Ph: 01 8609600**
- 11 Ladies 14 Hole - Singles S/F
- 12 Invitation - 14 Hole S/F
- 15 Winter League 10 - 14 Hole S/F - Ladies and Men / St Patrick's Day Specials
- 17 Invitation Team Event
- 18 Ladies 18 Hole - Scotch Foursomes S/F
- 19 Invitation - 18 Hole S/F
- 22 18 Hole Singles S/F - Ladies and Men
- 23 **Easter Sunday Lunch in Millennium - Ph: 01 8609600**
- 24 Invitation Team Event
- 25 Ladies 18 Hole - Singles S/F
- 26 Invitation - 18 Hole S/F
- 29 Monthly Medal - Ladies and Men Strokes - GOY and LGU Medal / Chateau Vigiers and Luttrellstown Celebration Dinner

April

- 1 Ladies 18 Hole - Singles S/F
- 2 Invitation - 18 Hole S/F
- 5 Mens and Ladies Singles S/F
- 8 Ladies Singles S/F
- 9 Invitation - 18 Hole S/F
- 12 Mens and Ladies Singles - S/F
- 15 Ladies Singles S/F - Mens Invitation - 18 Hole S/F
- 16 Ladies Invitation Day
- 19 Monthly Medal Mens and Ladies - Strokes - GOY and LGU Medal
- 22 Ladies Singles S/F
- 23 Invitation - 18 Hole S/F
- 26 Mens and Ladies Singles S/F
- 29 GRANARD Foursomes S/F
- 30 Invitation - 18 Hole S/F

May

- 3 Mens and Ladies Singles - S/F
- 5 Invitation Team Event
- 6 Ladies Singles S/F - Health Perception
- 7 Invitation - 18 Hole S/F
- 10 Lady Captain's Prize to Men - Strokes / Ladies Singles Strokes
- 13 Ladies Monthly Medal - Strokes - LGU and GOY
- 14 Invitation - 18 Hole S/F
- 17 Mens Monthly Medal - Strokes / Ladies Singles Strokes

- 18 MC KEON Cup - Mixed Foursomes
- 20 Australian Spoons - Scotch Foursomes
(Greensomes)
- 21 Invitation - 18 Hole S/F
- 22 Ladies Invitation Day
- 24 Day 1 Callanan Cup - Strokes GOY and LGU
Medal / Mens Singles
- 27 Day 2 Callanan Cup - Strokes GOY and LGU
Medal. Dinner and Prizegiving
- 28 Invitation - 18 Hole S/F
- 31 Mens and Ladies Singles S/F

June

- 1 **Don't forget to book Father's Day Lunch**
Ph: 01 8609600
- 2 Invitation Team Event
- 3 Ladies Singles S/F
- 4 Invitation - 18 Hole S/F
- 7 Mens Medal Strokes / Ladies Singles Strokes
- 8 Captains' Charity Day. Father's Day Lunch in
La Mora Ph: 01 8609600
- 10 Ladies Medal - Strokes. GOY and LGU Medal
- 11 Invitation - 18 Hole S/F
- 14 Ladies and Mens Singles S/F
- 15 Champions Competiton Ladies and Mens. Age 50+
- 17 Ladies Singles S/F
- 18 Invitation - 18 Hole S/F
- 21 Mens' Captain's Prize Day 1 - Strokes
- 22 Barton Shield
- 24 Lady Captain's Prize Day 1 - Strokes - GOY and
LGU Medal
- 25 Invitation - 18 Hole S/F
- 28 Captains Prize Ladies and Men Day 2. Strokes -
GOY and LGU Medal. Dinner
- 29 Barton Shields - Munster Final

July

- 2 Invitation - 18 Hole S/F
- 4 Independence Day BBQ on Terrace
- 5 Ladies and Mens Singles S/F
- 8 Ladies Singles S/F - Ria Kenny
- 9 Invitation - 18 Hole S/F
- 12 Pro's Prize - Strokes Ladies and Mens
- 14 Ladies Invitation Day
- 15 Ladies Singles S/F O2 Trophy
- 17 Invitation - 18 Hole S/F
- 19 Ladies and Mens Singles S/F
- 22 Ladies Medal Strokes - GOY and LGU Medal
- 23 Invitation - 18 Hole S/F
- 26 Mens Medal Strokes / Ladies Strokes

- 27 JJ O'Brien Memorial Am-Am
- 29 Ladies Singles S/F
- 30 Invitation - 18 Hole S/F

August

- 2 Mens and Ladies Singles S/F
- 4 Invitation Team Event
- 5 Ladies Singles S/F
- 6 Invitation - 18 Hole S/F
- 9 Mens and Ladies Singles S/F
- 12 Ladies Singles V. Par
- 13 Invitation - 18 Hole S/F
- 16 Mens and Ladies Singles S/F
- 19 Ladies Medal - Strokes - GOY and LGU Medal
- 20 Invitation - 18 Hole S/F
- 23 Mens Medal Strokes / Ladies Strokes
- 26 Captains' Prize to Ladies - Strokes - GOY and LGU Medal
- 27 Invitation - 18 Hole S/F
- 29 PLESMAN Cup
- 30 Mens and Ladies Singles S/F
- 31 Family Day

September

- 1 **Remember to book your Christmas Party with us -
Ph: 01 8609600**
- 2 Ladies Singles S/F
- 3 Invitation - 18 Hole S/F
- 6 Mens and Ladies Singles S/F
- 9 Ladies Singles S/F
- 10 Ladies Invitation Day
- 11 Invitation - 18 Hole S/F
- 13 Mens and Ladies Medal - Strokes - GOY and LGU Medal
- 16 Ladies Singles S/F
- 17 Invitation - 18 Hole S/F
- 20 Mens and Ladies Singles S/F
- 23 Ladies Singles S/F
- 24 Invitation - 18 Hole S/F
- 27 President's Prize - Strokes - GOY and LGU Medal / Dinner
- 30 Ladies Singles S/F

October

- 4 SCRATCH Cup Mens / Ladies Singles
- 7 Ladies Singles S/F
- 8 Invitation - 18 Hole S/F
- 11 Medal Mens and Ladies - Stroke - GOY and LGU Medal
- 14 Ladies Singles S/F

- 15 Invitation - 18 Hole S/F
- 18 Mens and Ladies Singles S/F
- 19 Masters' Competition Mens and Ladies
- 21 Ladies Singles S/F Hamper
- 22 Invitation - 18 Hole S/F
- 25 Mens and Ladies Singles S/F
- 27 Invitation Team Event
Remember to book for Captains' Dinners
- 28 14 Hole - S/F
- 29 Invitation - 14 Hole S/F

November

- 1 14 Hole Singles - Mens and Ladies S/F Turkey
- 4 14 Hole Singles S/F Turkey
- 5 Invitation - 14 Hole S/F
- 8 14 Hole Singles Mens and Ladies S/F Hamper
- 11 14 Hole Singles S/F Hamper
- 12 Invitation - 14 Hole S/F
- 14 Captain's Dinner
- 15 14 Hole Singles Mens and Ladies S/F Turkey
- 18 14 Hole Singles S/F Turkey
- 19 Invitation - 14 Hole S/F
- 22 14 Hole Singles S/F Hamper / Lady Captain's Dinner
- 24 AGM
- 25 9 Holes S/F Hamper
- 26 Invitation - 14 Hole S/F
- 29 14 Hole Singles S/F Turkey

December

- 2 9 Holes S/F
- 3 Invitation - 14 Hole S/F
- 6 Mens and Ladies 14 Hole S/F
- 7 **Childrens' Christmas Party Ph: 01 8609550 / 9551**
- 9 9 Holes S/F Shotgun / Ladies Christmas Lunch
- 10 Invitation - 14 Hole S/F
- 13 Mens and Ladies 14 Hole S/F
- 16 9 Holes S/F
- 17 Invitation - 14 Hole S/F
- 20 Mens and Ladies 14 Hole - Strokes - Christmas Spirits
- 23 9 Holes S/F

January 2009

- 1 Hangover - 9 Holes S/F

GENERAL INFORMATION – MEN’S AND LADIES CLUBS

Company days and Club Days

There are 15 Company Days, i.e. days on which the company has exclusive use of the course. Dates of Company Days will be displayed on Club notice boards. On Company Days members may play after the last players in the outing have teed off.

There are 15 Club Days on which the members will have exclusive use of the course.

These include the Captains’ Prize (2 days), the President’s Prize, 8 medal days and the Captains’ Charity Day.

Competition information

Members of the Men’s and Ladies’ clubs should study the fixtures diary and the notice boards for information concerning competitions and local rules. Changes will be posted on the notice boards. The club’s web page at www.luttrellstowngc.com should also be consulted for competition results, handicaps and related news.

Saturday competitions

The Ladies’ and Men’s clubs arrange separate competitions on Saturdays (except Am-Am days) so that the absence of specific reference to it on a particular Saturday does not mean that there is no Ladies’ competition that day.

Starting regulations

Players not playing in a competition may not start from any tee of the competition course before the final starting time for competitions and thereafter may start from the first tee of the competition course only. In permission may be granted by the pro shop staff.

Time sheets

Entry by a player of his/her name on the timesheet is a commitment to play in the competition. Players should contact their playing partners as well as golf

reception as soon as possible if they are unable to play. Players failing to tee off at the time booked by them on the time sheet are not permitted to commence play. They may re-enter on the next free time on the timesheet, or may withdraw from the competition.

Completion of Score Cards

(Ladies should read this in conjunction with the section of the diary dealing with Ladies' Club Competitions).

Score cards must be completed and returned for all singles strokes, stableford and v. par competitions in the following manner;

- The gross score (and points in stableford competitions) for each hole must be recorded on the scorecard.
- The player's name and correct handicap must be marked clearly on the score card.
- The competition date and competition format must be marked on the scorecard.
- The scorecard must be signed by the marker and then checked and signed by the player.
- Completed and "no return" scorecards must be placed in the competitions box.

Failure to comply with the above requirements will result in disqualification from the competition but will not relieve the player of his/her obligation to return the scorecard for handicap purposes. In order to assist the competition secretary players are also requested to add up the gross scores (and stableford points where appropriate) and mark them on the card in the boxes provided. Players are also requested to enter the gross scores hole by hole on the computer terminal making sure that the net score or total stableford points on the computer screen tally with the scorecard.

Winter Rules – Placing and Dropping

Winter rules, when in force, may include placing on the fairway only or placing on the fairway and

dropping in the rough. Placing on the fairway means that a ball may, without penalty, be moved or may be lifted, cleaned and placed within six inches of where it originally lay, but not nearer the hole. After the ball has been so moved or placed, it is in play. Penalty for breach of local rule is 2 strokes. Dropping in the rough means that a ball may be lifted, cleaned and dropped, without penalty, as near as possible to the spot where it originally lay (for practical purposes within 12 inches), but not nearer the hole. Penalty for breach of local rule is 2 strokes. Rule 20-1 provides that the position of a ball must be marked before it is lifted. The penalty for breach of this rule is 1 stroke and the ball must be replaced. Rule 20-2 provides that a ball to be dropped by the player standing erect, holding the ball at shoulder height and at arms length. The penalty for breach of this rule is 1 stroke.

ETIQUETTE: BEHAVIOUR ON THE COURSE

The Spirit of the Game

The game of golf relies on the integrity of the individual to show consideration for other players and to abide by the rules. All players should conduct themselves in a disciplined manner, demonstrating courtesy and sportsmanship at all times, irrespective of how competitive they may be.

Safety

If there is any likelihood of your ball hitting someone else, or if it is going over trees to another fairway call out “fore”. Players should not play until the players in front are out of range.

Priority on the Course

Unless otherwise determined by the Committee, priority on the course is determined by a group’s pace of play. Any group playing a whole round is entitled to pass a group playing a shorter round.

Behaviour During Play

Always be on first tee on time. On the tee the player who has the honour should be allowed to play before his/her opponent or fellow competitor plays. A player should not tee up his/her ball on the teeing ground until it is his/her turn to play. No one should move, talk or stand close to or directly behind the ball or the hole 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/she is making a stroke, cast a shadow over his/her line of putt. Players should remain on or close to the putting green until all other players in the group have holed out. Slow play shows lack of consideration for others. Try to play at a reasonable pace. When the players ahead are out of range players should play their shots without delay and move on. 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 the group. Do not mark your card whilst still on the green or when it is your turn to tee off on the next hole. When the play of a hole has been completed players should immediately leave the green. Try to always leave your clubs on the side of the green nearest to the exit to the next tee. If a player believes that his/her ball may be out of bounds or lost outside a water hazard, he/she should play a provisional ball. Players searching for a ball should signal the players behind them to play through as soon as it becomes apparent that the ball will not easily be found and the players behind are waiting to play. They should not continue to play until the players that have been called through are out of range. When walking to your ball think ahead about the factors that will influence the shot that you intend to play so that you will be able to select your club and play your shot without delay.

Preventing Unnecessary Damage

Players should avoid causing damage to the course by removing divots when taking practice swings or

by hitting the head of the club into the ground, whether in anger or for any other reason. Players should ensure that no other damage is done to the putting green when putting down bags or the putting flagstick. In order to avoid damaging the hole, players and caddies should not stand too close to the hole and should take care during the handling of the flagstick and the removal of the ball from the hole. The ball should not be removed from the hole with a golf club or putter as this can cause damage to the lip of the hole. The flagstick should be properly replaced in the hole before players leave the putting green. Local notices regulating the movement of golf carts should be strictly observed.

Raking Bunkers

Players should carefully fill up and rake over all holes and footprints made in bunkers by themselves or by others who have been careless enough not to leave the bunker in proper condition. Replace the rake in the bunker.

Divots and Plug Marks

Through the green, players should ensure that any turf cut or displaced by them is replaced at once and pressed down. Any damage to the putting green made by the golf ball or by the player should be carefully repaired please use a proper plug hole repairer. On completion of the hole by all players in the group, damage to the putting green caused by golf shoes should be repaired. On tee boxes please fill in divot marks with the sand/seed mixture provided.

Wooden Tees

For environment friendly reasons and for the protection of grass cutting equipment the use of wooden tees is strongly recommended.

Mobile Phones

The use of mobile phones on the course is forbidden, except for medical practitioners on call.

Penalties for Serious Breach of Etiquette

The Rules of Golf now place a special emphasis on proper standards of etiquette and recommends that Clubs consider taking disciplinary action where necessary. Rule 33-7 contains a new provision, which states, "If a Committee considers that a player is guilty of a breach of etiquette, it may impose a penalty of disqualification under this Rule".

HANDICAPS – LADIES' AND MEN'S CLUBS

Handicaps - The Player's Obligations

The following is a brief summary of the obligations applicable to ladies and men in relation to their handicaps.

1. A player is entitled to one handicap only, which must be allotted and adjusted by the player's home club. In Ireland a player's home club is the club at which the player plays most of his or her competitive golf.
2. To obtain a handicap, a member must submit three cards recording 18-hole scores, played on his or her home club and marked and signed by a member of that club.
3. Players must ensure that all cards in qualifying competitions are returned, whether or not complete.
4. A qualifying competition is a singles stroke; par or stableford competition played with full handicap allowance over 18 holes, for which a CSS (competition scratch score) is calculated.
5. Players must report to their home clubs
 - (a) All away scores (including "no returns") in qualifying competitions, together with a note of the competition scratch score,
 - (b) All society golf scores which equal or better the SSS (standard scratch score) of the course, together with a note of the SSS of the course, and
 - (c) All scores, other than in (b) above, in non qualifying competitions, e.g. four ball,

foursomes, matchplay and events run by organisations which are not recognised handicapping authorities.

6. It is the responsibility of each player to play off his or her correct handicap at all times.

N.B. The requirements are far reaching and are clearly designed to deal with a perceived tendency on the part of a minority of players to “manage” their handicaps. The requirement relating to scores in non qualifying competitions dealt with in 5 (c) above means that if a player is in doubt their score should be returned. There is an obligation on the committee to impose sanctions in default of compliance with these rules.

N.B. These notes are intended as a guide to the basic requirements of the rules. It is strongly recommended that members should get and study a copy of the GUI booklet entitled “The Standard Scratch Score and Handicapping Scheme” effective from 1st February 2004, drawn up by the Council of National Golf Unions (CONGU).

COMPETITIONS – MEN’S CLUB

Eligibility for Major competitions

Members must have returned at least three completed 18 hole singles cards in club qualifying competitions during the current year in order to be eligible to win the Captain’s Prize, the President’s Prize or the Vice Captain’s Prize.

Winter League

The winter league is played over 10 competitions (9 hole stableford) in January, February and March, weather permitting. The best 5 scores will count for the overall prize. If less than 10 competitions are actually held the number of scores to count will be 50% of the number of competitions held rounded up to the nearest whole number. The points awarded for each competition will be the stableford points scored.

Golfer of the Year

The golfer of the year prize will be awarded by reference to the lowest aggregate variance against the CSS of eleven single strokes competitions – eight monthly medals, the President's Prize and the two days of the Captains' Prize. The best 5 cards will count and ties will be decided by way of a playoff over 18 holes match-play.

Club Matchplay Competitions

Reasonable timescales are allowed for completion of rounds when the draw is made. Players on top of the draw are responsible for arranging matches. The winner is responsible for recording the result. If a result is not entered on the draw sheet by the due date both players or pairs will be deemed to have scratched. All matches must be played off the white markers. Players' handicaps on the day of each match shall apply. The attention of members is drawn to Rule 33-1 of the Rules of Golf, which states that *“Certain special rules governing stroke play are so substantially different from those governing matchplay that combining two forms of play is not practical and is not permitted. The result of matches played and the scores returned in these circumstances must not be accepted”*

Ties in Competitions

Ties in 18 hole competitions will be decided by reference to the best score over the back 9, 6, 3, 2, 1 holes and then the back 8, 7, 5, 4 holes. Ties in 9 hole competitions as will be decided by reference to the best score over the last 6, 3, 2, 1 holes and then the last 8, 7, 5, 4 holes. Ties in 14 hole competitions will be decided by reference to the best score over the back 7, 6, 3, 2, 1 holes and then the back 5, 4. Ties in competitions played over numbers of holes other than the above shall be decided by the committee in accordance with the general principles that are applied.

Semi open and Invitation Competitions

Ladies and men have equal rights and privileges on semi open and invitation days. Visitors must be full members or associate members of an affiliate club. In a semi open competition a member may introduce one guest only. In an invitation event a member may introduce up to three guests and two non-members may play together in an invitation fourball

COMPETITIONS – LADIES' CLUB

Eligibility for Major Competitions

Members must have returned at least three completed 18 hole singles cards in club qualifying competitions during the current year in order to be eligible to win the Lady Captain's Prize, the President's Prize or the Club Championship.

COMPETITION ENTRY FEES/ COMPLETION OF SCORECARDS

These rules are to be read in conjunction with the rules on the completion of scorecards in the section General Information-Men's and Ladies' Clubs.

Ladies must ensure that their name and current handicap is entered in the competition book and pay the correct competition entry fee before they tee off. Once a player has teed off this fee will not be refunded unless the competition is cancelled.

Once a player has entered the competition her scorecard, whether complete or a 'no return', must be posted in the competition cards box. No alterations may then be made on the card after the competitor has returned it to the committee.

Failure to comply with the above rules will result in disqualification; however, the card will still count for handicap purposes.

In addition, once a player has entered the competition her gross score must be entered hole by hole on the

computer terminal; for a 'no return' score please enter a 0 score.

The Lady Captains prize will be played for on Tues 24 and Sat 28 June 2008. All lady members and associates of the Ladies Club will be entitled to play. Scores will be carried forward to the final day.

Golfer of the Year

The golfer of the year prize will be awarded by reference to the lowest aggregate variance against the CSS of fourteen singles strokes competitions - eight monthly medals, the President's prize, the Lady Captain's prize(2), the Club championship (2) and the Captain's prize to the Ladies.

Club Matchplay Competition

Players on top of the draw are responsible for arranging matches. The winner is responsible for recording the result. Reasonable timescales are allowed for completion of rounds when the draw is made. If a result is not entered on the draw sheet by the due date players will be deemed to have scratched. Matches are to be played off the red tees and players' handicaps on the day of the match shall apply.

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Ties in Competitions

Ties in 18 hole competitions will be decided by reference to the best score over the back 9, 6, 3, 2, 1 holes and then back 8, 7, 5, 4 holes.

Ties in 9 hole competitions will be decided by

reference to the best score over the last 6, 3, 2, 1 holes and then the last 8, 7, 5, 4 holes.

Ties in 14 hole competitions will be decided by reference to the best score over the back 7, 6, 3, 2, 1 holes and then the back 5, 4 holes.

Ties in competitions played over numbers of holes other than the above shall be divided by the committee in accordance with the general principles that are applied above.

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Handicap Allowances – Men

Note: Ladies playing in competitions organised by the men's club must play off handicaps determined by applying this table.

Match play

Singles	The full difference between the handicaps of the two players.
Foursomes	1/2 of the full difference between the aggregate handicaps of the sides. Strokes to be taken according to the Stroke Table.
Fourball Better Ball	The player with the lowest handicap concedes strokes to the other three players based on 3/4 of the difference between the full handicaps. Strokes to be taken according to the Stroke Table.

Bogey or Par

Singles	Full handicap
Foursomes	1/2 of the aggregate handicap of the partners. Strokes to be taken according to the Stroke Table.
Fourball Better Ball	Each partner receives 3/4 of full handicap. Strokes to be taken according to the Stroke Table.

Stroke Table

Singles	Full Handicap
Foursomes	1/2 of the aggregate handicap of the partners. Strokes to be taken according to the Stroke Table.
Fourball Better Ball	Each partner receives 3/4 of full handicap. Strokes to be taken according to the Stroke Table.

Stableford

Singles	Full handicap.
Foursomes:	1/2 of the aggregate handicap of the partners. Strokes to be taken according to the Stroke Table.
Fourball Better Ball	Each partner receives 3/4 of full handicap. Strokes to be taken according to the Strokes Table.

Handicap Allowances – Ladies

Recommended by the Council of National Golf Unions

The Council of National Golf Unions recommends that the following handicap allowances apply in the following forms of play. The reference to handicaps in all cases refers to *Playing Handicaps*. Strokes to be taken according to the Handicaps Strokes Index.

MATCHPLAY

Singles	Full difference between the handicaps of the players.
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Foursomes	1/2 difference between aggregate handicaps of either side.
Fourball Better Ball	Back marker to concede strokes to the other 3 players based on 3/4 of the difference between the full handicaps.
*Greensomes	Full difference between Greensomes Handicaps.

STROKEPLAY

Singles	Full handicap
Foursomes	1/2 aggregate
Fourball Better Ball	Each partner receives 3/4 of full handicap of the partners.
Greensomes	Full Greensome handicap.

PAR

Singles	Full handicap
Foursomes	1/2 aggregate handicap of partners.
Fourball Better Ball	Each partner receives 3/4 of full handicap
Greensomes	Full Greensomes handicap.

STABLEFORD

Singles	Full handicap
Foursome	1/2 aggregate handicap of the partners
Fourball Better Ball	Each partner receives 3/4 of full handicap.
Greensomes	Full Greensome Handicap

* Greensome Handicap – Lower handicap x 0.6 + higher handicap x 0.4.

If handicaps equal, half combined handicaps