

General Rules for HVGC Ladies Competitions

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1. All Competitions are to be played in accordance with the Royal & Ancient Rules of Golf.
2. All competitors must be on their allocated tee 5 minutes before their tee time stated on the list of tee times for the competition. Failure to be on time will be treated as follows:
 - a) Less than 5 minutes before the allocated tee time: 2 stroke penalty for the hole in a stroke play competition or loss of hole in a match play event.
 - b) After the allocated tee time: Disqualification from the competition.
3. It is the responsibility of the competitor to advise the Competition Secretary of their inability to play in a competition on or before the previous day before the start of the competition. An exception to this rule is family emergencies; however, the Competition Secretary should still be informed. Failure to do so will subject the player to the same disciplinary regulations as a competitor who fails to arrive for the competition.
4. Any competitor who fails to arrive for a competition will be subject to the following regulations:
1st offence in any 12 month period: A written warning.
2nd offence in any 12 month period: Suspension from all competitions for the following 4 weeks.
Any subsequent offence: Suspension from all competitions for the following 12 weeks.
5. Entrants must be current playing members of HVGC unless otherwise specified on the rule card for the competition. Note previous year's membership will cease on 31st January each year if you have not paid your subscription by that date.
6. Buggies will not be allowed in competitions unless a current Medical Certificate has been presented to and authorised by the Committee. An exception to this rule is for the visiting team when playing in Friendly matches, provided the visiting team has given advance notice of the need for the use of buggies by specified members of their team.
7. No group will be allowed to start before the first tee time published and no group will be allowed to start later than the last published tee time, unless delayed by play resulting from an earlier tee time. For an early or late tee time within the allocated tee times a request should be made to the Competition Secretary stating the reason. The Competition Secretary's decision will be final.
8. The Ladies Committee reserve the right to amend the rules of any competition at their discretion. Any changes to the published rules of a competition will be specified on the Entry Form and the Tee Times Notice.
9. Any sanctions mentioned above will be applied at the discretion of the Ladies Committee.

Irene Rathbone Matchplay Trophy

Format: A match play competition played off course handicap over 18 holes. (NB the lowest handicap player plays off scratch; the opponent receives the full handicap difference). The competition runs from 1st May to 30th September. Completion dates for each round will be posted on the form.

Tees: Red

Entry requirements: Open to Female members with a handicap index of 36 or less at the date of close of entry. Players enter this competition on the understanding that they are prepared to play midweek.

Entry List: The entry list will be posted on the notice board at least 4 weeks prior to the competition date.

Closing Date: The entry list will be closed 9 days before the start of the competition. The playing order will be determined by a draw.

Entry Fee: £4.00 per player **to be paid prior to the date of the draw**. Payment will be taken from online competition fees.

Prizes: Winner and runner up to be presented at the Ladies' Presentation Evening.

Special Notes:

1. In the event of a halved match, the players will continue with sudden death continuing from the 1st tee. Handicap entitlement remains intact during sudden death play.
2. It is the responsibility of both players to arrange their match. If both players cannot agree a match date, the Competition secretary will book a tee and advise both players of the time and date. Whichever player is on the tee at the appointed time will be declared the winner. If neither player is present a bye will be awarded to the next rounds opponent. If both players are late the 1st hole is deemed to be halved and the match would start on the 2nd hole. (Rule 6-3a/3).
3. A card must be kept for the match and signed by both players. It must be posted in the scorecard box.
4. Players will play off full handicap as stated on the day of the match.

Jubilee Matchplay Trophy

Format: A match play competition played off course handicap over 9 holes. (NB the lowest handicap player plays off scratch; the opponent receives the full handicap difference). The competition runs from 1st May to 30th September. Completion dates for each round will be posted on the form.

Tees: Red

Entry requirements: Open to Female members with a handicap index of 36 or more at the date of close of entry. Players enter this competition on the understanding that they are prepared to play at weekends.

Entry List: The entry list will be posted on the notice board at least 4 weeks prior to the competition date.

Closing Date: The entry list will be closed 9 days before the start of the competition. Playing order will be determined by a draw.

Entry Fee: £4.00 per player **to be paid prior to the date of the draw**. Payment to be put in an envelope and marked with name and competition, and placed in the locked box in the locker room.

Prizes: Winner and runner up to be presented at the Ladies' Presentation Evening.

Special Notes:

1. In the event of a halved match, the players will continue with sudden death continuing from the 10th tee. Handicap entitlement remains intact during sudden death play.
2. It is the responsibility of both players to arrange their match. If both players cannot agree a match date, the Competition secretary will book a tee and advise both players of the time and date. Whichever player is on the tee at the appointed time will be declared the winner. If neither player is present a bye will be awarded to the next rounds opponent. If both players are late the 1st hole is deemed to be halved and the match would start on the 2nd hole. (Rule 6-3a/3).
3. A card must be kept for the match and signed by both players. It must be posted in the scorecard box.
4. Players will play off full handicap as stated on the day of the match.

Lady Captain's Trophy/Ladies Championship

Format: An 18 hole stroke play competition. Competitors are entitled to their full playing handicap.

Tees: Red

Entry requirements: Open to female members only with a handicap index of 54 or less. All entrants must have played in at least two qualifying competitions in the current year prior to the date of the competition.

Entry List: The entry list will be posted on the notice board at least 4 weeks prior to the competition date.

Closing Date: The entry list will be closed 9 days before the start of the competition.

Entry Fee: £4.00 per player

Prizes: Winner (Ladies Club Champion) and runner-up to be presented at the Ladies' Presentation Evening.

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Lady Captain's Day

Format: To be announced on the entry sheet.

Tees: Red

Entry requirements: As decided by the Captain and included on the entry sheet.

Entry List: The entry list will be posted on the notice board at least 4 weeks prior to the competition date.

Closing Date: The entry list will be closed 9 days before the start of the competition when the draw will be made and displayed on the notice board.

Entry Fee: No Entry fee

Food: An extra charge for food will be stated on the entry list

Prizes: As decided by the Captain on the day.

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Medal

Format: A stroke play competition played off the playing handicap of competing players over 18 holes. Alternate day is Sunday before the main day Thursday.

Tees: Red

Entry requirements: Open to all female members who have a handicap index of 54 or less.

Entry List: The entry list will be posted on the notice board at least 4 weeks before the date of the competition.

Closing Date: 7 days before the competition date, when the draw will be made and displayed on the notice board.

Entry Fee: £4.00 per player

Prizes: A voucher will be awarded to the winner and runner-up of the combined competitions. These will be presented at the Ladies' Presentation Evening.

Special Notes:

1. The Competition secretary will block book tee times for the morning of the competition day. Special requests for later tee times must be made separately, directly to the Competition secretary.
2. Entrants are responsible for **LEGIBLY** writing their **OWN** name on the entry sheet.

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Stableford

Format: A stableford competition played off the playing handicap of competing players over 18 holes.

Tees: Red

Entry requirements: Open to all female members who have a handicap index of 54 or less. Alternate day is Sunday before the main day Thursday.

Entry List: The entry list will be posted on the notice board at least 4 weeks before the date of the competition.

Closing Date: 7 days before the competition date, when the draw will be made and displayed on the notice board.

Entry Fee: £3.00 per player.

Prizes: A voucher will be awarded to the winner and runner-up of the combined competitions. These will be presented at the Ladies' Presentation Evening.

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9-hole Qualifier Winners Challenge Trophy

Format: A 9-hole Stableford competition played off the 9-hole qualifier playing handicap.

Tees: Red

Entry requirements: Open to all winners of the 9-hole qualifying competitions from March to September of the current season.

Entry List: A list of qualifiers will be posted on the notice board at least 2 weeks in advance. Each player must confirm her availability to play by ticking the list.

Entry Fee: £4.00

Prizes: Winner to be presented at the Ladies' Presentation Evening.

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3 Clubs and a Putter

Format: A 9-hole stroke-play competition off course handicap using a maximum of 3 clubs and a putter. The competition will be played on the Wrekin Course. This is a non-qualifying competition.

Tees: Red

Entry requirements: Open to all female members with a handicap index of 54 or less.

Entry List: The entry list will be posted on the notice board at least 4 weeks prior to the competition date.

Closing Date: The entry list will be closed 9 days before the start of the competition.

Entry Fee: £4.00 per player.

Prizes: Winner and runner up to be presented at the Ladies' presentation evening.

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Medal Winners Challenge Trophy

Format: A stroke-play competition played off full handicap over 18 holes.

Tees: Red

Entry requirements: Open to all winners of a medal competition from April to October of the current season.

Entry List: A list of eligible players will be posted on the notice board at least 2 weeks in advance. Each player must confirm her availability to play by ticking the list.

Entry Fee: £4.00

Prizes: Voucher for winner and runner-up to be presented at the Ladies' Presentation Evening.

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The Benbrooke Consolation Trophy

Format: A 9-hole Stableford competition played off the 9-hole qualifying handicap, played on the Wrekin Course.

Tees: Red

Entry requirements: Open to all female members who have **NOT** won a 9-hole qualifier, a Medal or a Trophy during the current season. Entrants **MUST** have played in at least **one** 9 hole qualifying competition, a medal or a trophy competition during the **current season**.

Entry List: a list of eligible players will be posted on the notice board at least 4 weeks in advance, which you will be required to tick if you wish to enter the competition. The list will be taken down 9 days before the competition. A draw will be made and the list of tee times will be posted at least seven days before the date of the competition.

Entry Fee: £4.00

Prizes: There will be a Trophy and voucher for the winner to be presented at the Ladies' presentation evening

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The Inaugural Cup

Format: A 9-hole Greensomes competition played on the Wrekin course using the WHS recommended Greensomes handicapping format.

Tees: Red

Entry requirements: Open to all female members who have a handicap index of 54 or less. Entries to be made as pairs. Ladies may choose their own partners, but in the event of a lady wishing to play who has no partner they may enter the competition and attempts will be made to match them to a partner.

Entry List: The entry list will be posted on the notice board at least 4 weeks prior to the competition. Entries will close 7 days before the competition when tee times will be posted.

Entry Fee: £4.00 per player.

Prizes: There will be a Trophy and vouchers for the winners to be presented at Ladies Presentation Evening. There will be vouchers for the runners up.

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Richard Wust Memorial Trophy

Format: A mixed Greensomes competition played on the Wrekin course, off full handicap of the competing players over 9 holes adjusted using the WHS recommended Greensomes handicapping format. Maximum handicap of 54.

Tees: Yellow and Red.

Entry Requirements: Ladies to find own partners. Those without partners to inform competition secretary who will arrange partners as required.

Entry List: The entry list will be posted on the notice board at least 4 weeks prior to the competition date.

Closing Date: The entry list will be closed 9 days before the start of the competition when the draw will be made and the tee times displayed on both notice boards.

Entry Fee: £4.00 per player.

Prizes: Trophy to be presented on the day. Winners, runners up and 3rd place to be presented at the appropriate presentation evening.

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The Material Magic Trophy

This Trophy, donated by Susan Hancock, is awarded to the lady with the highest total number of points in her best three 18 hole Stableford competitions of the season.

There is no entry fee.

It is awarded at the presentation evening.

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Liz Tolster's Nifty Niner Trophy

This Trophy is awarded to the lady with the highest total number of points in her best three 9 hole qualifying competitions of the season.

There is no entry fee.

It is awarded at the presentation evening.

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Summer and Winter Eclectic

Format: Summer Eclectic to be played from 1st May to 30th September, and the Winter Eclectic from 1st October to 30th April. Summer eclectic to be played over Wrekin and Telford 9 holes, can be played as 18 holes or 2 separate 9 holes. Winter eclectic is played over the Wrekin 9 holes.

A base round must be played and entered into the appropriate row, with the date, name and signature of the marker. The player then has the opportunity to improve scores on any hole, up to 9 changes in total. Can be done in any round that is played according to the rules and marked by a HVGC member.

Tees: Red

Cards must be marked and signed in the usual way, by a competent person acceptable to the committee, and the cards put in the card box at reception.

Scores to be entered on the sheet by the individual which will then be checked by the committee member in charge of the competition. A sample sheet is in the front of the competition file.

Entry Fee is £4.00 for each competition, to be paid before the first round is played.

Handicaps will be taken into account at the end of the competition, based upon the player's handicap at the end of the season.

Prizes: A trophy and voucher will be presented for each season at the Ladies Presentation Evening.

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9-Hole Qualifier

Format: A Stableford competition played off the 9-hole qualifying handicap for the appropriate nine, over 9 holes. Alternate day is Sunday before the main day Thursday.

Tees: Red

Entry requirements: Open to all female members who have a handicap index of 54 or less.

Entry List: The entry list will be posted on the notice board at least 4 weeks before the date of the competition.

Closing Date: 7 days before the competition date, when the draw will be made and displayed on the notice board.

Entry Fee: £3.00 per player.

Prizes: A voucher will be awarded to the winner and runner-up of the combined competitions. These will be presented at the Ladies' Presentation Evening.

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The Birdie Tree

This Trophy is awarded to the lady with the highest number of birdies scored in the year, 1st November to 31st October. Birdies scored in any round at Horsehay, played according to the rules and marked by a HVGC member, are to be recorded according to the instructions in the Birdie and Par Bar book.

There is no entry fee.

It is awarded at the presentation evening.

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The Par Bar

This Trophy is awarded to the lady with handicap index 36 or higher, with the highest number of pars scored in the year, 1st November to 31st October. Pars scored in any round at Horsehay, played according to the rules and marked by a HVGC member, are to be recorded according to the instructions in the Birdie and Par Bar book.

There is no entry fee.

It is awarded at the presentation evening.

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Team Challenge Trophy

Format: A 9-hole Stableford competition in one division played off the 9-hole qualifier handicap. There will be 2 teams selected from the entry list. These will be Captain's team and Vice-Captain's team

Tees: Red

Entry requirements: Open to all ladies with a handicap index of 54 or less.

Entry List: The team lists will be posted at least 1 week prior to the competition date.

Entry Fee: £4.00

Prizes: Winners to be presented at the Ladies' Presentation Evening.

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Rose Farrrelly Memorial Trophy

Format: To be chosen by the Lady Captain. 9 holes played on the Wrekin course. Maximum handicap of 54.

Tees: Red.

Entry Requirements: Open to all ladies with handicap index 54 or less.

Entry List: The entry list will be posted on the notice board at least 4 weeks prior to the competition date.

Closing Date: The entry list will be closed 9 days before the start of the competition when the draw will be made and the tee times displayed on the notice boards.

Entry Fee: £4.00 per player.

Prizes: Trophy and vouchers to be presented to the winners at the Ladies presentation evening.

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