

**SCOTTISH JUNIOR TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP (SJTC)
PATRONS - ANDREW COLTART AND CATRIONA MATTHEW.
INFORMATION AND RULES OF THE COMPETITION.**

INFORMATION (UPDATED 13/9/21)

VENUE 2021 AND CONTACT DETAILS - CRAIL GOLFING SOCIETY CRAIL, FIFE, KY10 3XN
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THE CRAIGHEAD LINKS COURSE (SEE SCORECARD ON WEBSITE) - AT 6185 YARDS FOR
BOYS AND 5340 YARDS FOR GIRLS. THIS IS A HIGH QUALITY AND WONDERFULLY CHAL-
LENGING VENUE.

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DATE - SUNDAY 26th SEPTEMBER 2021

TIME - 0830 TO 1309 INCLUSIVE - i.e. 32 TEE-TIMES ARE BOOKED AT 9 MINUTE INTERVALS
FOR UP TO 16 TEAMS OF 6 PLAYERS TO COMPETE = 96 PLAYERS. ALL TEAMS CAN INDI-
CATE THEIR PREFERENCE OF EARLY, MID, OR LATE STARTS BUT TEAMS TRAVELLING FROM
THE LONGEST DISTANCE WILL BE GIVEN FIRST CHOICE OF TEE-TIMES.

SPONSORS - THE ORGANISERS HAVE BEEN UNABLE TO OBTAIN SPONSORS FOR THE 2021
EVENT. HOWEVER, THERE MAY BE A SUITABLE SPONSOR SOON WILLING TO TAKE ON A
THREE YEAR COMMITMENT FROM 2022 TO 2024.

COSTS FOR 2021 - UNTIL NOW THERE HAVE BEEN NO ENTRY FEES TO COMPETE IN THIS
EVENT. COSTS FOR PREVIOUS EVENTS HAVE BEEN BORNE BY THE EAST LOTHIAN JUNIOR
LEAGUE, WHICH IS A NON PROFIT ORGANISATION. FOR THE 2021 EVENT, THE LEAGUE HAS
BEEN ABLE TO ACQUIRE SOME US MASTERS AND US WOMENS OPEN MERCHANDISE
WHICH WILL, IN ADDITION TO OTHER ITEMS, BE GIVEN AS PRIZES FOR THE WINNING
TEAMS AND INDIVIDUALS. SO FOR 2021 THE ENTRY FEE FOR EACH TEAM WILL BE A NOMI-
NAL £60 ALL OF WHICH WILL BE PUT TOWARDS THE COST OF PRIZES AND ON-COURSE
SNACKS FOR PLAYERS.

COURTESY OF THE COURSE - COMPETITORS HAVE COURTESY OF THE COURSE FOR THE
COMPETITION AND FOR PRACTICE ROUNDS.

PRACTICE ROUNDS - 12 TEE TIMES (MAX 48 PLAYERS) ARE AVAILABLE ON SATURDAY 25th
SEP. FROM 1340 TO 1530. TEAMS WISHING THESE TIMES SHOULD BOOK THESE PROMPTLY.
OTHER TEAMS WHO ARE UNABLE TO PLAY ON SATURDAY 25th SEP. WILL BE ABLE TO
ARRANGE PRACTICE ROUNDS ON THE PREVIOUS WEEKEND, AS THE CLUB HAVE KINDLY
MADE 6 TEE TIMES (MAX 24 PLAYERS) AVAILABLE ON BOTH SATURDAY 18th SEP AND SUN-
DAY 19th SEP FROM 1340 - 1430. CONTACT DAVID SNODGRASS - PREFERABLY BY EMAIL
OR ON **01333 450960**.

PRE-TOURNAMENT PRACTICE - THERE IS A DRIVING RANGE AND PUTTING GREEN CLOSE
TO THE 1ST TEE. THE PRO SHOP WILL PROVIDE TOKENS, FREE OF CHARGE, TO THE TEAM
LEADERS.

BANNERS - TEAMS ARE ENCOURAGED TO BRING OUTDOOR OR INDOOR BANNERS FOR
ERECTION NEAR THE FIRST TEE OR IN THE CLUBHOUSE.

CATERING - SUBJECT TO ANY COVID ISSUES, THE HOST CLUB MAY, FROM 0730 IF STAFFING ALLOWS, OR IF NOT, FROM 0900, PROVIDE BREAKFAST OF BACON ROLLS ETC, AND LATER, THEY WILL PROVIDE A NUMBER OF MEAL OPTIONS FOR LUNCH. EACH TEAM MANAGER SHOULD ARRANGE "TABS" WITH THE BAR AND CATERING STAFF IN THEIR TEAM NAME. ANY PRE ORDERING FROM A JUNIORS MENU WILL BE MOST HELPFUL TO THE STAFF. PLEASE ENSURE THESE "TABS" ARE PAID BEFORE YOU LEAVE. PLAYERS MAY BE PROVIDED, FRUIT, SNACKS ETC. ON THE FIRST TEE PRIOR TO PLAY. THEY WILL NOT BE PROVIDED WITH BOTTLED WATER, SO PLEASE BRING REFILLABLE BOTTLES. THERE IS AN EXTERNAL TAP OUTSIDE THE KITCHEN DOOR, AND MORE ON THE COURSE.

ACCOMMODATION THE COST OF ANY OVERNIGHT STAY ON THE SATURDAY NIGHT WILL HAVE TO BE BORNE BY THE TEAMS. ST. ANDREWS HAS THE NEAREST ECONOMY HOTEL AT A PREMIER INN AND THERE IS ANOTHER ONE IN DUNDEE. THERE ARE TRAVELODGES IN DUNDEE AND GLENROTHES. B&B'S IN CRAIL ARE LISTED HERE.

PRIZES - IAN HOWARTH, PAST PRESIDENT OF THE SGU, HAS DONATED A TROPHY FOR THE WINNING TEAM TO KEEP FOR ONE YEAR. MEDALS WILL BE ISSUED TO THE WINNING TEAM WHICH THEY CAN KEEP. THE ORGANISERS WILL HAVE OTHER PRIZES DONATED FROM OTHER SOURCES TO GIVE TO THE LEADING TEAMS. THERE WILL BE INDIVIDUAL PRIZES FOR THE BEST SCRATCH AND NET STABLEFORD POINTS TOTALS, AND SOME AGE GROUP PRIZES. THERE WILL BE LONG DRIVE PRIZES FOR BOYS ON HOLE 18 AND FOR GIRLS ON HOLE 8. THERE WILL NEAREST THE PIN PRIZES FOR BOYS ON HOLE 7 AND FOR GIRLS ON HOLE 13.

PRIZE-GIVING - ALL TEAMS, ESPECIALLY THOSE WITH LONG DISTANCES TO TRAVEL, NEED NOT STAY FOR THE PRIZE-GIVING BUT THEY MUST NOTIFY THE ORGANISERS IF THEY ARE LEAVING BEFORE THE END OF THE EVENT. IAN HOWARTH WILL PRESENT THE PRIZES. ADDITIONALLY, THE HOST CLUB'S CAPTAIN AND AN OFFICIAL FROM SCOTTISH GOLF HAVE BEEN INVITED TO ATTEND AND PRESENT SOME OF THE PRIZES.

PHOTOS AND PRESS ARTICLES - PHOTOS WILL BE TAKEN OF EACH TEAM **WITH THE TROPHY**, BEFORE PLAY STARTS. THE TROPHY WILL BE ON THE WALL OF THE PUTTING GREEN AND ONE OF THE ORGANISERS WILL TAKE AN OFFICIAL PHOTO OF EACH TEAM. THESE MAY BE USED IN ANY PRESS COVERAGE.

WEBSITE - A DEDICATED WEBSITE HAS BEEN CREATED HERE - <https://www.sjtcgolf.org/sjtc-2021> AND INFORMATION CURRENTLY HELD ON THE eastlothianjuniorgolf.org.uk WEBSITE WILL BE MIGRATED TO THIS NEW WEBSITE. INFORMATION WILL INCLUDE RULES OF THE COMPETITION, NEWS, DRAWS, SCORES ETC.

FUTURE SJTC EVENTS

PREVIOUS VENUES HAVE BEEN GLENBERVIE, PORTLETHEN AND KILMARNOCK BARASSIE. AFTER CRAIL IN 2021, THE NEXT VENUES WILL BE AT STIRLING ON SUNDAY 25TH SEPTEMBER 2022 AND THEN AT ELDERSLIE ON SUNDAY 24TH SEPTEMBER 2023.

ENTRY CRITERIA FOR TEAMS

- EACH JUNIOR GOLF LEAGUE IN SCOTLAND CAN ENTER THE WINNING TEAM FROM THEIR LEAGUE OR, IF THE WINNERS DEFER, ENTER THE TEAM WHICH FINISHED SECOND. IF THERE IS CAPACITY IN THE SJTC EVENT, THEN ANY LEAGUE RUNNERS-UP MAY ALSO BE INVITED TO ENTER. IF BOTH TEAMS DEFER, THEN A LEAGUE CAN NOMINATE ANY OTHER OF THEIR TEAMS TO REPRESENT THEM.
- ANY MEN'S AREA OR ANY LADIES' COUNTY IN WHICH THERE IS CURRENTLY NO ACTIVE JUNIOR LEAGUE, WILL BE INVITED TO ENTER A JUNIOR CLUB TEAM WHICH HAS WON ANY INTER-CLUB TEAM EVENT, IN THEIR AREA/COUNTY.
- IF NONE OF THE ABOVE APPLY, THEN AN AREA/COUNTY MAY ENTER A JUNIOR TEAM FROM ANY ONE OF THEIR MEMBER CLUBS WHICH HAVE AN ACTIVE JUNIOR SECTION.
- IF THERE ARE NO CLUBS FITTING THE ABOVE PARAMETERS IN ANY AREA/COUNTY, THE AREA/COUNTY MAY ENTER A "DEVELOPMENTAL TEAM" - A TEAM COMPRISING JUNIORS FROM A NUMBER OF THEIR CLUBS.

- ALL GIRL TEAMS CAN ENTER, BUT THEIR PLAYERS MUST ALL BE FROM THE SAME JUNIOR LEAGUE OR BE IN THE SAME GIRLS' COUNTY OR ASSOCIATION. e.g. WEST OF SCOTLAND GIRLS.
- THE HOST CLUB IN THE YEAR OF COMPETITION, THE WINNING TEAM FROM THE SJTC IN THE PRECEDING EVENT, AND A JUNIOR TEAM FROM THE HOST CLUB/AREA IN THE FOLLOWING YEAR, WILL ALL BE GUARANTEED A PLACE IN THE EVENT.
- IN THE EVENT OF A LOW NUMBER OF ENTRIES, LEAGUES/AREAS ETC MAY BE INVITED TO ENTER EXTRA TEAMS.
- IF MORE THAN 20 TEAMS ENTER, THE ORGANISERS WILL FAIRLY ALLOCATE PLACES IN THE EVENT SO THAT AS MANY LEAGUES/AREAS/ASSOCIATIONS/AND COUNTIES AS POSSIBLE ARE REPRESENTED. A LIST OF RESERVE TEAMS WILL BE COMPILED. IN THE EVENT OF OVER-SUBSCRIPTION, WE WILL AIM TO HAVE EVERY AREA/COUNTY REPRESENTED BY AT LEAST ONE TEAM, AND ANY TEAM SENDING IN A NOTE OF INTEREST WHO WE ARE UNABLE TO ACCOMMODATE IN THE FIELD THIS YEAR, WILL BE GIVEN PRIORITY NEXT YEAR.

ELIGIBILITY OF PLAYERS - PLAYERS WHO WERE UNDER THE AGE OF 18 AT 1/1/2021 MAY COMPETE. IF THE TEAM IS A CLUB TEAM, PLAYERS MUST BE MEMBERS OF THE GOLF CLUB THEY ARE REPRESENTING. IF THE TEAM IS A COUNTY OR AREA TEAM, THE PLAYERS MUST BE MEMBERS OF GOLF CLUBS IN THAT COUNTY OR AREA.

RULES OF THE COMPETITION

ALL **PLAY** WILL BE PLAYED UNDER THE [R&A RULES OF GOLF](#), IN PARTICULAR, [RULE 21.1 STABLEFORD](#) WILL APPLY. LOCAL RULES ARE ON THE SCORECARD. (SEE SCORECARD, LOCAL RULES AND MAP UNDER "SJTC" ON THE [EAST LOTHIAN WEBSITE](#).)

TEMPORARY **COVID** RULES AS ADVISED BY THE R&A, SCOTTISH GOLF, AND THE HOST CLUB MAY ALSO BE IN FORCE INCLUDING THE WEARING OF MASKS WHILST MOVING INTO AND THROUGH THE CLUBHOUSE. NON-INVASIVE TEMPERATURE CHECKS OF ALL PLAYERS AND TEAM OFFICIALS WILL BE TAKEN ON THEIR ARRIVAL AT THE FOYER.

CRAIL G.S. MAY HAVE **FURTHER INFORMATION** FOR ALL PLAYERS AND SUPPORTERS, WHICH WILL BE SENT OUT TO ALL ORGANISERS WITH THE DRAW ETC.

FORMAT - INDIVIDUAL STABLEFORD. PLAY WILL BE IN THREE-BALLS. MAXIMUM 6 PLAYERS PER TEAM - WITH THE 5 BEST NET STABLEFORD POINTS SCORES OUT OF 6 TO COUNT.

WEATHER DISRUPTION - IN THE EVENT OF A DELAYED START OR WEATHER DELAYS, THE ORGANISERS RESERVE THE RIGHT TO SHORTEN THE EVENT TO 9 HOLES OR MORE IF THEIR IS TIME TO DO SO.

WHS - THE ORGANISERS WILL DOWNLOAD PLAYERS' HANDICAP INDEXES FROM WHS ON THE DAY OF THE EVENT, AND PLAYING HANDICAPS WILL BE CALCULATED FOR EVERY COMPETITOR THROUGH GOLF GENIUS. HANDICAP STROKES FOR GIRLS AND BOYS WILL BE TAKEN BASED ON THEIR RESPECTIVE STROKE INDEXES AND THESE WILL BE MARKED ON A BESPOKE GOLF GENIUS SCORECARD CREATED FOR THIS EVENT.

TIES - IN THE EVENT OF ANY TIE IN THE TEAM EVENT, THE SCORE OF THE 6th PLAYER WILL BE USED TO DECIDE THE PLACINGS. IF THERE IS NO 6th PLAYER, THEN ANY TEAM IN THAT SITUATION WILL LOSE THE COUNT-BACK. IF THERE IS STILL A TIE, THE NET POINTS SCORED OVER THE BACK 9 FOR ALL 6 PLAYERS WILL BE TOTALLED (THEN IF STILL TIED, LAST 6, LAST 3, THEN THE 18th HOLE ETC.) TIES FOR SCRATCH AND HANDICAP INDIVIDUAL PRIZES WILL BE DECIDED ON THE USUAL FORM OF COUNT-BACK, BACK 9, 6 ETC.

QUALIFYING SCORES FOR WHS - ROUNDS IN THIS COMPETITION WILL COUNT AS AN "ACCEPTABLE SCORE" FOR HANDICAPPING PURPOSES AND WILL BE PROCESSED THROUGH "GOLF GENIUS." PLAYERS' HANDICAPS WILL BE UPDATED AT MIDNIGHT THROUGH SCOTTISH GOLF AND WHS.

SCORING AND SCORECARDS - THE "GOLF GENIUS" APP ON SMARTPHONES MAY BE USED, PREFERABLY BY ONE VOLUNTEER PLAYER IN EACH GROUP WHO MUST RECORD ONLY THE **GROSS SCORES, OF ALL 3 PLAYERS.** "GOLF GENIUS" SCORECARDS WILL ALSO BE USED INSTEAD OF THE APP, OR AS A BACK UP RECORD TO THE APP SCORES. PLAYERS WILL **THERE IS NO NEED TO MARK STABLEFORD POINTS** AS THESE WILL BE CALCULATED AT THE TIME OF INPUT OF EACH SCORE INTO THE HANDICAPPING SOFTWARE.

A **LEADERBOARD** WILL BE ON VIEW THROUGH THE APP FOR PLAYERS/PARENTS AND CONVENORS, AND WILL BE DISPLAYED ON NOTICEBOARDS AND ON A TV IN THE CLUBHOUSE. THE CODE FOR ACCESSING THE "GOLF GENIUS" ON SMARTPHONES IS **THZTVB**

HANDICAPS - MAXIMUM HANDICAP INDICES - BOYS 28, GIRLS 36. PLAYERS WITH HIGHER HANDICAPS CAN STILL COMPETE, BUT WILL ONLY RECEIVE THE MAXIMUM HANDICAPS. WHEN STABLEFORD "PLAY TO HANDICAP" STROKE ADJUSTMENTS ARE MADE UNDER WHS PLAYERS COURSE HANDICAPS MAY INCREASE AFTER SUCH ADJUSTMENTS ARE MADE, 95% OF PLAYERS' COURSE HANDICAPS (ROUNDED) WILL BE APPLIED TO DETERMINE THEIR PLAYING HANDICAP.

TEES - THE ORGANISERS RESERVE THE RIGHT TO OFFER TEAMS THE CHOICE OF TEES TO BE USED ON THE DAY OF COMPETITION, DEPENDING ON THE AGES AND HANDICAPS OF PLAYERS, OR ON THE WEATHER CONDITIONS. AND IF DIFFERENT TEES ARE USED HANDICAP ADJUSTMENTS WILL BE INCORPORATED INTO THE "GOLF GENIUS" SOFTWARE.

TEAM ORDER - TEAMS WILL EACH BE FIELDDED IN PLAYING HANDICAP ORDER WITH THE **LOWEST HANDICAPPED PLAYERS PLAYING FIRST.**

LATENESS ON THE TEE - RULE 5-3a WILL APPLY. BUT, IF ANY PLAYER IS LATE AND A TEAM ORGANISER CAN MOVE ANOTHER TEAM MEMBER INTO THAT TEE-TIME, THEY CAN DO SO. HOWEVER, IF ANY PLAYER IS MORE THAN 5 MINUTES LATE FOR THE LAST TEE-TIME FOR THEIR TEAM, THAT PLAYER WILL BE IN BREACH OF RULE 5-3a AND WILL BE DISQUALIFIED.

NO CADDIES ARE ALLOWED.

ON THE COURSE, **SPECTATORS** MUST REMAIN AT A **DISCREET DISTANCE FROM ALL PLAYERS** AND NOT OFFER THEM ANY ADVICE (RULE 10.) THEY CAN ASSIST IN BALL SPOTTING, SEARCHING ETC.

THE COMMITTEE HAS DECIDED THAT **NO PLAYER, TEAM COACH, RESERVE, OR SPECTATOR ETC MAY GIVE ANY "ADVICE" TO TEAM MEMBERS.** (RULE 24.4a.) GENERAL PENALTY 2 STROKES!

A **PLAYER** MUST NOT **ASK** FOR ADVICE FROM OR **GIVE** ADVICE TO A MEMBER OF HIS OR HER TEAM PLAYING ON THE COURSE.

DISTANCE MEASURING DEVICES ARE ALLOWED PROVIDED THEY ARE NOT USED IN BREACH OF RULE 4-3a.

PACE OF PLAY - PLAYERS **MUST** KEEP UP WITH THE MATCH AHEAD. THE R&A PACE OF PLAY CONDITIONS (RULE 5.6) WILL APPLY IN THE EVENT OF ANY GROUP BEING **"OUT OF POSITION."** PLAYERS ARE REQUESTED TO APPLY **"READY GOLF"** GUIDANCE AT ALL TIMES.

PARENTS AND SPECTATORS ARE WELCOME SUBJECT TO ANY COVID RESTRICTIONS AND THEY CAN USE ALL THE FACILITIES AT CRAIL'S EXCELLENT CLUBHOUSE ON THE DAY OF COMPETITION.

DRESS CODE - ON THE COURSE, AND IN THE CLUBHOUSE, PLAYERS MUST WEAR ACCEPTABLE GOLFING ATTIRE. PARENTS AND SUPPORTERS ETC, ARE EXPECTED TO WEAR SMART CASUAL CLOTHING, WHICH INCLUDES JEANS, IN THE CLUBHOUSE.

ON COURSE RULINGS - THERE MAY BE A REFEREE ON THE COURSE IN A BUGGY AND IF SO THEY WILL BE EQUIPPED WITH A RADIO, CELLPHONE AND FIRST AID BAG. HOWEVER, AS A **REFEREE** WILL NOT ALWAYS BE AVAILABLE, PLAYERS SHOULD LEARN, AND USE, RULE 20.1.c **"RULES ISSUES IN STROKE PLAY"** AND UTILISE THE "TWO-BALL" PROCEDURE IN CASES WHERE THERE IS DOUBT OVER A RULE.

VOLUNTEERS WILL BE IN POSITION ON THE COURSE AND WILL MONITOR ONE OF THE SECTIONS OF TEE TIMES. THEY WILL MOVE ROUND THE COURSE WITH THOSE TEAMS AND ENSURE THAT A PROMPT PACE OF PLAY IS MAINTAINED, THEN RETURN THEIR RADIO TO THE TOURNAMENT OFFICE.

DISPUTES AND DECISIONS - THE TOURNAMENT DIRECTORS WILL DECIDE ON ANY RULES DISPUTE, AND THEIR DECISION WILL BE FINAL.

RESULTS, REPORT AND PHOTOS FROM THE 2019 SJTC CAN BE SEEN [HERE](#).

REGARDS TO ALL.

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