

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

INFORMATION (LAST UPDATED 9/9/23)

DATE OF EVENT - SUNDAY 24th SEPTEMBER 2023

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ELDERSLIE GC IS A JAMES BRAID COURSE DATED 1909. <https://eldersliegolfclub.com/>
IT IS A QUALITY, SCENIC AND WONDERFULLY CHALLENGING VENUE WITH SOME
SIGNIFICANT ELEVATION CHANGES AND WONDERFUL VIEWS.

ELDERSLIE GC AND ELJGL INFORMATION - SEE EVENT "FLYER," COURSE AND SLOPE
RATINGS, SCORECARD, LOCAL RULES, AND ELDERSLIE'S H&S POLICY ON OUR LEAGUE
WEBSITE UNDER THE DROP DOWN **SJTC** HERE - <https://eastlothianjuniorgolf.org.uk/>

LENGTH OF COURSE AND TEES IN OPERATION - THE YARDAGE IS 5951 FROM THE
YELLOW TEES FOR BOYS, AND IS 5392 YARDS FROM THE REDS. AS THERE ARE SOME
LONG UPHILL CARRIES FROM THE WHITE AND YELLOW TEES BUT SOME TEE MAY BE
MOVED FORWARD WITHIN THE LIMITS OF COURSE RATING.

THE TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR AND CHIEF REFEREE WILL BE DAVID WARREN, SECRETARY
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THE ASSISTANT DIRECTORS WILL BE MICHAEL BOYD, 07802 583335 AND GARETH JACK,
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BY ELDERSLIE GC. WHO WILL HAVE THE AUTHORITY TO GIVE RULINGS. ONE **REFEREE**,
JULIE NICHOL, WILL BE ADJACENT AT ALL TIMES TO THE GIRLS TEAMS. **REFEREES** WILL
BE EQUIPPED WITH A BUGGY, A RULE BOOK, THE RULES APP, AND WILL BE CONTACTABLE
BY PHONE OR BY RADIO.

THE ELDERSLIE JUNIOR CONVENOR IS GRAEME MCDOWALL - 07484 795679
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HOLE MARSHALLS, STARTERS, CAR PARKING ASSISTANTS, ETC ALL WORKING OVER TWO
SHIFTS. THEY WILL ALL BE WEARING LANYARDS AND WILL BE WILLING TO ASSIST ALL
ATTENDEES.

HEALTH AND SAFETY:- THIS [LINK](#) WILL TAKE YOU TO A COPY OF ELDERSLIE'S H&S POLICY.
(PLEASE ALSO SEE "PRACTICE FACILITIES" BELOW.) SEVERAL FIRST AID KITS WILL BE
AVAILABLE ON THE DAY. THE NEAREST **HOSPITAL** IS THE ROYAL ALEXANDRA IN PAISLEY.
ALTHOUGH BELLS ARE IN USE ON BLIND HOLES, ON CERTAIN HOLES, VOLUNTEER
SPOTTERS WILL BE GIVEN **RED AND GREEN FLAGS** TO INDICATE WHEN IT IS SAFE TO PLAY

OR NOT. **PUBLIC WALKWAYS** - PLEASE BE AWARE OF WALKERS ON PATHWAYS ON THE GROUNDS OF THE COURSE.

PARKING:- THE PARKING AT THE CLUB'S PREMISES WILL BE BUSY, SO THERE WILL BE A VOLUNTEER THERE TO ASSIST. ALL VEHICLES, EXCEPT ANYTHING LARGER THAN A MINIBUS, SHOULD PROCEED TO A MARKED DROP OFF AREA IN THE CLUB CAR PARK. AFTER DROP-OFF, MINIBUSES MUST PROCEED TO A NEARBY PARKING AREA PROVIDED FOR FREE BY A LOCAL BUSINESS. WHEN SPACES FOR CARS IN THE CLUB CAR PARK ARE FULL, DRIVERS OF CARS WILL BE DIRECTED TO TWO OTHER FREE PARKING AREAS NEAR TO THE CLUB.

TOILETS AND DRINKING WATER POINTS - PLEASE NOTE THERE ARE NO TOILETS OR DRINKING FOUNTAINS ON THE COURSE. ANY PLAYER NEEDING TO VISIT A TOILET SHOULD ASK AN OFFICIAL TO ARRANGE A LIFT BACK TO THE CLUBHOUSE AND THEIR GROUP SHOULD CALL OTHER GROUPS THROUGH. PLAYERS SHOULD BRING THEIR OWN WATER BOTTLES, PREFERABLY NOT "SINGLE USE" PLASTIC BOTTLES. CONVENORS CAN ARRANGE FOR REFILLS IF REQUIRED.

COSTS FOR 2023 - THERE ARE NO ENTRY FEES TO COMPETE IN THIS EVENT. COSTS FOR PREVIOUS EVENTS WERE BORNE BY THE EAST LOTHIAN JUNIOR LEAGUE, WHICH IS A NON-PROFIT ORGANISATION. AS HAPPENED IN THE 2021&2 EVENTS, THE LEAGUE HAS ACQUIRED SOME 2023 **US MASTERS AND AUGUSTA (ANWA)** WOMENS MERCHANDISE WHICH WILL, IN ADDITION TO OTHER ITEMS, BE GIVEN AS PRIZES FOR THE WINNING TEAMS AND INDIVIDUALS. SO FOR 2023 THE ORGANISERS ARE REQUESTING THAT EACH CLUB MAKES A DONATION OF A **NOMINAL £60**, ALL OF WHICH WILL BE PUT TOWARDS THE COST OF THOSE PRIZES AND OTHER MISC ITEMS.

A. ENTRY CRITERIA FOR TEAMS:- (Sorry for the length of this section! Its complex.)

- (a) **ELIGIBILITY OF PLAYERS** - ONLY PLAYERS WHO WERE UNDER THE AGE OF 18 ON 1/1/2023 MAY COMPETE.
- (b) IF THE TEAM IS A **CLUB** TEAM, THE PLAYERS MUST BE MEMBERS OF THE GOLF CLUB THEY ARE REPRESENTING.
- (c) IF THE TEAM IS A **COMPOSITE** LEAGUE, COUNTY OR AREA TEAM, THE PLAYERS MUST BE MEMBERS OF GOLF CLUBS IN THAT LEAGUE, COUNTY OR AREA.
- (d) THE **HOST CLUB** IN 2023 (ELDELSLIE), THE **WINNING TEAM** FROM THE SJTC IN 2022 (SWANSTON), AND THE JUNIOR TEAM FROM THE **HOST CLUB** IN 2023 - PANMURE, WERE ALL **GUARANTEED** A PLACE IN THE 2023 EVENT (BUT PANMURE HAVE DECLINED THEIR SPACE IN 2023 DUE TO A FIXTURE CONFLICT.)
- (e) EACH **JUNIOR GOLF LEAGUE** IN SCOTLAND CAN ENTER THE WINNING TEAM FROM THEIR **LEAGUE** IN 2023.
- (f) IF THE WINNING CLUBS FROM ANY **LEAGUE** DECLINE TO TAKE PART IN THE SJTC, THEN **THE TEAM WHICH FINISHED RUNNERS-UP IN THAT LEAGUE IN THE CURRENT SEASON** MAY ENTER, AND SO ON, IF THE RUNNERS-UP ALSO DECLINE.
- (g) IF THE RESULT OF ANY **LEAGUE IS NOT KNOWN** AT THE TIME OF THE CLOSING DATE FOR ENTRIES, SUCH **LEAGUES** MAY EXPRESS IN THEIR NOTE OF INTEREST TO THE SJTC, THAT THEY WILL BE ENTERING THE TEAM WHICH EVENTUALLY WINS THEIR LEAGUE. OR, **IF THEIR LEAGUE WINNERS WILL STILL NOT BE KNOWN** BY THE TIME OF THE COMPETITION, THEY MAY ENTER ANOTHER TEAM **FROM THEIR LEAGUE**.

(h) ANY LEAGUES WHOSE FIXTURE PROGRAM REGULARLY FINISHES AFTER THE END OF SEPTEMBER, MAY ELECT TO ENTER THE **PREVIOUS YEARS WINNERS** ON A YEAR ON YEAR ROLLING BASIS.

(i) **IF THERE IS CAPACITY** IN THE SJTC EVENT, THEN ANY TEAMS WHO WERE RUNNERS-UP IN **LEAGUES WHO ALREADY HAVE A TEAM IN THE SJTC**, MAY ALSO BE INVITED TO ENTER.

(j) ANY JUNIOR **LEAGUE**, OR **MEN'S AREA OR ANY LADIES' COUNTY** IN WHICH THERE IS CURRENTLY **NO ACTIVE JUNIOR LEAGUE**, MAY **ENTER A JUNIOR CLUB TEAM** WHICH HAS WON ANY INTER-CLUB TEAM EVENT IN THEIR AREA/COUNTY.

(k) **IF NONE OF THE ABOVE APPLY**, THEN ANY **LEAGUE/AREA/COUNTY** MAY ENTER A JUNIOR TEAM FROM ANY ONE OF THEIR MEMBER CLUBS WHICH HAS AN ACTIVE JUNIOR SECTION.

(l) IF THERE ARE NO CLUBS FITTING THE PRECEDING PARAMETERS IN A **LEAGUE/ AREA/COUNTY**, THEN THEY MAY ENTER A **"DEVELOPMENTAL TEAM"** - A TEAM COMPRISING JUNIORS FROM A NUMBER OF THEIR CLUBS.

(m) **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. EAST LOTHIAN GIRLS, WEST OF SCOTLAND GIRLS ETC. WE HOPE THERE WILL BE SEVERAL ENTRIES FROM ALL-GIRLS TEAMS IN THE EVENT AND IF SO, AT LEAST **THREE** ALL-GIRLS TEAMS WILL BE **GUARANTEED** PLACES IN THE DRAW.

(n) IF MORE THAN 20 TEAMS REGISTER THEIR INTEREST, THE ORGANISERS WILL **FAIRLY ALLOCATE** PLACES IN THE EVENT, FIRSTLY TO **ALL LEAGUE WINNERS** AND IF SPACE ALLOWS, **TO OTHER TEAMS** ON A FAIR AND WIDESPREAD GEOGRAPHICAL BASIS.

(o) A LIST OF **RESERVE** TEAMS WILL BE FAIRLY COMPILED AND SUBSTITUTIONS WILL TAKE PLACE IF TEAMS WITHDRAW.

(p) ANY TEAM WHICH ENTERS WHOM WE ARE **UNABLE TO ACCOMMODATE** IN THE FIELD, WILL HAVE ANOTHER CHANCE TO ENTER AGAIN IN THE FOLLOWING YEAR IF THEY MEET THE CRITERIA.

B) **RESULTS, REPORT, AND PRIZE LIST** FROM THE 2022 SJTC CAN BE SEEN [HERE](#).

C) **NOTES OF INTEREST**. AN INTENTION TO ENTER LEAGUE WINNERS ETC IN THE SJTC EVENT BY ANY LEAGUE ETC, EVEN ALTHOUGH THE WINNING TEAM IS NOT YET KNOWN, CAN BE SUBMITTED AT ANY TIME ON THE APPROPRIATE FORM.

D) HOWEVER, **NOTES OF INTEREST** MUST BE RECEIVED BY **MONDAY THE 28th OF AUGUST AT 6 P.M.** THE OUTCOME OF LEAGUES MAY NOT BE KNOWN BY THAT TIME, AND DECISIONS ON ENTERING TEAMS MAY NOT HAVE BEEN MADE BY THEN, BUT LEAGUES ETC SHOULD STILL REGISTER THEIR INTEREST BY THIS DATE.

E) THE ORGANISER **WILL THEN DECIDE WHICH LEAGUES/TEAMS ETC WILL TAKE PART**, AND NOTIFY ALL CONCERNED INCLUDING ELDERSLIE GC BY **THURSDAY THE 31st OF AUGUST**, ASKING FOR PAYMENT OF THE DONATION REQUESTED.

F) **PAYMENT OF TEAMS' CONTRIBUTIONS OF £60** MUST THEN BE MADE TO THE ORGANISERS. **BANK DETAILS WILL BE CIRCULATED FOR PAYMENT BY BACS**. FAILURE TO PAY BY THE **17th SEPTEMBER** BY ANY TEAM WILL NULLIFY THAT TEAMS ENTRY AND THE NEXT TEAM ON THE RESERVE LIST WILL BE INVITED TO PLAY.

- G) **THE CLOSING DATE AND TIME** FOR NOTIFYING THE NAMES AND DETAILS OF PLAYERS IN TEAMS, USING THE FORM PROVIDED, WILL BE **MONDAY THE 11TH SEPTEMBER AT 6 P.M.**
- H) **TEE TIMES - 0900 TO 1352 INCLUSIVE** - i.e. 40 TEE-TIMES ARE BOOKED AT 7/8 MINUTE INTERVALS FOR UP TO 20 TEAMS OF 6 PLAYERS TO COMPETE IN THREE-BALLS = 120 PLAYERS. ALL TEAMS CAN INDICATE THEIR PREFERENCE OF EARLY, MID, OR LATE STARTS ON THEIR NOTE OF INTEREST, BUT **TEAMS TRAVELLING FROM THE LONGEST DISTANCE** WILL BE GIVEN THE FIRST CHOICE OF TEE-TIMES, POSSIBLY IN THE EARLIER TIME BRACKETS IF THEY STAY OVERNIGHT BEFOREHAND, OR IN THE LATER BRACKETS IF TRAVELLING ON THE DAY.
- I) **COURTESY OF THE COURSE** - COMPETITORS HAVE COURTESY OF THE COURSE FOR THE COMPETITION.
- J) **JUNIOR OPEN** - ELDERSLIE GC ARE KINDLY OFFERING SPACES IN THEIR JUNIOR OPEN ON THE **10th SEPTEMBER** - SEE THIS [LINK](#). ENTRY FEE IS £5. IT IS STRONGLY ENCOURAGED THAT TEAMS WHO CAN TRAVEL TO THE VENUE AND BACK IN A DAY, TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THIS OPPORTUNITY.
- K) FOR TEAMS UNABLE TO ENTER THE JUNIOR OPEN, **COURTESY PRACTICE ROUNDS** (ONE VISIT ONLY PER TEAM) MAY BE AVAILABLE ON **SATURDAY 16th SEPTEMBER AND SATURDAY THE 23rd SEPTEMBER**. - **PRIORITY ON THE 23rd WILL BE GIVEN TO TEAMS COMING LONG DISTANCES AND WHO ARE STAYING OVERNIGHT. PLEASE CONTACT THE PRO-SHOP TO ARRANGE THESE TIMES.**
- L) TEAMS WISHING THESE PRACTICE TEE-TIMES SHOULD BOOK THEM PROMPTLY. **BOOKING IS THROUGH THE PRO SHOP ONLY, PREFERABLY BY [EMAIL](#) OR ON 01505 320032 (OPTION 3.)**
- M) **PRACTICE FACILITIES** -. THERE ARE NUMEROUS OPTIONS FOR PRACTICE. THERE IS A DRIVING RANGE WITH UNCOVERED BAYS. THERE ARE 2 PRACTICE NETS, A SHORT GAME AREA, AND A PRACTICE PUTTING GREEN. THE DRIVING RANGE IS OF LIMITED LENGTH BUT OVER 200 YARDS. PLAYERS, OR CONVENORS, MUST BRING, AND COLLECT, THEIR OWN PRACTICE BALLS. CONVENORS WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE SAFETY OF THEIR OWN PLAYERS AND OTHERS USING THE PRACTICE FACILITIES. CONVENORS SHOULD ROTATE THEIR PLAYERS ROUND THESE FACILITIES AND MAKE WAY FOR OTHERS WHO MAY BE TEEING OFF BEFORE, OR WITH, THEM. **SEE LINK TO HEALTH AND SAFETY POLICY ABOVE.**
- N) **CLUB OR TEAM BANNERS** - TEAMS ARE ENCOURAGED SO BRING OUTDOOR OR INDOOR BANNERS FOR ERECTION NEAR THE FIRST TEE OR IN THE CLUBHOUSE.
- O) **CATERING** - THE HOST CLUB HAS BRUNCH AND DINNER MENUS. **CONVENORS MUST ALERT THE STAFF TO ANY ALLERGY ISSUES FOR THE JUNIORS.** BREAKFAST AND FILLED ROLLS ARE AVAILABLE TILL 1200. FROM 1200 TO FINISH, THERE IS JUNIOR MENU AND A STARTERS AND MAIN COURSES MENU. **EACH TEAM MANAGER/ CONVENOR SHOULD ENSURE THAT EACH ORDER FOR THEIR TEAM/OFFICIALS/ SUPPORTERS IS PAID FOR AT THE TIME OF ORDERING.** PRE-ORDERING WILL BE WELCOMED BY THE STAFF. TEAMS CAN SIT TOGETHER IN TABLES OF 8 BEFORE AND/ OR AFTER THEIR ROUND.
- P) **ON-COURSE FOOD AND LITTER** - PLAYERS MAY BE PROVIDED WITH BANANAS ON THE FIRST TEE. ALL LITTER CREATED, INCLUDING BANANA SKINS, SHOULD BE DEPOSITED IN BINS, OR TAKEN BACK TO THE CLUBHOUSE FOR DISPOSAL.
- Q) **LOCAL OVERNIGHT ACCOMMODATION** - THERE ARE ECONOMY LODGINGS IN THE AREA AND MANY OTHER HOTELS AND B&Bs. COSTS FOR ANY OVERNIGHT STAY ON

THE SATURDAY NIGHT MUST BE BORNE BY THE TEAMS. TEAMS STAYING OVERNIGHT CAN BE GIVEN EARLY TEE TIMES ON THE DAY OF THE COMPETITION.

- R) **LEADERBOARDS.** SCORING IN THE TEAM EVENT AND IN THE BOYS AND GIRLS INDIVIDUAL DIVISIONS CAN BE SEEN ON THE GOLF GENIUS APP. INTERESTED PARTIES CAN DOWNLOAD THAT APP AND VIEW SCORES USING THE ACCESS CODE FOR THIS EVENT ON GOLF GENIUS WHICH IS:- **XJHTAM**
- S) **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 GIRLS ON HOLE 13. THERE WILL BE **NEAREST THE PIN** PRIZES FOR BOYS AND GIRLS ON HOLE 2 WHERE A **VOLUNTEER** WILL BE CLOSE BY TO MEASURE AND HELP TO RECORD THE NAMES AND DISTANCES.
- T) **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 BE PRESENT TO AWARD THE PRIZES. ELDERSLIE'S MENS' AND LADIES' CAPTAINS AND AN OFFICIAL FROM SCOTTISH GOLF WILL BE INVITED TO ATTEND AND PRESENT SOME OF THE PRIZES.
- U) **PHOTOS AND PRESS ARTICLES** - PHOTOS WILL BE TAKEN OF EACH TEAM **WITH THE TROPHY, BEFORE PLAY STARTS.** THE TROPHY WILL BE ON A TABLE OUTSIDE THE CLUBHOUSE IF WEATHER ALLOWS AND ONE OF THE ORGANISERS WILL TAKE AN OFFICIAL PHOTO OF EACH TEAM. THESE MAY BE USED IN ANY PRESS COVERAGE.
- V) **WEBSITE** - ALL INFORMATION ABOUT THE SJTC IS CURRENTLY HELD ON THE eastlothianjuniorgolf.org.uk WEBSITE UNDER THE DROP DOWN "SJTC" ON THE MENU WHICH INCLUDES RULES OF THE COMPETITION, NEWS, DRAWS, SCORES ETC.
- W) **FUTURE SJTC EVENTS** - PREVIOUS VENUES HAVE BEEN GLENBERVIE, PORTLETHEN, KILMARNOCK BARASSIE, CRAIL AND STIRLING. AFTER ELDERSLIE IN 2023, THE NEXT VENUE WILL BE AT PANMURE G.C. ON SUNDAY 29TH SEPTEMBER 2024. WE ARE SEEKING FUTURE VENUES PERHAPS IN EAST LOTHIAN OR IN EDINBURGH.

RULES OF THE COMPETITION

1. 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.**)
2. A **TEMPORARY LOCAL RULE** MAY BE APPLIED TO THE FAIRWAY AREA ON THE 3RD HOLE. IF SO, A NOTICE WILL BE POSTED ON ALL THE TEES AT THE 3RD HOLE -
3. **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 TOWARDS THE TEAM'S TOTAL.**
4. **TIED SCORES** - 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 FOR A TEAM THEN THAT TEAM WILL LOSE THE COUNT-BACK. IF THERE IS STILL A TIE AFTER THE COUNT-BACK, 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.

5. **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 COURSE RATINGS AND THESE MAY BE MARKED ON A BESPOKE GOLF GENIUS SCORECARD CREATED FOR THIS EVENT.
6. **QUALIFYING SCORES FOR WHS** - ROUNDS IN THIS COMPETITION WILL COUNT AS "ACCEPTABLE SCORES" FOR HANDICAPPING PURPOSES AND WILL BE PROCESSED THROUGH "GOLF GENIUS." PLAYERS' HANDICAPS WILL BE UPDATED AT MIDNIGHT THROUGH SCOTTISH GOLF AND WHS.
7. **SCORING AND SCORECARDS** - "GOLF GENIUS" SCORECARDS OR ELDERSLIE'S SCORECARDS MAY BE USED. PLAYERS WILL EXCHANGE CARDS AND MARK ONLY A FELLOW-COMPETITORS **GROSS** SCORES AND THEIR OWN **GROSS** SCORES. THE "GOLF GENIUS" APP ON SMARTPHONES SHOULD BE USED, PREFERABLY BY ONE **VOLUNTEER** PLAYER IN EACH GROUP, WHO MUST RECORD ONLY THE **GROSS** SCORES OF **ALL 3 PLAYERS**. A UNIQUE **GOLF GENIUS ID CODE** WILL BE SHOWN ON THE SCORECARDS FOR EACH GROUP. **THERE IS NO NEED TO MARK STABLEFORD POINTS ON CARDS** AS THESE WILL BE CALCULATED AT THE TIME OF INPUT OF EACH SCORE INTO THE HANDICAPPING SOFTWARE.
8. **LEADERBOARDS FOR SCRATCH AND HANDICAP SCORING** WILL BE ON VIEW THROUGH THE **GOLF GENIUS APP** FOR PLAYERS/PARENTS AND CONVENORS, AND MAY BE DISPLAYED ON NOTICEBOARDS AND ON A TV IN THE CLUBHOUSE. THE **EVENT CODE** FOR THIS EVENT IS **XJHTAM** AND PARENTS/CONVENORS CAN DOWNLOAD THE GG APP ON SMARTPHONES AND CAN VIEW SCORES. THE ACCESS CODE WILL ALSO BE PUBLISHED ON THE DRAW SHEET.
9. **HANDICAPS** - MAXIMUM HANDICAP INDICES - BOYS 28.4 GIRLS 36.4. PLAYERS WITH HIGHER HANDICAPS CAN STILL COMPETE, BUT WILL ONLY RECEIVE THE MAXIMUM HANDICAPS. AFTER "PLAY TO HANDICAP" STROKE ADJUSTMENTS ARE MADE UNDER WHS, PLAYERS COURSE HANDICAPS MAY INCREASE TO MORE THAN THE MAXIMUMS EVEN AFTER THE 95% ALLOWANCE OF PLAYERS' COURSE HANDICAPS FOR STABLEFORD HAS BEEN BEEN APPLIED TO DETERMINE THEIR PLAYING HANDICAP.
10. **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.
11. **TEAM ORDER** - TEAMS WILL EACH BE FIELDDED IN PLAYING HANDICAP ORDER WITH THE **LOWEST HANDICAPPED PLAYERS PLAYING FIRST**.
12. **LATENESS ON THE TEE** - [RULE 5-3a](#) WILL APPLY. BUT, IF ANY PLAYER IS LATE FOR THEIR PUBLISHED TEE TIME, OR IF THE START IS DELAYED, IS NOT PRESENT WHEN THEIR NAME IS BEING CALLED THEN A TEAM MANAGER 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.
13. **NO CADDIES** ARE ALLOWED.

14. **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.
15. **SLOW PLAY - REFEREES** WILL MONITOR SPEED OF PLAY AND ACT ACCORDINGLY BUT THEY WILL HAVE NO AUTHORITY TO IMPOSE PENALTIES FOR SLOW PLAY. **CONVENORS** ARE ASKED TO BE IN POSITION ON THE COURSE TO MONITOR THE SECTION OF TEE TIMES WHICH INCLUDES THEIR OWN TEAM. THEY WILL MOVE ROUND THE COURSE WITH THAT SECTION OF THE DRAW AND ENSURE THAT A PROMPT PACE OF PLAY IS MAINTAINED.
16. **PROVISIONAL BALLS** - PLEASE ENCOURAGE ALL PLAYERS, WHOSE BALL MIGHT BE LOST OR O.O.B, TO DECLARE AND PLAY A PROVISIONAL BALL.
17. **BALL SEARCHES** - REFEREES AND CONVENORS - PLEASE MONITOR THE TIME TAKEN FOR BALL SEARCHES ONCE A PLAYER HAS STARTED THE SEARCH FOR HIS/HER BALL, AND INFORM THEM WHEN 3 MINUTES HAVE PASSED. PLEASE ENCOURAGE THE PLAYING OF PROVISIONAL BALLS IF THERE IS ANY CHANCE THAT A BALL MAY BE LOST.)
18. ON THE COURSE, **CONVENORS, SPECTATORS** etc MUST REMAIN AT A **DISCREET DISTANCE FROM ALL PLAYERS.** HOWEVER, THEY CAN ASSIST IN BALL SPOTTING, SEARCHING, RAKING BUNKERS ETC.
19. A **PLAYER** MUST NOT **ASK** FOR ADVICE FROM, OR **GIVE** ADVICE TO, A FELLOW COMPETITOR OR A MEMBER OF HIS OR HER TEAM PLAYING ON THE COURSE. ([RULE 24.4A.](#) GENERAL PENALTY 2 STROKES!)
20. THE TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR HAS DECIDED THAT THERE WILL BE NO “**ADVICE GIVERS**” AS DEFINED IN TEAM COMPETITIONS. **SO PLAYERS, TEAM COACHES, RESERVES, OR SPECTATORS ETC MAY NOT GIVE ANY “ADVICE” TO TEAM MEMBERS.** ([RULE 24.4a.](#)) GENERAL PENALTY 2 STROKES!)
21. THE **CODES OF CONDUCT** FOR PLAYERS, PARENTS ETC, WHICH APPEAR ON SCOTTISH [GOLF'S SAFEGUARDING PAGES](#) WILL APPLY. CONVENORS SHOULD DOWNLOAD THE CODES FOR THE CATEGORIES OF PLAYERS, COACHES AND VOLUNTEERS, AND PARENTS AND CARERS, AND INFORM THE RELEVANT PARTIES WHAT IS EXPECTED OF THEM.
22. “**RULES ISSUES IN STROKE PLAY**” 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 OR A PROCEDURE.
23. PLAYERS SHOULD BRING ANY **UNRESOLVED RULES ISSUES** TO THE ATTENTION OF AN OFFICIAL, REFEREE OR A JUNIOR CONVENOR. ONLY DESIGNATED REFEREES, IF PRESENT, CAN ISSUE A RULING. IF HELP IS NEEDED PLAYERS OR CONVENORS CAN CONTACT THE TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR DAVID WARREN, BY RADIO OR BY TELEPHONE, WHO WILL BE THE CHIEF REFEREE. HIS RULINGS WILL BE FINAL.
24. **DISTANCE MEASURING DEVICES ARE** ALLOWED PROVIDED THEY ARE NOT USED IN BREACH OF RULE 4-3a. (ELEVATION, WEATHER ETC)
25. **PARENTS AND SPECTATORS** ARE WELCOME TO SPECTATE, AND USE ALL THE FACILITIES AND CATERING AT ELDERSLIE'S EXCELLENT CLUBHOUSE ON THE DAY OF COMPETITION.

26. **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.
27. **WEATHER DISRUPTION** - IN THE EVENT OF A DELAYED START OR SUBSEQUENT WEATHER DELAYS, THE TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR RESERVES THE RIGHT TO SHORTEN THE EVENT TO AN APPROPRIATE NO. OF HOLES FOR ALL PLAYERS. IF PLAY IS AFFECTED OR THREATENED BY SEVERE WEATHER CONDITIONS, THE TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR WILL TAKE ADVICE FROM THE HOST CLUB AS TO SUSPENSION OR ABANDONMENT OF PLAY. ARRANGING AN ALTERNATIVE DATE WILL NOT BE POSSIBLE. DONATIONS FOR PRIZES WILL BE REFUNDED AND THE PRIZES WILL BE USED AT THE SJTC HELD IN THE FOLLOWING YEAR.
28. **SUSPENSION OF PLAY** - THIS WILL BE TRANSMITTED WITH ONE LONG BLAST ON THE KLAXONS. PLAY CAN ONLY RECOMMENCE WHEN TWO SHORT BLASTS ARE HEARD ON THE

REGARDS TO ALL.

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