



## **LITTLEBOROUGH**

Web Site : [www.whittakergolfclub.co.uk](http://www.whittakergolfclub.co.uk)

### **COMPETITION REGULATIONS**

#### **Competition Tee Times**

The first and tenth tees will be reserved for Competition Players only between the following times:

Saturday  
and Sunday                      Between 8.00 am and 3.30 pm  
When a start sheet does not apply  
Competitors may only commence their rounds  
between the following times:

8.00am - 10.00am  
12noon - 2.00pm  
3.30pm - 5.00pm

Major Competitions Reserved up to 4.30pm

Wednesdays                      Between 12.00noon and 7.30pm.  
(Eighteen hole competitions only)

Tuesdays                      -                      Reserved between 1.30 pm and 4.30 pm.  
for Lady Competitors

On Saturday mornings, junior members have priority, except on Club Competition days.

No member may enter a competition until his/her current subscriptions and locker fees are paid.

Members may not play a non-competitive round during the progress of a Club Competition (including winter competitions)

Members may invite guests to play on a Sunday (during winter competitions only) and if they wish to do so, enter the competition, if they have a valid handicap.

**Before commencing play** each player must enter their name in the Competition Book and pay the entry fee. Failure to do this will result in disqualification.

A minimum of 15 players is required in summer competitions and 12 in winter competitions.

All players must return their score cards including “No Returns” without delay after completing their round.

Returned score cards must have **all** scores clearly marked.

A member of the Club must certify every player’s score unless the Committee agrees otherwise.

Play should be in threes. Couples are only allowed as a last resort. Fourballs are only allowed at the end of the field in each time slot and providing they do not cause a delay in play.

**Knockout Matches:** All matches must be played, or claimed, by the last day of the round or both players (or teams) will be eliminated.

In any dispute, the decision of the Handicap Committee is final.

**Prizes to be claimed before 1st November.**

**Temporary Local Rules:** All temporary local rules will be displayed on the notice board.

## **Active/Inactive Handicaps**

The English Golf Union and English Women's Golf Association have launched a system that identifies the competitive nature of all members with a CONGU handicap.

As of January 1st 2010 all members are required to return at least 3 qualifying scores (Supplementary Scores & 9 hole qualifying events included) per year in order to have an Active handicap. Those who fail to return the stipulated number of scores will still retain a CONGU handicap but may be prevented from entering certain events where an Active handicap is required as part of the entry conditions.

Please ensure you try and submit at least 3 qualifying scores during 2013 to ensure an Active handicap for the start of 2014 season.

## **MAJOR COMPETITIONS**

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**Emanuel Shackleton Trophy:**

36 holes bogey. 18 holes Saturday, 18 holes Sunday.  
Maximum Handicap 22.

**Ernst Harvey Challenge Cup:**

36 holes medal. 18 holes Saturday, 18 holes Sunday.  
Maximum Handicap 22.

**Harry Bowden Trophy:**

36 holes Stableford to be played on one day. The  
maximum handicap being 22.

**Harry Binns Scratch Trophy:**

36 hole medal, see 2013 fixtures for dates.

**President's Day:**

18 holes individual Stableford, 18 holes Sunday.  
Mens, Ladies & Juniors individual prizes.

**Centenary Board Trophy:**

18 holes to be played over one day.

## **RULES OF ETIQUETTE**

**You and the people who play with you will enjoy the game of golf much more if you follow these simple rules of etiquette.**

Don't move, talk, and stand close to or directly behind the ball or the hole when a player is making a stroke.

Don't play until the match in front is out of range, but don't delay your own game.

If you are overtaken by other players while you are looking for a lost ball, or because of your own slow play, call the other players on and then wait until they are out of range before you continue your own game.

Fill in all the holes and footmarks you may make and see that all DIVOTS you may cut up are replaced and pressed down.

Don't damage the greens: marks made by your shoes or the flag-sticks may deflect well-aimed putts. Greens are often rather soft so stand well away from the cup and hold the flag so it doesn't mark the green.

Players proceeding from the 9th green have priority over players starting or playing a shorter round, except on competition days.

**Do not endanger Walkers on Public Footpaths.**