



# Buckinghamshire County Ladies Golf Association

## SUMMER GREENSOMES KNOCKOUT TROPHY 2017

### RULES

1. The competition shall be played according to the general BCLGA "Conditions of Play".
2. The competition shall be open to all Members of the Buckinghamshire County Ladies Golf Association. . All matches in the competition must be played at clubs that are affiliated to BCLGA.
3. The Management of the competition shall be vested in the Competition Organiser appointed by the Executive Committee. Any dispute must be put in writing to the Competition Organiser, who may refer to the Executive Committee for a decision, whose decision shall be final.
4. To be played as a Knockout Greensomes Competition.
5. Matches shall be played off current handicap. The greensomes handicap for each pair shall be taken from the Greensomes Handicap Conversion Table provided to all entrants (also available on the BCLGA web site). Stroke allowance is the full difference between the greensomes handicap of each pair, in accordance with the CONGU system of handicapping.
6. The venue of the matches, except for the final, shall be the 'home' club of one of the two pairs and shall be settled by a draw in the first round and advised by the Competition Organiser in subsequent rounds. Permission to play must be obtained from the Secretary of the club, the cost of the green fee, if any, being shared by the players.
7. Pairs need not be members of the same club, however if they are members of different clubs, they must nominate their 'home' club for the competition on the entry form. Once a pair has played a 'home' match in the competition, they cannot change their 'home' club unless BOTH players are no longer members of the club.
8. The final shall be played on a neutral course. The course and date of the final to be arranged by the Competition Organiser.
9. The winners of each match must notify the Competition Organiser of the result within 48 hours of the completion of the match. Competitors not complying with this rule will be disqualified.
10. Responsibility for arranging matches is shared jointly between the two pairs, who must agree a mutually convenient date between themselves.
11. Extensions will not be given unless both courses are closed or unavailable on the last day of the round, in which case the Competition Organiser must be contacted to approve an extension.
12. If a match has not been played by the last day of the round, or the pairs fail to agree a mutually convenient date, BOTH pairs will normally be disqualified following consultation with the Competition Organiser.

## **RULES FOR GREENSOMES:**

As the Greensomes format is not officially recognised by the R&A there are no Rules or Decisions that can be referred to. Please note the rules below for "Provisional Ball from the Tee" and "Selection of Tee Shot", which are to be used in all BCLGA Greensomes Competitions:-

### **PROVISIONAL BALL FROM TEE**

A provisional ball can only be played if BOTH balls may be lost outside a Water Hazard or Out of Bounds. Only ONE of the players may play a provisional ball and the provisional ball must be played after BOTH players have teed off. In a Mixed Greensomes competition, the provisional ball must be played from the tee of the partner. If EITHER of the original balls is found in bounds or is lost in a Water Hazard, the provisional ball must be abandoned.

### **SELECTION OF TEE SHOT**

The player must declare which of the tee shots they have selected. If Player A's tee shot is selected, Player B must play the second shot and vice versa. As soon as a tee shot has been selected and played, that ball is the ball in play, and the other ball is a wrong ball. If one of the tee shots is lifted and the other tee shot cannot be found or is out of bounds, then the players may choose:-

- i) to proceed under the stroke and distance rule (returning to the tee OR
- ii) to replace the lifted ball under a penalty of one shot.

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