GOLD COAST DISTRICT GOLF ASSOCIATION

JUNIOR PENNANT SERIES 2021-22



CONDITIONS OF PLAY

All clubs will be invited by the Gold Coast District Golf Association to submit a junior pennant team. If the invitations are accepted, the clubs are bound by the following conditions:

- A. \$14.00 nomination fee will be charged for each team;
- B. No social or competition play is permitted within 20 minutes of the commencement of junior pennant;
- C. For the 2021-22 season, an "Open" pennant team will consist of five players (Interclub will have 6 players), be they either boys or girls aged less than 18 as of the commencement of the first round. Players are to play in strict GA handicap order with Player 1 having the lowest GA handicap. For the pennant season, handicaps for all players will be frozen at the commencement of the series;
- D. Open pennant matches will not involve strokes or handicap. The player's frozen GA handicap only determines playing order.
- E. All Interclub players will use their frozen GA handicap, and apply this to the slope of the course they are playing to arrive at their playing handicap. Should the match be mixed (boy v girl) consult Rule 9 to determine the Total Handicap Calculation (THC) which is to be shown on the Team/Score Sheet;
- F. Interclub Team Managers will need to ensure that players know if they are giving or receiving strokes, how many and on which holes, **BEFORE** the match commences;
- G. The course is to be prepared to the satisfaction of the GCDGA management committee. Open Pennant Play is to be from the blue/black or championship markers for boys and Interclub boys will play from the white tees. All girls will tee off from their red tees;
- H. A win between teams shall be secured by the team winning the greater number of individual matches and such team shall receive 2 points. A tied match results 1 point being awarded to each team. If the number of individual matches is tied after 18 holes that team result will be halved;
- I. After the completion of all preliminary rounds the two leading teams will play off in a final to determine the winner of the GCDGA Junior Open/Interclub Pennant Series. This match will be played on a course and at a time which will be decided by the GCDGA match committee. In all finals no individual match is to proceed beyond the 18th hole. If any final when completed is still tied, the no. 1 players will play extra holes (sudden death) as decided by the GCDGA Executive until the winner is determined;
- J. In the event of two or more teams being equal on points after the completion of the preliminary rounds, the two finalists will be decided by the teams with the greater number of individual matches won. If a tie still exists, then the team with the greater net winning margins during the series shall be declared the finalists with the provision that if there is a forfeit in any individual matches then the team receiving the forfeit will be allocated a 3/0 win. If a tie still exists the teams shall play off on a date and course set by the GCDGA Executive;

- K. In the event of a match being cancelled due to a course being unplayable, all individual matches completed, partially completed or not started on the same course will be cancelled. Teams will receive 1 point and 4 games each;
- L. The match committee of the host club will be the ruling body and any decision made by them will be final. Any member of the GCDGA Executive may give assistance with rulings.
- M. Practice on match day shall be limited to:
 - a. Practice putting green
 - b. Practice fairway
- N. The GCDGA Executive may vary conditions of play as deemed necessary.
- O. Each host club must provide:
 - a match committee for the day to assist with rulings or any queries on the Rules of Golf and the club Local Rules, and to compile the results of the matches of the day.
 - One motorized cart is to be used by the team manager free of charge.
- P. Each club, with a team playing on the day, must provide an adult team manager (male and female managers are required if there is a mixed team) who will be responsible for the dress standard, behavior, and speed of play of their team members. The team manager(s) must also ensure that their players do not continue play once an individual match has been completed. The names the adult team manager(s) must appear on the team sheet for the day in the appropriate position.
- R All managers are required to have in their possession a **BLUE CARD** (Positive Exemption Card).
- S Caddies are not permitted in the junior pennant series. Players may accept advice from their manager only. [Penalty loss of next hole except if breach occurs on 18th hole, then that is the hole which is lost];
- T. All play will be in fours. Once groups are on the green, the furthest ball away is putted and then his/her opponent plays until a result is achieved. Once completed, the other pairing plays out accordingly. Players must not give each other advice or consult about club selection. Where advise is given, the play giving the advice will automatically lose that hole, or if the hole is already lost or conceded, the next hole to be played will be automatically lost;
- U. Players and team officials must conform to the dress regulations and behavior standards of the host club. Managers need to be clearly identifiable (club shirt) and understand the important role they need to play;
- V. Players are advised that scopes and devices that measure distance only may be used in this competition;
- W. Players and or club officials are advised that the use of ringing mobile phones is restricted to the carpark and club house only at each club/venue unless a medical emergency arises. [All phones must be turned off or placed on silent mode during any competition round]. Penalty: loss of hole where infringement occurred however any further offences during the same individual match could result in the player being disqualified.
- X. All tee times are listed at time of printing any host club which requires a change to the listed tee times must make contact directly to all of the clubs playing at your club. It is in your best interests to ensure all team managers are advised well in advance and acknowledge this change to ensure no delays occur on the day;