

McDONALD GOLF CLUB

PATERSON TROPHY (Mixed Seniors Greensomes Competition)

COMPETITION RULES (In Addition To The General Rules)

1. Members wishing to play in the Paterson Trophy must enter their names on the entry sheet posted on his / her notice board. The competition is open to all Gents 55 years or over and all Ladies 50 years or over, partners will be drawn and a Greensomes Matchplay format will ensue (all players tee-off, the most advantageous drives will be chosen and alternate shots will then be played until the ball is holed out). The net score being recorded at each hole.
2. All entries must be included by the closing date shown on the fixture card, no entries will be accepted after that date.
3. The maximum individual handicap allowance for this competition will be 28 for Gents and 36 for Ladies. Each sides handicap will be half of their combined playing handicaps. The difference in handicap for each side with regard to strokes given or received shall then be calculated (0.1 to 0.4 will be rounded down, 0.5 and up will be rounded up). Handicap strokes are to be given/received at the holes indicated on the Gents stroke index. Gents will play from the white tee markers and Ladies will play from the red tee markers.
4. It is the responsibility of both parties to ensure that the ties are played by the dates stipulated on the competition draw sheet.
- 4a. If a tie cannot be arranged & played amicably by the due date both parties will be eliminated from the competition. If there are exceptional circumstances which prevail an appeal may be lodged with the tournament officer, however this must be done before the specified play by date.
5. In General **no** extensions to the **dates** given will be granted by the M&H committee. However dates may be adjusted at the discretion of the M&H committee to take into consideration outside influences such as the weather etc. This will be at the sole discretion of the M&H.
6. It is the responsibility of **both** parties to ensure that the **result** of any match is **posted** on the competition sheet, otherwise the M&H committee will assume that the tie has **not** been played and **disqualify** both parties from the competition. It is unlikely that this decision would be reversed so please ensure that as soon as the tie has been decided, the victors are posted to the next round. **Don't leave it to the other party!**
7. No party has the right to tee off first regardless of their position on the competition sheet. The right to tee off first should be decided amicably and fairly, such as the tossing of a coin.
8. In the event of a tie after a match in any round, that tie shall be decided by sudden death starting at the first hole. Strokes are again to be given at the holes indicated on the stroke index.
9. A tournament officer will be appointed to whom all queries regarding this competition should be directed in the 1st instance, their name will be posted on the competition sheet.