



**Bewdley Pines Golf Club**  
**Senior Section**  
**Members' Handbook**

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## **Introduction**

Welcome to the Bewdley Pines Golf Club Senior Section handbook. This handbook is intended to inform both new and existing members about the running of the Section, the events it organizes, and the various changes and updates which have taken place over recent years. It also brings together a variety of documents which sets out how the Section should be run. Currently the club has over 260 BPGC members who are eligible to play in the Senior Section.

The Senior Section at BPGC welcomes all male members aged 55 years and above. We meet every Tuesday throughout the year, and have tee times reserved for us from 08.00 -10:15 throughout the year. Where pre-entry is not required tee times may be booked from 07:45 the week beforehand either using BRS Golf app or contacting the Pro Shop. If the competition is balls-in-the-bag (see below) the booked tee time may change following the drawing of teams.

The range of competitions is varied. We hold monthly medals throughout the year; these are played on a Tuesday generally early in the month. For most months, there is also a Tuesday Stableford and we have recently also introduced a monthly Thursday Stableford competition between April and October. Incorporated into these medal and Stableford competitions are summer and winter eclectic competitions. In addition, we compete for five major trophies, which are open to all senior golfers who have played in at least three Senior's medal and/or Stableford competitions in the preceding twelve months. Along with these there are five team events held annually in conjunction with the Ladies Section playing a variety of formats.

One of our more popular competitions are our 'balls-in-the-bag' days. These are held on Tuesdays when there is no other senior competition being played that week. Rather than simply turning up on the day and dropping a ball in the bag as its name suggests, following the pandemic, players now need to enter their name in one of the four tee time zones on BRS Golf the week before. Players are then drawn within those zones to form teams of three / four with their team tee time entered onto BRS Golf. A variety of competition formats are played throughout the year including: Texas Scramble, Mongrel (Shambles), Am-Am, Waltz, Odds & Evens and Yellow Ball competitions. If you are looking to play with the senior's this is an excellent introduction for newcomers who will find themselves playing with longer standing members of the Section who play competitively but in completely the right spirit.

If all the above is not enough then you can always sign-up to represent the Section in our senior club matches against nine other local clubs. These matches are arranged on a home and away basis.

Senior Section Committee

Bewdley Pines Golf Club

## **The Committee**

The Committee is made up of ten members (the Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer and Senior Captain, plus six committee members) elected in accordance with the rules of BPGC as set by the Directors, in respect of the Senior Section and updated in April 2021.

### **Terms of reference**

The Section will be run by the Committee elected at the Annual General Meeting (AGM) held on the fourth Tuesday in March each year (unless exceptional circumstances dictate otherwise). An Extraordinary General Meeting may be called by the Committee, giving twenty-eight days' notice of such meeting. Other than this any member may apply to have an EGM convened, provided he has the written support of twenty bona fide senior members.

The Committee once elected are empowered to make decisions relating to the business of the Section. Changes to the Section Rules agreed with the Directors, these terms of reference or other significant changes to the operating procedures of the Section, can only be made with the agreement of the AGM and/or with the Directors.

The Committee will be responsible for ensuring all its members when engaged in the activities of the Section conduct themselves in accordance with R&A Rules of Golf and are of good conduct when representing the Senior Section. The Committee is empowered to discipline members within the parameters of the Senior Section unless any breach of discipline is considered so serious that it should be referred to the Management of the Club. In all such cases the management should be made aware of any such action taken.

The Committee will endeavour to provide weekly competitions, either formal or informal, for the benefit of the section. All formal competitions will be played in accordance with the R&A Rules of Golf and the direction of England Golf. The Committee will also endeavour to provide social activities, both within the Section and with the Ladies Section.

The Committee will normally meet monthly on the same date as the monthly medal. Three tee times are set aside from 09.03 till 09.21 to allow committee members to complete their round before the meeting. The meeting will commence at 14.30 and any formal decisions will be made by a simple majority. Typically, the meeting will receive reports from the Chairman, Treasurer and Senior Captain, as well as considering future events and matters of concern. For a meeting to be quorate five committee members including at least one officer must be present.

The Committee can co-opt up to three additional members in a non-voting capacity to help support a particular event or project, such as the summer / winter open, or to fill any vacancy within the Committee itself.

### **Election of officers and committee members**

The elections take place at the AGM. The Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer will be elected for a three-year term over a three-year period; a minimum of one officer post will be up for election each year. The current officer may stand for a second term of three years. In exceptional circumstances the same person may stand for a further but final three years.

The Committee will also be made up of a further six members elected for a three-year term over a three-year period, a minimum of two committee posts will be up for election each year. Any current committee member may stand for a second term of three years. In exceptional circumstances the same person may stand for a further but final three years.

Should an officer or committee member stand down during a given three-year period, the newly elected person will initially serve for the remaining part of the three years before being able to stand for re-election.

## **Election of Captain & Vice-Captain**

The process of appointing a captain and vice-captain starts with the selection of the next vice-captain. The current vice-captain (incoming captain) will take the lead in finding a suitable candidate, supported by the Committee and other long standing members of the Section. Once a candidate has been found, the vice-captain will propose his nomination to the Committee and the Directors of BPGC for approval. The person accepting the role of vice-captain does so on the basis that they will support the Captain including standing-in in his absence and take on the role of captain the following year. Unless the new Vice-Captain is a member of the Committee he will be invited to attend all committee meetings as a non-voting member of the Committee.

At the AGM each year, the meeting is asked to endorse the appointment of the new Captain. During his year as Captain he is a full member of the Committee with full voting rights. Should he already be a member of the Committee he will relinquish that position.

## **Duties and responsibilities of the Captain**

During his year in office, the Captain is the principal member of the Senior Section. He should demonstrate, by example, the standards of conduct expected of fellow members and should seek to uphold the traditions of the Section and the true spirit of amateur golf. The Captain should be assisted by his Vice-Captain, who should assume his role should he be unavailable.

The newly appointed captain will be invited to take part in the Captain's Drive-In ceremony and competition (The Alan Hobday Memorial Cup), followed by the presentation of his blazer by the retiring captain.

The Captain is responsible for the arrangements for all inter-club matches. This includes team selection, arrangements on the day (in partnership with the opposing team captain). In respect of home matches this will include catering and arranging tee times off the 1<sup>st</sup> tee. Coffee & biscuits are normally provided before start of play. The format of the match will be agreed between the two captains, after the match it ends, traditionally, with a meal at which both captains make short speeches. To support the Captain the Fixtures Secretary will confirm the date of future matches. In addition, the selection process of team members may be undertaken by a nominated person.

In addition to team matches the Captain is responsible in conjunction with the Committee for ensuring the smooth operation of all senior competitions.

Each year the Captain will organize a Captain's Day at BPGC, normally held in May, together with a Captain's Away-Day at a not too distant golf club later in the year. The format and venue for the away-day is the responsibility of the Captain.

The Captain is awarded an honorarium funded mainly by proceeds from the Section Opens to enable him to provide prizes for his Captain's Day and Captain's Away-Day events together with a small amount for use at his discretion. Currently the honorarium is £850 for the year.

Each year the Section holds four events with the Ladies Section. The Captain is responsible for the arrangements relating to the Pines Plate and the SALAD Bowl, normally played in June and August respectively, with the Lady Captain responsible for organizing the Waltz and Valentines Vase.

The Captain is expected to attend the meetings of the Management Committee throughout the year, satisfying himself that matters are dealt with in the best interests of the Section being mindful of the limits of authority available to him.

A car parking space is reserved for the Captain in the car park. It is for his exclusive use and should not be used by any other member.

## **Duties and responsibilities of the Chairman**

The Committee will be headed by a chairman duly elected at the AGM. The Chairman will not have voting rights within the Committee unless called upon to resolve a tie in any vote taken by the Committee.

The duties of the Chairman are to oversee the activities of the Committee and to ensure decisions are made in a timely fashion and in accordance with the terms of reference. He should also be an ambassador for the Committee within the wider Section and take the opportunity to keep the Section informed of developments which might affect them.

The Chairman should work closely with the Senior Captain and offer as much practical support and encouragement as possible.

Make arrangements to hold an AGM in March (in co-operation with the Secretary) and the presentation lunch in November.

## **Duties of the Treasurer**

The Treasurer will be elected at the AGM with full voting rights on the Committee. He will be responsible for the well-being of the Section finances.

This will include the following: maintaining the section accounts; preparing monthly reports, consisting of profit & loss account, balance sheet and comments thereon, for presentation to the Committee; preparing year-end (31<sup>st</sup> December) accounts for presentation and approval at the AGM, these having previously been signed off by the Chairman, Treasurer, and Scrutineer following his examination of the accounts; preparing monthly reports for presentation to the Committee at their meetings; managing the Section's bank account; assisting organisers of events in dealing with the financial aspects of such events, including internal competitions, joint competitions with the Ladies Section, matches against other clubs and Senior Opens; and liaising with the Pro Shop regarding entry fees collected by them, prizes paid out on Loylap, and agreeing on surpluses to be paid in to the Section's bank account.

At the beginning of the financial year the treasurer produces a budget for the year, with the aim of producing a small surplus. Once the budget is agreed by the committee, it is used in conjunction with

the monthly reports to assess financial prudence and take any necessary action to reduce an anticipated exceptional deficit.

### **Duties of the Secretary**

The Secretary will be elected at the AGM with full voting rights on the Committee. He will be responsible for recording the proceedings at committee meetings and the AGM. In addition, he will deal with any formal correspondence with members, the Directors, golfing authorities or other outside organizations. He will ensure a set of committee meeting minutes, once approved are placed in the Senior Section folder in the foyer.

### **Other roles and responsibilities within the Committee**

Fixture secretary, Handicap secretary, team match selection organiser (if delegated by the Captain), BITB organiser, diary organiser, event's organiser for: summer & winter Opens, Turkey Trot, team players' day, Past-Captains' competition and dinner, Winter League organizer, summer knockout organiser, and engraving of trophies etc.

### **Competitions Sub-Committee**

The Competitions Sub-Committee is responsible for the successful organisation and results processing (using Handicap Master) of all the formal Senior Section competitions, including the monthly medals, Stablefords and the various Board Competitions. The Sub-Committee is run by a Chairman appointed by the Committee plus up to four other members who may be drawn from the Committee or the wider section membership. In addition to overseeing the competitions, the Sub-Committee will ensure play complies with the R&A Rules of Golf, the World Handicapping System (WHS) and any local rules set by the club or Committee. If a member fails to abide by these the Committee may take appropriate action.

### **Balls-in-the-Bag Co-ordinator**

The Balls-in-the-Bag Co-ordinator will lead the organization of balls-in-the-bag competitions and determine the format for each competition. He will liaise with the Pro Shop regarding tee times and draw zones for members to make their initial tee bookings. The Pro Shop will conduct the draw once entries are closed and update tee times on BRS Golf. On the day Master Scoreboard will be used for results processing. The Co-ordinator may delegate some of these responsibilities to other members of the Committee.

### **Role of the Club Management Committee**

The Management Committee normally meets four times a year and is an opportunity for representatives from the four sections, either the section captain or their nominee, to meet with the Directors to discuss matters relating to future club policy and issues which may affect the sections. Each section is expected to give a report on activities within the section as well as the opportunity to raise matters of concern / interest. The Chairman and Secretary, of the Committee, are appointed by the Directors.

## **Annual General Meeting**

The Annual General Meeting (AGM) is the opportunity for Section members to hear a review of the Section's activities by members of the Committee, elect members to the Committee and raise issues for discussion by all those attending. The AGM is normally held on the fourth Tuesday in March in the clubhouse. For an AGM to be quorate at least fifteen members must be present.

### **Notification**

Notice of the forthcoming AGM will be placed on the Section noticeboard no later than five weeks before the due date.

### **Nominations to Committee**

At the same time as the AGM notice, a nominations sheet will be placed on the Section noticeboard listing all committee positions including the incumbents where their term continues for the next year. At least three committee posts including one officer will be up for election at the AGM and members can add their names for one or more of the posts on the nomination sheet together with a proposer and seconder, alternatively they may leave the proposer and seconder blank for the Committee or AGM to consider their nomination.

### **Any Other Business (advance notice)**

The AGM notice will also include requests for members' submissions to be discussed under Any Other Business at the AGM. The submission must be made in writing, addressed to the secretary of the Section, not less than fourteen days before the AGM. If the member wishes to include a resolution within the submission to be voted on, they should include the resolution question although the Committee reserve the right to amend the wording of the question.

### **Agenda**

The agenda for the AGM will be as follows:

1. Apologies
2. Acceptance of previous AGM minutes
3. Matters Arising
4. Captain's Report
5. Chairman's Report
6. Treasurer's Report (including presentation of accounts for last FY)
7. Election of committee and the independent scrutineer
8. Any Other Business

### **Chairmanship of the Meeting**

The current Chairman will preside over the meeting up to and including the election of the Committee. If a new chairman is elected at the AGM the outgoing chairman will hand over to the newly elected Chairman who will preside over Any Other Business.

### **Register**

A register of attendees will be recorded for inclusion in the minutes.

## **Voting**

All voting will be by a show of hands unless a secret ballot is requested, two tellers will be appointed by the Chairman if necessary. If a vote is necessary, candidates will be asked to leave the meeting room while the vote takes place, if there are more candidates than posts for the general committee the candidates will be asked to vote on a ballot paper before leaving the room. A vote is won by having received the most votes.

## **Any Other Business (raised on the day)**

Other items may be raised for discussion on the day but will not be voted on. If it is deemed appropriate, the committee may consider any of the issues raised at a future committee meeting and decide if further action is required.

## **Minutes and Distribution**

Minutes of the meeting will be taken by the incumbent secretary though if a new secretary is to be appointed, they may also wish to take notes to agree upon the minutes. Minutes will be distributed to the Committee and anyone else that requests them. A copy will be placed in the Senior Section folder and a further copy will accompany the following year's AGM notification.

## **Extraordinary General Meeting (EGM)**

An EGM may be called by the Committee, giving twenty-eight days' notice of such meeting. Alternatively, any member may submit to have an EGM convened, provided he has the written support of twenty bona fide members, once submitted the Committee must arrange for an EGM with not less than twenty-eight days' notice and no later than forty-five days after submission.

All resolutions to be considered and voted upon at the meeting must be included in the EGM notice. For an EGM to be quorate at least five members must be present.

## **Finance**

The section maintains its own finances independent of the Golf Club. Money is raised through entry fees that cover the cost of prizes, section events and other costs.

Following agreement at last year's AGM entry fees for most competitions were increased to £3 allowing the section to retain an increase in income to stem dwindling reserves while also increasing competition prizes. Thus, the figures discussed below include income from competitions where entry fees were £2 for the first three months of the year.

The section's two main income sources, the winter and summer opens, brought in just under £2,800 in entry fees and after paying for course fees and prizes produced a surplus of just under £1,000, primarily used to fund the captain's honorarium. A total of 46 Internal competitions were held with income of just over £6,500, after prizes a surplus of approximately £1,000 was retained for funding section events, medals & engraving, prizes for season long competitions and ad-hoc expenditure. Income and expenditure through the year was closely matched producing a very small surplus for section funds. There were nearly 500 ledger entries for the year together with around 130 banking transactions.

The Section funds are held in either the Section's bank account at Lloyds Bank (sort code 30-98-21 account number 31434768), or in cash. There are a minimum of two signatories to the bank account, including the Treasurer.

## Other information

### Dress Code

Bewdley Pines has a dress code and members should adhere to it at all times.

- Golfers must use golf shoes with socks at all times on the course.
- All shirts must be collared and tucked in at all times.
- Trousers must be tailored; tailored shorts are acceptable that are of knee length.
- Denim, jeans, T-shirts, sleeveless shirts are not acceptable.
- Players not adhering to the dress regulation may be asked to leave the course.
- Golf shoes and hats are not allowed in the Lounge / Bar / Dining Room of the clubhouse at any time.
- The changing of shoes / clothing must take place **only** in the changing facilities provided and **not** in the car park.

### Pace of Play

Members shall treat other players on the course with respect and not hold up play. Once it is the player's turn to play the stroke should be completed in no more than 40 seconds. Players should remain in touch with the group ahead, not just keep ahead of the match behind. At all times the onus is on the players to allow faster matches through. Members may be reported to the Committee for continuous slow play. Unless in a match play game players should adopt ready golf wherever possible (see Rule 5.6).

### Senior Memorial Bench

For many years the Section has maintained a bench (currently behind the ninth tee) to remember members of the Section who are no longer with us. The Section will fund a plaque for all (active) Section members who pass away during their membership or who resigned their membership due to ill health before their passing.

## **Senior Section Competitions**

The Section Committee organize a variety of closed competitions held on a Tuesday morning throughout the year. In addition, some joint competitions with the Ladies Section are also held on Tuesdays and one or two open competitions held on Thursdays usually in February and September. For this year, the Committee are trialling a monthly Stableford competition during the summer months on a Thursday when there is no Section team match. Team matches against other local clubs are arranged between March and October, usually played on a Thursday though a few matches are played on other days of the week.

A list of the competitions and when they are usually held follows.

### **Board Competitions**

**Tony Adams Cup** – Individual stroke play, one division Stableford format, 95% course handicap, white tees. Maximum playing handicap 28. The competition is usually played in May.

**Seniors Hobday Trophy** – Drawn pairs, fourball (better ball) Stableford format, 85% course handicap, white tees. Maximum playing handicap 28. The competition is normally held June / July.

**Shillingford Cup** (Senior Club Championship) – Individual stroke play, one division, medal format, 95% course handicap, white tees. Maximum playing handicap 28. The competition is generally played in July. In addition to the handicap prizes the player with the lowest gross score will receive a prize.

**Senior Knockout Cup** – Individual match play, 100% course handicap, yellow tees. Maximum playing handicap 28 (from round 2). Matches mutually arranged within competition timetable. The competition is held throughout the summer months with completion of matches as follows: preliminary round(s) before end of June; quarter-finals before end of July; semi-finals before end of August; and the final played late September. The top name in each game is responsible for arranging the match before the end date. If the second named person is unable to agree a date the top name will go through to the next round.

**One-Over-Par Trophy** – Individual stroke play, one division Stableford format, 95% course handicap, yellow tees, eligibility: 70 years and above. Maximum playing handicap 28. The competition is normally held in October. A separate competition is held at the same time for those under 70.

### **Non-board Competitions**

**Medals** – Individual stroke play, two divisions, medal format, 95% course handicap, yellow tees. Generally, split in to two divisions: Division 1- Handicap Index 20.5 and below, Division 2 - Handicap Index 20.6 and above. The competitions are organized once a month throughout the year.

**Stablefords** – Individual stroke play, two divisions, Stableford format, 95% course handicap, yellow tees. Generally, split in to two divisions: Division 1- Handicap Index 20.5 and below, Division 2 - Handicap Index 20.6 and above. The competitions are organized approximately once a month throughout the year on a Tuesday and once a month on a Thursday from April to October.

**Presidents Putter (Seniors)** – Competition format decided by the President, yellow tees. Entry fee of £2 goes to supporting the Junior Section, with the competition prizes provided by the President. The competition is normally held in May.

**Order of Merit - Golfer of the Year** – Based on the results of the monthly medal competitions played over the summer (April – November). The winner of a medal is awarded 15 points, second 14 points etc., down to 1 point for 15<sup>th</sup> place. Golfer with the most points overall to become Golfer of the Year.

**Summer Eclectics** – Two concurrent competitions, one for the best gross score for each hole and one for the best net score (handicap as at time of play, maximum playing handicap 28) for each hole played during the monthly medal and Tuesday and Thursday Stableford competitions held between April and October. The winner of the Gross Score Eclectic is ineligible to win the Net Score Eclectic. Where a competition makes use of one or more temporary greens this will be excluded from the eclectic.

**Winter Eclectic** – Based on the lowest gross score on each hole from the monthly medal and Stableford competitions held on the Winter Course (December – March). Where a competition makes use of one or more temporary greens this will be excluded from the eclectic.

**Balls-in-the-Bag** – Arranged throughout the year on Tuesdays when no formal competition being played. An informal team competition based on a partially random draw of pre-entered members. Members can pre-book entry into the competition by entering their name on BRS Golf (or phoning the Pro Shop) into a number tee time zones. Entries close at 15:00 on the Thursday before the competition. Players in each zone are then drawn at random to form teams of four or three (if a team of three a Pro may be used as the fourth team member) and allocated a tee time within the zone. Teams and revised tee times will be published on BRS Golf following the draw.

The format varies but typically it would include: waltz (one then two then three scores to count); reverse waltz (three then two then one score to count); mongrel (shambles - take the best drive on each hole, a minimum number of drives per player required, then play your own ball for the rest of the hole); specified number of Stableford scores to count per hole; yellow ball Stableford with specific number of scores to count per hole; Texas or Florida scramble – see page 17. Full course handicap used.

**Winter League** – Pairs four-ball match-play competition played throughout the winter. Playing handicap 90% of course handicap. Yellow tees. Teams are grouped into four leagues with each team playing all the other teams within their league. Teams awarded two points for a win, one point for a halve and no points for a loss, position within league determined by total points and ties separated by result hole margins. Matches provisionally scheduled for Thursdays though may be re-arranged by mutual agreement. Leading two teams from each league progress to three rounds of knock-out competition to determine the winner.

**Scratch & Handicap Trophy** - Individual stroke play, one division, medal format, no handicap (scratch), white tees. A parallel handicap competition (95% course handicap) will be calculated for those competitors not in the top three of the Scratch Trophy. The competition is usually held in August.

**3 Clubs and a Putter** – Individual stroke play, one division, Stableford format, 95% course handicap, yellow tees. Limited to three golf clubs plus a putter. The competition is normally held in July.

**War of the Roses** – Individual stroke play, Stableford format, 95% course handicap, yellow tees. Team competition based on phone STD code areas: Lancaster (01562 – Kidderminster); Tudor (01299 - Bewdley); and York (01384 - Dudley), three-ball games with one player per team. Team totals to decide the winner, best and worst score in each team discarded. Winning individual score in each match wins sleeve of balls plus leading player of each house wins a prize. Generally played in early September.

**Captain verses Vice-Captain** – Fourball match play, 90% course handicap, yellow tees. Prize a sleeve of balls to each winning pair. Usually played in October.

**Senior Captain's Day** - Captain to choose the format, normally some kind of team event. Part of the Captain's honorarium is used to cover the cost of prizes. Played off yellow tees. Generally played towards the end of May with a meal afterwards.

**Senior Captain's Away-Day** - Captain to choose the venue and the format, usually some form of team event. Part of the Captain's honorarium is used to cover the cost of prizes. Played off yellow or equivalent tees. Usually played in July or September with a meal afterwards.

**Team Players' Day** – Competition for participants in Senior matches during the year. To qualify for the event a member must have played in at least one home and one away match. Captain's choice for format. Prizes or food is provided from the income collected from the £1 levy on each golfer playing in home matches. This competition is traditionally held towards the end of the Captain's tenure in March.

**Past Senior Captain's nine-hole competition – Senior Captain's Cup** - Open to all past senior captains, the current Captain and the Vice-Captain (incoming Captain). Individual nine-hole stroke play competition (played on the back nine), Stableford format, 95% course handicap, yellow tees. Prize (normally a bottle of whisky) is provided by the current Senior Captain. Current Captain also provides Danish pastries to go with the coffee before playing. An invitation is also extended to the Directors of B.P.G.C. Played in late March at the end of the Captain's tenure.

## Competitions with Ladies

**Valentine's Vase** – Ladies to organize – Mixed team of four, stroke play Stableford competition, two scores to count per hole. Seniors play off yellow tees, ladies off red tees using their associated stroke index. 85% of course handicap. Mixed tee adjustment (ladies +2 shots) to be applied. Traditionally played in February.

**Pines Plate** – Senior's to organize – Mixed Greensomes. Team of two, one senior and one lady. Stableford format. Both players drive off and choose the better drive playing alternate shots to the hole. Seniors play off yellow tees and ladies off red tees. Use red tee stroke index and par rating for scoring purposes. Playing handicap is 60% of the lower course handicap and 40% of the higher course handicap. Mixed tee adjustment (Ladies +1 shot  $\equiv$  0.5) to be applied. Normally played in June.

**S.A.L.A.D. (Seniors and Ladies Annual Duel) Bowl** – Senior's to organize. Senior's verses Ladies. Fourball (better ball) match play, 90% course handicap, ladies to receive four courtesy shots (in lieu of mixed tee adjustment). Seniors play off yellow tees, ladies off red tees, playing off their own stroke index and par rating. Each winning pair receives a sleeve of balls. Usually played in August.

**Waltz** – Ladies to organize - Mixed teams of four, stroke play Stableford competition, one to score on first hole, two on second, three on third, one on fourth, etc. Seniors play off yellow tees, ladies off red tees, using their own stroke index. 85% of course handicap. Mixed tee adjustment (Ladies +1 shot) to be applied. Normally played in September.

**Turkey Trot** – Organized by the Senior's in co-operation with the Ladies – Mixed teams of four, stroke play, Texas scramble format. Playing handicap - team of four: 10% of sum of course handicaps, team of three: 15% of sum of course handicaps. Generally played early December with shotgun start. In

conjunction with this competition a raffle is held. All profits from the day are given to the Midland Air Ambulance.

## **Competition with Junior Section**

**Mini Driver Trophy** - Annual match verses Junior Section. Four-ball matchplay (better-ball) format. 85% course handicap. Yellow/ Red tees with mixed tee adjustment for handicaps.

## **Open Competitions**

**Senior Summer Open** – Teams of four stroke play, AM-AM Stableford format, best two scores to count, 85% handicap, yellow tees. Usually held in September.

**Senior Winter Open** – Teams of four stroke play, AM-AM Stableford format, best two scores to count, 85% handicap, yellow tees. Shotgun start. Usually held in February.

Forty percent of the entry income up to a maximum of £500 is paid to the Golf Club to cover green fees.

## **Team Matches**

The Section Committee also organize team matches against senior sections of other local golf clubs on a home and away basis. The matches consist of teams of 5-7 pairs usually playing fourball (better-ball) match play golf followed by meal. Members wishing to play in these matches should sign up in advance on the match notice on the Section noticeboard. Team selection is based on encouraging as many members as possible to participate in these matches. The cost of these matches including the meal is generally between £10 and £15 depending on the meal provision.

**Competition formats as described above may be changed by the Committee at their discretion.**

## **Competition Information**

### **Entry fees**

The entry fee for internal Senior Section competitions is normally £3 unless food or beverages is included. Entry for mixed competitions with Ladies is £2.

### **Optional twos**

All individual medal and Stableford competitions along with some other team competitions will have a twos sweepstake. Entry is optional, costing £1 payable at the same time as the competition entry fee. All players who score a two will share a portion of the prize pot (total twos' money) in proportion to the number of twos they score. Holes in one would be counted as having two twos. Prizemoney will be credited to the member's LoyLap account.

If no twos are scored, for medal and Stableford competitions (unless number of entries is small where it may be included in the prize fund) the prize pot rolls over to the next competition of the same format held on the same day of the week, for other competitions it may be included in the competition prize fund.

### **Entries**

For competitions that require the individual to book a tee time either on-line or at the Pro shop entry is by signing-in at the Pro shop and paying the entry fee of £3 plus optional twos of £1. For other competitions where there is an entry list on the Section noticeboard and tee times allocated the entry fee may be payable at the Pro Shop in advance or on the day, the competition notice will advise.

### **Scorecards**

For individual competitions it is imperative that the gross score for each hole is clearly written on the card. To help with results processing the player should also record his name, handicap index, course handicap, playing handicap, competition name, date, time and tee markers played from. When the player completes their round, they should verify their score with their marker ensuring both player and marker sign the card (a rule requirement).

For team competitions one team member will be responsible for the scorecard ensuring all team members' names are recorded along with their course handicaps. Gross score(s) for each hole should be recorded under the correct column for each team member. Team competitions involving more than two players in a team require the card to be signed by 2 players.

Completed scorecards can either be entered on-line through Master Scoreboard (normally via the BRS mobile app) or on the computer in the men's locker room. Once entered the scorecard should be placed in the scorecard drawer below the computer screen in the men's locker room. Failure to do this may lead to disqualification under Rule 3.3b(2).

If the format of competition does not support score entry on the computer the scorecard should be returned to the competition organizer or his delegate.

## **Postponement of competition**

In exceptional circumstances the Committee may decide to postpone a board competition to a later date in the calendar, this could be for example, due to Meteorological Office weather warnings such as anticipated storms, snow or heatwave on the day of competition.

## **Results**

Results of competitions will be processed in a timely manner and posted on the Section noticeboard along with the prize distribution. Competition results processed by computer will be e-mailed to all competitors that have provided an e-mail address for the purpose of results distribution.

## **Countback**

All stroke play competition results are decided on countback for ties, there will be no play offs.

## **Divisions**

For medals and Stablefords that would normally be split into two divisions, if the total number of entries is less than 28 all scores will be processed as a single division.

## **Prizes**

The total number of prizes awarded and their value will be dependent on the number of entries. Approximately 20% to 25% of the entry fees will be retained for Section funds with the remainder being distributed as prizes. Prize money will generally be credited to the member's LoyLap account within a couple of days of the results being published.

First prize for individual board competitions and the Order of Merit is £50, and for the pairs board competition and eclectics £40 each. These prizes are generally presented as a retail gift voucher along with the trophy at the presentation lunch or A.G.M.

## **Presentation lunch**

For competitions held over the summer months (April to November) trophies and prize vouchers will be presented to the winners of board competitions along with medals to the winners of both divisions of the monthly medals at the presentation lunch. This normally takes place in November following a BITB competition.

## **AGM Presentation**

The Winter League and Winter Eclectic trophies are presented to the winners together with medals to the winners of both divisions of the monthly medals (December to March) at the A.G.M.

## Trophies

A list of trophies awarded for the various competitions held during the year:

The Shillingford Cup – Senior Club Championship

The Tony Adams Memorial Cup – Primary Stableford competition

Seniors Hobday Trophy – Drawn pairs competition

Seniors' Knockout Trophy – Match play knockout competition

One-over-par Trophy – Stableford competition for those 70 years old and above

Scratch Trophy – Stroke play format scratch competition

Net Trophy – Stroke play format, best net score excluding Scratch Trophy top three

The Pines Shield – Order of Merit

The Pines Cup – Summer Eclectic (Gross)

The Pines Shield – Summer Eclectic (Net)

Ray Westwood Trophy – Winter League

The Brian Lapworth Cup – Winter Eclectic

War of the Roses Shield – Individual Stableford team competition

Senior Captain's Cup – Current and past captains' Stableford competition

Senior Captain's Team v. Senior Vice-Captain's Team (unnamed) – Four-ball match play

Senior Captain's Day Plate – Competition to be played annually at the Captain's Day at Bewdley Pines

S.A.L.A.D. Bowl – Ladies' verses Senior's match play

Mini Driver Trophy – Junior's verses Senior's match play

Valentines Vase – Mixed Stableford AM-AM competition

The Pines Plate – Mixed greensomes

Air Ambulance Trophy – Turkey Trot: Mixed Texas scramble

## **Competition Rules**

In addition to the R&A Rules of Golf, the Committee have agreed the following additional rules that are part of the Terms of Competition were applicable.

### **Board competitions**

For a member to be eligible to compete in any of the Senior Section board competitions the member must have competed in a minimum of three Senior Section individual medal and/or Stableford competitions in the previous twelve months. All board competitions have a maximum playing handicap of 28.

### **Medal and Stableford competitions**

For a member to be eligible for a prize in individual medal or Stableford competitions, the member must have scores for at least 54 holes on their handicap record within the last twelve months preceding the competition.

### **Use of a Pro**

Any four ball Stableford team competition organised by the Senior Section where a team consists of only three players a Pro can be used as a substitute fourth team member. The Pro may be used on ANY hole scoring 2 points towards the team's score.

For example; on a hole where one score is to count, when all three players score one point or fail to score, the pro's score of 2 points can be used. On a hole where two scores are to count, if two or more players score one point or fail to score the pro's score of 2 points can be added to the best score. On a hole where three scores are to count, if one or more players score one point or fail to score the pro's 2 points can be added to the best two scores.

Should during the round a player in a team of 4 have to withdraw (for example feeling unwell), then for the rest of the round the remaining 3 players would be able to use a Pro when necessary.

### **Scrambles or Shambles (mongrel) competitions**

Teams of 4 will need to count a minimum of 4 drives per player. Teams of 3 will need to count a minimum of 5 drives per player.

For Scrambles teams of 4 can deduct 10% of the sum of their combined course handicap total off their gross score. Teams of 3 can deduct 15% of the sum of their combined course handicap off their gross score. This does not follow England Golf mandatory allowances but simplifies the calculation and as yet no recommendation has been given for teams of three.

This will only apply to Section run competitions; rules for mixed or club wide events may be different.

## **Handicaps and handicapping**

All Senior competitions apart from the Scratch Trophy and gross ecclectics are handicap competitions where a player's handicap is based on their WHS index on the day of competition.

The World Handicapping System (WHS) was introduced worldwide to provide portability of handicaps to allow players to compete on different courses on a fair and equal basis. Similar to the *Rules of Golf*, there is a *Rules of Handicapping* published by the R&A / USGA along with *Guidance on the WHS Rules of Handicapping* published by CONGU for use within the home nations. These two documents provide comprehensive guidelines on the acceptability of scores and calculation of handicap indexes.

Each golf course has been assessed from each set of tee markers to give a course rating (difficulty for a scratch player) and slope rating (difference in playing difficulty for all players compared to a scratch golfer). Course handicaps are determined for the appropriate tees at BPGC using the charts on pages 26-29 for a given handicap index.

Depending on the format of play the playing handicap will be a percentage of the course handicap as determined by the mandatory handicap allowance (page 25).

Where a competition uses more than one tee set such as when the seniors play with the ladies a *Mixed Tee Adjustment* should be applied that may give rise to additional shots for those playing from tees with a higher slope rating.

### **Players' Responsibilities**

When playing in a competition or submitting a general play card, players have a number of responsibilities, a player is expected to:

- Act with integrity by following the *Rules of Handicapping* and to refrain from using, or circumventing the *Rules of Handicapping* for the purpose of gaining an unfair advantage,
- Attempt to make the best score possible at each hole,
- Submit acceptable scores for handicapping purposes as soon as possible after the round is completed and before midnight local time,
- Submit acceptable scores to provide reasonable evidence of their demonstrated ability,
- Play by the *Rules of Golf*, and
- Certify the scores of fellow players.

If a player fails to satisfy their responsibilities, they may be subject to a penalty score applied to their handicap record while persistent offenders may have their handicap suspended.

### **Handicap calculation summary**

When a player submits an 18-hole score, a score differential is calculated based on the following:

Score Differential =  $113 / \text{Slope Rating} \times (\text{Adjusted Gross Score} - \text{Course Rating} - \text{PCC})$

where: Adjusted Gross Score = For each hole score is maximum of net double bogey

PCC – Playing Condition Calculation (calculated by WHS based on submitted scores)

If a player has at least 20 scores on their handicap record each time the player submits a new score either in a competition or a general play round, that score will update their handicap record and a new

WHS index is calculated overnight, being the average of the best 8 score differentials from the last 20. Different rules apply where there is less than 20 score differentials.

Where a player submits an *Exceptional Score*, they will be subject to an additional automatic reduction of 1 or 2 shots.

## **Handicap Committee**

Although much of the handicapping process is automatic, the Handicap Committee will monitor regularly scores submitted to WHS using a variety of reports. The Handicap Committee will review any abnormal scoring, assess any requests for a peer review, and to conduct an annual review of all members' handicaps towards the end of the year. Before any adjustment is made to a player's handicap, the player must be informed by the committee in order to offer the opportunity to appeal the decision.

Further information on the World Handicap System can be found at the England Golf website at:

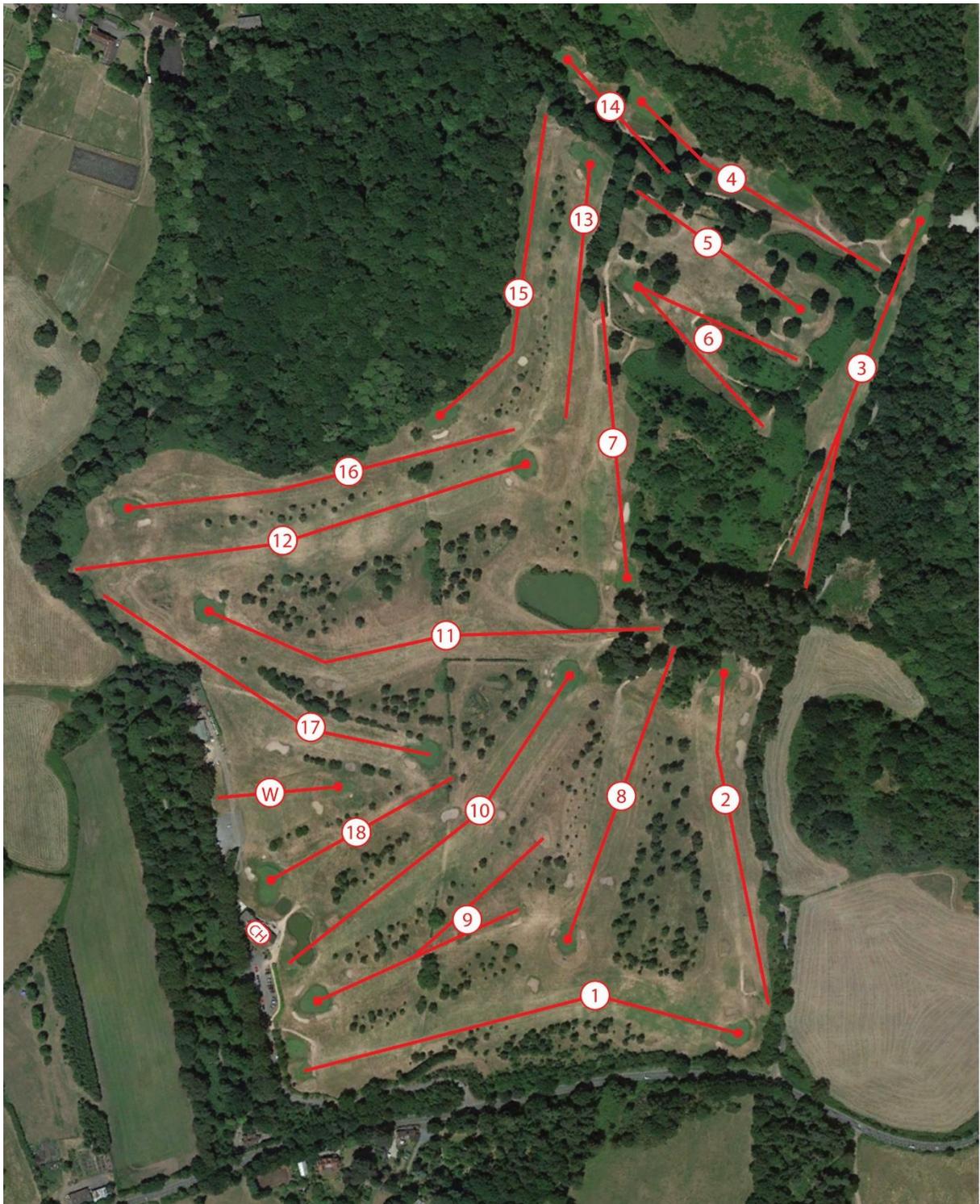
<https://www.Englandgolf.org/world-handicap-system>

## Calendar 2023-2024

Day	Date	Fixture	Format
Saturday	01-Apr-23	Captains Drive-In (Alan Hobday Memorial Cup)	Texas Scramble
Monday	03-Apr-23	Course Maintenance Begins (1 Week)	
Tuesday	04-Apr-23	Book your own Tee Time	
Thursday	06-Apr-23	(Away Match) v Cleobury Mortimer, @ 09.00hrs	CANCELLED
Tuesday	11-Apr-23	April Monthly Medal	Singles Stroke Play
Tuesday	11-Apr-23	Committee Meeting @ 14.30hrs	
Thursday	13-Apr-23	Thursday Stableford	Singles Stableford
Tuesday	18-Apr-23	Balls in the Bag	AM – AM
Thursday	20-Apr-23	(Home Match) v Wergs, @ 09.03hrs	Four-ball Match Play
Tuesday	25-Apr-23	Stableford	Singles Stableford
Tuesday	02-May-23	(Away Match) v Perton Park, @ 09.30hrs	Four-ball Match Play
Tuesday	02-May-23	Stableford	Singles Stableford
Tuesday	09-May-23	May Monthly Medal	Singles Stroke Play
Tuesday	09-May-23	Committee Meeting @ 14.30hrs	
Thursday	11-May-23	Thursday Stableford	Singles Stableford
Friday	12-May-23	(Away Match) v Hagley, @ 08.30hrs	Four-ball Match Play
Tuesday	16-May-23	Seniors Captains Day + Lunch	Captain's Choice
Thursday	18-May-23	(Away Match) v Dudley, @ 09.00hrs	Four-ball Match Play
Tuesday	23-May-23	Seniors Presidents Putter	Singles Stableford
Thursday	25-May-23	(Home Match) v Perton Park, 09.30hrs	Four-ball Match Play
Tuesday	30-May-23	Tony Adams Cup	Singles Stableford
Thursday	01-Jun-23	(Away Match) v Gaudet Luce @ 08.30hrs	Four-ball Match Play
Tuesday	06-Jun-23	June Monthly Medal + Meeting	Singles Stroke Play
Tuesday	06-Jun-23	Committee Meeting @ 14.30hrs	
Thursday	08-Jun-23	Thursday Stableford	Singles Stableford
Tuesday	13-Jun-23	Pines Plate (Seniors v Ladies)	Mixed Greensomes
Thursday	15-Jun-23	(Home Match) v Halesowen, 09.03hrs	Four-ball Match Play
Tuesday	20-Jun-23	Balls in the Bag	Two for the fours
Thursday	22-Jun-23	(Away Match) v Cleobury Mortimer, @ 09.00hrs	PROVISIONAL
Tuesday	27-Jun-23	Hobday Trophy	Better Ball Pairs
Thursday	29-Jun-23	(Away Match) v Halesowen, @ 09.00hrs	Four-ball Match Play
Tuesday	04-Jul-23	July Monthly Medal	Singles Stroke Play
Tuesday	04-Jul-23	Committee Meeting @ 14.30hrs	
Thursday	06-Jul-23	(Home Match) v Little Lakes @ 09.03hrs	Four-ball Match Play
Thursday	06-Jul-23	Thursday Stableford	Singles Stableford
Tuesday	11-Jul-23	3 Clubs and Putter	Singles Stableford
Thursday	13-Jul-23	Senior Captain's Away Day @ Cleobury Mortimer GC	Captain's Choice
Tuesday	18-Jul-23	Balls in the Bag	Florida Scramble
Thursday	20-Jul-23	(Home Match) v Ombersley, @ 09.03hrs	Four-ball Match Play
Tuesday	25-Jul-23	Shillingford Cup	Singles Stroke Play
Thursday	27-Jul-23	(Home Match) v Cleobury Mortimer, @ 09.03hrs	Four-ball Match Play
Tuesday	01-Aug-23	S.A.L.A.D. Bowl (Seniors v Ladies)	Four-ball Match Play
Thursday	03-Aug-23	Thursday Stableford	Singles Stableford
Thursday	03-Aug-23	Mini Driver (Senior's v's Junior's)	TBC
Tuesday	08-Aug-23	August Monthly Medal	Singles Stroke Play
Tuesday	08-Aug-23	Committee Meeting @ 14.30hrs	
Thursday	10-Aug-23	(Away Match) v Bromsgrove @ 09.00hrs	Four-ball Match Play
Tuesday	15-Aug-23	Stableford	Singles Stableford
Wednesday	16-Aug-23	(Away Match) v Wergs, @ 09.00hrs	Four-ball Match Play
Tuesday	22-Aug-23	Scratch Trophy	Singles Stroke Play
Thursday	24-Aug-23	(Home Match) v Dudley, @ 09.03hrs	Four-ball Match Play
Tuesday	29-Aug-23	September (sic) Monthly Medal	Singles Stroke Play

Day	Date	Fixture	Format
Thursday	31-Aug-23	Seniors Mixed Open (Ladies to Organise)	TBC
Saturday	02-Sep-23	Bewdley Cup @ Little Lakes Golf Club	Better Ball Stableford
Sunday	03-Sep-23	Bewdley Cup @ Little Lakes Golf Club	Better Ball Stableford
Monday	04-Sept-23	Course Maintenance Begins (1 Week)	
Tuesday	05-Sept-23	Book Your Own Tee Time	
Tuesday	05-Sep-23	Committee Meeting @ 14.30hrs	
Wednesday	06-Sept-23	(Away Match) v Little Lakes @ 09.00hrs	Four-ball Match Play
Tuesday	12-Sept-23	Stableford	Singles Stableford
Thursday	14-Sept-23	Thursday Stableford	Singles Stableford
Tuesday	19-Sept-23	Waltz with the Ladies (Ladies to Organise)	Waltz (Team Event)
Thursday	21-Sept-23	BPGC Seniors Summer Open	AM – AM
Tuesday	26-Sept-23	War of the Roses	Singles Stableford
Thursday	28-Sept-23	(Home Match) v Hagley, @ 09:03hrs.	Four-ball Match Play
Tuesday	03-Oct-23	October Monthly Medal	Singles Stroke Play
Tuesday	03-Oct-23	Committee Meeting @ 14.30hrs	
Thursday	05-Oct-23	Thursday Stableford	Singles Stableford
Tuesday	10-Oct-23	Captain v Vice Captain Teams + Lunch	Four-ball Match Play
Thursday	12-Oct-23	(Home Match) v Gaudet Luce, @ 09.03hrs	Four-ball Match Play
Tuesday	17-Oct-23	1 Over Par Trophy – 70 Plus + Stableford (under 70's)	Singles Stableford
Thursday	19-Oct-23	(Home Match) v Bromsgrove @ 09.03hrs	Four-ball Match Play
Tuesday	24-Oct-23	Balls in the Bag	Yellow Ball
Tuesday	31-Oct-23	November (sic) Monthly Medal	Singles Stroke Play
Tuesday	31-Oct-23	Committee Meeting @ 14.30hrs	
Tuesday	07-Nov-23	Balls in the Bag	Waltz
Tuesday	07-Nov-23	Presentation Lunch	
Tuesday	14-Nov-23	Stableford	Singles Stableford
Tuesday	21-Nov-23	Balls in the Bag	Traffic Lights
Tuesday	28-Nov-23	Turkey Trot (Seniors and Ladies) Shotgun Start	Texas Scramble
Tuesday	05-Dec-23	December Monthly Medal	Singles Stroke Play
Tuesday	05-Dec-23	Committee Meeting @ 14.30hrs	
Tuesday	12-Dec-23	Stableford	Singles Stableford
Tuesday	19-Dec-23	Balls in the Bag	Reverse Waltz
Tuesday	02-Jan-24	Book Your Own Tee Time	
Tuesday	09-Jan-24	January Monthly Medal	Singles Stroke Play
Tuesday	09-Jan-24	Committee Meeting @ 14.30hrs	
Tuesday	16-Jan-24	Stableford	Singles Stableford
Tuesday	23-Jan-24	Balls in the Bag	Texas Scramble
Tuesday	30-Jan-24	Stableford	Singles Stableford
Tuesday	06-Feb-24	February Monthly Medal	Singles Stroke Play
Tuesday	06-Feb-24	Committee Meeting @ 14.30hrs	
Tuesday	13-Feb-24	Valentines Vase (Seniors and Ladies)	Mixed AM-AM
Thursday	15-Feb-24	BPGC Seniors Winter Open	AM - AM
Tuesday	20-Feb-24	Balls in the Bag	Odds and Evens
Tuesday	27-Feb-24	Stableford	Singles Stableford
Friday	01-Mar-24	Seniors Past Captains 9 Hole Comp. + Dinner	Singles Stableford
Tuesday	05-Mar-24	(Away Match) v Ombersley, @ 09.00hrs	Four-ball Match Play
Tuesday	05-Mar-24	Stableford	Singles Stableford
Tuesday	12-Mar-24	March Monthly Medal	Singles Stroke Play
Tuesday	12-Mar-23	Committee Meeting @ 14.30hrs	
Thursday	14-Mar-24	Team Players Day + Lunch	Four-ball Match Play
Tuesday	19-Mar-24	Stableford	Singles Stableford
Tuesday	26-Mar-24	Balls in the Bag	Mongrel
Tuesday	26-Mar-24	Annual General Meeting @ 14:30hrs	
Saturday	30-Mar-24	Captain's Drive In (Alan Hobday Memorial Cup)	Texas Scramble

## The Golf Course



Bewdley Pines Golf Club Course Layout

Winter course omits 14<sup>th</sup> hole, holes 15 to 18 become 14 to 17 with hole W winter 18<sup>th</sup>.

## The Scorecard

INDICATE TEE USED:		Rating 68.9 Slope 127				Rating 66.6 Slope 118				Rating 68.8 Slope 124				
COMPETITION														
DATE		H'Cap Index	Course H'Cap	Playing H'Cap	TIME				H'Cap Index	Course H'Cap	Playing H'Cap			
A					C									
B					D									
Hole	Marker/D Score	Name	White Yards	Yellow Yards	Par	S.I.	Player's Score			Nett Score Points	Red Yards	Par	S.I.	
							A	B	C					
1		Up & Over	479	469	5	17					469	5	12	
2		Table Top	340	325	4	6					302	4	2	
3		Habberley Valley	372	344	4	2					264	4	8	
4		The Snake	306	290	4	12					262	4	16	
5		Twin Peaks	202	179	3	10					159	3	14	
6		Two Tiers	182	182	3	5					136	3	10	
7		Watery End	346	270	4	13					241	4	6	
8		The Mast	326	313	4	16					290	4	4	
9		Twin Oaks	220	216	3	8					164	3	18	
<b>OUT</b>			<b>2773</b>	<b>2588</b>	<b>34</b>						<b>2287</b>	<b>34</b>		
<b>PLEASE AVOID SLOW PLAY, RAKE BUNKERS, REPLACE DIVOTS &amp; REPAIR PITCHMARKS</b>														
10		Hobday Hill	404	401	4	3					398	5	9	
11		The Pines	453	435	5	15					405	5	7	
12		Long Tom	440	415	4	1					366	4	1	
13		Bakers Dozen	245	240	4	18					233	4	17	
14		Gorse Valley	142	126	3	14					117	3	13	
15		Bluebell Wood	333	330	4	7					323	4	3	
16		Malvern View	410	371	4	4					317	4	11	
17		Homeward Bound	360	340	4	9					300	4	5	
18		Clubhouse Drive	207	192	3	11					178	3	15	
<b>IN</b>			<b>2994</b>	<b>2850</b>	<b>35</b>						<b>2637</b>	<b>36</b>		
<b>OUT</b>			<b>2773</b>	<b>2588</b>	<b>34</b>						<b>2287</b>	<b>34</b>		
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>5767</b>	<b>5438</b>	<b>69</b>						<b>4924</b>	<b>70</b>		
Stableford Points or Par Result		<b>HANDICAP</b>								 01883 344244				
		<b>NETT</b>												
Marker's Signature .....							Player's Signature .....							

The scorecard for the main (summer) course, a separate scorecard is used for the winter course.

## Local Rules

### 1 Out of Bounds

- Beyond all boundary hedges and fences.
- Beyond the boundaries marked by white posts to the rear of the 9<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> (17<sup>th</sup> winter) greens.
- Beyond the white posts on the right-hand side of the 1<sup>st</sup> hole.
- Beyond the white posts on the right-hand side of the 17<sup>th</sup> hole (16<sup>th</sup> hole winter) from the greenkeepers compound to the clubhouse.

## 2 Penalty Areas

Penalty areas are marked with yellow or red posts. Rule 17.1 applies.

## 3 No Play Zones

The following are designated as no play zones, relief MUST be taken under Rule 16.1f from:

- a) The garden area behind the 11<sup>th</sup> green
- b) Young trees identified by stakes / banding.
- c) Temporary greens (exception – for putting only when main green is closed)

## 4 Relief may be taken using Rule 16.1 from paths, sprinkler heads and boxes.

## 5 The bridge between 10<sup>th</sup> tee and 18<sup>th</sup> green is an integral part of the Penalty Area defined by red stakes unless beyond the white stakes where it is Out of Bounds. If your ball lies in the Penalty Area relief may be taken for one penalty stroke under Rule 17.1d.

## 6 Preferred Lies (check club noticeboard to see if in use)

When a player's ball lies in a part general area cut to fairway height or less, the player may take free relief once by placing the original ball or another ball in and placing it from this relief area:

- Reference point: Spot of the original ball.
- Size of Relief Area Measured from Reference Point: 6 inches from the reference point, but within these limits:

Limits on Location of Relief Area:

- Must not be nearer the hole than the reference point, and
- Must be in the general area

In proceeding under this Local Rule, the player must choose a spot to place the ball and use the procedures for replacing a ball under Rules 14.2b(2) and 14.2e.

## 7 Crow damage & seeded areas

As it is impractical to mark off each area treat any damage as G.U.R. and take relief under Rule 16.1.

## 8 Practice strokes between holes – stroke play competition

Rule 5.5 is modified in this way. Local rule I-2.

Between play of two holes a player must not make any practice strokes of the hole just completed, prohibiting putting or chipping on or near the putting green of the hole just completed.

## 9 The Practice Ground

Practice is allowed on this area before a stroke play competition.

Exception: The hole cannot be played as set up for the winter course, when it is in play, and chipping or putting on the green is prohibited during that period.

Players are advised to check the Club noticeboard for further information on any additional temporary Local Rules and periods of operation.

## World Handicapping System (WHS) – Playing Handicap

The playing handicap is calculated using the mandatory handicap allowance shown below for the type of round being played multiplied by the course handicap (see following tables) for the appropriate tee for a given handicap index. This is rounded to the nearest whole number.



### PLAYING HANDICAP: MANDATORY ALLOWANCES TABLE

FORMAT OF PLAY	TYPE OF ROUND	MANDATORY HANDICAP ALLOWANCE
<b>STROKEPLAY</b>	Individual	95%
	Individual Stableford	95%
	Individual Par/Bogey	95%
	Individual Maximum Score	95%
	Fourball	85%
	Fourball Stableford	85%
	Fourball Par/Bogey	90%
<b>MATCHPLAY</b>	Individual	100%
	Fourball	90%
<b>STROKEPLAY</b>	Foursomes	50% of combined team handicap
	Greensomes	60% low handicap + 40% high handicap
	Pinehurst/Chapman	60% low handicap + 40% high handicap
	Best 1 of 4 Stroke Play	75%
	Best 2 of 4 Stroke Play	85%
	Best 3 of 4 Stroke Play	100%
	All 4 of 4 Stroke Play	100%
	Scramble (4 players)	"25%/20%/15%/10% from lowest to highest handicap"
	Scramble (2 players)	35% low/15% high
	Total score of 2 match play	100%
	Best 1 of 4 Par/Bogey	75%
	Best 2 of 4 Par/Bogey	80%
	Best 3 of 4 Par/Bogey	90%
4 of 4 Par/Bogey	100%	

WORLD HANDICAP SYSTEM

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## B.P.G.C. -Course Handicap Tables

Course Handicap Table – Bewdley Pines G.C. Main Course – White Tees



### Course Handicap Table



England Golf

Bewdley Pines Golf Club (1001488) - Bewdley Pines

Men's - White

Course Rating™: 68.9 - Slope Rating®: 127

Handicap Index®	Course Handicap™	Handicap Index®	Course Handicap™
+5.0 to +4.9	+6	24.5 to 25.3	28
+4.8 to +4.1	+5	25.4 to 26.2	29
+4.0 to +3.2	+4	26.3 to 27.1	30
+3.1 to +2.3	+3	27.2 to 28.0	31
+2.2 to +1.4	+2	28.1 to 28.9	32
+1.3 to +0.5	+1	29.0 to 29.8	33
+0.4 to 0.4	0	29.9 to 30.6	34
0.5 to 1.3	1	30.7 to 31.5	35
1.4 to 2.2	2	31.6 to 32.4	36
2.3 to 3.1	3	32.5 to 33.3	37
3.2 to 4.0	4	33.4 to 34.2	38
4.1 to 4.8	5	34.3 to 35.1	39
4.9 to 5.7	6	35.2 to 36.0	40
5.8 to 6.6	7	36.1 to 36.9	41
6.7 to 7.5	8	37.0 to 37.8	42
7.6 to 8.4	9	37.9 to 38.7	43
8.5 to 9.3	10	38.8 to 39.5	44
9.4 to 10.2	11	39.6 to 40.4	45
10.3 to 11.1	12	40.5 to 41.3	46
11.2 to 12.0	13	41.4 to 42.2	47
12.1 to 12.9	14	42.3 to 43.1	48
13.0 to 13.7	15	43.2 to 44.0	49
13.8 to 14.6	16	44.1 to 44.9	50
14.7 to 15.5	17	45.0 to 45.8	51
15.6 to 16.4	18	45.9 to 46.7	52
16.5 to 17.3	19	46.8 to 47.6	53
17.4 to 18.2	20	47.7 to 48.4	54
18.3 to 19.1	21	48.5 to 49.3	55
19.2 to 20.0	22	49.4 to 50.2	56
20.1 to 20.9	23	50.3 to 51.1	57
21.0 to 21.7	24	51.2 to 52.0	58
21.8 to 22.6	25	52.1 to 52.9	59
22.7 to 23.5	26	53.0 to 53.8	60
23.6 to 24.4	27	53.9 to 54.0	61

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## Course Handicap Table



England Golf  
 Bewdley Pines Golf Club (1001488) - Bewdley Pines  
 Men's - Yellow

Course Rating™: 66.6 - Slope Rating®: 118

Handicap Index®	Course Handicap™	Handicap Index®	Course Handicap™
+5.0 to +4.4	+5	24.5 to 25.3	26
+4.3 to +3.4	+4	25.4 to 26.3	27
+3.3 to +2.4	+3	26.4 to 27.2	28
+2.3 to +1.5	+2	27.3 to 28.2	29
+1.4 to +0.5	+1	28.3 to 29.2	30
+0.4 to 0.4	0	29.3 to 30.1	31
0.5 to 1.4	1	30.2 to 31.1	32
1.5 to 2.3	2	31.2 to 32.0	33
2.4 to 3.3	3	32.1 to 33.0	34
3.4 to 4.3	4	33.1 to 33.9	35
4.4 to 5.2	5	34.0 to 34.9	36
5.3 to 6.2	6	35.0 to 35.9	37
6.3 to 7.1	7	36.0 to 36.8	38
7.2 to 8.1	8	36.9 to 37.8	39
8.2 to 9.0	9	37.9 to 38.7	40
9.1 to 10.0	10	38.8 to 39.7	41
10.1 to 11.0	11	39.8 to 40.6	42
11.1 to 11.9	12	40.7 to 41.6	43
12.0 to 12.9	13	41.7 to 42.6	44
13.0 to 13.8	14	42.7 to 43.5	45
13.9 to 14.8	15	43.6 to 44.5	46
14.9 to 15.8	16	44.6 to 45.4	47
15.9 to 16.7	17	45.5 to 46.4	48
16.8 to 17.7	18	46.5 to 47.4	49
17.8 to 18.6	19	47.5 to 48.3	50
18.7 to 19.6	20	48.4 to 49.3	51
19.7 to 20.5	21	49.4 to 50.2	52
20.6 to 21.5	22	50.3 to 51.2	53
21.6 to 22.5	23	51.3 to 52.1	54
22.6 to 23.4	24	52.2 to 53.1	55
23.5 to 24.4	25	53.2 to 54.0	56

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## Course Handicap Table



England Golf

Bewdley Pines Golf Club (1001488) - Bewdley Pines

Men's - White Winter

Course Rating™: 68.9 - Slope Rating®: 128

Handicap Index®	Course Handicap™	Handicap Index®	Course Handicap™
+5.0 to +4.9	+6	24.3 to 25.1	28
+4.8 to +4.0	+5	25.2 to 26.0	29
+3.9 to +3.1	+4	26.1 to 26.9	30
+3.0 to +2.3	+3	27.0 to 27.8	31
+2.2 to +1.4	+2	27.9 to 28.6	32
+1.3 to +0.5	+1	28.7 to 29.5	33
+0.4 to 0.4	0	29.6 to 30.4	34
0.5 to 1.3	1	30.5 to 31.3	35
1.4 to 2.2	2	31.4 to 32.2	36
2.3 to 3.0	3	32.3 to 33.1	37
3.1 to 3.9	4	33.2 to 33.9	38
4.0 to 4.8	5	34.0 to 34.8	39
4.9 to 5.7	6	34.9 to 35.7	40
5.8 to 6.6	7	35.8 to 36.6	41
6.7 to 7.5	8	36.7 to 37.5	42
7.6 to 8.3	9	37.6 to 38.4	43
8.4 to 9.2	10	38.5 to 39.2	44
9.3 to 10.1	11	39.3 to 40.1	45
10.2 to 11.0	12	40.2 to 41.0	46
11.1 to 11.9	13	41.1 to 41.9	47
12.0 to 12.8	14	42.0 to 42.8	48
12.9 to 13.6	15	42.9 to 43.6	49
13.7 to 14.5	16	43.7 to 44.5	50
14.6 to 15.4	17	44.6 to 45.4	51
15.5 to 16.3	18	45.5 to 46.3	52
16.4 to 17.2	19	46.4 to 47.2	53
17.3 to 18.0	20	47.3 to 48.1	54
18.1 to 18.9	21	48.2 to 48.9	55
19.0 to 19.8	22	49.0 to 49.8	56
19.9 to 20.7	23	49.9 to 50.7	57
20.8 to 21.6	24	50.8 to 51.6	58
21.7 to 22.5	25	51.7 to 52.5	59
22.6 to 23.3	26	52.6 to 53.4	60
23.4 to 24.2	27	53.5 to 54.0	61

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## Course Handicap Table



England Golf

Bewdley Pines Golf Club (1001488) - Bewdley Pines

Men's - Yellow Winter

Course Rating™: 66.9 - Slope Rating®: 121

Handicap Index®	Course Handicap™	Handicap Index®	Course Handicap™
+5.0 to +4.3	+5	24.8 to 25.6	27
+4.2 to +3.3	+4	25.7 to 26.6	28
+3.2 to +2.4	+3	26.7 to 27.5	29
+2.3 to +1.5	+2	27.6 to 28.4	30
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10.8 to 11.6	12	40.7 to 41.5	44
11.7 to 12.6	13	41.6 to 42.4	45
12.7 to 13.5	14	42.5 to 43.4	46
13.6 to 14.4	15	43.5 to 44.3	47
14.5 to 15.4	16	44.4 to 45.2	48
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