

## **Rules and Regulations**

- **Eligibility** This competition shall be open to amateur golfers who are members of a recognised Golf Club and shall be played in accordance with the Rules of Golf as approved by the Royal and Ancient Golf Club of St Andrews, and in accordance with local course rules. Age restriction 16yrs on or before registration day.
- **Handicap** Ladies play from the RED Tee Markers and the Gents from the WHITE Tee Markers. The handicap limit is 24 for Gentlemen and 32 for Ladies. Handicap certificates must be provided. Higher handicaps will compete off the above.
- **Distance Measuring Devices** -Players are permitted to use devices that measure distance only. Devices that are capable of gauging or measuring other conditions are not permitted. Use of such a device will result in a penalty of disqualification.
- **Buggy Policy** The use of buggies will only be permitted for medical reasons and with prior consent of the committee. A Medical Certificate will be required.
- **Dress Code** -All courses operate a strict dress code. Please check with the individual courses to ensure that these are adhered to.
- **Prizes** -Monetary prizes in the form of SGU Vouchers will be awarded to the best 3 Scores in the Scratch Section and to the best 3 Scores in the Handicap Section. A daily prize will be awarded on each day of the competition. Competitors who win overall Scratch or Handicap Prizes will not be eligible to win a Daily Prize, and only 1 Daily Prize in total will be awarded per pair during the week. The Scratch Trophy in each section will be awarded to the pair returning the lowest gross aggregate score and the Handicap Trophy in each section will be awarded to the pair returning the lowest nett aggregate score. Were one pair to return both the lowest gross and nett scores, the Handicap Trophy would be awarded to the pair returning the second lowest nett score. In the event of a tie the trophies will be awarded to the pair returning the lower home course round score. Should there still be a tie the winner will be decided by the last 9 holes of the home course round, then the last 6 holes, the last 3 holes or the last hole. If at this point both pairs are still tied each will be awarded a trophy. All prizes will be calculated and awarded at the end of the competition.

- The Competition -The Competition will comprise of 5 rounds of 18 holes played over 5 different courses in <u>4 Ball Better Ball format</u>. The scoring system each day will be <u>Strokeplay</u>. If play is suspended due to inclement weather (horn or siren will sound), players should mark their balls and return to the clubhouse immediately. In the event of cancellation of any day's golf at any course, the overall winners will be decided upon over the remaining number of courses played. Competitors will be offered a free round of golf at the affected course(s) to be taken within 12 months. No monetary refunds will be given. The decision of the Organising Committee will be final.
- Format of Play Four Ball Better Ball Handicaps will have the Course adjustment added before having the handicap allowance applied. Each player will receive a handicap allowance of 85% of their COURSE HANDICAP. Each player plays their own ball. A GROSS score MUST be entered on the score card. Players are encouraged to pick up their ball should they find that they won't score at the hole. Ladies play from the RED tee markers and gents from the WHITE tee markers. All players will use their own Par and Stroke Index. All scores in the 4BBB format will be returned for handicap purposes where the criteria are met.