



# SCOTTISH GOLF PAIRS CHALLENGE

Monday 4 to Friday 8 September 2023

  
**carnoustie  
country**

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# 2022 Prize Winners



## SCRATCH

- 1st Dave Edwards & Chris Percy – Wychwood Park Golf Club
- 2nd James Voce & Alex Walker – Wychwood Park Golf Club
- 3rd Matthew Jackson & Gary Cottiga – Wychwood Park Golf Club
- 4th Richard Wheat & Geoff Marchant – Wychwood Park Golf Club

## SENIOR – SCRATCH

- 1st Colin Hunt & Colin Watkins – St Mellons Golf Club
- 2nd David Beecroft & Richard Beecroft – Gog Magog Golf Club

## BEST MIXED PAIR OUTSIDE THE MAIN PRIZES

- 1st Ian Kinsey & Tina Kinsey – Hurlston Hall Golf Club

## BEST LADIES PAIR OUTSIDE THE MAIN PRIZES

- 1st Susan Randall & Diane Moncrieff – Turnhouse/Lochend Golf Club



## HANDICAP

- 1st Charles Brook & Chris Douglas – Forest Hills/Werneth Golf Club
- 2nd Graham Jackson & Allison Calderbank – Heyrose/Walton Hall Golf Club
- 3rd Nick Peake & David Dean – Heyrose Golf Club
- 4th Peter Hargreaves & Jerry Tonge – Chartham/Paverham Golf Club

## SENIOR – HANDICAP

- 1st Paul Henry & Charles Lyons – Dullatur Golf Club
- 2nd David Porter & Brian Bidwell – Rookery Park Golf Club

## BEST GENTS PAIR OUTSIDE THE MAIN PRIZES

- 1st Mike Hancock & Jonathon Hancock – Newcastle under Lyme Golf Club

# 2023 Golf Prizes

Presentation of Prizes will be at Alyth GC at approx. 18:00 on Friday 8 September 2023.

## MAIN SECTION – Scratch & Handicap

- 1st £350 plus Trophy
- 2nd £280
- 3rd £210
- 4th £140

## SENIORS SECTION – Scratch & Handicap - (Pairs Aged 55 And Over On 1 August 2021)

- 1st £120
- 2nd £90

## BEST MIXED PAIRS OUTSIDE THE MAIN PRIZES

- 1st £80

## BEST LADIES PAIR OUTSIDE THE MAIN PRIZES

- 1st £80

## BEST GENTS PAIR OUTSIDE THE MAIN PRIZES

- 1st £80

## DAILY PRIZES

- £40 Best Nett score at each course  
each day

Only one prize per pair will be awarded, the  
highest value taking priority.

Prize values shown are per pair



# Tournament Committee Address and Welcome

As we approach the 2023 tournament in September, our 14th tournament since the beginning when we only had six pairs, the Scottish Golf Pairs Challenge continues to grow and attract participants from far and wide. This year we have a record entry with 340 players taking part in what is seen as one of the best pairs golf tournaments in the country.

Each year we manage to attract a healthy number of new entrants and this year we welcome more new faces than ever which is a trend always appreciated by the organising committee. This year we bid a hearty Scottish welcome to two overseas pairs from Sweden and a pair from Canterbury, New Zealand. But equally satisfying is the fact that so many pairs return year after year and with that in mind we are delighted to welcome back again a few “weel kent faces”. Whatever your status, we would like to extend a very warm welcome to all competitors, and we are looking forward to forming and renewing friendships which have grown over our 14-year existence.

This year we have expanded to play the 5 participating courses over the 5 days and as such have increased the prize pool to include the 5 daily prizes across the 5 courses. We are also in the midst of producing a new and improved website, which we hope to launch very soon.

All the host courses are in excellent condition and everyone at the clubs are as excited to meeting everyone as we are. The sun always shines in Angus and East Perthshire, so we need not worry about that!

We hope that you will experience all that is best about Angus and East Perthshire during your stay and the committee will endeavour to assist you in every way possible.

Good luck to all competitors for the week and we sincerely hope you enjoy the hospitality and friendships that only Scotland and the Scottish Golf Pairs Challenge can bring.

Best wishes and welcome,  
SGPC Tournament Committee

## **Players Dinner**

The 2023 Players Dinner will again be at The Red House Hotel, Coupar Angus on Thursday 7th September at 7pm. We have former European Tour professional Alan Tait as an after-dinner speaker.

This is an informal event, and the Menu will be available for your perusal prior to the event. A supplement of £25 per head will apply. Information on how to book can be found on our website.



# 2023 Timetable of Events



## Sunday 3 September

Registration at Alyth GC from 14:00 to 17:00

## Monday 4 September Tee Times

Alyth GC from 10:00 – 12:30

Blaigowrie GC from 10:00 – 12:30

Forfar GC from 10:00 – 12:30

Kirriemuir GC from 10:00 – 12:30

Strathmore GC from 10:00 – 12:30

## Tuesday 5 September Tee Times

Alyth GC from 10:00 – 12:30

Blaigowrie GC from 10:00 – 12:30

Forfar GC from 10:00 – 12:30

Kirriemuir GC from 10:00 – 12:30

Strathmore GC from 10:00 – 12:30

## Wednesday 6 September Tee Times

Alyth GC from 10:00 – 12:30

Blaigowrie GC from 10:00 – 12:30

Forfar GC from 10:00 – 12:30

Kirriemuir GC from 10:00 – 12:30

Strathmore GC from 10:00 – 12:30

## Thursday 7 September Tee Times

Alyth GC from 10:00 – 12:30

Blaigowrie GC from 10:00 – 12:30

Forfar GC from 10:00 – 12:30

Kirriemuir GC from 10:00 – 12:30

Strathmore GC from 10:00 – 12:30

## Friday 8 September Tee Times

Alyth GC from 09:30 – 12:00

Blaigowrie GC from 09:30 – 12:00

Forfar GC from 09:30 – 12:00

Kirriemuir GC from 09:30 – 12:00

Strathmore GC from 09:30 – 12:00

Prizegiving at Alyth Golf Club at 18:00

Your individual tee times are available now at  
[www.golfweeksscotland.com](http://www.golfweeksscotland.com)

# Special Offers



Why not extend your stay and take advantage of these exclusive special offers?

## **Alyth Golf Club**

50% discount on green fees for 2 weeks before and after the competition. Call 01828 632268 (Op 1) for reservations. Please quote Scottish Golf Pairs Challenge 2023 Offer when booking.

## **Blairgowrie Golf Club**

50% discount on green fees for 2 weeks before and after the competition. Call 01250 872622 to book your tee time. Bookings subject to availability. Please quote Scottish Golf Pairs Challenge 2023 Offer when booking.

## **Forfar Golf Club**

50% discount on green fees for 2 weeks before and after the competition. Call 01307 465683 to book. Please quote Scottish Golf Pairs Challenge 2023 Offer when booking.

## **Kirriemuir Golf Club**

50% discount on green fees for 2 weeks before and after the competition. Phone Pro Shop on 01575 573317 to book a tee time. Please quote Scottish Golf Pairs Challenge 2023 Offer when booking.

## **Strathmore Golf Centre**

50% discount on green fees for 2 weeks before and after the competition. Call 01828 633322 for reservations. Please quote Scottish Golf Pairs Challenge 2023 Offer when booking.

## **Pro Shop Offers**

### **Blairgowrie Golf Club – Neil Cameron**

Sale rail with items up to 50% off

### **Forfar Golf Club – Ross Mitchell**

All items in the shop will be discounted by 10% except balls, gloves, tees confectionery and refreshments.

# Entertainment Schedule



## MONDAY 4 SEPTEMBER

Carvery Night at Blairgowrie Golf Club.

£21.95

To reserve a table, contact Blairgowrie Golf Club on 01250 872622 (option 4)

## MONDAY 4 TO FRIDAY 8 SEPTEMBER

Steak day at Strathmore Golf Course from lunchtime onwards

Steak meal and wine (or soft drink alternative)

£16.95

Enjoy one of our Scott Brothers Butchers' finest 8oz rump steak, served with chips, onion rings, mushrooms and tomatoes with either peas or coleslaw or a side salad and a glass of house red or white wine or soft drink alternative. Full menu also available every day. Booking advisable. Call 01828 634004 to book.

## TUESDAY 5 SEPTEMBER

16:00 to 19:30

Fish Night at Alyth Golf Club

2 Courses £16.95, 3 Courses £19.95

To reserve a table for dinner, contact Alyth catering on 01828 632268 (Option 2)

Curry Night at Blairgowrie Golf Club.

£15.95

Bookings available from 5pm to 8pm. To reserve a table, contact Blairgowrie Golf Club on 01250 872622 (option 4)

## WEDNESDAY 6 SEPTEMBER

Fish Fry Night at Blairgowrie Golf Club.

£13.50

Bookings available from 5pm to 8pm.

To reserve a table, contact Blairgowrie Golf Club on 01250 872622 (option 4)

## THURSDAY 7 SEPTEMBER

Players Dinner – 6:45pm for 7:15pm

The Red House Hotel, Coupar Angus

Chairman – TBC

Guest Speaker – Alan Tait

This is an informal event, and the Menu will be available for your perusal prior to the event. A supplement of £25 per head will apply. Information on how to book can be found on our website.

Scottish Night at Blairgowrie Golf Club.

£18.95

Bookings available from 5pm to 8pm.

To reserve a table, contact Blairgowrie Golf Club on 01250 872622 (option 4)

## FRIDAY 8 SEPTEMBER

Alyth Golf Club

Presentation of Prizes at approximately 18:00

# Rules and Regulations

- 1 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.
- 2 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.
- 3 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.
- 4 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.**
- 5 Dress Code** - All courses operate a strict dress code. Please check with the individual courses to ensure that these are adhered to.
- 6 Prizes** - Monetary prizes in the form of SG Vouchers will be awarded to the best 4 Scores in the Scratch Section and to the best 4 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 will be awarded to the pair returning the lowest gross aggregate score and the Handicap Trophy 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.

- 7 The Competition** - The Competition will comprise of 5 rounds of 18 holes played over 5 different courses in 4 Ball Better Ball format. The scoring system each day will be Strokeplay. 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** - Ladies Handicaps will have the SSS adjustment added before having the handicap allowance applied. Each player will receive a handicap allowance of 85% of their playing 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.





# Alyth Golf Club

Host at Venue:

Managing Secretary: Glenn Davies

T: 01828 632268 | E: [info@alythgolfclub.co.uk](mailto:info@alythgolfclub.co.uk) | W: [www.alythgolfclub.co.uk](http://www.alythgolfclub.co.uk)  
Pitcrocknie, Alyth, PH11 8HF

The Alyth Club consists of the original 18 hole Alyth Course and the new addition of the 9 hole Glenisla Course. The Alyth Course (6259 yards, Par 70) is a combination of tree lined fairways and rolling terrain, the course presents a delightful challenge as it meanders through the avenues of pines and silver birch, requiring accuracy over length off the tee. However, both are required at the long par 4, 9th and 10th holes, and the Par 5, 11th. A fun course to play, it was recently voted Scotland's "Best Course Under £50", at The Scottish Golf Tourism Awards. In 2016, the Club took on the back 9 holes of the original Glenisla course, creating a challenging 9 hole course (3078 yards, Par 35) with the option to play 18 holes from different tees (6229 yards, par 70).



# Blairgowrie Golf Club

Host at Venue:

Managing Secretary: Stuart Wilson

T: 01250 872622 | E: [office@theblairgowriegolfclub.co.uk](mailto:office@theblairgowriegolfclub.co.uk) | W: [www.theblairgowriegolfclub.co.uk](http://www.theblairgowriegolfclub.co.uk)

Golf Course Road, Rosemount, Blairgowrie, PH10 6LG

Blairgowrie Golf Club boasts 3 fine golf courses. The Lansdowne Course, (7007 yard, Par 72) was designed by Peter Alliss and Dave Thomas in 1979 and has hosted a number of events including most recently, the Scottish Amateur Championship in 2013 and the PGA Championship Finals in 2014. Routed through swathes of pine and silver birch trees, it requires much more accuracy from the tee than the much older Rosemount Course (6630 yard, Par 72) which hosted the Junior Ryder Cup in 2014, and was the venue of Greg Norman's first European Tour victory in the 1970's. The Rosemount and Lansdowne courses are complimented by The Wee Course (2327 yard, Par 32) which is one of the most fun and enjoyable 9 hole courses to be found anywhere in Scotland.





# Forfar Golf Club

Host at Venue:

Managing Secretary: Owen Leslie

T: 01307 463773 | E: [info@forfargolfclub.co.uk](mailto:info@forfargolfclub.co.uk) | W: [www.forfargolfclub.co.uk](http://www.forfargolfclub.co.uk)

Arbroath Road, Cunninghill, Forfar, DD8 2RL

Forfar Golf Club has the 4th oldest 18 hole course in the world and is the very first Club to have an 18 hole course from inception and inauguration. In 1871, Founding member James Brodie invited Tom Morris Snr to Forfar where he laid out an 18-hole golf course. This was the very first 18-hole course built from inception anywhere in the world.

The unique topography with undulating furrows makes for a demanding test. Favour accuracy over distance and take careful note of pin positions, there's some blind shots!

With 87 bunkers on the course you must think your way round. The greens have many subtle burrows so endeavour to finish below the hole. James Braid put his name to the 15th, regarding it his best design.

# Kirriemuir Golf Club



Host at venue:  
Alan Tucker

T: 01575 573317 | E: [enquiries@kirriemuirgolfclub.co.uk](mailto:enquiries@kirriemuirgolfclub.co.uk) | W: [www.kirriemuirgolfclub.co.uk](http://www.kirriemuirgolfclub.co.uk)

Sheilhill Road, Kirriemuir, DD8 4LN

James Braid created this exquisite gem (5518 yard, Par 70), a glorious mix of heathland and parkland which rests perfectly on a hillside and against the spectacular backdrop of the Angus Glens.

Although short by modern standards, the course boasts its fair share of obstacles including the 180 yard par 3, 17th hole which is surrounded by mature trees, and the uphill 18th which is blocked on the right fairway by a magnificent large oak. But the breathtaking scenery may well prove your greatest distraction.



# Strathmore Golf Centre



Hosts at Venue:

General Manager: David Norman

T: 01828 633322 | E: [enquiries@strathmoregolf.com](mailto:enquiries@strathmoregolf.com) | W: [www.strathmoregolf.com](http://www.strathmoregolf.com)

Leroch, New Alyth, PH11 8NZ

The warmest of welcomes awaits every visitor to Strathmore, which is beautifully set amidst the glorious Perthshire countryside, overlooking the Strathmore Valley and Sidlaw Hills. Opened in 1996, the facilities include the impressive John Salvesen designed 18 hole Rannaleroch Course (6454 yard, Par 72) and the 9 hole Leitfie Links (166 yd par 29), driving range, large short game practice area, putting green, and a beautifully appointed clubhouse, making it a popular spot for golfing and non-golfing visitors alike. The fairways are relatively generous, but watch out for the many undulations on the greens which may make putting trickier than you first expect!

# Useful Contacts

## Blairgowrie Tourist Information Centre

If you need advice, information, or directions to golf clubs, accommodation providers or visitor attractions, or anything else concerning your stay, please get in touch with the friendly and knowledgeable team based in the town centre opposite the Wellmeadow green.

26 Wellmeadow  
Blairgowrie  
T: 01250 872960

## Taxi's and Minibus Hire

Blairgowrie

Rab's Cabs T: 01250 872116

WH Taxis T: 01250 873538

Angie's Taxis T: 01250 874444

Coupar Angus

Coupar Cabs T: 01828 628188

Lynda's Lifts T: 01828 640867

Alyth

Alyth Taxis T: 01828 633333

Zaks Taxis T: 01828 633132

## Doctors

Alyth Health Centre

New Road

Alyth T: 01828 632317

Ardblair Medical Practice

Anne Street

Blairgowrie T: 01250 872033

Strathmore Surgery

Jessie Street

Blairgowrie T: 01250 872552

## Dentists

Kirriemuir Dental Practice

120 Roods

Kirriemuir T: 01575 572711

Blairgowrie Dental Practice

64 High Street

Blairgowrie T: 01250 875136

Coupar Angus Dental Care

Union Street

Coupar Angus T: 01828 628280

## Physiotherapists

Kirriemuir Physio Clinic

17 School Wynd

Kirriemuir T: 01575 575616

Lisden Physio Clinic

3 Lisden Gardens

Kirriemuir T: 01575 574104

## Garages

Autosales Garage

Lindsay Street

Kirriemuir T: 01575 572404

Central Garage,

St Andrew Street

Alyth T: 01828 632492

Balmoral Garage

Balmoral Road

Blairgowrie T: 01250 875875

McConechy's Tyre & Exhaust Centre

Blairgowrie T: 01250 872181

For information on the beautiful area of Blairgowrie and East Perthshire –

[www.visiteastperthshire.com](http://www.visiteastperthshire.com)