

## The Station Masters GC

### CLUB COMPETITION PROCEDURES AND RULES 2026

1. **The Arthur Christieson Club Championship** comprises a match-play singles scratch competition.
2. **The Dave McNicoll Handicap and the Country Cup Seniors** comprises a match-play singles competition with full handicap difference.
3. **The Enfield Fourball** comprises a match-play doubles competition where each partner plays their own ball and the side's score for that hole is the lower score of the two partners on that hole. Each handicap is **90%** of the difference of the lowest course handicap. \* (For mixed matches, see Item (c) below).
4. **The Dunbar Foursomes** comprises a match-play doubles competition where each team plays with the same ball and take alternate shots until the hole is completed. Handicap is **50%** of the difference of the combined handicaps of each team.
5. **The George Anderson Greensomes** comprises a match-play doubles competition where each player drives off the tee. Each team will elect which of their drives to play and the golfer who has hit that ball will let his teammate take the second shot and they will then take alternate shots until the ball is holed-out. Team handicap is **60%** of low course h/c plus **40%** high course h/c.

### GENERAL PROCEDURES AND RULES

- a) The player/s on the **'top'** of the draw in any match, the **challenger/s**, will be responsible for contacting their **opponent/s** to arrange a mutually agreed date for playing the match. Contact numbers for opponents are shown below or opposite their name on the draw sheets. An extension to the play-by date is **not permitted in any circumstances**. If the tie is not played by the play-by date, the **opponent/s** will be automatically advanced to the next round. If however, the **challenger/s** is unable to make contact with their opponent or the tie cannot be arranged for any reason, it is the **challenger's** responsibility to contact the Match Sub-committee (MSC) [stationmasters@live.co.uk](mailto:stationmasters@live.co.uk) within a reasonable amount of time (**no less than one week from the play-by deadline**), and outline the steps they have taken to try to arrange the tie. The MSC will then investigate and decide as to who progresses to the next round. If you are an **opponent** and know that you cannot play the tie by the play-by date for whatever reason, then you should contact the MSC and concede the match.
- b) For doubles ties, it is the responsibility of every player to ensure that they know their up-to-date HI and can determine their Course Handicap by using the course rating sheets at the Starter's Box prior to the match. Then the number of shots can be allocated. Men play off the **white tees** and women play off the **green tees**.
- c) If playing a mixed match, the following will apply:
  - Fourball** – For a mixed pair, men get their course handicap for the white tees. Women get their course handicap for the green tees. All players in the group take **90%** of the difference from the lowest handicap player. Women then **add 1 shot**, being the mens/women's course rating difference. Men use White stroke index and Women use the Green stroke index for shots.
  - Foursomes** – For a mixed pair, the women's course rating deduction plus allowance effectively cancel each other out, so each team gets **50%** of their combined course handicaps and the team with the higher total receives the full difference. Both players in a mixed team use the White stroke index for shots.
  - Greensomes** – All as Foursomes except team hc is **60%** low hc + **40%** high hc as Item 5 above.
- d) Scoring should be carried out manually, in the usual way. **The final result of the match must be recorded by emailing the score to us asap after the match.**
- e) In the event of a halved match, sudden death extra holes should be played, as agreed by the group, and in accordance with circumstances prevailing at the time.

If you have any queries, please get in touch [stationmasters@live.co.uk](mailto:stationmasters@live.co.uk)