WOMEN'S MIDWEEK INTERCLUB COMPETITION RULES

INTERCLUB FOR 9 HOLE INDEX PLAYERS:

Played Mid Week (Thursdays where possible)
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1. **Format**

   The format is to be matchplay with handicaps. Play is in fours, with two players from each team in each four. The matches are to be played over 9 holes.

   Each team will consist of 4 players who will play in handicap index order. After the entering of teams on the website, and subsequent publication of the team sheets, **team playing order will not change** even if handicap indexes alter between this publication and match day, excepting under the normal process of a substitution.

   Clubs should load the match sheets as an event on DotGolf, prior to match day, and print off cards on the morning of match day. Maximum handicap index is 54.4.

   Score cards completed in line with the Rules of Golf, **can** be submitted for handicapping.

   A coin toss will decide the honour on the first tee.

2. **Player Eligibility**

   Players must hold a 9 hole handicap index and not play in 18 hole interclub as well as 9 hole interclub. Maximum handicap is 54.4

3. **Competition**

   There will be one section if up to 12 teams are entered. If teams exceed 12 there will be 2 sections.
   For an odd number of teams – neutral venue to apply with host team having the bye.
   For even number of teams – one club will not have a home game and will not play a host team on their home course.

   For a one section competition:
   - The winning team is the team with the most points at the completion of the season.
   - In the event of a tied result the winning team will be the winner of the match between the two teams concerned.
   - If that match was halved the trophy will be shared.

   For a two section competition:
   - The team with the most points in each section will play the second placed team from the other section in a semi-final.
     - In each section in the event of two or more teams having the same number of points, the team with the highest number of points scored against the other tied team(s) will be deemed the winner.
     - If there is still a tie, the separation will be determined by first, the team with the highest number of wins during the season and then by the highest number of singles wins in the number 1 position, descending through the order until a winner is determined.
     - If there is still no winner, the winner shall be decided by the toss of a coin.
   - In the Play-off fixtures, if there is a tie at the end of normal, each team shall select one player to play in a sudden death playoff on handicap, commencing from the same tee as the match.
   - The play-off fixtures should be played on a neutral course
   - Only players who participated in section play may participate in play-offs

A club unable to field a full team can request a player from the host club to fill in so there would still be 4 games. This match would be forfeited.

4. **Multiple Teams**

A club may enter more than one team in the competition.
Players may not move between teams unless approved.

5. **Substitution of Players**

Any player may be substituted after the posting of the team and prior to the commencement of the match provided:

   a) The opposing team and WGI are informed
   b) The substitute plays in the position relating to their handicap index, moving other players so the team remains in handicap index order.

6. **Field Day and Presentation of Trophies**

   - A Field Day may be held after the completion of the season
   - Each club participating in the Field Day will pay an Entry Fee
   - Each team may enter a team of 3 pairs with the pairings at the club's discretion
   - No caddies may be used
   - The Host Club in conjunction with WGI shall determine the start time with a Shot Gun Start at 9.30am suggested.
   - It is recommended that the host club arranges a simple lunch which is prepaid at Registration. The competition will be a Foursomes Stableford, (Handicap – half the pairs combined handicaps, rounded up) with the best 2 pair's scores counting towards the team score.
   - To be played in sixes

Trophies presented:

9 Hole Interclub Champion Club

Field Day Winning Club