



COUNTY LOUTH

— GOLF CLUB —

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Competitions

All competitions shall be played in accordance with the Rules of Golf as approved by the R&A Rules Limited and specific conditions of competition. Players should familiarise themselves with these relevant golfing rules, particularly **Rule 5**. In addition, players should familiarise themselves with the general rules of golf as laid out in the **Player's Edition of the Rules of Golf (2019)**, available from the club.

To enter a competition, a player must ensure :-

- They are entitled to enter the competition.
- Entered their name on the timesheet.
- Paid the appropriate entrance fee.



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2020 Junior / Student / Intermediate Rules & Fixture List

Junior boys who have a handicap of 15 or better are eligible to play in all Senior competitions, with the exception of the Captain's Prize, President's Prize and Hampers.

Junior girls who have a handicap of 19 or better are eligible to play in Ladies and Men's combined competitions (Kevin Garvey Trophy, Nelson Trophy, Team events etc.)

Junior boys who have a handicap of 18 or better are eligible to play in the following Senior competitions :-

Sunday 26 th April	PGA tankard
Sunday 17 th May	3 T's
Sunday 7 th June	Club Competition
Sunday 14 th June	Club Competition
Sunday 21 st June	Club Competition
Saturday 4 th July	Junior Scratch Cup
Sunday 19 th July	7 Day Members Trophy
Sunday 16 th August	Crimmins Trophy

October, November, December Turkey Competitions, Mid-Week, Saturday and Sunday.

Eligible juniors may only take a place on the timesheet in the 24 hour period before the timesheet is closed by contacting the club reception desk by phone at **041-9881530** or email to reservations@countylouthgolfclub.com.



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Student and Intermediate Members

- Student and Intermediate members are eligible to play in all senior competitions except the Captain's Prize and President's Prize.

Eligible Juniors - Singles

- May play with any member entered in the competition.
- May enter and play with fellow Eligible Juniors.
- May only win the Junior Boys Prize (the Prize to be determined by number of Junior entries)
- Results will be included in the overall results sent to members.

Eligible Juniors - Fourball

- May enter and play but must partner with an Adult member (Adult member to include Student and Intermediate members)
- May win any prize.

Eligible Juniors - Team Events

- May enter and play subject to a maximum of two Junior Boys per team.
- May win any prize.

Please note: Penalty for breach of any of the above is disqualification.



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Timesheets

Players should be on the 1st tee and ready to play not later than 5 minutes before their assigned tee-off time. Rule 5.3a

Players must remain with their assigned partners throughout the round. Rule 5.4.

Members who wish to withdraw their names from a timesheet must do so not later than **48 hours** prior to the commencement of the competition. Failure to do so will result in the appropriate competition fee being deducted from their purse.

The waiting list will be used to fill such vacancies. The waiting list will lapse after 6 pm on the day before the competition.

Any vacancies arising on the competition day will be filled on a first come first served basis.

Non-appearance on competition day without a reasonable explanation will result in that member being **ineligible** for the next Singles Competition together with a fine equal to the competition fee missed.

A person left on their own on a timesheet must take the next available time or if a person is left on their own due to bad weather or by playing partners who do not wish to play, they must take the next available time on the timesheet.

Please note: Carrying a divot bag is mandatory.



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Recording Score

Members please note that it is the player's responsibility to ensure that the correct handicap is entered on their own score card. Failure to do so will result in disqualification.

To assist in the efficient running of competitions, competitors are requested to total up each nine holes on their cards (in Stableford competitions please also calculate stableford points).

Cards must be completed before leaving the course.

Rule 3.3 Scoring in Stroke play

A) Recording Scores.

After each hole the marker should check with the competitor and record their score. On completion of the round the marker must sign the score card and hand it to the competitor. If more than one marker records the scores, each must sign for the part for which they are responsible.

B) Signing and Returning Score Cards.

After the completion of the round, the competitor should check their score for each hole and settle any doubtful points with the committee. They must ensure that the marker(s) have signed the score card, sign their own score card and return it to the committee as soon as possible. Penalty for Breach of Rule 6.6b is **Disqualification**.

C) Alternation of a score cards.

No alternation may be made on a score card after the competitor has returned it to the committee.

D) Wrong Score for a Hole.

The competitor is responsible for the correctness of the score recorded for each hole on their scorecard. If they return a score lower than actually taken, they are disqualified. If they return a score higher than actually taken, the score returned will stand.



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Returning Score Card

It is the Competitor's responsibility to return their card. Score cards for all Competitions must be returned in the appropriate box within **30 minutes** of end of play. Failure to return cards within the stipulated timeframe will result in **Disqualification**.

Failure to return a score card will result in the player being deemed ineligible for the next **TWO Singles Competitions**. Continued failure to return score cards may result in suspension of handicap.

Use of computer

Where the computer system is available, failure to input scores through the computer system will result in that player being ineligible for the **next Singles Competition**.

Appeals Process

If there are circumstances unknown to the Committee where a member feels they have been penalised wrongly, they may appeal their case as soon as possible but before the next competition. This appeal can be made by contacting reception on 041-9881530 or by E-Mail to reservations@countylouthgolfclub.com or mens@countylouthgolfclub.com



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Pace of Play

Watch the Ball

Assist your playing partners by making an effort to watch each other's shots as carefully and as often as possible. This should result in less time searching and fewer lost balls.

Lost & Provisional Ball

Always have an extra ball with you to use as a provisional in the event that your shot may be lost or out of bounds. If in any doubt, play a provisional. You should then not have to leave and return to the tee or go back to the spot of the previous stroke to put another ball into play. Go to your own ball, hit and then come back to help look for a lost ball. Remember a maximum of **3 minutes** is allowed to search. Be aware of the group behind and consider calling them through.

Marking Score Cards

Mark the score cards on the way to or on the next tee. The player who is first to play from the next tee should play first and then mark the card.

Play Ready Golf

On the Tee, the player who is ready should hit first. Tee-off as soon as the group ahead is clear and it is safe to do so.

On the Fairway, be prepared to hit by the time you reach your ball. Hit when ready and it's safe to do so. Minimise time spent determining precise distances for shots when approximate distances would suffice.

On the Green

Place your clubs between green and next tee. Study your putt while others are putting. Minimise studying the line of putt from multiple angles, or marking, lifting and replacing a ball that is close to the hole before holing out. Continue putting until holed out. First to hole out should pick up the flag stick.

Finally

Keep up with the group ahead and don't forget to enjoy your round.



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Club Match Play Competitions

Results must be posted on or before the last day of playing. It is the responsibility of the competitors to ensure the result is posted. In the event of no result being posted on time, both pairs or competitors will be disqualified.

Please note : **NO** extensions of time will be considered.

White markers for match play competitions.

Handicaps Half the difference of the combined handicaps for Spring Foursomes.

Full handicap difference for Spicer Cup and Carberry Cup.