

KENT COUNTY GOLF UNION
THE KENT AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP

Championship Rules

1. **Eligibility**
Entry is limited to Male Members of Clubs affiliated to the Kent County Golf Union who are in possession of a certified playing handicap of 5 or less.
2. Entries may be limited in number, and if necessary, higher handicaps will be subject to ballot.
3. **The Competition**
The Championship is decided by Individual Scratch Match Play, with each round being over 18 holes then "sudden death" if necessary.

There will be an initial 36 hole Stroke Play stage from which the leading 32 players (based on gross score) will qualify for the Match Play stage. "Count-back" to decide if necessary. The leading 16 will play, by Knock Out, to decide the Championship winner. The second 16 will similarly play for the "Hetherington Salver".
4. **Condition of Entry**
Entry is to the Championship. Any Competitor failing to meet his commitment to play in the Match Play stage will be de-barred from entering in the following year. Entries should not be made by those unwilling, or unable, to play in the Match Play stage.
5. **The Champion**
Will hold the Championship Cup for one year and will receive a medal. He will also represent the County in the "Champion of Champions" National Competition.
6. **The Runner-Up**
Will receive a medal.
7. **Beaten Semi-Finalists**
Will receive medals.
8. **The Hetherington Salver**
Winner will hold the Salver for one year.
9. **The Scratch Cup**
Will be held for one year by the Competitor with the lowest gross score over the 36 hole Stroke Play stage.
10. **The Astor Cup**
Will be held for one year by the Competitor with the lowest nett score over the 36 hole Stroke Play stage.
11. **The Simpson Cup**
Will be held for one year by the Competitor, under the age of 25 years on the day, with the lowest gross score over the 36 hole Stroke Play stage.

All these Cups will be decided by "count-back" if necessary.

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12. **Practice Rounds**
Competitors should make their own arrangements with the Secretary of the Host Club. A practice round may be a courtesy offered by the Club but competitors should be prepared to pay a green fee if required.
13. Play will be under the Rules of the R & A in conjunction with the Local Rules of the Host Club. Disputes shall be referred to the Championship Committee immediately after completion of the round. Their decision shall be final.
14. All entries shall be subject to approval by the Championship Committee who reserve the right to accept or reject any entry without giving reason for their decision, which shall be final.
15. **Ride on Buggies**. Except in cases when Competitors claim exemption under the provisions of the Disability Discrimination Acts 1995 and 2005 upon the production of a Medical Certificate signed by a Registered Medical Practitioner, all other Competitors shall be prohibited from riding on motorised buggy carts, except with the explicit permission of the Championship Committee. Penalty for Breach of Condition is Disqualification. Medical Certificates must be provided to the Secretary no less than 5 clear days prior to the start of any competition administered by the Union. Competitors shall always be responsible for providing their buggy.
16. **Distance Measuring Devices (DMD's)** are permitted but only those that calculate distance. Those providing other information such as wind speed, temperature and elevation, will not be allowed. Any player found using such a DMD will be in breach of Rule 14-3 for which the penalty is disqualification, regardless of whether any such additional function is actually used.

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Individual Entry Form

The Kent Amateur Championship will be held this year on:

Fri/Sat/Sun 26/27/28th June 2009 at Mid Kent Golf Club

1. The Championship rules apply (copy held by your Club Secretary or go to www.kcgu.org).
2. **The Closing Date for Entries is Friday 5th June 2009.**
3. The Entry Fee (excluding meals) is **£35.00**.
4. Meals should be ordered from the Host Club before the commencement of each day's play.

Sent Entry to Kent County Golf Union (date) *(retain for your records)*

Signed

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To: The Secretary, Kent County Golf Union, Littlestone Golf Club, St. Andrews Road, Littlestone, New Romney, KENT TN28 8RB, Tel 01797 367725, Email: kcgu@kentgolf.co.uk

I wish to enter the **2009 Kent Amateur Championship** and enclose herewith my cheque made payable to **Kent County Golf Union** for the sum of **£35.00** being the Entry Fee.

If I do not qualify for the Match Play stage of the Championship (top 16) I wish to participate in the

Hetherington Salver (Please tick the box)

Name (print) **Club** (print)

Address (print)

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..... Telephone

Date of Birth Exact Handicap.....

Signed Date

Club Secretary's Signature