

KENT COUNTY GOLF UNION
KENT JUNIOR FOURSOMES

An 18-Hole Inter-Club Knockout Competition

Competition Rules

1. **Eligible Clubs**

All Clubs affiliated to the Kent County Golf Union.

2. **Eligible Players**

Any Members, Male or Female, who are under the age of 18 years on the 1st of January of the year of the Competition, and are in possession of a certified handicap not higher than 28 for boys or 36 for girls. However, as explained below, lower handicap limits may be applied in determining each player's handicap allowance.

No player may play for more than one Club in any Calendar Year.

Players in the Team may be changed between rounds.

There must not be more than two girls in a Team.

3. **The Match**

Two pairs from each Club (pairs 'A' and 'B') will play Foursomes Match Play, off Handicap, over 18 holes, each game being played over the full 18 holes. The winning Club will be the team that is the most holes up from the aggregate of the two pairs at the end of the round. The pair from each club that tees-off first at the first hole played shall be deemed to be Pair 'A'. In the event of a Tie pair 'B' shall play "sudden death" to determine the result.

Each match shall be on a single match basis i.e. not "home" and "away".

4. **Conceding Game**

If during the play of a game a player is unable to continue due to illness, injury or any other reason, that pair will concede the remaining holes to their Opponents i.e. "all square" with 4 holes to play, will produce a 4 down result.

Similarly, in the event of a Tied match after both pairs have played 18 holes, and Pair 'B' cannot continue into "sudden death", the Match will be conceded to the Opponents.

5. **Tees**

Boys will play from the men's tees of the day, girls from the ladies' tees of the day. The men's Card to be used for Stroke Index and Par purposes.

6. **Handicap Allowance**

There will be no Handicap adjustment because of gender.

The maximum handicap limit for each player in pair 'A' shall be 20 for boys and 30 for girls. The maximum handicap limit for each player in pair 'B' shall be 10 for boys and 15 for girls. A player with a higher handicap than this may play as part of either pair, but his or her handicap shall be restricted to the maximum limit.

Handicap allowance in a game will be ½ (one half) of the difference between each pair's combined handicaps. Current Handicap Certificates to be shown to opponents representative before play starts. Failure to produce Certification will require the player concerned to play off Scratch.

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7. **Draw arrangements**

The draw will indicate the “home” club, which will be responsible for arranging the fixture by offering three dates within the time allowed, with reasonable consideration for the opposing club to be able to meet the dates.

The winning club is responsible for informing the County Secretary, B.L. Sparkes: telephone 01797 367725 or email kcgu@kentgolf.co.uk as soon as possible after the match.

All rounds are to be played by, or on, the date specified in the draw. Total inability to do so must be discussed with the County Secretary.

8. **Other Matters**

Matches will be played under the Rules of the R & A in conjunction with the local rules of the home club. Any disputes shall be referred immediately after the match, via the County Secretary, to the Competition Committee, whose decision shall be final.

Team practice rounds are discouraged and “home” clubs are not expected to provide free practice rounds for their opponents.

The home club will be expected to not charge green fees for the match, and to provide sandwiches and refreshments for the players.

The final will normally be played at the same venue, and on the afternoon of, the Kent Amateur Foursomes finals.

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.

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.

November 2008

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An 18-Hole Inter-Club Junior Knockout

The Final to be played on Sunday 13th September 2009 at Mid Kent Golf Club

ENTRY FORM

1. The Competition Rules apply (copy held by your Club Secretary or go to www.kcgu.org).
2. **The Closing Date for Entries is Monday 26th January 2009.**
3. The Entry Fee this year is **£20.00** per Club.

Sent entry to Kent County Golf Union (date) Signed

(retain for your records)



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

We **Golf Club**, wish to enter the

2009 Kent Junior Foursomes and enclose our cheque made payable to **Kent County Golf Union** for the sum of **£20.00** being the Entry Fee.

Signed Junior Organiser Date

Address

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Telephone:..... **Email:**