

# Singles Stroke-Play Competitions (Men Only & Mixed) Medal, Stableford, Bogey (Board & Non-Board Competitions)

## Formats of Play & Terms of the Competitions

*"It is the responsibility of each player to know and follow the Terms of the Competition".*

*The competitions shall be played in accordance with the Rules of Golf as approved by R&A Rules Limited and Local Rules approved by the Committee.*

1. **QUALIFYING COMPETITIONS** - Handicap Indexes may be affected.
2. **ELIGIBILITY:**
  - **PLAYERS** – Players must be members of Thorney Lakes Golf Club.
  - **HANDICAP INDEX** – Players must have a Handicap Index.
  - **NOTE** – Members who have not completed the 54 holes required for their initial Handicap Index allocation are NOT eligible to win these competitions.
  - **NOTE** – Non-eligible members may participate in these competitions at no cost for the purpose of either adding an entry onto their playing record, or as part of their 54 holes required for their initial Handicap Index allocation.
3. **HOW TO ENTER** – Players can enter by either using the terminal in the Pro Shop or via the HDiD App to book their preferred tee times. This needs to be done no later than 48 hours before the day of the competition. Late entrants will be accepted but their preferred tee time cannot be guaranteed.
4. **ENTRANCE FEES** – Paid on the day in the Pro Shop. Players must collect the specially prepared scorecard before proceeding to the first tee.
5. **FORMATS OF PLAY:**
  - **STROKE-PLAY** - Each player competes against all the other players in the competition. The player who completes the round in the fewest total strokes (including strokes made and penalty strokes) is the winner. In a handicap competition, this means the fewest total nett strokes.
  - **STABLEFORD** - A form of Stroke-Play. Points are awarded for each hole by comparing the number of strokes you have taken (including strokes made and penalty strokes) to the fixed target score for the hole which is Par.
  - **BOGEY** - A form of Stroke-Play that uses scoring as in match play. The player wins or loses a hole by completing the hole in fewer strokes or more strokes (including both strokes made and any penalty strokes) against a fixed target score, which is Par. The competition is won by the player with the highest total of holes won versus holes lost i.e. adding up the holes won and subtracting the holes lost.
  - **NOTE** – Players' attention is drawn to Rule 3.3 of the Rules of Golf which provide more specific guidance when competing in Stroke-Play competitions.
6. **HANDICAP ALLOWANCES** - 95% of the player's Course Handicap.

7. **COURSE TEES** – Men will play from the White Tees; Ladies will play from the Red tees. Players with a Handicap Index allocated from the Red Course must play from the Red Tees.
8. **NOTE** – Players using the Red Tees will receive an additional 0.3 strokes to their course handicap to reflect difference in course ratings between the White & Red courses before the playing handicap calculation is applied.
9. **SCORECARD RESPONSIBILITIES, PLAYERS & MARKERS** – Before submitting a scorecard, players' attention is drawn to Rule 3.3b of the Rules of Golf which gives specific guidance on scorecard responsibilities in handicap stroke-play. Any breach of this rule is disqualification.
10. **ORDER OF PLAY** – All competitions will start from the 1<sup>st</sup> tee. Any players found to be in breach of this term will be disqualified.

**NOTE** - All competitions covered in these terms & conditions are played over 18 holes.

11. **When the Result of the Competition is Final** – The result of the competition is FINAL when the competition has been closed by either the Competition Secretary or the Pro-Shop.