



Lincoln Golf Club Seniors

Secretary's Update 30 June 2020

Gentlemen,

Since advising you all that Seniors Competitions are to return with effect from Monday 6th July. I have received a number of emails mainly in support but some expressing reservations in respect of social distancing.

By tomorrow you will all receive the 'Rules and Procedures' document associated with our return to Competitions. They are, from a social distance perspective, based on the steps taken by the Club on their trial on Saturday, and I am told that with some very minor exceptions this was deemed to have been successful. Additionally, Intelligent Golf software does not cater for tee booking before 8 am and therefore to best use the time allocated to us (07:30 to 09:30) we need to adopt a different system which will be covered by the document.

I have spent most of the night working on fine tuning the detail on how we can best achieve safety while retaining our ability to play on Monday, Wednesday and Friday between 7:30 and 9:30am. This will be issued as part of the Rules and Procedures document.

Competition days should in theory be the easiest days to manage. But with 90 members and a norm of about 36% turnout for comps, there needs to be a method of ensuring that we do not all turn up at the same time. For the first few mornings we will employ a turn up by Surname for each tee slot (Table will be provided). Providing only about 50% of our members turn up this should (with the exception of surnames H and S) mean that progress through the tee at 10 minute intervals should be achievable. I know that this is probably not what you would want in terms of pairing up with your normal playing partners, but it will have to be the way to begin with, and in many ways is aligned with the ethos of Seniors golf for meeting and playing with fellow members.

I noticed that the '**Gordon Walker QC is a medal competition** and as such may not be the best format for the first outing of the system. I have therefore decided that **we will play the 'Seniors Cup' (Stableford) on Monday 6th July** instead and play the 'Gordon Walker' later in the year.

[I notice that many of you have already booked tee slots after 09:40 on Monday 6th. Should you wish to play in the Competition, this is fine and I am happy that you do](#)





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so, but would ask that you confirm your intention to me before Friday. I can then ensure that the administrative support required for the competition is in place throughout the required period in the afternoon. I hope that this is of some help to you.

I hope this goes some way toward providing a little more information to those who may be anxious about our arrangements. Covid 19 is still the biggest threat to us at this time, our return to golf acknowledges this and puts in place the Rules and Procedures that, if we follow, will keep to the Government guidance for staying safe.

Full details on the return will follow tomorrow evening. I have hurried this email as I wanted those linked to the text in blue above, to know where they stand from a Seniors Competition perspective. I therefore hope that the content of the email makes sense to you all.

Kind Regards
Derek
LGC Seniors Secretary

