



Golf News

Update and Amendment to Preferred Lies

Preferred lies were introduced in July under model local rule E-3 to help address the impacts of prolonged drought and the sporadic regrowth caused by a period of wetter weather.

Whilst the impact of these conditions is still evident across the fairways, there is an obligation under the rules of golf to reduce the size of the relief area as conditions improve.

Effective from Monday 1 September, preferred lies will remain in place; however, when your ball is on closely mown areas, you may mark its position, lift it, clean it and place it within six inches of its original spot, no closer to the hole. This rule applies only to closely mown areas. The local will remain in effect until further notice.

We believe maintaining the option of preferred lies will contribute to a more enjoyable and fair golfing experience for all members. If you have any questions or need further clarification, please do not hesitate to contact the marshals on the course.



Men's Bennett Foursomes

Saturday 27 September
Old Course

This Honours Board Pairs Competition is played as Foursomes against Bogey (Par). The handicap allowance will be half of the combined Course Handicaps. Online entry for this competition will open on Saturday 30 August. The competition is open to Male Pass Holders with a Handicap Index up to 18.4 at the time of entry.

Pass holders must have played in at least three qualifying Medal and Stableford competitions at the Royal Automobile Club 364 days prior to the date of the competition. If a pass holder has transferred in from another club within the last six months, they must have a full complement of 20 scores on their WHS Handicap Index record.

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The Mixed Compendium Cup

**Sunday 28 September, 8.30am Shotgun Start
Old Course**

You can enter individually, or with your playing partners for this shotgun start competition from Sunday 31 August. Open to Men and Lady golf pass holders with a handicap Index up to 54.0 at time of entry.

Following the competition, the Lady Captain will be having lunch in The 19th Hole if you would like to join her.

Rules

Played over 18 Holes Stableford on the Old Course using three different formats.

Played off Men's card and indices throughout.

Men to play off white tees and Ladies to play off red tees
4 Ball Betterball - 85% handicap for holes 1, 2, 3, 10, 11 and 12.
Greensomes - 60/40 handicap combined for holes 4, 5, 6, 13, 14 and 15.
Foursomes - ½ handicap combined for holes 7, 8, 9, 16, 17 and 18.

Entry fee: £6.00 each

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TaylorMade Custom Fitting

**Tuesday 23 September,
10.00am-2.30pm**

We are delighted to be welcoming TaylorMade for a golf custom fitting day on Tuesday 23 September from 10.00am to 2.30pm.

[Book a Fitting](#)



Club Shop and Online Club Shop Closure

**Woodcote Park, Saturday 30 and
Sunday 31 August**

The Club Shop and Online Club Shop will be closed on Saturday 30 and Sunday 31 August due to a scheduled system upgrade. The shop will reopen as usual on Monday 1 September.

We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause.

Learn Bridge at Woodcote Park

From Wednesday 10 September

Taught by Natasha Clarke, who was trained by Andrew Robson - one of the UK's most respected bridge authorities, this course follows the beginner programme taught at Andrew's club in Parsons Green.

The ten week course begins on Wednesday 10 September with a special double session from 2.00 – 6.00pm.

Course Fee: £250.00

For more information, or to reserve your place please email the [Activities Group](#).



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