***Match Play Tournament 2022* Date: May 9, 2022**

The match play for 2022 is based on a strictly knock-out format from start to finish.

**The competition is open to all members of the Golf Society and the participants in the match play must be a current paid up member of the Golf Society.**

**Initial Draw**

If there are more than 32 players initially, there will be a preliminary round to reduce the field to 32.

Preliminary and First round matches will be determined by open draw i.e.no handicap seeding.

Golf course selection for each match will be agreed by the competitors – except for semi-final and final matches where the venues will be decided by the Matchplay Committee.

The Matchplay Tournament schedule will show the dates by which matches must be completed.

**Please note the following:**

1. It is essential that all score cards are completed legibly and clearly and are signed, dated and submitted in a timely manner upon completion of their match.
2. Failure to submit the card as per the above criteria could result in disqualification
3. Completed score cards can be deposited in the Golf Box in the Club, or given to Brendan Baragwanath or Jimmy Fay.

**Handicaps and Tees**

Handicaps will be determined and provided only by the Golf Society Handicap Administrator and agreed to prior to each match play event.

Men will play from the White tees - with the exception of designated Super Seniors who may play from the next forward set of tees available, if they wish.

For handicap purposes, Super-Seniors are defined as **those 75 years of age or older.**

As such, they will have three choices when playing a match or a stroke round:

1. Play from the under-75’s tees with no handicap reduction.
2. Play from the next forward set of tees available – their handicaps will be adjusted downward according to the forward tees from which they to play.
3. Play from the under-75’s tees with no handicap reduction **but** with the option to play from the next forward tees at holes of their choosing incurring a penalty shot at each such hole played.

Ladies will play from the Ladies Tees.

Competitors are requested to advise either Brendan Baragwanath or Jimmy Fay of the date and golf course you are playing so that the Golf Society Handicap Administrator can provide the current official handicaps for the course and tees being played.

The player with the higher handicap will receive the full difference of the two handicaps

Competitors have the responsibility to organize their match in accordance with the designated schedule.

**Gimmees**

As is normal in Matchplay, holes may be conceded. But if the match is being played as part of a stroke tournament – such as **Society Tournaments** or Tuesday/Thursday games – both players **must hole out** if they wish to record any Stableford points for that hole.

**Disputes**

Any disputes arising from the Match Play must be submitted to the Match Play Committee in writing or by e-mail within one day of the completion of the match.

***All disputes will be decided by the Match Play Committee.***

**Entry Fee**

Entry fee is **$10.00** payable to Brendan Baragwanath.

**The fee must be paid prior to the first match.**

The fee may be paid to Brendan by Interac E-Transfer to[**collins144@yahoo.ie**](mailto:collins144@yahoo.ie)

**Playing Schedule**

Compliance to the schedule is critical to ensure fair play to all competitors. Requests for an adjustment to the schedule will be reviewed for course of action as agreed by the Committee and competitors.

**The match play Committee reserves the right to set a match play location, date and or determine or assign the winner of a match when appropriate.**

**The Match Play Committee**