

Silver Leagues AGM at Burnham Beeches Nov 24th 2016 Minutes

The meeting was chaired by Joan Somerville of the host club who welcomed the club representatives. She presented the trophies to Sand Martins winners of Division 1 and Easthampstead winners of Division 2 who will be promoted to Division 1.

Agenda

- 2.1 : Rule 1 : It was agreed to keep the rule as it is with an understanding that clubs will try not to play Gold players in their team more than twice where possible. We should think of Silver players to help out with Gold rather than Gold into Silver. Where teams are short of players, consider using Bronze players. The meeting decided not to have a minimum combined handicap of 28 for a pair though this would be a good aim when choosing a team.
- 2.2 : Rule 5 : Juniors. The rule remains that juniors are permitted to play, ideally with parents/guardian waiting in the clubhouse though they could watch from the sidelines.
- 2.3 Rule 6 : Proposal to have a minimum combined handicap total of 28 or higher was rejected. League to remain as a scratch league.
- 2.4 Rule 7: Lateness of a team, follow the rules of golf 6-3(a). If team members are late the Team Captain could consider splitting her pairings (prior to exchanging team sheets) so that she has at least one player in each of the 3 matches and the late players can join in when they arrive.
Lateness of a player remains as stated in Rule 7 and Rules of Golf 30.3,
- 2.5 Rule 13: If a team cancels then 6 points are awarded to their opposing team (2 points for each uncontested match).
- 2.6 Rule 16 : The team with the most points after all the matches have been played will be the winner of the League. In the event of a tie the team with the superior total of match play results will be the winner. If there is still a tie, the result of the match between the tied teams will decide the winner. The same principle applies in determining all other placings.
- 2.7 Rule 21. The host captain is not required to wait to the end of the matches but may leave when all the matches have started.
All team captains must send their results to the Division Organiser after each match to avoid discrepancies.
- 2.8 Provision for disabled players, If a player requires a buggy due to short or long term ill health or disability, she should contact the host club and the opposition Captain before the match both out of courtesy, and in order to confirm that the course will accept or be able to supply a buggy. Only the person affected can use the buggy, not her playing partner. A medical certificate is not required.
- 2.9 Order of play will be decided by the order on the start sheet.
3. Some flexibility in 2018 dates may be necessary due to Easter on 1 April.
4. Accuracy of BCLGA website, report any discrepancies to the webmaster
5. Next year's lunch/AGM will be at Winter Hill on Monday 27th November. Clubs reaffirmed they prefer a lunch to a dinner and the AGM to follow lunch.
6. AOB. Over the next year work will be done to align Gold and Silver Rules so that is easier to spot the commonalities and differences between the leagues.
 - 6.1 Rule 7. Currently if a team is short of 2 or 3 players it is not clear who has the right to decide if one team wants to play 2 matches and the opposing team wants to play 3 matches. The clubs felt they wanted to think about the subject rather than take a vote at the AGM.