



INTERCOLLEGIATE PREMIER TEAMS 9 HOLE GOLF COMPETITION INFORMATION

12th February – 25 March 2024

COMPETITION CONDITIONS

Team Entry Information

Competition starts 12 February – 11 March for Round robin

Semi Finals 28 March, Finals 25 March for division 1 only

Entry into the competition is done online through EnterNow, entries close 7th February, 11.59pm online

Teams are to consist of 3 or 4 players – male or female

All team players must be current members of a NZ affiliated golf club.

The Entry must include the handicap index of each player, from the week of 31st January 2024. Handicap indexes are available on the website - www.golf.co.nz

Schools with one team must name 5 members, if a school has only one team and is unable to name 5 players they must apply for dispensation to school.sport@collegesport.co.nz

Top three players' handicaps only will decide what division they qualify for

Entries will not be accepted from schools with outstanding Golf debts unless payment of these debts is made by the entry closing date.

Cost

You will be invoiced once the season has begun.

Please note that teams withdrawn after the entry closing date will still be liable for the entry fee.

Format

Premier 1. 9 holes Gross Event.

Best 3 gross scores from the team of 4 players.

4 players play 9 holes and add their 3 best 9 hole gross totals together, winning team to have the lowest combined total.

Division 2. 9 holes Gross Event.

Best 3 gross scores from the team of 4 players.

4 players play 9 holes and add their 3 best 9 hole gross totals together, winning team to have the lowest combined total.

Division 3. 9 holes Nett Stableford Event.

Best 3 stableford scores from the team of 4 players.

4 players play 9 holes and add their 3 best 9 hole stableford totals together, winning team to have the highest combined total.

1.0. Division 4. **9 hole Nett Stableford Event.**

1.1. Best 3 stableford scores from the team of 4 players.

1.2. 4 players play 9 holes and add their 3 best 9 hole stableford totals together, winner to have the highest combined total.

2.0. All scores will be off the stick with no differentials involved between boys and girls (as per agreement by all schools at 2022 AGM)

The top 12 teams, 6 from Auckland, 6 from North Harbour based on aggregate handicap index, will qualify for this competition. These 12 teams will then be split into two zones of 6, based on their geographic proximity.

The next 12 teams will then be split into two zones of 6, based on their geographic proximity for Division Two.

Division 3 will include stableford.

If there are insufficient teams for each zone, the organisers reserve the right to play one regional competition.

Teams are to rank players based on their handicap index, on the day.

Best 3 Gross scores to count for overall points –**Division 1 & Division II**

Yellow tees for Girls, White tees for Boys or as stated by the club board.

Six teams in zone 1, and another six teams in the other zones, will play a round robin competition for five weeks.

The **Premier semi-final** will be:

1st Auckland v 2nd North Harbour

1st North Harbour v 2nd Auckland zone 1

The winner of each semi-final will qualify to the final. This is for division one only.

Each individual match will be nine holes of stroke play off the stick. The semi-finals and finals will be 18 holes of stroke play off the stick. The competition will be conducted under the rules of the Royal and Ancient Golf Club of St Andrews, and the local rules of the host club.

Distance-measuring devices

In College Sport competitions a player may obtain distance information by using a device that measures distance only. If during a stipulated round, a player uses a distance measuring device that is designed to gauge or measure other conditions that might affect his play (e.g. gradient, wind speed, temperature etc) the player is in breach of Rule 4-3, for which the penalty is loss of match in match play or disqualification in stroke play, regardless of whether such additional function is actually used.

No electronic devices are allowed to be use during play. E.g. smartphones, iPod, iPad etc.

School Golf Managers are asked to warn all players about this rule prior to play as some clubs may allow the use of such devices under their own Local Rules and because the informal use of such devices is becoming more common.

Order of Play

Play will be over nine holes, except for the semi finals and finals which will be over 18 holes.

Whilst it is recommended to play in Handicap Index order it is not required as this competition is an accumulation of 3 of the 4 best gross scores.

Two players from each team will make up a playing four.

Start Time

Play is scheduled to start at 4.00 pm. Report to the starter office by 3.45 pm, and player seedings are to be confirmed by the team managers.

Division Two is scheduled to start at 4.15pm. Report by 4.00pm to the starter.

Venue and Tees

Teams will play on courses as identified on the draw and begin play at the 1st hole unless required by the host club to start from another hole.

All boys in teams from all divisions will play from the white tees (unless stated differently by club board) and all girls in teams from all divisions will play from the standard ladies tees (usually called “yellow” tees.)

Scoring

A team will score 1 point for the match if the total score for the top 3 players is less than the opposition's total.

A team's score for the competition will be the sum of the team's scores over the five rounds. [Thus a team can score a maximum of 5 points over the course of a round-robin competition played between 6 schools.] Teams will be ranked using these scores; the team with the highest score will be ranked first and so on.

If two teams are tied for either first or second place, their rankings will be determined by the result of the match played between the two teams in the round-robin competition. If the two teams drew that match then the sums of the players' scores over the five rounds will be compared. If this procedure fails to separate the two teams, the first and second rankings will be determined by a blind draw organised by College Sport and supervised by the CEO of College Sport.

In the event that three or more teams are tied for either first or second place, the rankings will be decided by looking at the sums of the players' scores during the round-robin matches between the schools concerned. [So if Teams A, D and E are tied, the scores from the matches between A and D, A and E, and D and E are to be used.] If this procedure fails to determine the first and/or second place rankings, those rankings will be determined by a blind draw organised by College Sport and supervised by the CEO of College Sport.

In the semi-final and final, the winner of the match will be the team with the 3 lowest gross scores. If after the conclusion of 18 holes the teams 3 score total is the same then the 4th players card will be brought in to count. If still a tie then the two Number 1 seeded players will have a sudden death playoff, starting from either the first tee or 18th tee.

Defaults

Schools that default in the Premier Division 1 competition will automatically be withdrawn from the competition. This default could also jeopardise your place in Premier Division 1 for the following year. Upon the withdrawal of a team, all points won against that team will be deducted from all teams' scores.

The school that fails to show up or defaults will be charged \$100 which will be invoiced to the school.

If a player does not show up for a match, then the opposition player will be awarded 6 points and the absent player 0 points.

If two or more players do not show up for any given match, or if a team has absent players in two or more rounds, the team will be defaulted from the competition and all points for or against that team will be removed from the points calculations.

Dress

All players **MUST** wear school shirt and footwear appropriate to golf and preferably in their school colours. **No beachwear, no t-shirts, no jeans, no tracksuits, no smoking, no alcohol.**

Reserve Players

Should a regular player be unavailable for a match, the school may bring a reserve player into the team, and that person is to play in the rank order of their handicap.

Team Managers

Every team must have a supervising adult with them. The responsibility of the team manager is to:

Ensure every player is committed to the competition.

Monitor changes to a player's handicap index.

Be responsible for the commencement of play at the specified time.

Complete the player seeding list and player handicap details with the opposition team manager prior to each match.

Ensure the rules and etiquette of the game are followed.

Ensure dress and behaviour standards are maintained.

Send in the results with the team list to the competition administrator by the due date.

Team managers are required to play a supervisory role with the players and must not utilise the course for their own golfing endeavours. One manager should accompany one playing 3 or 4 and the other manager the other playing 3 or 4. Only team managers (not parents) can give playing advice to the team.

Caddies

Caddies are not permitted.

Wet Weather

It is up to the host club official to determine if the course is open for play. If the course is open, the match must be played.

If the match is abandoned due to adverse weather conditions, the two managers are to reschedule the match, prior to the next round, and in consultation with the host club. The match is to be replayed in full.

Results

The completed result sheet should be emailed to College Sport by both teams, by 11.00 am and entered online the Tuesday following the match school.sport@collegesport.co.nz please put Golf in the subject line.

Disputes

It is the responsibility of both team managers to resolve an issue in an amicable way. Should an issue not be resolved, then details should be submitted, in writing or email, within 48 hours of the match to:

College Sport,

PO Box 67088

Mt Eden

Email: school.sport@collegesport.co.nz

The disputes committee shall be any of the following three:

Auckland Golf Association rep, North Harbour Golf rep, Sport Manager (College Sport), Cyndie Augustin, Omar Gardner, RSO's, Chairperson - Dave MacKay

Conclusion

College Sport will administer this competition with support from the Auckland Golf Association and the North Harbour Golf Association.