

SE FEDERATION GOLF CROQUET DAY

Sun 7 Aug 2017 at Southwick

Tournament Regulations and Details

1. General

We again have a full complement this year of 22 teams.. Will Team Captains please ensure that all their team members are fully aware, well in advance, of whether they are playing for team 1 or team 2 if you have two teams and what is their player or pair letter, i.e. player A, B, C or D for singles or pairs X or Y for doubles. Please identify your opponents before the start of the game, do the toss and sort out the additional strokes **before you get to the lawn**.

If the Captains can find a base by the side of lawn 1 and mark it with a home made flag or label with the team name, it will make it easy for your opponents to find you and sort out the handicaps.

All games will be started and finished on the **Timer Keeper's sound generator**. One blast for first start and stop signals and a double blast for second start and stop with five minute separation between first and second. Time limits **50 minutes** for all games

Normally the primary colours start and finish on the first hooter but if players are not available to start, the secondary colours may proceed on the first hooter.

Normally two players from each team will be on the lawns for each round enabling a two on, two off arrangement.

2. Signing In on Arrival

Sheets will be provided in the Verandah Room for each Captain to sign in his players. Please indicate their present handicap. Please do so as soon as you arrive as it helps the Manager to identify any non arrivals. **Please print if your hand writing is bad.**

3. Handicaps

Following my usual practice I will use the GC Day for a mass inspection of handicap cards. Its not often we manage to get most of the GC card carrying members in one location. Please remember this is a handicap event and **all** players **MUST** bring their handicap cards with them. Players without cards will be required to play off a maximum handicap of 6 in accordance with the SEF rules. If you have a new player on their first tournament that's fine as it is the aim of these events to introduce new players to tournament play; however make sure your new player is assessed by one of your senior players and given an appropriately signed card..

As most of you will know, the CA have introduced yet another version of the handicap card. Copies are freely available from the CA Office so I expect to see everyone using them. For the purposes of the inspection please also carry your old version card.

4. Results

It is the winning player or pair who should enter the results. Please enter the number of hoops made by each team as soon as you come off the lawn. The results sheet will be on the notice board in the Veranda Room.

5. Clips

Primary and secondary clips are provided and **WILL** be used. If any clip breaks during the game, please collect a spare and replace the broken one.

6. Finishing on the Hooter

If your game has not finished when your hooter sounds, each ball may be played twice after the hooter. Ties are an acceptable result and will count as half a win in the final compilation of the positions. No additional shots may be played after the hooter has sounded.

7. Double Banking Rules

The first game to put a ball at a hoop has control of that hoop and the double bankers must allow that game to complete the hoop before playing up to it. If a player is held up twice by more than five minutes each time in a double banked game, that player is entitled to ask the double bankers to mark their ball positions and let the others play through. There may be occasions when a team feels hard done by due to loss of playing time due to double banking. I am sorry but this is the price we have to pay for the very compact schedule we are running and nothing can be done about it. I ask all players to be very tolerant on this issue. I have ensured it is easier for you to complain if you are held up by double bankers; they will always be your team mates

8. Refereeing

If a player has a shot that could easily result in a double tap or crush, the opponent can ask for the shot to be watched. Please raise the mallet in the normal position to call a ref. Mike Oulton and Ian Cobbold will be doing ref duty. I have however appointed Mike and Ian as **Supervising Referees**. Technically this means that they are **in charge** of all games and can intervene without the request of players concerned if he sees faults likely to be committed.

9. Substitution

You may substitute players as you wish during the day but please remember that if you change a player's code letter, he may end up playing the same player twice. This has happened several times in the past. Clubs with two teams may not however interchange players between their two teams.

10. Lunches

Southwick will be providing a **buffet lunch** However it must be booked in advance at meersfarm@btinternet.com as previously instructed.

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Have a good tournament

Regards

Bill Arliss

List of Teams and Contacts

CLUB	CONTACT	No. teams
Canterbury	David Buckman	1
Cheam	Ian Cobbold	2
Chichester & Fishbourne	Linda Gavigan	1
Dulwich	Paul Newton	2
Guildford & Godalming	Andrea Huxley	2
Littlehampton	Chrissie Merrington	2
Lodesworth	Hugh Brown	1
Preston	Charles Corker	1
Reigate Priory	Judy Perry	2
Rother Valley	Anne Smith	1
Rottingdean	Ivan Segal	2
Royal Tunbridge Wells	Jon Diamond	2
Sussex County	Fiona Phillips	2
West Worthing	Andrew Stewart	1