**BAWBURGH GOLF CLUB - VETERANS SECTION**

**RULES FOR SUMMER KNOCKOUT CUP**

1. The competition will run from April through to September each calendar year, or as determined by the Men’s Section Committee. Any matches that are cancelled or abandoned due to weather conditions shall be rearranged in accordance with the Veterans Section Bad Weather Policy.
2. The Rules of Golf, plus any Bawburgh Golf Club Local Rules at the time of the Competition, will apply.
3. The Competition will be open to all male members of Bawburgh Golf Club Veterans Section, with an official WHS Handicap Index as at the date of the first-round draw, and who have played in at least **8 Handicap Qualifying Competitions (3 of which must be in Bawburgh Veterans Section Competitions)** during the 12 months prior to the draw.
4. The Competition will be in the form of a singles knock-out competition, with each match drawn and being decided over **18 holes match-play**, with stroke allowances applying, from the **white tees**.

In the event of a tie after 18 holes, additional holes will be played from the first hole onwards under match-play conditions, with stroke allowances applying, until one player wins a hole.

1. The WHS Handicap Index for the Competition will be limited to **24.0**, and players will be allocated a Playing Handicap based on 100% of their calculated Course Handicap on the day of the match. Members with a higher Handicap Index may still enter but will be required to use a Handicap Index of **24.0.**

The stroke allowance for the Competition will be **100%** of the difference between Playing Handicaps.

1. Players may enter by adding their names to the entry list as issued by the Veteran’s Section Committee
2. The entry fee, as specified by the Veterans Section Committee, **must** be paid prior to the first-round draw; if not paid, then the player will not be entered in the draw.

All names appearing on the entry list, and having paid their entry fee, will be entered and the order of matches will be decided by one straight draw, without seeding, conducted or overseen by the Veteran’s Section Captain and/or Vice-Captain and published by the Golf Office.

1. All matches in each round must be played before a stipulated closing date. The players shall arrange the match at a mutually convenient time.

It will be the responsibility of the **first drawn player** to offer three dates for the match to be played. That contact **should** be made within 10 days of the commencement of the round, and contact **should** be acknowledged by the other player within 4 days.

If the match is not played due to failure to make contact or acknowledge that contact in accordance with this rule, or if one player advises the other that he is unable or unwilling to play before the stipulated closing date, that player will forfeit the match by default.

If, for any other reason, the match fails to take place by the specified closing date, both players will be disqualified. There will be **no extensions** to the specified closing dates, unless due to course or weather conditions and as declared by the Veterans Section Committee.

1. Buggies may be used during any round of the Competition, subject to course conditions allowing, but no extension to the specified closing date will be granted on the basis that buggies were not allowed.
2. In the event of a dispute, the players should advise the Golf Office at the end of the round and ask for a ruling. If the Golf Office is unable to make a ruling, then the Veterans Section Captain and Vice-Captain will adjudicate, and their decision will be final and binding.
3. No official scorecards are required for this Competition, but it is recommended that both players keep a record of the scores to avoid or resolve any later dispute.
4. The winner of the Summer Knockout Cup will be the player winning the match within 18 holes, or winning the play-off, in the final.
5. Prizes will be awarded to the winner, runner-up and losing semi-finalists, as agreed and specified by the Veterans Section Committee before the first-round draw based upon the number of entrants.