**CIB (LONDON) GOLFING SOCIETY INDIVIDUAL KNOCKOUT COMPETITION – ‘THE MARSHALL JIGGER’**

The Committee has agreed that an annual individual knockout competition should be held between participating members of the Society. The intention is to provide a competition with a different format, which offers members an additional opportunity to meet with other members, and to enjoy playing at the various clubs to which the members of the Society belong.

**Eligibility**

The competition will be open to all members of the Society.

**Format**

The competition will take place over a number of rounds, and it is estimated that a member will have to win four or five matches to reach the final.

Absent an alternative agreement between the two players in any match, except the final, the format shall be match play, with full handicap, using the yellow tees. The format of the final will always be match play, with full handicap off the yellow tees.

**Period**

The competition will take place between March and November. All players will be advised by the Committee of the dates by which each match should be played.

The final will take place at the same venue and on the same day as the Society’s Autumn Meeting and AGM, unless either finalist is (i) unable to play on that day, or (ii) wishes to play in the Autumn Meeting competition. In that event, the venue and an alternative date, preferably before the date of the AGM, should be agreed between the players. In the absence of agreement between the players over either venue or date, the Committee will be asked to decide.

**Match Venues**

For each round other than the final the venue for each match shall, in the absence of agreement otherwise between the players involved, be at the club of one of those players.

For the first round, the “Home” player shall be he who is named at the top of the individual draw; in the second round it shall be the player named at the bottom of the draw, and so on alternatively until the final. This alternation is to try to make it fair for the players of the bottom of each half of the draw, who otherwise would never have a home game.

**The Draw**

The draw for the competition will be made by a member or members of the Committee.

**Non-Completion of any Match**

It is the Committee’s recommendation that the Home player offers the Away player a minimum of three separate dates to play the match at the selected venue.

The Committee recommends that in the event of one player becoming unable to play on an agreed date, a concession is offered to the other player.

Subject always to the discretion of the Committee, if any match has not been played by the given date for the completion of that round, and in the absence of a concession by one player to the other, neither player shall advance to the next round, and a bye will be given to the scheduled opponent in that round.

**Organisation and Coordination**

The competition will be organised by a member or members of the Committee who will notify players of the results of each round, and who their next opponents are.

The initial draw for the competition will be announced following the Society’s Committee meeting in February.

**Entry and Green Fees**

A modest entry fee (to be set by the Committee) will be levied per participating member. The Committee has agreed that for the 2024 competition, the entry fee will be £10.

Whilst it is open to players to agree otherwise, it is proposed that the green fee payable by the visiting player in each of the rounds before the final should be shared 50/50 between the host and the visitor.

**Home Player Handicap**

WHS handicaps, adjusted for the course, should be used. In the interests of fairness, a player who is playing at his home club against a visitor should play off two less that his WHS handicap adjusted for the course.

**Awarding the Trophy**

The winner’s trophy will be presented at the Society’s AGM, unless the final is played at a later date, in which case it will be presented at the Society’s annual dinner.

**The Committee’s Decision**

In the event that any issue in relation to the competition is referred to the Committee for decision, that decision shall be final.

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