

# **POLLOCK CUP**

## **Conditions of Play**

### **1. ENTRY CONDITIONS**

- a) The Pollock Cup is to be competed for annually from clubs affiliated to Canterbury Golf.
- b) Teams to comprise of six players. The team must have a minimum of four financial members from that club.
- c) The competition will comprise a maximum of 10 teams with only one team permitted from each club.

### **2. PLAYER ELIGIBILITY**

- a) Players must be of amateur status, have an official NZ Golf handicap and an 18 hole club membership at a club in the Canterbury or Aorangi districts. Players may play for their home club where their handicap is held or a secondary club, but must be a financial member.
- b) Notwithstanding 2 a) above, a participating club may include up to 2 import players in its team. These players are to be sourced by the clubs from other Canterbury or Aorangi district clubs. Import players must have an 18 hole club membership and be a financial member of their home club.
- c) Players, including import players, are permitted to play for only one team during this competition.
- d) Replacement of existing import players requires notification to Canterbury Golf.
- e) Players, including import players, who play in a semi-final or final must have played in at least one Pollock Cup round robin match.

*Penalty for breach of conditions 2a) – 2e) is disqualification of the player concerned.*

### **3. PLAYING CONDITIONS**

- a) Clubs must submit their team in handicap order plus the name of the Team Advice Giver to the Canterbury Golf official on duty, prior to the start of each round. If team members are on the same handicap index, it is up to the Team Advice Giver to determine the playing order of these players.
- b) The teams shall play a round robin competition of singles match play off the stick, with no match going past the 18th hole.
- c) Toss for team honour.
- d) Players shall tee off in reverse handicap order.
- e) The Canterbury Golf Hard Card will be in use for Pollock Cup matches. Note any local rule allowing an alternative to the stroke and distance penalty for a ball out of bounds or lost will not apply.
- f) Non-professional caddies are permitted.
- g) The use of motorised carts, that a player rides on or in is not permitted unless by production of a medical certificate to the Canterbury Golf official / host on duty each competition day.
- h) The use of mobile phones on the course is prohibited during the match unless being used as a Distance Measuring Device that measures distance only, or is used as a digital score card, or being used to refer to the R & A Rules of Golf App or Dot Golf Scoring App, or for emergency or extenuating circumstances that require the use of a mobile phone.
- i) The consumption of alcohol or illegal drugs during competition is expressly prohibited.
- j) The competition will be played under the current R&A Rules of Golf and Interpretations of the Rules of Golf.

*Penalty for breach of conditions 3g) – 3j) is disqualification of the player concerned.*

#### **4. SCORING & RESULTS**

- a) Team Scoring - 2 points for a win and 1 point for a half.
- b) An individual tied match at the 18<sup>th</sup> hole shall be deemed a half.
- c) A team winning by default shall receive 2 points and for count back purposes shall be deemed to have won 6 matches. A player who is defaulted to, will receive a win for the individual Merle Barley Trophy.
- d) Where an individual player default arises, players play in handicap order with the default position being at number 6.
- e) The Team Advice Giver is responsible for correctly completing the Team Result Sheet.

#### **5. MATCH PLAY CARDS**

- a) It is recommended that match play cards be kept to record the scores and hole by hole results of the match. However, it is optional for the player to submit a match play card for handicapping purposes. If a card is submitted for handicapping purposes, then at least 10 holes in the match must have been played. The card must have the full 18 holes completed in accordance with the NZG World Handicap System formula for uncompleted holes. The DotGolf scoring app may be used to record scores.

#### **6. SEMI-FINAL OR FINAL**

If there are six or more teams in the competition the top four teams from the round robin play (seeded relative to their finishing positions) will play in the semi-final competition. From round robin results, 1 will play 4, and 2 will play 3.

If there are less than six teams in the competition, the top two teams from the round robin play (seeded relative to their finishing positions) will play in the final.

- a) In the event of a tie for a semi-final place or a final place if six or less teams are in the competition, individual games will be counted. If there is still a tie, a sudden death playoff between a nominated player from each team shall determine the winner.
- b) If there is a tie in the semi-final, there will be a sudden death play-off, between a nominated player from each team, to determine the winner.
- c) If there is a tie in the final, there will be a sudden death play-off, between a nominated player from each team, to determine the winner.

#### **7. TEAM ADVICE GIVER**

- a) Each team may appoint one non-professional Advice Giver eg. (team manager, team captain, coach or golfer) who may give advice, including pointing out a line for putting, to members of that team.
- b) The Team Advice Giver shall not be entitled to act in that capacity whilst playing in the competition but may act in that capacity only once her round is finished.
- c) Such person shall be identified to the Canterbury Golf Official prior to the start of the competition each day.

#### **8. POSTPONEMENT/SUSPENSION OF PLAY/ABANDONMENT**

- a) All matches will be played on the programmed dates, unless the Host Club, the Committee or the Canterbury Golf Official on duty deems the course to be unplayable. Note: A frost delay does not constitute an "unplayable condition", only a delayed starting time.
- b) In the event of adverse weather conditions or other significant event (eg) earthquake, the Committee or Canterbury Golf Official on duty may postpone a match day round(s).
- c) After commencement of play, the Canterbury Golf Official on duty may order a suspension of play under Rule 5-7b which also includes circumstances that render the proper playing of the game impossible (e.g.) a significant medical event. If suspension occurs, players should proceed according to Rule 5-7c – What Players Must Do When Play Resumes
- d) The Canterbury Golf Official on duty or the Committee will determine whether play will be resumed, the number of holes to be played be reduced to get a result or the round be abandoned. For the semi-finals and finals if there is a suspension of play and not an abandonment, play must be resumed from where it is discontinued, even if resumption occurs on a later day.

- e) Should any round be postponed or abandoned, it will be played on the "Reserve Day". If a Reserve Day is not programmed, an alternative date may be scheduled or two rounds may be played on a programmed date. However, if play on the Reserve Day or alternative date is abandoned, the round(s) will not be replayed in that years' competition.

## 9. DISPUTES

Refer Rule 20-1 at first for Resolving Rules Issues During Round.

- a) Any disputes must be lodged verbally with the Canterbury Golf Official on duty within ten minutes of completion of the round in which the disputed matter arose who will refer the matter to the Disputes Committee. The Disputes Committee shall comprise the Canterbury Golf Official on duty, and a Canterbury Golf Referees Representative.
- b) For matters that cannot be dealt with on the day, the dispute must then be submitted in writing to the Canterbury Golf General Manager within 24 hours, together with submissions from all concerned parties for referral to the Committee for a decision.
- c) NOTE: Any team lodging a Protest should NOT sign the Match Result Sheet for the match concerned.
- d) All decisions made after due consideration shall be final.

## 10. GENERAL

- a) Canterbury Golf Incorporated ("Canterbury Golf") and the Canterbury Golf Women's Committee ("Committee") reserve the right to amend the conditions of play in extenuating circumstances where deemed necessary, and the dates governing the competition. In all cases their decision shall be final.

## 11. TROPHIES

The following trophy will be presented:

Winners – Pollock Cup, Canterbury Golf winner's plaque, individual badges.

Merle Barley Salver – awarded to the player with the best individual record in round-robin play.

## 12. HEALTH & SAFETY - DAILY REQUIREMENTS

- a) The Canterbury Golf official on duty (eg Tournament Director or Convenor) is the designated Emergency Officer and Health & Safety Officer for that day.
- b) Where there is no designated person from Canterbury Golf on duty, the Host Club is responsible for nominating a person to take on this role. This may be the Host Club's Team Manager, a Club Committee Member, or other member nominated by the club.
- c) That person will complete the Event Health & Safety Sheet prior to the commencement of play.
- d) All Health & Safety matters or concerns should be addressed immediately and directly to the Canterbury Golf Official on duty. That person is responsible for taking any action required.
- e) All Players, Managers and Officials should be familiar with the NZ Golf "Suspension of Play" procedure documented in the NZ Golf Club Manual Section 5-9. This is summarised below:

### How suspensions of play and the resumption are indicated –

1. Suspension of play – three consecutive short notes of a hand siren.
2. Suspension of play for a dangerous situation – one prolonged note of a hand siren.
3. Resumption of play – two short notes of a hand siren.

Rule 5-7b illustrates what players are permitted to do in each situation after the siren has sounded

1. Normal Suspension of play
  - a. If the players in a match or group are between the play of two holes (i.e. Walking to the next tee) they must not resume play until the resumption siren sounds.
  - b. If the players in a match or group have started the play of a hole, they may either discontinue play immediately or continue play of the hole, provided they do so without delay. Play must be discontinued after the hole has been completed.
2. Immediate Suspension of play for Dangerous Situation  
Play must be discontinued immediately following a long blast on the siren. If a player fails to discontinue play immediately, the player is disqualified.

**Lifting ball when play discontinued – Rule 5-7d**

When a player discontinues a hole (either normal suspension or immediate suspension) he may mark the position of his ball and lift it without penalty.

**Procedure when play resumed – Rule 5-7c & d**

Play must be resumed from where it is discontinued, even if it is a different day. If the marker has moved it must be estimated and the ball placed on the estimated spot.

**EXTREME WEATHER GUIDELINES**

**For temperatures 30°C and above, the host club may suspend or abandon play, in accordance with Rule 5.7b. Play should not be cancelled prior to teams arriving at the course and commencing play.**

**Temperatures should be verified by NZ Met Service or on-course information.**

**Interclub conditions of play require abandoned matches to be declared null and void as we cannot guarantee alternative dates and courses. However, every effort will be made to reschedule.**

**PLAYER AND HOST CLUB RESPONSIBILITIES**

Host clubs should monitor play and ensure that extra water and drinks are available around the course.

Players should take every possible precaution to manage their golf activities during hot weather. The following guidelines should be observed:

- Wear light coloured, loose fitting clothes, with high wicking (absorption) properties that provide for adequate ventilation.
- Wear head covering for shading – full cap/brimmed hat recommended.
- Use cart-mounted umbrella for shade.
- Apply sunscreen with a minimum SPF (Sun Protection Factor) rating of 30+. Re-apply at approximately two-hour intervals.
- Frequently consume fluids to avoid dehydration. Don't wait until you are thirsty – it's too late then. Carbohydrate-based sports drinks also replace carbohydrates and electrolytes lost during prolonged activity.