

2017 Golf4Fun Singles Knockout Matchplay Competition

Dates:

Registration Closes: 30th April 2017

Round 1 Draw: April 20th 2017 during Aperó at round 1 of Tournaments at Steisslingen GC

Round 1: May 1st – May 31st 2017

Quarter Finals: June 1st – June 30th 2017

Semi Finals: July 1st – July 31st 2017

Final: August 1st – September 10th 2017

Further information about rules which differ under matchplay:

<http://golf.about.com/od/beginners/a/matchplayrules.htm>

Competition Rules 2017:

- All members interested in participating in the **2017 Singles Knockout Competition** must register via the official link and compete in the opening round.
- There are 2 categories – Cat 1: HCP 0 – 17.9, Cat 2: HCP 18.0 – 54/Swiss PR. On registration you are assigned to the relevant category based on your current HCP. Golf4fun reserves the right to reduce to one overall category in the event of less than 17 players in total.
- Entry into the 2017 Singles Knockout Competition carries a 15.- CHF participation fee per player. Overall winnings are split per category between 1st and 2nd placed players - 1st prize 60% of total participant fee, 2nd prize 40%
- The person whose name is at the top of each draw/match is responsible for organizing the match at a mutually agreeable golf course on date/time agreed with opponent. He/She has to offer at least 3 options for the opponent to choose from, at least one during a weekend. No "home" golf clubs to ensure fairness unless the club is the "home" golf club of both players.
- Depending on numbers some may receive 'byes' into the Quarter Finals in 2017. In the event of less than 8 participants in either category, round 1 is cancelled and the competition proceeds from Quarter Final stage onwards.
- Each round is to be played before the next stipulated round. Failure to do so will result in victory to the available member at the original designated match or if both members unavailable at the toss of a coin.
- No extensions to published dates will be permitted.
- When the match has been played it is the responsibility of the winner to inform golf4fun of the result within 48 hours.
- Play is from the Standard "daily play" Tees (men normally yellow, ladies normally red).
- The player holing the ball in the least number of shots, after handicap is taken into consideration wins the hole.
- The reckoning of holes is kept by the terms "So Many Holes Up", "All Square", etc.
- A hole is "halved" or "squared" if each side holes out with the same number of net strokes.
- Concession of next stroke is when one side concedes to the opponent the next stroke assuming that they would have holed out, usually short putts.
- A player may concede a hole or match at any point prior to the completion of the hole or match.
- General penalty for any breach of the Rules of Golf is deemed to be loss of hole.
- The match is decided when one player is leading the other by a greater number of holes than there are left to play.
- To determine the individual player's handicap on the day, the full differential is used.
- Calculation of number of strokes per player:
 - Players use EXACT Handicap to calculate [PLAYING handicap](#)* on the course they are playing their match according to the slope system for Men Yellow Tees and Women Red Tees (this results in a whole number).
 - The lower whole number is taken from the higher and the higher handicapper receives the difference as shots according to the Stroke Index of the card.
 - In the unlikely event where there is a difference in PAR between ladies and men (e.g. Par 4 for men and Par 5 for women and so Men 71 Par and Ladies 72 Par) then the difference (usually ONE shot) is added to the player with the higher Par (usually to the Ladies Playing handicap)
- In case of a tie at conclusion of the Match the following count back system will operate:
 - Player with most won holes on back 9 is declared the winner. If still tied, then player with the most won holes on last 6, then last 3 then 18th hole.
 - If a tie still exists: Player with most won holes on front 9 is declared the winner. If still tied, the player with the most won holes last 6 holes on front 9, then last 3 holes on front 9, then 9th hole.
 - If a tie still exists: the two players agree a sudden death method to determine the winner e.g. whoever pitches out of a bunker or chips closer to a hole.
- All golf4fun decisions are final and cannot be challenged.

* Official EGA rules for calculating HCP of a player. For non native german speakers – simply use google translate (https://translate.google.com/translate?hl=en&sl=de&tl=en&u=http%3A%2F%2Fwww.golfsuisse.ch%2Fasg%2Fbinarydata%2Fega_handicapping_kurz_gefasst.pdf)