## **GOLF HAWKES BAY & POVERTY BAY WOMEN (Inc)**



## Pennants Competition Handicap Division Buchanan Shields Terms of the Competition

- 1. The GHB and PBW Hard Card will be used for all Tournaments run by Golf Hawkes Bay and Poverty Bay Woman (Inc). unless otherwise stated.
- 2. Golf Hawkes Bay & Poverty Bay Woman (Inc). Code of Conduct will be in place.
- 3. Interclub matches consisting of 6 Golf HB Affiliated players per team played off handicap with a maximum of 36.
- 4. Although primarily a Men's competition women can play in Pennants on their official handicaps but must play off the Men's Tees.
- 5. 18 holes match-play both singles and four-ball (Rule 23) with each pairing playing their opposites
- 6. The number of divisions depend on entries with clubs only permitted to enter one team. Six teams per division and if not filled Council will negotiate with Clubs.
- 7. Automatic promotion/relegation will apply between top and bottom placed teams. Only one team can be entered in each division by a Club which will result in the next placed team being promoted/relegated. Note 4. If the division cannot be filled Council may approve two teams
- 8. Teams in each Division will play on the same nominated course on the same day. Each Division will host one round except the one deleted by lot. All matches to be played on Sundays (can be changed by Council).
- 9. Players may be interchanged in Divisions (availability etc.).
- 10. Clubs wishing to enter will be placed in the lowest Division and a withdrawal will result in all Teams moving up one place. Entries for the following year must be in writing to the Executive Officer by the 31st August.
- 11. Teams will gain points by a singles win, 1 point and four-ball also 1 point. A half in singles gains 1/2 point as does the four-ball.
- 12. An incorrect card will result in that player's team being penalised one point
- 13. If after the final round robin play the teams to qualify in 1st or last place will determined by:
  - (a) The team with the highest/lowest individual match points.
  - (b) Teams which won/lost against teams in the round robin play.
  - (c) If still tied the final result will be decided by count back. On finals day if teams are halved the winner will be the top qualifier.

- 14. A finals day will be held on a course selected by the Council on a rotation basis which will include the Championship Division.
  - Team lists with four-ball pairings in playing order must be presented to the opposing team captain prior to tee times. If a player has to withdraw the reserve must play in in the position of the player he is replacing. i.e. if the number 3 of a club withdraws (due to committee approved circumstances) the 1<sup>st</sup> reserve must play in the no. 3 position.
- 15. A Pace of Play (Rule 5.6) and Model Local Rule K-2 has been adopted for this Tournament. The maximum time allocated per stroke is 40 seconds.

Ten seconds extra are allowed for the first player to play:

- 1) A tee shot on a par 3 hole
- 2) An approach shot to the green
- 3) A chip or putt

The Pace of Play Policy will be strictly enforced.

The timing will start when a player has had sufficient time to reach the ball, it is his or her turn to play and he or she is able to play without interference or distraction. Time taken to determine distance and select a club will count as time taken for the next stroke.

On the putting green, timing will start when the player has had a reasonable amount of time to lift, clean and replace the ball, repair damage that interferes with the line of play and move loose impediments on the line of play. Time spent looking at the line of play from beyond the hole and/or behind the ball will count as part of the time taken for the next stroke.

Timings will be taken from the moment it is decided by the referee that it is the player's turn to play and he or she is able to play without interference or distraction.

If a group "is out of position" the recommendation of Model Rule K-2 will be applied.

• Penalty for first breach: Verbal warning from referee.

Penalty for second breach: One-stroke penalty.

Penalty for third breach: General Penalty applied in addition to the penalty

for the second breach.

Penalty for fourth breach: Disqualification.

17. These rules may be changed by a simple majority vote by the Board of Golf Hawkes Bay & Poverty Bay Women (Inc).