

NORTH OF ENGLAND [Under 14] JUNIOR OPEN STROKE-PLAY CHAMPIONSHIP



2024 PLAYER'S INSTRUCTIONS & INFORMATION



SOUTH MOOR GOLF CLUB

The Middles, Crag Head, Stanley, County Durham, DH9 6AG

Wednesday, 24th July – Friday, 26th July 2023

THE HOST CLUB

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The North of England [Under 14] Junior Open Stroke-play Championship Committee is most appreciative of the help and support given by the Board of Directors, the Club Manager, officials, and members and of the Beamish Park Golf Club, coupled with that of the Rossall School.

Players should do all they can to ensure goodwill is maintained, and should not contact the Club on any matter concerning the Championship.

Please direct any questions relating to the Championship to the Tournament Organiser, Guy Carr

Telephone 07831 579994

email: under14s@southmoorgc.co.uk

Practice times must be reserved before commencing play [See below].

THE CHAMPIONSHIP

The North of England [Under 14] Junior Open Stroke-play Championship will be played over 54 No. holes, with the first 18 No. holes played on Wednesday, the 24th July 2024, the second 18 No. holes played on Thursday, the 25th July 2024, and the final round played on the Friday, the 26th July 2024.

A total of 90 No. competitors shall be eligible to compete. The North of England [Under 14] Junior Open Stroke-play Championship Tournament Committee may exceed this number with the agreement of the Management Committee of the Beamish Park Golf Club.

Entrants must be under the age of 14 years at 00.00 hours on the 1st, January in the year the tournament is to be played, and be in possession of an official playing handicap under the CONGU Unified Handicapping System or a comparable scheme operated by a recognised overseas Union, Federation or Association.

The North of England Junior Open Stroke-play Championship Under 14, Under 12 and Girl Champion shall be the competitors returning the lowest gross score. In the event of a tie, the title for the best overall gross prizes will be held jointly and the trophy shall be shared. Ties for all other prize places will be decided by a card play-off. Prizes will be awarded in accordance with those indicated in the North of England [Under 14] Junior Open Stroke-play Championship Tournament Conditions.

The Team Trophy will be contested over the first 36 holes and will be decided by a team's best gross aggregate two from three scores in each round.

All rounds will be played in either two or three balls and will be qualifying rounds for handicap purposes.

Play will be from the WHITE tees for boy competitors and RED tees for girl competitors.

Draw sheets and results will be posted in the Tournament Office at the Beamish Park Golf Club and published on the North of England Junior Open Stroke-play Championship web-site www.northofenglandU14golf.co.uk.

GENERAL CONDITIONS

Conditions and Rules relating to the North of England [Under 14] Junior Open Stroke-play Championship can be found on the website. www.northofenglandU14golf.co.uk.

WITHDRAWALS

The North of England [Under 14] Junior Open Stroke-play Championship Committee requires that players give the earliest possible notice if they are obliged to withdraw from the tournament.

No refunds will be made unless the withdrawal is received before the closing date for entries. Withdrawals made before that date will be subject to an administration fee of £ 7.50.

To withdraw from the tournament, please telephone 07831 579994 and give details of your name, game number and starting time, or confirm your withdrawal in writing by post or email to under14s@southmoorgc.co.uk.

REGISTRATION

Registration will commence on Tuesday, the 23rd July , 2024 from 11.00 hours. Players must register in person at the North of England [Under 14] Junior Open Stroke-play Championship Tournament Office at the Beamish Park Golf Club.

Players will be requested to provide a mobile telephone number, or an emergency telephone number, where they might be contacted in the event of an emergency during the period of the tournament.

PRACTICE

The official practice day is Tuesday, the 23rd July, 2024. Practice times are available from 11.30 hours.

PRACTICE FACILITIES All practice facilities are located out of bounds

The main driving range practice area at the Beamish Park Golf Club is located adjacent to the 12th Fairway. This area is restricted to irons only. This area can accommodate approximately 10 - 12 players at any one time and will be available for use from 10.00 hours on practice day, and one hour before commencement of play on tournament days. Players need to bring their own balls, and make their way to the area unattended. Also make sure to be back at the 1st tee in plenty of time for your allotted tee time.

A short game practice area, for chipping and bunker practice, is located adjacent to the third tee. Players must provide their own practice balls for use on this area.

A practice putting green can be found adjacent to the clubhouse entrance.

PRACTICE TIMES

The subsidised practice round applies only to Tuesday, the 25th July, 2023, and competitors may practice from 11:30 hours. [Sunset: approximately]: 20.40 hours].

Competitors may be allowed to play the course before the official practice day, provided they contact the Beamish Park Golf Club to establish whether tee times are available. Please only contact the Club if you wish to practice prior to the official practice day. The payment of a Green Fee will be required.

To reserve a official practice time please telephone North of England [Under 14] Junior Open Stroke-play Championship on
Telephone 07831 579994 email: under14s@southmoorgc.co.uk

Providing starting times are still available, players may reserve a practice round in person on Tuesday, the 25th July, 2023 in the North of England [Under 14] Junior Open Stroke-play Championship Tournament Office at the Beamish Park Golf Club.

PRACTICE REGULATIONS

One ball only may be played during practice rounds, with the following exceptions:

- i] If a player misses the green with his shot to the green, he may play one additional shot.
- ii] Where the Rules of Golf apply [e.g. provisional ball].

A player may practise putting [but not chipping or bunker play] provided play is not unduly delayed.

Tournament Officials will be on the course during practice to ensure players comply with the stated regulations.

Failure to comply will lead to a player being instructed to leave the course, forfeiting their practice round.

CLUBHOUSE AND CATERING

Players and spectators will be responsible for making their own catering arrangements. A full catering service is available every day in the clubhouse to purchase food and drinks. Breakfast and tea/coffee will be available during the morning and reasonably priced snacks/meals will also be available each day. Competitively priced refreshments and bar meals may be purchased in the clubhouse and will be available from 08.30 hours on tournament days.

Please note golf clubs cannot be stored on site.

DRESS CODE and MOBILE PHONES

Players may wear tailored shorts and white sports socks on the golf course.

Players are not permitted to wear denim clothing or training shoes on the golf course.

Smart casual dress is permitted in the clubhouse at all times.

Mobile phones may not be used by players on the course for making / sending or receiving calls or texts except in cases of emergency [including the practice day].

Mobile phones may not be used in the clubhouse. It would be appreciated if the making and receiving of calls is done outside of the Clubhouse.

CAR PARKING

There are limited parking spaces in the main car park.

No exit code is required.

CADDIES

Players will not be allowed to use a caddie during the stipulated rounds of the 2021 North of England [Under 14] Junior Open Stroke-play Championship.

Penalty for breach of the condition:

Two strokes for each hole at which the breach occurred, up to a maximum penalty of four strokes [two strokes at each of the first two holes at which any breach occurred].

A player in breach of this condition must upon discovery immediately ensure they conform with the condition for the remainder of the stipulated round. Otherwise the player will be disqualified.

Spectators and parents, are not permitted to coach or give advice to players, including club selection and alignment, and are not allowed on the putting surface.

Penalty for breach of this condition:

Spectators and Parents, will be given one initial warning and if the breach is continued will be asked to leave the course.

Where possible spectators are requested to remain quiet and observe a reasonable distance from players throughout play.

SCORECARDS, PIN POSITIONS AND PACE OF PLAY

Scorecards for each round will be issued to players from the Tournament Office prior to the commencement of play.

Players must please report to the 1st tee at least 5 minutes before their start time.

There will be a pace of play notification on the 1st tee. Tournament Officials will monitor the pace of play, and competitors must co-operate where practically possible with matters of pace of play.

Players must return their completed scorecards to the North of England [Under 14] Junior Open Stroke-play Championship Tournament Office immediately following the completion of their round.

Players must carefully check their respective score-cards, together with their fellow competitors, before signing and handing them in to the recorders.

It is the competitor's responsibility to report all scores to their home club at the earliest opportunity.

ON-COURSE SCORING

There will not be an on-course scoring facility in operation at this event.

DISTANCE MEASURING DEVICES

DMDs will be allowed.

If a player uses a mobile phone as a DMD, the phone must not have any other feature or down-loaded application which can gauge or measure other conditions that might affect your play. e.g: gradient [a spirit level function], wind-speed or temperature.

If a mobile phone has any such non-conforming feature or downloaded application, the player will be disqualified regardless of whether it is actually used.

PRESENTATION OF PRIZES

The prize presentation will take place on Friday, the 26th July 2024 as soon as is practicable on completion of the day's play.

The Presentation will take place in front of the clubhouse adjacent to the main scoreboard alongside the 18th green, or in the clubhouse lounge.

All recipients of prizes are expected to be smartly dressed and be available for official photographs after the presentation.

The overall winners will receive a memento.

HEALTH & SAFETY

The Beamish Park Golf Club operate a Health & Safety Policy in respect of the North of England [Under 14] Junior Open Stroke-play Championship for the benefit of competitors and spectators and, as such, players should familiarise themselves and obey all health and safety signs located on the golf course, and with the emergency procedures and fire exits in the clubhouse.

In the event of thunder and lightning, please conform to the instructions given, and do not seek shelter in any shelters on the course unless they are fully enclosed.

If competitors or spectators require any assistance or witness any incident, they should report to the North of England [Under 14] Junior Open Stroke-play Championship Tournament Office.

CHILD PROTECTION

PARENTAL CONSENT FORM

The safety and welfare of juniors at the North of England [Under 14] Junior Open Stroke-play Championship is paramount, and it is therefore important that we are aware of any illness, medical condition and other relevant health details so that their best interests are addressed.

Upon registration, any competitor under the age of 14 must return the Parental Consent Form, signed by their Parent or Guardian.

PHOTOGRAPHIC POLICY

The North of England [Under 14] Junior Open Stroke-play Championship operates a photographic policy at events where players who are under 12 are competing. This is for the protection of juniors. Anyone wishing to take photographs on the course, in the club-house, its surrounds, practice ground or anywhere linked to the tournament, must register at the North of England [Under 14] Junior Open Stroke-play Championship Tournament office to obtain permission.

If anyone fails to comply with this procedure they may be asked to leave the tournament.

Please draw the attention of parents / guardians and spectators to this policy.

