



Gaudet Luce Golf Club Gents & Seniors Sections Welcome Pack 2023



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Welcome

Welcome to the Gents Section at Gaudet Luce Golf Club.

Whether you are an experienced and regular golfer, have only recently taken up the game, joined from another club or Gaudet Luce is your first club, we are really pleased that you have chosen to join us here at Gaudet Luce.

The aim of our Gents and Seniors Sections is to provide our members with a welcoming and social environment in which to enjoy golf.

This Welcome Pack will provide you with useful and important information that should help you join the section and enter the various competitions that we run. It includes information about the Gents and Seniors Sections, how to obtain a handicap if you don't already have one, details of our Gents and Seniors competitions, and Section Teams.

Gaudet Luce has members who play solely for fun, enjoying socialising with other like minded people but also those who regularly represent Gaudet Luce in League fixtures, plus individual and team competitions

We hope that you will find being a member of the Gents and Seniors Sections both rewarding and enjoyable and most importantly have loads of fun!



General Club information

Website

The club website can be found at www.gaudet-luce.co.uk. Inside the members area you can find information on competitions, results and members' committee contact details. Our club diary can also be found on our website: www.gaudet-luce.co.uk/members-area/.

Online Social Golf Tee Booking

In order to book online you must provide us with an up to date email address. Once we have this on file we will issue a registration email with instructions for you to setup a username and password so that you can book a tee time either via the club website or the Elite Live app . Please note that you are unable to cancel any bookings; please phone the pro shop to cancel a tee time.

Competition Entry

Entry into competitions is separate from the tee time booking system above.

The Gents and Seniors sections run competitions for members throughout the year and also take part in a number of mixed 'Fun' competitions.

Entry for these competitions is managed via the Club Systems HowDidIDo facility and will require members wishing to enter competitions to register with www.howdido.com or use the PSI terminal in the clubhouse. Members will need to be preloaded for handicap management into the Club Systems application that we use.

In order for the section to communicate effectively with our members we ask that email details are provided for us to create a record in Club Systems that enables us to email from the system direct to members, provide updates on competitions and results etc.



Gents Committee Contacts

The Gents Committee works hard behind the scenes to make sure there are lots of events and fixtures for the Gents to take part in. Should you wish to talk to us about any aspect of the Gents Section please feel free to make contact.

The committee details are usually found on the notice board and online at:

<https://www.gaudet-luce.co.uk/members-area/committees/>

or, if you prefer. just send an email to GaudetGentsSecretary@gmail.com and one of the committee will make contact with you.

Other useful contacts

Professional Academy	info@russelladamsgolfacademy.co.uk	07887 850728
Golf Shop	golfshop@gaudet-luce.co.uk	01905 796375
Club Welfare officer	welfareofficer@gaudet-luce.co.uk	01905 796375
Club Handicap Chair	GaudetClubHandicapChair@gmail.com	
Club Competitions Chair	GaudetClubCompetitionChair@gmail.com	

Entry codes to the male and female changing rooms and the gate to the Hadzor Course can be obtained from the Club Shop.



Dress Code

As a modern Golf Club, Gaudet Luce aims to operate a contemporary and forward-thinking dress policy in line with modern day life and it is in all our interests to maintain reasonable standards of casual but smart dress in keeping with golfing traditions.

Members and guests of Gaudet Luce are asked to wear appropriate golf clothing (including sports socks and shoes) of a style and design that could be readily purchased in any professional golf retail outlet or as you see worn by golf professionals.

Should your dress, or that of your guest(s), be considered inappropriate our staff have been instructed to discreetly bring it to your attention.



Handicap Information

For any members not already holding a handicap, all membership categories of the Phoenix Course are entitled to gain a handicap. Note this does not apply to Hadzor Course membership as it is a Par 3 course and not an England Golf measured course.



The World Handicap System launched in November 2020. It is designed to welcome more players, to make golf easier to understand and to give all golfers a handicap which is portable all around the globe.

It has replaced the six different systems previously used by over 15 million golfers in more than 80 countries.

It has been developed by The R&A and The United States Golf Association (USGA), supported by the world's handicapping authorities, including CONGU, which represents the four home countries of Great Britain and Ireland.

To make the game more enjoyable, the new system includes:

- Course rating and slope rating**
- Minimum number of scores to obtain a handicap**
- Competitive and recreational scores to count for handicap**
- Handicaps will be calculated from an average of recent scores**
- Maximum handicap of 54**
- Abnormal course and weather conditions adjustments**

Further information regarding the WHS can be found on the website:

[World Handicapping System - Gaudet Luce Droitwich, Worcestershire Golf Club \(gaudet-luce.co.uk\)](http://gaudet-luce.co.uk)

A more in depth guide from the R&A can be found on the website:

[Handicap Information - Gaudet Luce Droitwich, Worcestershire Golf Club \(gaudet-luce.co.uk\)](http://gaudet-luce.co.uk)

Where do I submit my cards?

- Place your cards in the Handicap Box which is located by the computer outside the Gents changing rooms **or** hand to your Section Handicap Secretary.

What happens next?

- Your handicap will be calculated, entered onto the club database and registered with Congu. You will be issued with a Handicap Certificate which will show your playing handicap as well as your exact handicap.
- You are now eligible to play in handicap qualifying competitions but always check entry rules for any handicap restrictions that may apply.



How do I maintain my handicap?

Under the new World Handicap System your handicap will never lapse. As you play in handicap qualifying competitions or submit supplementary cards your handicap will be adjusted accordingly.

What is my CDH ID Number?

You will find your “CDH ID Number” in the top left-hand corner of your handicap certificate.

CDH stands for the Central Database for Handicaps. Handicapping information is collected electronically from all clubs when they close down qualifying competitions. The information is available on the Internet for reference by individual players, clubs, and tournament organising bodies.

A CDH ID Number is a unique lifetime number which allows a player to be registered for handicapping purposes. You will need this number to enter competitions played away from your home club. All club members are automatically members of England Golf and are issued with an England Golf membership card showing your CDH ID Number – see example below. If you do not have one of these cards, please download by registering at www.Englandgolf.org



Handicap Contacts for Gents

Gents Handicaps:

GaudetGentsHandicapSec@gmail.com

Seniors Handicaps:

GaudetSeniorsHandicapSec@gmail.com

Club Handicap Chair:

GaudetClubHandicapChair@gmail.com



Competition Scoring Formats

Stroke Play or Medal Play:

A round where you count every shot that is played in a round.

Greensomes:

A round where two players play as a team, but each player tees off and then the team decides which ball to play in alternate strokes for the remainder of the hole

Knockout Competitions:

A match play format either as an individual or a team.

Bogey / par:

A round where you play match play against the course. Making a nett birdie means you win the hole. A nett par means you level the hole, and a nett bogey means you lose the hole.

Medford:

The best Stableford score(s) are taken from the best Medal score(s) and the winner is the player with the lowest 'Medford' score.

Match Play:

A round where you play against each other individually or as a team, hole by hole. You can win, lose or halve a hole. Once a player is up by a number of holes which is more than that remaining to be played then that player will have won the match.

Scoring formats

Foursomes:

A round where two players play as a team, but instead of playing their own ball, the players take alternate shots with the same ball and tee off alternate holes.

Texas Scramble:

Each player in a group of up to 4 players tees off as normal. The best of these shots is then chosen to be used for the next shot. Each member of the team hits his or her shot from that spot. This process continues until the hole is played out.

Each team returns one score for each hole and the team with the lowest score for the round wins.

Stableford:

A round where you score points on each hole for the number of shots you take, taking into account your handicap:

Bogey (1 over par) = 1 point

Par (level par) = 2 points

Birdie (1 under par) = 3 points

Eagle (2 under par) = 4 points

Albatross (3 under par) = 5 points

Flag Competition:

A round where players have a total number of shots equivalent to the par of the course plus their handicap to complete the round. They then play the round until their allotted number of shots runs out and they place a flag in the ground at the place where their number of shots run out.

Order of Merit – OOM

Accumulation of points based on finishes in Gents qualifying competitions throughout the year.

Pairs Betterball Stableford:

A round where two players play as a team using the stableford format. With the best points score on each hole being the one used for the team.



Filling Out a Scorecard

Before teeing off simply fill in the top section of the scorecard

INDICATE TEE USED:		Rating 69.2 Slope 124			Rating 68.3 Slope 124			Rating 71.3 Slope 128		
COMPETITION							TEE			
DATE		H'CAP INDEX	COURSE H'CAP	STROKES REC'D	TIME		H'CAP INDEX	COURSE H'CAP	STROKES REC'D	
Player A					Player C					
Player B					Marker/D					

WHS handicap index

Convert to course handicap as per board near the 1st tee

Competition handicap - Enter shots received from percentage of Course Handicap depending on the competition

- Name of the competition being played for example – April Monthly Stableford
- The date and the tee time that you start your round – e.g. 10/06/2018 / 12:04
- The colour tee you are playing from – white / yellow / red
- Your name (Player A) and that of your playing partner(s) (Players B, C & D as applicable)
- Your handicap and that of your playing partner(s)

At the start of the round exchange cards with your playing partner(s) to ensure you do not mark your own card.

Markers score – yours!
(or player D)

Par – this is determined by number of shots a scratch player would play to par the hole

Total score for front 9 holes

Total score for back 9 holes

Total score for all 18 holes – known as gross score

INDICATE TEE USED:		Rating 69.2 Slope 124			Rating 68.3 Slope 124			Rating 71.3 Slope 128			
COMPETITION							TEE				
DATE		H'CAP INDEX	COURSE H'CAP	STROKES REC'D	TIME		H'CAP INDEX	COURSE H'CAP	STROKES REC'D		
Player A					Player C						
Player B					Marker/D						
Hole	Marker/D Score	White Yards	Par	Yellow Yards	Par	S.I.	Player's Score	Nett Score	Red Yards	Par	S.I.
1		381	4	375	4	12			367	4	12
2		185	3	175	3	16			163	3	16
3		309	4	300	4	10			287	4	10
4		267	4	263	4	14			257	4	14
5		317	4	312	4	6			294	4	6
6		151	3	141	3	18			130	3	18
7		358	4	353	4	4			259	4	4
8		524	5	509	5	8			483	5	8
9		392	4	389	4	2			388	5	2
		2884	35	2817	35	OUT			2628	36	
PLEASE REPAIR PITCHMARKS, REPLACE DIVOTS AND AVOID SLOW PLAY AT ALL TIMES											
10		160	3	155	3	15			144	3	15
11		410	4	393	4	5			405	5	5
12		201	3	192	3	11			157	3	11
13		388	4	383	4	9			332	4	9
14		422	4	417	4	3			417	5	3
15		553	5	547	5	7			429	5	7
16		145	3	135	3	17			138	3	17
17		557	5	502	5	1			422	5	1
18		329	4	324	4	13			320	4	13
		3165	35	3048	35	IN			2764	37	
		2884	35	2817	35	OUT			2628	36	
		6049	70	5865	70	TOTAL			5392	73	
Stableford Points or Par Result		HANDICAP				NETT					
Marker's Signature		Player's Signature				Signature of both players					

Stroke Index –

determines how many shots you receive over par depending on your handicap, for example in Stableford and Matchplay formats

Nett score - Total score for all 18 holes after your handicap is taken away

Signature of both players



- At the end of each hole it is good practice to check your score for that hole with your playing partner(s). Compare the scores you have marked with that of your playing partner(s), they should match yours and you should agree each other's scores.
- At the end of the round, both you and your Marker MUST sign your card-failure to do so is disqualification.
- Make sure all details are completed on the card.
- Although you are no longer responsible for entering your current handicap – the committees do request that this is completed for the sake of clarity in scoring for Stableford competitions.
- Carefully check your scores per hole-signing for an incorrect score is disqualification.
- Hand in your card as soon as possible after the round following club procedure.
- You may be asked to input your results onto the club computer system, enter results carefully, checking they match the results on your card-good practice to do this task with your playing partners.
- Always remember, the correct completion and signing of the score card is vital, you cannot be disqualified for computer typing errors but you can be disqualified for an incorrect score card.
- Always check and ask if you need some help!



Gents Competitions 2023

January 7th	January 21st	January 22nd			
Gents Winter League	All Section Stableford	Gents Winter League			
Rd 5	8.36 – 10:52	Rd 6			
9.00 – 10.44		9.00 – 10.44			
February 4th	February 12th	February 19th			
Gents Winter League	All section stableford	Gents Winter League			
Rd 7	8.04 – 10:52	Rd 8			
9.00 – 10.44		9.00 – 10.44			
March 5th	March 18th				
All Sections Stableford	Gents Stableford				
8.04 – 10.52	8:04 – 10:52				
April 1st	April 16th				
Gents Medal	Gents Stableford				
7:24 – 10:52	7:24 – 10:52				
May 6th	May 28th				
Gents Committee	Gents Stableford				
Trophy & Bowl Medal	07:24 – 10:52				
7:24 – 10:52					
June 10th	June 17th				
Gents	Gents Stableford				
Club Championship	07:24 – 10:52				
3rd July	July 8th	July 15th	July 16th	July 21st	July 29th
Captains Cup	Gents Invitation Pairs	JUNIOR CAPTAINS	Gents Medal	Greenkeepers	Gents Members Trophy
9.00 – 10.36	10.04 – 11.56	DAY	07:24 – 10:52	Revenge	Stableford
		Open to all sections		16.04 – 18.04	7:24 – 10:52
		To inc Generation Pairs			
		10:04 - 12:04			
August 6th	August 13th	August 26th			
Club Captains Day	Gents Medal	Gents Allen Gears			
	07:24 – 10:52	Trophy Stableford			
		7:24 – 10:52			
September 2nd	September 10th	September 23rd	September 24th		
Gents Foursomes	Gents Stableford	Gents Medal	Gents Champion of		
9.00 – 10.36	07:24 – 10:52	7:24 – 10:52	Champions		
			9.00 – 11.56		
October 1st	October 7th	October 15th	October 28th		
Phoenix Shield	Gents Medal	Gents	Gents Winter League		
All sections Stableford	7:56 – 10:52	Fernihough Trophy	Rd 1		
10.04 – 11.32		7:56 – 10:52	9.00 – 10.44		
November 12th	November 18th	November 25th			
Gents Winter League	All Section Stableford	Gents Winter League			
Rd 2	8.36 – 11.00	Rd 3			
9.00 – 10.44		9.00 – 10.44			
December 3rd	December 10th				
All Section Stableford	Gents Winter League				
8.36 – 11.00	Rd 4				
	9.00 – 10.44				
Weekend Order of Merit Competitions					



Gents Competitions and Entry Rules

Full details of club competitions, rules of entry etc. can be found at:

[RULES-OF-COMPETITIONS-STROKE-PLAY-2016-DEFINITIONS.pdf \(gaudet-luce.co.uk\)](http://gaudet-luce.co.uk/RULES-OF-COMPETITIONS-STROKE-PLAY-2016-DEFINITIONS.pdf)

G.1 MEDALS AND STABLEFORDS

G.1.1 Monthly Medals And Stablefords

Members should use the online HDID site or PSI terminal in the clubhouse to pre book entry to the competitions

Monthly medal and Stableford qualifiers are played in divisions dependant on the number of players entered:

Division 1 – Up to 12 playing (competition) handicap

Division 2 – 13 to 18 playing (competition) handicap

Division 3 – 19 to 33 playing (competition) handicap

Winners and Runners Up in each division will receive payouts and Winners of each division will be entered into the Gents Champion of Champions.

If any division as above has fewer than 10 players entered at the time of the start sheet being sent out then the competition will revert to two divisions:

Division 1 Scratch to 14 playing (competition) handicap

Division 2 15 to 33 playing (competition) handicap

Winners, Runners Up and 3rd place in each division will receive payouts and Winners of each division will be entered into the Gents Champion of Champions.

G.2 TROPHY COMPETITIONS

Players must have played in a **minimum of 3 Gents' Qualifiers** at Gaudet Luce during the previous 12 months, in order to be eligible to win a Trophy competition.

G.2.1 Committee Trophy

Medal 95% of course handicap (index scratch to 14.1) played in conjunction with the Committee Bowl. Prizes will be awarded for the best 4 nett scores.

G.2.2 Committee Bowl

Medal competition, 95% of course handicap, played in conjunction with the Committee Trophy. Open to all players with handicap index between 14.2 and 30.4. Prizes will be awarded to the best 4 nett scores.

G.2.3 Members Trophy

Stableford 95% of course handicap (index scratch to 30.4) competition. Prizes awarded to best 4 nett scores.

G.2.4 Allen Gears Trophy

Stableford 95% of course handicap (index scratch to 30.4). Prizes will be awarded for the best 4 nett scores.

G.2.5 Club Championship

36 hole Medal 95% of course handicap (index scratch to 30.4) competition over one or two days to be determined by the Committee. The format of Gross and Nett competitions will be confirmed each year and are subject to possible change.

Prizes will be awarded for Club Champion Gross and top 5 best nett scores.

This competition is open to HOME members only.



G.2.6 Fernihough Memorial

95% of course handicap Bogey comp with prizes for best 4 nett scores.

G.2.7 Champion of Champions

Medal full handicap event.

This is a closed competition and members must qualify for entry. Entry is by invitation to all those players who win in either division in a qualifying competition between 1st September and 31st August. In the event that a division winner has already qualified then the invitation will go to the second placed for that division in the competition.

The event is free to enter.

G.3 PAIRS EVENTS and SUMMER KNOCKOUTS

G.3.1 Foursomes Stableford

Medal foursomes 1/2 combined full handicap. Prizes are paid to the 3 best nett scores.

G.3.2 Chairman's Pairs KO Trophy

Match play 90% handicap difference. Prizes down to losing semi-finalists.

G.3.3 President's Singles KO Cup

Match play will be full handicap difference. Prizes down to losing semi-finalists in each competition.

G.3.4 Captain's Greensomes KO Trophy

Match play full difference of Greensomes handicap. Handicap allowances for Greensomes are 0.6 x the lower handicap plus 0.4 x the higher handicap. Prizes down to losing semi-finalists.

G.3.5 Scratch KO Cup

Match play with all players off scratch. Prizes for Winner and Runner up.

G.4 WINTER LEAGUE

The Winter League will be a Pairs Better Ball Stableford league format with an initial league stage followed by knockout rounds for those that qualify. Full details will be published prior to the start. Prizes down to losing semi-finalists.

G.5 GENTS INVITATION

Member + Guest Better Ball Stableford with 85% handicap allowance played off White competition tees. (Competition Handicaps required). Members must have Phoenix Course membership and Guests must not be Gaudet Luce Members in any category.

G.6 PRESENTATION EVENING

The season is concluded with a presentation evening. All those who have won a Trophy, Winter League or Summer knockouts are presented with the trophy.

Competition formats, dates and times may vary from time to time so please keep a check online and on the notice boards.



Weather Disruption

When we experience disruption to competitions due to weather the following approach will be taken:

Wet conditions affecting bunkers:

- With the change in rules over the last few years the club has adopted a new local rule to the effect that ALL Bunkers may be classed as Ground Under Repair when Winter Rules are in place.

Under normal circumstances the bunkers will be in play and FREE relief can be taken in accordance with [Rule 16.1.c of the Rules of Golf](#) with the ball being dropped within the bunker.

In exceptional circumstances some or all bunkers may be declared GUR. In these circumstances, the bunker is treated as 'Abnormal Course Conditions' and **FREE** relief can be taken as per [Rule 16.1b of the Rules of Golf](#).

Frost or other affecting Greens:

- When we have 1 or 2 temporary greens in play then Trophy comps, Stableford & Medal comps will go ahead as full qualifiers. Placing closely mown areas only
- When we have 3 or more temporary greens in play then Trophy comps will be cancelled but Stableford & Medal comps will go ahead as non qualifiers. Placing everywhere.

Fog:

- For safety play will be suspended until the bunker on the right side of the first hole is clearly visible.



Gents Competition Entry Procedures for Club V1 Computer System Competitions

Competition Entry

- Gents enter competitions by:
 - a. Using Touch Screen in Club House Lobby: Enter name and click on comp required
 - b. How Did I Do website, register at www.howdido.com, click on comp required
- Competition Secretary closes competition for entry, completes the draw and issues start times to Players via email
- Players can also view their start times on the club touch screen or at www.howdido.com

On Day of Competition

- Players report to pro-shop to register and pay entry fee for competition
- On completion of round, players enter their scores on to the system using the touchscreen and place their cards in the white Competition Cards box near the computer
- After competition is complete and all cards entered, the competitions secretary will check the cards, close the competition, and publish results
- All Gents can view results on www.howdido.com or club touch screen
- Winners Vouchers will be paid onto their account by the Club Treasurer
- Gents can view playing record and print handicap certificate on www.howdido.com

If a Player wishes to cancel out of a Competition

- If competition still open for entry: Click “remove me” on either touch screen at the club or on www.howdido.com
- If competition closed: contact Gents comps secretary by email at GaudetGentsCompSec@gmail.com
- On day of competition: email alec.fernihough@gaudet-luce.co.uk and Gents comps secretary as above or Contact the Golf Office on 01905 796375

NB: Failure to notify cancellation can result in a four week ban from club competitions. See Club Rule for “No Show” in competitions.



Failure To Show For Competitions

Any player who fails to show at the 1st tee for his/her designated competition start time (Unless instructed by the Starter of the Day or the Competition Committee) will be Disqualified and may be Banned from all Stroke Play competitions for a period of 4 weeks, unless the player has withdrawn from the competition in advance of this time.

Exception to the above: A player who arrives at the 1st tee up to 5 minutes after his/her designated start time and is ready to play, they will not be disqualified but will incur a penalty. (Loss of the first hole in match play or a 2 stroke penalty in stroke play for failing to start at the time established by the committee)

Out of courtesy to the Competition Organisers please give as much notice as possible of any withdraw.

Any Ban will apply to competitions in ALL Sections. Any Player with a valid reason to appeal the ban should contact the Competition Secretary for the section who has imposed the ban.

Any competition ban will take place with immediate effect. The player may enter competitions the day after a 4 week ban has been completed, e.g. Ban imposed on a Saturday, 4 weeks, re-enter Sunday. Any person subject of a competition ban will be notified by email or telephone message

Away Competitions

This includes all competitions played at outside venues, including other clubs to which you may belong, County competitions, Open and National competitions.

You are responsible for ensuring your score is returned to your Home Club (i.e. the club which holds your handicap).

Handicap Qualifying Competitions:

- The host club will send the results electronically to your home club via the CDH system. This can occasionally take a couple of days so it is advisable to check with your handicap or competition secretary at your home club that they have received the results and your handicap has been adjusted accordingly.



Gents Section – Order of Merit 2022

Order of Merit

- There is NO entry cost for the Order of Merit. It is a season long trophy competitions.

Weekend Order of Merit

The Gents Weekend Order of Merit will operate as follows:

- There will be 8 events between March and October (1 per month).
- The best 5 scores per competitor will count towards their final total.
- The top 25 placed competitors in each event will receive points.
- Each event winner receives 25 points, 2nd = 24, down to 1 point for 25th place.
- In the event of a tie after 8 events, the person with the best score in the final event will be declared the winner. If the tied competitors did not score any points in the final event, the penultimate event will be used and so on until a winner is declared.

The 8 weekend events where Order of Merit points can be earned are:

- 18th March - Gents Stableford
- 1st April – Gents Medal
- 6th May – Gents Committee Trophy and Bowl
- 10th June – Gents Club Championship (36-hole Result to count)
- 29th July – Gents Members Trophy
- 26th August – Gents Allen Gears Trophy
- 10th September - Gents Stableford
- 7th October - Gents Medal

Important Note:

- Juniors are ineligible to win the Gents Order of Merit trophy.



Gents Section – Strokeplay Eclectic Trophy Competition 2022

The Gents section will be running an Eclectic competition to include all of the Monthly Medals or Trophies from April to September inclusive.

The competition will be based on GROSS scores over the included competitions and results/progress will be posted occasionally in the changing rooms and on HDID.

The prize for this is the Eclectic Trophy. There is no cash prize.

Important Notes:

- To be eligible to win the **Order of Merits** or any **Gents Trophy competition**, you must have an active handicap and have played in 3 qualifiers at Gaudet Luce in the previous rolling 12 months.
- There is no cost of entry for the Eclectic competition and anyone playing in a Medal will be included.
- Juniors are ineligible to win the Gents Eclectic trophy.



Gents Team and League Fixtures

The Gents section enters teams into four county leagues:

Worcestershire Handicap League – played as Pairs Matchplay with each pair being made up of one player handicap 5 to 12 and one player handicap 13 to 24. Matches are played in a round robin league with home and away fixtures.

Worcestershire LOW Handicap League – played as Pairs Matchplay with each pair being made up of players with maximum handicap of 9 in any combination. Matches are played in a round robin league with home and away fixtures.

West Midlands Scratch League – played as individual scratch matchplay. Matches are played in a round robin league with home and away fixtures.

Worcestershire 17-24 Handicap League - played with teams of 10 players with a playing handicap between 17 & 24 playing pairs betterball Stableford and the team with the highest aggregate score winning the match with the best 4 scores in the match to count for each team

The Gents section also runs a number of B Team friendly matches against several local clubs which are played as pairs matchplay.

In addition, the Gents Team will take part in: Gaudet Luce Inter-Section League – President's Trophy

- The Gaudet Luce Inter-section League is played on a round robin basis, playing each team once. The Gents Team will play against teams from the Ladies, Juniors, Seniors Sections and a team of Greenkeepers and GL staff.
- Teams consist of up to 12 players (6 pairs). Players must have a current competition handicap. Players are only able to represent one Section and must be a current member of Gaudet Luce.
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Seniors Section

Gents of age 55 or older are able to join our Seniors Section. The Seniors section run competitions weekly on each Wednesday during the year which are open to all Senior members.

In addition the Seniors section arranges many matches against local clubs throughout the season. Details of the matches can be found on the Seniors notice board in the Gents changing rooms.

Seniors Committee Contacts

The Seniors Committee works hard behind the scenes to make sure there are lots of events and fixtures for the Seniors to take part in. Should you wish to talk to us about any aspect of the Seniors Section please feel free to make contact.

The committee details are on the notice board in the Gents changing rooms or if you prefer just send an email to GaudetSeniorsSecretary@gmail.com and one of the committee will make contact with you.

Other useful contacts

Professional Academy	info@russelladamsgolfacademy.co.uk	07887 850728
Golf Shop	golfshop@gaudet-luce.co.uk	01905 796375
Club Welfare officer	welfareofficer@gaudet-luce.co.uk	01905 796375
Club Handicap Chair	GaudetClubHandicapChair@gmail.com	
Club Competitions Chair	GaudetClubCompetitionChair@gmail.com	



Seniors Competitions 2023

January 4th	January 11th	January 18th	January 25th	
Seniors 1+1 Stableford	Seniors Fiddle	Senior Pairs Texas	Seniors Fiddle	
8:28 – 10:52	8:28 – 10:52	Scramble	8:28 – 10:52	
		8:28 – 10:52		
February 1st	February 8th	February 15th	February 22nd	
Seniors Medford	Seniors Fiddle	Seniors Double points	Seniors Fiddle	
8:28 – 10:52	8:28 – 10:52	stableford	8:28 – 10	
		8:28 – 10:52		
March 1st	March 8th	March 15th	March 22nd	March 29th
Senior Pairs Stableford	Seniors Fiddle	Seniors Captains	Seniors Stableford	Seniors Fiddle
(multiplier)	8:28 – 10:52	Stableford	8:28 – 10:52	8:20 – 10:52
8:28 – 10:52		8:28 – 10:52		
April 5th	April 12th	April 19th	April 26th	
Senior Captains Charity	Seniors Medal	SENIOR OPEN	Seniors Fiddle	
Texas Scramble	8:04 – 10:52	8.04	8:04 – 10:52	
9.00 Shotgun start				
May 3rd	May 10th	May 17th	May 24th	May 31st
Seniors Stableford	Seniors Fiddle	Seniors Medal	Seniors JG Ross &	Seniors Stableford
8:04 – 10:52	8:04 – 10:52	8:04 – 10:52	Veterans Trophy	8:04 – 10:52
			8:04 – 10:52	
June 7th	June 14th	June 21st	June 28th	
Seniors Fiddle	Seniors Fiddle	Seniors Medal	Seniors Fiddle	
8:04 – 10:52	8:04 – 10:52	8:04 – 10:52	8:04 – 10:52	
July 5th	July 12th	July 19th	July 26th	
Seniors Pairs	Seniors Stableford	Seniors Medal	Seniors Fiddle	
8:04 – 10:52	8:04 – 10:52	8:04 – 10:52	8:04 – 10:52	
August 2nd	August 9th	August 16th	August 23rd	August 30th
Seniors Fiddle	Seniors Am-Am	Seniors Fiddle	Seniors Medal	Seniors Club
8:04 – 10:52	8:04 – 10:52	8:04 – 10:52	8:04 – 10:52	Championship
				8:04 – 10:52
September 6th	September 13th	September 20th	September 27th	
Seniors Stableford	Senior Martin	Seniors Medal	Seniors Phil Cundy	
8:04 – 10:52	Whitehurst Trophy	8:04 – 10:52	Trophy	
	8:04 – 10:52		8:04 – 10:52	
October 4th	October 11th	October 18th	October 25th	
Seniors Champion of	Seniors Medal	Seniors Fiddle	Seniors Fernihough	
Champions	8:04 – 10:52	8:04 – 10:52	Trophy	
8:04 – 10:52			8:04 – 10:52	
November 1st	November 8th	November 15th	November 22nd	November 29th
Seniors 1-2-3	Seniors Fiddle	Seniors Medford	Seniors Fiddle	Seniors Fiddle
Stableford	8:04 – 10:52	8.28 – 10:52	8.28 – 10:52	8.28 – 10:52
8:04 – 10:52				
December 6th	December 13th	December 20th	December 27th	
Seniors Fiddle	Seniors Xmas Fun	Seniors Fiddle	Seniors Fiddle	
8.28 – 10:52	Competition	8.28 – 10:52	8.28 – 10:52	
	8.28 – 10:52			



Seniors Matches 2023

Thursday 23rd March—Bromsgrove-----Away---Confirmed---9:00am
Friday 14th April—A v B-----Home-----8:20am
Tuesday 18th April—Hagley-----Away-----9:00am,
Monday 24th April---Bromsgrove-----Home-Confirmed—8:30am
Tuesday 2nd May-----The Abbey-----Home—confirmed—8:24am
Tuesday 9th May—Wharton Park-----Away—confirmed—9:04am
Tuesday 16th May---Burghill-----Home—Confirmed—9:00am
Friday 26th May-----Under70 v Over70-----Home-----8:28am
Thursday 1st June—Bewdley Pines-----Home—confirmed—9.00am
Monday 5th June—Greensomes at Little Lakes.—10 tee times—confirmed—9:36am
Tuesday 6th June---Sapecy-----Home---Confirmed---9:00am
Tuesday 13th June---Ombersley-----Away---Confirmed—9:00am
Friday 30th June—Evesham GC-----Home-confirmed—9:00am
Tuesday 4th July-----R M Police-----Home---Confirmed—9:00am
Wednesday 26th July----Little Lakes-----Away-----9:00am
Tuesday 8th August—Burghill-----Away—confirmed—10:00am
Tuesday 15th August—Abbey-----Away—confirmed—8:30am
Tuesday 29th August—Sapecy-----Away—confirmed—9:00am
Thursday 7th September—Evesham GC -----Away—confirmed—9:00am
Tuesday 19th September----Ombersley-----Home---Confirmed---9:00am
Monday 25th September —Tewkesbury—away—confirmed—9:30am
Tuesday 3rd October—Little Lakes—. Home-----9:00am
Thursday 12th October-----Bewdley Pines-----Away---Confirmed---9:00am
Tuesday 17th October—Wharton Park—Home—confirmed—9:00am

If you wish to play and represent the Senior section in matches during the season, please add your names to the team sheets as they appear on the notice board.team sheets will be posted approx 4 weeks prior to the fixture.Mick, sen match sec.07484759884.



Presidents Cup 2023 Matches and dates

Gents v Seniors, Saturday 27th May

Ladies v Seniors, Sunday 25th June

Staff v Seniors, Monday 9th October

Juniors v Seniors, Monday 23rd October



Seniors Competitions and Entry Rules

Full details of club competitions, rules of entry etc. can be found at:

[RULES-OF-COMPETITIONS-STROKE-PLAY-2016-DEFINITIONS.pdf \(gaudet-luce.co.uk\)](#)

S. SENIORS SECTION

In order to play in any Seniors Section Competition, a player must be aged 55 years and above on the day of the competition. Members may register to play in a competition using the current published entry procedure. Entry fees are payable in the golf shop on the day of the competition. Competitions are generally played on a Wednesday morning. Any player with a non-competition handicap may enter to play in a competition, other than any team match play competition, but will be ineligible to win a prize, apart from a prize for a "2".

S.1 TROPHY COMPETITIONS

Players must have played in a minimum of 3 Gaudet Luce Seniors or Gaudet Luce Gents qualifiers during the 12 months immediately prior to the date of the competition, in order to be eligible to win any prize in a Trophy Competition apart from a prize for a "2".

S.1.1 Club Championship Trophy

95% of Course handicap Medal competition played off white Tees (Q)

S.1.2 Champion of Champions Trophy

95% of Course handicap Medal competition played off white tees (Q). To qualify to enter this competition a player must have come 1st or 2nd in any Gaudet Luce Seniors qualifier competition during the period from September to August. Where a competition has 2 divisions then both winner and runner up from each division will qualify to play.

S.1.3 Fernihough Memorial Trophy

95% of Course Handicap Bogey/Par Competition played off white tees (Q)

S.1.4 J.G. Ross Shield

95% of Course handicap Stableford competition played off yellow tees (Q)

S.1.5 Veterans' Trophy

95% of Course handicap Stableford competition played off yellow tees (Q). Played in conjunction with the J.G. Ross trophy and open to any Senior aged 70 years and above on the date of the competition. Should a veteran win the J.G. Ross trophy then the second placed veteran will qualify as winner of the Veterans' Trophy

S.1.6 Senior Captain's Cup

95% of Course handicap Stableford Competition played off yellow Tees (Q)

S.1.7 Tony Sergeant Cup

Based on a player's best 3 net Medal Qualifier scores (excluding Champion of Champions) during the period April to October

S.1.8 Classic Blinds Trophy

A player's lowest total putting scores from any 3 Medal Qualifier rounds (excluding Champion of Champions) during the period April to October. Putting scores to be recorded by the marker on the player's scorecard in a manner set by the Competition Secretary.

S.1.9 Martin Whitehurst Memorial Trophy

Full handicap Stableford competition played off yellow tees (NON-Q) using 3 clubs and a putter. The winner to nominate a charity of his choice to which the entry fees will be donated



S.1.10 Phil Cundy Trophy

A par 3 competition played on a reduced Phoenix course with tees moved forwards on each hole. Players will receive a handicap allowance of 20% of the player's current course handicap (calculated exactly). The winner will be the player with the lowest exact total. In the event of a tied result count back will be over the last 3 holes played. In the event of a continuing tie the Trophy will be shared.

S.1.11 Greensomes Trophy

Greensomes format Stableford competition played off yellow tees (NON-Q). Open to pairs with a combined handicap of not less than 30

S.1.12 Derek Smith Memorial Trophy

Match play competition between Division 1 and Division 2 players (NON-Q)

S.1.13 Millennium Shield

Full handicap Stableford team competition played off yellow tees (NON-Q) versus the Green keepers

S.2 QUALIFIERS

Qualifiers are played during the period April to October each year. The formats played are Medal, Stableford and Bogey/Par. Qualifiers are played off either the white or yellow tees. The tee to be used for each competition will be confirmed in the specific competition entry details. To qualify to win a prize or to qualify for Champion of Champions a player must have a current Competition Handicap. Players without a current Competition Handicap may play in any qualifying competition (including Trophy Competitions) in order to submit a qualifying card for handicap purposes. They may not win any prize other than for scoring a "2", if the competition includes a "2"'s element.

Where there are between 10 and 24 players there will be a single division. Where there are over 24 players there will be 2 divisions (excluding any Trophy competitions, where there will be only 1 division). Players with a playing handicap of up to 18 will be in division 1 and players with a playing handicap of between 19 and above will be in Division 2. This split may be reviewed from time to time by the Senior's committee dependant upon the numbers of players qualifying to play in each division.



S.3 FIDDLE

The Fiddle is run by the Senior Section not the Club or Committee.

The object of the Fiddle is to promote playing with members who you don't normally play with, to introduce and encourage new and existing members to play and to get involved with the Senior Section.

The first tee time will be 08.04 and the last tee time will be 10.04. Entry is via HDID and a draw is made for tee times and partners. The competition secretary will email the start sheet to all entrants five days before the competition.

The Fiddle is an informal competition, but the Rules of Golf apply – you are required to putt out on every green so no 'Gimmes' allowed.

The entry fee is £3.00 and is payable when signing in. The entry fee will be allocated as follows :-

- £2.00 will go towards the cash prizes for 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th places. The prize split will be determined on the day according to the total prize fund.
- £1.00 will be allocated to a '2's competition – choosing not to participate in the 2's competition is not an option.

All players posting a '2' on their card will receive a share of the ball pot.

The Fiddle is a Full handicap Stableford Competition and is played off the Yellow Tees. Players are to go out in groups of three, however it may be necessary for the last players to play as a pair or a fourball.

Any player coming 1st, 2nd, 3rd or 4th (possibly 5th/6th depending on number of entrants and prize fund) with the following scores will have strokes deducted as shown below for their next Fiddle:-

- 37 points or less = 1 stroke deducted.
- 38 points or more = 1 stroke deducted, plus 1 stroke deducted for each point above 37. For example - 1st 2nd 3rd or 4th (5th/6th) with a score of 41 points will have 1 stroke deducted plus a further four strokes (38-41) making a total of 5.

Therefore, any player receiving a cash prize will be subject to the above stroke deductions.

Results will be announced when all cards have been returned and all prizes will be handed out when all players are in the club house. Anyone not in attendance and who has won a prize or balls will need to contact one of the organisers.

The results sheet will be posted on the notice board and completed cards with exceptional scores will be passed to the Handicap Secretary by the Organisers.

The Rules of the Fiddle are determined by the organisers and can be subject to change should the need arise.

S.4 PRIZE MONEY

A player qualifying to win prize money will have money credited to his club account. The number of prizes and amounts will be as from time to time agreed and published by the Seniors Committee. Prizes for Fiddle Competitions will normally be paid in cash. Any "2"s competition prize will normally be a share of golf balls.



Seniors Competition Entry Procedures for Club V1 Computer System

Entry to the Seniors competitions is the same as above for Gents competitions. In addition there will be occasional competitions and matches that require entry via a sheet on the notice board in the changing rooms.

Competition formats, dates and times may vary from time to time so please keep a check online and on the notice boards.

Seniors Team Fixtures

The Seniors section play home and away matches against a number of local clubs during the season.

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GAUDET LUCE GOLF CLUB

LOCAL RULES

UPDATED September 2022

Ground Under Repair (GUR)

The following areas are defined as GUR:

- Any areas bounded by a white line or indicated by GUR signage
- Planted areas around the 1st, 2nd, 4th and 10th tees **plus the planted area and laurel hedge bordering the footpath by the 6th tee and to the rear of the 5th green** (Note, unless listed here, or individually marked all remaining shrub beds are in play)

If a player's ball lies in any of these areas, or if the area interferes with the player's stance or the area of his intended swing, the player must take relief under **Rule 16-1** applies.

No Play Area

All wildflower areas are defined as **No Play** and areas marked with Blue stakes or Blue lines are **additionally no entry areas**. A player **MUST** take free relief if:

- His or her ball is in a no play zone, or
- A no play zone interferes with his or her area of intended stance or area of intended swing in playing a ball outside the no play zone

Rule 16.1f applies

Out of Bounds (OOB)

A ball is declared Out of Bounds when it lies:

- Beyond the inside edge of any hedge, or fence that forms the boundary of the course
- Beyond the nearest inside line of white stakes indicating OOB on any hole. (On the line is OOB)

Another ball must be played from where you last played under penalty of stroke and distance under **Rule 18**

Obstructions

The following are defined as immovable obstructions: (Rule 16.1 Applies)

- All artificial surfaces, constructed paths, steps
- Irrigation valve boxes
- Winter tee mats
- All benches and the bell on the 5th hole

Relief may be taken under **Rule 24.2** if the obstruction interferes with the player's stance or intended path of swing only. Relief may not be taken if the obstruction only interferes with the intended line of the ball.

- Sprinkler heads** Relief may be taken if such an obstruction on, or within two club lengths of the putting green of the hole being played and within two club-lengths of the ball, interferes on the line of play between the ball and the hole. The player may obtain relief without penalty by dropping within one club length of the nearest point of relief, not nearer the hole.

The following are defined as movable obstructions: (Rule 15.2 applies)

- Stones in bunkers
- Red stakes
- Temporary signage, post and ropes directing players around greens

The following are defined as integral parts of the course: (Rule 19 applies)

- White stakes
- All Bridges

The ball must be played as it lies. Relief may only be taken as an unplayable lie under penalty of one stroke.

Penalty Areas (Rule 17 Applies)

- Any area marked by red stakes whether or not containing water

Protection of Young Trees

Relief **must** be taken from young trees that are identified by stakes including in penalty areas. Old tree wraps or guards do not constitute a staked tree. If such a tree interferes with a player's stance or the area of his or her intended swing the ball **must** be lifted and dropped in accordance with the procedure prescribed in **Rule 16-1(f)** or **Rule 17-1(e)** if in a penalty area. The ball may be cleaned when so lifted.

Miscellaneous

- On the 10th Hole** if a ball strikes the overhead cables the ball must be replayed from the original position. Rule 14.6 applies

