### **NAPGC**

# Siemens Bowl (Four-Ball Better Ball Stableford - Club Team Knock Out)

## 2017 Competition Rules and Conditions These Rules and Conditions are additional to the Rules for all NAPGC Competitions

#### **Format**

1. A club team will comprise eight men playing as four pairs. All pairs to play 18 holes four-ball better ball stableford. Two pairs will play at home and two pairs will play away and the team score will be the aggregate of the home and away stableford points.

#### **Entry and Draw**

- Clubs may enter as many teams as they wish. Duly completed entry forms and fees to be received by the NAPGC Secretary before the end of February. Each club shall provide contact details of their Team Captain to be responsible for each of its teams. Nominated Team Captains on the day of each match may be different.
- 3. Each team will normally be placed in one of a maximum four areas, with a maximum of 16 teams in each area. The area winners will meet in the national final at a neutral course in September/October.
- 4. At the national final the NAPGC and each of the finalist clubs shall be responsible for paying 50% of all green fees applicable to their club. These costs for green fees shall be paid to the Competition Organiser no later than eight days prior to the Final.

#### **Conditions of Play**

- 5. A team shall consist of eight players with a handicap from 16 to 28, at least four of whom shall have a handicap of at least 19. If a player's handicap is reduced, after they have legitimately played off a higher handicap in a previous round, they will continue to be eligible to play. However, if this does occur, team arrangements must be agreed and approved by the Competition Organiser in advance of play (nb. players selected to play who have not previously played, should be selected to redress any imbalance).
- 6. All players must play off their current handicap (even if this means rule 5 is not complied with). Players may be paired together in any combination
- 7. Players are entitled to ninety percent (90%) of their playing handicap.
- 8. Team Captains of the day shall confirm their playing order at least 15 minutes prior to a match commencing. In knockout rounds and at the national final, the winning team shall be the one that has the greater number of stableford points on aggregate.
- 9. As this is a better ball competition, in the event of a team being unable to field a team of eight players at the start of a match, a single player may play on his own throughout a match or until his partner arrives.
- 10. All score cards must be properly prepared prior to the commencement of a match in all rounds. After each game score cards completed and signed off in accordance with Rule 6-6 of the Rules of Golf must be handed to their respective Team Captains of the day for recording on the team result sheet. At the national final, cards are to be returned as directed by the NAPGC competitions committee.

#### **Winners Trophies and Prizes**

- 11. The winning team in each round and at the national final, shall be the one that by way of aggregate has the greater number of stableford points.
- 12. At the national final the winning club will receive the Siemens Bowl and a plaque, with each team member receiving a memento. The second team will receive a plaque with each team member receiving a memento. Each of the remaining finalist teams will receive a plaque.

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