

R&A
BOYS AMATEUR
CHAMPIONSHIP

TUESDAY 15 – SUNDAY 20 AUGUST 2023
FULFORD AND GANTON

PRE QUALIFYING- SATURDAY 12 AUGUST – FULFORD

INFORMATION FOR COMPETITORS

These notes are compiled to give you information about the Championship. Please read them carefully and should you have any additional queries please do not hesitate to contact amateurentries@randa.org

Throughout the Championship, documentation will be available online in the Player Portal. Here you will find Pin Positions, Course information, Local Rules, Pace of Play, and other up to date information.

In line with sustainable practices, paper copies of this information will not be available. Please bookmark this link on your mobile phone and computers now.

<https://www.randa.org/the-boys-amateur-player-information>

1. OFFICIAL PRACTICE DAYS

The official practice days are:

Friday 11 August (Pre-Qualifying Players Only)	FULFORD	8.00am – 12.30pm
Sunday 13 August	FULFORD	8.00am – 3.00pm
Monday 14 August	GANTON	8.00am – 3.00pm

You will be notified of the process to enable you to book practice times in a separate communication. **Please do not contact the host venues to try and book official practice times.**

Fulford: Any bookings out with official practice day are at the discretion of the club and will be subject to availability and a green fee of £55.00 (Mon-Thur) / £65.00 (Fri-Sun). Any enquiries must be directed via the club office via info@fulfordgolfclub.co.uk

Ganton: Any bookings out with the official practice day are at the discretion of the club and will be subject to availability and a green fee of £87.50. Any enquiries must be directed to emmab@gantongolfclub.com

The practice facilities and clubhouse will not be available to competitors out with the Official Practice Days unless you have paid a visitor green fee.

ONE BALL ONLY MAY BE PLAYED DURING THE PRACTICE ROUNDS WITH THE FOLLOWING

EXCEPTION: If a player misses the green with his shot to the green, he may play one additional practice shot. In addition, players must not play from any areas of tees covered by netting.

The yardages of each course are as follows.

FULFORD

Hole	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Out
Yards	410	458	199	458	182	569	441	366	504	3587
Par	4	4	3	4	3	5	4	4	5	36
Score										

10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	In	Total
163	508	317	489	157	439	382	353	480	3288	6875
3	5	4	4	3	4	4	4	5	36	72

GANTON

Hole	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Out
Yards	368	419	349	408	170	469	436	413	503	3535
Par	4	4	4	4	3	4	4	4	5	36
Score										

10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	In	Total
181	427	398	535	282	493	427	228	440	3411	6946
3	4	4	5	4	4	4	3	4	35	71

2. PRACTICE FACILITIES

The facilities will be available at your venue from 90 minutes prior to your tee time. The R&A will provide practice balls.

The practice ranges will be operated during the following times.

FULFORD

Friday	6.30am – 6:00pm
Saturday	6.30am – 6:00pm
Sunday	6:00am – 6:00pm
Monday	6:00am – 6:00pm
Tuesday	5:30am – 6:00pm
Wednesday	5:30am – 6:00pm

GANTON

Sunday	6.00am – 6.00pm
Monday	6.00am – 6.00pm
Tuesday	5.30am – 6.00pm
Wednesday	5.30am – 6.00pm
Thursday	5.30am – 6.00pm
Friday	5.30am – 6.00pm
Saturday	6.45 – 9.30am and 11.30am – 14.00pm
Sunday	6.45am until Finals commence

Competitors may only access the range at the venue they are scheduled to play on that day. Do not attempt to practise at the alternative venue as permission will be denied.

From Thursday onwards, priority access will be given to the players who qualify through each Match Play stage at Ganton. There will be limited practice space for those who have failed to qualify or have been eliminated and it will be allocated on a first come, first served basis with a time limit if necessary

Competitors using any of the practice facilities do so at their own risk.

The R&A is indebted to Titleist for providing practice range balls for the Championship.

PRACTICE BALLS MUST NOT BE REMOVED FROM THE PRACTICE RANGE UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES. ANY PLAYER FOUND GUILTY OF THIS ACTION MAY BE LIABLE TO DISCIPLINARY ACTION BY THE AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIPS COMMITTEE.

3. ACCOMMODATION / TRAVEL / PARKING

Local accommodation options are listed within the following website;

[Scarborough Stays](#)
[Discover Yorkshire Coast](#)
[Visit York](#)

Travelling by Air

Fulford & Ganton

The nearest airports to the venues are Teeside (60 miles), Humberside (55 miles), Leeds/Bradford (62 miles) and Robin Hood (65 miles).

Travelling by Car

(Please note that due to a lane closure with traffic signals close to the Fulford golf club, the Championship's AA Road signs may direct traffic on an alternative route to Sat Nav).

Ganton is situated close to the A64, the main road between York and Scarborough. It is a 35 minutes' drive on the A64 from York.

Travelling by Train

Fulford

York is on the East Coast mainline (London-Edinburgh) and offers regular direct services straight into Manchester International Airport.

Ganton

There is a regular service from York to nearby Malton, Seamer and Scarborough stations. York is on the East Coast mainline (London-Edinburgh) and offers regular direct services straight into Manchester International Airport.

Parking

Please show the attached priority car park pass when entering the Golf Club Car park. You can show this on your phone to the attendants or print out.

4. PRE QUALIFYING – FULFORD, SATURDAY 12 AUGUST 2023

The field for PQ will comprise entrants who have not been allocated one of the 134 automatic places for the Championship. A maximum of 72 players will compete in 18 holes of qualifying at Fulford on Saturday 12 August. A minimum of 10 spots in The Boys' Amateur field will be on offer, with additional spots also likely to become available in the event of withdrawals from the Championship. Should there be a tie for spots, a sudden death play-off will take place immediately after play until a result is determined. Reserves will not require to play off, with their status determined by card countback from the 18 holes. Further information can be found in the Championship's Terms of Competition.

5. REGISTRATION

Registration for the Championship will be processed electronically. A separate registration link will be sent to you before the commencement of the Championship.

PRE-QUALIFYING – You must respond to this link no later than 3.00pm on Friday 11 August. The penalty for failing to do so is disqualification. **Should you qualify you will be considered Registered and there is no need to re-register.**

CHAMPIONSHIP - You must respond to this link no later than 3.00pm on Monday 14 August. The penalty for failing to do so is disqualification.

Please visit the R&A Championship Pavilion on arrival at Ganton to collect your player gift and Ganton Course Guide.

6. DRAW FOR THE QUALIFYING ROUNDS

The draw for the qualifying rounds will be published in advance of the Championship and will be available on The R&A website, www.randa.org.

Please note that it is the responsibility of the competitor to ascertain their tee time.

7. QUALIFYING PLACES

The 64 lowest scores over the 36 holes will compete in the match play stage. There will be no preliminary round and all places will be determined by card countback as required.

8. MATCH PLAY STAGES

The match play draw will be seeded.

During the match play stages, it will be the responsibility of the **winner** of a match to return a match result card to the Championship Office or an R&A Rules Official on the course as soon as possible after the match is completed.

No play is permitted after the completion of a match.

9. PLAYER SERVICES

Medical Services

The Medical Office is located in the Championship Pavilion. If you require urgent assistance, please speak with any R&A official. First aid support is available on the course and can be summoned by speaking with a Rules Official or scoring volunteer.

Player Gym

A gym is available in the Championship Pavilion for you to use before or after play.

It will be open from 90 minutes before the first tee time each day.

It will close at 7.00pm, Sunday – Thursday and 6.00pm on Friday.

A strength and conditioning specialist will be there to assist you and they will be happy to help with any queries you may have.

Water Fountains At The Championship

The R&A supports sustainable practices which go hand in hand with protecting the future of our planet. On course water fountain stations will be available for all players to use throughout the Championship.

Please Bring Your Own Refillable Water Bottle.

Clubhouse & Catering

The clubhouses will be open with catering available from 90 minutes before the first tee time until the last game finishes each day.

During the Matchplay stages only, the starter will issue you with a complimentary lunch voucher. Should you have any allergies please contact the club catering team onsite now.

10. SCORE INPUT / LIVE SCORING

Competitors will be issued with a link which will allow them to input scores directly from their personal mobile device. A volunteer scorer will also be positioned after every 3 holes to assist.

11. PACE OF PLAY (Rule 5.6)

It is the responsibility of each competitor to understand the Pace of Play policy. **Failure to comply with the Pace of Play policy may result in you being penalised.** With this in mind, you are asked to read carefully the Pace of Play policy which is on the player portal.

It is the responsibility of each group to play within the published maximum times allowed (as defined on the noticeboards, portal and on the hole position charts) and keep up with the group in front. In an effort to eradicate slow play, players may also be subject to random timing even when not out of position.

Players are also strongly encouraged to play 'Ready Golf' during the stroke play qualifying stage of the Championship.

Should you have any questions regarding the Pace of Play policy then please visit the Championship Office at any of the venues where R&A Officials will be happy to assist your query.

12. CLUB LENGTH

Model Local Rule G-10 in the Official Guide to the Rules of Golf is in effect. In making a stroke, the player must not use a club, except for a putter, which exceeds 46 inches in length.

If you have any queries, please contact the Championship Office.

13. DRIVING CLUB CONDITION & GROOVES & PUNCH MARKS

The Model Local Rules in the Official Guide to the Rules of Golf are in effect regarding [Conforming Driver Heads](#), [Conforming Golf Balls](#) and [Groove and Punch Mark Specifications](#).

If you have any queries, please contact the Championship Office.

14. DISTANCE MEASURING DEVICES (RULE 4.3)

A competitor may obtain distance information by using a device that measures distance only – see [Rule 4.3a\(1\)](#) in the Rules of Golf.

For additional guidance on permissible and non-permissible Distance Measuring Devices, see <https://www.randa.org/players-rule-finder/players-rule-finder/equipment/other-equipment/distance-measuring-devices>

If you have any queries, please contact the Championship Office.

15. LOGO AND MARKS POLICY

Please download [HERE](#) the following information regarding the Logo and Marks Policy. Competitors are asked to read this policy in advance of the Championship.

16. ANTI-DOPING

As referenced in the Terms of Competition, The R&A has adopted the International Golf Federation's Anti-Doping Policy for this Championship. Accordingly, all competitors are subject to the provisions of the International Golf Federation's Anti-Doping Policy and may be subject to drug testing conducted in accordance with that Policy. Details of the Policy, and the Prohibited Substances and Methods, are available from the International Golf Federation's website (www.igfgolf.org).

Competitors who are taking medication and in doubt as to their clinical status should seek advice from R&A Championships Limited not later than 30 days before the start of the Championship.

17. CADDIES / TROLLEY HIRE

Caddies are not permitted as per the Terms of Competition.

Complimentary sanitised pull trolleys will be available for competitor's courtesy of The R&A.

At each venue, a small supply of electric trolleys is available at a cost to the Competitor. Please contact the venues to reserve one if available.

18. COMPETITORS' LOCKER ROOM

The locker room can be accessed to store belongings, to change or to shower. Players may prefer to arrive in golf attire and to change their footwear at their vehicle. Only competitors may access this area and the use of mobile phones in the locker rooms is prohibited.

19. WITHDRAWALS

Competitors must advise the R&A Amateur Championships Department if they need to withdraw from the Championship, Tel: +44 (0)1334 213 400 or amateurentries@randa.org.

20. CONTACT INFORMATION

The R&A Championship Office

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The R&A website www.randa.org

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www.fulfordgolfclub.co.uk
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Ganton Golf Club

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www.gantongolfclub.com
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garybrowngolf@gmail.com

21. PROGRAMME OF EVENTS

(N.B. This programme including times may be subject to change)

Friday 11 August	Pre-Qualifying Practice Day (Boys')	Fulford	8.00am – 12.30pm
	Pre Qualifying - Online Registration CLOSSES		3.00pm
Saturday 12 August	Pre-Qualifying (Boys')	Fulford	8.00am – 12.24pm
Sunday 13 August	Official Practice (Girls')	Ganton	8.00am – 3.00pm
	Official Practice (Boys')	Fulford	8.00am – 3.00pm
Monday 14 August	Official Practice (Boys')	Ganton	8.00am – 3.00pm
	Official Practice (Girls')	Fulford	8.00am – 3.00pm
	Championship - Online Registration CLOSSES		3.00pm
Tuesday 15 August	Qualifying Rnd 1 (Girls') 3 balls	Ganton	7.00am – 3.45pm
	Qualifying Rnd 1 (Boys') 3 balls	Fulford	7.00am – 3.45pm
Wednesday 16 August	Qualifying Rnd 2 (Boys') 3 balls	Ganton	7.00am – 3.45pm
	Qualifying Rnd 2 (Girls') 3 balls	Fulford	7.00am – 3.45pm
Thursday 17 August	Match play 1st Rnd (Girls') (32 matches)		7.00am – 11.08am
	Match play 1st Rnd (Boys') (32 matches)		11.30am – 3.38pm
Friday 18 August	Match Play 2nd Rnd (Girls') (16 matches)		7.00am – 09.08am
	Match Play 2nd Rnd (Boys') (16 matches)		9.40am – 11.40am
	Match Play 3rd Rnd (Girls') (8 matches)		12.30am – 1.40pm
	Match Play 3rd Rnd (Boys') (8 matches)		2.50pm – 4.00pm
Saturday 19 August	Quarter Finals (Girls')		8.15am – 08.45am
	Quarter Finals (Boys')		9.00am – 09.30am
	Semi Finals (Girls')		1.00pm & 1.15pm
	Semi Finals (Boys')		1.30pm & 1.45pm
Sunday 20 August	Final (36 Holes) (Girls')		8.15am & 1.00pm
	Final (36 Holes) (Boys')		8.30am & 1.15pm
	Volunteer BBQ		11.30am – 1.00pm
	Prize Presentation		5.30pm approx.