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WOBURN – THE DUCHESS Little Brickhill, Milton Keynes MK17 9LJ Tel: +44 (0)1908 370756

10 - 12 MAY 2023

INFORMATION FOR COMPETITORS

These notes are compiled to give you information about the Championship - please read them carefully. Should you have any additional queries please do not hesitate to contact <u>amateurentries@randa.org</u>

1. REGISTRATION

Registration for the Championship will be managed electronically or in person.

An electronic registration link will be sent to you by email 72 hours before the commencement of the Championship.

You must respond to this link no later than 12.00 noon on Tuesday 9 May 2023. Alternatively, you may register in person on arrival at Woburn referencing the same deadline.

Should you fail to register by the deadline, you may be withdrawn from the Championship.

2. PLAYER INFORMATION

You will receive your player badge and a complimentary course guide from the Welcome Desk located in the foyer of the golf club.

Pin Positions, Local Rules, The R&A Pace of Play policy, and other relevant information will be available on the <u>The G4D Open Player Information</u> portal.

Please bookmark this link;

https://www.randa.org/the-q4d-open-player-information

The pin positions for each Championship round, will be sent to you by email in the evening before each round. To amend your email address, please visit the Welcome Desk.

3. OFFICIAL PRACTICE DAY

The official practice days are:

Monday 8 May 12.00 noon – 3.00pm (Competitors Only) Tuesday 9 May 10.00am – 2.00pm (Competitors Only)

All play is from the 1st Tee and no play is permitted before or after these official start times.

On confirmation of your place in the field, you may book a maximum of one practice time on each of the practice days. You will be notified of your unique practice time booking code and the booking process in a separate email. Please do not send requests for practice times or amendments by email as we will be unable to assist.

Please remember to check your junk email.

Please note that only one ball may be played during the official practice round with the following exception: if a player misses the green with their shot to the green, they may play one additional practice shot. Competitors may not play from any protected areas on tees.

Competitors wishing to play a practice round outside the official practice day, should contact the club directly to ascertain availability.

A photographer will be present on the 1st tee to take your player profile photograph.

4. PRACTICE FACILITIES

A controlled practice ground, with balls provided free of charge, will be operated during the Championship.

The practice range will be open and closed as follows with priority given by tee time;

 Monday 8 May
 10.00am – 4.00pm

 Tuesday 9 May
 8.00am – 6.00pm

 Wednesday 10 May
 7.00am – 6.00pm

 Thursday 11 May
 7.00am – 6.00pm

 Friday 12 May
 6.30am – 2.00pm

We are indebted to Titleist for providing practice balls for the Championship.

You may drive your motorised transport to the range following the directional signage. Alternatively a shuttle buggy service will be in operation.

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

ACCOMMODATION / TRAVEL

Nearby Milton Keynes has many hotel options. Some are listed on the following website;

https://www.destinationmiltonkeynes.co.uk/where-to-stay/

The nearest airport to Woburn Golf Club is Luton airport (approximately 35 minutes drive time)

<u>6. PARKING</u>

Please follow all directional signage to the free car parking areas provided at the club. Priority Car park passes will be issued by email to those who require additional space or support.

7. PUBLICATION OF THE DRAW

The draw for the 1st and 2nd rounds will be published on Monday 8 May 2023 and will be available via the Player Portal and online at www.randa.org

Round 3 start times will be determined by the 36-hole total with the lowest scores starting last. There will be no cut after 36 holes.

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

8. SCORECARDS

Your scorecard will be distributed by the Starter. You should arrive on the 1st tee approximately ten minutes before your starting time. The card must be returned to Recording Area located in the foyer of the clubhouse immediately after the completion of your round.

9. CADDIES / TROLLEY HIRE

Caddies may be booked by contacting the club directly.

Complimentary pull trolleys will be available for competitors courtesy of the Championship.

10. MOTORISED TRANSPORTATION

The G4D Committee will permit the use of motorised transportation by players holding a positive buggy indicator on their valid WR4GD pass.

Further email communications will be sent directly to those who have permission to use transportation.

For those who intend to bring their own transportation, storage and charging facilities will be provided. Any such items will be left at your own risk however overnight security will be present.

11. PLAYER LOCKER ROOMS

Locker rooms will be available for the use of competitors only during the Championship. Competitors are advised that any items are left at their own risk. The use of mobile phones and cameras in the locker room is prohibited.

12. PLAYER LOUNGE

During practice rounds, competitors may use the snack bar and normal dining options within the clubhouse at their own cost.

From Wednesday 10 May onwards, food and refreshments will be provided in the Player Lounge. You will be required to show your accreditation to access this exclusive area. Each competitor may also request one guest pass for this lounge by visiting the Welcome Desk.

13. MEDICAL SERVICES

During the Championship, a Doctor and First Aid services will be available to assist you. A complimentary physiotherapist service will be provided in the locker room area and can be booked on arrival. Anyone requiring assistance with prosthetics should visit the Medical Office onsite.

14. DRESS CODE

Competitors are reminded that a good standard of dress should be worn at all times. Headwear should not be worn in the clubhouse.

15. MOBILE PHONES

With the exception of on-course scoring, the use of a mobile phone is prohibited on the course whilst competing.

Phone calls should be made out with public areas of the clubhouse.

16. LIVE SCORING

Online scoring services will be available throughout the Championship at www.randa.org
You will be asked for your scores by greenside scorers located after every 3 holes and your co-operation is appreciated.

17. LOGO AND MARKS POLICY

Please download <u>HERE</u> the following information regarding the Logo and Marks Policy. Competitors are asked to read this policy in advance of the Championship.

18. EQUIPMENT RULES

If you have any golf equipment or club attachments that you would like to check is within the Equipment Rules in advance, then please send photos of the items and any details to EquipmentStandards@randa.org

19. PRIZE PRESENTATION

The prize presentation will take place immediately after play (approximately 6.30pm) on Friday 12 May 2023. Please refer to the Terms of the Championship.

20. WITHDRAWALS

Until 12 noon on Monday 8 May, competitors should advise the R&A Amateur Championships Department by email to amateurentries@randa.org should they need to withdraw from the Championship

After 12 noon on Monday 8 May, notice of withdrawal should be made by email directly to susansimpson@randa.org

21. CONTACT INFORMATION

Woburn Golf Club www.woburngolf.co.uk

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The Championship Office Tel: 07384 469970 (Championship week only)

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The R&A Office (St Andrews) Tel: +44 (0) 1334 460000

Websites <u>www.randa.org</u>

www.europeantour.com/dpworld-tour



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Programme of Events

Monday 8 May Official Practice Day 1 12.00 noon – 3.00pm

Publication of the Draw for Rounds 1 & 2

Tuesday 9 May Official Practice Day 2 10.00am – 2.00pm

Symposium 12 noon -5.30pm

Player Registration Closes 12 noon

Welcome Reception 7.30pm

Wednesday 10 May Round 1 8.30am – 2.30pm

80 players, 3 balls

Symposium 8.30am – 1.15pm

Thursday 11 May Round 2 8.30am – 2.30pm

80 players, 3 balls

Friday 12 May Round 3 8.00am – 2.00pm

80 players, 3 balls

Prize Presentation 6.30pm approx.

