

# **FOX HILLS GOLF CLUB**



## **2016 FIXTURE BOOK Rules & Regulations**

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# 7 HILLS RSL GROUP

- BOARD of DIRECTORS

  - PRESIDENT

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  - VICE PRESIDENT

    - Graham Black

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- Vice Captain
  - Norm Moana
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  - Peter Minko, Garry Sinclair
- Group Operation Manager
  - Corey Fletcher
- Club Professionals
  - Glen Pollard P.G.A.
  - Jamie Atkinson P.G.A.

## MAJOR EVENTS 2016

- Jan 2. Eclectic competition commences.
  - Feb 6. 2015 Medals of Medals Play-Off.
  - Mar 19. Fox Hills Cup.
  - Apr 9. Cock of the Walk – 1<sup>st</sup> Qualifying Round.
  - Apr 10. Keno Mixed 4 BBB Championships Qualifying Round.
  - Apr 16. Cock of the Walk – Final Qualifying Round.
  - Apr 23. Cock of the Walk ¼ Final.
  - Apr 24. Fox & Vixen Qualifying Round.
  - Apr 30. Cock of the Walk Semi Final.
  - May 14. Cock of the Walk Final.
  - May 28. Golf NSW 4 BBB Championships Qualifying Round.
  - Jun 18. Members Foursomes Championships – 1<sup>st</sup> Round.
  - Jun 25. Members Foursomes Championships – Final Round.
  - Jul 10. Winter Bowl.
  - Aug 6. Prospect Bowl.
  - Aug 13. Srixon Pairs Classic.
  - Aug 20. Handicap Matchplay – 1<sup>st</sup> Qualifying Round.
  - Aug 27. Handicap Matchplay – Final Qualifying Round. Captains Trophy.
  - Sep 10. ¼ Final Handicap Matchplay.
  - Sep 17. Semi Final Handicap Matchplay.
  - Sep 18. Kevin Reed Memorial Classic.
  - Sep 24. Final Handicap Matchplay.
  - Oct 8. Club Championships – 1<sup>st</sup> Round.
  - Oct 9. Spring Bowl.
  - Oct 15. Club Championships – 2<sup>nd</sup> Round.
  - Oct 22. Club Championships – 3<sup>rd</sup> Round.
  - Oct 23. Mixed Foursomes Championships – 1<sup>st</sup> Round.
  - Oct 29. Club Championships – Final Round.
  - Nov 12. Remembrance Golf Day Legacy Fundraiser.
  - Nov 27. Fox Head Shield.
  - Dec 4. Parent & Child Competition.
  - Dec 10. Invitation Day.
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- **In all 2 Ball events, the rules applicable to Individual Stroke Play will prevail.**

# Associates Office Bearers 2016

- PRESIDENT
  - Maureen Read
- VICE PRESIDENT
  - Ann Griffith
- CAPTAIN
  - Suzanne McKay
- VICE CAPTAIN
  - Carol Sparrow
- SECRETARY
  - Maureen Atkins
- TREASURER
  - Anne Reidy
- COMMITTEE
  - Jenny Clark – Lyn Nethercote - Carole Sorensen
- ASSOCIATES HANDICAP GRADINGS
  - Division 1. 0-29, Division 2. 30-36, Division 3. 37-45.

# Associates Major Events 2016

- Mar 2. Presidents & Captain's Trophy – 1<sup>st</sup> Round.
- Mar 9. Chick of the Hill Qualifying Round.
- Apr 6. Presidents & Captain's Trophy – Final Round.
- Apr. 20. Captain's V's Presidents Day.
- Apr. 27. Leila Neuhaus Awards.
- May 4. Veterans Challenge Brooch.
- May 11. Foursomes Championships – 1<sup>st</sup> Round.
- May 18. Foursomes Championships – Final Round.
- May 25. Golf NSW 4 Ball V's Par – Qualifying Round.
- Jun 15. 2BBB Knockout – Qualifying Round.
- Jun 22. 2 BBB Knockout – Semi Final.
- Jun 29. 2 BBB Knockout – Final.
- Aug 3. Granny's Shield.
- Aug 24. Salver Day.
- Sep 14. Annual General Meeting.
- Sep 18. Kevin Reed Memorial Classic.
- Oct 12. Singles Championships – 1<sup>st</sup> Round & Medal of Medals Play off.
- Oct 19. Singles Championships – 2<sup>nd</sup> Round.
- Oct 26. Singles Championships – Final Round.
- Dec 7. Party & Presentation Day.

## **Associates Open Days.**

- Apr 13. Open Day – Sponsored by Repairs aFoot Podiatry.
- Nov 30. Ham's Day – Sponsored by the Brittain Family.

## **Associates Handicap Gradings.**

Division 1. 0-29, Division 2. 30-36, Division 3. 37-45.

# The Ideals of Membership.

The enjoyment of golf depends a great deal on the co-operation, consideration & courtesy extended by fellow competitors. What is also true of the game also applies to Club Membership. The spirit & image of a Golf Club is projected by the way fellow members show respect, courtesy & consideration to one another.

This courtesy & consideration should extend to the choice of dress generally, in the standard of conduct on the course & in the Clubhouse.

The standard of the Golf Club may be judged by the etiquette of its members.

Members are asked to give close attention to:-

1. The rules of golf.
2. The etiquette of the game.
3. SPEED OF PLAY.

**YOUR POSITION IS DIRECTLY BEHIND THE GROUP IN FRONT, NOT IN FRONT OF THE GROUP BEHIND.**

4. The local rules & all regulations governing conditions of play/competition, thereby avoiding penalties, promoting harmony & making the game pleasant for all.

5. MEMBERS: PLEASE NOTE!

Before hitting off you must report to the Pro - Shop.



# Membership Definitions

## Full Member:

A full member is a person who has paid the appropriate fee & is entitled to use the golf course on any day of the week subject to bookings.

## Mid week Member:

A mid week member is a person who has paid the appropriate fee & is entitled to use the golf course from Monday to Friday inclusive, subject to bookings.

## Senior Member:

A senior member is a member who has reached the age of 65 years & has 10 years continuous full membership of Fox Hills Golf Club as at the date of their 65<sup>th</sup> birthday.

The reduction of a senior members annual subscription shall operate from the next subscription year after their 65<sup>th</sup> birthday.

## Country Member:

A country member is a member who resides at least 120 k/ms from Fox Hills Golf Club. A country member is not entitled to participate in the club championships or be selected in representative Fox Hills Golf Club teams.

## **REQUIREMENTS FROM MEMBERS**

By observing the following requirements & conditions, members will assist the Golfing Committee, Management & Staff & add to the enjoyment of their fellow members.

## **CLUB HOUSE**

Trading hours – Sunday to Thursday – 10:00am to 9:30pm.

Friday & Saturday – 10:00am to subject to functions.

The office is open for enquiries 7 days a week.

Management reserves the right to amend trading hours as required.

## **DRESS RULES**

**Club House:** Members & their guests are required to abide by the dress rules signage on entry to the club.

Anybody not complying with these rules will be refused entry to club premises. Management has the right to judge on any problems or queries.

## **COURSE**

Members & their guests must abide by signage displayed. Any queries should be directed to the Pro-Shop.

## **SPIKES**

Metal spikes are not permitted on the Golf Course.

## **DONATIONS**

No canvassing for donations, raffles or subscriptions is allowed unless by prior arrangements & approval of the Board.

## **COMPLAINTS**

All complaints shall be in writing to the Golfing Operations Manager of the Club. Any complaints arising from play on the golf course must be lodged within 48 hours of the incident with the Captain. In no instance shall an employee of the club be directly reprimanded by a member.

## **USE OF COURSE**

All members & Associates must report to the Pro-Shop before teeing off or using the practice area & obtain a course ticket.

## **PULL BUGGIES**

Pull buggies must have wide wheels.

## **ETIQUETTE OF THE GAME OF GOLF**

1. In ordinary events the shortest distance hitter should hit off first. Team Captain or lowest marker is responsible for this practice.
2. No one should move, talk or stand close to or directly behind the ball or hole when a player is addressing the ball or making a stroke.
3. No player should play until the players in front are out of range.
4. All players should play without delay, move quickly to their ball & be ready to play their next shot.
5. Players searching for a lost ball shall allow following players to play through. Time limit is 5 minutes to search for a lost ball.
6. All players are required to carry & use a sand bucket & to repair all divots through the course & to repair pitch marks on the green.
7. Players are not permitted to walk up the walls of bunkers, always leave the same way as entered & smooth over footprints with the rake provided. Rakes must be left in the bunkers.
8. Players must not transverse the putting green with a bag or buggy & must not place their bag on the putting green.
9. Mobile phones should be switched off whilst a player/caddy is on the course.
10. When the result of the hole has been determined players should immediately leave the green.
11. When a group falls behind in play the Team Captain or lowest marker may send the first 2 players who have already holed out on to the next tee to hit off. This practice allows the group to catch up.
12. Players should report to the starter 15 minutes prior to schedule tee time.

## **CARE OF THE COURSE**

1. Bunkers: Before leaving a bunker, a player should carefully fill in & smooth over all holes & footprints, rakes are to be left in the bunkers.
2. Restore Divots & Ball – Marks: Through the green , a player should ensure that any turf cut or displaced is repaired at once & pressed down, & that any damage to the putting green made by the ball or the player is carefully repaired.
3. Damage to the Greens – Flagsticks, etc: Players should ensure that, when putting down the flagstick, no damage is done to the putting green, & that neither they nor their caddies damage the hole by standing close to it, in handling the flagstick or in removing the ball from the hole. The flagstick should be properly replaced in the hole before the players leave the putting green. UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES IS A PLAYER PERMITTED TO REMOVE THEIR GOLF BALL FROM THE HOLE USING THE BALDE OF THE PUTTER.
4. Damage through practice swings: In taking practice swings players should avoid causing damage to the course, particularly the tees or by removing divots.
5. Carts: The following conditions apply to hiring of motorised carts.  
Obey all directional signs & carts should not be driven within 10 meters of greens, tees or edges of bunkers.  
No more than 2 people to ride in a cart.

**BREACHES OF THE ABOVE CONDITIONS MAY RESULT IN DISCIPLINARY ACTION.**

## **MATCH COMMITTEE COMPETITION RULES**

**Competition Cards:** All competition cards must be completed & deposited in the Pro-Shop within fifteen minutes of the completion of the round.

**Undue Delay:** Player or players who have fallen a fairway or more behind the field who cannot give a satisfactory explanation for the reason why, are liable to a 2 stroke penalty.

**Conditions of Practice:** Members during practice can hit a maximum of two balls on any one hole. Members only are permitted on the practice fairway & are reminded that balls are not to be played to the 9<sup>th</sup> or 11<sup>th</sup> fairways at any time. Practice is only in one direction, *ie.* From the tee into the practice zone (triangle). Practice from the practice zone to the practice tee is strictly prohibited – Members found doing so will have their practice rights suspended immediately & will be called in front of the match committee. Iron only play from the practice tee. Woods are strictly prohibited.

**Please Note!** Practice fairway can only be used by Golfing Members, Associate Members & Junior Members. A maximum of 4 persons using the practice area at any one time.

**Hit off times:** The competition starting times will be shown on the starting sheet. Competitors are not permitted to hit off prior to or after the official starting time unless approved by the starter, Captain or Golf Operations Manager. Members are requested to record their given (Christian) names on their cards to promote a more personal atmosphere, most particularly at presentation time.

**Programme:** The match Committee reserves the right to vary the programme set down from time to time.

**Eagle's Nest:** The Eagle's Nest competition shall apply to the nominated hole & is restricted to Members & Associates of Fox Hills. The tee shot must finish within the distance as specified by the Committee. This competition only applies to Saturday & Sunday competitions.

## **MATCH COMPETITION**

### **Competitions Notes:**

1. Members are requested to take notice of information posted on the competition Notice Board.
2. Players should use the computer time sheets provided in the clubhouse to book suitable hit off times. If necessary to cancel bookings, advise the Pro – Shop as early as possible.
3. Non attendance: A By-Law created in 1994 to apply a penalty for cancellation or non attendance without explanation. A \$20 penalty will apply which must be paid within 14 days or playing rights are automatically suspended until payment is received.
4. In Single & Fourball Knockout competitions ample notice will be given to attending competitors. A player who is not on the tee within half an hour of the appointed time shall be deemed to have forfeited the match. The Match Committee may, under special circumstances, grant a postponement of any round.
5. Play-offs for the monthly medals shall take place on the day of the next monthly medal. Failure to attend shall be treated as a forfeit.
6. If it is necessary for a group to play “a swinger” the lowest marker of the group is the swinger.

**Course Dress:** Members must be neatly attired at all times. Turtle neck shirts are permitted & shirts with banded bands may be worn outside shorts or slacks. All other types of shirts must be tucked in. Any shirt carrying offensive or improper themes are prohibited. Shorts may be worn with predominately white sports socks.( *ie.* No single or multi coloured sports socks (not predominately white) permitted). Neither football shorts or socks are permitted. Ripple sole or high heeled shoes are allowed.

### **MODE OF PLAY:**

If, due to abnormal circumstances, “*preferred lie*” is the mode of play, the player, if taking a “*preferred lie*” must mark the ball prior to lifting it. The ball may be cleaned before it is replaced on the “*closely mown portion*” ie. “*the fairway*”, within the specified distance. Failure to mark the ball shall incur a one stroke penalty. In exceptional circumstances where the preferred lie is “*through the green*” refer to the definition in the current Rule Book.

*Distance measuring devices (DMD) are permitted in competition at Fox Hills provided that the DMD only measures distance. If the DMD has the capacity to measure factors other than distance, the player shall be disqualified irrespective if such factors are utilized or not.*

**Help reduce slow play:** *Keep up with the group in front, not in front of the group behind & walk at a good pace between shots.*

**Play ready golf:** If it is safe to play & you are ready to hit, then hit your ball. This includes disregarding honours on the tee. Always play a provisional ball if there is a chance your ball may be lost or out of bounds. (Rule 27.2, P. 106 in the Rule Book. Mark your score card at the next tee. If playing first, hit off before marking your card. When searching for a ball, adhere to the 5 minute allowance & be prepared to call the next group through. Begin reading the green & lining up putts as soon as you reach the green, don’t wait until it’s your turn to putt. In Stableford, Par & 2BBB competitions pick up your ball when you can no longer score on the hole being played.

### **FINALLY: NOTHING TO DO WITH SLOW PLAY BUT.....**

1. Remember to carry a sand bucket & use it to fill your divot & any other nearby.
2. Repair your pitch mark on each & every green & any others that have not been repaired by other players.
3. Rake the bunker when you have been in one.

By following the above simple rules, you & your fellow golfers will have a more enjoyable game.

**COURSE DRESS:** Members & Guests must be clean & tidy at all times.

**1. Procedure for obtaining handicap:** In order to obtain an initial handicap a player is required to submit three cards each of which is played over 18 holes & duly signed by the player & a marker who must be a member, junior or associate (not cadet) of an affiliated golf club. The score for each hole should be clearly marked on the card. If when playing any hole, your score reaches 2 over par & you have still not “holed out”, it is not necessary to complete the hole – simply write down the score equal to the par plus two. Completed handicap cards should be deposited in the Pro-Shop.

**2. Handicaps in use for various events:**

Members Grades: “A” = 0-12, “B” = 13-19, “C” = 20-36.

(a) Individual:

Matchplay = full difference of handicap. All other events = full handicaps.

Associates’ Grades: “A” = 0-22, “B” = 23-32, “C” = 33-45.

(b) Foursomes:

Matchplay =  $\frac{1}{2}$  difference of aggregate handicaps. All other events =  $\frac{1}{2}$  of aggregate handicap.

(c) Ambrose:

Two players =  $\frac{1}{4}$  of aggregate handicap, Three players =  $\frac{1}{6}$  of aggregate handicap,

Four players =  $\frac{1}{8}$  of aggregate handicap.

(d) Fox & Vixen: See description of Fox & Vixen Event.

(e) Cock of the Walk = Full difference of handicap.

**NOTE!** When calculations of handicaps involves fractions, for all events, except stroke, the nearest whole number shall apply. (example 12.4 = 12, 12.5 = 13)

Handicap Grades may be adjusted at the discretion of the Golf Committee.



**3. Players Responsibility:** A player is responsible for having his handicap entered on all competition cards & is also responsible for the reporting to his home club, all scores returned by him at other clubs. It is also the player's responsibility to sign his card & have the marker counter sign the card. Failure to comply with this rule will result in the card being disqualified.

**4. Handicaps:** In accordance with section 9 of the Golf Australia (G.A.) memorandum, the committee has the authority to reduce any player's handicap.

**5. Player's Handicap:** A player's handicap is based on the USGA "rolling average" system. From a player's last 20 cards the appropriate formula is applied to the average of the last 8 best cards.

**Eclectic – Conditions of Competition:** The eclectic competition is conducted over a calendar year & is the player's best scratch score on each hole during the year. The competition is played in 3 grades A,B & C. The competition will commence on 2nd January & conclude on Saturday 31st December, 2016. Entry fee of \$10 is payable on the first day of competition & the first score card is used to determine the initial entry score. Results are calculated from any individual competition or individual competition in conjunction on Saturday &/or Sunday competition only. Improvements to a player's initial entry must be entered on an Eclectic improvement slip & placed in the box on the day of competition. If a temporary tee or green is in play on Saturday &/or Sunday any improvement for that hole will not be accepted. Results are determined from the best nett score in each grade, using half of the player's handicap as at 31/12/16, then best scratch score is calculated. Normal count back conditions apply if required to determine individual winners.

## **RULES FOR MATCHPLAY EVENTS**

**Matchplay competitions:** Players competing in Matchplay are not eligible to compete in any other competitions run in conjunction. Members should look at the notice board before starting to play, for they are deemed to be aware of all the notices posted thereon (*eg.* Local rules, preferred lies etc).

Players must ensure that their correct handicap is displayed on their card (by checking the handicap listing in the pro shop). It is the player's responsibility to ensure that the result of the days play is reported to the Pro-Shop/Match Committee, as well as recording the same on the draw. Failure to do so will result in disqualification.

### **General:**

1. All players must abide with the rules or forfeit their match.
2. All matches are to be played at the time & date designated by the committee. However, with the approval of the Captain matches may be played prior to the designated time & date.
3. The only way a match can be postponed beyond the allocated day is due to closure of the course due to weather or on instruction of the Captain.
4. The Match Committee retains the right to settle disputes as they see fit.

### **MOTORISED TRANSPORT:**

Members wishing to use privately owned motor bikes, golf carts or other forms of motorised transport on the golf course are required to apply in writing to the Golf Committee for such use to ensure that such vehicle complies with the required specifications.

The specifications relating to such use are:

1. that the vehicle conforms with the required specifications, being:  
(a) specifically designed golf cart, or (b) motor bike not exceeding 100cc with balloon type wide track tyres (*eg.* Suzuki RV90 or Honda ATC70) (c) other appropriate vehicles as approved by the match committee.
2. that the enjoyment of your fellow members is not hindered by riding ahead or during play of shots.
3. that care is taken in the areas ridden to preserve the course.
4. that transport is not to be ridden on teeing areas or within an area 10 meters of any green.
5. that the equipment is maintained in good condition & noise kept to a minimum.
6. that a motorised vehicle designed for carrying one person is only permitted to carry one set of golf clubs. Similarly a cart designed for 2 people, must carry not more than 2 sets of golf clubs & carry not more than 2 people.

Should such approval be given it will be subject to annual lodgement of public liability cover for the use of the motorised transport, with the Golfing Operations Manager, failure to do so will render the approval null & void.

In the event of wet weather conditions the use of motorised transport may be restricted & reference to the Club Professional before proceeding onto the course is required.

**NOTE!** Public Liability policy to be submitted to the club annually.

## **DEFINITION OF EVENTS**

**In all 2 Ball events the rules applicable to individual stroke play shall prevail.**

**Fox Hills Cup:** An 18 hole medal scratch stroke event, open to all G.A. affiliated golfers. Handicap limit to be determined by the Golf Committee. In the event of a tie, a playoff will take place at a time determined by the committee.

**Prospect Bowl:** An 18 hole stroke handicap event, open to all golfers with a G.A. handicap of 13 & above. In the event of a tie, the normal count back system shall be applied.

**Medal of Medals:** The winners of the Monthly Medal for the year January to December 2014 inclusive will be eligible for the “Medal of Medals” play off to be held on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> February 2015. All Monthly medal winners must play in the grade that they won their medal however, they shall play off their current handicap.

**Cock of the Walk:** This event is conducted on a handicap matchplay format with 2 qualifying rounds of 2 Ball Aggregate Stableford. The leading 8 pairs after the qualifying rounds shall proceed to the matchplay. If necessary the leading 8 pairs shall be determined in accordance with Golf Australia count back procedure. There are no grades in this event, handicap strokes shall be taken in accordance with the matchplay index. If the match is square after 18 holes, play shall proceed on a “sudden death” basis with the handicap strokes still applying. The number of strokes to be awarded is the difference between the player’s handicaps with a maximum of 18 strokes.

**Srixon Pairs Classic:** See Pro Shop for the format of this event.

**Fox & Vixen:** This event is conducted on a handicap matchplay format. The leading 8 pairs after an 18 hole qualifying round shall play handicap matchplay using the matchplay index. If necessary the leading 8 pairs shall be determined in accordance with the G.A. count back procedure. The lowest handicap player shall play off scratch & the remaining players shall play off  $\frac{3}{4}$  the difference between their handicap & the lowest marker’s handicap. The maximum number of strokes to be given is 18.

**Ambrose Rules:** A team may consist of 4, 3 or 2 persons. Once the team selects the ball to be played , the other team members shall place their ball within one club length of the selected ball. If the selected ball to be played is in the rough, on the fringe, in a bunker or hazard, the other balls must be played from the rough, bunker or hazard, as the case maybe. If the selected ball is being played from a bunker, the sand may be raked prior to the other team members placing & playing their ball. On the putting green a player will continue to putt out until the ball is holed. At all times the placed ball is not to be positioned nearer the hole.

**Split Six Stableford:** A team stableford event for 3 or 4 players. For holes numbered 1 to 6 inclusive the best score of the team is the only score recorded on the score card. For holes numbered 7 to 12 inclusive the best 2 scores are recorded whilst for the holes numbered 13 to 18 inclusive the best 3 team scores are recorded.

**Irish Team Event:** A team event of 3 or 4 players either as a stroke or stableford event. On each hole the best 2 nett scores of the team are recorded on the card.

**Las Vegas Ambrose Stroke:** A team event for 3 or 4 players, all players hit off from the tee & select the best ball. The owner of the selected ball does not hit the next shot. This procedure continues until the ball is holed out. On the putting green, the player continues putting until the ball is holed,. The other members of the team do not putt if they cannot improve on the score.

**Ransom 2 Ball Stableford.** The better individual stableford score on holes numbered 1 to 6, on holes 7 to 12 the worst score & on holes 13 to 18 the aggregate score of both players.

# SCORING A CARD

## Four Person – Stroke

The best 3 scores of the team shall be recorded on the score card.

### EXAMPLE 1 – Stroke

Player A = 5

Player B = 6

Player C = 5

Player D = 8

Best of 3 of 4 = 16

## Four Person - Stableford

The best 3 scores of the team shall be recorded on the score card.

### EXAMPLE 2 - Stableford

Player A = 4/2

Player B = 5/1

Player C = 4/2

Player D = 4/3

Best 3 of 4 = 7 points

## Multiplier – 2 Ball Stableford

To determine the number of points to be recorded for each hole simply multiply the result of each player's score for the same hole.

### EXAMPLE 1

Player A = 3/3

Player B = 3/2

Result  $3 \times 2 = 6$

## Multiplier – 2 Ball Stableford

To determine the number of points to be recorded for each hole simply multiply the result of each player's score for the same hole.

### EXAMPLE 2

Player A = 3/3

Player B = 5/0

Result  $3 \times 0 = 0$

# SCORING A CARD

## Irish Team Event – Stroke

The best 2 nett scores of the team on each hole shall be recorded on the score card.

### EXAMPLE 1 – Stroke

Player A = 5

Player B = 6

Player C = 5

Player D = 7

Best of 2 of 4 = 10

## Irish Team Event – Stableford

The best 2 nett scores of the team on each hole shall be recorded on the score card.

### EXAMPLE 1 – Stableford

Player A = 5/2

Player B = 5/1

Player C = 4/2

Player D = 4/3

Best of 2 of 4 = 5 points

## Spilt 6 Stableford

|            | Holes 1-6           | Holes 7-12      | Holes 13 - 18   |
|------------|---------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
|            | <u>Only 1 score</u> | <u>2 scores</u> | <u>3 scores</u> |
| Player A   | 5/2                 | 6/1             | 4/3             |
| Player B   | 6/1                 | 5/2             | 4/2             |
| Player C   | 4/3                 | 4/1             | 6/1             |
| Player D   | 5/2                 | 5/3             | 5/2             |
| Score card | 4/3                 | 5/3             | 4/3             |
|            |                     | 5/2             | 4/2             |
|            |                     |                 | 5/2             |

**CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS:**

The Club Championships will consist of 72 hole Medal Stroke Play in A, B, C, Masters & Junior Grades. In the scratch component of each grade, if two or more players are tied after 72 holes, a play off over 18 holes will be held & if necessary play will continue on a “sudden death” basis. For all other decisions the G.A. count back system shall apply. New members competing in Championships must have a minimum of 5 competition cards to be eligible.

**Please Note!** The first round of the Club Championships on 10<sup>th</sup> October, 2015 is compulsory.

**Masters Championships:** To be contested by financial members who have attained the age of 50 years at the commencement date as determined by the Committee each year.

**Tuesday Veteran’s Championships:** This event is conducted over 36 holes of handicap & is only for Fox Hills Veterans Members.

**Handicap Matchplay Championships:** Conducted in A, B & C Grades, 36 holes qualifying stroke play, with the leading 8 pairs in each grade qualifying for handicap matchplay. G.A. count back procedure shall be used to determine the qualifying positions if necessary.

**Veteran Status:** Financial members who have attained the age of 55 years.

**Mixed & Members Foursomes Championships:** Played over 36 holes on dates as advertised. Two players use one ball & play alternate stroke from the tee. Players take turns to take “tee shots”. Players must change the order of play for the 2<sup>nd</sup> round of the Championships.



**Golf Competitions & how they are played:** These notes are only intended to assist in the general concept of how various competitions are played. They must be read in conjunction with the Rules of Golf & in particular the Committee shall lay down the conditions under which a competition is to be played (Rule 33).

**Monthly Medal Stroke:** The score of each hole is entered on the score card, totalled & the player's full handicap deducted. The player who completes the stipulated round in the fewest nett strokes will be the winner. Usually a gross winner is also determined. If after the stipulated round a tie exists a play off over 18 holes shall be held on the next Monthly medal day. Players in the play off shall use their current handicap.

**Count back System:** In 18 hole events, the last 9 holes are used, if there is still a tie the last 6 holes, if still tied the last 3 holes. If a tie still persists then hole by hole from the 18<sup>th</sup>.

**Player's Responsibility:** A player is responsible to have their handicap recorded on the score & must sign their card & ensure that the marker also signs the card.

**Par:** In Par competition the score is entered on the card in the same way as is stroke play with the exception that where the score exceeds par for the hole, after allowing for handicap stroke (if the player is in receipt of one) the score need not be written in. It is the custom that when a player is beaten by Par, the ball shall be picked up. This helps speed up play. After entering the stroke score on the card, the result is marked in the column provided with a "+" sign for a win, an "0" for a half & a "-" for a loss. At the end of the round the plus & minus signs are added & the nett result written in as so many "up", "down" or all square. A player is allowed his full stroke handicap & the strokes are taken holes as indicated on the stroke index on the card.

**2 BBB Par:** 2 players play as partners each taking strokes at holes as in a par competition. If one of the partners wins a hole & the other halves it only the win is counted. If one halves a hole with par & the other loses it, only the half is counted & so on. Plus, half & minus signs are added at the end of the round & recorded as in an ordinary competition. In a 2 ball handicap event care must be taken to mark the scores of each player in separate columns headed by the initials of the player. If the scores are mixed & it is impossible for the Committee to check the card the players will be disqualified.

**Stableford:** This system of scoring points was introduced by Dr. Frank Stableford of the Wallasey Golf Club (Liverpool, England) in 1932 & has become very popular. In a stableford competition a player shall utilize their full handicap & to score points for the nett result at each hole. In scoring after allowing for handicaps, a player who scores a nett par receives 2 points, for 1 over par, 1 point, for a birdie or 1 under par, 3 points, for an eagle or 2 under par, 4 points, & so on. For example, a player receiving a stroke on a par 4 hole scores 4 giving him a nett 3; for this he receives 3 points. A player at a par 3 hole scores 4 but does not receive a stroke; for this he would receive 1 point.

**2 Ball Best Ball Stableford:** Played in exactly the same manner as stableford except that the better ball of the partnership will be credited with the points. In 2 ball events players should discontinue play if they cannot better their partner's score.

**Foursomes:** Two players play as partners & use one ball. The partners strike off alternately from the tee & thereafter strike the ball alternately during the play of each hole. Scoring is done as for a stroke round & the total is subject to a deduction of half the partners' aggregate handicaps. NOTE! If either player incurs a penalty stroke it does not alter the rotation of play. In a foursome stroke play competition which consists of more than one stipulated round, the order of play shall be changed between rounds.

**General:** All the foregoing competitions are forms of stroke play & subject to the rules governing stroke play. Special rules for Par & Stableford competitions are set out in Rule 32. Rule 31 covers the special rules for fourball Par & Stableford competitions. Foursomes may be played under either stroke rules or matchplay conditions & Rule 29 is relevant to foursome events.

**Matchplay:** This traditional form of the game sees 2 individuals or 2 sides competing against each other with the number of holes won or lost deciding the match. The match is decided when one side is ahead after the decreed number of holes or is more holes up than the number of holes remaining to be played. The number of strokes awarded in this competition is the difference between the players' stroke handicaps.

It is usual for the committee to prescribe a sudden death continuation if the match is all square after the required holes. In this case handicap strokes are used as in the original round. In fourball matchplay, the lowest marker reverts to scratch & gives strokes to the higher marker, *eg.* "A" is on a handicap of 4, "B" on 8, "C" on 12 & "D" on 27. "A" receives no strokes, "B" receives 4 strokes, "C" gets 8 strokes & "D" gets 23 strokes, irrespective of who is A's partner. However, the maximum number of strokes to be given is 18. In all handicap matchplay events, the handicap strokes will be taken as indicated by the Match index.

**Mixed 2 Ball Par or Stableford:** These games are played as described except that the female plays from her own tees, using her own score card, local rules etc. The result is only transferred to her partner's card when her score for the hole is better than his. Care must be taken when checking the card to refer to the ladies' card when dealing with holes halved or won by her.

**Mixed Foursomes:** Mixed foursomes are played in the same manner as foursomes except that women use their own tees & observe their own local rules when it is their turn to play.

**Canadian Foursomes:** Played as above except that both players play tee shots at every hole & afterwards continue with whichever ball they nominate. With the partner playing the second stroke.

**American Foursomes:** Both players play tee shots at each hole, then play a second stroke with their partner's ball. The players decide on the ball to be played & the third stroke is played by the player who does not own the ball.

**Requirements from Associates:** By observing the following requirements & conditions Associates will assist the Committee & add to the comfort & enjoyment of their fellow members.

**Dress Regulations:** All Associates are expected to be suitably attired on the course. Inappropriate wear includes short shorts (more than 13cms above knee), tank tops, tee shirts & track pants.

**Competition:** Event & conditions of play for each competition are written on the white board in the Associates room. Eclectic, birdies, gobblers, eagles nest on the 6<sup>th</sup> hole commence on the first medal round in March each year, until the end of October. Fox's Lair on the 6<sup>th</sup> hole , sponsored by Glen Pollard, applies in competition throughout the year. The committee reserves the right to alter the published fixtures at their discretion.

**Handicaps:** Associates' handicaps are determined by the process as laid down by Golf Australia.

Fox Hills Associates are represented in the following competitions:

Golf NSW Scratch Matchplay.

Bronze 1 & 2 Pennants Scratch Matchplay.

Western District Shield 1 & 2 Handicap Matchplay – full difference .

Interclub Shield Handicap Matchplay – full difference.

Dates not available at time of downloading.

Representatives to be determined by the Associates Committee.