

THE GEORGE PACK TROPHY LADIES VERSUS MEN

History

This Trophy was presented by Mr. Bob Schwartz when he was then Captain of the Men's' Club, at the Ladies versus Men's Match in 1970, (C.M. 9.3.70) to commemorate George Pack's work for the Clubs.

George Pack was Captain of the Men's' Club for two consecutive years 1965 - 1966 and at the same time Gladys was Secretary of the Ladies' Club.

George and Gladys Pack were members of Coulsdon Court for many years. George held various Offices in the Club culminating in him being President/Chairman.

The shield was presented in 1970 at the last competition George and Gladys played in before George retired and they moved away from the area to Dorset. Bob Schwartz the then Men's' Captain presented the George Pack Shield as a mark of the esteem in which George was held. This Shield to be presented to the winning team in the Ladies versus Men Competition which George had instigated several years earlier. In those days it was played for on one of the Bank Holidays.

Organisation

The Ladies arrange the game and prepare the cards in the "odd" years i.e. 1989 — 1991 — 1993 — 1995 etc. and the Men arrange the game and prepare the cards in the even years i.e. 1990 — 1992 — 1994 — 1996 etc.

This match is played on a Sunday followed by a two course meal. Players are responsible for their green fees; the cost of the meal is borne by the Club. Lady Captain does the draw with the Men's Captain. Lady Captain usually makes the arrangements for the meal.

Format

A 4 ball, better ball, Match play game, 2 ladies play against 2 men.
The game is played using the Ladies' stroke index.

2011 CONGU ruling on Mixed Stableford Competitions

'It has been decided to change the method of calculation of results in individual Mixed Stableford Competitions. The principle is based on increasing the handicap allowance of players on the course which gives the lower 'handicap performance' points so that 'handicap points' equate. This increase would be for competition purposes only.'

Illustrative Examples:

Men's Tees SSS 70, Par 71: Ladies' Tees SSS 72 Par 72

Handicap Performance:

Men: $36 + (\text{Par} - \text{SSS}) = 36 + (71 - 70) = 37$ points

Ladies: $36 + (\text{Par} - \text{SSS}) = 36 + (72 - 72) = 36$ points.

Increasing Ladies' Handicap Allowance by 1 equates handicap performance.

Men's Tees SSS 72 Par 71: Ladies' Tees SSS 71 Par 72

Handicap Performance:

Men: $36 + (\text{Par} - \text{SSS}) = 36 + (71 - 72) = 35$ points

Ladies: $36 + (\text{Par} - \text{SSS}) = 36 + (72 - 71) = 37$ points

Increasing Men's Handicap Allowance by 2 equates handicap performance.

Comment: This is a change to Appendix O Section 2 of the Unified Handicapping System. HandicapMaster Ltd understands from CONGU that this change is also to apply to Par/Bogey competitions (Appendix O Section 3).

At Coulsdon: Men's sss= 67, par = 70, ladies sss = 70 par = 71

Handicap performance, men's = 39 points, ladies = 37 points, therefore ladies handicaps should be increased by 2.

In 4 ball, better ball matches the back marker (the player with the lowest handicap) has to concede shots to the other 3 players based on 3/4 difference between full handicaps.

eg. Man A hcp 18,
 Man B hcp 22,
 Lady C hcp 20 increased to 22,
 Lady D hcp 26 increased to 28

A concedes shots to B $22 - 18 = 4 \times 3/4 = 3$

to C $22 - 18 = 4 \times 3/4 = 3$

to D $28 - 18 = 10 \times 3/4 = 7.5$ rounded up = 8

These shots to be taken on the appropriate holes on the men's stroke index.

Note: There is no obvious reason why men shouldn't use the men's stroke index and ladies the ladies stroke index, but see note below from the CONGU website.

There is often a debate about which Stroke Index (SI) should be used. For Stroke play it is recommended that each player uses the SI appropriate to them. For match play it is recommended that SI appropriate to either the Men's or Ladies' course is used for both sets of players. This should have minimal effect for two reasons:

- 1. Players rarely play their best (or worst) golf on the holes where they get a shot*
- 2. When players don't get a shot where they should it means they do get a shot where they shouldn't.*

Therefore the format now is:

1. The ladies should have their handicaps increased by 2 strokes,
2. The shots conceded should be 90% of the difference between the lowest handicap and that of each player
3. We should use the Ladies stroke index for ease of communication, and
4. The ladies should play off the red tees and the men off the white tees. (updated 2016)

Winners

1987	Ladies	2004	Ladies
1988	Ladies	2005	Ladies
1989	Halved	2006	Men
1990	Men	2007	Rain Cancelled
1991	Men	2008	Men
1992	Men	2009	Draw
1993	Men	2010	Men
1994	Men	2011	Men
1995	Men	2012	Ladies
1996	Men	2013	Men
1997	Ladies	2014	Men
1998	Ladies	2015	Men
1999	Ladies		
2000	Men		
2001	Ladies		
2002	Men		
2003	Not Played		