

WEE WONDERS

WEE WONDERS CHAMPIONSHIPS 2020

GRAND FINAL

GULLANE GOLF CLUB

INFORMATION FOR COMPETITORS AND THEIR FAMILIES

29 - 30 August 2020

PLEASE READ THE BELOW INFORMATION CAREFULLY. ALL COMPETITORS AND PARENTS/GUARDIANS MUST AGREE TO THE GUIDELINES IN PLACE BY SCOTTISH GOLF AND WEE WONDERS.

Venue

Gullane Golf Club
West Links Road
Gullane
EH32 1BB

Travel

Competitors and their families are responsible for their own travel arrangements.

- Air travel: Wee Wonders suggest Edinburgh Airport
- Train travel: Wee Wonders suggest Edinburgh train stations. For information go to www.nationalrail.co.uk
- Road travel: Approx. time from Edinburgh Airport – 1hr 5 minutes Approx. time from Glasgow Airport – 2hr 5 minutes

Accommodation

Early booking is strongly advised. For information on local hotels and guest houses we suggest visiting the following sites: <https://www.visiteastlothian.org/home>

Event Registration

Registration is taking place in the Professional Shop at Gullane Golf Club, EH31 2BB on Friday 28th August, between 10 am – 5 pm. A parent or nominated guardian **MUST** accompany each competitor to registration.

Please see the health and safety changes in place for this year's registration:

- All Wee Wonders staff to wear appropriate PPE
- Social distancing to be observed at all times during registration
- Gifts will be sanitised and distributed with as few touch points as possible.
- Hand sanitiser will be available at registration, on the first tee and at scoring
- In line with public health advice, it is recommended that anyone over the age of 11 wears a face mask whilst in the Pro Shop.
- As part of the track and trace requirements, we will require a list of all accompanying adults who will be on site during the event.

Practice Rounds

All competitors playing in this year's Grand Final can play a free practice round on Friday 28th August (block times tbc). If you would like to book a free practice round on the Friday, please email info@weewondersgolf.com with your name, age and preferred tee time. We will then get back to you as soon as we can with a practice tee time which hopefully suits your request.

If you would like to play a practice round on another date, then you will need to book this through the BRS booking system on the Gullane Golf Club webpage: <https://www.gullanegolfclub.co.uk/> This will be offered at a 50% discounted green fee rate of £22.50 for a weekday or £25.00 for a weekend.

The Tournament – Format for 2020

Competitors in the Boys 7-8 and Girls 9-10 categories will play 18 holes over the two days – 9 holes on the Saturday and 9 holes on the Sunday. Competitors in the Boys 9-10, Boys 11-12 and Girls 11-12 categories will play 36 holes over the two days – 18 holes on the Saturday and 18 holes on the Sunday.

- Competitors in the Boys 11-12 will play from the white tees (approx 5200 yards)
- Competitors in the Boys 9-10 will play from the yellow tees (approx 4600 yards)
- Competitors in the Boys 7-8 will play from the forward tees (approx 1600 yards)
- Competitors in the Girls 11-12 will play from the red tees (approx 4600 yards)
- Competitors in the Girls 9-10 will play from the forward tees (approx 1600 yards)

The tee times provided here are approximate for guidance only. Exact tee times will be published 1 week prior to the event commencing.

Saturday 29th Round 1

- Boys 7-8 10th tee start 08:00 - 08:32
- Boys 11-12 08:00 – 09:20
- Girls 11-12 09:28 – 10:08
- Boys 9-10 10:16 – 11:12
- Girls 9-10 11:20 - 12:00

Sunday 30th Round 2

- Boys 7-8 10th tee start 08:00 - 08:32
- Boys 11-12 08:00 – 09:20
- Girls 11-12 09:28 – 10:08
- Boys 9-10 10:16 – 11:12
- Girls 9-10 11:20 - 12:00

Scores for Handicap Adjustments

This year our Wee Wonders Grand Final is a 'Non- Qualifying Competition', which means your scores will not be used for handicap adjustments. However if your Home Club comes under: *England Golf, Wales Golf or The Golfing Union of Ireland / Irish Ladies Golf Union*, you will still need to submit scores to your Home Golf Club as per 'CONGU UHS – Clause 4.5b/8.12'. Competitors will be responsible for providing these scores to their Club. Scottish Golf does not require Non Qualifying Scores to be submitted to a club.

Match check-in

Players must check-in for their match 10 minutes before their allocated match time on the tee, ready to play. A Rules Official will be present on the course to assist competitors where necessary. For Sunday 30th August, the players head out in reverse leader order, with Boys 11-12 going out first, followed by the Girls 11-12 and then the Boys 9-10, followed by Girls 9-10 then finally Boys 7-8. The tee times for the Sunday will be posted on the Wee Wonders website on the Saturday evening by 5pm.

Supervisors

A parent or nominated adult **MUST** act as a Supervisor during the competition for his or her own child. The Supervisors will agree and record the number of strokes taken by each player after each hole. Information communicated to competitors must only be on rules and procedural issues. Competitors must make their own decisions on issues that affect the way in which the shot is played. If a parent or supervisor feels that someone within their group is in breach of this rule, the first action should be to raise it with the fellow Supervisor immediately and try to resolve the issue. If you are unable to find a resolution, you must report it to the Rules Official as soon as possible. Breach of this rule, in the first instance will result in the competitor and parent/supervisor receiving a verbal warning. A subsequent breach will result in the competitor being given a 2-stroke penalty.

Spectators

Social distancing, defined by at least two metres of physical distance between people maintained at all time, will always be enforced under our competition guidelines:

- Spectating, other than by a parent/guardian or coach, should **not** be permitted.
- On course footage will be taken by our official photographer
- Final determination about spectators will be announced two weeks before the event. It will also be advised on the day if anyone requires further clarification.
- For more guidance on from Scottish Golf on spectators, please click the link: <https://ocs-sport.ams3.cdn.digitaloceanspaces.com/sg/2020/07/Return-to-Golf-Phase-3-v3-FINAL1..pdf>

During Competition

Please see our on course guidelines:

- Players will mark their own scorecard and they must agree on hole scores/final score with playing partners before handing card in
- Always observe physical distancing rules on the course.
- Preferred lies from the bunker will be in play.
- With no rakes allowed on the course, golfers to make their very best efforts to smooth the sand using their club and/or their feet.
- Following play of a hole, do not enter the next teeing area until the all members of the group in front have played their tee shots and exited the teeing area.
- Do not share equipment, food or drink with other players during your round.
- Do not use on-course water fountains, ball cleaners etc.
- Do not touch the flag or flagstick. Putt with the flagstick in and remove your own ball from the hole.
- Players are encouraged to display sportsmanship without traditional hugs and handshakes.

After Competition

Scoring will be conducted after the round with a Wee Wonders official:

- Players stand at distancing markers to review scores
- Wee Wonders officials confirm hole-by-hole scores and totals as well as confirm with the marker, player and supervisor.

Trolley Hire

Pull trolleys can be hired from the Professional shop for £6. Electric Trolleys can also be hired for £15. It is advisable to book hire goods in advance, please contact The Professional Shop on 01620 843 111.

Practice Area

Competitors will be able to use the range facilities to warm up as well as the putting green next to the starter's hut for course No.2 and No. 3. The practice facilities will be limited and will be managed each morning to ensure a fair warm up for all competitors. The warm up procedure will be explained in more detail on Friday 28th August at check in.

Car Parking

Parking is available in the Visitors' Clubhouse Car Park. Please do not leave valuables in your car or unattended around the Club.

Changing Facilities

Changing facilities will remain closed. Please change your golf shoes in the car park or before you arrive.

Catering

Catering service will be available in the Visitor's Clubhouse. Payment by card would be preferred, however cash will be accepted. Catering is available: Friday 28th – Sunday 30th August from 7.00am – 5.30pm. Drinks and other refreshments can be purchased from the Professional Shop.

Dress Code

Visitors are expected to be smartly and tidily dressed both on the Courses and in the Clubhouse. Jeans are not permitted.

Mobile Phones

The use of mobile phones for calls is prohibited in the Clubhouse and on the Courses (other than in the case of an emergency on the course).

Liability

Visitors, their vehicles and equipment are on Club property at their own risk and the Club has no liability. The Club has the right to refuse entry or the removal of a visitor at its absolute discretion.

Prize Giving

Regrettably, but in accordance to public health advice and guidance from Scottish Golf, currently we have been advised that we cannot hold a formal presentation after the event. Therefore, prizes will be sent out to eligible players after the event.

Photography

A photographer will be on site to take photos of each group on the first tee, as well as photos of our Wee Wonders Champions with their trophies. These will be made available to download for free and a link will be sent out after the event. Players will be photographed individually and as a group whilst observing social distancing.

US Kids Golf European Championships / World Championships

It is our intention to continue running the Grand Final as a qualifying event for next year's European and World Championships however we are awaiting confirmation from US Kids on this.

To be confirmed: Competitors who play in our Wee Wonders Grand Final will receive an invitation to the 2021 US Kids Golf European Championships, which take place at the end of May in East Lothian. Information about this will be sent out after the event. For those competitors who come first in their respective US Kids Golf age category, they will also receive an invitation to the 2021 US Kids Golf World / Teen World Championships, which take place in July in Pinehurst, USA. Information about this will be sent out after the event.

Contact:

Should you have any queries about the event or the tournament as a whole, please contact us at: info@weewondersgolf.com.

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