

2026

Pennant

Conditions of Play

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NEWCASTLE HUNTER DISTRICT LADIES GOLF ASSOCIATION INC

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These Conditions are to be read in conjunction with the NHDLGA Standard Conditions of Play which are available on the NHDLGA website.

It is the responsibility of each Club Captain to ensure that each team member has received, read, and understood the 2026 NHDLGA Pennant Conditions of Play prior to play for the 2026 Pennant Season. Where a Rule is mentioned, e.g., Condition 16.5.1 mentions R&A Rule 4.3a(1) & (2), the full explanation that or any other Rule can be found in the current issue of the R&A Rules of Golf.

Definitions:

In these Conditions unless the context indicates otherwise:

“Club” means a club competing in the NHDLGA Pennant Competitions.

“Contest” means the competition between two Clubs consisting of Individual Matches.

“Course Official” means a nominated representative from the host club who has the authority to advise on rules and conditions of the course on the day.

“NHDLGA Committee” means the Match Committee of NHDLGA.

“Host Club” means the Club nominated in the Draw to host the contest, whether at that Club or another venue.

“Pennant contacts” means the Pennant Captains.

“The Squad”, for each participating Club, means the members who are participating in any Scratch Pennant Competition.

“Walkover” means awarding a victory to a team, without playing any matches, by the opposition, because the opposing team has forfeited.

1. Format

- 1.1. All Contests and Individual Matches will be played under the Rules of Golf, the Local Rules in operation at the Host Club and in accordance with these COP.
- 1.2. All individual matches are to be played from the tee markers as directed by the Host Club.
- 1.3. All individual matches for Scratch, Bronze and Weekend Pennant must be played according to the Team time slot, with successive matches following at eight (8) minute intervals.
- 1.4. The honour on the tee shall be decided by the toss of a coin between representatives of the competing Clubs. The Club that wins the toss shall have the option to take the honour at the starting tee for all Individual Matches in that Contest.

2. Eligibility

- 2.1. All players must be amateur, financial members (in any playing category) of the club they represent and must hold a current Golf Australia handicap.
 - 2.1.1. Players on club only handicaps are not eligible.
- 2.2. A player can only represent one club in the District in any one year.

3. Entry

- 3.1. NHDLGA Pennant competitions are open to all District golf clubs who are financially affiliated members of NHDLGA.
- 3.2. There will be three (3) competitions available for club entry: Scratch Pennant in two (2) Divisions, Bronze - Handicap Pennant - in two (2) Divisions and Weekend Pennant in one (1) Division.
- 3.3. Unless approved by the NHDLGA Captain, Clubs may enter only one team in each Pennant competition.

4. Host Club Responsibilities

As a condition of entry, all competing clubs must:

- 4.1. Agree with and comply with the conditions laid down by the NHDLGA Committee.
- 4.2. Host a round for each team entered.
- 4.3. Provide a Starter who will:
 - 4.3.1. Start the field
 - 4.3.2. Advise players of their responsibilities

- 4.3.3. Advise players of local rules
- 4.3.4. Provide players with the name & mobile number of the Course Official
- 4.3.5. Advise players to contact the Course Official for advice on rules or on any other issues that may arise.
- 4.4. Host Clubs must provide a Course Official to monitor Pace of Play. (Refer to Section 15).
- 4.5. Provide a Course Official who, in coordination with the Pro shop, will monitor wet weather situations. This person must be available throughout the day and able to deal with any weather issues that arise during the day of match play.
 - 4.5.1. The Course Official must have the ability to make a course assessment and the authority to decide whether play should continue, be delayed, be suspended or be cancelled. Play can be suspended for up to 45 minutes before a final decision is made.
- 4.6. Inform the NHDLGA Committee, if, prior to the day of the match, the course condition is deemed dangerous or unsuitable for play.
 - 4.6.1. The Host Club must inform the NHDLGA Committee of this information by 10am Sunday for Monday Matches or 10am Saturday for Weekend Matches.
- 4.7. Inform the NHDLGA Captain and participating Clubs if carts are not allowed.
 - 4.7.1. Once Clubs have been notified, regardless of changes by the Host Club, carts will still not be allowed for matches on that day.
 - 4.7.2. The Host Club must inform the NHDLGA Committee of this information by 10am Sunday for Monday Matches or 10am Saturday for Weekend Matches.
- 4.8. Complete a results sheet, which must be signed by team representatives at the completion of play or cancellation of matches.
 - 4.8.1. Host Club must forward the Result Sheet to the NHDLGA Captain by email by 6pm on the day, after the last match is completed.
- 4.9. The Course Official does not have the authority to make decisions on the results of the matches or whether the matches will be replayed. These decisions will be done by the NHDLGA Captain and NHDLGA Committee after results are received.

5. Scratch Pennant

All Scratch Pennant contests and Individual matches will be played under the Rules of Golf and the Local Rules at the Host Club. The competition is Individual Match Play WITHOUT the benefit of handicap.

Matches will be played in accordance with the following conditions.

- 5.1. Matches shall be played in two (2) divisions.
- 5.2. All teams shall consist of six (6) players, playing in 4's in GA order from lowest to highest:
 - Pair 1 & 2 - Match 1
 - Pair 3 & 4 - Match 2
 - Pair 5 & 6 - Match 3
- 5.3. Promotion and relegation of Divisions 1 & 2 shall be decided by the NHDLGA Committee based on the final point score.
- 5.4. Unless approved by the NHDLGA Captain, Clubs may only enter one team in the Scratch Pennant competition.
 - 5.4.1. If a Club has been approved for more than 1 team in the Scratch Pennant Competition, the Club must allocate their players in exact GA handicaps order across the entire squad with Div 1 team containing players with the lowest Handicaps. Specifically, the number 6 Player in the Div 1 team will have a GA Handicap lower or equal to the Number 1 Player in the Div 2 team.
- 5.5. Captains select their players in all divisions according to their GA handicaps at 6 pm on the Thursday prior to the match/s. Any change to a player's GA handicap after this time will not require a change to their position in the team/s unless a player already named is unable to play in their upcoming match & is replaced.
- 5.6. A player who is named in a bye team MUST play at least one round in the Scratch Pennant Competition during the season. If it is discovered that a player named does not play any Pennant round, **ALL** teams from that club will be ineligible to win any Pennant competition and will be demoted on the point score.
 - 5.6.1. Exceptional circumstances will be considered & must be submitted in writing to the NHDLGA Captain within 24 hours of the final round being completed. The decision by the NHDLGA Committee shall be final.

- 5.7. A player who has played in their Club's Scratch Pennant competition may:
 - 5.7.1. Play in their Club's Weekend Pennant competition (when applicable)
 - 5.7.2. **NOT** substitute into the Bronze Pennant competition.
- 5.8. If a player who is ineligible to play has played, or a player is placed in an incorrect position in the team, that player shall be disqualified for that match.
- 5.9. The NHDLGA Committee will be awarding an "Undeclared Player Award". This is awarded to any player who has played **all rounds** of the season and has won or tied all their matches.

6. Bronze Pennant

All Bronze Pennant contests and Individual matches will be played under the Rules of Golf and the Local Rules at the Host Club. The competition is Individual Match Play WITH the benefit of handicap. Matches will be played in accordance with the following conditions:

- 6.1. Bronze Pennant Competition will be played in two (2) Divisions. The Bronze Pennant will be made up of Div 1 & Div 2 and promotion & delegation will be decided by the NHDLGA Committee based on final point score.
- 6.2. All teams shall consist of six (6) players, playing in 4's in GA order from lowest to highest:
 - Pair 1 & 2 - Match 1
 - Pair 3 & 4 - Match 2
 - Pair 5 & 6 - Match 3
- 6.3. The competition is Individual Match Play using the full Daily Handicap difference and the Balanced Match Play Index, see Appendix D.
- 6.4. Captains select their players in all divisions according to their GA handicaps at 6 pm on the Thursday prior to the match/s. Any change to a player's GA handicap after this time will not require a change to their position in the team/s unless a player already named is unable to play in their upcoming match & is replaced.
- 6.5. There is no minimum GA handicap but there is a maximum daily handicap of 36 for all players participating. A player on a higher daily handicap than 36 is permitted to play in the Bronze Pennant but must play off the maximum daily handicap of 36 on the day.
- 6.6. If a player who is ineligible to play has played, played off an incorrect daily handicap or a player is placed in an incorrect position in the team that player shall be disqualified for that match.
- 6.7. A player who has already played in a Bronze Pennant round, may play as a substitute twice in any of their Club's Scratch Pennant Teams and then return to play in their Bronze Team.
 - 6.7.1. If a player is required to substitute more than 2 times into the Scratch team, exceptional circumstances will be considered & must be submitted in writing to the NHDLGA Captain within 48 hours prior to the scheduled round. The decision by the NHDLGA Committee shall be final.
- 6.8. Any player named in a scratch team is not permitted to play in the Bronze competition, unless following 6.6 instruction.

7. Weekend Pennant

All Weekend Pennant contests and Individual matches will be played under the Rules of Golf and the Local Rules at the Host Club. The competition is Individual Match Play WITH the benefit of handicap. Matches will be played in accordance with the following conditions:

- 7.1. Weekend Pennant Competition will be played in one (1) Division
- 7.2. All teams will consist of four (4) players per team playing in 4's in GA order lowest to highest.
 - Pair 1 & 2 - Match 1
 - Pair 3 & 4 - Match 2
- 7.3. The competition is Individual Match Play using the full Daily Handicap difference and the Balanced Match Play Index, see Appendix D.
- 7.4. Captains select their players in all divisions according to their GA handicaps at 6 pm on the Thursday prior to the match/s. Any change to a player's GA handicap after this time will not require a change to their position in the team/s unless a player already named is unable to play in their upcoming match & is replaced.
- 7.5. There is no minimum GA handicap but there is a maximum daily handicap of 36 for all players participating. A player on a higher daily handicap than 36 is permitted to play in the Weekend Pennant but must play off the maximum daily handicap of 36 on the day.

- 7.6. A player who has played in their Club's Scratch Pennant or the Bronze Pennant competition, may also play in the Weekend Pennant competition.
- 7.7. If a player who is ineligible to play has played, played off an incorrect daily handicap or a player is placed in an incorrect position in the team that player shall be disqualified for that match.

8. Allocation of Points for Team Contests

- 8.1. Points will be allocated as follows:
 - 8.1.1. One (1) point for an individual win, and ½ point for an individual draw.
 - 8.1.2. One (1) Team point will be awarded to the winning team, ½ point for a team draw.
- 8.2. If a Club withdraws from the Pennant competition after the commencement of the competition, that Club and any opponent, past or future receives no points for those rounds.
- 8.3. If there is a tie for first place, a countback method will be used to determine the winner.
 - 8.3.1. In the event of a tie in total points gained in Team Contests after all rounds are completed, the number of team wins shall be used to determine the winner.
 - 8.3.2. If the Teams are still tied, the points gained for the Individual wins during the competition shall then be used to determine the winner.
 - 8.3.3. If the Teams are still tied, the result of the Contest played between those tied Teams will be used.
 - 8.3.4. If the Contest was tied, the result of the first player's Individual Match shall be used. If that Individual Match is tied, the result of the second player's Individual Match will be used and so on until a winner is determined.

9. Suspension and Cancellation of Play: Allocation of Points and Games

Weather is unpredictable and can impede play. While player safety is always the primary concern, every effort must be made to play each round on the scheduled day and time. Accommodation is made to reschedule one competition round each season. No other Pennant matches will be rescheduled.

- 9.1. If a team result has not been achieved, due to bad weather in the Scratch, Bronze or Weekend Pennant, only one date will be provided for the rescheduling of the round, contests and individual matches.
 - 9.1.1. If a round is cancelled before play begins, the Host Club Captain or Course Official must immediately coordinate with their club management and the NHDLGA Captain to reschedule the contest. If it is the first round of the season to be cancelled it must be rescheduled on the date listed on the draw.
- 9.2. When bad weather results in the cancellation of play after individual matches have commenced, the results of any completed matches will stand. If a team has won or tied sufficient matches to win the contest, that team shall be awarded 1 point for each individual win, or ½ point for an individual draw. Any individual matches not completed will be classified as a draw and awarded accordingly.
- 9.3. When bad weather results in the cancellation of play after individual matches have commenced without any individual matches being completed, and the match is not to be rescheduled, these matches will be regarded as being tied, and each team tied on the day will receive 3 individual points for a 6-player team or 2 individual points for a 4-player team. Additionally, each team will be awarded a ½ team point for the tied contest. This condition will apply to all Pennant competitions.
- 9.4. The Host Club will determine whether or not a course is playable.
 - 9.4.1. The Host Club Captain/Course Official has the discretion to delay the start of play if weather conditions necessitate.
- 9.5. If weather conditions change after the matches commence, the Course Official has the discretion to remove players from the course. Course conditions, remaining time available and player safety should be considered when deciding whether to continue, suspend for a time, or cancel play for the day.
 - 9.5.1. Play can be suspended for 45 minutes for conditions to improve. Players must wait for further instruction from the Host Club Course Official on whether play will continue. Ideally, the round should be played and should not be cancelled unless the course is closed or becomes, and remains, unplayable.
- 9.6. If a course is closed to motorised transport, this is not a reason to cancel the Contest. All Club Captains need to have contingencies in place to adjust their teams if motorised carts are not allowed. Team Captains should contact the Host Club Pro Shop for confirmation and contact the NHDLGA Captain as soon as possible.

10. Order of Play Procedures

- 10.1. Players must play in order of their GA handicap – lowest to highest. The handicap will be their current exact GA handicap at 6:00pm on the Thursday prior to the match. Should a player be played out of position, the individual match (i.e. the first match played out of order) will be forfeited, but no subsequent matches will be affected.
 - 10.1.1. The exception to this condition is the case where a player is late, and the penalty of disqualification has been waived (see condition 11). In this case, the player will play at the end of the programmed individual matches in her Team's contest. Her opponent will be the player who would have played against her if the individual matches had been played in correct order (i.e. in a contest between Team A and Team B, if player 3 in Team A is late, she will play Player 3 in Team B as the last of the programmed individual matches).
- 10.2. Not less than twenty (20) minutes prior to the programmed starting time of the first individual match, the Team Captains shall exchange lists of players.
 - 10.2.1. The player list must include the player's name, Golf Link number, and exact GA handicaps. For Bronze and Weekend matches, the player's calculated Daily Handicaps must also be listed.
 - 10.2.2. Any reserve player substituted must, at this point, have been included on the list of players in correct GA handicap order.
 - 10.2.3. After the lists have been exchanged, they may not be altered. Should a player on this list become unavailable to play after the exchange of lists, and circumstances that would warrant the waiving of the penalty of disqualification not being met, that match will be forfeited. For example, Player 3 fails to arrive on time, her opposition claims a forfeit and subsequent matches continue as per the list.
- 10.3. Ten (10) minutes before the programmed starting time, the Starter must be given a copy of the list of players as above.
- 10.4. Once a result has been reached in any individual match, players and their caddies **MUST** cease play.
- 10.5. No individual match shall go beyond the eighteenth (18th) hole.

11. Starting Time & Absent Players

- 11.1. All players are advised to be present at the tee five (5) minutes prior to their Team start time as identified in the Draw. This will ensure the starter can inform all players of any relevant information prior to tee off.
- 11.2. After the starters information has been provided, players may leave the tee off area and continue to ready themselves for the match i.e., practice putting, warm up in nets, bathroom break etc.
 - 11.2.1. Players must be available on the tee for their individual match to start times as indicated on the Draw. (i.e. in 8 minute intervals from Team start time on the draw).
- 11.3. If a player is not present on the tee when the starter gives the go ahead for their individual match to begin, the Rules of Golf apply. See R&A Rule 5.3a: Time of Starting. Penalty for breach of this rule is disqualification, except in the following instances:
 - 11.3.1. **Exception 1:** If a player arrives at the starting tee, ready to play, no more than five (5) minutes late, a General Penalty is applied to their first hole. i.e., loss of the first hole.
 - 11.3.2. **Exception 2:** If a player starts no more than five (5) minutes early: a General Penalty is applied to the first hole.
 - 11.3.3. **Exception 3:** NHDLGA Committee decides that exceptional circumstances prevented a player from starting on time; there is no breach of this Rule & there is no penalty. See Appendix A.
- 11.4. If there is a dispute about a player not being present at the tee for their start time, & if there is doubt as to the correct procedure, players are to continue with their match & then see section 14 in the COP.

12. Walkovers

A walkover is awarded to a team when their opponent fails to show up, withdraws, or forfeits the match before it starts.

- 12.1. Teams shall not give their opponents a walkover if they are able to field at least more than half the number of players required.
- 12.2. If a club is unable to field a minimum number of players, as per in 12.1., the Team Captain must inform the NHDLGA Captain by phone as soon as possible.
- 12.3. Once confirmed by phone with the NHDLGA Captain, official notification of a walkover must be made in writing (email) to the NHDLGA Captain who will notify the Host Club and opposing Team. Once the NHDLGA Captain is notified in writing, the walkover cannot be withdrawn.
- 12.4. Clubs with more than one team in the Scratch Pennant must ensure that the team in the higher Division is fielded first. If they are then unable to field the minimum number of players in their lower Division team, the walkover will affect the lower Division team.
- 12.5. In the event of a walkover, the withdrawing team shall forfeit all points gained to date in the competition and is no longer permitted to play in that division of the Pennant Competition for that year. All points gained by the opposing clubs against said club shall be cancelled.

13. Forfeits by Individual Players

- 13.1. If a Club is unable to field a full team, the Team Captain must inform the NHDLGA Captain and opposing team captain by phone as soon as possible that the number of players in their Team is reduced.
- 13.2. Once phone contact has been made with the NHDLGA Captain, official notification of a forfeit must be made in writing (email) to the NHDLGA Captain and opposing Team Captain.
- 13.3. Once the NHDLGA Captain is notified in writing, the forfeit cannot be withdrawn
- 13.4. The Team that intends to forfeit, must forfeit from the bottom of the team roster. The remaining team shall play in GA order. The Team receiving a forfeit or forfeits must indicate on the team list the name or names of the players who were scheduled to play.
- 13.5. Once the Captain of an opposing team is notified of a forfeit, they may advise the affected player/s that they are not required to arrive at the course.

14. Disputes and Claims

- 14.1. Players and Captains are strongly advised to acquaint themselves with R&A Rule 20.1b of the Rules of Golf regarding Rules Issues in Match Play.
- 14.2. Claims by players under R&A Rule 20.1b must be made to the Course Official of the Host Club immediately upon the conclusion of the individual match. If the Course Official is unwilling or unable to decide the claim, they must refer the matter to the NHDLGA Captain.
- 14.3. The Captain of any team may protest any breach of the NHDLGA Pennant Conditions made by any other team.
 - 14.3.1. All such protests must be made in writing (email) to the NHDLGA Captain and may be lodged only by the Team or Club Captain as soon as possible but not later than 48 hours after 5:00pm of the day of the match.
 - 14.3.2. The Team or Club Captain must also inform the opposing Team or Club Captain no later than 48 hours after 5.00pm of the day of the match, of their intention to appeal and the grounds for doing so.
- 14.4. All disputes shall be settled by the NHDLGA Committee, whose decision shall be final.

15. Unreasonable Delay of Play; Pace of Play (Rule 5.6)

- 15.1. Pace of Play will be strictly enforced by the Host Club Course Official.
- 15.2. Each group must maintain its position on the golf course with respect to the match preceding it.
- 15.3. In the absence of mitigating circumstances, an out of position group may be monitored and timed. Any group with a clear hole in front of it will be regarded as 'out of position'.
- 15.4. When a match is being monitored and timed each player is expected to play their stroke within 40 seconds after timing of the player's stroke begins.
 - 15.4.1. Timing begins when it is their turn to play and they can play without interference or distraction.
- 15.5. The first player for each subsequent shot is allowed an additional 10 seconds.
- 15.6. Timing on the putting green will begin when it is the player's turn to play. Time assessing line of play and distance will count as part of the time taken.
 - 15.6.1. For the player first to putt, timing begins after they have had time to lift, clean and replace their ball.

- 15.7. All matches are expected to complete 18 holes in a maximum time of 4 hours & 30 minutes unless there are exceptional circumstances.
- 15.8. The Course Official can enforce the following penalties for Breach of Pace of Play Rule:
- 1st offence – warning
 - 2nd offence – one stroke penalty
 - 3rd offence – General Penalty; loss of hole
 - Subsequent offence – disqualification
- 15.9. To assist speed of play, one individual match should attempt to finish the hole first, then those two (2) players should move immediately to the next tee, whilst the 2nd match in the group finishes the hole.
- 15.10. The Course Official's decision is final and not subject to dispute.

16. General Conditions

- 16.1. **Caddies:** are allowed. See R&A Rule 10.3a & 10.3c.
- 16.1.1. Players are responsible for their Caddie's actions & breach of Rules.
- 16.1.2. Players are only allowed one Caddy at any time.
- 16.2. **Advice:** only a player's caddy may give advice.
- 16.2.1. Teammates and spectators are not permitted to give advice to a player during an individual match.
- 16.2.2. Violation of this condition is reported to Course Official.
- 16.3. **Motorised transport:** motorised carts are permitted.
- 16.4. **Mobile Phones:** the audible emission and/or unauthorised use of a mobile phone (including texting) by a player or her caddy on a golf course and during play is distracting, inconsiderate and is prohibited. The penalty for a breach of this Condition is:
- Accidental ringing of phone or texting: a warning for first offence.
 - Second offence is considered a Serious Breach of Etiquette, and the player will incur the General Penalty (loss of hole).
 - Any further breaches will result in disqualification.
- 16.4.1. Mobile phones may be used for GPS only as long as they are in Silent Mode.
- 16.5. **Distance Measuring Devices:** a player may obtain distance information using a device that measures distance only.
- 16.5.1. If during a stipulated round, a player uses a distance-measuring device that has non-conforming features (e.g., gradient, wind speed, etc.), they are not in breach of R&A Rule 4.3a(1) & (2) provided they do not use the non-conforming features.
- 16.5.2. If, during a stipulated round, a player uses a distance-measuring device that has non-conforming features (e.g., gradient, wind speed, etc.), and they USE the non-conforming features, the penalty for this breach is:
- First breach of R&A Rule 4.3a(1) & (2) is loss of hole.
 - Any subsequent breach is disqualification.
 - This condition applies regardless of any Local Rule that may or may not be in effect at the Host Club.
- 16.6. **Practice:** Visiting or home teams may practice on the course prior to the nominated starting time. This privilege is at the discretion of the Host club.

APPENDIX A: Player Late for Starting Time: Guidelines for Waiving the Penalty of Disqualification (R&A Rule 5.3a)

1. The following are circumstances which may warrant waiving the penalty of disqualification:
 - 1.1. Major Accident: a major accident is one that involves multiple collisions and/or closures of major traffic routes.
 - 1.2. First on Scene at Accident to provide medical assistance or act as Witness for Police.
 - 1.3. Unforeseen mechanical problems requiring assistance e.g., car will not start because of flat battery or flat tyre. Validation of a mechanic or NRMA must be produced.
2. Players should leave sufficient time to allow for unforeseen circumstances while travelling to matches. The following are not valid reasons for waiving the penalty for disqualification under R&A Rule 5.3a: getting lost; heavy traffic; misreading the draw or starting times.
3. In all cases, if a player is delayed and her explanation is accepted so disqualification is waived, she must be at the course ready to play within 5 minutes of the last match of her team having hit off.
No additional 5 minutes applies.

APPENDIX B: Match Starting Times

All pennant matches will commence at the time set by the NHDLGA Committee on the 2026 draw. The remaining matches are to commence in 8-minute intervals. Please refer to the latest version of the draw for specific timing information.

APPENDIX C: Hot Weather Conditions

These conditions apply in the event of abnormally high temperatures expected for a Pennant Round.

1. The predicted temperature from the Bureau of Meteorology for the location of the round to be played will be checked by the NHDLGA Committee at 5pm the day before play.
2. If the predicted temperature is expected to equal or exceed 40° C, the round will be cancelled, and the matches tied between the teams. Each team drawn will receive 3 points when 6 players in team and 2 points when 4 players in team. And the ½ point for overall drawn result.
3. The Pennant contacts will be advised by phone or email as soon as possible after 5:00pm on the day before play of the NHDLGA Committee’s decision.
4. It is the responsibility of the Pennant Contacts to ensure that all their players are aware of the NHDLGA Committee’s decision prior to the start of play.
5. At all times during hot weather, the Hot Weather Guidelines (see Appendix C: 2 above) for dealing with heat and recognising heat related illnesses, should be adopted.

APPENDIX D:

Balanced Match play Index with matches starting on 1st Hole:

Hole	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
Match Index	18	8	12	3	14	6	10	1	16	5	11	2	15	7	13	4	17	9

Balanced Match play Index with matches starting on 10th Hole:

Hole	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Match Index	18	8	12	3	14	6	10	1	16	5	11	2	15	7	13	4	17	9

BALANCED DISTRIBUTION MATCH INDEX (starting on 1st Hole)

Strokes Given HOLE NUMBER PLAYED AT WHICH STROKES ARE GIVEN

1	8																	
2	8	12																
3	4	8	12															
4	4	8	12	16														
5	4	8	10	12	16													
6	4	6	8	10	12	16												
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