## **Competition Format:**

- This competition has 40 individual players that populate 4 league tables containing 10 players in each and a number of RESERVES have been identified.
- 'One-off' entry fee per person will be €10.
- Matchplay pairings and opponents will be automatically identified for each group based on handicaps (mix of high & low handicap players in each pairing).
- Each player will play in 5 games in each table, utilising a different partner & opponent for each match. When all league games have been played (12/4 is last date), the top 2 'total points' scorers in that league will qualify as a pairing to play in the semi-finals against the top 2 scorers in one of the other leagues.
- Matchplay winners of those semi-final games (must be played between 13/4 and 24/4) will go through to a FINAL game, which will be played on 25/4, where the winning pair will win a new trophy and all semi-finalists will earn a cash prize.
- It is hoped that we can make this a regular HR event with its own 'Honours Board' in the clubhouse.

## **Scheduling Games**

- One of the players in the Matchplay League "match-up" must formally make a booking to reserve a tee-time for their game.
  - The booking can be made by: speaking directly to someone at the pro-shop, sending the pro-shop an email or by using the GNK online booking system.
  - When the booking is made the names of all 4 players must be provided.
  - When the booking is complete the person making the booking must notify the 3 other players of the date & time.
- If the "match-up" includes one or more GNK non-members then each of those non-members must email Chris Ahern (cahern@gnkgolf.com) confirming they would like to take advantage of Society rates for this match and confirming the date & time of that match.
- Chris Ahern will, on receiving such an email, update the GNK booking system with whatever is necessary to ensure that non-member is only charged the Society rate when they pay at the pro-shop.
- Matchplay League games can be booked for any date / time but the society rate will only be applied if Chris Ahern has been advised in advance of the non-members involvement. In the absence of that notification, the non-member will be charged the standard fee.
- To aid tee-time availability for matches, Chis Ahern will continue to reserve 3 slots on Wednesdays for up to 1 week before the tee-time, however, if these have not been pre-booked by that time then they will be released to the general public.
- All matches must be completed in the time window of 1st September 2019 24th March 2020, failure to do that will result in any remaining games being 'VOID' with zero points being awarded to all players involved for those matches.
- It will be the responsibility of players to arrange their own matches with their partners & opponents.
- Whilst all 'Match-ups' have been predefined (see 'Pairings & Matches' webpage), they can be played in any order convenient to the players involved.
- All matches must be played at Hacienda Riquelme but timing is flexible (within the Sep March time window), not essential to utilise the slots mentioned below.
- If it is proving impossible to align players availability then any player may request an APPROVED RESERVE to take their place. No specific reserve may substitute for more than one game for any individual player.

• If any player utilises more than 1 reserve over their 5 games they will not be eligible to progress into the semi-finals and the player below them will take their place.

## Note:

Non-Member Society rates (Feb / Mar/ Apr) = €39 Walking, €50 Sharing Buggy. Non-Member Society rates (Jan) = €37 Walking, €42 Sharing Buggy. If the non-GNK Golf members wish to rent a buggy on their own they will have to pay the walking rate and then a buggy fee of €32.

## **Matches & Scoring:**

- In every match, each pairing must play ALL 18 holes in 'Betterball Matchplay' format and each hole WON will count 2 points to the winning pair and each hole HALVED will count 1 point to all players.
- Players utilise their **full handicap** as published on the 'WMPL Handicaps' page.
- After 18 holes the score for each pairing is recorded and each member of a pairing receives that number of points towards their league table score.
- Scores for each game must be forwarded to the league administrators using the "HRGR Winter Matchplay Game Results Form", promptly after each match.
- Scores will be updated weekly on the 'Pairings & Matches' webpage along with the individual totals on the 'Results Tables' webpage.