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4th, January 2022

Dear Lady Captain/Hon. Secretary,

It is with pleasure that we invite the ladies of your Club aged 60 and over, to enter the **MARY MCKENNA DIAMOND TROPHY TOURNAMENT 2022** a team competition promoting competitive golf and camaraderie for players in this category.

Enclosed is the 2022 entry form for completion and return not later than 28th, February 2022. Please make your Entry Fee of €180 payable to Woodenbridge Golf Club with reference (MK22), if your club has not already paid.

We are delighted to announce our main sponsor for 2022 is Nurse On Call, Ireland's leading nursing agency for nurses and care assistants.

The competition format will be Scotch Foursomes. The teams will consist of 5 pairings, each with a combined handicap limit of 50. Handicaps will be as per the World Handicap System (WHS).

Full competition details will be available when the draw is completed on www.woodenbridge.ie/marymckenna together with the Provincial draws sheet and rules.

The four Provincial Champions will play the All Ireland semi-finals and final in Woodenbridge Golf Club over the weekend of 10th & 11th September 2022.

The finals weekend includes two nights B&B in the Woodenbridge Hotel and Lodge. A Gala Dinner and presentation of prizes by our patron Mary McKenna MBE will be held in Woodenbridge Golf Club on Sunday 11th September.

We very much look forward to receiving your club's entry in the **MARY MCKENNA DIAMOND TROPHY 2022**. If you have any queries or need clarification on any matter, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely,

Liz Elkinson,

Hon Sec, Mary McKenna Committee

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RULES 2022

R & A Rules of Golf apply – Model Local Rule E-5 shall not be used in matches



1. FORMAT

The Competition format will be SCOTCH FOURSOMES MATCHPLAY for female competitors who have reached their 60th birthday on or before 31st December 2021

2. PAIRINGS

Teams will consist of 5 pairings. Players on the team may be changed throughout the tournament. A player may only represent one club.

3. EXCHANGE OF PAIRINGS

Pairings may play in any handicap order. Prior to the commencement of a team match, the respective team managers shall simultaneously interchange team sheets with the names of the team members, their handicaps (certified by the team manager) and the order of play. A team with an underage player will be disqualified.

4. COMBINED HANDICAPS

The maximum combined handicap is 50. The current handicaps of each pairing shall be combined. Pairings with a combined handicap in excess of 50 are allowed, but they are limited to the maximum combined handicap. Each player is responsible for her own handicap which should be verified to her opponent on the first tee box. An incorrect higher handicap means automatic disqualification of that pairing. (See Rule 3.2C–Rules of Golf).

5. HANDICAP ALLOWANCE (PLAYING HANDICAPS)

Under the rule of handicapping, in Matchplay, side's first work out their Playing Handicaps and then take their full shots from each other as follows: Scotch/Greensomes Foursomes - each pair determines their side's Playing handicap (60% of the low Course Handicap + 40% of the High Course Handicap) and then determines their strokes based on the full difference between their Playing Handicap and the opposing pair's.

6. TEES

All matches are to be played off red tees. All matches to be played to a finish until an overall result has been obtained. There are no halved matches. However, a match "called in" is recorded as a half.

7. HOME & AWAY LEGS

In Home & Away legs, the team on the top of the draw shall have the choice of venue for the first of the two legs. The result will be based on the cumulative total of match wins from the two fixtures. If the overall result produces a draw, the result will be decided that day by a sudden death playoff, commencing on the 1st hole. Each Team Manager shall nominate any one of the said pairings for the playoff. Stroke Allowance will apply.

8. TEAM MANAGERS

If a Team Manager is a player, she should appoint a Substitute Manager who may give advice. (Rule 24.4).

9. BUGGIES

Buggies are only permitted with appropriate medical certificate and are subject to availability.

10. POSTPONEMENTS

All matches must be played by the date specified, no extensions can be permitted. Matches not played shall be scratched, unless one of the clubs has received a walkover.

11. RESULTS

Results of the matches must be communicated by the winning team within three days.

Contact WOODENBRIDGE GOLF CLUB,

Tel. 0402 35202 ext. 3 (from ROI).

If calling from Northern Ireland 00353 404 35202.

Email: admin@woodenbridge.ie

12. DISPUTES

In all disputes, the decision of the Woodenbridge Golf Club shall be final. Woodenbridge Golf Club reserves the right to alter and revise the Competition Rules as it sees fit.

13. FINALS

The Provincial Champions shall play the All Ireland Semi-Finals and Finals at Woodenbridge Golf Club on Saturday and Sunday, 10th and 11th September 2022

14. PRACTICE ROUNDS

Course facilities to be provided to opponents for a practice round without charge.

NOTE: MEALS/DRINKS

Each team shall be responsible for the cost of their own after match refreshments.

NOTE: RULE CHANGES IN 2022

The World Handicapping System is adopted for this tournament. Therefore there will be no courtesy shots awarded as in previous years.





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Mary McKenna MBE, one of Ireland's greatest ever female golfers, is the Patron of this prestigious All-Ireland Senior Club Championship for women over 60 years of age.

Launched by the Ladies of Woodenbridge Golf Club in September 2014 to provide the lady golfers throughout Ireland with a competition similar to the long running and very popular JB Carr Tournament for men, the competition has proved a huge success.

One of the great features of this competition is that it brings together clubs that might not ordinarily meet. It is growing to be one of the largest inter club golf competitions in the country for senior lady golfers.

The competition is run at regional level and ultimately the successful finalists from each region come together to play the All Ireland semi-finals and **Finals** on the second week-end in September in Woodenbridge Golf Club, County Wicklow.

Our Patron, Mary McKenna MBE loves to come to Woodenbridge. Over the entire weekend she attends to welcome the teams, make lots of new friends and present the prizes to the winning teams. The presence of our wonderful golfing legend is always appreciated by all participants.

We wish to express our appreciation to our new major sponsor this year Nurse On Call. Nurse On Call has over 500 client Hospital/Organizations on their books and provide Nurses and Carers countrywide. We also acknowledge and thank Woodenbridge Hotel and Lodge and Cassidy Wines who have been supporting this competition for the last 5 years. There are beautiful prizes for all four Provincial winning teams and we acknowledge the hard work of each of the team managers also with a prize for their leadership.

All the members of Woodenbridge Golf Club are looking forward to welcoming the Provincial winners to the All-Ireland Finals this year, and to an exciting and competitive weekend of golf on the 10th and 11th September 2022.

ROLL OF HONOUR

YEAR	WINNER	RUNNER UP	3 RD PLACE	4 TH PLACE
2019	Newlands Golf Club Leinster	Co Sligo Golf Club Connaught	Tralee Golf Club Munster	Malone Golf Club - Ulster
2018	Slade Valley Golf Club Leinster	Ballinrobe Golf Club Connaught	Malone Golf Club Ulster	East Clare Golf Club - Munster
2017	Royal Tara Golf Club Leinster	Belvoir Park Golf Club Ulster	Tuam Golf Club Connaught	Thurles Golf Club - Munster
2016	Slade Valley Golf Club Leinster	Belvoir Park Golf Club Ulster	Clonmel Golf Club Munster	Tuam Golf Club - Connaught
2015	Woodenbridge Golf Club Leinster	Malone Golf Club Ulster	Roscommon Golf Club Connaught	Cahir Park Golf Club - Munster