

TUESDAY 5 TO FRIDAY 8 JULY 2022

ROYAL DORNOCH – CHAMPIONSHIP AND STRUIE COURSES
Golf Road, Dornoch, IV25 3LW

INFORMATION FOR COMPETITORS

These notes are compiled to give you information about the Championships - please read them carefully. Should you have any additional queries please do not hesitate to contact The R&A's Amateur Championships Department who will be happy to assist.

1. OFFICIALS

The R&A

Member in Charge	Charlie Crummey (Championship)
Member in Charge	Eithne Knight (Struie)
Chief Referee	Lorna Bennett (Championship)
Chief Referee	Stuart Melville (Struie)
Championship Director	Robin Bell
Championship Manager	Angus McBride
Championship Administrator	Charlotte Prentice
Rules	Will Bailey (Championship)
Rules	Brian Fleming (Championship)
Rules	Nigel Law (Championship)
Rules	David Row (Championship)
Rules	Nigel Theyer (Championship)
Rules	Andrew Biggart (Struie)
Rules	Pam Chugg (Struie)
Rules	Paul Coulthard (Struie)
Rules	Stuart Lloyd (Struie)
Rules	Rona Walker (Struie)
Recorder	Angela Campbell
Recorder	Derek Whittet

Royal Dornoch

President	Gordon Lawson
Captain	Willie MacKay
Lady Captain	Alison Bartlett
General Manager	Neil Hampton
Course Manager	Eoin Riddell
Professional	Andrew Skinner

2. REGISTRATION

A registration link will be sent to you week commencing Monday 27 June. You must act and respond to this link no later than 3pm on Monday 4 July. Failing to do so will result in you being withdrawn from the Championship.

3. ACCOMMODATION / TRAVEL / PARKING

Local accommodation options are listed within the following websites;

www.royaldornoch.com/dornoch/accommodation
www.visitdornoch.com
www.visitscotland.com

The nearest airport is Inverness Airport, which is approximately 50 miles from Dornoch. Traffic permitting, this is approximately one hour's drive.

The nearest train station is Tain, 9 miles from Dornoch.

Parking will be available close to the Clubhouse. Additional overflow car parking will be signposted. Please note that vehicles will be parked at the owner's own risk.

4. **OFFICIAL PRACTICE DAYS**

The official practice days are:

Sunday 3 July	7.30am – 3.30pm
Monday 4 July	7.30am – 3.00pm

No play is permitted before or after these official start times.

Competitors will be notified of a unique practice time booking code and the booking process in a separate email. Please do not send requests for practice times or amendments by email. Please remember to check your junk email.

Practice Days are for competitors only. Players may only book one round on the Championship Course or one round on the Struie Course on any given day.

Times for female and male competitors wishing to practice together have been reserved on both courses as follows;

Sunday 3 July; 10.09, 10.20 and 10.31am

Monday 4 July; 1.59, 2.10 and 2.21pm

Competitors wishing to book one of these times are required to e-mail amateurentries@randa.org stating the date, course and time.

ONE BALL ONLY MAY BE PLAYED DURING THE PRACTICE ROUNDS WITH THE FOLLOWING EXCEPTION: If a player misses the green with his/her shot to the green, he may play one additional practice shot.

Competitors should be aware that there are no practice times available outwith the days and hours noted above.

5. **PRACTICE GROUND**

A controlled practice ground, with balls provided free of charge, will be operated throughout the Championship. The teeing area will be operated on a tee time priority basis. The R&A is indebted to Titleist for providing practice balls for the Championship.

PRACTICE BALLS MUST NOT BE REMOVED FROM THE PRACTICE GROUND UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCE. ANY PLAYER FOUND GUILTY OF THIS ACTION MAY BE LIABLE TO DISCIPLINARY ACTION BY THE AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIPS COMMITTEE.

The opening and closing times will be as follows;

Sunday 3 July	5.45am – 6.00pm
Monday 4 July	5.45am – 6.00pm
Tuesday 5 July	5.45am – 6.00pm
Wednesday 6 July	5.45am – 6.00pm
Thursday 7 July	6.30am – 6.00pm approx.
Friday 8 July	6.30am – 1.30pm approx.

A mini bus shuttle service will be provided to transport competitors between the clubhouse and the practice ground. **Please note: In view of the approximate 10 minute drive from the clubhouse to the practice ground it is each player's responsibility to ensure enough time is allowed to be ready to play at his/her assigned tee-time.**

Competitors using any of the practice facilities do so at their own risk.

6. DRAWS FOR QUALIFYING ROUNDS

The draw for the first two rounds of the Championships will be available on The R&A's website, RandA.org and will be emailed to all competitors week commencing Monday 27 June. Please note that it is the responsibility of the competitor to ascertain their tee time.

7. SCORECARDS

Your scorecard will be distributed by the Starter and you should arrive on the 1st tee approximately ten minutes before your starting time. The card **must** be returned to the appropriate R&A Recording Office **immediately** after the completion of your round. The recording office for the Championship Course will be sited back left of the 18th green, alongside other R&A offices. The recording office for the Struie Course will be sited in the Starters Office at the 1st tee of the Championship Course. Both recording areas will be clearly signposted.

8. CUT

In the Women's Championship, the lowest 40 scores and ties returned over 36 holes will compete in the 3rd and 4th rounds.

In the Men's Championship, the lowest 60 scores and ties returned over 36 holes will compete in the 3rd and 4th rounds.

9. SCORE INPUT / LIVE SCORING

Competitors will be issued with a link to Golfbox which will allow individual players to input scores directly from personal mobile devices.

Online scoring services will be available throughout the Championship at www.RandA.org.

10. PACE OF PLAY (Rule 5.6)

It is the responsibility of each competitor to understand the Pace of Play policy. **Failure to comply with the Pace of Play policy may result in you being penalised.** With this in mind you are asked to read carefully the Pace of Play policy which follows at the end of the Competitors Information.

It is the responsibility of each group to play within the published maximum times allowed (as defined on the noticeboards and on the hole position charts) and keep up with the group in front. In an effort to eradicate slow play, players may also be subject to random timing even when not out of position.

Players are also strongly encouraged to play 'Ready Golf' during the Championship.

Should you have any questions regarding the Pace of Play policy then please visit the Championship Office where R&A Officials will be happy to assist your query.

11. CLUB LENGTH

Model Local Rule G-10 in the Official Guide to the Rules of Golf is in effect. In making a stroke, the player must not use a club, except for a putter, which exceeds 46 inches in length.

If you have any queries, please contact the Championship Office.

12. DRIVING CLUB CONDITION & GROOVES & PUNCH MARKS

The Model Local Rules in the Official Guide to the Rules of Golf are in effect regarding [Conforming Driver Heads](#), [Conforming Golf Balls](#) and [Groove and Punch Mark Specifications](#).

If you have any queries, please contact the Championship Office.

13. DISTANCE MEASURING DEVICES (RULE 4.3)

A competitor may obtain distance information by using a device that measures distance only – see [Rule 4.3a\(1\)](#) in the Rules of Golf.

For additional guidance on permissible and non-permissible Distance Measuring Devices, see <https://www.randa.org/en/rulesequipment/equipment/distance-measuring-devices>

If you have any queries, please contact the Championship Office.

14. LOGO AND MARKS POLICY

Please download [HERE](#) the following information regarding the Logo and Marks Policy. Competitors are asked to read this policy in advance of the Championship.

15. YARDAGE BOOKS / CADDIES / TROLLEY HIRE

Complimentary yardage books for both the Championship and Struie courses will be issued to you by the Starter on the official practice days.

A limited number of caddies will be available and must be booked well in advance of the Championship to avoid disappointment.

To book a caddie, please telephone the Club Office on +44 (0) 1862 810219.

Complimentary pull trolleys will be available courtesy of The R&A. There is also a limited number of electric trolleys available from the Professional's Shop at a cost to the competitor.

16. COMPETITORS' LOCKER ROOMS

The Club's Men's and Women's locker rooms will be available for competitors' use during the Championships. Limited valuables lockers will be available with the use of a £1 coin. Overnight bag storage will operate from the Professional's Shop. Competitors are advised that any items left in the locker rooms or in the Professional's Shop are left at their own risk.

17. CLUBHOUSE & CATERING

The clubhouse will open from 5.30am each day. Catering will be available from 11.00am.

Breakfast catering has been arranged by the Club to be provided by the Highland Larder, located to the left of the Championship Course 16th green, to open from 5.45am. This facility, at Dornoch Beach car park, can be accessed by car via Beach Road and by foot via Golf Road. Teas and coffees will be available in the Clubhouse from 5.45am.

From 11.00am, lunch will be available in the Clubhouse and a BBQ menu will be served from Sunday 3 to Wednesday 6 July, 11.00am to 4.00pm, in a Marquee within the Club car park. A dinner menu will be on offer in the Clubhouse from 5.00pm until 9.15pm.

All catering will be at the cost to competitors.

18. DRESS CODE

Competitors are reminded that a good standard of dress should be worn at all times. Shorts are permitted on the course and in the Clubhouse. Headwear must not be worn in the Clubhouse.

The wearing of clean soft spikes within the Clubhouse is permitted. However, competitors are reminded that waterproofs and wet clothing is not permitted upstairs.

19. MOBILE PHONES

With the exception of on-course score entry, mobile phones are prohibited on the courses whilst competing (this includes SMS).

Off course, mobile phones are permitted but must be used respectfully and on silent at all times. Voice calls should be made outwith public areas.

20. SPECTATOR CODE

Spectators must abide by The R&A's spectator code which will be posted on the official notice board. Spectators are prohibited from entering the competitors' locker room.

21. INSURANCE

Competitors are advised to have a personal public liability insurance policy in place to protect them from claims for damage to third party property or injury to third parties whilst participating in this Championship.

22. WELCOME RECEPTION

All competitors are invited by The R&A to a Welcome Reception in the Club's Marquee on Sunday 3 July. The Reception will commence at 7.00pm and will conclude at around 8.30pm. It is hoped as many competitors as possible will attend.

The dress code for this event is smart casual.

23. PRESENTATION

The prize presentation will take place immediately after play (approximately 5.30pm) on Friday 8 July. Competitors are reminded the following prizes will be presented.

The Women's winner will become the R&A Women's Senior Amateur Champion and will be awarded the Clark Trophy and a gold medal. The runner-up will receive a silver medal and the competitor in third place and those tying for third place will each receive a bronze medal. The winner of the 60 and over competition will receive a memento.

The Men's winner will become the R&A Senior Amateur Champion and will be awarded the Championship Trophy and a gold medal. The runner-up will receive a silver medal and the competitor in third place and those tying for third place will each receive a bronze medal. The winner of the 65 and over competition will receive a memento.

24. EXEMPTIONS

The Women's Champion will receive full exemption to the 2023 U.S. Senior Women's Amateur Championship providing she is still an amateur at the time and throughout the Championship.

The Men's Champion will receive full exemption to The Senior Open 2022 and the U.S. Senior Amateur Championship 2022 providing he is still an amateur at the time and throughout the respective Championship.

25. WITHDRAWALS

Competitors seeking to withdraw from either Championship should advise Angus McBride of the R&A Amateur Championships Department by, telephone +44 (+ 44 (0) 7834 469970 or +44 (0)7789 373 218 or email: amateurentries@randa.org

26. CONTACT INFORMATION

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The R&A Championship Office

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(Championship week only)

27. PROGRAMME OF EVENTS

Sunday 3 July	Official Practice Day	7.30am – 3.30pm
	R&A Welcome Reception	7.00pm – 8.30pm
Monday 4 July	Official Practice Day	7.30am – 3.00pm
	Online Registration CLOSES	3.00pm
Tuesday 5 July	Round 1 Men – 198 players, 3 balls Women – 90 players, 3 balls	7.00am – 3.53pm
Wednesday 6 July	Round 2 Men – 198 players, 3 balls Women – 90 players, 3 balls	7.00am – 3.53pm
Thursday 7 July	Round 3 Men – 60 players + ties Women – 40 players + ties	Tee-times subject to number of qualifiers. .
Friday 8 July	Round 4 Men – 60 players + ties Women – 40 players + ties	Tee-times subject to number of qualifiers.
	Prize Presentation	6.30pm approx.
	Champions' Champagne Reception	Immediately following Prize Presentation