



Alton Cardiac Rehab Golf Society Handicapping System

Introduction

Our system aims to give members of all abilities a fair chance of winning a prize in our friendly and competitive fixtures. All matches are played using the Stableford scoring system. At each event we compete for overall, divisional and nearest the pin prizes. We run 3 divisions split by handicap and the divisional boundaries are adjusted on a per match basis in an effort to equalise the number playing in each division. A minimum of 2 matches with us is required to be allocated a valid society handicap but recognised CONGU or WHS handicaps are also acceptable. This document explains how we adjust society handicaps after each match. Our system allows for all abilities up to a max handicap of 54 and takes into account that we only have 9 events per year. Membership is currently only £10 per year and visitors are welcome but are not eligible to win the main prizes.

Our system.

- 1) The Competition Scratch Score (CSS) is assessed on the day after all scores are in based on course, conditions, and scoring.
- 2) Scores greater than 1 better than the CSS generate a handicap reduction as follows:
 - a) Division 1 players reduced by $0.4 \times (\text{Score} - \text{CSS})$
 - b) Division 2 players reduced by $0.6 \times (\text{Score} - \text{CSS})$
 - c) Division 3 players reduced by $0.8 \times (\text{Score} - \text{CSS})$
 - d) The max reductions in divisions 1, 2, and 3 are -4, -5, and -6 respectively.
- 3) Scores less than $\text{CSS} - 1$ generate a handicap increase of 0.5.
- 4) All prize winners, except nearest the pin, are cut by an additional 1 shot.

The committee conduct an annual handicap review and reserve the right to make changes to individual handicaps based on exceptional performances both good and bad!

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