

## Mission

In order to protect the current society members a new set of initial joining rules has been compiled by the committee effective from April 5<sup>th</sup> 2008.

**All new members or Associate members must provide a current official golf club handicap certificate.**

- The handicap committee will meet concur and accept the certificate.
- After 3 WGGC cards the player's handicap will be reviewed using the society's 3-card formula and recalculated, then an official WGGC handicap released.
- The handicap committee decision is final.
- Extraordinary high or low scores will be reviewed by the committee immediately and corrective action taken to ensure fair play for everyone.
- This handicap will be classed as provisional until the 3-card formula is applied, and identified with a \* on the website.
- After an official WGGC handicap is awarded previous stableford scores will be modified to reflect the new official handicap, (only if joining at the start of the season without associate member status) then the clubhouse competitions listed below updated accordingly. Other competitions will remain as per the original handicap. Divisional Order of Merit, Clubhouse Cup, Par 3 & 5 championships, Index High & 9 Hole Trial.
- An Associate member will have his cards reviewed over the season in order to calculate an official WGGC handicap provided he has played at least 3 events.

**If no official club handicap is offered then all new members or Associate members will be given a handicap of 18 or 28 except for those who declare a lower handicap.**

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- This handicap will be classed as provisional until the 3-card formula is applied, and identified with a \* on the website.
- The individual will be allowed to win the nearest the pin competitions on the day, but not the stableford or captains combination.
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**The handicap committee reserves the right to review any member's handicap at any time during the season to ensure fair play and healthy competition.**