

KENT GOLF SUPER SENIORS

THE KENT SUPER SENIORS KNOCK-OUT CHAMPIONSHIP

An 18-Hole Home and Away Inter-Club Knockout Competition

Championship Rules 2023

- 1. Eligible Clubs:** All clubs participating in the Kent Golf Super Seniors League.
 - 2. Eligible Players:** Any member of the club who has reached the age of 70 years having an HCI of **22 or less** may be selected by his Club. Players having an HCI of higher than **22 must play off 22-HCI**. Players may be changed **from match to match**, but no player may play for more than one club in a calendar year.
 - 3. Draw Arrangements:** The draw will be made to ensure that no two clubs from the same group meet in the first round. The full draw will be published so that opponents in subsequent rounds become readily apparent and will specify a 'play by' date for each round. **Each round will be played on a HOME AND AWAY basis. The team contact of the upper named club in each pairing should immediately make contact with his opposing contact to agree dates for both Home and Away matches, which should be played as closely together as possible, preferably well before the 'Play-by' date. Which club plays the first leg at home is for the convenience of respective clubs' fixture lists and team players' availability.** Total inability to meet the 'Play-by' date is to be discussed with the League Organiser.
 - 4. Costs.** The entry fee for each club shall be £25. All matches will be played on afternoons mid-week after a sandwich and chips-type lunch. All matches are played on a no-green-fee basis. The meal charge **for both teams shall be paid by the Home club players.**
Each Away team player is entitled to one practice round to be played at a time specified by the Home club which is encouraged to charge a modest amount. **Clubs opting to charge just £20 for practice may nominate "RV" (reciprocal value) instead of quoting a fee amount; clubs imposing a higher practice fee will be obliged to pay the same practice fee for the opposing fixture.** Each club's terms will be provided when the draw is announced.
Costs of the Final will be borne from entry fees, but if these prove insufficient to cover costs of the Final, players in the Final may be asked for a fee to make up the difference.
 - 5. Handicaps:** Players will play off their club Handicap Index adjusted to 90% of the Course Handicap and team names and handicaps must be exchanged between team contacts before the commencement of play. **Any player unable to demonstrate his Handicap Index, if requested, will be required to play off scratch.**
 - 6. Buggies:** Buggies may only be used by a player providing an independent medical certificate **or a Blue Card**, and subject to the further provisions set out in the League Constitution.
 - 7. The Match:** Three pairs from each club shall play 4 Ball Match Play off handicap over 18 holes off Yellow Tees. Each player shall be allowed the difference between his Playing Handicap and that of the lowest in their game. Individual games that are "all square" after 18 holes, must play "sudden death" to determine a result. Each individual game **MUST** play on to decide a winner.
Once play has begun, if the match then has to be abandoned due to course closure, and no further play can take place on the day, the result should be determined by the state of the games when play was suspended, providing a minimum of 9 holes has been completed by all games. If 9 holes have not been completed then the team captains should arrange another date for a full replay, within the time allowed.
The winning club shall be club winning most of the six Home and Away games played. If the result is tied 3-3, the margin of win in each game will be aggregated to determine the winner. If this also is tied, each club shall nominate one pair to play further holes until sudden death.
- The winning club is to inform the League Organiser by email chresource@aol.com the result and scores of the matches as soon as possible after the completion of the second match.
- 8. The Final:** Will be played over a neutral course not in the same group as either finalist. The Final will be played in the afternoon, followed by a Presentation. The Champion Club will hold the Crates Cup for one year and will be responsible for its engraving. All competitors playing the Final will receive mementoes. .
 - 9. Team Contact:** Must be appointed by each Club, to act as contact throughout the season, whose full details must be supplied on the Entry Form.

The dates which are expected to be applied as deadlines for each round in 2023 are:

	<u>Draw Date</u>	<u>Play by Date</u>		<u>Play by Date</u>
Round 1	19 Feb 2023	14 April 2023	Semi-Finals	25 August 2023
Round 2		28 May 2023	Final	29 September 2023
Round 3		17 July 2023		