



Welcome to Welton Manor Golf Club

Welton Manor Community

As a new member to our golf club, we are eager to ensure you enjoy your time at Welton and are able to receive great value from your membership. We always welcome new faces and will often arrange social roll ups for individuals and groups of friends to get involved in some friendly golf. We can arrange groups, which can take the stress away from individuals having to find their own playing partners. We also run regular competitions for golfers with handicaps, and these are always played in extremely good spirit (and often some very questionable golf ability).

Here at Welton Manor Golf Centre we have a Management and Members Association where we have informal monthly meetings to discuss matters regarding the club. The association was introduced over 2 years ago when the old committee was disbanded and has proved very successful. The association works closely with the Seniors and Ladies section to improve all aspects of the club. We have organised monthly social evenings with quiz nights and other upcoming events like a virtual race night and bingo which all raise money for our Captain's charity, St Barnabas, and our Senior Captain's charity, Samaritans UK. If you would like any further information regarding the association group, please do not hesitate to contact managers Hayley/Jamie.

We have a Facebook group, Welton Manor Golfers, in which members can join. There is also a WhatsApp group that members can be added to upon request (please ask at the golf reception and we will add you into it). The purpose of these is to help share information about what is going on at the club, whilst also providing a good platform for members to arrange rounds of golf with other members. We have our Business Facebook page, *Welton Manor Golf Centre, and Falconer Restaurant*, please email us on info@weltonmanorgolfcentre.co.uk with photos etc. for us to upload onto our page and leave us reviews on the page too for potential new members to see!

Captains Report

It is with pride and honour that I serve as the Captain of Welton Manor Golf Club for the 2024 season. I want to extend a warm welcome to all our members, both new and returning, as well as our valued guests and visitors. Golf to many of us is more than just a game, it's a passion that unites us, creates friendships and memories. In the upcoming year, my goal is to foster an inclusive and welcoming environment for golfers of all levels.

I encourage each of you to participate in our competitions, leagues, social and charity events. These occasions not only provide opportunities to improve our game but also to connect with fellow enthusiasts, who share our love for golf. Let us learn from one another, support each other, and celebrate every achievement, big or small.

Positive changes have been made to the 2024 calendar, to include more pair and team competitions on Saturdays and Sundays, a Summer Series midweek roll up, in addition to a revamped Order of Merit. Along with the main club team, who play in the Lincolnshire North League, we have established a new friendly team to play other local golf clubs' home and away, which welcomes new players of all abilities.

Our club is more than just fairways and greens; it's a community that thrives because of its members. Your contributions are the heartbeat of the club, and I am eager to see the innovative ideas and positive vigor that I know you all bring. I am here if you have any suggestions, questions, or if there's anything specific, you'd like to see happening within the club, please do not hesitate to reach out.

I am delighted to announce this season's charity of choice is St Barnabas Hospice, who every year support more than 12,000 people across Lincolnshire affected by a life-limiting or terminal illness.

Together, let's make this season at Welton Golf Club one to remember with the emphasis on inclusion and golf for all. I look forward to seeing as many of you as possible on the course and in the clubhouse.

Jamie Dyer

Club Captain

Handicaps

If you already have a handicap, or have previously held a handicap, then please let us know. If you have provided this information on your Membership form, we can process this for you when you join. However, if this has not been done, you can contact Jacqui Brinicombe who can update your records.

Please could you contact the management team if you wish Welton Manor to be your Home Club. If not, we will assume that you continue to be a member of your former club, which will remain your Home Club and Welton will be your Secondary Club.

Obtaining First Handicap

For those without a handicap, but wish to obtain one, you will need to submit 3 18-hole rounds of golf, played under the Rules of Golf. Each hole must be played, although it is acceptable to quit a hole if the score is going to exceed double par, then move to the next.

Scorecards should be submitted (please see demonstration Scorecard for details) and must include a Marker. The physical scorecard should be submitted in the box under the main Men's Noticeboard. However, if a clear photo is sent to Jacqui these scores can be processed more quickly. Once all 3 scores have been submitted, we will issue you a Handicap Index. For more details on how the World Handicap System (WHS) works, please refer to the flyer later in this document.

Howdidido and WHS App

Once you have a handicap, you will be able to Register with www.howdidido.com as a Welton Manor player, and also register with MyEG App for the WHS. To hold an official WHS Handicap Index, a player must submit their e-mail address and date of birth to WHS. However, if these have been provided when registering with Welton Manor, we can update that information for you.

Howdidido allows members to book into competitions, sign-in to competitions before teeing off, submit scores, see competition results, and submit General Play scores. We have a PSI machine here at the club you can use to do this on. There are also forums, including a Club Forum that may be used from time to time to share useful information.

The MyEG App allows players to view their scoring history, and see what scores are being used to calculate their current Handicap Index. It also includes useful tools, such as calculating your Course handicap at different courses and tee boxes.

General Play Scores

Members can enter scores from General Play golf, by using howdidido. However, it is important that members commit to this before teeing off to fulfil their responsibilities under handicapping (i.e., a player cannot decide whether to submit a score AFTER they know what that score is). The process is as follows:

- On howdidido, go to Today's Golf and Sign-In to a Casual Round before teeing off (and on the same day as playing). Ensure you select "Qualifying", as "non-Qualifying" will not be used for handicap and select the correct tees you will be playing off.
- Play the round of golf, under the rules of golf, with a Marker.
- After the round, go to Today's Golf again and enter your score, along with other relevant details.
- Submit your physical scorecard in the box under the Men's Noticeboard.
- If multiple players in the group wish to submit their scores for handicap, please submit these on separate scorecards rather than all on one scorecard. This is to ensure these can be filed separately.

The MyEG App can also be used to pre-register and submit scores for General Play rounds. If you are playing at another course, you are not a member of, and wish to submit a score, then you should use the MyEG App.

If you have any queries, please contact Jacqui Brinicombe

Competitions (Main Club)

Welton Manor runs competitions throughout the year including social roll ups, over most weekends, as well as some midweek competitions. Competitions will be held on either a Saturday or Sunday each weekend, thereby offering flexibility members who may have restricted playing time over the weekends. A competitions fixtures list will be attached to your welcome email.

We would love to welcome all members to get involved in competitions, which are always played in a friendly, sociable atmosphere. You will need a handicap to compete in a competition, but we would be happy for those without a handicap to be included in the draw, to give them an opportunity to play in a group and get a scorecard submitted for their initial handicap (members without a handicap will not be required to pay the competition entry fee).

In most cases, the competition entry fee is £3 with optional extras of £1 for entering the 2's pot and £1 for the captain's charity. Therefore, the total fee is typically £5 plus any green fee that is due, based on your membership. When entering the 2's pot, all players who score a 2 in that competition will share the total pot, divided up for each 2 scored. For those that enter the Captain's Charity, a winner will be randomly drawn and be awarded half the pot. The other half of the pot will go to the Captain's Charity.

We also run singles and doubles match play tournaments through the summer and winter. These are drawn at the start of the summer and winter seasons.

Once players have a handicap, they can register with www.howdido.com and this allows players to book into competitions, see results, register and submit scores for general play rounds, etc.

For any further information, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Seniors Section

The Seniors Section generally play their competition golf and friendly matches on Wednesday mornings. More information can be found by contacting the appropriate contact below, or visiting:

www.seniorgolfwelton.org.uk