



Welcome to Midlothian County Ladies Golf Association (MCLGA) 2024

Thank you for your support of MCLGA. Here is some important information for all new or returning members:

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Message from the Captain



I am delighted to welcome you to MCLGA. The Association has a strong and growing membership, with circa 450 Women and young girls participating in a variety of events across the county each year. Our members can choose something that suits their game, availability, and interest, whether they are new to golf, either as a junior or adult, and want to meet new friends, enter our competitions, play in our 5 a-side or Greensome leagues, enter the summer or winter knockouts or join our development squads and pitch for selection to represent the County. Being a member of the County connects you with other members from different clubs, enables you to play on different golf courses, or get involved as a volunteer to support our committee. I hope you enjoy being part of Midlothian and get play in as many of our golfing events as you can, remember even Annika Sorenstam had to tell herself on the first tee "Trust yourself, you can do it"

Caroline Mansley

Website

The website is www.MCLGA.com and as a member you have access to the [Members' Area](#) via secure logon. New members should have received an email with your logon details but if you haven't or if any member has problems logging in, please contact the Secretary at secretary@mclga.com

Within the Members Area you can:

- [Change your password](#) at any time;
- Lookup the [contact details](#) of other members (except juniors);
- Look at previous [minutes](#) of Club Representatives' Meetings and AGMs;
- Sign up for the weekly [MCLGA newsletter](#);
- [Sign up for competitions](#) throughout the year; and
- Find out how to join MCLGA or renew your [Membership](#).

Communications

The [website](#) is the main hub for all things MCLGA and is kept up to date throughout the season. All the news published on the website in a week is sent out in a [weekly newsletter](#) via email on a Tuesday evening. Please ensure you sign up for this. We also have a [Facebook page](#) to follow Midlothian County Ladies Golf Association. For any other communications please contact your [Club Representative](#). Club Representatives' names and a handy link to email them is under the About MCLGA menu on the website and accessed [here](#).

Important

If you change your email address or contact details, please let the Secretary know by emailing secretary@mclga.com

Competitions

MCLGA competitions are open to all amateur full (including Junior and Student) members of MCLGA holding a WHS Handicap Index.

Associate members may play **only** in the following competitions:

- Winter Foursomes Hole and Hole
- Greensomes Matches
- Fundraising Annual Tri-am

The Terms for all Competitions can be accessed on our website [here](#). We would recommend you read these as they contain important information about eligibility and participation.

Our online calendar provides a list of all MCLGA competitions together with a range of other events. You can access the calendar [here](#) and then browse events either via the month-by-month view or select 'See List View' at the top of the screen.

This year's competitions and dates are as follows and further information on each is provided below:

2024		
Competition	Venue	Date
Spring Meeting	Murrayfield	Mon 6 th May
County Championship*	Murrayfield	Sat 11 th & Sun 12 th May
Commonwealth Spoons	Ratho Park	Tue 4 th June
Summer Meeting	Deer Park	Mon 17 th June
Annual Fundraiser Team Competition	Dalmahoy	Mon 19 th Aug
Autumn Meeting	Newbattle	Mon 11 th September
Summer Hole & Hole	Enter: Early Feb	Runs throughout season
Winter Foursomes	Enter: Mid Sept	Runs over winter

* The Spring Meeting is also the County Championship and B Championship qualifier.

Meetings

We run three stroke play meetings per year: Spring, Summer, and Autumn. Each of these has Scratch and Handicap prizes. There are also Aggregate prizes for those who play in all three meetings.

County Championship

The Spring meeting is the qualifier for both the **Championship** and the **B Championship**. The matchplay is played over two days.

The players who qualify for the **Championship matchplay** will be the 16 players who have indicated on the day of the Spring Meeting that they are available for the Championship matchplay returning the 16 lowest gross scores at the Spring Meeting.

The players who qualify for the **B Championship matchplay** will be the 8 players with a Handicap **Index of 13.0 and above**, who have indicated on the day of the Spring Meeting that they are available for the B Championship matchplay, returning the 8 lowest gross scores at the Spring Meeting.

Commonwealth Spoons

This is a foursomes stroke play competition, open to all County Full, Student and Junior members. The pairings may consist of players from different home clubs but both players must be County members.

This competition is run as a qualifying competition for the Scottish Final organised by Scottish Golf, to compete for the Commonwealth Spoons donated by the Australian Ladies' Golf Union. 10% of the field will qualify for the Final, the date of which can be found on the Scottish Golf website.

Knockouts

We run two knockout competitions per year: the Summer Hole and Hole and Winter Foursomes. The Summer Hole and Hole is a singles competition and has a Silver (Handicap Index of 17.9 and below) and Bronze (Handicap Index of 18.0 and above) Divisions.

Annual Fundraising Team Competition

From 2024 we will run an annual fundraising team competition (replacing the Biennial TriAM and 9-hole Stableford competitions). We request a Club Representative from the Committee to organise a group of volunteers to run this competition. We are extremely grateful for all the hard work and effort, that goes into this and for the funds raised for the County.

Five a-side and Greensomes Leagues

We also run a Five a-side and Greensomes League for members. The Five a-side league has two Divisions with Clubs being promoted and relegated between Divisions at the end of the season. The Greensomes League has two Sections and clubs alternate between the sections to ensure there is variation each season. Further information can be accessed [here](#).

Associate members can only play in the Greensomes League, Full members can play in either or both.

Please contact your Club Representative if you would like to play in the league team for your club. If you are a member of more than one club, you must nominate the club you are going to play for at the start of the season. You can play in Five a-side for one club and Greensomes for another.

Terms of Competition (Rules)

Please review the [Terms of Competition](#) for the competitions and leagues on the MCLGA website.

Club Representatives and MCLGA Committee Meetings

Your Club Representative can be found here: [Club Representatives](#)

The MCLGA Committee are all volunteers. The Committee comprises the Honorary President, Captain, Vice-Captain, Honorary Secretary, Honorary Treasurer, Junior Secretary and all Club Representatives.

Members of Committee

- Honorary President Margaret Fergusson (Murrayfield)
- Captain Caroline Mansley (Bruntsfield Links)
- Vice-Captain Vacant
- Honorary Secretary Maureen Joyce (Turnhouse)
- Honorary Treasurer Vacant (Jane MacDonald co-opted for 2024)
- Junior Secretary Amy Foster
- [Club Representatives](#)

The MCLGA Committee meets four times per year in February, May, August, and October and organise the AGM in November. If you have anything to raise with MCLGA please discuss with your Club Representative.

We hope you have found this Welcome Pack helpful. If you have any feedback or there is any information you feel would benefit being included, please contact the Secretary at secretary@mclga.com.

Thank you.