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WOMEN'S BRITISH OPEN

ROYAL BIRKDALE GOLF CLUB
2010

ADVANCE COMPETITOR INFORMATION

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA & ENTRY FORM

The criteria for players wishing to compete in the 2010 Championship is available for download from www.lgu.org or www.ricohwomensbritishopen.com

Competitors may submit an electronic Championship entry through the same websites.

REGISTRATION

All exempt and successful qualifiers must register for the Championship on-site with the Ladies' Golf Union at the Players' Registration Desk located within the Clubhouse. The Registration Desk will be open from 1.00pm on Sunday 25 July.

Players must register no later than 12.00 noon on Wednesday 28 July 2010.

Local Rules and Conditions of Competition for the Championship, including the Pace of Play procedures, will be given to players at registration. Please read these carefully and if you have any queries please contact the LGU Championship office.

ACCOMMODATION & PLAYER INFORMATION

It is highly recommended that you book your accommodation as early as possible.

The Championship offers an Accommodation Booking & Information Service **to all exempt Players**. Details can be found on the players' secure area at www.ricohwomensbritishopen.com or by contacting Katie Hughes at IMG either by email katie.hughes@imgworld.com or by phone +44 (0)208 233 5173. Players are asked to note the cancellation policy for each hotel.

All non-exempt players can take advantage of the same rates as detailed within the Accommodation Guide, but should contact the hotels directly.

TRANSPORTATION

A courtesy car / transportation service will be operational throughout the Championship, including to and from regional airports and major hotels. The courtesy car service commences on Sunday 25 July, 2010.

Should you wish to make an advance reservation please forward full details of times and number of passengers to Katie Hughes, either by email katie.hughes@imgworld.com or by phone +44 (0)208 233 5173.

The courtesy car service is primarily for the use of competitors (and immediate guests and caddies travelling at the same time) participating in the event to transport them to and from the course and selected accommodation within a reasonable distance or time span from the course. The Courtesy Car Office will try to accommodate Caddies and Players' Guests when they are not travelling with their player, but this service is subject to the availability of vehicles and cannot be guaranteed.

Courtesy cars will operate during the hours of play and sufficiently in advance of play to deliver competitors to the course to prepare for published tee times.

The Organisers reserve the right to provide coaches /mini buses instead of courtesy cars to and from the major airports if necessary.

PLAYERS' LOUNGE & CATERING

A Players' Lounge will be available to every qualified Player and up to two player's guests and will provide breakfast & lunch on a daily basis, Monday to Sunday.

In addition the following will be provided:

Newspapers
Internet access
Wireless Internet connection.

Tea, coffee, soft drinks and fruit will be provided on a complimentary basis.

PRACTICE

Monday 26 July Between 7.30am and 4.00pm from the 1st tee only

Tuesday 27 July To be confirmed subject to Pro Am timings

Wednesday 28 July Between 7.30am and 4.00pm from the 1st tee only.

Starting times can be booked by contacting the LGU Championship Office on site at Royal Birkdale Golf Club from Friday 23 July.

7. YARDAGE BOOKS

Yardage books will be available from the LGU Championship Office from Sunday 25 July.

8. PRACTICE GROUND

The Practice Ground will open and close as follows. Practice balls will be provided for players.

Sunday 25 July	1.00pm – 7.00pm
Monday 26 July	6.30am – 7.00pm
Tuesday 27 July	7.00am – 7.00pm
Wednesday 28 July	6.30am – 7.00pm
Thursday 29 July	5.30am – 8.00pm
Friday 30 July	5.30am – 8.00pm
Saturday 31 July	5.30am – 7.00pm #
Sunday 1 August	6.00am – 1.00pm #

or 1 hour before the start of play; whichever is sooner.

STARTING

Play will start from the 1st tee on all four days of the Championship. Players should report to the Starter on the first tee 10 minutes prior to their starting time. Score cards, local rules and pin positions will be distributed by the Starter. Please note that a player will be given her own card on the first tee and she should ensure cards are exchanged prior to recording scores.

Play will be in three balls on the first two days and two balls on the final two days. The Championship draw will be available at the course from approximately 12.00 noon on Tuesday 27 July and will be posted on the Competitors' Notice Board in the Locker Room. Copies will be available from the LGU Championship Office.

CONDITIONS OF PLAY

Your attention is drawn to the following conditions of play;

The specimen conditions in the Rules of Golf are in effect for Driving Clubs, Conforming Golf Balls, One Ball Condition and Time of Starting.

The specimen condition in Decision 4-1/11 of Decisions on the Rules of Golf is in effect for Grooves and Punch Marks (exception the Pre Qualifying and Final Qualifying stages.)

CADDIES

Caddies will be issued with smocks on the tee (including Pro-Am day). Caddie smocks must be worn at all times during play.

All players are required to use a caddie on all four days of the Championship. The use of trolleys / caddie cars is not permitted.

Caddies are the sole responsibility of the player employing them.

Caddies must not wear spike sole shoes.

A Caddie Rest Area will be available during the Championship. Tea, coffee, snacks and lunch vouchers will be provided.

Any players requiring a local caddie for the Championship should contact Brian Hodgkinson, the Head Professional at Royal Birkdale Golf Club, on +44 (0) 1704 552 030

The Championship operates a bag towel service. These can be obtained from the IMG Championship Office.

PRIZE PRESENTATION

The prize presentation will take place immediately after the completion of play. The winner and the leading amateur (making the cut) **must** attend the ceremony.

TIES

In the event of a tie for the Championship after four rounds, the players who tie shall play a hole by hole play-off to determine the Champion. Conditions of the play-off will be posted on the Championship Notice Board during the event. For further details please contact the LGU.

ABANDONMENT OF PLAY

In the event of play having to be abandoned the Championship Committee reserves the right to conclude play on Monday 2 August 2010.

ALTERNATES

Four alternates will be designated to take the place of any qualified player that withdraws prior to the start of the Championship. No expenses will be paid.

DRESS CODE

A reasonable standard of dress is required at all times.

LOCKERS

The Championship Locker Room will be made available to players from Sunday 25 July.
The Competitors' Notice Board will be located inside the Locker Room.

BAG STORAGE

Bag storage will be available at the golf club.

TICKETS

Each players will receive upon registration a Player's Badge, 2 Player's Guest badges, a Caddie badge and 6 season grounds only access passes.

PRO-AM PROFESSIONALS

A Pro-Am Tournament will be held on Tuesday 27 July 2010. Players requested to play will be notified in advance.

All Professionals entering the Championship will be expected to play, if required.

CHAMPIONSHIP COMMITTEE

Shona Malcolm	LGU – CEO
Susan Simpson	LGU – Head of Golf Operations
Alistair McKay Forbes	IMG
Ross Hallett	IMG
Mr Shiro Kondo	CEO RICOH Company Ltd
Mr Katsumi (Kirk) Yoshida	Deputy President RICOH Company Ltd
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CONTACT INFORMATION

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	E:	info@lgu.org
	Web:	www.lgu.org
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FINAL-QUALIFYING

Hillside Golf Club

Monday 26th July 2010

ADVANCE COMPETITOR INFORMATION

DRAW

The Final-Qualifying draw will be published prior to play at www.lgu.org
Should you no longer wish to play it is imperative that you contact the LGU
on +44(0)1334 475811 as soon as possible. Alternatively please email
championships@lgu.org

Play will commence at 7.30am.

REGISTRATION

All players must register for the Final-Qualifying Round at the LGU Championship
Office at Hillside Golf Club **no later than** half an hour before their tee time.

Local Rules and Conditions of Competition for the Championship including the Pace
of Play procedure will be given to players at registration.

PRACTICE

Official practice is available in 3-balls between 11am and 5pm on Sunday 25th July
and times may be booked after Wednesday 30th June by calling Hillside Golf Club on +44 (0)TBC
during office hours.

Practice rounds prior to these days are available only at the discretion of the club
and players must call in advance to check for availability. A nominal green fee of £ TBC
will be charged for any such practice rounds. Please contact Hillside Golf Club for further details.

Course yardages will be available on the LGU website - www.lgu.org

PRACTICE GROUND

The practice ground will be available on the official practice day from 9am – 7pm and on
Monday 26th July from 6.30am – 7pm (or the start of any play-off). Practice balls will be
provided for players.

STARTING

Play will start from the 1st tee. Players should report to the Starter on the tee **10
minutes** prior to their starting time. Scorecards and pin positions will be distributed
by the Starter.

YARDAGE BOOKS

Yardage Books will be available.

DRIVING CLUBS

Your attention is drawn to the condition of competition regarding Driving Clubs:

Any driver the player carries must have a club head, identified by model and loft, that is named on the current List of Conforming Driver Heads issued by the R & A Rules Limited.

Exception: A driver with a clubhead that was manufactured prior to 1999 is exempt from this condition.

Penalty for carrying, but not making a stroke with, club or clubs in breach of condition:

Stroke play - Two strokes for each hole at which any breach occurred; maximum penalty per round: Four strokes.

In the event of a breach between the play of two holes, the penalty applies to the next hole.

Any club or clubs carried in breach of this condition must be declared out of play by the player to his opponent in match play or his marker or a fellow competitor in stroke play immediately upon discovery that a breach has occurred. If the player fails to do so he is disqualified.

Penalty for making stroke with club in breach of condition: DISQUALIFICATION

An updated list of Conforming Driver Heads is available on the R & A's website www.randa.org . This list is also available in the LGU Championship Office on request.

CADDIES

Players are responsible for the conduct of caddies at all times. Caddies must not wear spike-soled shoes. Local caddies may be reserved on a first come first served basis by calling the Club on + 44 (0) 1704 TBC

QUALIFYING PLACES

The number of qualifying places available through final qualifying will be posted prior to the commencement of play.

In the event of a tie for the last qualifying place (s), a sudden-death play-off will take place immediately following the conclusion of play. Likewise, this sudden-death play-off will be used to determine the 4 alternate spots.

Players' names will be called at the first tee approx. 10 minutes after the last players have recorded their scores. A player not present when called for the play-off will be disqualified from the play-off.

REGISTRATION FOR THE CHAMPIONSHIP

All players qualifying through Final Qualifying are reminded that they must register again for the Championship at Royal Birkdale Golf Club no later than 12.00 noon on Wednesday 28th July 2010.

DRESS CODE

A reasonable standard of dress is required at all times. Please remove all headgear when in the clubhouse.

WITHDRAWALS

Players wishing to withdraw are requested to do so at their earliest opportunity and notify the Ladies' Golf Union in writing either via fax on +44 (0) 1334 472818 or e-mail at championships@lgu.org

CONTACT TELEPHONE AND FAX NUMBERS

Ladies' Golf Union Office @ St Andrews	Tel	+44 (0) 1334 475811
	Fax	+44 (0) 1334 472818
Ladies' Golf Union @ Hillside	Tel	+44 (0) 7834 979298
Hillside Golf Club	Tel	+44 (0) 1704 567169

ACCOMMODATION

An accommodation list will be published on the LGU website at www.lgu.org

CONTACT DETAILS

- **Hillside Golf Club**

The Clubhouse
Hastings Road
Hillside
Southport
ENGLAND
PR8 2LU

Secretary +44 (0) 1704 567169

Clubhouse +44 (0) 1704 569902

Fax +44 (0) 1704 563192

Professional +44 (0) 1704 568360

Email secretary@hillside-golfclub.co.uk

DIRECTIONS

- Hillside Golf Club is located to the **south** of **Southport Town Centre**, just off the **A565** (***Waterloo Road***).
- From the **M6** turn off at ***Junction 26*** onto the **M58**.
- Follow the ***A570 Southport*** signs off the **M58**.
- From the **A570**, follow the **A565 south**, then turn off onto ***Hastings Road*** by **Hillside Train Station**.



PRE -QUALIFYING

The Berkshire Golf Club (Blue Course)

Monday 12th July 2010

ADVANCE COMPETITOR INFORMATION

DRAW

The draw for the Pre-Qualifying round will be published prior to play on www.lgu.org. Should you no longer wish to play it is imperative that you contact the LGU on +44(0)1334 475811 as soon as possible. Alternatively please email championships@lgu.org

Play will commence at 8.00am.

REGISTRATION

All players must register for the Pre-Qualifying Round at the LGU Championship Office at The Berkshire Golf Club **no later than** half an hour before their tee time. Local Rules and Conditions of Competition for the Championship including the Pace of Play procedure will be given to players at registration.

PRACTICE

Official practice is available in 3-balls between 1pm and 5pm on Sunday 11th July and times may be booked after Wednesday 30th June on +44 (0)1344 621495 during Office hours. Practice rounds prior to these days are available only at the discretion of the club and players must call in advance to check for availability. A nominal green fee of £50 will be charged for any such practice rounds. Non-competitors will be charged the normal green fee of £95 for one round. Please contact the Berkshire Golf Club for further details.

Course yardages will be available on the LGU website - www.lgu.org

PRACTICE GROUND

The practice ground will be available on the official practice day from 10am – 6pm and on Monday 12th July from 7.00am – 5pm. Practice balls will be provided for players.

STARTING

Play will start from the 1st tee. Players should report to the Starter on the tee **10 minutes** prior to their starting time. Scorecards and pin positions will be distributed by the Starter.

YARDAGE BOOKS

Yardage Books will be available.

DRIVING CLUBS

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Any driver the player carries must have a club head, identified by model and loft, that is named on the current List of Conforming Driver Heads issued by the R & A Rules Limited.

Exception: A driver with a clubhead that was manufactured prior to 1999 is exempt from this condition.

Penalty for carrying, but not making a stroke with, club or clubs in breach of condition:

Stroke play - Two strokes for each hole at which any breach occurred; maximum penalty per round: Four strokes. In the event of a breach between the play of two holes, the penalty applies to the next hole. Any club or clubs carried in breach of this condition must be declared out of play by the player to his opponent in match play or his marker or a fellow competitor in stroke play immediately upon discovery that a breach has occurred. If the player fails to do so he is disqualified.

Penalty for making stroke with club in breach of condition: DISQUALIFICATION

An updated list of Conforming Driver Heads is available on the R & A's website www.randa.org . This list is also available in the LGU Championship Office on request.

CADDIES

Players are responsible for the conduct of caddies at all times. Caddies must not wear spike-soled shoes. Local caddies may be reserved on a first come first served basis by calling the Berkshire Golf Club's Caddie Master on 01344 622 627.

QUALIFYING PLACES

The top 25 players plus ties will progress to the Final Qualifying Round on 26th July 2010. In the event of a tie for the last qualifying place, all those players tied for the last place will qualify for Final Qualifying. **There will not be a sudden-death play off.**

REGISTRATION FOR FINAL QUALIFYING

Those players qualifying for the Final Qualifying Round will be provided with details of Final Qualifying at Hillside Golf Club on Monday 26th July 2010. Please note that the draw for Final Qualifying will be available online at www.lgu.org from 9am on Sunday 25th July. Players must register for the Final Qualifying Round at the Ladies' Golf Union Championship Office at Hillside Golf Club no later than half an hour before their tee time.

DRESS CODE

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WITHDRAWALS

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Ladies' Golf Union @ The Berkshire	Tel	+44 (0) 7834 979298
The Berkshire Golf Club	Tel	+44 (0) 1344 621495

ACCOMMODATION

An accommodation list will be published on the LGU website at www.lgu.org

DIRECTIONS

The Berkshire Golf Club Ltd
Swinley Road
Ascot
Berkshire
SL5 8AY

Tel: +44 (0) 1344 621495

Approaching from the M4 (west)

- Leave at exit 10 on to A329 (M) to Bracknell. Take A322 (Bagshot) ; look for sharp left-hand turn onto A332 (Ascot). The club is about half a mile on the left.

Approaching from the M4 (east)

- Leave at exit 6 on to A332 (Windsor- Ascot). After leaving Ascot Race Course continue over the roundabout. The club is about 2 miles on the right.

Approaching from M3

- Leave at exit 3 on to A322 (Bagshot – Bracknell) ; look for the right hand lane – A332 (Ascot). The club is about half a mile on the left.

Approaching from A30

- Turn left at the Cricketers Arms (Bagshot) onto A322, look for the right-hand lane – A332 (Ascot) The club is about half a mile on the left.

Approaching from Guildford

- Follow A322 (Bagshot – Bracknell), look for the right hand lane – A332 (Ascot) The club is about half a mile on the left.