

WAIKATO DISTRICT VETERAN GOLFERS ASSOCIATION INC.

RULES – PENNANTS 2024

1. The competition to be known as the **Craig & Partners WAIKATO DISTRICT VETERAN INTERCLUB PENNANTS** will commence in February of that year and will be completed by the 30th April each year by participating clubs from within the area covered by the Association. An exemption may be allowed to start prior to Christmas on application to the executive outlining reasons why. The Final to be Played between 1st and 30th May. May.
2. The winning team will permanently hold that year's PENNANT and in addition will hold the WAIKATO DISTRICT VETERAN TROPHY for the year of the competition only. The second-place team will hold the LION BROWN PLATE for the year of the competition only.
3. The competition will be run as a net medal team's event. For all qualifying rounds teams will comprise 6 players with best 5 scores to count. Teams for the final to be 6 players with all cards counting. The region will be divided into zones with a Competition Convener (being the Vice President of the Association) and Zone Conveners (being a member of the Executive).
4. **All teams must be entered by the club's veteran convener and has the backing of their club vets committee.** Clubs may enter as many teams as they choose but all must play in the same zone. A player may not interchange between teams. Infringement of this rule will result in disqualification of that team for that round.
5. All players Male or Female must be life members of the Waikato Veteran Golf Association.
Important to note that on some courses there may be a difference in the par of the tees being played, e.g. white tees par-70, yellow tees par-71. The players on the yellow tees will have one stroke deducted from their on-course nett score. This generally occurs between men and women and is taken into account when the nett results are printed from DotGolf if the competition has been set up for both genders.
6. The maximum playing index shall be as per their current Dot Golf Index and appropriate handicap adjustment for the course played in the competition.
7. In the event of injury or illness of a player during a round his score will be recorded as equal to the worst counting score on the board, this applies should the number of players in the team fall to 4 or less.
8. Each participating club will host one round. Rounds are not to be played so as to conflict with days already scheduled by the Association for one day or other tournaments and must be completed by 30th April.
9. The Match committee of the day will be the Zone Convener and or Host Club convener of the day.
10. An entry fee of \$30 per team will be paid to the Secretary or Zone Convener prior to the start of the first round. If payment is not received by the start of the first round the team is ineligible to participate.
11. All players will be required to pay the requested entry fee set by the Host Club to cover green fees and prizes. It would assist the Host club convener if the Team Captain collects the fees from his team and hands the total to the convener. Two's and raffles are extra s unless otherwise organized by the Host Club.
12. The TOP TWO TEAMS from each zone will qualify for the final to be played in the between the 2nd and 3rd weeks of May on a course neutral to all teams competing. In the event of two or more teams in a zone being equal on points at the end of the preliminary rounds all such teams shall qualify. **Should a team who has qualified for the finals be unable to field a team the next placed team in the zones final standing becomes eligible to play in the finals.** The Executive shall approve the neutral course and advise the Competition Convener to book the venue.
13. The Conveners of each Zone to send to the Secretary, the totals of each club in their Zone. Then follow up for the finals with names and handicaps of the two top teams for the finals draw.
14. In the event of teams being equal on points in the FINAL then the result will deemed to be a draw and the shield will be shared, any prizes will likewise be combined and shared.
15. Prizes for the Final will be provided from the team entry fees and supplemented by any donations made specifically for this event.