

NERGA Finals Days 2024

Congratulations to all individuals and teams who have (or will) qualify for the 2024 NERGA Finals.

The following information covers the arrangements for both NERGA Finals Day

- **Rabbits on Sun 15/9/23 at Barnard Castle GC and**
- **Inter on Sun 22/9/23 at Forest Park GC**

Cost - £20 per player to be paid at Registration desk on the day - **cash only**.

Registration – The Registration desk will be in the main clubhouse.

Start time – Both events will start at 09:00.

Refreshments – Bacon sandwich and Coffee prior to the round and a 2-course meal is included in the entry fee.

Order of play Player who are only competing in the NERGA Individual competition will tee off first, followed by player who are competing in the Individual Championship AND in the 8 man Club competition then the 7 players from each club who are competing in the Club Competition only.

Groups - Each group will consist of 3 players, but the last group will be a 4 ball. The groups will be made up of players from different clubs/zones.

Top Player replacement– If the top player from a club is not available to attend Finals Day, the host club can nominate a replacement – with the expectation that the replacement is the 2nd highest scoring player, etc

Top Player from a club where Team has also qualified for Finals day – The top scoring player (or their replacement) **must** be included in the 8 man team, playing as Player 1 in the Team event.

Handicap – Normal NERGA rules apply, where a player Handicap Index will be used to calculate their Course handicap, which is then adjusted by 95% to calculate their Playing Handicap.

Handicap Limits – Players will declare their current Handicap Index (HI) when registering on the day. Players in the Rabbits comp who have a Handicap Index greater than 28 will be limited to a HI of 28. Similarly, players in the Inter Comp will be limited to a max HI of 14.9

Qualifying Competition – Players score for both the Individual and Team competition will be entered into Handicap Master and passed on to England golf as per our normal events.

Scoring – Standard Stableford format, with the best 7 scores counting for the team event.

Tied Score – For individual comps the back 9, back 6 etc method will be used to determine placings where players have the same total score. For Team comps, the best 7 scores will be used to determine the placings, with ties being determined by reference to the 8th player score, then the top scorer, 2nd best etc.

2's Sweep – An optional 2's sweep will be held, with all 2's money collected being paid out on the day in cash.

Dress Code – Standard golfing attire.

Presentation – Two separate presentations will be held at each event, where the results will be announced, and the trophies presented. All players are encouraged to attend the relevant presentation. The Individual presentation will take place once all players in the Individual comp have completed their round and submitted their scorecard. The Team presentation will take place once all the team players have completed their round.

Meal – Any special requirements for the meal (vegetarian etc) to be notified at the registration desk on the day of the event.

Guests – Guests are welcome to attend the event, either caddying for a player, or just attending the presentation, but there is no opportunity for guests to play the course. Refreshments are available for guests which can be booked and paid for at the Registration desk on the day.

Action required - Individual Comp - All clubs to inform their top player of the arrangements and inform NERGA Comp Sec if the top player **cannot** attend and provide the name of the replacement. Any changes to be notified to NERGA Comp Sec (iwansliw@yahoo.com) via e-mail, no later than 7 days before event.

Action required - Team Comp - All clubs to provide the name of the 7 team players in order of going out, to NERGA Comp Sec (iwansliw@yahoo.com) via e-mail, no later than 7 days before event.

Provisional Start Sheet – Attached

Official Start sheet - Will be published on the NERGA web site 5 days before the event.

Prizes from individual events – Finals Day is the last opportunity for clubs to pass on any unclaimed prizes from their home event (4 ball voucher for visiting top scores, 2's sweep prizes etc) – thus could clubs ensure such prizes are taken to Finals day so they can be passed on to the relevant club.

The NERGA Finals are the climax of the season and the committee would appreciate your cooperation and assistance in meeting the above deadline so that we have sufficient time to plan and organise a pair of successful events.

Please contact Iwan Owen (NERGA Comp sec) with any queries or questions

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Regards

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