

Winter league format and Rules ..

Same as last year in terms of format ..

10 weekends of qualifying ..

7 before Xmas ..3 week break for Xmas weekend, new year's weekend, captains drive in ..then we return for the final 3 weeks of qualifying before we enter into the knockouts which will be taking place in February (weather permitting)

16 teams have been split up into 4 groups of 4 and after the ten weeks of qualifying have been completed ..the top 2 teams from each group will go through to the Knockout stages ..

In the events of a tie ..the team with the better final day of qualifying score will go through ..

The qualifying takes place over 12 holes this year Friday to Sunday ..

Friday has been opened up as an alternate day for winter league qualifying only ..there will be no 12 hole competition on Friday as it will only be used for qualifying purposes ..

In terms of weekends being cancelled ..if the course is not open by 10:30 on Saturday or Sunday then the whole weekend is cancelled ..this rule will not effect Friday as Friday is an alternate day ..

You can play on all 3 days if you wish but only your best score will count as it's one score to count per person and the 4 best scores out of the 8 players will be put forward as your teams score for that weekend

When sending your score in to your teams group all you have to put is your name ..the day you played and the amount you scored

Example ..

Matt Smyth Saturday 24 points.

Handicaps ..

Your Handicap for the winter league is your handicap from the start of the competition to the end of the competition..

Domestic cuts or cuts on observation will not affect your winter league scoring ..

If you are 18 handicap when the draw was made ..but have been cut a shot on observation for Forrest little 12 hole comps ..your winter league handicap will still be 18..

In terms of subs ..

During qualifying if a player has sustained an injury or is unable to play at all thought the whole winter league process then we can try and find a replacement 2 shots either side of your players handicap ..

When it comes to the knockout rounds ..each team is allowed Max 2 subs per round

Winter league is very straight forward ..

4 scores to count out of 8 scores each weekend ..

Communication is key ..if you are not available to play on a weekend then let your captain know so he isn't chasing you for a score ..

But most of all lads ..it's about going out and playing 12 holes in the winter months ..being competitive and playing for something as a team ..getting to know people you may never of met before and hopefully winning something at the end of it all ..

It's a competition that runs for 4 to 5 months of the year so and should be treated as one of the bigger competitions in Forrest little ..

Best of luck to all involved and we will see you on the fairways

Matt Smyth and Chris Slattery