Overview

The aim of the Ladies Get into Golf at Stocks programme is to provide a two year framework to progress novice golfers to becoming members of Stocks Golf Club with a CONGU handicap.

It is run by Dave Marsden in conjunction with Stocks Golf Club.

STRUCTURE

Ladies Get into Golf at Stocks is a two year programme. The main year starts on 1st April, however it is possible to join the programme at any point during the year. Application is made online (www.stocksgolfclub.co.uk) or via the secretary at Stocks golf club or with Dave Marsden PGA Professional. (www.davemgolf.com)

Year One is for the novice golfer.

Group lessons (6-8 ladies) will take place every other month with Dave Marsden, the day and time being dependent upon availability at Stocks Golf Club. They will also receive five individual lessons.

Lesson fees are built into the annual fee for the programme and paid direct to Dave Marsden upon joining. We will communicate all fixtures online, by email and via a WhatsApp group text message.

The objective in year one is learn the basic rules of golf and golf etiquette, how to putt, chip and hit a range of clubs consistently. (As a guide they should be capable of 45 shots over the par of the course or better to move to the Intermediate group). The beginner Ladies will be offered a half price brand new golf club if they haven’t got equipment at the start or they can borrow clubs for the first 3 lessons.

The lessons provided as part of the package should ideally be supplemented with individual practice at a local driving range and possibly additional lessons. See Appendix 1.

Members of the programme will undergo regular assessment by Dave Marsden throughout the year. Once a certain level of proficiency is attained the programme member may be invited to move to the Intermediate group during the year and definitely at the end of year one.

Year Two is for the intermediate golfer or someone who has participated in the year one programme and who wishes to attain a CONGU handicap and become a Club member. Each member will be allocated a Mentor from Stocks Ladies Section.

Group lessons (6-8 ladies) will take place every other month with Dave Marsden, the day and time being dependent upon availability at Stocks Golf Club. The programme member and their Mentor will also receive five individual lessons.

Lesson fees are built into the annual fee for the programme and paid direct to Dave Marsden upon joining.

The objective during year two is to be able to play 18 holes of golf, acquire a greater understanding of the rules of golf and golf etiquette, be able to hit all clubs fairly consistently, submit a card close to 36 over par or better and gain understanding of the Ladies Section of Stocks Golf Club.

Members will undergo regular assessment by Dave Marsden throughout the year to ensure that progress is being made.

FEES

Year One

There is a fixed one-off fee of £299 payable up front to Dave Marsden. This entitles the programme member to:

* Group lesson (6-8 ladies) on alternate months
* Five Individual lessons

Year Two

There is a fixed one-off fee of £299 payable up front to Dave Marsden. This entitles the programme member to:

* Group lesson (6-8 ladies) on alternate months
* Five Individual lessons with mentor

AND

There is a one-off fee of £200 payable up front to Stocks Golf Club. This entitles the programme member to:

* Lady Mentor who may also attend the programme member’s individual lesson
* Stocks Club Card allowing access to the changing facilities, bar and food
* Use of the practice green
* Up to 10 18 hole rounds (may be played as 9 or 18 holes) during the year. The programme member must sign in the ‘Get into Golf’ book on the bar and indicate how many holes are being played. All rounds must be played with your Mentor or another Club Member.
* A roll up event will be organised once a month for intermediate golfers to play in a friendly competition format, dates for lessons and competition play will be communicated by email and via text message.

A programme member may become a member of Stocks Golf Club once they have submitted a card of 36 over par or better. A card will be signed by a member and consist of either a full 18 holes on one visit or two separate 9 hole visits where the full course is played. Should this be before the official programme end, there will be a pro-rata refund of the Year Two Stocks Golf Club fee set against the cost of membership. The coaching fees paid at the beginning of the year will remain and the programme member can continue with the lesson schedule until the end of the year even though they have joined as a member.

Once the programme member has become a member of Stocks Golf Club, the Ladies Section will assist her in submitting three cards in order to obtain an official CONGU handicap and help her become familiar with the workings of the Ladies Section and the Club.

Ladies Get into Golf Open day

We will run an annual taster day in March/April time to attract new members to the programme.

We will invite beginner and intermediate Lady golfers to our event:

Beginners can participate – putting, chipping and hitting a drive (Dave Marsden)

Lady golfer with some experience can participate in – A Texas scramble with Lady Members on the 3-hole loop (holes 10-12)

Tea & Coffee are available at the Club House.

Equipment can be provided (clubs and balls)