

## **2021 Highland Championships:**

Date: Saturday, 18<sup>th</sup> July, 2020

Entries: Players must be entered no later than the last Tuesday prior to the event. No more than 120 entries will be accepted – first come, first serve.

Late entries may be accepted by the Championship Committee, if there are vacant spots in the Draw.

Entry Fee: \$35.00 (Must be paid before the player tees off.)

Tee times: 9.00 am to 11.30 am in 8 min. intervals from two Tees.

Grades: A-Grade → 12.4; B-Grade 12.5 – 18.4; C-Grade 18.5 → 36.4 (Slope Ratings)  
(The grades may be adjusted after entries have been received.)

Eligibility:

1. The event is open to male players.
2. Only players with current 'Golf Link' handicaps can win Grade prizes.
3. The Championship Committee may deny a player entry to this event, and their decisions will be final.

Conditions of the Tournament:

1. Play will be governed by the "Rules of Golf", and these will apply together with the Local Rules of the Bothwell Golf Club.
2. The player with the lowest gross score will be the Highland Champion.
3. In the event of a tie for the championship, unless the Championship Committee determines otherwise, players in the tie will continue over such holes as the Championship Committee decides, in a sudden-death, hole-by-hole play-off, until the winner is determined.
4. In the event of a tie for all other places the winners will be determined using the Australian Count- back system.
5. Returning of Score Cards: A score card will be deemed returned when a player has completely left the recording area, unless the player verbally informs the Scoring Official that they need to leave the recording area and will return immediately.

## Local Rules:

1. **Out of Bounds:** All ground outside of boundary fences.
2. **Immovable Obstructions:** Course signage, seats, tee markers, viewing towers, ball washers, tap covers, granary shed, hay bales, and solidly embedded rocks: The ball may be lifted, cleaned, and dropped within one club length, no nearer the hole, without penalty.
3. **Greens Fences** (including the posts without fencing attached) and Gates:
  - a. A ball striking a greens fence between the player and the pin may be replayed without penalty.
  - b. If a greens gate interferes with a player's stance or area of intended swing, the gate may be opened.
  - c. If a greens fence interferes with a player's stance or area of intended swing, the ball may be dropped away from the fence, no closer to the hole, without penalty.
  - d. If a player's ball strikes a greens fence and lands out of bounds, the shot may be replayed without penalty.
4. **Trees:** If a tree under 2 club lengths in height interferes with a player's stance or area of intended swing, the player may take one club length relief, no closer to the hole, without penalty.
5. **Tree roots:** If a player's ball is resting in the close proximity to a tree root, which interferes with the proper playing of the game and the tree root affects the area of the intended swing, either on the fairway or within two club lengths of the fairway, relief may be obtained. The ball is to be **placed** within 150 mm no nearer the hole. Note: Relief may not be taken if the root only affects the player's stance.
6. **Abnormal Ground Conditions:** If a player's ball is resting in a sheep track, wheel mark, or in a hole made by a raven, the player may take relief without penalty, within one club length, no nearer the hole. This does not apply if the ball is in a hazard.
7. **Integral Part of the Course:** Plantation fences and all other internal fences, other than greens fences. No relief may be taken without penalty.
8. **Sheep:** A ball striking a sheep may be replayed without penalty.
9. **Drop Zones:** There will be Drop Zones on holes 3, 5, 8 and 15.
10. **Blue distance markers:** The distance is indicated on the post (250/150/100/75).
11. **GUR** is marked with white lines and/or signs.