



# GOLFING UNION OF IRELAND (ULSTER BRANCH)

## AIG PIERCE PURCELL SHIELD 2018 (ULSTER QUALIFYING SECTION)

**TO BE PLAYED ON SUNDAY 13 MAY 2018**

Sponsored by



Ashfield		Balmoral	
08:30	Ashfield, Cloverhill	08:30	Balmoral, Dunmurry
09:15	Concra Wood, Nuremore	09:15	Lisburn, Malone
10:00	Mannan Castle, Rossmore, Warrenpoint	10:00	Belvoir Park, Rockmount, Shandon Park
11:00	Ardglass, Bright Castle, St Patricks	11:00	Castlereagh Hills, Crossgar, Temple
12:00	Kilkeel, Mayobridge, Mourne	12:00	Colin Valley, Down Royal, Lambeg

Faughan Valley		Kilrea	
08:30	Faughan Valley, City of Derry	08:15	Kilrea, Gracehill, Manor
09:15	Foyle, Castlerock, Strabane	09:15	Ballycastle, Bushfoot, Portstewart
10:15	Ballyliffin, Omagh, Royal Portrush	12:45	Massereene, Rathmore, Roe Park
11:15	Killymoon, Otway, Portsalon	13:45	Ballymena, Cushendall, Galgorm Castle
12:15	Buncrana, Newtownstewart, North West		

Larne		Letterkenny	
08:15	Larne, Greenisland, Whitehead	08:30	Letterkenny, Ballybofey/S
09:15	Ballyclare, Cliftonville, Fortwilliam	09:15	Donegal, Dunfanaghy, Gweedore
12:45	Antrim, Hilton T'patrick, Moyola Park	10:15	Cloughaneely, Flntona, Rosapenna
13:45	Cairndhu, Carrickfergus, Greenacres	11:15	Black Lion, Cruit Island, Narin & Portnoo
		12:15	Bundoran, Castle Hume, Redcastle

Scrabo		Silverwood	
08:30	Scrabo, Mahee Island	08:30	Silverwood, Portadown
09:15	Blackwood, Carnalea,	09:15	Edenmore, Loughgall
10:00	Bangor, Helens Bay, Royal Belfast	10:00	Enniskillen, Farnham Estate, Spa
11:00	Donaghadee, Kirkistown Castle, Ormeau	11:00	Aughnacloy, Clones, Co Cavan
12:00	Clandeboyne, Holywood, Knock	12:00	Banbridge, Co Armagh, Tandragee

A Club who fails to appear on the day and has not given three days notice of their withdrawal to Kevin Stevens Executive Officer by Letter or E-Mail ([info@gui-ulster.co.uk](mailto:info@gui-ulster.co.uk)) shall incur a penalty of £100. Future entry to the Competition by the Club shall not be accepted until the penalty is paid in full.

### Competition Rules:

A full set of rules is available in the Tournament Conditions Book circulated to Clubs or can be viewed on-line. **No Caddies Permitted.**

### Handicap Qualification:

No player shall be eligible to compete in this Tournament whose playing handicap was **less than 11** in the calendar year 2017. The combined lowest playing handicap for each pair during the calendar year 2017 shall **not be less than 25**. In order to be eligible to compete, a player shall have, in 2017 returned a minimum of four cards in qualifying competitions. All players must be 18 years of age or over on 1 January 2018. Evidence of each player's eligibility must be produced both at the qualifying and at each match play round, preferably using the single page GOLFnet report which has been signed by a relevant Club official.

### Mode of Play:

Each team to consist of 10 male members and play shall be Scotch Foursomes (both players to drive, select the best ball and play alternate shots after that) Scratch Medal Play with the best four cards from five to count. Thirty-two teams will qualify for the match play stage – four teams from each section. The qualifying Clubs will return to their original venue, unless the home team qualifies and play in the following format 1 v 4, 2 v 3, following which an open draw will be made by the Ulster Branch who will also set the dates and venues for these matches to be played.

**Ulster Final:** The final to determine the winner of the Ulster Section will be played at **Shandon Park Golf Club 12 August 2018**

**National Final:** The National Final of the AIG Pierce Purcell Shield will be played at **Thurles Golf Club 21–23 September 2018**

**Practice:** Teams to contact host Club beforehand. Green fees are payable. One practice round (at least) as if playing with a member. Team members to produce identification if requested.

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