



GOLFING UNION OF IRELAND - ULSTER BRANCH

IRISH MIXED FOURSOMES 2018 (ULSTER QUALIFYING SECTION) TO BE PLAYED ON SUNDAY 20 MAY 2018

Ballybofey/S		Ballymena	
08:30	Ballybofey/S, Donegal, Portsalon	08:30	Ballymena, Galgorm Castle
09:30	Buncrana, Bundoran, Narin & Portnoo	09:15	Cushendall, Hilton T'patrick, Kilrea
10:30	Ballyliffin, Cruit Island, Redcastle	10:15	Castlerock, Roe Park, Royal Portrush
11:30	Dunfanaghy, Gweedore, Rosapenna	11:15	Ballycastle, Bushfoot, Portstewart

Killymoon		Lisburn	
08:30	Killymoon, Moyola Park	08:30	Lisburn, Dunmurry
09:15	Fintona, Newtownstewart, Omagh	09:15	Balmoral, Belvoir Park, Malone
10:15	Castle Hume, Greencastle, North West	10:15	Edenmore, Loughgall, Tandragee
11:15	City of Derry, Letterkenny, Strabane	11:15	Banbridge, Lurgan, Ormeau

Mahee Island		Mannan Castle	
08:15	Mahee Island, Scrabo	08:30	Mannan Castle, Nuremore
08:55	Rockmount, Spa, Temple	09:15	Co Armagh, Concra Wood, Rossmore
12:15	Kilkeel, Royal Co Down, Warrenpoint	10:15	Co Cavan, Slieve Russell, Virginia
13:00	Ardglass, Shandon Park, St Patricks	11:15	Aughnacloy, Clones, Dungannon

Carnalea		Whitehead	
08:30	Carnalea, Blackwood	08:30	Whitehead, Carrickfergus
09:15	Bangor, Helens Bay, Royal Belfast	09:15	Ballyclare, Greenacres, Larne
10:15	Castlereagh Hills, Kirkistown Castle, Knock	10:15	Antrim, Cliftonville, Massereene
11:15	Clandeboye, Donaghadee, Holywood,	11:15	Cairndhu, Fortwilliam, Greenisland

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) 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.

Handicap Qualification:

For the purpose of eligibility and competing, the handicap for both Men and Ladies shall be the lowest playing handicap in the previous year. To be eligible to compete as a pair, each player (male & female) must have returned a minimum of 4 qualifying scores in the previous calendar year (2017), In addition the combined handicap of that pair shall not be lower than 19 with a maximum of 27 – if the combined handicap exceeds 27 then the pair shall play off 27. All players must be at least 18 years of age on 1st 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 5 male and 5 lady members. Play shall be by foursome medal play with men to drive from the first hole. The Handicap Allowances shall be; Stroke-Play - half the combined with half shots to count. Matchplay - half the combined with half shots rounded up. The best four cards from five to count in the qualifying stage. Men to drive at the first hole. 32 teams will qualify for the match play stage - 4 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 thereafter an open draw will be made by the Ulster Branch, who will also set the dates and venues for these matches to be played.

Practice:

Teams to contact host Club, identification may be requested. Green fees are payable. One practice round (at least) as if playing with a member.

Ulster Final: The Final to determine the winner of the Ulster Section will be played at **Massereene Golf Club on 25 August 2018**

National Finals: The National Final of the Irish Mixed Foursomes will be played at **Milltown Golf Club on 5-6 October 2018**

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