

# Blackwell Grange Golf Club Seniors' Section

## Introductory Information Sheet

---

### Introduction

This information sheet has been created to provide a brief guide to the Seniors' Section for prospective new members of the Club. The Seniors' Section was formed in 1984 and is a very popular, friendly and extremely well organised section of the Club.

### Membership

Gentlemen members aged fifty-five and over are eligible to join the Seniors' Section.

The total number of members has grown from only 24 in 1984 to over 200 today, the size of the section being the envy of many other clubs in the area.

### Captain's Events

The season starts with the Captain's Challenge in March and other events include the Captain's Scramble and Dinner (Senior Captain's Day) in June and Captain's Away Day in August.

### Competitions

There are five Medal and five Stableford Qualifiers during the season, generally on a Thursday morning. The top four players in each of the three handicap sections/divisions (Gold 0 – 14, Silver 15 – 19 and Bronze 20 – 54) qualify to play in the finals in September. There are prizes for the winners, runners-up and third place in the qualifiers and the finals and there is also a Nearest the Pin competition and an Eclectic competition which run alongside the qualifiers.

As well as the qualifiers, the Seniors' Section organise a variety of other competitions to be played throughout the year.

### Friendly Matches

Matches are held between various clubs both home and away, generally on a Tuesday morning and the Captain is responsible for selecting the teams. The clubs involved include Barnard Castle, Bedale, Bishop Auckland, Cleveland, Durham City, Eaglescliffe, Masham, Ramside, Romanby, Teesside, Thirsk & Northallerton and Woodham.

There is also a match with the Ladies' Section in April and a match against the Ladies in October.

### Teesside and District Union of Golf Clubs

Blackwell Grange Golf Club play in the 1<sup>st</sup> Division of the Teesside Union Seniors' League. Further information is included under the 'Teams' section of the Club's website.

### Seniors' Opens

Team and Pairs opens are held during the year. See the 'Open Dates' section of the website to book any of these.

### Winter League

The winter league is a pairs competition on a league basis with nineteen matches of a variety of formats, which are held on a Thursday morning.