

2021 WORLD CRAZY GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP PLAYERS PACK

After months of waiting, it is now less than a week to go before the World Crazy Golf Championship weekend tees off on Friday evening on the 10th September with our first ever dedicated Team Championship on the legendary Arnold Palmer Crazy Golf Course at Hastings seafront followed by the main event over the weekend of the 11th and 12th September along with the welcome return of the Junior Championship on the Saturday evening. This pack contains the key information that you will need to make this weekend's competition a tournament to remember for all the players.

The tournament this year is once again centred around the Novice players and will see all entrants play 3 rounds on the Saturday, culminating in the Novice Championship finale and the presentations for all the winners. The first three rounds of the day will have the novices and pro's in mixed groups (and with the pro's playing first in each group in the first round all the other players get to see how the holes should be played – no pressure then pro's!!). And then all eyes will be on the top 18 novice players overall when they take to the greens for one final round featuring the legendary 'Crazy Crazy' rules cheered on by the Hastings crowds, as they battle for the title and the top prize of £750.

The main event continues into day two and the top 3 novices from day 1 will qualify for free entry into the second day and a chance to take the overall first prize of £1250. Any of the other novices who want to can take part in the Sunday by paying an additional fee of just £15, payable to the organisers at the completion of Day 1. Sunday will see all players play another three rounds before the top 18 players overall take to the greens for one final round, again featuring the legendary 'Crazy Crazy' rules (an overview of the rules for the event follow below).

Everyone - pro's and novices alike - will be using the official ball of the event, a great memento to keep after the weekend and there will be plenty of time to watch the other players tackling the course during the day as well as taking advantage of the fantastic discounted food and drink offers that the course always ensure are available to the competition entrants – more details can be found at the end of this pack.

Sean Homer, Tournament Organiser says "I've been involved as player and organiser for over 15 years and I am delighted to be supporting the competition again in 2021. It's been a tough period for everyone and it's great to be back! Hastings Adventure Golf started the event back in 2003 and it's fitting that the biggest field ever will take to the greens with Hastings Adventure Golf once again in charge, doing what they do best - hosting a competition that highlights everything that is great about the game we love to play. The event is always a fantastic occasion with everyone enjoying the weekend and having a brilliant time on and off the greens. Wherever you finish and however you get on, the most important thing is to have fun - after all this isn't the World Sensible Golf Championships!"

If you have any questions regarding the Competition (or the info below) please do not hesitate to contact Sean either via e-mail (wgcg@hastingsadventuregolf.com) or at the course on Thursday from 9am onwards and he will be more than happy to answer any questions that you may have.

We look forward to seeing you all at the seafront this coming weekend for what promises to once again be a terrific event! Best of Luck to All!

All the team at Hastings Adventure Golf

TOURNAMENT FORMAT

This year's competition will be taking place over the weekend of 11th and 12th September and is seen by many as the 'flagship' event in the Minigolf calendar attracting players from across the UK and Europe, all competing for the biggest prize fund in minigolf. As well as the £1,250 for the overall winner and an additional £2,500 prize fund for the top players overall, the 2021 event will once again ring fence an additional £1,750 exclusively for the novice players*, with the best placed novice picking up £750 at the event. And if a novice wins the overall event, then they will also pick up the £1,250 for the winner as well!!

** A novice is someone playing in their first or second World Crazy Golf Championship event and not having won any prize money at previous events. Recognised international players will not be classed novices. Anyone playing in their third World Crazy Golf Championship will automatically be classed as a 'pro'..*

The main prize fund over the weekend is as follows;

- **1st place: £1250 and World Crazy Golf Championship trophy**
- **2nd place: £850**
- **3rd place: £550**
- **4th place: £400**
- **5th place: £250**
- **6th place: £200**
- **7th place: £150**
- **8th place: £100**

EXCLUSIVE 2021 NOVICE PRIZE FUND

- **Top Novice: £750 and World Crazy Golf Novice Championship trophy**
- **Runner Up Novice: £450**
- **3rd place Novice: £250**
- **4th Place Novice: £150**
- **5th Place Novice: £100**
- **6th place Novice: £50**

Please note that all prize money will be paid via bank transfer.

As well as all the main prizes, there will also be the **GOMMERY** trophy being contested for the player with the most hole in one's outside of the final top 18 finishers. This trophy is sponsored and will once again be presented by Dave and Liz Gomm (the winning player gets to keep it until the next World Crazies).

A new addition this year is the **Team Competition** which takes place on Friday evening. 18 Teams consisting of 3 players will take part in one round of the course to qualify for a final round shoot out across the iconic holes on the course. NB: the team score will be the combined total strokes for each of the 3 players across the 18 hole round with the top 6 teams then taking part in a shoot out for the title (the scores will be reset for this unique round with the lowest combined score in the final round winning the title).

Play will tee off on Saturday 11th September from 8.30am (a rolling start with groups of two or three players, all starting at hole 1) and as highlighted the first three rounds of the day will have the novices and pro's in mixed groups. The groups will be revised for the final round of the day with the top 18 Novices taking to the greens in reverse leaderboard order as they battle it out for the title. Estimated finish time including presentations of the novice championship is 6pm.

This will be followed by the Junior Championship, teeing off from 6.30pm.

Sunday will consist of 3 further rounds, with play scheduled to start at 9am (in reverse leader board order – i.e. the players at the foot of the leader board teeing off first and the top of the leader board going out in the last groups for round 4). After 6 rounds, the top 18 players overall will qualify for the final round (featuring the legendary Crazy Crazy Rules with all balls in play in each group!) to decide the winner. This round is expected to start around 2.30pm (the timings will be confirmed on the day). The estimated finish time on Sunday is 4.30pm. (Please note the day 2 tee off times and groups will be confirmed on Saturday evening).

We will be looking for refs and scorers for the final rounds on Saturday and Sunday as well as for the Junior event. If you wish to take part and help in the running of these rounds please let the organisers know.

To enable everyone to stay bang up to date with the competition as it progresses throughout the weekend, live round by round results will be streamed on the internet from Saturday morning once the event has started at the following link: <https://crazychamps.hastingsadventuregolf.com/2021WCGC/result.htm>

As mentioned earlier, the tournament is being run with a rolling start. This will enable players to watch other players throughout the day (there will always be people out on the course!) and offers a unique insight into the challenges that the course provides. Players remain in their groups throughout the first 3 rounds on Saturday (alternating the playing order) and the tee off times for round 1, along with the groups for day 1 will be published later in the week.

Players must ensure that they report to the Officials Hut at the course no later than 10 minutes before their scheduled tee-off times across the day.

PLEASE NOTE: Due to the size of the field, subsequent rounds for each group will tee off approx. 2 hours after the previous round starts (each round will take approx one hour to play). For example Group 1 will tee off their first round at 8.30am, round 2 just after 11.15am and round 3 around 1.20pm. (NB: timings are subject to change due to late entries but if there are any changes we will endeavour to see players teeing off at similar start times and groups to the published times). All the final timings for rounds 1 to 3 along with the group information will be published at the officials hut on Saturday morning. The final round of the day featuring the top 18 novices will start at 4.45pm with the leaders teeing off just after 5pm and presentations around 6pm.

Sean Homer is the Tournament Director for the weekend

THE FULL GROUPS FOR ROUNDS 1, 2 & 3 AND THE TEE OFF TIMES FOR ROUND 1 WILL BE PUBLISHED LATER THIS WEEK

TOURNAMENT RULES

Everyone, pro's and novices alike, will be using the official ball of the event, a great memento to keep after the weekend available from Thursday 9th at the course. All players receive this ball as part of their entry fee (and is yours to keep after the event).

RULES OVERVIEW

- Playing order – for rounds 1 to 6 inclusive each player plays the hole in turn. i.e. Player one completes the hole. Then player 2 completes and then player 3. The order remains the same for each round (holes 1 to 18) but will change for each subsequent round. The only round where all balls are in play is the final round on Sunday and details of this will be communicated on the day.
- Players do not score for themselves. Player 3 scores for player 1. Player 1 for player 2 and player 2 for player 3.
- There is a 6 shot limit for each player on each hole. If a player has not holed out after 6 shots they will score a 7 for that hole.
- Tee off area – these will be marked out with chalk on Thursday morning before the official practice session starts at 9am. Players will be able to tee off anywhere inside the chalked area.
- Shot times – players have a maximum of 30 seconds for each shot.
- No practice shots are allowed throughout the event once official practice ends each day.
- Relief – players can get upto 20cm relief from the hole borders (edges). There is no other relief allowed. The ball must be played from where it lies with the exceptions listed below.
- Specific hole rules – there are a number of holes where there are course specific rules (in addition to the standard relief rules). There are no penalty shots added. Each shot counts.
 - Hole 2 – if the ball fails to reach the green (where the cup is), player tees off again.
 - Hole 5 (Windmill) – if the ball fails to pass the windmill off the tee, player tees off again.
 - Hole 7 – if the ball fails to reach the lower green (with the cup), player tees off again.
 - Hole 8 (waterwheel) – if the ball fails to pass through the waterwheel, player tees off again.
 - Hole 11 – if the ball fails to pass all the way through the obelisk, player tees off again.
 - Hole 16 (the mini jump) – if the ball drops into the ditch and rolls under the overhang, player can reposition upto 20cm from either side of the ramp (but in the ditch – they cannot reposition onto the green).
 - Hole 17 (Lighthouse) - if the ball fails to pass all the way through the lighthouse, player tees off again
 - Hole 18 – If the ball fails to pass through the entire loop the loop, player tees off again.
- Play offs – in the event of players tied for the final 18 places or for any of the prize money places a sudden death play off will take place from hole 1.
- No smoking or vaping on the course.
- All mobile phones to be switched off or silent
- Only active players, individuals with special dispensation by the officials and tournament officials are allowed on the course whilst play is in progress.

Please note that player 1 in each of the groups is an experienced WCGC player and they will be happy to assist with any questions you may have during each round.

COURSE INFORMATION

Official timings over the tournament weekend are as detailed below:

- Thursday 9 September – Free practice all day for tournament entrants.
- Friday 10 September – Free practice until 5pm for tournament entrants when the course will be closed in preparation for the Team Championship.
- Friday 10 September – 6.00pm Tee off for the Team Championship
- Friday 10 September – 8.30pm (approx.) Presentations for the Team Championship
- Saturday 11 September – 8.20am practice ends, opening speeches, rulings and group photo
- Saturday 11 September – 8.30am onwards – WCGC day 1
- Saturday 11 September – 6pm (approx.) presentations for the Novice Championship
- Saturday 11 September – 6.30pm Tee Off for the Junior Championship
- Saturday 11 September – players can practice on Saturday evening once the Junior Championship has concluded
- Sunday 12 September – Practice allowed up to 8.50am
- Sunday 12 September – 9am onwards – WCGC day 2 (*as highlighted earlier in the pack, the Sunday start time may be subject to change regarding number of entries)
- Sunday 12 September – 2.30pm (approx.). Final round of the weekend
- Sunday 12 September – 4.30pm (approx.). Presentations

The course is offering an excellent all day practice rate of just £3.85 day for all competitors (**Monday to Wednesday inclusive**) – payable at reception on arrival (with free practice on Thursday and Friday for all competition entrants). **All players need to pay prior to commencing practice.** Players need to ensure that they do not hold up any of the public when practicing (the course will be open to the public during the week, closing only for Thursday and Friday practice and Saturday and Sunday competition days).

The course will be open on Thursday and Friday until 10pm weather permitting and the same again on the Saturday after the first days play.

The tournament office will be adjacent to the main course kiosk in front of the Crazy Golf course and all player questions, feedback and scorecards, etc will be managed through this addition to the courses for the event.

All WCGC Players will be offered a 25% discount at our Fish and Chip shop and a 50% discount at our other catering outlets from Thursday 9th through to both tournament days. We do ask players to make the staff aware that they are playing in the tournament prior to ordering. All players will be presented with a specially marked business card from the tournament organisers to ensure they receive the relevant discount. All players will also receive a voucher for a free coffee and donut on Saturday morning (the perfect combination ahead of a day of crazy golf!).



The Beach Retreat Cafe offers panini's, hot dogs, toasted sandwiches, cold snacks (even Salads for the athletes out there) as well as the usual hot and cold drinks. The Kiosk behind the golf will offer Hot and Cold drinks and will be stock piling Hot Doughnuts for those that enjoy a stable diet.

The public toilets are situated at the far end of the crazy golf.

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That's it from us and we are looking forward to another successful championship!