

SWANSTON LADIES

The '9' Hole Challenge 2026

RULES

1. The nine-hole challenge is open to lady members of the main course with a WHS handicap.
2. There is a £5 entry fee for all players which should be paid to Sara Allan by Tuesday 31st March 2026
3. Format is matchplay over the first 9 holes of the main course at Swanston.
4. Ties may be played any day of the week at any time during the day to suit both players.
5. Handicap allowance for the nine holes will be half of full handicap at date of play, rounded up where appropriate.
6. In the event of a tie after nine holes, play will continue on a sudden death basis starting at hole 10 and taking a further half of full handicap allowance. Play will continue until one player wins a hole.
7. The competition will be run in three stages with players split into groups. First stage will be a round robin with each player having a tie against every other player in their group. One point will be awarded for a win. All the games in the first stage will be played between Monday 6th of April and Tuesday 30th June.
8. This year the competition will be formed of four groups of players. The player with the most wins in each group at the end of the first stage will be the qualifier for the second stage. If there is a tie for first place in any group, the player who won the tie between those top two or three players during their first stage match will go forward to the second stage.
9. The second stage (semi-finals) will be played on a knock-out basis between four players. All games in the second stage will be played between 1st – 31st July. The winners of the semi-finals will then go forward to compete in the final which will take place between 1st – 31st August.
10. No time extensions will be allowed. If a player must cancel a tie for any reason, she may rearrange as long as a suitable date can be agreed with her opponent within the timeframe, failing which she should concede tie.
11. A Celebratory lunch will be held for all competitors following the Final match or at a later date to be confirmed

TIMETABLE:

31 st March	All names should be forwarded by e-mail to Dorothy Fraser (dotlouisel@gmail.com) and entry fee paid to Sara Allan
5 th April	Details of Groupings will be e-mailed to players.
6 th April – 30 th June	First Stage of The '9' Hole Challenge. Please note there will be no time extensions.
1 st July – 31 st July	Second Stage of The '9' Hole Challenge - semi finals
1 st August – 31 st August	Finals
TBC	Celebratory lunch – details to be confirmed later