



DUFF HOUSE ROYAL GOLF CLUB

*Seniors 4 Day Open Tournament
Monday, 7th to Thursday, 10th September, 2026.*



Welcome to Duff House Royal Golf Club and the Seniors 4 Day Open Tournament



As Captain of **Duff House Royal Golf Club**, it gives me great pleasure to welcome you all here to the Seniors 4 Day, an event aimed at the over fifties.

Over the last year and a half, we have been investing heavily in the course. This has seen several significant improvements across agronomy, machinery and course improvements.

You will remember the introduction of our robot mowers last year, which continue to allow the Greens Team to focus on all other parts of the course. A significant amount of their time has been spent working on the Greens Programme alongside our Agronomist David Cheape from Greentech to help improve quality, speed and trueness of the greens which will be one of the defining features and biggest takeaways.

It was brought to our attention by the members at our A.G.M. that first impressions were highly important. With this in mind, we have made significant changes to the first tee area and landscaped areas around the Club with the addition of crushed slate and flowers. I hope you agree that this is befitting of the Club's ambitions. On the course the tree felling programme continues which you will notice is mostly near the 8th green area which has been opened up giving better views and allowing the greens condition to improve with more light and air circulation. The re-design of the 18th hole was also undertaken for Insurance purposes. In the off season we plan to add bunkers to the right side of the fairway to help with focusing people away from the road. You'll now have more space on the left with a reworked fairway and removed bunker but watch out for the staked trees and rough on the right.

In the Clubhouse we continue to make improvements to meet increased demand. adding to the ambience and overall offering to members and visitors. We are confident that you will have a very enjoyable time off the course as well as on. The in-house team are ready to pull all those pints!

We are grateful to our sponsors for their continued support.

Enjoy your week at Duff House Royal - it is a pleasure for us to welcome you to our course.

Barry Bertram
Captain



2025 WINNERS



Over 65s – Gents – Winner – Tommy Malcolm, Bathgate
Gents High Handicap Winner – Gerard Wynn, High Gosforth Park
Gents Low Handicap Winner – Jimmy Noone, Birstall

Over 65s Ladies – Winner – Marilyn Peden, Hilton Park
Ladies Low Handicap Winner – Sheila McEwan, Harburn
Ladies High Handicap Winner – Shona Farnes, Anstruther

TOURNAMENT FORMAT and RULES

The decisions of the Tournament Committee in all matters relating to the tournament are final.

- Competitors should report to the desk at least 20 minutes before their tee-off time each time they are playing.
- **A sweep for Twos** will be held on the 2 qualifying rounds – entry optional, **cost £2** to be paid when checking in.
- **Score Cards** to be handed in to the Tournament Office .

Competitors will play two qualifying rounds (Stableford), one on Monday and one on Tuesday. Tee times will be the same both days. In the event of loss of qualifying days due to bad weather, qualifying may be extended to Wednesday with the number of qualifiers in each section reduced as required. A decision will be made by the Tournament Committee.

- Maximum handicap for the tournament is Gents 28 and Ladies 36.
- **The 2 qualifying rounds will be based on Playing Handicap** (handicap allowance 95% of Course Handicap, as per Scottish Golf).
- The sections will be Gents 0-14 and 15-28 Ladies 0-21 and 22-36.
- The leading 8 aggregate scores in each section plus 4 qualifiers from the Super Senior ladies and gents will proceed to match play.
- **Super Senior – aged 65 and over. Please inform at check-in if you qualify for this.**
- Handicaps will stay the same for the 2 qualifying rounds. (Handicaps will be revised automatically each day up and down but any changes will not apply for round 2).
- In all match play ties **full difference of Course Handicap** applies up to the maximum allowed in each section.

The match play draws will take place in the Clubhouse **at approximately 9.30 p.m. Tuesday evening**. All non-qualifiers from the qualifying rounds will automatically be entered into the Consolation Mixed Four Ball Better Ball on Wednesday. The draw will be posted after the match play draw.

Any player who is unable or does not wish to compete in Match Play or Wednesday's Consolation Round, please put your name on the noticeboard in the foyer no later than 6.00 p.m. on Tuesday.

All non-qualifiers together with those defeated in the first round of match play may enter the consolation competition on Thursday (Greensomes). There will be a separate Gents and Ladies competition. You can enter in pairs or put your name on the sheet and another person will enter his/her name beside yours.

Entry sheets will be posted on Wednesday from 11.00 a.m. Choose your own time on the sheet.

During the match play stages all match play ties will take priority. The Committee will make every effort to keep to schedule but cannot accept responsibility for delays in consolation competitions.

Toilet Code: C2390X

PRIZES

Ladies

Nearest the Pin at 13th

Monday and Tuesday

Bottle of Wine
Bottle of Wine

The 19th Tea
The 19th Tea

Gents

Nearest the Pin at 6th

Monday and Tuesday

Bottle of Wine
Bottle of Wine

The 19th Tea
The 19th Tea

Ladies High

Longest Drive at 15th
Monday and Tuesday

Bottle of Wine
Bottle of Wine

The 19th Tea
The 19th Tea

Ladies Low

Longest Drive at 15th
Monday and Tuesday

Bottle of Wine
Bottle of Wine

The 19th Tea
The 19th Tea

Gents High

Longest Drive at 18th
Monday and Tuesday

Bottle of Wine
Bottle of Wine

The 19th Tea
The 19th Tea

Gents Low

Longest Drive at 18th
Monday and Tuesday

Bottle of Wine
Bottle of Wine

The 19th Tea
The 19th Tea

Leading Qualifiers

(High & Low)

Ladies & Gents

£50.00

Ladies & Gents Handicap

Ladies High Winner (£200.00)

Ladies Low Winner (£200.00)

Gents High Winner (£200.00)

Gents Low Winner (£200.00)

Runner-up

Beaten Semi-finalist

Beaten Quarter-finalist

Bottle

Bottle

Bottle

Bottle

£150.00

£90.00

£55.00

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Over 65s Ladies & Gents

Ladies Winner (£150.00)

Gents Winner (£150.00)

Runner-up

Beaten Semi-finalist

Bottle

Bottle

£100.00

£ 50.00

House of Elrick

House of Elrick

Four Ball Better Ball

First

Second

Third

£60.00

£50.00

£40.00

Greensomes

First

Second

Third

£60.00

£50.00

£40.00

PROGRAMME OF EVENTS

(Times subject to change)

Monday	7.30 a.m. 7:30 p.m.	First qualifying round commences Bingo Night
Tuesday	7.30 a.m. 7.30 p.m. 9.30 p.m. approx	Second qualifying round commences Quiz hosted by James W. McKay Match Play Draws
Wednesday	7.30 a.m. 10.10 a.m.	Match Play Four Ball Better Ball
Thursday	7.30 a.m. 8.42 a.m. 1.30 p.m. 5.30 p.m. approx	Match Play semi-finals Greensomes Match Play finals Prizegiving

OPENING HOURS

**The Bar will be open from 9.00 a.m. till late.
Sky, Premier Sports & TNT. Sports available in the Clubhouse**

Catering will be available from 7.00 a.m.

2027 TOURNAMENT

Dates for the 2027 Tournament are:
Monday, 6th to Thursday, 9th September

Fees: Members - £65.00. Non-Members - £120.00

Players will be given a booking slip at tournament registration for next year's entry. These must be returned by 6.00 p.m. on Wednesday along with payment.

Practice Round – All competitors are entitled to a free practice round on the Sunday before the Seniors 4 Day. If you wish to have an additional round, this will be charged at the full price unless playing with a member as a member's guest.

Thank you to the following sponsors:

John Stewart Quality Butcher, High Street, Banff
Tel: 01261 8338701



- 2 x Diamond Award Winning Butcher
- See facebook for weekend specials
- Selection of meat, pork, lamb and chicken
- Home made pies, stir fry dishes and freezer packs
- Various flavours of sausages and burgers

The Lovie Family, Whitehills

Endeavour and Venture were built by Macduff Shipyards in 2021 and 2022 for the Lovie family from Whitehills. At 34.5m in length they are the largest vessels built to date by the shipyard. During the building, emphasis was put on crew safety and fuel efficiency. The vessels work most of the year in the North East Atlantic, fishing in depths ranging from 100 to 800 metres. For over 40 years the family have worked out of Kinlochbervie where the fish are landed. The catches, mainly Saithe, Ling, Haddock and Monkfish are then sold at auction or direct to processors in North East Scotland.



M.V. Endeavour



M.V. Venture

Baird's Pharmacy, Castle Street, Banff

Tel: 01261 815039



- Pharmacy & Post Office
- Selection of handbags, purses and wallets
- Toiletries, perfumes and aftershaves
- Small gifts, vases, flowers and scarves
- Stationery, cards, jewellery and glasses
- Children's designer clothing
- Baird's Bistro – lovely home-bakes, coffees and lunches.

The Knowes Hotel, Macduff

Tel: 01261 458000



The Knowes Hotel is a modern 4 star family run hotel, restaurant and function suite located on the beautiful Moray Firth Coast in Aberdeenshire. It currently offers 17 newly refurbished deluxe en-suite bedrooms with a variety of seaview and terrace rooms so you can enjoy the stunning coastal views. It also has a restaurant, private dining room and function suite catering for 120 guests.

Owner and chef, Wayne Stewart, uses the finest local Scottish produce to create mouth-watering dishes, from fresh local seafood, meats and game to locally supplied fruit and vegetables. Dine with them and enjoy a selection of delicious lunches, dinners, afternoon teas and private dining options. Their menus are complemented by a range of fine wines and spirits, including locally produced malt whiskies and gins, hand crafted cocktails and premium teas and coffees. With an idyllic view over the Banff and Macduff Bays, diners and guests can enjoy the captivating coastal views, stunning sunsets and frequent visits by dolphins in the bay below.



Look out for their cars on display in the car park



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House of Elrick Gin Ltd, Newmachar, Aberdeen

Welcome to the House of Elrick. Nestled in the lowlands of Aberdeenshire, the House of Elrick estate is a home rich in history. Built at the height of the Scottish Enlightenment period in 1654, our home hosted lively discussions from some of the most respected creative, philosophical and scientific minds of the time. Today we work to restore her walls and welcome you to join us once again.

When crafting the absolute best in premium spirits, *quality over quantity is key*. Our liquid is distilled by hand in batches of 600 bottles per run, which means we can maintain control over every bottle that leaves our distillery. Botanicals are handpicked before each distillation through our bespoke pot still. “At House of Elrick we *celebrate the minds of the enlightened*. Those who dare to dream and challenge the norm with thinking that will open doors to a better tomorrow. *Please join us for a drink.*”

Stuart Ingram

STUART INGRAM | OWNER & CHIEF EXECUTIVE

The 19th Tea



This year we have a new sponsor – our caterer Calum Davies of “The 19th Tea” who has kindly donated two cases of wine for various prizes.

The 19th Tea will be open daily from 7.00 a.m. Last orders are generally 7.45 p.m. but if you have a later tee time and know you are going to be late in, it would be appreciated if you could advise the kitchen and book a table to be sure that you get served.

There will be the Main Menu running all week together with Daily Specials.

Special Deal for the week of the Seniors 4 Day

4 oz Steak Burger for £5.50

James Calam – Pro Shop



Loads of Offers in the Shop
20% off all clothing and footwear
Sale rail with 50% off

Duff House Royal Golf Club

SENIORS 4 DAY

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Duff House Royal Golf Club attendees

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GOLF BALLS
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LUCKY SQUARES

We will be selling lucky squares (£5.00 the square or £10.00 for three) on Monday and Tuesday which will be drawn on the Wednesday morning. The main prize is:

**Fourball Voucher for Castle Stuart, near Inverness
Valued at £1,540 in the High Season**

There will be various other Fourball Vouchers together with a selection of Hampers and Mystery Bags – 22 prizes in total

ON COURSE CLOSURE

The decision to close the course will be taken by the Tournament Committee and Head Greenkeeper.

Play Suspended	Two short blasts of Klaxon Mark ball or complete the hole being played
Play Resumed	One long blast of Klaxon
Vacate the Course	Three short blasts repeated



LIGHTNING

It can be extremely scary being caught far from the Clubhouse when a thunderstorm strikes. Here are some tips on how to minimise the danger:

- 1. BE AWARE** — Be alert to the signs of changing weather, such as darkening skies, a sudden wind shift or drop in temperature. **Do not ignore instructions to get to safety.**
- 2. PLAN AHEAD** — Plan your evacuation and safety measures in advance. Lightning often precedes rain, so do not wait for the rain to begin before suspending activities.
- 3. SEEK SAFETY** — Use the 30-30 rule: at the very latest, seek safety when thunder and lightning are separated by 30 seconds (when the storm will be 5-6 miles away), and do not resume activities for 30 minutes after the last observed lightning or thunder (when the storm has passed 10-15 miles away).
- 4. IF CAUGHT OUTDOORS** - Avoid water. Avoid high ground. Avoid open spaces. Put down your Clubs, and avoid contact with anything that contains metal, including golf bags, golf carts, umbrellas, electric wires or fences. Open golf carts do not afford safety.
- 5. AVOID TREES** — Do not stand underneath a natural lightning rod such as an isolated tree. Move away from any tree to a distance that is twice the height of the tree.
- 6. IF LIGHTNING IS STRIKING NEARBY** when you are outside, you should:
 - Crouch down with your feet together. **Do not lie down.**
 - Place your hands over ears to minimise hearing damage from thunder.
 - Avoid proximity to other people - keep at least 15 feet apart.
 - Do not huddle together.