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**REME GOLF ASSOCIATION (RGA) HIGH HANDICAP CHAMPIONSHIPS – WED 23 JUN 21**

1. **Date:** Wed 23 Jun 21 **AM tee-off:** 0956 hrs
2. **Venue:** [The Hampshire Golf Club](https://www.thehampshiregolfclub.co.uk/) **Address:** Winchester Road

Goodworth Clatford

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1. **Event**. The 2021 RGA High Handicap Championships will be competed for on Wed 23 Jun 21 at the new venue of [The Hampshire Golf Club](https://www.thehampshiregolfclub.co.uk/). Entry submission is through the following [LINK](https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=7WB3vlNZS0iuldChbfoJ5RH4M_KYee1HvIRrFYLARKVUMjlBRDZUUDUyN0tHSTBZVVBKODdEMzVYUi4u), which will become active as of 10 May 21. All players with a handicap of 19 or more can participate and depending on entries, there may be an opportunity for some lower handicaps to participate and assist with the day.
2. The RGA actively encourages participation from all levels of golfer and it is always great to see new players come in and join us for as many cracking days out of the office as possible. I would also implore all of you ‘seasoned golfers’ out there to encourage new players to come along and experience what the RGA is all about; they are the future of our sport after all.
3. **COVID-19.** All participants should ensure they followthe current Direction & Guidance in accordance with the [Force Health Protection Instruction](https://modgovuk.sharepoint.com/teams/22008/COVID19/ResilProds/ForcePro/Forms/WiP.aspx?id=%2Fteams%2F22008%2FCOVID19%2FResilProds%2FForcePro%2FPj%5FPhoenix%5FFHPI%5FHQ%5FARMY%2DO%2Epdf&parent=%2Fteams%2F22008%2FCOVID19%2FResilProds%2FForcePro), ASCB and Government advice at all times; this includes receiving the [Force Health Protection Brief](https://modgovuk.sharepoint.com/%3Ap%3A/r/teams/22008/COVID19/ResilProds/_layouts/15/Doc.aspx?sourcedoc=%7B1DC95888-39F9-4735-AF0A-109E9F51D35F%7D&file=20200819_Returning_to_the_Workplace_FHPB_v6-O.pptx&action=edit&mobileredirect=true&cid=930f3e45-7d71-427e-9c9e-fb783b917ba8) and the AGA Practical Guide. Participants should stay with their playing group and should not congregate in any more than groups of 6 in and around the club facilities.
4. Details of the specific COVID measures in place at Ripon GC can be found enclosed to this AI and there may be alterations to the normal procedures whilst out on the course. Players should ensure they familiarise themselves with the current course rules before commencing play.
5. **CO/Line Manager Authority**. Prior to completing your entry into this event, you are to ensure that this AI is brought to the attention of your Commanding Officer (CO) or Line Manager for approval. A copy of the Covid-19 Risk Assessment and the Actions on Contamination (which you should read) are enclosed and CO’s are to satisfy themselves they are content for the SP to be released. Should your availability for this match change, please contact the undersigned at the earliest opportunity.
6. **Self-Declaration.** All participants must complete the information [HERE](https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=7WB3vlNZS0iuldChbfoJ5RH4M_KYee1HvIRrFYLARKVUMUNETjZXSVlIQTNPRktCTDNCVEM5MUREVC4u), as per the AGA direction. Failure to complete this form, will result in players being unable to participate. All Players are to familiarise themselves with the AGA Practice Guide to Golf in the COVID environment.
7. If any participants start to experience any COVID-19 Symptoms during or after the round, they are to inform the event organiser ASAP. If it is during the event, they should follow the current D&G in the 'Actions On' Contamination which is Enclosed and return to their place of residence and self-isolate, ensuring they inform their CoC.
8. **Eligibility.** The event is open to all serving, reserve and retired members of the Corps, who have an official club or society handicap. Please distribute this information to all up and coming golfers, regardless of their ability.
9. **Cost.** The cost for this event is £40 and includes green fees, food and prizes. Please ensure you have paid electronically prior to the start of the event. For those that require it, the RGA has purchased a card reader for alternative payment on the day of the event, unfortunately there is a transaction fee of 1.69% which will be passed on to the competitor if choosing to pay that way.

1. **Payments**. The preferred option is for personnel to pay for events by transferring the required funds to the RGA account (BACS).

**Account No**: 46817807

**Sort Code**: 09 01 55

**Unique Ref**: Your Name – RGA HH21 (e.g. ‘Parkinson - RGA HH21’)

1. **Format & Prizes.** The Spring Meet will be played over 36 holes (18 holes (AM) & 18 holes (PM)). There will be no presentation after the event, so all results and prizes will be emailed to competitors and released via email and on the RGA Facebook page. The format of the day is:
	1. 9 Hole Texas Scramble (AM) – 1st & 2nd
	2. 18 Hole Stableford/Nett (PM) – 1st, 2nd, 3rd & 4th

1. **Scoring**. Due to COVID-19 and following the current D&G, the lowest handicap in each group will be required to mark all scores on one card. On completion of the round and confirming the scores with all players, a photo of the scorecard is to be sent to **07766156376** (use WhatsApp). **Failure to send a clear photo of the scorecard could result in disqualification**.
2. **Timings.** As ever, it is expected that the timings for the event will be tight so pace of play is essential, if you cannot score then please pick up and keep up with the group in front as per golfing etiquette. Participants are to arrive **no earlier than 30 minutes before** their tee time, which will give enough time to book in and get their refreshments.

a. 0900 Book in / Coffee and Bacon Rolls

 b. 0956 First flight tees off (AM Round)

 c. 1200 Rolling Lunch

 d. 1300 First flight tees off (PM Round)

1. **Food.** Coffee/tea and bacon rolls will be available once you have booked in. A rolling lunch will be available from 1200 and will follow the rule of 6 for seating/location. There will be no evening meal and all participants are requested to vacate the area after they have eaten. All drinks will be at your own expense.
2. **Dress.**  All competitors are to ensure they wear appropriate golf attire. Jeans, trainers and spikes are not to be worn within the clubhouse.
3. **Travel.** In accordance with [2019DIN10-025](https://modgovuk.sharepoint.com/%3Aw%3A/r/sites/defnet/Corp/_layouts/15/Doc.aspx?sourcedoc=%7B25136229-40AC-4CE6-8AFB-4E51970CEE2F%7D&file=2019DIN10-025.docx&action=default&mobileredirect=true&DefaultItemOpen=1), travel is admissible at public expense using this Admin Instruction as authority within your respective Unit budget holder’s agreement. All participants are to follow the current D&G on vehicle sharing, noting that there is to be no car sharing in privately owned vehicles.
4. **Accommodation**. Until restrictions are eased, one day events are all that are allowed, meaning personnel are not authorised to submit accommodation requests, unless there is an overriding reason.
5. **Risk Assessment.** A RA has been submitted and approved through the ASCB and Army HQ prior to the event and will cover all COVID-19 and H&S aspects.
6. **Additional information.** Once all returns have been collated, I will publish a final admin instruction by **Fri 11 Jun 21**, which will contain your group and tee times for the day. To minimise contact with others, your group will remain the same for both rounds. If you wish to take part in this event, please fill out the form at this [LINK](https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=7WB3vlNZS0iuldChbfoJ5RH4M_KYee1HvIRrFYLARKVUMjlBRDZUUDUyN0tHSTBZVVBKODdEMzVYUi4u) **NLT Fri 4 Jun 21. Note: No returns will be accepted after this date.**
7. If you have any further questions, please feel free to contact me at your earliest opportunity.

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Enclosures:

1. COVID-19 Risk Assessment.
2. RGA Generic Golf Risk Assessment
3. Action on Contamination.
4. AGA Guide to COVID Golf
5. The Hampshire Golf Club Risk Assessment

Distribution:

COs/Line Managers of all participants

RGA Secretary

RGA Members

RGA Website

RGA Facebook Page

All Players requesting a copy