



Powfoot Golf Club

The BRS Competition Purse System

Powfoot members have been using the BRS online booking system since we returned following Covid-19 lockdown in 2020 and it has proved to be very successful. In order to help our efforts in support of the fight against coronavirus and following detailed research, the Management Committee has decided to implement an additional part of the BRS system. This is called the **Competition Purse** and it is a new way to pay for competition entry fees by minimising contact via manual cash or card transactions. With the shop and bar areas still closed this allows the club to safely organise club competitions for members to play in.

The Competition Purse system will create a separate account for each member to be used for competition entry. The member then tops up his or her Purse Account online using a debit or credit card by logging into the BRS website <https://members.brsgolf.com/powfoot/login>. Please note it is not possible to top up using the App.

It is a very easy process to follow but a 'Step by Step' guide is attached. A member's individual account is then used to pay for their competition entry fees. It should be noted that in order to book a round of competitive golf with an entry fee, a member's Competition Purse must be in credit when the booking is made. When in use, the Competition Purse will be the only payment method accepted for that competition.

The system operates by marking a member's Competition Purse for payment when a member enters the competition timesheet. If a member is booking a time for another member, then the other member must also be in credit at the time of booking otherwise the booking for the additional member will not be made. Charges are only applied to a member's Competition Purse after the competition is completed. Cancellations made by members up to the closing time of the competition (currently 12 noon the day before the competition) will result in no fee being deducted.

Undoubtedly, there may be some teething issues as was the case when the online booking system went live. Hopefully, most have been anticipated and others will be addressed quickly should they arise.

There are many clubs in the UK already using the BRS purse system. The key advantages to us as a club and members are as follows:

- It is simple to use.
- It is convenient.
- It should reduce the number of "no shows" for competitions.
- There will be reduced cash reconciliations and cash handling for the Office staff. It saves time at competition check in as you will no longer need to have cash in hand to play a competition.
- A full account history for members to check their balances and transaction history is available.

The system will be available from **Friday 5th March 2021** when members will be able to access their Purse and open their account balance. It will be up to each member to ensure that there are enough funds in their account to avoid being unable to book into a competition. The Competition Purse will come into full operation on **Friday 19th March** when the timesheet opens for the Opening Day Competition. Entry into the 2's competition is automatically included in the Competition Purse where applicable.

A summary of the key features of the Powfoot Golf Club Competition Purse system include: -

- A member's Competition Purse **must be in credit** to allow a member to book a round of golf in competitions with a competition fee where the purse applies.
- Cancellations up to **12.00 noon on the day before** a competition means no fee will be charged to the member's account.
- Cancellations after the 12.00 noon deadline or no shows on the day will result in members being charged the competition entry fee.
- The minimum opening balance that a member must lodge to their account before starting to use the system is £10.
- The minimum top up after that is £10. Amounts up to £100 may be topped up.
- Members can update their Purse Account on-line via a smartphone, tablet or computer. However, this facility cannot be used via the App.

Answers to any questions you may have in relation to the new system are set out on the attached FAQ's sheet including details of how to top up your account on line. If you still have queries please contact the office: - 01461 204100 or email: – info@powfootgolfclub.com

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