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## Old Course – Dark Times

'Dark times' are those tee times at the end of the day where it might not be possible to complete your round of golf before darkness falls. There is however still demand to play in these times on the Old Course and it is important to allocate these in a consistent manner.

'Dark times' are allocated as follows:

1. The ballot card/online entry allows Yearly Ticket Holders who are eligible for the Local Priority daily ballot (RES, NEF, STU & R&A) to accept the possibility of being drawn in a 'dark time' by ticking a specific acceptance box.
2. Up to the first SEVEN (when available before 1<sup>st</sup> tee closes) dark times will be allocated to Yearly Ticketholders who have indicated they wish to play in dark times and who have been unsuccessful in the Local Priority Ballot. Please note, the procedure for 'replacement and additions' under the Local Ballot process applies to these times.
3. The daily ballot, when published, will show the word 'dark' alongside tee times at the end of the day. The key at the top of the ballot page will say 'dark – Local Priority Dark Times'.
4. If any of the first SEVEN dark times have not been allocated in the ballot process, they are distributed on the day of play by the Starter to **any** Yearly Ticket holder, in person at the Starter's Box, on a first come, first served basis **up until 9am**. The time is allocated at this stage and details of additional golfers can be finalised at the time of play.
5. Should the available dark times still not have been allocated to a Yearly Ticket holder by **9am** on the day of play, they can be allocated to any golfer through the daily Waiting List as operated by the staff in the Old Pavilion.
6. 'Dark times' numbers EIGHT onwards (more than one hour into dark times) can still be issued by the Starter to any Yearly Ticket holder who may introduce guests using concession points and pay the appropriate 'dark times' guest rate.

Please note that Dark Times secured by a Yearly Ticket Holder should not be used for commercial/personal financial gain. If this is found to be the case, action may be taken against the Yearly Ticket Holder involved.