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We would like to make you aware of some of the arrangements for play on the courses during winter 2020/21.

Preferred lies from 1st November

Preferred lies will be in operation from Sunday 1st November 2020 until Friday 30th April 2021 on all courses, although while play is from mats, preferred lies are only relevant when players are putting or playing similar shots from around greens.

Mats in operation from 10th November

Fairway mats will commence on the Old Course from Tuesday 10th November 2020 and remain in place until Wednesday 31st March 2021.

They will also be in operation on the New, Jubilee, Eden and Strathtyrum Courses from Tuesday 1st December 2020 until Friday 12th March 2021.*

The Castle Course closes after play on Sunday 29th November 2020 and when it re-opens on Monday 1st March 2021 will be on mats until Wednesday 31st March 2021.

Mats will not be in use on the Balgove Course over this period.

Please click [here](#) for the correct use of mats on the fairway.

*Please note these dates are to accommodate rescheduled tee times from 2020 who had bookings arranged on courses with no mats in place.

Trolleys on the Old Course

Following the resumption of play on our courses after the Covid-19 lockdown, the restriction on trolleys on the Old Course has been relaxed. This will remain in place until the end of October 2021.

A decision on winter 2021/22 will be taken after a full review in September 2021.

As usual, there is also no restriction on the use of trolleys on any other course over the winter period.

Old Course closures

The Old Course will be closed for winter maintenance on the following dates:

2020

November – Monday 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd and 30th

2021

February – Monday 22nd

March – Monday 1st, 8th and 15th

Additional Local Rule

Any bunkers bounded by rope, or white lined, are ground under repair and part of the general area. Free relief is available under Rule 16.1b.

Old Course Start-times in Low Season

The following rule has been used since re-opening and will remain in place until 31st March 2021:

Once the Ballot has been published and prior to the day of play, a golfer may phone our Clubhouse Reception on 01334 466666 and reserve a fully available start-time, ie a start-time with no golfers attached to it. These start-times will be allocated on a first come, first served basis.

A notice will be added to the Ballot results webpage to this effect and we hope that this will once again ease the process of securing an available start-time.

Eden Course

Following the popularity of the Eden Course being played as two separate nine hole loops when golf resumed after lockdown, the Links Management Committee has agreed that the Eden Course will be available for booking as two nine hole courses (front 9 and back 9) for the months of December 2020 and January 2021.

This will be done on a trial basis and any feedback will be welcome and helpful in considering whether this is repeated in the winter of 2021/22.

The estuary hole on the Eden Course will **not** be used in winter 2020/21.

Further details on these arrangements are available on the Links Ticketholder section of the website. Visit <https://www.standrews.com/Links-ticketholder> for more details.

Thank you for your continued assistance and co-operation.

St Andrews Links

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