

## Wednesday Night Men's League – Rules & Policies

**Eligibility:** Must be a member in good standing at Bloomington Country Club with full golfing privileges. All league members, as well as weekly substitutes, must maintain a USGA handicap.

**Format for Play:** Teams will be playing weekly 9-hole matches using a high ball-low ball scoring system (outlined in scoring of points). Play will be in accordance with the USGA rules of golf stroke play format. Play will be from the white tee markers. Those that are gold tee eligible, will be allowed to play from the gold tees. Teams will be competing for 18 high-low points each match, plus 2 points will be awarded to the team who wins the match. The points your team accumulates will determine your position among the other teams in the league.

**Scoring of Points:** Each hole will have a point value of 2 (one point for the team with the low net best ball, one point for the team not having the high net ball). If low-ball and/or high-ball are tied the points are split using half points. Also, two points will be awarded to the team winning the match. All matches will have a total of 20 possible points. It is permissible to have a single player represent a team, however, one point will be deducted from that team's total score for each hole represented by only one player (maximum of 3 points). The single player's score counts for high-ball and low-ball. If a player joins the group during the course of the match, one point is deducted from the total points for each of the holes that player missed (maximum of 3 points). Men's League is an organized social event, as such, it is strongly encouraged teams are represented by two players weekly. Your foursome will be given two scorecards (one to each team) to assist you in the accuracy of scoring your match as well as to help you know where your handicap strokes fall. Once both teams agree on the score of the match, please turn both scorecards in together.

**Forfeits:** If a team has to forfeit, they will receive 0 points for that week and their scheduled opponents will be paired up against another team that does not have an opponent. If that is not possible, then a team will play a better ball of partners match against par.

**Handicap Allocation:** The player(s) with the lowest handicap in each foursome will play at scratch. Remaining players will receive the difference between their handicap and the handicap of the lowest player(s) in the group. Your handicap strokes are to be allocated as they fall according to the handicap holes listed on the scorecard (i.e. if the difference between handicaps is 11, you would receive 6 strokes if you are playing the front 9, only 5 strokes if you are playing the back 9).

**Inclement Weather:** Teams starting, but not finishing at least 6 holes, will receive 10 points toward the standings, however, matches completing at least 6 holes will be considered an official match and scored accordingly. Teams completing at least 6 holes but less than 9 holes will split the points on all unfinished holes.

**Substitutions:** If you are unable to make it (for whatever reason) you may procure a substitute to replace you. Substitutions are the responsibility of the individual team members and must be a golfing member with an established handicap. Please notify the golf shop as soon as a substitute has been confirmed so we can produce accurate scorecards for your match.

**League Attendance:** Success of the league comes from your participation. We ask that each team member plays in at least 9 of the 13 possible scheduled matches.

**Final Standings:** Golf Shop credit will be awarded to the top teams (based on participation) for their position at the end of the first half, second half, and overall standings at the conclusion of the 13 week season.

**League Charges:** Each "league member" (part of a two-man team) will be billed \$100 for the season. I hope you're ready for an enjoyable experience and a season of fun and excitement.

Good luck and enjoy the camaraderie with your fellow members!

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