

The Rock Harbor Golf Club

Member Leagues Format

2-Person Teams – Aggregate Scoring

At least one (1) member must be a member of Rock Harbor Verifiable USGA handicap required of both players

POWDER PUFF (Yellow Tee/Green Tee Competition): Mixed teams. The male player **plays from the Yellow Tee** and the female partner from the **Green Tee**.

JURASSIC LEAGUE (NEW: Orange Tee/Yellow Tee Competition): One member of a team plays from the **Yellow Tee who is at least 75 years of age** and whose **partner is at least 65 years in age shall play from the Orange Tee**

GEEZER LEAGUE (White Tee/Orange Tee Competition): At least one of the team member is of the age of 64 or older. Persons under the age of 64 **must play from the White Tee – no exceptions & regardless to gender** – while the older player tees off from the **Orange Tee**.

BLUE THUNDER (Blue Tee/White Tee Competition): One player plays the Blue Tee, partner plays the White.

TITAN (Black Tee/White Tee Competition): One player plays the Black Tee while partner plays the White Tee. – ***Special provision for low handicap players:*** *If white tee player's handicap falls below 8, player then is relegated to the Blue Tee, if same player's handicap falls below 6, both team members are playing from the Black Tee.*

The league will be composed of as many teams as can be constructed.

Season Round(s)

League matches to begin in April. Teams are to schedule their own matches. The team scheduling the match will have choice of competition course. Teams are required to play a minimum of 4 regular season matches to advance to the playoffs. A midway point shall be established each season whereby each team **must** play at least 2 matches, or be eliminated.

Substitute players can be used and are highly recommended to stay on schedule. These substitutes cannot be active participants within the division. At the end of the season the official team member will be the person who played in the most matches. **Caution!** If you use the same person as substitute who is an active league participant you will need to be careful so as that substitute will not wind up as an official member of two competing teams. A scenario may arise that the newly named team-member would belong to two separate teams in the same league. This is not permitted.

League divisions are determined during the night of the drawing. Each division is made up of five (5) teams wherein each team plays another once, resulting in the required four matches. Any league that does not have at least 3 teams, will be dropped from the league pennant for the season.

In the event, that teams making an effort to schedule a 2nd match within their respective division before the mid-point, and cannot reach agreement with teams that it had not yet played, those team(s) may be allowed to play each other again. After the mid-point cutoff the divisions may

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be re-aligned contingent on the remaining participating teams. Thereafter teams will continue required matches within the re-assigned division.

Matches are played under an 18 hole hybrid stroke/match play based on the Nassau format. That means stroke play rules govern play but the side wins or halves the hole played. This format is made up of two 9-hole matches and a concurrent 18-hole match. Five (5) points will be awarded to the winner of the front nine match, five (5) points will be awarded to the back nine match and five (5) points will be awarded to the over-all match winners.

The team that is ahead or up by more than two holes, after the first 9-holes, the trailing team (okay the losing team, there I said it) will start the back nine with an advantage. Example; Team A has won 4 holes and halved the other 5 holes, they have won the front side by 4 holes. The Team B will start the back nine two holes up. To further illustrate that advantage, if all 9 holes were halved then the team awarded the 2-hole advantage on the 10th tee box would win the back nine two holes up. If the spread over the first nine less than a two hole up, no adjustment is made at the start of the back nine. Now, for every hole won over two, a one-hole advantage will be granted. Such as, if Team B is down 3 they will get 1 to start the back, if Team B is down by 4 then start with 2 and so on. This “adjustment” will have no effect on the 18-hole match, which will be decided by the actual number of holes won or lost by each team. If the final match is tied then each team will be awarded 2.5 points for the match score.

You can press any time your team is two or more down on either side, not the eighteen. You can also press anytime your team is one or more down on holes 9 & 18. Once a press is issued the pressed team may accept or reject the press. Remember kids this is a game of Honor and Sportsmanship.

The net team aggregate score will decide the winner of each hole. Simply add the gross score for each team player together, subtract any handicap strokes allowed for that hole and match that score to that of the opposing team. For example if on number 5 team A's players score a 5 and a 6 and are granted no strokes, and team B's players scored a 5 and a 6, but they were granted one stroke on that hole they would win the hole with a net score of 10 vs. 11. If no strokes were granted then the teams would have “halved” the hole.

Teams will be ranked by points accumulated through matches played. All division matches must be played by the mid-month of September. Playoffs will begin at that time.

Playoff Round(s)

Matches are created based on total points accumulated throughout the season to a seeded bracket. The format is the same, except for one small detail – win or go home. The higher seed has earned the right to select the course of competition. Playoff substitutions are permitted under the proviso that the substitute is not on a competing team still active in the same league playoff.

The Final Championship match must be competed between the official team members. No substitutions are allowed. During the playoff any tied matches will be decided by a sudden death playoff starting on number one. Sudden Death, if necessary, is played in accordance with strict match play format, using the team's aggregate score for the hole. No points awarded during sudden death.

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Handicaps shall be decided based on the USGA handicap for the tee being played on the day the match takes place. Simply look up your name on the handicap computer, and look for the numbers in the appropriate color. Once the teams have determined their respective team handicaps a handicap adjustment will be given based on a 2 shot spread. For example if team A has a team handicap of 26 and team B has a team handicap of 28 there will be no shots or handicap adjustment made. But if team B had a handicap of 30 then all shots above the 2 stroke spread would be granted, in this case team B would be granted a one shot deduction on the score posted on the two most difficult holes on the course, which in this example would be hole 9 and hole 15.

We will be playing for bragging rights and our name to be forever enshrined on the corresponding plaque displayed in the Rock Harbor Club House.

No entry fee will be charged for members other than the normal cart fee, if applicable. Non-members can play at a special league rate each match played.

USGA Stroke Play Rules to apply. **All putts must be holed unless it is arithmetically impossible for one team to halve or win hole.** We will be playing the ball *Down* unless conditions deem otherwise. **NEW RULE:** Three or more putts by any player will result in a ½ point reduction toward the nine-hole match or junk points.

Score Cards with gross scores and all points won need to be recorded. Cards must signed and attested and turned into the pro shop.