

Saturday Golf League - Match Play 2015

Rules Format

1. The 2015 SGL Match Play Tournament is open to any current member with an established SGL Handicap Index.
2. This will be a Double Elimination Match Play Event.
3. Entry fee of \$20. (entry deadline 1/17/2015 before drawing of 1st round matches)
4. First round matches will be determined by blind draw on 1/17/2015 after league play.
5. Payouts will be determined depending on player turn out. (100% returned to players)
6. First week of match play will be at the Ken McDonald Golf Course on January 31st.
7. USGA match play rules apply. In addition, SGL "desert rule" will be in effect (remember, SGL desert rule refers to "where the ball crosses" into the desert not necessarily the closest patch of grass to ball). If anyone has any questions please be sure to ask ahead of time to insure consistent and fair play.
8. All men players will play from same tees, women from forward tees. Player's match play handicaps will be adjusted accordingly by course and tees designated along with any gender adjustments. The difference in the match play handicap between the players will be given on the hardest handicap holes on the card. You will be given a scorecard prior to each round with each players course handicap and the hole handicaps. The scorecard that you will receive will be the official source for individual hole handicaps.
9. We will be using the Tournament Handicap that Dave Dean calculates for each of our tournaments. It is usually the same as the Course Handicap, however we have one female player in the Match Play Tournament and she will either receive additional strokes or give strokes based on the tee box calculations.
10. The men's handicap will be used to for all matches with the exception of matches that include our female participant; we will be using the women's handicap for that match. If you are scheduled to play Margaret Storm in a match, pay particular attention to the strokes that she will get. She will be receiving strokes based on HER hardest holes dictated by the women's handicap. Additionally, if we have to go to a tie breaker, it will be the women's number one handicapped hole, not the number one men's handicapped hole that will be used. All tie breaks are done by calculating the best net score on the number one handicapped hole.
11. Depending on player sign up, the event will be contested over an 8 to 9 week span (Starting at Ken McDonald GC and ending at either Coldwater GC or Toka Sticks GC); The Match Play Tournament will be played in conjunction with the regular SGL Tournaments. The rules for match play will NOT be used in this tournament. You will be paired up with your opponent for your match play event and you will play both events simultaneously (the regular SGL event and Match Play). Normal stroke play rules will be in effect, keeping in mind that you are playing in two events at the same time. You must hole out on each hole, no holes or putts will be conceded. This is a departure from Match Play rules, however in order to play both events at the same time and get more people involved this approach was taken.
12. You will not have to coordinate a tee time with your opponent, just sign up and play. You will have to keep an eye on the tournament brackets to find out exactly when you are scheduled to play again. Remember, this is a double elimination tournament therefore you will not be scheduled to play each week. If you do not play when you are scheduled, you will forfeit that round to your opponent.
13. An exception to rule 12 can be made if both players agree to play prior to their Saturday scheduled play. The players must play the match play at a course both players agree upon. To keep consistency, normal stroke play rules will be in effect as if playing on Saturday in the league. One exception is a hole can be conceded (We don't care of your overall score if not played on Saturday..., we just don't). If players do not play prior to Saturday, then rule 10 is in effect. Also, please coordinate with Dave Dean and Dan Gallegos to get established handicaps for course to be played.
14. If a match ends in a tie (all square) after 18 holes completed, a scorecard tie breaker will be used by starting with the #1 handicap hole and comparing hole winners until a winner is determined (winner of the

hardest hole not tied). It is important to note these holes as the match progresses as many times it will be the determining factor.

15. Matches should be played with fair play and good faith in mind, following USGA/AGA/SGL Rules at all times. (If a player not in the competition is to play along, they must be told about the match so they do not influence any play, stroke or outcome of the match!)

Tentative Schedule (based on 13 players):

- 1.) Blind draw for round 1 on 1/17/2015 at Starfire Golf Club.
- 2.) Round 1 matches will start at Ken McDonald Golf Course.
- 3.) Round 2 matches will be at Arizona Biltmore Country Club.
- 4.) Round 3 matches will be at The Legend at Arrowhead.
- 5.) Round 4 matches will be played at Painted Mountain Golf Club.
- 6.) Round 5 matches will be contested at Union Hills Country Club.
- 7.) Round 6 matches will take place at Hillcrest Golf Club.
- 8.) Round 7 will be played at Coldwater Golf Club.
- 9.) Round 8 will be played at Toka Sticks Golf Club (If necessary).

Please keep in mind that the courses we will be playing in the different rounds all depends on the number of players that sign up to play. The double elimination brackets are all different from one another, again the bracket that we start with is dependant on the actual number of players that begin the event.