**2023 Men’s League Rules**

**Entry Fee:** $175.00 per player (includes dinner, prize fund & tournament fees for 12-week schedule). Payable to Sky Ranch Golf & Grill by Cash, Check or Credit Card

**Team/Signup**: Signups will be taken over the phone by calling the pro shop at (970) 522-2836 ext.1, through email or online. We will be taking a total of 48 teams (96 players). Players that played in league last year will have the option to sign up first until April 1st. If a team that played last season is not signed up by April 1st, then the registration process will open up to those teams on the waiting list. All team signups and entry fees must be paid in-full by April 15th. Teams that are on the league list that do not pay in-full by April 15th will be dropped from the league playing list.

**Format:** 2-man team.  9-hole Net-Match Play – Low handicap vs. Low handicap, High vs. High. This year, teams will be picked and set in “random” divisions.

**Tees:** All players will play the White Tee, Super Senior (age 70 and up) may play Red Tees (please notify pro shop).

**Scoring:** 1 point per hole won, ½ per hole tied (net score per hole). Points will be accumulated over the 12-week regular season to determine seeding for the playoffs.

**Time:** League will start **Tuesday May 9, 2023** @ 5:30 pm shotgun (skipping July 4th for Independence Day and August 1st for Fair Week), and end August 29th (Dinner after play this night). League play starts each Tuesday at 5:30pm. This is when players will be sent to their assigned holes and play will begin. If a team is late, they will be penalized with a loss of hole for any hole their opponents have already completed before their arrival.

**Season & Playoff:** Depending on rain out occurrences, the League season will be 12 weeks long ending on Aug 8th. The teams that make the playoffs will play Aug 15, 22 & 29th. We will pay out the top 16 places; the top 2 teams per division will be put in bracket “A”. Teams placing 3rd & 4th will be put in bracket “B”. Tie Breakers for seeding in brackets will be determined by the team that won head-to-head in regular season play.

**Rain outs:** In the event of a rain out prior to the start of play, no points will be awarded for the week. If, after play has started, conditions force the suspension of play; the committee will use the fewest number of holes played in the field to determine the points awarded for the week. All Teams must have completed 5 holes to count points for that night.

**Handicaps:** ALL players on a league team **MUST** have a U.S.G.A handicap. **No Exceptions**! Players will receive 100% of handicap. Maximum course handicap allowed will be 18 for 9 holes.

**Gross/Net Skins Game:** $10.00 each week, must sign up in pro shop before teeing off. Players will receive 80% Handicap for net side. Player must have a handicap to play in skins.

**Green Fees:** Players that do not have a golf membership must purchase green fees weekly at $20.00 and cart rental at $10.00 if needed. If a player is playing with someone that has a private cart, they do not need to pay for a cart rental fee. If a player is playing with someone who has a cart lease through Sky Ranch, they will need to pay for the other ½ seat of the golf cart (unless they too have a Sky Ranch cart lease). Our cart lease only covers that specific player.

**Subs:** Players/teams are responsible in finding their own subs and calling the pro shop by 4:00pm on Tuesday. A sub list will be created for the 2023 season and emailed to all golfers that are playing in league. Please utilize this list as much as possible! If sub does not have a handicap, the sub will use the Modified Peoria System to determine their handicap until score history is used to determine a handicap.

**Note:** During the playoffs, any substitute player **MUST** have a USGA handicap. If the sub does not have an official handicap, they will be given a zero handicap.

**Definition:** The Modified Peoria System is a sort of 1-day handicapping system for tournaments in which most of the golfers do not have real handicap indexes. The Modified Peoria System - based in certain part on luck - allows a "handicap allowance" to be determined and then applied to each golfer's score. The Pro Shop staff secretly selects three holes for the front nine and back nine. Competitors do not know which holes have been selected. Groups tee off and complete their rounds, playing stroke play and scoring in the normal fashion with one exception: 3 over par is the maximum on any hole (i.e., 7 is the maximum score on a par-4). Following completion of play, the three Peoria holes are announced. Each player totals the number over par for the three secret holes. That total is multiplied by 3; then the resulting number is multiplied by 80 percent; then rounded. This is the player's 9-hole handicap allowance.

Example: On the three holes, Player A uses 4 over par.4x3=12. Eighty percent of 12 is 9.6(round off = 10 handicap). Dot out the scorecard then determine the match. \*\*After 4 – 9 holes rounds the handicap committee will determine a handicap index which will look at each week.

**No Shows**: If player is a no show - Player that is here will receive 4 points and play against net-par for the remaining 4 ½ points. This player then has the chance to play for 8 ½ points total. Player will receive full handicap. No show player will receive 0 points.

**Pace of Play Policy**: **You have 3 minutes to look for a golf ball**. To help with the pace of play during league nights, we ask all golfers participating to play “ready golf”. This year we will also be utilizing the Local drop rule in the fairway for a lost ball or a ball that has traveled out-of-bounds. If your ball is considered “lost” or has traveled out-of-bounds, determine the point where you think the ball went, go straight into the fairway from that point, drop your ball and a take a 2-stroke penalty and play from that spot in the fairway.

**Pot Game:** There will be a Pot Game for those teams that do not make the playoffs the last 3 weeks of league after regular season play. You must play in all 3 weeks of the Pot Game to be eligible to win. Those playing in the Pot Game are required to have a USGA Handicap. The Pot Game will be $20 per player ($40/team) and will be awarded to the team with the most accrued points at the end of the 3rd week.