

# 2023 MANADA WEDNESDAY NIGHT BETTER BALL GOLF LEAGUE

**ENTRANCE FEE & PRIZE MONEY** - \$70.00 per team. Ten dollars of this is for handicap processing, the balance is for league prizes.

**COST** - \$17.00 Green Fee - \$22.00 Green Fee & Cart

**GOVERNING BODY** - One representative from each team.

**FORMAT** – **Better Ball of two partners with handicap.**  
2 points per hole, 2 points per total low team best ball score for a total of 20 points.

**ABSENT PLAYERS** – Anyone may substitute in the league. A player that is registered to play in the league may play for another team, provided the team he is signed with is not short of players that evening.

A verified USGA Handicap, a handicap established in another Manada League, or two nine-hole scores played at Manada. A player without an acceptable handicap will be figured on the difference of the first night's score minus par times 80%.

When a team is absent, play the match and record the actual score for each player. The league secretary will then have the computer match the card with a ghost team.

**HANDICAP SYSTEM** - Handicaps are based on the best 3 out of the last 5 scores. Until a player records 5 scores the following table is to be used. **Maximum Handicap will be 16 strokes per Nine Holes with a maximum of One Stroke on all Par 3's.**

<u>SCORES AVAILABLE</u>	<u>SCORES TO BE USED</u>
2 - - - - -	1
3 - - - - -	2
4 - - - - -	2
5 - - - - -	3

Handicap shall be based on 95% of the differential between average score and course par using the above table as to the number of scores to be used. *Note – The handicap system will adjust scores with a maximum of 2 over par. Adjusted scores will be noted with an “R” on a player's record to indicate the score was reduced.*

**For handicap purposes all holes must be completed. No more than a net double bogey will be used to determine handicap. Management reserves the right to adjust handicaps.**

**INCLEMENT WEATHER** - In case of rain, all teams are to show up, a decision will be made as to whether or not the league will play by 5:00 PM. If a majority of the league plays that evening and any team does not play, the league secretary will then have the computer match the card of the team that was present with a ghost team.

**RULES** ~ All play will generally be in accordance with USGA Rules of Golf except the following rules adopted by this league:

**"Preferred Lies"** ~ will apply in fairway and rough. The ball may be lifted, cleaned and replaced within one standard grip length of original lie, but not nearer the hole. Ball must remain in original condition. *(i.e.- if ball lies in the rough it must remain in the rough, if ball lies in the fairway it must remain in the fairway).* A ball in water must be played as it lies with no relief.

**Staked Trees** ~ Players may take relief from Staked Trees if the tree or stakes will impede a players swing. Relief ~ One Club Length from the nearest point of relief ~ No Closer to Hole. The 1 club-length relief cannot be used to move a ball from the rough to the fairway. If a ball comes to rest in the rough it must be played from the rough.

**Bunkers** ~ If a ball comes to rest in a footprint in a bunker, it may be lifted, the footprint smoothed, and the ball replaced at the same spot. Notify your opponent that you are making use of this rule prior to moving the ball.

**Lost Ball** ~ No more than *three minutes* shall be allowed to locate a ball. Another ball may be dropped within two (2) club lengths from the point of entry into the condition where the ball was lost, no closer to the hole than the point of entry and with a two (2) stroke penalty.

**Embedded Ball** ~ Ball embedded in its own pitch mark in the ground in general area (the whole area of the course except teeing ground & putting green of hole being played, bunkers and penalty areas) may be lifted, cleaned & dropped without penalty, as near as possible to the spot where it lay but not closer to the hole.

**Casual Water** ~ Any temporary accumulation of water on the course that is not in a penalty area and is visible before or after a player takes his stance. If a ball is lost in casual water in general area, using the spot where the ball last crossed into the condition, player may substitute another ball, **without penalty** and drop it within one club length of and not nearer the hole than the nearest point of relief. The nearest point of relief must not be in a penalty area or on a putting green.

**Out of bounds** ~ USGA rules apply (stroke and distance). If your ball could have possibly gone out of bounds please hit a provisional ball prior to looking for your first ball.

**TEES:**

MEN (64 & under) play from white tees, MEN (65 & over) may play from the gold tees, WOMEN may play from red tees.

**A player may not change tees played from after the first week of play.**

**Range Finders/GPS Units are permitted for distance only.**

**PRIZES**

Prizes paid out in Pro Shop Gift Certificate Credit:

1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> place- Regular Season

1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> place- Playoffs