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2018 WHITEFISH MEN'S LEAGUE

Gentlemen, on behalf of the Board of Directors of the Whitefish Men's Golf League, I would like to welcome you to another year of great golf and camaraderie in 2018. The golf season will soon be underway so there is no better time than now to begin planning your participation in the league. Check out the enclosed schedule, mark some dates down, and prepare for an active and fun season of golf! We look forward to seeing all of you back!

We're all looking forward to another fun year starting on May 1st with a 9AM shotgun start. You will be pleased to note that the earliest starting time this year will be 8AM. This will give all of us time to be at the course 20 minutes prior to starting time to give your volunteers time to get everyone signed up and have the course set up for the daily events.

The fees for this year have not changed from last year. That is \$25.00 annual dues plus \$5.00 for hole-in-one insurance for those of you who have not paid it previously. The weekly event fee will remain at \$5.00 with our plan to pay out 85% of the proceeds for team or individual prizes plus longest putt and closest to the pin prizes.

We will continue with the red/white combo tee format for those who wish to do so, otherwise all others will play the White tees. Also, we will continue with our successful, and fun, Whitefish Cup event in the months of June, July and August. There is no fee for this event and all are automatically entered.

Please consider signing up for the Shootout and Match Play events. Particulars for both events will be posted on the bulletin board. The 2 day League Championship will be held on August 14-15 where the Champions of all flights will be honored at the Champions Award Dinner and Bon Voyage Party on Monday, September 24 at 5:00 PM.

Let's make 2018 a great summer at Whitefish! The Board is committed to making our Men's League a friendly, welcoming place where we can have fun playing with old friends and meeting new ones. We welcome your ideas and how we can better meet our objectives, and encourage your input by individually contacting any one of our league officers or board members with ideas. As a Board we commit to discuss all ideas brought forward and communicate back to you our response.

Thanks in advance for your participation and we're looking forward to a great 2018 golf season!

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President

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2018 Whitefish Men's League Information

- When:** League Play Begins Tuesday, May 1, 2018
Men's League play is on Tuesday's (see master schedule)
- Sign Up:** You may join the league your first day of play, or at any time during the season.
You do not have to be a season member of Whitefish to Play.
- Cost:** Annual Membership Fee to the league is \$25. An additional \$5 is collected from new members, or those who didn't pay last year, to cover hole-in-one insurance during league events. If there are no holes-in-one during the season, the pot will carry over to the next season. Each weekly event is \$5 with up to 85% Payout. The remainder is used to subsidize our luncheons and league expenses.
- Events:** **Individual Events:** see schedule
Players will be divided into 3 flights based on current handicaps.
Pro shop chits will be provided to first, second and third place winners in each flight.
We also provide chits for Closest to the Pin and Longest Putt.
- Team Events:** see schedule
Payout will be made to the three best team scores.
- League Championship Tournament:** see schedule
Qualification requires FIVE (5) 18-hole league events (limited exceptions for health or family issues, extended vacations, first year members, and other unusual circumstances).
You may use league events dating back to August 29, 2017.
- Whitefish Men's League Cup:** runs from May 29, 2018 through August 15, 2018. There is no charge for this event. Entry is automatic to all paid League members.
- Handicaps:** All members must have a USGA GHIN handicap established through Whitefish Golf Club. All of the weekly event pairings are done through the USGA's Tournament Pairing Program so for logistics reasons and peer review you must be set up through the handicap system at Whitefish GC. If you have multiple GHIN handicaps in Minnesota you will be eligible for a rebate through the Minnesota Golf Association at the season's end. It takes a minimum of 5 scores to establish a handicap. You can play anywhere to establish the five rounds.
- Sign up:** Sign-up sheets will be on the bulletin board of the Whitefish Pro Shop. Try to personally sign up, or call the Whitefish proshop no later than 5PM Sunday before the event as pairings, scorecards and notifications need to be readied before Tuesday's event. Deadline for the Men's League Championship Tournament registration will be 3PM on Tuesday, July 31. For weekly events, please call the pro shop to cancel at 218-543-4900. Failure to cancel inconveniences your foursome and prevents adjustments to groups. **Out of respect for the daily event organizers and to have ample time to reach your designated starting hole all players MUST be checked in a MINIMUM of 20 minutes prior to the starting time. Thank You.**

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Rules: USGA Rules are in effect at all times. Summer rules apply at all times unless course conditions warrant otherwise. Pace of Play: For the playing enjoyment of all members each league member is expected to play at a pace to allow a **MAXIMUM** 4 hour 15 minute round.

Red/White "Combo Tees"

For the enjoyment of all golfers in the league you will now have the option of playing the Combo Red/White Tees during league play. The following format applies:

- There is no handicap limit needed to play the Red/White Tee Combo.
- You must declare which tee you plan to play when you sign up for the league. You must continue to play that tee for all events.
- You may change your tee choice back to the White tees during the season, although a two week notice is required and you must play in two league events before the change takes effect.
- Combo Tee holes are the Handicap Holes 1-9; or Holes 2, 3, 5, 8, 9, 10, 11, 16 and 18.
- The Course Rating and Slope for the Red/White Combo Tees is: 66.3/119 .
- The Course Rating and Slope for the White Tees is: 68.3/122
- After Course Handicaps are calculated, a two-stroke adjustment must be applied since individuals will be playing from different tees. This adjustment is based on the difference between the two Ratings used: $68.3-66.3 = 2$. Players playing from the Red/White Combo will see a 2 stroke decrease. This adjustment will be made automatically through the club's Tournament Pairing Program.

Example: Carl and Warren have a 19.2 Handicap Index. Carl's Course Handicap from the combo Tee is: 20. Warren's Course Handicap from the White Tee is: 21. The USGA requires that the difference between the two Ratings ($68.3-66.3 = 2$) be applied. For our league, a two stroke reduction will be applied to those playing from the Combo Tees. Carl's Course Handicap will be adjusted to 18. Warren's Course Handicap will remain at 21.

- **Keep in mind**...when you post score outside of league MAKE SURE you select the correct set of tees you played.

Thank you and we look forward to a great year of golf with you!!

2018 Whitefish GC Men's League Schedule of Events

<u>Date</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Start Format</u>	<u>Event</u>
<u>MAY</u>				
1	Tue	9:00 AM	Shotgun	Two Best Net Balls Foursome - (ABCD)
8	Tue	9:00 AM	Shotgun	High Ball / Low Ball of Foursome - (ABCD)
15	Tue	8:30 AM	Shotgun	2-3-4 Team Event - (ABCD)
22	Tue	8:30 AM	Shotgun	Individual Stableford (By Flight)
29	Tue	8:30 AM	Shotgun	4-Person Team Quota (ABCD) <u>LUNCH</u>
<u>JUNE</u>				
5	Tue	8:00 AM	Shotgun	2-Person Best Ball - Net (By Flight)
12	Tue	8:00 AM	Shotgun	"2 x 4" - 4 net balls holes 1,9,10,18 – 2 best on other holes (ABCD)
19	Tue	8:00 AM	Shotgun	Individual Low Net (By Flight)
26	Tue	8:00 AM	Shotgun	Two Best Net Balls Foursome - (ABCD) <u>LUNCH</u>
<u>JULY</u>				
3	Tue	<i>No Event</i>		<i>No Event - Holiday Week</i>
10	Tue	8:00 AM	Shotgun	Fore Tees/ (Shipwreck) - (ABCD)
17	Tue	8:00 AM	Shotgun	Two Best Net Balls of Foursome (ABCD)
24	Tue	8:00 AM	Shotgun	Individual Nassau - Low Front, Low Back, Low Total Net (By Flight)
31	Tue	8:00 AM	Shotgun	Easy as 1-2-3 Best Net Balls of Foursome (ABCD) <u>LUNCH</u>
<u>AUGUST</u>				
7	Tue	8:00 AM	Shotgun	2-Person Best Ball - Net (By Flight)
14-15	Tue/Wed	8:00 AM	Teetimes	<i>Men's and Women's League Championship</i>
21	Tue	<i>No Event</i>		<i>No Event- course maintenance</i>
28	Tue	8:00 AM	Shotgun	Two Best Net Balls Foursome - (ABCD) <u>LUNCH & Annual Meeting</u>
<u>SEPTEMBER</u>				
4	Tue	8:00 AM	Shotgun	2-Person Best Ball - Net (By Flight)
11	Tue	8:30 AM	Shotgun	1 Best Net & 1 Best Gross of Foursome (ABCD)
18	Tue	8:30 AM	Shotgun	"If Only" Individual (By Flight)
24	Mon	5:00 PM	Dinner	All League Dinner & Bon Voyage Party
25	Tue	9:00 AM	Shotgun	"2 x 4" - 4 net balls holes 1,9,10,18 – 2 best on other holes (ABCD) <u>PLUS BBQ LUNCH</u>

Sign for the season long "Shoot-Out"

Sign up on bulletin board for Flighted Match Play

Reminder: Whitefish Points Cup runs May 29 thru August 15!

**Weekly signup: check your name on the roster or call Whitefish
at 218-543-4900 by 5pm the Friday before the event.**

Please arrive at least 30 minutes prior to your start time. Thank you.



The Whitefish Cup 2018

The Whitefish Cup is Fed-Ex Cup style points race that will run from May 29 through the League Championship in August. Points will be awarded to each league member for participation in each event played and how well you finish in each event. All league members are automatically entered into the Whitefish Cup with their annual league entry fee. The player with the most total points, regardless of their flight, at the event's conclusion will be designated with the honor of Whitefish Cup Champion. The Whitefish Cup Champion will be rewarded with a \$100 League Chit and a beautiful Champions lead crystal bowl. 2nd, 3rd, and 4th place overall finishers will be awarded Men's League Chits.

**2015 Champion ~ Jim Rauenhorst *2016 Champion ~ Fred Skog *2017 Champion ~ Dave Lobben
2018 Champion ~ who will it be??**

Player Points

Points for INDIVIDUAL events:

1 st Place Net	70 pts.
2 nd Place Net	60 pts.
3 rd Place Net	50 pts.
4 th Place Net	40 pts.
5 th Place Net	30 pts.

(All individual events include: Nassau Events by Flight)

Points for TEAM events:

1 st Place Net	50 pts.
2 nd Place Net	45 pts.
3 rd Place Net	40 pts.
4 th Place Net	35 pts.
5 th Place Net	30 pts.

Points for Individual League Championship:

1 st Place Gross	120 pts.
1 st Place Net	120 pts.
2 nd Place Net	100 pts.
3 rd Place Net	80 pts.
4 th Place Net	60 pts.
5 th Place Net	40 pts.

Notes: All individual events are flighted so there are 5 places awarded per flight. Ties will be decided by a scorecard playoff. Nassau event points are awarded for Low Net Total Score only. The Men's League Officers and Board will make the final determination on any unusual or unforeseen occurrences during the event.

15 Points are awarded for playing in an event but finishing out of the top 5 net places.

If you no show for an event that you have registered for and fail to call the proshop ½ hour before the start of an event, you will be penalized 15 points.

Good Luck to All!

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