

## HIGHWOOD MEN'S LEAGUE

### OVERVIEW

The Men's League has anywhere from 180 to 200 players sign up annually to be a part of the best league in Alberta (and maybe Canada!)

We have 18 teams of players and each team has a captain. If you are new to the league, please send an email to [dan@highwoodgolf.com](mailto:dan@highwoodgolf.com) so that you can be connected to your team captain (and likely the rest of your team as well)

The league season is on Wednesday's from April 29th to September 23rd (22 Wednesday's) and then our league windup is on Saturday September 26th. So if you are a keener, then that's 23 days of league play. League play will always be a go, unless the course is closed. Golf is an outdoor sport so dress accordingly (the Highwood Pro Shop would love to outfit you in case of an emergency!)

More often than not we have weekly league play, consisting of:

a) early golf beginning at 1:00 - here's a chance for you to play a bonus 9 or 18 holes with no impact on team standings. **Early golf is coordinated by your team captain.** You will not book on your own or contact the pro shop for this part of the day. You will golf with members from your team.

b) official league play: a 9-hole shotgun start on both the front (Heritage) and back (Mountainview) nines, usually starting at 6:00pm. As the days get shorter in the fall, we will move the shotgun start time earlier to ensure we get in before dark. During this shotgun there are MAIN MATCHES and SPARE MATCHES. *You will never cross over to the other nine. For example, if your starting hole is #13 (or Mountainview 4) then you play #13-#18, then go to #10 and play til #12 and come in.*

MAIN MATCHES: Your starting hole and opponents for the week are dictated by the league schedule. Refer to the board outside the pro shop if you need a reminder on where you are

starting and who your opponents are. **Your team captain (hopefully in advance) will decide four players (two players teamed up on each nine) who will represent your team in two-versus-two competition.** The format of the week will be a variety of games including two man scramble, scotch, best ball, or similar NET score competition. If you win or tie your match you will accumulate points for your team. **Report any points to your team captain at the conclusion of your match.**

SPARE MATCHES: Any player (called a spare) not already assigned by their team captain to participate in a MAIN MATCH may still contribute to their team's point total by taking on another spare from any other competing team. To arrange this, sign up on the board opposite another player - you will notice your starting hole when you do this. Please make an effort to ensure you are actually playing against someone so that everyone has a chance to participate in the competition. If you win or tie your individual match (net match play), **let your team captain know so your points can be recorded.**

*\*You should not be signing your name on the board UNLESS you are a spare.*

*\*If possible when signing up for a spare match: try to have both nines balanced evenly for pace of play. If all spare matches are signed up on one nine, that nine will play considerably slower than the other!*

In addition to the team competition, there are individual prizes awarded for long drive, closest to the pin, and other hole prizes. **Please make sure you sign your name on the correct marker as some of these contests have handicap or age categories!** Everyone will meet in the Wellman Room after golf for drinks, food, and socializing. We will then award prizes and do it all over again the next week!

Finally, there are four 18 hole nights in the league schedule. These dates are June 17 (4:00 shotgun), July 15 (4:00 shotgun), August 19 (4:00 shotgun) and the windup on September 26 (2:00 shotgun). These nights do not affect season long standings. More information on these four dates will come out the week prior to the 18 hole night.

[League schedule at a glance - 22 Wednesdays and 1 Saturday at the end](#)

April 29 Team Scramble: play with your team (your group will have anywhere from 8 to 14 players!)

May 6 to June 10: weekly league play

June 17: 4:00pm 18-hole shotgun this week

June 24 to July 8: weekly league play

July 15: 4:00pm 18-hole shotgun this week

July 22 to August 12: weekly league play

August 19: 4:00pm 18-hole shotgun this week

August 26 to September 16: weekly league play

September 23 Team Scramble: play with your team (your group will have anywhere from 8 to 14 players!)

Saturday September 26: 2:00pm 18 hole shotgun (league windup)