

## Minnesota National Golf Course Men's Night 2020

Hello Men's Night players,

It has been a strange start to the season. The good news is that the Governor is letting us play golf and on Monday, May 18 has lifted the restriction for league play if we follow certain guidelines. **Our first planned Men's Night event will be Thursday, May 28**, an 18-Hole 4-Man 1-2-3 Net ball event counting one ball on par 5's, 2 balls on par 4's and 3 balls on par 3's. For this season starting event you can form your own 4-some or sign up as a single, 2-some or 3-some and we will help you fill out your team.

One change we made last year that most players liked was the 2-Man teams, alternating from 2-Man to 4-Man events each week. This also sparked some badly needed growth to the league which we hope will continue this year. **Ask someone new to play and encourage others to also. Let's have some fun!**

The main guideline, as far as league, is no gathering of more than 10 people. Therefore, we will start the season utilizing a modified shotgun start. Here is the current plan. Instead of a shotgun at 2:00, as it used to be, for 18-hole events, we will have 8 people start at a time beginning at 1:30, then 8 more at 1:40, etc. until we can get all the groups out. The times will run from 1:30 to 2:30ish, so **we are asking you to sign up your team and let us know if you would like to play before 2:00, around 2:00 or after 2:00**. This format will allow us to not gather in groups but still have a little bit of camaraderie. 9-hole events will run from 3:30 to 4:30ish.

All players will be required to sign up by 12:00 noon on Wednesdays. Tee times will be emailed back to all players by 4:00 pm on Wednesdays. This means we need everyone's email. Players signing up after 12:00 on Wednesday will be subject to availability, but as always, still call as one or more players may need partners.

Changes have also happened to the handicap system. The changes affecting league are as follows: handicaps update daily now, so for league your handicap on Wednesday will be the handicap we use for play on Thursday, and there will be no more handicap adjustment based on tees played, we will use the handicap stated for the tee you play.

All Men's League players will be required to purchase a handicap. The posting of Men's Night scores to the handicap system will be completed by the golf shop. The handicap fee is \$30.00. The Men's League fee for the season will be \$80.00. I highly encourage you to pay the seasonal league fee this year as it will include all 9-hole and all 18-hole events. Last year it only included 9-hole events and for 18-hole events seasonal league players had to pay an additional \$5.00. The weekly optional cash game will remain \$5.00 with \$1.00 going to each closest to pin event, \$1.00 going to the longest putt and \$2.00 going to an individual net skins game. The nightly Men's Night fee will be \$7.00 for 9-hole events and \$12.00 for 18-hole events. Non-member green fees including cart will be \$30.00 for 9-holes and \$45.00 for 18-holes.

The Men's League Hole in One Fund fee is \$5.00. Player's who paid after Jerry Feucht's Hole in One in 2018 do not need to repay. We will have a list of players who are exempt from paying the Hole in One fee by next Wednesday plus also a listing of Men's League weekly events and tournaments planned for 2020.

All players who have not paid their handicap fee yet have been inactivated. **To pay your Ghin Handicap fee and Men's League seasonal fee online** click here <https://www.mnnationalgolfcourse.com/shop/category/40-mga-ghin-handicap>. You can also pay it by calling the golf shop at 218-426-4444.

Thank you and we will look forward to seeing you all golfing Thursday, May 28!