

SYKES LADY GOLF CLUB --18 HOLE MENS WEDNESDAY GOLF LEAGUE QUESTION & ANSWER

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Dear Fellow Golfers:

Several of you have asked many of these same questions, so we thought it would be beneficial to provide more information in a "question and answer" format to assist you as we start to "kick off" our 2024 golf season. We decided to move our league to Wednesday's so we could field 156 players three years ago. We have the first 13 tee times on all three nines (7:27 to 9:15). In the Fall we start to lose some of the earlier tee times due to the later sunrise but 9:15 remains our last tee time.

We are in our second year of implementing a new software system called Golf Genius and there will be a learning curve for all of us.

NEW CHANGES FOR 2024:

1. How many golfers do we pair up each week?

Because we are playing all three nines (South, North and West) we can field 156 players each week determined by order received, with date/time stamp. The "first" 156 players to sign up will be paired up. The balance of the sign ups will go on a <u>wait</u> list.

2. What happens if I now can't make it for my Wednesday tee time?

Once you receive a sign-up confirmation from Golf Genius don't delete it for a week. If you cannot play simply hit the "not playing" button.

3. How much does it cost to be a member?

Place a \$60 check in our League Registration Member Envelope. Then each week, you pay your normal green/cart fees and \$5 (\$4 goes to prize money for that day and \$1 goes for food/ beverage for "happy hour" at a later date.)

4. What do I get for my \$60?

Several times a year we have special fun (Summer and Fall) tournaments with food and prizes. In addition, we have several breakfast and lunch events for members. Our goal is to make sure that all of the monies go back to the members through these events by the end of league season. We also have a hole in one fund where we buy drinks for members the week after the hole in one.

5. How much do the Board Members get paid?

Natta thing!! All Board members serve on a voluntary basis and just like golf!! We all pay the \$60 fee and the weekly \$5 prize money/food fund fee and our green fees just like you.

6. **How do I sign up each week? O**nce you sign up as a 2024 member your email address will automatically be entered into our weekly Golf Genius sign up system. You will receive a sign-up email from Golf Genius at 3pm every Wednesday. The first 156 get to play. The later sign-ups go on a waitlist.

After you hit the "playing" button a new page appears and you can send the manager an email. This is where you put any special requests and we will TRY to accommodate you.

7. How will I know who I am playing with?

As soon as we get 156 paired up we will send out the pairings email...most likely Sunday morning.

8. Can I just sign up in advance for multiple weeks?

No. The system is designed for players to make the effort to <u>sign up each week</u>. In the past we had a system that assumed that you were playing each week and you had to tell us if you were not playing. This <u>did not work</u> and we had way too many NO SHOWS.

9. What if I know I can't make it for several weeks? Who do I contact?

No one. Just **don' t** answer the sign up email. We only need to know if you **ARE** playing.

10. What happens if I don't cancel and become a NO SHOW? We track the No-Shows. If this becomes a problem you will automatically go on a waitlist.

11. Can I sign up for early, middle, late time times?

We had an early, middle, late feature last year but Golf Genius can't handle that so we added a message feature for special requests.

12. I would like to be paired with my buddies each week. Can you do that?

No. The Pairings system uses a randomizing program to mix everyone up each week. This gives everyone the opportunity to play with someone new each week and make new friends. There are 6 other days in the week to play with your buddies.

13. What is the contact information for the men's golf league?

Email: **opgcmensgolfleague@gmail.com** Please add our email address to your contacts **list /address book** so that our emails **don't** go to your spam folder.

14. How is my quota determined?

Please review the Wednesday Men's League Local Rules for a detailed explanation. Copies are available by emailing request to - opgcmensgolfleague@gmail.com and one can be sent electronically to you. Further, it is available on our league sign up link - for the City of Overland Park. http://www.golfop.com/sl-league-pairing/op-18-hole-men

15. Where can I find out the weekly winners?

The winners report will be sent via email out shortly after play ends.

16. How do I collect my winnings?

If you are a winner, the monies will appear as a CREDIT in the Pro Shop in your patron's name which can be used for green fees or merchandise

17. How does the skins game work?

There will be an envelope attached to the team score card. If you want in the SKINS GAME, put your name on the envelope and \$5 inside. The skins players will be split into groups based on current quotas (0-15, 16-19, 20-23, +24 and above). Lowest score on a hole that is **not tied** is a SKIN for each group. Detailed explanations are sent out weekly as part of the SKINS winners report. Skins winner's monies(cash) paid out may be picked up after the following week's play by locating the designated League Board member who will also be collecting the completed score cars for the League play inside at the Club 27.

18. What is the "Buddy System" in your league?

It is for our newest members to be "paired" with members who have played in the league and will help assist the "new" member for the first several weeks of league play.

18 Does the OPGC Men's League have a Facebook page? Yes, we do have a FB page that we share league information, tournaments, rule changes among other items of interest. It is a "closed" FB and only league members can join. Search to **OPGC WEDNESDAY Men's Golf League** Facebook page. You then would have to send a "request" and be approved by the FB Administrator to join.

19. Do we "play" out of the bunkers at any time in 2024? Bunkers are in play in 2024. Bunker rules are covered in the rules document.

20 . Club 27 gathering.

Come join us for a beer after your round in Club 27. We typically have about 30 members join us after the round for a cold one.

Have a great year playing golf at Sykes Lady Golf Club at Overland Park!