

Pines Men's League By-Laws

1. The name of the association shall be known as the Thursday Night Pines Men's League.
2. The Thursday Night Pines Men's League will have tee times available to them between 4:00 pm and 5:28 pm. All golfers must tee off between those times. If that is not possible, teams may make alternate arrangements and schedule tee times with The Pines.
3. The league will consist of two man teams.
4. Handicaps are to be computed at 80% over par for nine holes. All players who played last year will begin this year with their final handicap from last year. All new players will have calculated handicaps each week for the first five weeks of play. Thereafter, handicaps will be based on the last five scores posted. The highest and lowest score within that five week period will be dropped, and the three median scores will be used to determine handicap.

Fractional handicaps .5 or higher are rounded to the next whole number. The maximum allowable handicap is eighteen. Strokes will be given according to the course score card handicap rating.

The handicap of the competing teams is to be based on the difference in the total handicaps. For example:

Team A has handicaps of six and four for a total of ten.

Team B has handicaps of eight and nine for a total of seventeen.

Team B will get seven strokes for the nine hole contest.

When a team has only one player present, a random draw for a partner will take place. The player drawn will have his normal league handicap used to figure the result.

5. No Shows: If a team does not show and makes no attempt to reschedule, that team will receive no points. The team that shows up and plays will have their card compared to another card on a blind draw and will receive the better or the result or 6 points. An effort must be made to contact the other team prior to 3:00 pm on the day of the scheduled match. One shall call The Pines after all efforts are exhausted to reach their opponents. Failure to call either will end up in a forfeit. Under no circumstances will any player or team play alone.

6. Points shall be based on total score per team on each hole, including handicap.

One point per hole (match play) for a total of:	9 points
Three points per match (medal play) for a total of:	3 points
Total points per week:	12 points

Note: In case of ties, points will be halved..

7. We will be playing winter rules all year. You may roll your ball no more than six inches closer to the hole anywhere on the golf course, except hazards.
8. All players are to use the white tees, unless they are at the age of 65 and older. At 65 and older, players may choose to play from the white or gold tees. Players 75 and older may elect to play the red tees. Once the choice of tee is made, the player must play from the same tee throughout the year. If a player decides on using a different color tee than the previous year, they must establish a new handicap for that tee.
9. Water hazards on holes #2, #8, #10, #11, #12, and #13 are to be played as lateral hazards. Second ball can be dropped on the tee or between the point of entry and the tee, no nearer to the hole.
10. Score cards are to be submitted to The Pines. They can be given to the Pro Shop attendant or put in the league box in the pro shop. All cards must be signed by one member of each team before being submitted.
- If you are making up your match, it must be completed and your score card must be turned in by the following Wednesday for your score to be counted.
- 11. Rain Outs: If the course calls the league off for a night, players will be responsible for making up the match by the following Wednesday.**
12. All disputes shall be submitted to league rules committee, and their ruling shall be final.
13. League Playoffs shall be determined as follows:
- The playoffs will be a nine hole match. The top four teams from each half will qualify for the eight team playoff. If one or more teams qualify in both halves, then wildcard teams will qualify to fill up the eight playoff spots (it is possible to have six wildcard teams in the playoffs). Total wins for the year will decide which teams may qualify for the wild card spots, if needed.
 - After the eight teams have been determined, total wins for the year will determine the seeding. The #1 overall seed will play the #8 seed. The #2 seed will play the #7 seed. The #3 seed will play the #6 seed, and the #4 seed will play the #5 seed.

- c. The remaining teams will play through the bracket until a champion is crowned.
- d. First round playoff matches must be completed by the Wednesday prior to fun night. Any team unable to complete the first round match by that date will forfeit. Second round matches must be played on or before fun night. Any team unable to complete the second round match by that date will forfeit. In the case of a forfeiture, the other team must complete a 9 hole round to advance in the playoffs.
- e. League playoff handicaps shall be determined as follows:

If you qualify for the playoffs you will use the lowest handicap that your team finished either half with, not necessarily the half you qualified in.

Example:

	<u>1st Half Handicap</u>	<u>2nd Half Handicap</u>	<u>Playoff Handicap</u>
Player 1	8	6	8
Player 2	10	13	10

- e. Ties for all playoff positions will be sudden death starting on a hole decided by The Pines PGA Golf Professional or a full nine hole match, provided all four players agree.

13. \$20 league fees will be due on the first night of league play. These fees will all be paid out in cash for first and second half 1st-4th place and for playoff first and second place.

14. League Payout: \$960.00

** 1 st & 2 nd Half Winners	\$130 per team X 2	= \$260
** 1 st & 2 nd Half 2nd Place	\$90 per team X 2	= \$180
** 1 st & 2 nd Half 3rd Place	\$70 per team X 2	= \$140
** 1 st & 2 nd Half 4th Place	\$40 per team X 2	= \$80
** Championship Match 2 nd Place	\$100 per team	= \$100
** League Champions	\$200 per team	= <u>\$200</u>
		\$960

15. Both halves consist of ten weeks. Week 20 will be a League Playoff and Fun Night.