

February 1, 2024

To: Returning and Prospective Members
From: Hal McHarris, President
Re: Seniors Golf League 2024 Season

The News: We have 60 tournaments for 2024. We have added a play at Holston Hills and Crossings. We have dropped Elizabethton and Andrew Johnson and one play at Clear Creek. The Scramble with the Ladies League will be at Crockett Ridge instead of Cattails. We may include a meal after play at their picnic shelter.

Norris Sneed has agreed to be our Vice President.

George Birchfiel will join the Committee as Assistant Technical Manager. He will back up Steve White.

We have, once again, analyzed the ages of our membership and adjusted the Long Drive brackets.

Rules Clarification– When you hit into a water hazard you can drop the ball one club length in the fairway at a position close to where the ball went into the water hazard.

Next Event Entries List: In 2023 we added this website feature. We sometimes have more players than the course's cart capacity. It shows the list of entrants for the next event. Click the button on the website for more information. (www.seniorsgolfleague.com).

Winners-Certificates: Winners certificates are mailed on the day of the tournament. You can accumulate your winnings. They may be redeemed at any club where the league played during the current year and from Golf Unlimited in Kingsport and Bristol Club Fitting in Bristol. Certificates are not valid after December 1st of the current year.

Hole-In-One Contest: Each tournament entry fee will include the Hole-In-One contest. If you make a Hole-In-One during a tournament you will win \$500 in cash.

Arrive on Time: Please plan to arrive at the course and have your bag on your cart at least 15 minutes prior to tee time. Do not take your bag to the practice area!!! If you are running late call the Pro Shop and tell them to let us know.

Speed of Play: Our objective is for everyone to finish in under 4 ½ hours. **Play Ready Golf.** This means that if you are ready to hit, and the player away is not ready you should go ahead and hit. It often means grabbing the clubs you need and walking to your ball, as compared to sitting in the cart and making no preparation. All groups should make every effort to keep up with the group ahead of them. Please limit searching for lost balls to a reasonably short time and certainly no longer than 3 minutes. Some of our members love to hunt for balls. If this you, **Please don't.**

Scorecard: At the end of the round all players should verify their score on the scorecard. The Scorer should bring your card to the scorer's table before going to their car. There will always be a last group, but sometimes we wait 30 minutes, or more, on that group. Please understand and help us out.

If it Rains: Tournaments will normally not be called off prior to 15 minutes after the scheduled tee time. An exception to this would be if the course management closes the course. If we are rained out all checks will be torn up. If we know about cancelling a tournament early an Email may be sent to the entrants.

No Show

If you simply don't show up and don't let us know, it causes problems. We are waiting for you to show up, and then at the last moment are forced to shuffle people around. Please call the Pro Shop and ask them to relay the message. See the website for more detail about No Shows and Withdrawals.

Lost and Found: Label your clubs. This is often the only way for us to tell whose bag is on a cart. Also label anything else you care about. Labeled Items that are turned in go into our Lost and Found. Un-labeled items will be left at the course. Missing something? Check the website under Lost and Found.

Medical Emergencies: If you have a known medical problem that might need attention on the golf course, please discuss it with one of the Committee at the beginning of the season. We would like to know how to deal with it if an emergency occurs. It will be the responsibility of each player with a known problem to tell his foursome what to do if an emergency occurs.

Dress Code: Country Clubs are strict about not wearing jeans, tee shirts, and tank tops. Please respect their rules.