

2019 Men's League

The Who, What, When and How of the League

Who You Need To Know

Men's League Coordinator – Carly Peister

Carly will direct all league activity for the season. She will assist with team draft picks, league scoring and activities. If you have any questions, comments or concerns get in touch with Carly first.

Director of Golf Operations – Fraser Stalkie

Fraser is happy to discuss any issues related to League activities. Please feel free to contact him at fraser@mcleanpeister.com

Clubhouse Manager – M-C Belair

M-C is responsible for the management of the Restaurant and Golf Shop services. M-C will be working hard with our Staff to ensure that you have an enjoyable experience both on the course and in the restaurant.

Greens Superintendent – Kevin Brohman

Kevin and his crew work around the clock to create and maintain the exceptional golf course conditioning for which Merry-Hill is widely known – if you see him or his crew in the morning, don't be afraid to wave!

What You Need To Know

The Men's League is a 9-hole league with a fantastic deal – Pay the price of 9 holes and play 18 if you wish! Morning players are encouraged to enjoy the Express Breakfast Buffet which is offered complimentary to all players who check in to play golf before 9:30 am. Since this is a 9-hole league, your front 9 scores are what count towards your team scores.

Costs

The League Registration Fee includes the following charges:

League Registration Fee	\$30.00
Men's League Social Fee	\$30.00
Junior Golf Donation	\$10.00
Club Card (annual fee)	\$25.00
Total (excluding HST)	\$95.00

In addition to the registration fee, each week you play, you are required to pay the posted 9 hole green fee rate for your reserved tee time. Men's League players receive 25% off golf and power cart rentals with your Club Card. The price of your green fee will fluctuate with our varying seasonal pricing (we have a spring, mid/peak season and fall rate structure).

Booking Your Tee Time

As a Men's League member you have a few options when it comes to booking your tee times.

- 1) You can book the same tee time for the entire season at orientation. If you cannot make a tee time, please let us know so we can open up that time to other players. Failure to do so may result in the cancellation of all your remaining tee times.
- 2) You can book tee times 2 weeks in advance with the Golf Shop Staff either in person or over the phone.

- 3) You can book online up to 10 days in advance. When booking online, please book into designated league tee times only.

If you need to cancel your tee time, please do so in person or by phone. We ask for a minimum of 24 hours notice of any change or cancelation.

Morning tee times are available from 7:30 am until 11:00 am. Afternoon tee times are available from 4:00 pm until 6:00 pm.

***Please be aware that tee times unused by league players will become available to the general public four days before your league day.
This means there may be non-league players golfing in front or behind your group.***

Junior Golf Fundraising

The Men's League is the largest supporter of our Junior Golf Programs at Merry-Hill Golf Club. Last season, we rose just over \$4,000 through the weekly 50/50 draw, mulligans and the Year End Closing Tournament. A big thank you goes out to the sponsors and participants in 2018 – your donations throughout the entire season were much appreciated!

This season, we will continue our fundraising efforts for our Junior Golf Programs. In addition to the \$10.00 donation included in your registration fee, each week there will be a 50/50 draw and mulligans which can be purchased at the Golf Shop Counter during your check-in process. Remember! The more of you who purchase tickets, the higher the winnings! Last season we had some people winning \$100. Winnings will be automatically added to your pre-paid account to use for any purchase at the Golf Club.

Guest Privileges

Each Men's League Member is permitted to have 3 guest visits throughout the season. The guest must pay his own green fee, which is the posted 9 hole Men's League rate. Club Card discounts are not transferable to your guest.

When Does the League Begin and End: Important Dates

Orientation Date: Monday, April 29 from 6:00 – 7:00 pm

First League Day: Monday, May 6

Play Offs: Monday August 26, September 9 and September 16 (3 weeks)

Year End Closing Tournament: Monday September 23, 9 hole shot gun at 5:00 pm sharp

No League Play on Holiday Monday's: Monday May 20, Monday July 1, Monday August 5 and Monday September 2

How Does The League Run?

Each week teams will compete in a team vs. team format (i.e. Back Nine Bandits vs. Boyz in the Woods). The best six *low net* scores as well as the best two *low gross* scores from your *front nine* will be added together for a total team score. The team with the lowest total score will win that match and receive 10 points. If you tie your opposing team, both teams receive 5 points. Additional points are handed out for each participating teammate – *a reason for captains to encourage their teammates to come and play each week!*

We have roughly 115 Men's League Members.
There will be 8 teams; each team will have 14 – 15 players.
Six low net and two low gross scores will count each week.
You must have at least 8 players out each week for a team score to count!!

The last 3 weeks of the League we will enter Play Off mode. For these three weeks, all teams will compete against each other and will be building on their accumulated points from the entire season. Points are awarded for placement (1st -20 points, 2nd -15 points, 3rd – 10 points, and 4th -5 points) as well as for participation. At the end of the playoffs we will have our League Champions!

In addition to the team scoring, there are weekly games and prizes – whether it is closest to the pin, a group scramble, bingo, bango, bongo etc. Any game that affects your scoring potential (i.e. a scramble) will be optional and is recommended to be played only on your back nine.

Before the Orientation Night, on April 29, Team Captains will do a draft for players based on last year's statistics. All new league members will start with an 18 handicap. Over the first 3 weeks this handicap will adjust – captains drafting new league members will be picking *blind*.

Men's League Blog & Handicap Tracking

To maintain your interest in the League, we are using *Golf Scoring.Net* League Manager. This program will track your Handicap, create weekly team competitions, calculate team points and take us into play off mode at the end of the season. You can access the blog and view your stats online 24/7 at <http://www1.golfscoring.net/merryhill/mens/2019>. A direct link to the blog is on the Men's League portion of our website.

We encourage you to access the league manager website frequently to see scores and results, comment on the league comment board and read our Men's League Blog. This is where games will be described, winners will be listed and any league updates will be announced.

League Expectations

When you become a Men's League Member we expect you to come and have fun at the Golf Club as often as possible! Please remember that participation points are awarded to team members that come and play – and that can make the difference between first and second place at the end of the season!

The length of time it should take a group of four to play 9 holes at Merry-Hill Golf Club is between a 1.5 – 2 hours. Please do your best to stay within that pace of play.

To ensure everyone enjoys their round of golf please follow these rules:

1. Play ready golf – whoever is ready to hit, should hit!
2. Once everyone has hit their shots, please walk/drive directly to your ball and hit when ready to keep up pace of play
3. Replace divots in the fairways and fix ball marks on the greens
4. It is recommended that if you shoot double par, please pick up your ball. If you wish, you may finish out the hole on the green
5. A maximum of 2 warnings will be given to a group and/or player for slow play. If your pace of play does not improve, you will be asked to play in the later tee times.
 - a. If you are playing in a cart, please be aware of your pace of play – please don't push the group in front of you if there is nowhere to go. Enjoy your time on the golf course and slow down!