

GVE COUPLES GOLF
WEDNESDAY GOLF SCRAMBLE

The following DIRECTIVES are either required by the pro shop or have been adopted by the GVE Couples Wednesday Golf League. These DIRECTIVES apply November thru April.

1 – ELIGIBILITY

- A – Only GVE residents and their guests are eligible for play.
- B – Each couple is a man and a woman.
Two men or 2 women cannot comprise a couple.

2 – COST

- A - \$1.00 per player, per round of golf will establish the weekly prize fund.
See 'Prize Money' for more details.
- B – Dues of 50cents per person may be assessed to pay for supplies.
This only applies to GVE residents.

3 – SIGN-UP & PLAY

- A – It is the responsibility of each couple to sign-up for each week of play.
The deadline for sign-up is 4PM Sunday for play the upcoming Wednesday.
See 'Couples Golf Sign-up' online.
- B – Arrive 30 minutes before your tee time.
Tee times are announced online by noon on Monday for the upcoming Wednesday play.
- C – Men will play from the course's red markers and ladies from the yellow markers.
Men 75 years and older may play from the yellow markers.
Women 75 years and older may play from the white markers.
- D – Play format will be 4-person scramble or game variation for scramble play. A 2-person scramble will be on the first Wednesday of each month for handicap playday.

4 – CANCELLATIONS

- A – Any couple having to cancel after final pairings are posted, has the responsibility to inform the couple they are paired with.
That couple is also cancelled BUT they have options:
 - 1- A replacement couple may be found.
 - 2- Can be paired with a 2-person team if one was posted.
 - 3- Can golf as a 2-person team if all teams are full at posting.
- B – The in-charge couple must be informed of all cancellation activity.
- C – Game day cancellation, in the event of inclement weather, is in the discretion of the in-charge couple.

5 – HANDICAPS

- A – Each couple will carry a handicap.
- B – Handicaps will be established and /or recalculated monthly based on the 2-person scramble that happens on the 1st Wednesday of each month aka handicap playday.
- C – Guest couples, one-time couples, and new on-going couples awaiting handicap playday, will be given a 5 stroke handicap.
- D – The minimum handicap will be '2'. The maximum handicap will be '9'.
Example: If a couple's handicap is established as '0.8', use '2' as their Handicap when determining their final score for that week's prize distribution.
EXCEPT
On handicap playday only, use true handicaps.
Example: On 1st Wednesday of the month, a couple having a 0.8 handicap will have 0.8 used to determine their score for prize distribution.
- E – Other than above, the in-charge couple determines how they want to apply the handicaps.
- F – Handicap calculation is done after the first Wednesday of the month.
 - 1 – There is an updated handicap sheet put in the handbook and also posted online.
 - 2 – The handicap is 85% of your adjusted couple's score. This is calculated by using the USGA standard.
 - 3 – No hole larger than a double bogey will be used to figure the handicap.
 - 4 – Handicaps will carry over from the previous season of play.

6 – PAIRINGS

- A – It is the desire of the league for couples to be paired up once for the whole season.
- B – Pairings are determined by the in-charge couple for that week. In so doing, the in-charge couple should refer to the 'pairings cross-reference' section in the GVE golf handbook. This helps assure that couples golf with a different couple every week throughout the season.
- C – The pairings that the in-charge couple has assigned should be recorded in the pairings cross reference section.
- D – If there is an uneven number of couples at the sign-up deadline and posting, the in-charge couple should golf alone.
See 'Role of In-Charge Couple'

7 – PRIZE MONEY

- A – Money to be paid back should be given to at least 50% of all players involved in current week of play.
- B – 1st place should receive no more than \$12 per team of 4 players or \$6 for a 2-person team (for example, handicap day).
The balance will be paid on a declining scale. The last place team should Receive no less than \$4 so that each player gets their money back. See chart example provided in handbook.
- C – A 2-person team that has a winning scorecard can receive their portion of the prize money as if they were a 4-person team - except on handicap day.

8 – GAME VARIATION FOR SCRAMBLE PLAY

- A – Two-person scramble is on the first Wednesday of each month.
This is for handicap play.
- B – Four-person scramble with variations such as:
 1. Everyone must have one or two drives.
 2. Cannot have two consecutive hits and putts.
 3. Select a drive then play your own game on each hole.
 4. The following can also be incorporated with any of the above games:
 - a - Closest to the pin
 - b - Longest putt

ROLE OF IN-CHARGE COUPLE

- A – During the season, every couple should take a turn being the ‘in-charge’ couple.
- B – Signing up to be an in-charge couple can be weeks and months in advance. See “online sign-up”.
- C – On the prior weeks golf day, an in-charge couple should work the check-in table, collect prize money, send players out. Therefore, they should arrive half an hour before the 1st tee time and work the table for the entire time players sign-in and have the last tee time for that day of golf. This allows the current in-charge couple to have the 1st tee time out so they are the first to come back to calculate score cards and prize money as the rest of the golfers come back.
EXAMPLE: 3/15 – You are the in-charge couple
 3/8 – The 3/15 in-charge couple has table duty, therefore arriving first and be assigned the last tee time.

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D – Steps of in-charge couple

- 1 – Refer to GVE Golf Handbook for guidance.
- 2 – See “Online Players Sign-up” to know who will be participating that week.
- 3 – Refer to “Pairings Cross-Referencing” section of the handbook, put together teams, and decide the scramble game.
- 4 – **Record** the pairings in cross referencing section of the handbook.
- 5 – Post the pairings with the tee times before 9am Monday prior to Wednesday’s play.
See “Online Guidelines” for further details.
- 6 – Call the golf pro shop on Monday morning with the number of tee times needed.
- 7 – If there is an uneven number of couples signed up for golf at the deadline for sign-up, the in-charge couple should golf alone. Even if they golf alone, the in-charge couple can be eligible for prize money.
- 8 – Prepare a golf course score card for each team. Indicate each couple’s handicap and then the team handicap that will be used in the final score determination.
- 9 – Determine need for game day cancellation in the event of inclement weather and notify one couple of each team and in turn have them call the other couple.
- 10- Determine prize money distribution. See ‘Prize Money Guidelines’.

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NOTICES

In-charge couple should call the golf pro shop early Monday morning with the number of tee times needed.
Howling Trails 956-323-2165

For handicap recalculations – after golfing on the 1st Wednesday of the month, the score cards should be turned in to Norm Walters 7453 Golf Dr 314-249-8660. Otherwise score cards can be tossed.

During the off season, the handbook will be held in the gray cabinet that is in the game room in the GVE library.

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ONLINE GUIDELINES

1 – PLAYERS

- A – Players can sign up online at golfviewstates.info.
Sign-ups for the following Wednesday will be accepted beginning on Monday each week going forward.
Deadline for signing up is Sunday at 4:00PM prior to golf day.
SAVE the email confirmation of your sign-up that you receive in case you need to cancel or revise player sign-up.
- B – Go to golfviewstates.info “tee times” after 12:00noon on Monday prior to golf day to learn your tee time and pairing.

2 – IN CHARGE COUPLE

- A – Sign up to be a charge couple at “in charge” couple sign-up at golfviewstates.info.
Sign-up can be done weeks/months in advance.
SAVE email confirmation of your sign-up that you receive in case you need to cancel or revise.
- B – After 4:00PM the Sunday prior to golf day, check the online “couples golf sign-up” and do the pairings on the “GVE Couples Golf Tee Times” form.
- C – Charge couple to take photo of the finished form and email photo to Rich Lowe, webmaster, by 9:00AM on Monday prior to Wednesday golf day: **golfviewstates.info@gmail.com**