



League Description

The Men's Club is a golf league that plays on Wednesdays from March 7th - October 31st with the option to play 9 or 18 holes. Play is conducted from the white tees. Seniors 70+ and/or a golfer with a 18-hole handicap index of 20+ may choose to play from the red tees.

Membership Fees - \$20.00

Your membership fees will include, membership to the Men's Club, free entry into Men's Club Championship (green fee and cart not included), ability to enter into the weekly games, and ability to book tee times 7 days in advance for Wednesdays. **NEW for 2018 there will be no free year end dinner in order to keep the cost of joining the Club to a minimum due to the Kansas Golf Association price increase for a GHIN handicap.**

GHIN Handicap Fees (optional but highly suggested) - \$25.00

NEW! The KGA and KWGA have now merged to the KGA, resulting in one handicap service (Kansas Golf Association). Previously Men's Club was using the KWGA handicap service which was at a lower rate.

The GHIN Handicap is used for weekly Men's Club events. The league will also use handicaps for the Club Championship. **NEW! Players competing in the weekly game(s) will have their scores posted to GHIN by Lake Shawnee Golf Staff. Players not competing in the weekly game will need to post their score on their own.**

Hole-In-One Club (optional) - \$10.00

Any Men's Club member(s) who scores an ace during any Men's Club event, including tournaments, will split the pot at the end of the year; providing that golfer has paid the HIO fee before the ace has been recorded.

The following rules will apply.

- The hole-in-one must be attested by at least one other Men's Club member playing with the ace.
- The ace must have occurred during the weekly events or league tournaments.
- Ace must have occurred on 1st tee shot attempt. (No mulligan's or redo's)
- The hole-in-one must be a completed 9 or 18-hole round done in hole order based on scheduled starting hole.
- The official scorecard must be turned into the golf shop with players names, all signatures, and date immediately after the designated round for review.
- Members must pay the fee each year if they wish to participate before hole-in-one occurs.

If a HIO is not recorded in the season, the pot will roll over to the next year HIO Club. There is a total of \$0.00 carried over to 2018 season due to a hole-in-one recorded by Pete Ortiz on May 31, 2017 on #4 at 122 yards with a 6 iron.

Tee Times

Members will be allowed to book tee times 1 week in advance for Wednesdays Men's Club. The league is an all day league allowing club members to book tee times throughout the entire day. Starting at 3:30 PM the golf course will allow access to both front-9 & back-9. Groups wishing to play more than 9 holes will need a second nine turn time when tee time is made after 1:30 pm.

Golfers new to the Men's Club who need help finding a group or meeting new people should see Scott Mellen, PGA Head Professional or pro shop staff.

Checking In

Members must first check-in at pro shop counter to pay appropriate daily fees (i.e. green fees and cart fees). League members must then sign-in at league check-in box. At this time players will have the option to sign up for the \$3.00 weekly event. Players who choose to play in the weekly event must specify which 9-holes they plan to compete on **before** teeing off (This cannot be changed once play has begun). If you play 18-holes you can pick both front-9 and back-9 and pay \$6.

Weekly Events

Weekly events will be Low Gross/Low Net competitions. Flighting of events will be determined by the number of Men's Club members who enter the event. Pay \$3 for one nine or \$6 to play both nines and checking the necessary boxes.

The payouts will be the same in each flight. Each flight will be broken down into first, second, and third place based on the number of players per flight. Awards will be paid out for winners of Low Gross and Low Net in each flight. Players will only be competing against the other players from their specified 9 holes. Handicap will be adjusted using USGA Section 3-5.

All golf shop credits earned from league play events must be spent on golf shop merchandise by December 31, 2018. Credits may be spent at any Shawnee County operated golf shop.

Important Men's Club Dates

February 28th	Membership Sign-Up (No Golf) @ 5:30-6:30 PM
March 7th	First Day of Play
April 7th	DEMO DAY (FREE) 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM
April 21st	Men's Club Invitational @ 9:00 AM Shotgun
June 20th	Horse Race @ 6:00 PM Starting Time
July 18th	Horse Race @ 6:00 PM Starting Time
Aug. 11th	Club Championship @ 8:30 AM Shotgun
Aug. 12th	Club Championship @ 8:30 AM Shotgun
Oct. 3th	Night Golf @ 7:30 PM Starting Time
Oct. 31th	Last League Play Day

Men's Club Invitational (Shawnee County Junior Golf Fundraiser)

Dates: Saturday, April 21st
Time: 9:00 AM Shotgun Start
Format: 4-Person Vegas Scramble
Team: The 4-person team must have minimum of 1 active Men's Club Member and 1 non-men's club member.
Tees: Men will play from the white tees and 70+ will play from the red tees, women play from gold tees.
Entry Fee: \$50 per person (annual cart pass holders may deduct \$16), fee covers green fees, golf cart, range balls, 2 beverage tickets, and chance for prizes.
Details: Money raised will go to the Shawnee County Junior Golf Program.

Horse Races

Dates: Wednesday - June 20th, July 18th
Time: Start @ 6:00 PM (Check-in @ 5:30 PM, Pairings @ 5:45 PM)
Team: Member/Member
Pairings: Random Pairings
Format: Varies month to month
Tees: Same as Wednesdays
Details: At the conclusion of each hole, there will be a set number of teams eliminated; however, teams eliminated may continue to play ahead of the group and enjoy beverages provided.
Entry Fee: Annual Pass and Cart Pass = \$20
Annual Pass = \$25
No Pass = \$30
Entry fee will include green fee, cart, drink tickets and a chance to win golf shop credit following the round.

Men's Club Championship

Dates: Saturday, August 11th & Sunday, August 12th
Time: Saturday, Shotgun Start @ 8:30 am
Sunday, Shotgun Start @ 8:30 am
Pairings: Saturday - pairings and flights done based on handicaps. Sunday - pairings by previous days score within flight.
Format: Individual Stroke Play: Gross & Net (flighted).
Skins Game (optional daily): Within flight. Daily payouts.
Handicap: Handicap will be adjusted using USGA Section 3-5.
Eligibility: Must have joined Men's Club by July 31, 2018 to participate. Open to the first 100 participants.
Entry Fee: FREE with paid Men's Club Member Dues. Green Fees & Carts paid each day by participant. Annual Passes are valid.
Prizes: Awards will be handed out following Sunday's round.

PGA Tour Tournaments

April 5th-8th	Masters Tournament (Augusta, Georgia)
May 10th-13th	The Players Championship (Ponte Vedra Beach, Florida)
June 14th-17th	U.S. Open (Southampton, NY)
July 19th-22nd	The Open Championship (Angus, Scotland)
Aug. 9th-12th	PGA Championship (St. Louis, MO)
Sept. 20th-23th	Tour Championship (Atlanta, Georgia)
Sept. 28th-30th	Ryder Cup (Saint-Quentin-en-Yvelines, France)

Topeka Golf Association

April 20th	WU Benefit 4-Man Scramble (Shawnee Golf Club)
May 5th-6th	City 4-Man Shamble/Best Ball (Cypress Ridge Golf Course)
May 14th-15th	City Champions 2-Man Scramble (Firekeeper Golf Course)
June 16th	City Match Play Qualifying (Cypress Ridge Golf Course)
June 21st-24th	City Match Play (Cypress Ridge Golf Course)
July 13th-15th	City Stroke Play (Shawnee G.C, Cypress Ridge, Topeka C.C.)
Aug. 4th-5th	City 2-Man Best Ball/Scramble (Lake Shawnee)
Aug. 27th-28th	City Champions Stroke Play (Shawnee Golf Club)

* Go to www.topekagolf.org for entry forms and more information.

Men's Club Rules

USGA and Local Rules Govern All Play

- Senior's 70+ and/or a golfer with a 18-hole handicap index of 20+ may choose to play from the red tees.
- The ball is to be played "down" from tee to green and the ball must be holed out.
- The ball is to be played "up" everywhere when carts are deemed "On Path Only".
- Hole #2: Lake on the left is a lateral water hazard. If the ball enters hazard near green players may use optional ball drop north of green. One (1) shot penalty.
- Hole #5: lateral water hazard on left.
- Hole #6: lateral water hazard on left
- Hole #10: Parking lot is out of bounds.
- Hole #12: If boxed trees around green interfere with stance or swing take nearest relief, no closer to the hole, without penalty. This does not include line of sight.
- Hole #14: Drainage area directly in front of teeing ground is a regular water hazard. Lateral water hazard along left side of hole.
- Hole #16: Lateral water hazard left of green. Water hazard behind green. Use optional ball drop North of the green. One (1) shot penalty.
- Hole #18: Lateral hazard to left of fairway.

Nearest Relief - The point for taking relief from interference (e.g.: ground under repair, boxed trees, staked trees, cart paths, sprinkler heads) is the point on the course nearest to where the ball lies, not nearer to the hole and which allows player a stance and swing.

Ground Under Repair - Will be determined by total agreement of the group. If agreement cannot be reached ball must be played as is.

Important USGA Rules

The USGA Handicap System is built on integrity, with peer review being crucial to confirming a player's potential scoring ability:

Playing alone and necessary peer review: To further support the key System premise of peer review, **scores made while playing alone will no longer be acceptable for handicap purposes.** This change underscores the importance of providing full and accurate information regarding a player's potential scoring ability, and the ability of other players to form a reasonable basis for supporting or disputing a posted score. (*Section 5-1: Acceptability of Scores*)

Prohibition on Anchoring the Club While Making a Stroke - As announced in May 2013, the new Rule 14-1b (Anchoring the Club) prohibits anchoring the club either "directly" or by use of an "anchor point" in making a stroke. The penalty is loss of hole in match play or two strokes in stroke play.

Withdrawal of Rule on Ball Moving After Address - Rule 18-2b (Ball Moving after Address) has been withdrawn. This means that if a ball at rest moves after the player addresses it, the player is no longer automatically deemed to have caused the ball to move. A one-stroke penalty under Rule 18-2 will be applied only when the facts show that the player has caused the ball to move.

Modification of Penalty for a Single Impermissible Use of Artificial Devices or Equipment - The penalty for a player's first breach of Rule 14-3 (Artificial Devices, Unusual Equipment and Abnormal Use of Equipment) during the round has been reduced from disqualification to loss of hole in match play or two strokes in stroke play. The penalty for any subsequent breach of Rule 14-3 will continue to be disqualification.

Limited Exception to Disqualification Penalty for Submission of Incorrect Score Card - A new exception has been introduced to Rule 6-6d (Wrong Score for Hole) to provide that a player is not disqualified for returning a lower score for a hole than actually taken as a result of failing to include penalty strokes that the player did not know were incurred before returning the score card. Instead, the player incurs the penalty under the Rule that was breached and must add an additional penalty of two strokes for the score card error. In all other cases in which a player returns a score for any hole lower than actually taken, the penalty will continue to be disqualification.