



THE DRIVER

Newsletter of the Madrona Links Men's Club

April 2018

Men's Club Tournaments and April Events

Field Day, April 11

4-Man Two Best Ball, April 14

Two Big Events This Month

We have the first of three Men's Club Field Days on Wednesday, April 11. This is a 5-man scramble, with all teams picked by the computer. The "ABCD" format is used for the picks, so each team will have at least one low handicapper. The tournament is followed by dinner. This is always a good time, and it's part of your Men's Club membership, so come on out for some great golf and food.

The second event of the month is the 4-Man two best ball tournament. This year each team is allowed to have one guest, as long as he has a GHIN handicap. A guest is not mandatory, you can make up a team of all Madrona members, but why not try to introduce someone new to our tournament? We are always looking for new golfers, and as a special deal, if they have a GHIN number already they can join as a social member for a considerable saving over a full membership.

Another Men's Club versus Women's Club match

As an added bonus this month, there will be a mini-tournament pitting Men's Club teams against Women's Club teams. Space is limited to only twenty Men's Club entrants, so sign up soon.

Congratulations for March

I only got word of one noteworthy accomplishment.

John Ellickson shot a 74 from the whites. It marks the first time that he has shot his age. Way to go, John.

If you have done something to shout about, let me know by contacting the Pro Shop, or emailing me at Madronadriver@yahoo.com.

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Match Play Returns

This Summer we will be having a match play tournament. It will begin May 5th and will last most of the season. The entry fee is only \$20.00 for the whole tournament, and all of the money will be returned as prizes. Payouts will go to the top four places.

Flights will be determined once everyone has signed up. The deadline is April 30th. The sign-up sheet is at the desk in the Pro Shop.

Here's a rough idea of what will happen. Players will have two weeks to play their match. The lower handicapper will offer two dates for play. If both players agree on a date, great. If not then the high handicapper will offer two dates. If agreement is still not possible, the match MUST be played on the Saturday or Sunday of the two week period.

Play will be from the white tees in the first two rounds (though players may agree to play from the blues, instead). All subsequent rounds will be played from the blue tees.

There are a few more rules and regulations involved, but that gives you the outline. Be aware that some of the Rules of Golf are different when playing Match Play. Rules sheets will be available once play starts.

New Rules of Golf for 2019

The new Rules of Golf have been approved, and there are some interesting new ideas that should help speed up the game. As an example, it will no longer be necessary to remove the flag when putting. If you hit it there is no penalty.

One of the big new developments is the allowance of a local rule for lost ball and out of bounds. If the rule is adopted by our club, you will be able to drop a ball as near a possible to the spot the ball went out of bounds, or was most-probably lost. Of course penalty strokes will be applied. If a player that hits a drive out of bounds and elects to drop rather than hitting a provisional will be hitting his 3rd stroke when he hits the dropped ball.

Check the USGA website for all of the new rules, effective in 2019.

April 11
Field Day and Dinner
White Tees

April 14
4-Man Two Best Ball
Blue Tees

May 19
Spring Individual
Blue Tees