



THE DRIVER



Newsletter of the Madrona Links Men's Club

June 2018

Men's Club Tournaments and June Events

Two Man Best Ball Invitational, June 17

Men vs. Women Round 3, June 30

Two Big Events Again

On June 17 we have the Men's Club 2 Man Best Ball invitational. This is your chance to bring in a friend from outside the club to introduce him to our tournaments and our club. There is a maximum seven stroke differential on this tournament. You can bring in a partner with any GHIN handicap, but if the difference between players is more than 7, the higher handicap will be reduced to make the difference 7. In other words, if you are a 25 and you bring in your best buddy with a 10, your handicap will be reduced to 17. You might still win, even with the reduced handicap, so invite that buddy. Play will be from the white tees.

Later in the month, on the 30th, we have round three of the Men's Club vs the Women's Club. Currently the score is tied at 7 1/2 to 7 1/2, so this is for all of the glory. There is a limit of 24 people per side, so be sure to sign up early so you don't miss out. Men will play from the white tees and women will play from the red tees.

Match Play Is Into Round 2

We had sixty-four entries into the Match Play Tournament, and all of the first round matches are now finished. Several second round matches are being played, and some of the third round matches have been played. It will only be a month or so until the winners of each flight and the consolation round are determined.

Results are posted in the hallway of the side entry to Hacker's.

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Summer Is Here

Now that the weather is decent, the course is playing with "Summer Rules." This means that we are playing regular USGA rules—no preferred lies, no cleaning the ball except on the greens. If you have questions about the rules, check with Ryan or Shane at the desk, they will be happy to explain them. If you really get interested, you can get a rule book from USGA for nothing more than the cost of postage. Just go to the website <https://www.usgapublications.com> and look for the Rules of Golf. The official Rules can be boring and confusing, so you might opt for the book "A Quick Guide to the Rules of Golf." It is available for \$1 plus postage.

The July Shamble

Coming up in July is a new format for the 3 Men and a Lady tournament. Instead of the traditional scramble, this competition will be a SHAMBLE.

The difference between a scramble and a shamble is small but significant. In a shamble, the team picks the best drive, then everyone plays their own ball from that spot. That means that after the drive the team will play four separate golf balls through the end of the hole. It's basically like playing your own game using someone else's drive.

As usual, men will tee off from the whites and women will tee off from the reds.

New Golf Carts

Last but not least, Madrona has a brand new fleet of Yamaha Golf Carts. By all accounts they are far nicer and much faster than the old ones. Come on out and give them a try.

**JUNE 17
2MAN BEST BALL
INVITATIONAL
White Tees**

**JULY 15
3 MEN AND A LADY
SHAMBLE
MEN- WHITE WOMEN-RED**

**JULY 30/31
SENIOR CLUB CHAMPION-
SHIP
WHITE TEES**