



THE COUNTRY CLUB  
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# NEWSLETTER

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## NEW FLAG POLE!



**RED FLAG** means carts are on cart paths only.

## SINGLE CART RIDING

Anytime you take a cart, you are required to share it with another member of your group - if sharing is possible. **A \$30 fee will be levied against golfers who have the opportunity to share a cart but choose to ride solo.** Even if you are only playing a couple of holes you must choose between sharing a cart or paying for a single.

Existing GHIN members automatically renew.

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## NEW YEAR, NEW RULES

The new 2023 edition continues the modernization process, with an emphasis on both inclusion and sustainability. For the first time, the modified Rules for players with disabilities have been fully incorporated into the playing rules without the need to adopt a local rule. The governing bodies will also promote digital and mobile app access to the Rules while significantly reducing the production and distribution of more than 4 million printed books. Several penalties have been relaxed and language has been clarified to help golfers at all levels of play.

### 2023 RULES OF GOLF: 5 KEY CHANGES

The R&A and the USGA have released the most recent edition of the Rules of Golf, effective January 2023.

#### HERE ARE 5 KEY CHANGES

#### New Rule — Modifications for Players with Disabilities

These modifications are now part of the Rules and are in effect for all competitions and all players who fall under the categories covered in new Rule 25.



#### Replacing Damaged Clubs

If your club is damaged during a round (except in cases of abuse) you may replace it, repair it or continue to use it.



#### Ball Moved by Natural Forces

When your ball is at rest after taking relief and then rolls into another area of the course due to natural causes, there is no penalty, and you must replace it.



#### Handicap on Scorecard (Stroke Play Only)

You are not required to put your handicap on your scorecard and there is no penalty if you return your scorecard in a competition with an incorrect handicap as this is now the Committee's responsibility.



#### Simplified Back-on- the-Line Relief

When using this relief option, you are required to drop your ball on the line, and it may roll up to one club-length in any direction.



This change is consistent with other penalty reduction such as reducing the penalty for playing an incorrectly substituted ball from the general penalty to one stroke.

For more information on the Rules of Golf please visit [usga.org](http://usga.org) or [randa.org](http://randa.org).

# 2023 CCA LEAGUE PLAY

April 5th – September 20th (Every Wednesday 5:30pm)

**April 3: Sign Up Deadline** Sign up in the golf shop.

**April 5:** Qualifying Start Date. Turn in card at the end of each round.

**April 26:** League Matches Start Date. Turn in completed card at the end of every round.

**May 10:** Handicap Revisions (based on league performance) **FREE COOK-OUT FOLLOWING PLAY**

**July 12:** Final Handicap Revisions  
**FREE COOK-OUT FOLLOWING PLAY**

**August 30:** Play-Offs Begin  
**FREE COOK-OUT FOLLOWING PLAY**

**September 20<sup>th</sup> should be the final match of the 2023 League Season and all contestants are encouraged to follow.**

**WEEKLY STARTING TIME:** 5:30PM Shotgun start.

**METHOD OF PLAY:** Match Play – Nine holes.

*Remember to complete your round and turn in a card even if your match finishes early)*

**TEAM COMPOSITION:** Two players of any skill level.  
Minimum age 18

**ENTRY FEE:** \$10 PER WEEK. Except in the case of a weather-forced official cancellation of a round the \$10 entry fee will be automatically charged by the golf shop staff **regardless of whether you play or not.**

## **NON MEMBER-MANDATORY CHARGE TYPE ON**

**FILE:** Any player who is not a full member of CCA will be required to keep a debit or credit card on file at the course to facilitate the auto-payment of each week's fees (see below). Non-members will not be charged for golf if you do not play.

## **WEEKLY PLAYER SUBSTITUTIONS WILL NOT**

**PERMITTED.** If your partner is not able to play you will be given one extra shot per hole.

**NON-MEMBER WEEKLY GREENS FEE:** \$29. THIS YEAR THE GOLF FEE SHALL INCLUDE PRE-ROUND DRIVING RANGE BALLS. Non-members may play a few warm-up holes prior to league play, but any such practice originating before 4:00pm will require an 18 hole fee rather than the approved \$29 league fee.

**Sign Up at Proshop Counter.**



## **GREEN ON HOLE #2**

Update: There is a temporary green in play while the real green will remain covered until it springs. Recommended play is to follow an automatic 2 putt once in the temp circle.

## FROM THE GRILLE

**We are gearing up for the golf season!**



We are looking for someone to help out in the bar & kitchen, during the week and especially on the weekends. Duties are not limited to but mainly consist of bartending, food preparation and serving, supply ordering and tournament beverage carts.

## **2023 CART REGISTRATION**

**Stickers for 2023 are \$8.00 and will be available in the Pro Shop.**



# ADVERTISEMENTS OF THE MONTH:

## **VALENTINE'S SPECIAL**

**Buy 3 dozen personalized  
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### **March 25th**

**The Spring Breaker - 2 person Scramble - 9:00 am**  
**Open to the Public**

### **April 5th**

**Wednesday Evening League Begins - 2 Person Scramble Teams - Match Play**  
**Open to the Public**

### **June 9th-11th**

**Annual CCA 4 Ball - 2 person Best Ball Stroke Play**  
**Open to the Public**

### **July 10th**

**The Firecracker - 2 person Scramble - 8:00 am**  
**Open to the Public**