



WELLSHIRE MEN'S GOLF CLUB 2017 NEW MEMBERS LETTER



Welcome New Members,

Congratulations on choosing to join one of the best Men's Clubs in the Denver Metro area! Wellshire Men's Golf Club (WMGC) is dedicated to promoting a fair and competitive golfing experience, while offering social events for fellowship. We offer a variety of tournaments each year culminating with our Club Championship. Our tournament players' membership includes 2 banquets during the Spring and Fall season. Please review the following new members' guidelines.

One aspect of the fair and competitive approach the WMGC aspires is guidelines for New Members establishing their WMGC handicap. WMGC designates an active handicap committee for maintaining accurate handicaps for its members. The committee uses a variety of tools and resources to review and evaluate individual handicaps on an ongoing basis for fair and competitive net tournaments. In doing so, the handicap committee has implemented the following guideline for **New Members to establish a WMGC handicap.**

General Rule: *Before a New member can compete for prize money in net events, the New Member must have played a minimum of 5 rounds at the Wellshire Golf Course after March 15, 2017, which is the start of the 2017 CGA GHIN season. These rounds must be attested by other player(s) in your group and posted by the WMGC Handicap Chairman. In addition:*

- 1. One of the 5 rounds must be a WMGC tournament round if the New Member carried an official handicap during the 2016, or*
- 2. Two of the 5 rounds must be WMGC tournament rounds if the New Member did not carry an official handicap during the 2016.*
- 3. The 2016 official handicap can be from any state and/or any golf club, and that it can be verified by our handicap committee.*
- 4. Multiple 9 hole rounds can be used as well to complete a required 18 hole casual round.*
- 5. Most importantly, the favorite tournament of the year, our Calcutta 4 man Scramble requires a New Member to play in 2 of the first 3 tournaments for eligibility. This tournament is held at the end of May.*

Our general rule for New members has been established and used with positive results for several years. We schedule 3 tournaments at the beginning of each season to assist with meeting the required WMGC tournament guideline. There are several choices for playing in your initial tournaments:

1. A New member may register for a net stroke play tournament and only pay for the green fees (\$42) to meet their required WMGC tournament. You will not be eligible for prize money since you did not include the \$20 prize pool entry.
2. A New member may register for a net stroke play tournament, only pay for the green fees (\$42), and register for gross skins, a \$10 entry fee. You will then be eligible to win a gross skin.
3. A New member may register for a net stroke play tournament as a zero (0) handicap, pay full cost of \$62, and register for gross skins, a \$10 entry fee, if you choose. You will then be eligible for all prize money.
4. No matter what choice is made (1, 2, or 3), a New Member will be eligible for our closest to the pin contests on par 3s. This prize is paid through club funds, making any who participate in the tournament eligible for this prize money.

Tips on getting started:

1. Register as a tournament player as soon as possible for the 2017 season. Even though the first CGA revision is not till March 15, 2017, having your GHIN activated will ensure rounds posted starting March 15th will activate.
2. *** Turn in all signed and attested score cards from casual rounds played after March 15th, no matter what course you played. The more casual rounds played, the better possibility the casual rounds required at Wellshire Golf Course will be deferred.
 - a. There is an envelope labeled 'Men's Club Scorecards' tacked to the bulletin board next to the GHIN computer in the Wellshire Pro Shop. Place all attested scorecards in this envelope.
3. You are also welcome to arrange casual rounds with Board Members so you may learn more about our Club.

In event a New Member has paid their membership dues and chooses to decline membership due to objection of our New Members guideline, **all dues shall be refunded in full and your handicap will be de-activated.**
Note: If a New Member objects but still desires to pay for an active handicap, the WMGC will refund the dues minus the Associate Member handicap fee. Please go to our website (www.wellshire.com) and use the "Membership" tab for reviewing this newsletter and completing a membership form.

Please contact John Crowley, Membership Director, mrjohncrowley@gmail.com or me with any questions or concerns. Also, with any handicap questions, please contact Tim Cronan, Handicap Chairman at timc24@hotmail.com.

For:

Jack Faunce, Vice President	John Hyer, Secretary	Jim Martindale, Treasurer
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Tim Cronan, Handicap Chairman	Rod Hernley, IT Specialist	

We are honored to have you as a New Member and look forward to meeting you in person at our first tournament, April 8, 2017 at Wellshire Golf Course.

Respectfully,

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