



WELLSHIRE MEN'S GOLF CLUB

2017 SPRING NEWSLETTER



"If a lot of people gripped a knife and fork the way they do a golf club, they'd starve to death" ~ Sam Snead

Spring is soon upon us. It's time to get the game in shape. Our tournament directors were on top of things and emailed the tournament newsletter with important information regarding the start of this 2017 season. If you didn't receive it or have questions, I am certain Bob Dougherty or Derek Serlet will be happy to answer them for you. Their emails are listed below.

As a reminder, 2 important deadline dates to be eligible for our first tourney; March 13th for membership sign-up to be activated in GHIN when the Colorado season starts on March 15th, and March 29th for first tourney sign-up deadline. The first tournament, April 8th, is capped at 100 players so don't miss out.

The first 3 tournaments are now open for registration on the website under the tournaments tab; Individual Stroke Play – April 8th, Individual Stroke Play – April 22nd, and Jerry Davis Memorial 2 man best ball – May 6th

The highlight of the Spring season is our banquet and Calcutta on May 19, 2017 in one of the Wellshire Inn banquet rooms. Drinks will served at 530 pm with dinner starting at 6 pm. The Calcutta bidding will commence after announcements. This year's Calcutta betting shall be more in line with years past. **The specifics for the Calcutta betting are below.** We thank all those members last year (who showed up) for your patience when trying a new system.

New members: The Calcutta betting is based on teams for the May 21st ABCD Scramble tournament. Establish your WMGC handicap and play in 2 of the first 3 tournaments to be eligible to play in the ABCD Scramble Sunday May 21, 2017. You should still sign up and attend the banquet and Calcutta on Friday night, even if you do not qualify for the Sunday scramble. The dues you paid include both of our Spring and Fall banquet feasts.

Match Play and Season Long Best Ball (SLBB) registration is currently underway so don't miss out. You can register online on our website under the Tournament tab and select match play and/or SLBB. Remember, your SLBB scores only count for the tournaments played after you have registered and paid. **I will again remind you, please be courteous to other members and only sign up for match play if you can be available on weekends and are not taking any long vacations this Spring or Summer.**

***** Change:** To assist with getting matches played this 2017 season, the Board is allowing matches to be played at other golf courses as long as both members agree. This will also assist with Labor Day weekend since Wellshire is closed for the annual Four Ball tournament. Please review the match play registration letter for specific rules on playing at other courses.

We look forward to seeing returning and new members at our first WMGC tournament in 2017.

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2017 WMGC ELIGIBILITY AND CALCUTTA RULES FOR THE 2017 ABCD SCRAMBLE TOURNAMENT

Eligibility for the ABCD Scramble; (A must read for all members)

1. All members must have a 2017 WMGC tourney handicap on May 15, 2017.
2. **New:** **All members must have played in 1 of the first 3 2017 WMGC tournaments (04/08, 04/22, 05/06).
3. All new members must have played in 2 of the first 3 2017 WMGC tournaments (04/08, 04/22, 05/06).

Calcutta Bidding Rules:

1. Teams shall be bid on in order of seeding, highest seed first.
2. Bidding shall commence at \$300.
3. Bidding on each team shall be limited to 10 minutes, with the last bid at the 10 minute mark winning the team.
4. Teams may bid on themselves at any point during the bidding process.

Calcutta:

1. If the team buys itself:
 - a. **The "A" player is responsible for paying the total price of the bid immediately and the team owns 100% of themselves.** The "A" player may then collect monies from the other team members at his convenience.
2. If a Third Party wins the auction:
 - a. The Team purchased must decide and announce immediately after the winning bid, the percentage, if any, they wish to own of their own team.
 - b. **The "Third Party owner" is responsible for paying the total price of the bid immediately.** The Third Party may first collect the monies from the team they purchased based on the team's choice of percentage. The "A" player on the team must immediately pay the total percentage of their contribution to the Third Party.
 - c. A team's choice of contribution shall be limited to 3 choices – 50%, 25%, or 0% of the winning bid.
 - d. The team must also make payment to the Third Party winning bidder that evening or forfeit any opportunity to purchase part of the winning bid.
 - e. A team choosing a percentage shall also receive in payment as such:
 - i. A team purchasing 50% of winning bid shall win 50% of the winning payout.
 - ii. A team purchasing 25% of winning bid shall win 25% of the winning payout.
 - iii. A team choosing not to purchase (0%) any part of the winning bid, shall not be eligible to win any part of the winning payout.
 - f. ****If none of the team members are present to declare a percentage of contribution to the Third Party:**
 - i. The team shall have an automatic contribution of 25%.
 - ii. The team shall either pay the Third Party their 25% share on Scramble Tournament day or decline their 25% contribution prior to their tee time.
 - iii. If the team neglects to inform the Third Party prior to tee time, their 25% contribution shall be forfeited and the Third Party shall hold 100% of the bid.
 - g. In event a team purchases part of the bid from a Third Party who has forfeited, the team shall be refunded by the Third Party and will be excluded only from the Calcutta payout prize money. The team will not be excluded from the Tournament prize pool.
 - h. If the Third Party does not refund the team for their share due to forfeit, the Third Party shall be suspended from the club and all winnings previous shall be withheld until reimbursement is made.

Payout Prize Money:

1. The Calcutta shall pay out to the top 4 teams. Ties shall be broken through best score by handicap hole, starting with the #1 handicap hole. There will be only 4 places paid, so ties will be in effect for all places.
2. The winning percentages are such: 1st place 40%, 2nd place 30%, 3rd place 20%, and 4th place 10%.
3. **Change from previous years (in bold**):** Payouts shall be sent to:
 - a. Third party winning bidder purchasing 100% of bid.
 - b. ****Third party winning bidder purchasing their percentage of the bid, and "A" player of team purchasing their percentage of the bid.**
 - c. "A" player of the team purchasing 100% of bid.
4. The third party winning bidder and "A" player shall be responsible to pay all others earning part of the winning payout.
 - a. Third party and "A" player shall have 30 days to ensure others eligible for winning payouts are paid.
 - b. If third party and "A" player fail to meet this deadline they shall be suspended from the club, have all previous winnings withheld, and be suspended from participating in the following year's Calcutta and ABCD Scramble.

NOTE & CLARIFICATIONS

- All transactions the evening of the banquet must be completed the night of the banquet!!!
- If any check used to pay for the final bid is returned for lack of funds, the winning bidder shall forfeit their bid!
- "A" players shall be playing from the back tee boxes on holes #5 and #18.
- "D" players shall be playing from the black tees on holes #12 and #18.
- If any member of the foursome is a no show on Sunday, the day of the Scramble, the team will be removed from the Calcutta portion of the tournament and monies refunded.

For any questions or concerns, please contact Jack Faunce, Vice President or EJ Pappas, President.