

Introduction

Hosting a golf outing can be a great way to entertain business colleagues, friends, or clients to a day of fun, relaxation, and if you wish, competition.

Together with our staff, we have created this guide to help you plan a successful golf outing. We appreciate your consideration to allow us the opportunities of hosting your future golf outings.

Organization is one of the key aspects to successfully running a golf outing. Our staff works very hard to coordinate your golf outing ahead of time to assure a first class golf event that will make your day relaxing and memorable. We request your help in communicating to us your special needs so that on the day of your event, you can relax and enjoy the company of your guests while we provide the experience.

Glossary of Common Terms

Tee Times Start: One foursome tees off every eight minutes.

Double Tee Start: One foursome tees off every eight minutes off of #1 tee and #10 tee. This is typically done for two hours to allow the groups to turn to their respective back nines.

Shotgun Start: All foursomes begin play at the same time on a different hole, accommodates up to 128 players. Back Nine Shotgun or Mini Shotgun: All foursomes begin play at the same time on a different hole, not using the entire golf course. (Usually holes 10 - 18)

Scramble Format: This is the most popular golf outing format because it allows golfers with varying skills to compete together. Each player in the foursomes will tee off, the best shot is selected and all players will move their ball to this location and play their second shot from that position. This format is followed until the ball is holed. The team score is marked on the scorecard for each hole. Handicaps may or may not be used with this style of format.

Best Ball Format: Each player plays their own ball for the hole and the best score of the foursome is recorded. This can be modified to a two best ball where two scores are recorded and can be used with or without handicaps. This also is a popular format to be used amongst group outings.

Individual Stroke Play: This format is often used for competitive golf. Each player plays their own ball each hole and records their individual scores. Handicaps may or may not be used in this format. This format is usually used with smaller groups that wish to play a more competitive style of golf. Using this format for large outings can sometimes make for a longer round of golf and can be frustrating to your inexperienced golfers.

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group. Glen Eagle Golf Club will provide a proximity sign marker for your event. This is usually held on a par three hole on the course and the participants will mark their name on the sign when they hit their shot closest to the hole. The sign will be moved each time a player hits their tee shot closer than the previous player. The final player to come through that hole and have the closest shot to the pin will be awarded as the winner.

Longest Drive: This is also a popular contest to have with group play. It works similar to the closest to the pin contest but the player with the longest tee shot in the fairway will mark their name on the proximity marker. Again, the last player to play the designated hole with the longest drive will be awarded as the winner.

Course Contests

Having course contest holes is a fun way to add enjoyment for your guests during your special golf outings. Groups will often choose a variety of contests for the day's events and award prizes such as golf shop gift certificates, trophies, and other prizes to the winners of each contest. Listed below are some of the most popular contests used for golf outings, but please feel free to use your imagination and come up with your own.

Closest To The Pin: This is a popular contest to have for any size group. Glen Eagle Golf Club will provide a proximity sign marker for your contest. This is typically held on par three's. The golfer that hits his or her shot closest the pin is awarded the winner. Some groups will have separate contests for men and ladies but it is not always necessary.

Longest Drive: This is similar to the closest to the pin contest. In this contest the prize is awarded to the player who hits the longest drive on a designated hole. Again, we will provide the proximity sign marker for you. The winning drive must remain in the fairway. It is often recommended that a separate contest be held for men and women for this type of event.

Straightest Drive: In this contest, a line is drawn down the center of the fairway with either chalk or rope. The player who hits his or her tee shot closest to the line designates the winner. Distance is not the objective here, accuracy is!

Longest Putt: This contest can be held on any green. The winner of this event is awarded based on the player who holes the longest putt on the designated green.

Beat The Pro: For this contest the object is obviously to Beat the Pro! The participants can wager any amount of money from \$5 to \$100. We do our Beat the Pro Las Vegas style. After the player

decides to participate and an amount to wager, he or she is given a dice to roll. Whatever they roll is multiplied by the amount of their wager. If the participant hits his or her shot closer to the hole than our professional, they will be awarded their wager multiplied by the number they roll on the dice in golf shop gift certificates. If they do not beat the pro, they get their wager back in golf shop gift certificates. So, you can't lose! This is a fun way for your participants to take their chances against one of our PGA Professionals.

Create Your Own: It is our pleasure to assist you in creating any special contests you may want to have for your event.

Golf Course Maintenance

Glen Eagle Club prides itself in offering only the finest in golf course conditions. Our golf course is a living environment that is constantly changing throughout the year. Maintenance activities such as watering and mowing need to be done nearly every day. Most of this work can be accomplished prior to or following your outing. However, due to weather conditions some of these activities may be taking place during playing hours. Our maintenance staff is trained to be conscious of our players and be as unobtrusive as possible.

Some activities such as aerification are essential for premium turf conditions. Aerifications are typically done in the late spring, summer, and early fall. Course closure dates are scheduled for our major aerification dates and once the greens are aerified and top-dressed, they are very playable the following day. Optimum playing conditions are typically restored within three to five days.