

LGA at BlackstoneBlackbear
18 Hole League (the "League")
STANDING RULES (2018)

Play Days. Play days will be on Wednesday, played at alternate courses as per schedule. There will be a game of the day as indicated on the schedule. Once play day is complete, each member is responsible for entering their score for the game of the day and completing the ringer sheet.

Scorecard and Recording. Participation and payout in the weekly games is through the submission of properly completed scorecards. Please observe the following steps in completing your scorecard.

1. Exchange cards with playing partners.
2. Write your full name on the scorecard.
3. Sign your card and have it attested by one of your playing partners.
4. Each birdie, eagle, chip-in should be circled on your scorecard.
5. Each player must count all strokes in league play. Once a player reaches a score of 10 on a hole, she must pick up and record a 10x on the scorecard. This does NOT disqualify her from the daily tournament. For the ringer, the player will record three (3) putts.

Each member is responsible for entering their adjusted ESC score into the GHIN system.

Ringer Sheet. The ringer sheet is a season long record of each player's best gross score on each individual hole on each of Blackstone and Black Bear courses. On a member's first play day at each course, the member is responsible for recording their gross score for each hole. Each play day thereafter, any score that is lower than a score previously recorded, should be recorded. At the end of the season a player's best 18 hole score for each of the courses (Blackstone and Black Bear) is totaled. If play is interrupted due to inclement weather, a player may post the Ringer scores for finished holes only.

Hole-in-One. To receive a monetary prize for a Hole-in-One, you must participate in the Hole-in-One pot and have made your Hole-in-One on a League play date at either Blackstone or Black Bear. Before pay-out, \$100 dollars or such other amount as may be determined from time to time by the Board, shall be retained in the Hole-In-One pot. The remaining amount shall be available for pay-out and the pay-out will be awarded at the year-end meeting. The prize money will be split equally if there is more than one winner. Hole-in-One funds shall be a separate line item in the budget. Should no one win the Hole-in-One prize during the season, money accumulated will be carried over to the following year.

Interclub A, B & C Team. To be eligible to play on one of the League's Interclub teams, one must be a paid member of the League and regularly participate in League play days.

League Championship.

1. Members must play a minimum of four (4) 18-hole play days to be eligible to play in the League Championship.
2. The League Championship will be flighted by handicap based on the most recent GHIN revision.
3. Members whose course handicap places them into 2 different flights will play in the *lower* flight at both courses.
4. At Blackstone, members with a Course Handicap of 0-19 will play from the combo tees. Members with a Course Handicap of 20 or higher will play from the red tees.
5. At Black Bear, all members will play from the red tees.
6. All members will play out every hole; no 10x's will be allowed.
7. The low gross score will determine the winner of the League Championship.
8. The LGA 18 Hole Board will determine the balance of the awards.
9. Members playing in the League Championship will play the same hazard rules as they played during the season.

Dues. GHIN dues will be billed directly to member account by ClubCorp. League membership dues shall cover reasonable administration costs, Year End Awards for Ringer Board, Lowest Putts and Birdie/Chip-Ins, League Championship, game day payouts, and such other reasonable expenses related to the League, as determined by the Board.

Cancellation. If a member cannot make their scheduled tee time, they are responsible for notifying the Pro Shop of the course they are playing. No Show/No Call may result in a charge to the member's account. The Board will determine if there is a habitual abuser of this policy.

Inclement Weather. If the Club does not allow carts on the course, play day may be cancelled. The Vice President will notify the pro shop of any cancellation of play an hour before the first tee time. Members are still welcome to play on their own, but no prize money will be awarded.

Tee Markers/Drop Zones. Tee markers and drop zones for all league events will be as follows:

Flight A:

Blackstone Course Handicap of 0-19 will play from the combo tees and drop zones are allowed.

Black Bear Course Handicap of 0-18 will play from the red tees and drop zones are NOT allowed.

Flight B:

Blackstone Course Handicap of 20-30 will play from the red tees and drop zones are allowed.

Black Bear Course Handicap of 19-29 will play from the red tees and drop zones are allowed.

Flight C:

Blackstone Course Handicap of 31+ will play from the red tees and drop zones are allowed.

Black Bear Course Handicap of 30+ will play from the red tees and drop zones are allowed.

Incomplete Rounds. If a member does not complete a league round, with no injury or emergency, the Equitable Stroke Count (ESC) rule will be applied to post the score. The member must have played at least 13 holes to post an 18 hole score. Incomplete rounds will disqualify the member from the daily game and ringers cannot be posted. Incomplete rounds will not count as a play day. If the same member has a second incomplete round with no injury or emergency, this member will be unable to compete in the League Championship. If there is a third incomplete round, the member will be suspended from league play the rest of the season. Incomplete rounds may also disqualify the member from participation in InterClub play.

Rain Outs. Weekly game days that are cancelled due to weather will not count as a League Day played. This means that it will not qualify for the minimum 4 days played for the League Championship nor can it be used as attendance for any other tournament qualifications.

Handicaps. Each member must have a USGA Handicap. New members are eligible for weekly games and tournament play if they have a current GHIN handicap. A temporary handicap based on five (5) eighteen hole scores or more is acceptable until a USGA handicap is established.

Handicaps are based on the best ten out of twenty scores posted. The CWGA active golf season is from March through October. Scores may be posted during this time.

New handicaps become effective when revised every two weeks. All weekly games will be played under the current handicap, unless otherwise specified. The Handicap Revision Schedule will be on the bulletin board in the Ladies Locker Room.

All members will post casual round scores into the GHIN system to maintain an accurate Handicap Index.

Equitable Stroke Procedure. Equitable stroke control (ESC) sets a maximum score that a player can post on any hole, based on the player’s course handicap. ESC keeps an exceptionally bad hole from changing a Handicap Index too much and sets a maximum ESC number that a player can post on any hole depending on that player’s Course Handicap.

For handicap purposes, after the round, a player is required to adjust hole scores when these hole scores are higher than the maximum ESC number.

All scores, including tournament scores, are adjusted for ESC. A player can adjust for ESC on any number of holes; there is no limit.

Course Handicap	Maximum Number on any hole
9 or less	Double Bogey
10 through 19	7
20 through 29	8
30 through 39	9
40 or more	10

Equitable Stroke Control applies to scores posted to the GHIN System for handicap purposes only. Weekly scores used for determining weekly game winners are pre-ESC adjustments

Standing Rules may be amended or revised by a two-thirds majority vote of members present at any regular or special meeting of the League.

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