



THE DRIVER

Newsletter of the Madrona Links Men's Club

June 2019

Men's Club Tournaments and June Events

2-Man Best Ball Invitational, June 16

Winter Rules are Over!

The Invitational

The June invitational is a great chance to invite a non-member friend to enter one of our tournaments. The format will be Best Ball, and it will be played from the white tees. Call up one of your golf buddies from another club and let him have a chance to see what Men's Club tournaments are like at Madrona. Who knows, he might even decide to join the club.

Congratulations

It seems that the coming of Spring brought out the best in a number of golfers.

Jerry Welch got his second ace on #12 from the blue tees using an 8 iron.

Not to be outdone **David Allen** aced #2 using a 5 wood from the white tees.

Bob Giroux shot a 78 from the whites. That's one below his age of 79.

Bob Przecha eagled #1 by holing out from 190 yards away.

Last but not least, our reigning Senior Club Champion, **Doug Spring**, won the Tacoma Golf Association Senior Champion of Champions title.

If you done something noteworthy, leave a note for The Driver at the desk in the Pro Shop, or email Madronadriver@gmail.com with the details.

AT LONG LAST, WINTER RULES ARE GONE UNTIL NOVEMBER

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Match Play Continues

Match play started in mid-May, and will continue throughout the Summer. If you are entered in the Match Play Tournament there are a few things that you should know. First and foremost, the Rules of Golf governing match play are somewhat different than the rules for normal stroke play. Some of the rules infractions in match play result in loss of hole or disqualification, rather than just a stroke or two.

The second thing to be aware of is the difference in handicapping in match play. Your handicap is not taken from the handicap sheets by the Men's Club Computer. There is a separate sheet that can be found at the desk, or near the match play results listings that will tell you your match play handicap.

Third, each player may choose to play from either the white tee boxes or the blues. Players need NOT play from the same tee boxes. Be aware that if you choose to play from the whites and your opponent plays from the blues, you will have to give your opponent 2 strokes of handicap. An example could be: Player A and Player B have identical indexes, that means they have identical handicaps. If they both play from the whites or both play from the blues, they play even golf, no advantage to either player. But if Player A opts to play from the whites and Player B plays from the blues, then Player A must give Player B two strokes (in addition to any other handicap difference). It sounds confusing and seems counter-intuitive, but that's one of the rules of match play.

Finally, there is a special column on the handicap table that is used when the stroke differential between players is 9 strokes or more. If Player A has a handicap that is 8 and Player B has a handicap of 18, then Player B must use the 9 stroke or more column to figure his handicap.

If you have any questions about the handicaps, check with the desk, or with Gary Roadhouse.

June 16
2-man Best Ball Invitational
White tees

July 10
Field Day
Noon Shotgun
White Tees

July 14
3 Men and a Lady
Shamble
(Men-White Ladies-Red)