# Jacksonville Area Summer Team Play 2021 Procedures & Guidelines



Weekly Results Must Be Emailed by 5 p.m. on Tuesdays to jaxsummerteam@comcast.net Example, In the Subject Line: King & Bear 27 BYE 27

#### ELIGIBILITY: Players must:

- Be active members of their respective Golf Club and/or members of their Club's Ladies Golf Association.
- Have a current, verifiable USGA handicap.
- NEW Have a maximum of 36.4 index. Exceptions may apply with prior consent between club captains. 36 is the maximum number of strokes for match play.
- Players who belong to several clubs must declare which Club they will represent for that season's Summer Team Play when the rosters are prepared, *no exceptions*.

#### ROSTERS DUE BY MAY 17, 2021:

- Team Captains must provide all other teams with a copy to jaxsummerteam@comcast.net within their respective area a listing of eligible team members by May 17, 2021.
- No additions are allowed after May 20, 2021. (Refer to Sample Roster for style)
- NEW GHIN Numbers must be included for all players

### **GOLF FEES:**

- Team members pay normal cart fees during matches.
- Host captains are responsible to relay any unusual payment restrictions (use of credit cards, checks, cash etc.) to the Visiting Captain in advance of match. Rosters must include this information. *All players are required to ride in carts.*

**FORMAT & SCORING:** Four-Ball Match Play. Two play their better net ball against the better net ball of the other two. Each of the 3 matches is worth 18 points.

- Each hole is worth 1 point for a win.
- Tied Holes are worth 1/2 point to each side.

The aggregate totals for each Club every week during the course of the 10 week season shall determine the area winner.

**ALLOCATION OF STROKES:** The lowest handicapped person will play at scratch and the others get the full difference between the lowest hdcp and their handicap.

**TEAMS** are made up of 6\* members per Club (side): 2 on the A Team; 2 on the B Team; 2 on the C Team (\*Any team (side) may be represented by 1 player if needed)

**TEAM COMPOSITION**: The two players having the lowest handicaps and combined total will be the A team, B and C teams follow in order of handicaps lowest to highest.

#### HANDICAP SPREADS BETWEEN TEAMS:

- Try to keep the spread between sides close.
- If the Host Captain cannot closely match the strokes of the opposing handicaps *notify the Visiting Captain as soon as possible.*
- Visiting Captains may change the players in order to bring about a more balanced match of handicaps & must notify Host.
- We ask Captains only to use this option when large spreads exist between sides.
- Every attempt must be made to notify each other of last minute changes PRIOR to play day.

**SCORECARDS:** The "Host" Team Captain is responsible for for preparing 2 scorecards per team correctly reflecting the strokes for each player. LOCAL RULES should be provided in addition to the scorecards.

### HANDICAPS:

- NEW Use the USGA handicap indexes in effect on Wed. of each week (Example:index 5/26 used for match 6/1)
- NEW Players receive 90% of their handicap (max. of 36)
- Players with handicaps established at more than one course, must be listed on your Club's roster The lowest of multiple handicaps must be used.
- It is the Player's responsibility to check the scorecard and make sure their handicap is correct on the scorecard.

**RULES**: USGA rules are in effect. Play the ball down unless otherwise announced by the host club. Always check for any local rules that may also apply.

# Getting Started...

1. **VISITING CAPTAIN:** Must call or email the Host Captain with her team members and their current handicap indexes by Wed. Prior to Tuesday Match No later than 5 p.m.

### 2. HOST CAPTAIN:

- Matching players as closely as possible to Visiting Teams by Fri. Prior to Tuesday Match By 5 p.m.
- Call Visiting Team ASAP if there will be great handicap disparities in any match.
- Day Of Match: Each Team Receives 2 Scorecards
- Report the results by email to: jaxsummer team@comcast.net No Later Than 5 p.m. On Tuesdays

## Postponement or Suspension of Play

Matches may not be postponed because of one partner for all or any part of a match. All partners need not be present. An absent partner may join a match between holes but not during the play of a hole.

**Partially completed matches** will be continued from the point where play was suspended. A match partially completed which cannot be continued because of a total washout, course unplayable, or an irreconcilable solution, will have the remaining points halved. Points already won will stand.

**If a team defaults,** their opponent gets 54 points. Any postponed match due to weather, or any other valid reason, must be made up before the next Tuesday's play or as soon as possible

**IMPORTANT NOTE:** Any match that has to stop due to weather and can't be resumed that day, must split remaining points for all holes not played.

# **Posting Scores**

Players must verify and agree on:

- Total Points
- Individuals' Gross Scores
- Sign & Attest Score Cards

Captains are responsible for making sure that players' scores are posted as

- "C" Scores
- Posted SAME DAY as match

The Committee reserves the right to adjust any course handicap of a player who does not post all acceptable scores, or does not otherwise observe the spirit of the <u>USGA Handicap</u> <u>System</u>.

# Work Together

Visiting Captains and Host Captains work together when making up your teams.

The more even the "sides" the more your players will enjoy the competition.

Avoid last minute changes.

If you do have last minute changes alert the other team ASAP by TEXT, email and phone call.

Rescheduling matches is unavoidable. Any team may waive their "home" course advantage if there are no other options than to play a team twice as an "away" match.



### Pace of Play

It is every player's obligation to maintain pace of play.

Each Golf Club has the authority to ask chronically slow groups to pick up their balls, half all remaining holes, until they have assumed their proper position on the course according to the time. If you are out of a hole, pick up and use the Equitable Stroke Control method or "The score most likely to have made" for posting your score for that hole.

You can follow Match Play order of play WITHOUT playing SLOW.

### Ready golf means BE READY TO HIT WHEN IT IS YOUR TURN.

### **Helpful Hints:**

- Announce what you are "lying" when you arrive to the green.
- When possible drop off your cart partner and position yourself to be ready when it is your turn to play.
- Find your yardage and select your club and while other's are hitting their shots
- Prepare mentally for your putt while others' are putting
- Please Stay off your Cell Phone!

### THE CHAMPIONSHIPS - (Round 1:Thursday August 5; Round 2:Tuesday, August 10; Final Round:Thursday, August 12)

**PHASE 1:Determine Area Champions:** The team winning the most points from June 4-August 6 is the Area Champion. A tie will be broken on the basis of the results of the team-to-team matches played during the season. The team who has scored the most points will be declared the winner. If this result is also a tie, a playoff match will be played at a neutral course.

**To determine Wild Card positions:** These positions will be filled by the top teams not winning their area but collecting the most total points of all the remaining teams. These teams will make the Playoff bracket even, thus no team will have a BYE during the Playoffs. In the event there is more than one team qualifying for a Wild Card position, a blind draw will be conducted by the Chair.

**Competition Venues:** Neutral sites will be selected for all rounds of the playoffs including the Championship round. Anyone wishing a practice round must contact their own PGA professional to make arrangements. The Summer Team Association does not secure any agreements for practice rounds during the season or for playoffs.

**Brackets**: Area winners will be seeded from highest points accumulated to lowest (#1-5). Wild Card winners will be seeded from lowest points accumulated to highest (#8-6).

**PHASE II - TEAM PLAY CHAMPION:** See Playoff schedule below. In the event a playoff match ends in an overall tie, a 3-hole match starting at hole 1 will be played immediately by all 3 teams (A-B-C). If the match is still tied after the 3 holes, hole-by-hole sudden death will determine the winner.

| Example:           |     |                 |     |
|--------------------|-----|-----------------|-----|
| Area Winners Seeds |     | Wild Card Seeds |     |
| 1. Area 1          | 350 | 8.WC            | 312 |
| 2. Area 3          | 345 | 7.WC            | 340 |
| 3. Area 4          | 320 | 6.WC            | 341 |
| 4.Area 2           | 315 |                 |     |
| 5.Area 5           | 314 |                 |     |

### **PLAYOFF SCHEDULE:**

