

Trail Ridge Men's Golf Club Membership
Information and Responsibilities

Member Communications

1. General Membership Meetings are held the first and fourth quarters of each year. Your participation is important in order that the Trail Ridge Men's Golf Club (TRMGC) Officers can present information and dialog with members
2. E-Mail messages of interest are sent between General Meetings to alert members of special or Club events.
3. Three Bulletin boards (side by side) at the Trail Ridge golf club serve a very important role for Club Members. AGA news, Tee Time and Pairings each week, Handicap Updates, Tournaments Information, Game Winners, Closest to the Pin HC assignments for each week and much more. Information is posted for your benefit.

DUES

1. Current year dues are \$65.00, before 12/15; \$70 after 12/15 for 1-year TRMGC and AGA memberships
 - a. \$35.00 AGA membership, which may be paid online. After 12/31/2021 AGA fee is \$40.00 online.
 - b. \$30.00 Trail Ridge Men's Golf Club membership fee.
2. Membership year is: 10/15/current year thru 12/31/following year
3. Renewals & new memberships after 12/15 will be \$70.00 if AGA membership is not paid online before 12/31. TRMGC dues remain \$30.00
4. Non-competitive members pay only the \$30.00, can play weekly, do not pay sweeps and do not participate in the game of the week. They can attend all social events and win the \$100.00 Hole in One prize.

New, Renewals and Changes

1. Fill out the Membership Application card located at the AGA computer console or on this sight to provide new membership, renewal or changes (e.g. address, phone, REC Card number, GHIN # or email) information.

2. Make Check payable to "Trail Ridge Men's Golf Club" and place in envelope with Membership Application card.

a. \$35.00 if paying AGA online, \$40.00 if paid after 12/15/2021 (for AGA membership)

b. \$65.00 if paid before 12/15/2021 for both; for the year 2022 and beyond until further notice

c. \$70.00 if paid after 12/15/2021 for both; for the year 2022 and beyond until further notice

3. Don't leave "GHIN #" or Email fields blank. Enter "unknown" or "none" when applicable.

4. Place the card and check in the envelope and deposit in the slot at AGA computer console, put in pouch or Mail to:

Trail Ridge Men's Golf Club

Attn: Nancy Hewes

21021 N 151st Avenue

Sun City West, AZ 85375

5. If submitting change information only, mark "CHANGE" on membership form.

REC CARD and AGA Member Numbers

1. Your REC Card Number is used as your "Local Number" for booking tee times. Exception: If a member is an employee of the Rec Center (RCSCW), they are to use their Employee Number to book rounds. The Monitor is to use the employee's Rec Card Number to turn in tournament winnings.

2. The AZ Golf Association issues a 7-digit GHIN number to their members. This number is shown on handicap labels.

3. Your GHIN # is used to post scores at "AWAY" computers (away from Trail Ridge). All "AWAY" scores can be held and later posted at Trail Ridge for all REC Center courses, and all other GHIN courses holding USGA certified Ratings and Slopes.

4. When moving from a GHIN course to Trail Ridge, be sure to note your GHIN Member Number on the Membership Application card to ensure that your score history is retrieved for processing a handicap at Trail Ridge.

Scheduling/Canceling Wednesday Men's Club Play

1. Submit a TeeTime request form on Wednesday to be included in the following week's schedule. These forms are in each pouch and available on the Monitor's table.
2. If you want to play and are not scheduled, respond to the Monitor via email (preferred method) (swimmer253@yahoo.com). To cancel a scheduled tee time, correspond to the Monitor via e-mail (swimmer253@yahoo.com)
3. A revised schedule and an alpha tee listing are sent out on Mondays to the full membership if you have an email address. Please make changes prior to 6:00 pm on Monday when possible.
4. When necessary to make changes on Tuesday, members may respond to the latest e-mail message from the monitor (swimmer253@yahoo.com) and rely on the responding acknowledgement as the updated schedule. Members cancelling after 6:00 pm on Monday should pay the Monitor fee for the week cancelled the next time they golf.
5. Check bulletin boards at Trail Ridge or the website (<http://trmengolf.scwclubs.com/>) for the most recently published schedule. Initial schedule is input by Golf Ops on Thursday and all changes are input by Golf Ops Tuesday morning.
6. Schedules are posted to the TRMGC website (<http://trmengolf.scwclubs.com/>) in the Weekly News section each Thursday and Monday.
7. All scheduling is done from a) Tee Time Request form or b) e-mail requests.

Men's Club Monitor

1. Nancy Hewes serves as the Trail Ridge Men's Golf Club Monitor and is present each Wednesday to distribute pouches for each group for both the 1st and 2nd crossover. Play from week to week is not automatic. You or your Captain fills out a Tee Time Request form for the following week. Forms are in each pouch and available on the Monitor's table. Select the tee to be played on this form.
2. The Monitor prepares the Tee Time schedule posted on the Trail Ridge bulletin board and forwards all reservations to the REC Center Tee Time computer schedulers (Golf Ops).
3. See Scheduling/Canceling Wednesday Men's Club Play section above for details.
4. The Monitor distributes Men's Club scorecards to group Captains in a pouch prepared for each tee time on Wednesday.
5. The Monitor describes and monitors the format for each Wednesday's game. See the Game Schedule page or the bulletin board for scheduled events.

6. The Monitor should not be called at home except in case of last-minute emergencies regarding Wednesday play scheduling. Beyond normal Wednesday contact, use e-mail ([swimmer253@yahoo.com.](mailto:swimmer253@yahoo.com))

Fees, Prizes and Games

- 1) \$3.00 is added to your green fee for prizes (aka Sweeps). Prizes are paid through Tournament winnings which can be spent at any Pro Shop in Sun City West. Each member playing on a given Wednesday must pay sweeps unless they do not have an established handicap.
- 2) The Team Captain collects a \$2.00 Monitor fee from each player and guest.

Captain's Responsibilities

- 1) Collect the \$2.00 Monitor fee per member or guest.
- 2) Ensure that scorecards are correct; correct score on each hole.
 - a) Names are spelled correctly.
 - b) Rec Card/Employee Numbers are accurate.
 - c) Tee and Handicaps are correct.
 - d) All members of the group understand the game of the day.
 - e) "Game of the Day" scorecard entries are accurate.
- 3) Enforce USGA & Local Rules (e.g. maximum 14 clubs per bag).
- 4) Audit scorecards:
 - a) Adjusted (Net) score noted.
 - b) "Game of the Day" scores entered properly.
 - c) Attesting signatures are obtained from each member of the group.
 - d) Return scorecard to Monitor in pouch with completed Tee Time Request forms for the next week, completed Blind Bogey tickets (when applicable) and Monitor's fee.

LOCAL RULES

All play will be in accordance with current USGA rules except as modified below:

1. Distance Measuring Devices. For all play at these courses a player may obtain distance information by using a device that measures distance only. If, during a round, a player uses a distance-measuring device that is designed to gauge or measure other conditions that might affect his play (e.g., gradient, wind speed, temperature, etc.), the player is in breach of Rule 14-3, for which the penalty is disqualification, regardless of whether any such additional function is actually used.
2. Water Hazards. All lakes are played as lateral hazards and are defined by red stakes and/or red lines. When both stakes and lines are present, stakes identify the hazard and the lines define the hazard. See Rule 26.
3. Stones in Bunkers. Stones in bunkers are movable impediments and may be lifted without penalty. See Rule 24-1.
4. Out of Bounds (OOB). Defined by the inside edge at ground level of bound walls, perimeter fence posts, brick property lines, white stakes, street curbing and public roads. A ball that crosses a public road, defined as out of bounds, and comes to rest beyond that road, is out of bounds, even though it may lie on another part of the course. See Rule 27. For play on Wednesday's (TRMGC day), an option for OOB; either play a provisional ball from the previous spot (one-stroke penalty) and take stroke and distance penalty OR, you may place your ball in the fairway, within the drop area from the edge of the fairway closest to the point of OOB, no nearer the hole and assess a two-stroke penalty.
5. Service Road Right Side of #9 Fairway. Road is in play. When ball comes to rest on the maintenance road; play it as it lies.
6. Drop Zone. Ball will be dropped in the designated circle or within two (2) club lengths behind the sign.
7. Abnormal Ground Conditions. An "abnormal ground condition" is any casual water, ground under repair or hole, cast or runway on the course made by a burrowing animal, a reptile or a bird. In addition, any marked or unmarked area where course maintenance is in progress, the berm surrounding newly planted trees and shrubs, and temporarily eroded or washed areas through the green. Ball in hazard must be dropped in the hazard. See Rule 25.

8. Embedded Ball. Through the green, a ball that is embedded in its own pitch-mark in the ground may be lifted, without penalty, cleaned and dropped as near as possible to where it lay but not nearer the hole. The ball when dropped must first strike a part of the course through the green. A player may not take relief under this Local Rule if the ball is embedded in sand in an area that is not closely mown. See Appendix I, Part B.

9. Desert Areas. All desert or transition areas are in play through the green. Sand, dirt and stones are loose impediments and may be brushed from behind the ball.

10. Immovable Obstructions. Include, but are not limited to: Sprinkler Heads, Control Boxes, Yardage Markers, Course Equipment and Buildings, Restroom Facilities, and artificially surfaced cart paths, only when the intended swing or stance is interfered with. See Rule 24-2. Free relief is not granted if you could not fairly strike the ball some other way; shrubs, rocks, etc. See Rule 24-2.b exception.

11. Prepared Rock Beds. All areas of prepared/closely arranged rock are deemed to be obstructions. Areas of prepared rock that are adjacent to an obstruction are deemed to be part of that same obstruction. Relief under Rule 24-2.

The player may lift the ball and drop it, without penalty, within one club length of and not nearer the hole than the nearest point of relief. The nearest point of relief must not be in a hazard or on a putting green. All other stones, rocks and boulders are integral parts of the course, no relief without penalty.

12. Sprinkler Heads Near the Putting Green. If a ball lies off the putting green but not in a hazard and an immovable obstruction on or within two club-lengths of the putting green and within two-club-lengths of the ball intervenes on the line of play between the ball and the hole, the player may take relief, without penalty, as follows: The ball must be lifted and dropped at the nearest point to where the ball lay that (1) is not nearer the hole, (b) avoids intervention and (c) is not in a hazard or on a putting green. The ball may be cleaned when lifted.

13. The Accidental Movement of ball on the putting green; The accidental movement applies on the putting green only and includes the player, partner, opponent, caddie or equipment. Some examples of situations where there will no longer be a penalty for moving the ball on the putting green include: The player accidentally; Moves the ball with his putter in preparation for making a stroke.

- Drops the ball and it moves his marker.
- Drops his ball marker and it hits his ball.
- Accidentally kicks his ball

Included in the newest "Rules of Golf" as in effect on January 1, 2019.

When a player's ball lies on the putting green, there is no penalty if the ball or ball marker is accidentally moved by the player, his partner, his opponent, any of their caddies or equipment.

The moved ball or ball marker must be replaced as provided in Rules 18-2, 18-3 and 20-1. (Placed back in the original location)

This local rule applies only when the player's ball or ball marker lies on the putting green and any when the movement is accidental.

Note: if it is determined that a player's ball on the putting green was moved as a result of wind, water or some other natural cause such as the effects of gravity, the ball must be played from its new location. A ball marker moved in such circumstances is replaced."

Score Posting

1. The Trail Ridge Men's Golf Club HC Committee members will post the weekly scores. Members are not to post their own scores for TRMGC weekly play. Members are responsible for posting their own scores on other days of play.

2. All scores will be posted in accordance with the USGA/World Handicap System to arrive at your proper handicap.

"A handicap shall be adjusted up or down if player does not turn in all scores or otherwise does not observe the spirit of the USGA Handicap system"

USGA Handicap System Reference Guide c2017.

Section 8-4b, (IV) Failure to Post.

Score Posting Error Correction

1. When an error is made in posting a score, fill out the "Score Entry Correction" form by the computer. Score posting errors made at an "away" course cannot be corrected at that course. Enter needed corrections on the Trail Ridge Correction Sheet.

2. Make sure the entries are legible and that they fully convey the meaning of your requested changes. Failure to be precise can lead to incorrect handicaps.

3. Handicaps are updated on the Tuesday of each week for that week's TRMGC day of play so enter corrections as soon as possible to avoid handicap calculation errors.

4. Correction requests can also be forwarded to the Monitor at her e-mail address (swimmer253@yahoo.com).

Inclement Weather

1. Inclement weather includes, but is not limited to, frost delays.

2. If weather conditions preclude half of the field from finishing nine (9) holes, the entire event will be cancelled. Monies already paid will be added to prize fund for the following week. NO REFUNDS.

3. If half or more of the field finish nine (9) holes, it will be played as a 9-hole event. If a portion of the field completes 18-holes, that portion will have an 18-hole tournament. The balance of the field will have a separate 9-hole tournament.

4. When the frost delay is 1 hour or less, play will proceed as scheduled. Use the Equitable Stroke Control method of scoring if more than 12 holes are completed. If less, then you will be entered into a 9-hole competition as outlined above.

5. When the frost delay is over 1 hour, the 1st crossover will play 18 holes and the 2nd crossover will play 9 holes the first time this situation arises. The second time it occurs, the 1st crossover will play 9 holes and the 2nd crossover will play 18.

Play will alternate for each additional occurrence. There will be an 18-hole game and a 9-hole game.

Recognizing that not all possible situations can be anticipated, the Monitor and Tournament Chairman will make necessary adjustments.

Trail Ridge Men's Club

Ready Golf

Captains Responsibilities

- Obtain groups information before play.
- Make sure that he understands rules of that day's game before teeing off. See back of scorecard for instructions, when applicable.
- Explain and enforce game rules for that day to the whole group. Do not tee off before all understand the game.
- Confirm all Monitor fees (\$2.00 per player including guests) are paid and cards are properly filled out and all participating members sign to attest their score in the appropriate place on the scorecard.
- Make sure carts are properly used by all group members.
- Enforce Pace of Play guidelines (4 hours for 18 holes). If you have an extremely slow player, that player is holding up the whole course.
- Keep up with group in front of you.
- Maintain accurate scorekeeping and make sure that someone in group is maintaining a backup scorecard.
- Counsel players on course and green maintenance (divots and ball marks). Leave the course better than you found it.
- Fix your own mark on green plus two more, remember, this is your course too.
- If approached by a Player Assistant, be courteous, respectful and do the very best to follow the Player Assistant's instructions. They have the authority to order quicker play and to enforce our Men's Golf Club rules concerning speed of play.
- If you do all of the things discussed here, you will take 30 minutes or more off of your round and it would be painless. It will also reduce the aggravation of every one behind you.
- Above all, have a good time. Remember that golf is a game and we want to keep it that way. Whether or not we play well should not affect others or your ability to enjoy the game.

Player's Responsibilities

- Check the accuracy of your score and attest your score by signing the scorecard in the designated area.
- Ready Golf is expected at all times.
- If you think your ball is lost or OB – hit a provisional or take relief per 2019 rule
- No more than 3 minutes looking for ALL balls in your group.
- Other players should be hitting while you are looking, only after they hit should they help hunt for lost ball(s).
- Do not wait until you are away if you are not going to disturb other players in your group.
- Take your club – be ready to hit – don't pick out your club after others have hit.
- Line up your putts while others are putting.
- Keep cart on cart path unless going to ball.
- Drop your passenger off at his ball or go to yours and let him drive to his.
- Do not ride down middle of fairway or rough unless no cart path is available. Drive on overseeded fairways versus dormant rough.
- Use 90-degree rule at all times.
 - o Save wear and tear on the golf course.
 - o Stay at least 30 yards from around greens.
- Park on cart path unless you have a handicap flag.
- Proceed to next tee immediately after holing out.
 - o Return clubs and mark score at next tee.
- Make sure you have the proper number of carts for the number of riders in the group
 - o 1 to 2 players = 1 cart
 - o 3 to 4 players = 2 carts