

# Highlands Thursday Team League Bylaws

**PURPOSE:** The purpose of this organization is to enjoy and promote team play of women's golf.

**MEMBERSHIP:** Each member must be a female amateur golfer, 18 years of age or older and must carry a GHIN membership.

**TEAM:** A team consists of up to seven members. Each week up to five team members can play. If you do not have five members to play during a week, you can either play with less or get a substitute player for the week.

\*\*\*Substitutes must pay a one-time fee prior to their first round and have an active GHIN number and handicap.

**SCORING:** The team method of scoring will be determined by the Board. Individual scores must be kept for individual games. Each week instructions will be provided for calculating your team score. The teams will accumulate points during the season based on how well they scored each week to come up with the winners at the end of the season. A player is allowed to pick up her ball after 10 strokes to speed up play. When a ball is picked up on the 10<sup>th</sup> stroke, an x will follow the score (i.e. 10x) on the scorecard. The player will not be eligible for consideration in an individual Low Gross/Low Net game. That score will not count as one of the team scores for that hole.

**TIES:** In the event of team score ties, the two teams will each receive the points for the spot they tied and the next place in order. For example, in a field of 10 teams, if there is a tie for 1<sup>st</sup> place, both teams will receive 9.5 points (10+9 divided by 2). The next team would receive 8 points for third place. The same method of scoring will hold true for ties at any place and for ties between multiple teams. In the event of individual ties, the award money will be divided evenly between the individuals.

**FLIGHTS:** Individual players will be divided into flights based on the number of players and their handicap index. Flights will be used to determine weekly winners for low gross and low net, as well as other individual games played.

**YEAR END AWARDS:** The following will be awarded:

- Team standings payouts for 1<sup>st</sup> thru 4<sup>th</sup> place teams.
- Birdie pins will be awarded at the end of each season. It is the team's marker's responsibility to assure all birdies are circled and noted on scorecards.
- Most improved player; at the end of each season, the Handicap Chair will recognize one player whose handicap is most improved.

**FEES:** Fees will be determined by the Executive Board. There will be a Player Fee, a GHIN Fee, a Substitute Fee and a Weekly Games Prize Fund.

**DAYS AND HOURS OF PLAY:** Teams will play on Thursdays at your designated tee time. If you wish to change the assigned tee time any given Thursday, it is the team's responsibility to contact the Pro Shop.

**INCLEMENT WEATHER:** Play will commence, regardless of weather conditions unless the Pro Shop stops play prior to or during the round. At such time as play can be resumed, teams are encouraged to complete a minimum of seven holes so that scores may be used for the weekly Tournament and individual Gross and Net awards. If any team fails to complete seven holes on Thursday, the Tournament will be cancelled and no awards given.

**ANNUAL MEETINGS:** At least one official meeting with the general membership will be held at the end of each season. The business will be, at a minimum, the election of the Executive Board. Board members may serve as many terms for which they are nominated and elected by a majority vote. The Executive Board will represent the best interests of the league.

**LEADERSHIP:** The Executive Board, which consists of five elected individuals, will conduct the affairs of the organization. Board decisions will be reached by consensus. All Board meetings are open to League members. Executive Board positions are as follows:

***President:***

- Chair the Executive Board, direct league activities and preside over meetings.
- Communicate with the Pro Shop & Food and Beverage to coordinate registration and other events as needed.
- She will resolve conflict with the assistance of at least two other board members.
- She is required to maintain and keep current the *By-Laws* of the league.

***Vice President:***

- Promote the league and act as President in her absence.
- Send weekly results to the Coeur d'Alene Press "Chip Shots".

***Secretary/ Treasurer:***

- Serve as recorder for all league affairs and maintain an email roster of all players.
- Email correspondence as needed.
- Maintain the bank account and records of club finances as well as receive and disperse funds as directed by the Board.
- Keep accounts current and available for review at any time.

***Handicap Chair:***

- Maintain current records and handle communication with the GHIN Association. Assure all players have paid their GHIN fees and are activated.

***Social Committee:***

- The Social Committee is comprised of one team nominated and voted on by the membership at the year-end banquet.
- They will have at least one member present at all board meetings and have one vote in the decision process.
- This committee is responsible for planning the year-end banquet.