

2018 Golf Northland Men's 18 Hole Handicap Pennant Rules

- 1 The GN General Rules of Competition apply to this event.
- 2 The GN Committee may amend rules at any time as required to ensure fair and equitable competition.
- 3 GN is responsible for calling for hosting clubs, entries, compiling the draw and notifying all clubs.
- 4 Play will be scheduled Saturdays and Sundays, subject to course availability, and with consideration of the Club days of the Clubs participating.
- 5 The format of the competition will be decided after entries are received, with preference for round-robin followed by finals.
- 6 A Club can enter more than 1 team, but the second and subsequent teams may be balloted out to facilitate the draw.
- 7 Teams consist of six players. Players may have any Handicap Index, but the highest allowed to be used in a match is 24.0.
- 8 Any player representing a Club must be a full playing, financial member of that Club. A player may represent only one Club in any one year, unless the player changes his handicapping club during the pennant series. The club must ensure that players representing the club have the playing rights required to compete in the competition. *(A player who is a 9 Hole member of a club will usually not be eligible, as there are 18 holes played in the day).*
- 9 Team captains must, before commencement of play, give the starter the teams playing order and details on the official team sheet.
- 10 Teams are to have their players arranged in the order of current handicap index with the lowest handicap index in No 1 position.
- 11 Play will consist of two matches each day, 18 holes of matchplay 4BBB and 18 holes of matchplay singles played concurrently
- 12 All matches are handicap matchplay. The maximum HI allowed is 24.0, and the maximum shots given in any match is 8. In 4BBB the lowest handicap player gives shots equal to the difference between his and the other 3 players handicaps, to a max of 8 shots
- 13 If a course becomes unplayable and matches cannot be completed, the first 9 holes will count if all completed. If not all points for that round are discarded.
14. Use of carts by players is only permitted with a current medical certificate.
15. Players score 1 for a match win and half for a half. The team scores 1 for a team win and half for a half. The team with the greatest combined team score total is the Division (Zone) winner. The accumulated match points in the matches between the teams are considered for each team, the highest being declared winner. If this does not separate the teams then the results of the match between the number 1 players, then the 2's, 3's etc are considered until a result is found. If still undecided then the result will be decided by lot.
- 16 Team Defaults. The defaulting team does not score points. The team defaulted to receives the maximum number of points scored by any other team in that division on that day.
- 17 Any dispute must be notified to the Disputes Committee in writing before prize giving that day, outlining the circumstances and claim. Every endeavour will be made to settle the dispute on the day before final results are announced.
- 18 Finals play is as for the round robin matches. If tied the number 1 player for each team will play sudden death match play (at holes to be decided by the Committee) with strokes allocated as they would be for an 18-hole match.
- 19 The host club is responsible for:
 - setting up a 3 person Disputes Committee (up to 2 from the home club). This should include a qualified referee if possible. Decisions made by the Disputes Committee must be notified to GN.
 - pre tee-off morning tea and lunch catering arrangements.
 - starting the players
 - displaying a results board
 - collecting individual score cards and results, entering the cards for handicapping and communicating the results to GN.
 - cancellations if necessary and notifying the competing teams and GN.
 - ensuring the event sponsor gets maximum recognition.
- 20 **Entry fees for 2018 are \$30 per team entry. Clubs will be invoiced for these entry fees. A daily competition will be run based on the team results, entry fee is \$5 per player per day. Host club can run an all day two's should they wish.**

