

EAGLE RIVER LADIES GOLF LEAGUE

JULY 2021 NEWSLETTER

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JULY SCHEDULE

Remember to sign up for tee times before 4:00 PM on Sunday.

July 6 -- Individual Throw Out 2 Best Net Scores: (but Mom, I did so well on those holes!)

July 13 -- Individual Low Gross, Low Net: Individual game. Gross score and net score for each hole are recorded. Net score is determined by handicap. Number of dots on score card represent handicap for that hole.

July 20 -- Rules Clinic with Tony Sable @ 3:00; Shotgun Start @ 4:00; then, **Taco Bar!**
4-Person Shamble: Team game, 4-somes will be assigned by the Games Committee. All players tee off, select best drive. All players play own ball from that point.

July 27 -- Individual No Putts: There will be only two names on each scorecard, allowing you two lines each to record your scores. On the first line write your total gross score on each hole. On the second line write only your putts for that hole. (This will make it easier for the Games Chairs to do the math!)

MY 2 CENTS WORTH by Barbara Hollmann, President

What a great beginning for our 2021 league! A big thank you goes to the Leadership Team and the Board for their hard work to make everything go smoothly! We have a great group this year....including 12 new members and 4 former members who have rejoined. Please try to sign up to play with someone new each week, so that members get to know one another. I hope you've enjoyed the league activities to date....and there's more fun to come.

On **July 20**, we will have a **Rules Clinic at 3:00**, conducted by Tony Sable, our Pro. He has taught RULES at PGA Professional Training Schools, so he will have answers to our questions. If you have specific rules or situations that you would like discussed, please send them to me by July 16. Tony will include them in his clinic. Following the Rules Clinic, we will have a 4-Person Schamble, shotgun start at 4:00....with a taco bar after play.

Save the Date: Thursday, August 26 for a day of fun at Camp Nicolet. Owners, Georgi Starz and her son, Jeremy, have graciously agreed to let us use camp for a day after the campers have gone home. We'll have a potluck lunch, followed by water activities, such as kayaking, canoeing, sailing, swimming, and stand up paddle board; hiking in the National Forest that surrounds Camp Nicolet; touring camp; playing

pickleball or tennis; or generally hanging out on the beach. Enjoy a fun day on a beautiful lake with your golfing friends....details to follow at a later date.

Enjoy your summer in the Northwoods!
Barb Hollmann

RULES-RULES-AND MORE RULES

Page 104 in the current issue of *Golf Digest* has a great list of the 9 rules most often needed as we play a round, including which have penalties and which do not. (It's also funny.) It is attached as a separate PDF.

TONY'S TEE TIME TIPS

Not your league, but some of the Senior League were making comments about how "Now we have to tip these kids on top of everything else" and so on. The cart kids felt bad because I am the one who directed them to meet and greet before and after the round as much as possible. They felt kind of between a rock and a hard place, so I wanted to clear the air a bit.

You may have noticed our young outside service employees come up to your car before or after your round offering to help you with your bag, or perhaps clean your clubs. They are not trying to hang around looking for tips. They are just trying to raise the level of customer service as directed by me. If you would like to offer them a little reward, that's fine and it is appreciated, but in no way should you feel obligated to do so. I have discussed this with the entire staff, and they completely agree.

We are simply trying to make your golf experience a little nicer by trying to keep the parking lot free of litter, presenting you with a clean cart, having the range neat and orderly, and having the cart staff themselves be friendly and have a professional appearance. That is at least, the goal. Will we fall short sometimes? Probably. And when we do, understand that you are only helping us when you identify an area that we could improve on.

We have a really good team of young people who work hard to serve you and ensure that you have a great time when you visit. I am very proud of all of them.

- Anthony Sable, PGA

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Crash Course

You don't need to know all the rules, but you better know a few if you're playing for \$\$\$ By Coleman Bentley

► In golf, a buck isn't just a buck. It represents honor. If you're playing for one today and haven't memorized the 168 pages in the *Player's Edition of the Rules of Golf*, you can avoid a black eye if you stick to these nine edicts.



1
Do you have a bad lie?
Life's full of bad lies. Unless it's plugged anywhere but in sand, or resting on a cartpath (or Mr. Larson's foot), you're likely playing it, dude.

2
Is it near an animal?
Does that animal look like something Crocodile Dundee would wear? Free relief. No questions asked.



3
Did you whiff?
Ohhhh, it was a *practice stroke*. Nice try. Own it and count it.



4
Lose a ball? You've got three minutes of search time, and no, we don't think it landed over by the beer cart. If it's gonzo, replay from the previous spot with a one-stroke penalty.

5
Ball on a paved cartpath?
If you want an excuse to get new clubs, play it as it lies. If you still like your clubs, find the nearest spot off the path that lets you stand and swing without dinging it. From there, you get a club-length, no closer to the hole, to drop. No penalty.

6
Hit your ball by accident?
As Deepak Chopra once said, there are no accidents, only a purpose we have yet to understand. Unfortunately, if you're not on the tee box or green, that purpose is going to cost you a stroke. (And put the ball back.)

7
Knock it in the drink?
You're not Michael Phelps, so forget trying to play it to save a penalty stroke. You've got options, including dropping within two



club-lengths of where the ball crossed into the penalty area if the stakes are red (no closer to the hole). The simplest option to remember is to replay from where you just hit. Hey, at least you've "practiced" the shot already.



8
Hit one O.B.?
Don't wince. Proudly reload and take a one-stroke penalty. If it was a quality ball, hop the fence and get it, but watch out for Cujo, the "cuddly" rottweiler.

9
Waiting to hit?
Save the good manners for date night. Play when ready unless you gain an advantage going out of order or are in the way of your opponent. In the case of the latter, duck.

★★ BONUS ADVICE ★★

- House Rule I:**
Two-beer minimum
- House Rule II:**
Three-beer maximum