



2026

WEDNESDAY

Mens League

**Information Package
and Rules**

(New in 2026)

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2026 The Canal at Delacour Mens League

(Match Play) Wednesday evenings (6:00pm Shotgun starts)

Members: (Premier and Annual members) **up \$25** **\$275.00 + tax = \$288.75**

Non Members: **up \$50** **\$675.00 + tax = \$708.75**

Fees are non-refundable. If you need to pull out of Mens League it is your responsibility to find a replacement and collect the appropriate fees from them.

Weekly Mens League Power Cart (9 holes): **down \$1** **\$15.00 + tax = \$15.75**

Weekly Mens League Power cart (18 holes) (playing the early nine) **\$22.50 + tax = \$23.63**

Yearly Mens League Power Cart (9 holes): **\$200.00+ tax = \$210.00**

(Note: Member's yearly cart applies to Mens League)

Weekly Spare Fee: **\$10 + tax** (Member) **\$10.50** to be eligible for weekly prizes
 \$40 + tax (Non-member) **\$31.50** for green fee and **\$10.50** for weekly prizes

MENS LEAGUE INCLUDES:

- 16 teams x 8 Players per Team (128 players)
- 18 weeks of Golf (May to September) (Starting Date **May 6th**)
- **Team Shirts included (CUTTER AND BUCK)** Extra shirts cost \$35 + tax = \$36.75 each
- League Starts – May 6th
- Closing Banquet – Sept 2nd (around 8pm) (Golf will be a 5:30 shotgun on that night)
- **Weekly Competitions**
 - Deuce Pot (\$175 per week) (divided by the number of deuces made)
 - Hole in one insurance (receive a \$500 bar tab for that evening)
 - 6 Skills Competitions (KP, Closest to Target, Long Putt) (\$40 each)
- **Early 9 non-members** - Limited early nine tee times available for non-members (**\$25 plus tax**)
 - Power carts are allowed (\$22.50 + tax for the 18 holes (9 holes early nine and 9 holes match))
 - You may start booking early nines on the Monday (2 days out)
- **Early 9 members** – Limited early nine tee times available for members (**no charge**)
 - Power carts are allowed (\$22.50 + tax for the 18 holes (9 holes early nine and 9 holes match))
 - **You may start booking early nines on the Monday (2 days out)**
- 9 Holes of competition each week 13 weeks– match play (1 make-up week for any cancelled nights)
- Handicap tracking (handicaps are required)
- Weekly results are emailed out to everyone.
- Weekly Meal Specials after the round in the clubhouse. (usually \$15 + tax) changes weekly
- Driving range included each week (range baskets provided by the ball bin)

2026 SCHEDULE:

May 6 - July 29	Regular season (13 weeks round robin)
Aug 5	Make up week for any cancelled weeks due to weather
Aug 12 – Aug 19	First 2 Weeks of playoffs – All teams make playoffs
Aug 26	Semi-Finals of playoffs / 2 man Scramble
Sept 2	Finals of playoffs / Team 8-man Scramble / Closing Banquet

2026 REGISTRATION:

Registration is available for all 2025 Mens League participants starting **February 1st**
 Sign up deadline is March 1st. Any empty spots after March 1 will be filled with new players.

The Fight for the Fescue Bowl

FORMAT:

- Each team has 8 players. Assign one person as Captain (1 co-captain is recommended)
- Each week **6 Team members** will play match play against another team. (96 players)
- The extra 2 players may play as spares for weekly competitions and deuce pot. (32 players)
- The Team Captain is responsible for deciding who plays each week.
- The Format is **Net Match Play**. If player A has a 5 Handicap and Player B is a 10 Handicap then Player A gives Player B 5 Strokes.
 - The strokes will be taken on the hardest holes as marked by each hole's Hdcp on the scorecard.
- Each week (usually on Thursday) the pro-shop will send out the current handicaps, and the weekly draw. The team captains will then correspond with their opponent's captain to arrange the matches.
- Captains **MUST** put their lowest Hdcp's against other teams lowest Hdcp's and High Hdcp vs. High Hdcp.

2026 Shotgun starts:

May 6 - Aug 5	6:00pm	Eliminated the 7:00pm shotgun
Aug 13 playoffs	6:00pm	
Aug 20 playoffs	5:50pm	
Aug 27 playoffs	5:40pm	
Sept 2 FINALE	5:30pm	Final Matches tee off #1 and #10 at 5:30,5:40 and 5:50pm

You will play as 4somes. 3 foursomes Total

Example - 1 foursome (Hole #1) and a 2 foursomes (Hole #2 and Hole #2A)

Captains must assign 1 group to one hole and 2 groups to the other hole.

Please try to put high handicapper and low handicappers in the same group.

Avoid putting all the high handicappers in the same group as this will slow down pace of play.

****Please promptly forward your matches to mensclub@thecanalatdelacour.com by no later than Tuesday afternoon so Bob can send out the matches to all players.**

****Please indicate which spares will be playing that night or alternatively the spares will have to call in on their own to book a slot.**

SCORING:

- Each week you must report how many points you received in your match to your captain.
- You must report any deuces to your captain.
- Players playing a match must also report their score which will be used to calculate handicaps. Scores for a player not playing a match will not be used to calculate the Men's League handicap. Scores for players playing a match with a "ghost player" will be recorded for calculating a handicap
- Tally sheets are provided to the captains, which will be used to submit your results.
- Tally sheets should be dropped off to the pro-shop prior to leaving the golf course.
- In the Regular Season - The point system will award 1 point for each hole won. If you win all 9 holes you win the match 9 – 0. If you tie a hole each person gets a ½ point each. Each TEAM MATCH has 54 points available.
- **In the Playoffs – The point system will award 1 point per match for a win and ½ point for a tie and 0 points for a loss. Each TEAM MATCH has 6 points available.**
- **In the Playoffs – In the event of a tie, we will go to a sudden death playoff starting on hole #1 or #10. The higher ranked team picks a player and then the lower ranked team picks a player. Use full handicaps. Play until match is complete or decide to go to a chip off if running out of daylight.**
- In any match - If both players do not play any holes (for any reason) you will both get 0 points. If both players only play a portion of the round (for any reason), both players will only receive points for the holes that you played.
- **Captains must check their players score cards to ensure equitable stroke control is accounted for when recording scores on the tally sheet!**

EQUITABLE STROKE CONTROL (for handicap purposes only, nothing to do with your match)

- **Use NEW Equitable Stroke Control when submitting your score**
- **Maximum NET DOUBLE BOGEY on any hole.**
 - **Example: If you are a 5 handicap you get a stroke on the 5 lowest handicap holes on the nine that you are playing. So on the front nine you would get strokes on holes #5, #3, #7, #2 and #8. On these holes your max would be triple bogey and all the other holes your max would be double bogey**
 - Example: You do not get any strokes on a par 4 – maximum score allowed is a 6
 - Example: You get 1 stroke on a par 5. maximum score allowed is 8
 - Example: You get 2 strokes on a par 3 – maximum score allowed is a 7

GHOST PLAYERS

- **1 player may not play more than one match at a time.** If the other team is short players, the player that does not have anyone to play will play a Ghost Player.
 - This player will earn points as follows:
 - **1 point for a NET par or better**
 - **½ point for a NET bogey**
 - **0 points for NET double bogey or worse**
 - **The ghost player (other team) earns ½ of the remaining points.**

Example 1: The player has 1 NET birdie (1 point), 4 NET pars (4 points), 2 NET bogeys (1 point), and 2 NET double bogeys (0 points).

- This player gets 6 points. The ghost (opposing team) gets 1.5 points (half of 3)

Example 2: The player has 0 Net Birdies (0 points), 1 NET par (1 point), 3 NET bogeys (1.5 points), 5 Net double bogey or worse (0 points)

- This player gets 2.5 points. The ghost (opposing team) gets 3.25 points. (half of 6.5)

If both teams do not have enough players and a ghost player plays a ghost player, then both ghost players receive 0 points.

2026 MENS LEAGUE RULES

All play is governed by the RCGA Rules of Golf except where local rules apply.

- Drop zones are in effect on holes #2, #11, and #15.
- Bunkers – play the ball as it lies.
- If players in a match cannot agree on a rules decision, please see Bob Davidchuk for clarification.
- **If there are any team or player issues regarding cheating (example - not using equitable stroke control), it will be presented to the Mens League Committee and a ruling will be made.**

THE DRAW:

- The Regular Season consists of 13 weeks of round robin play; each team will play 13 of the other 15 teams in a **random** draw format. We try to alternate nines, but not guaranteed.
- Playoffs – The last four weeks are the playoffs, all teams will qualify. The 1st place team will play the 16th place team in week one of the playoffs, 2nd place vs. 15th place and so on in week one. If you lose in the first week you go the “B” side and if you win you are on the “A” side. After week 2, if you lose you are out. In week 3, teams that have been eliminated may sign up for the 2-man Scramble event. In week 4 of playoffs we will have 2 teams competing head to head for the Fescue bowl and 2 teams competing for the “B” side final. Also in week 4 will be our 8 man Team Scramble Event for the other 12 teams.
- **Tiebreakers** - Regular season tiebreakers (for seeding purposes) will be determined by retrogression. The team that was ahead in the standings the previous week would win the tiebreaker and get the lower seed. If there are ties during the playoffs, the winner will be determined by a sudden death playoff between 2 players chosen by the team captains. The higher seeded team will chose their player first and the lower seeded team will chose their player second. Tiebreakers will take place on #1 and #18. Tiebreakers are maximum of 2 holes afterwhich a chip off will decide the final result.

HANDICAPS:

- Anyone that played last season will start with a 9 hole handicap based on their 2024 year end handicap. For those who are new this season, we will use an estimated handicap or Golf Canada handicap as your starting point for your Mens League handicap. This handicap will be used for the first 3 weeks of Mens League. (frozen).
- Each week you must submit your score to your captain, with equitable stroke control so we can calculate your handicap.

Weeks 1 - 3: (submit your scores but your hdcp is still frozen).

Week 4: 3 score average (if you have less than 3 scores, your initial hdcp will be used as a score to replace all missing scores)

Week 5: 4 score average (if you have less than 4 scores, your initial hdcp will be used as a score to replace all missing scores)

Weeks 6 - 12: 5 score average based on your BEST 5 scores in Mens League to that point. (if you have less than 5 scores, your initial hdcp will be used as a score to replace all missing scores)

Week 13 This week is used to make up any missed weeks due to poor weather. If no weeks were cancelled, this will be a play for fun week (no matches)

Weeks 14-17: (playoffs)

- Handicaps will be frozen at the end of the regular season and will remain locked for the playoffs
- Handicaps will be rounded down for 0.4 or lower and rounded up for 0.5 and higher
- Example: 3.4 rounds down to 3 and 3.5 rounds up to 4
- There will be no minimums on handicaps but there will be a **maximum of 29** in accordance with the RCGA maximum handicap guidelines.

CHECK-IN:

- **Please check in to the pro-shop prior to playing.** You must check into the pro-shop to pay for power carts (\$16 + tax/person for 9 holes or \$22.50 + tax for 18 holes if playing the early nine), pick up gift cards, sign up for the 50/50 draw, and to buy merchandise.
- You do not need to sign up for deuce pot, weekly skill prizes or hole-in-one. This is included in your registration fee.

WEEKLY SKILL PRIZES:

- Closest to the Pin (front and back nine)
- Closest to Target (front and back nine)
- Long Putt (front and back nine)
- You may win more than one skill prize each week.
- **Deuce Pot** Report all deuces to your Captain when submitting your scorecard. Deuces must be recorded on the Tally Sheet.
- **Hole-in-One insurance** This is included in your Mens League fees. If you make a hole-in-one, you will receive a \$500 bar tab in the clubhouse for that evening.

CANCELLATION OF A WEEK / WEATHER DELAYS:

- If play is canceled due to poor weather then the points from that week will be CANCELLED.
- Do not assume play will be canceled, that decision will be made at the last possible moment; we all know the unpredictability of our weather. We will send out updates if poor weather is an issue.

TEE BOXES:

- All players will play **Blue/White Combo**
- Blue/White Combo – Play White tees on holes #2, #3, #6, #7, #11, #13, #15, #16
- *If you are submitting your scores to Golf Canada for your official handicap, you should use the Blue/White Combo as the tee box.*
- We adjust the tee boxes on the par 3's each week to play around 150 yards

SPARES: (if you are short guys) **Spare must check into the pro-shop prior to play and pay their fees!**

- **Spare are allowed for regular season and in the playoffs.**
- **Maximum of 2** spares allowed per week in the regular season.
- **Maximum of 1** spare allowed per week in the playoffs and that player must have played at least 3 rounds in Mens League in the regular season and have an established Mens League handicap
- Teams are responsible for their own spares; if you have less than 6 players attending you may fill spots with spares.
- In the Regular Season teams may use players from the spare list or they may recruit players from other teams as spares. *If a player is used as a spare that is not on the spare list, the captain **MUST** confirm their handicap with Bob prior to submitting matches to opponent.*
- **In the Playoffs teams may use players from the spare list only. (not from other teams)**
- **In the Playoffs, you must have 6 players playing or you will forfeit those other matches. (no ghost)**
- **Remember: Spare must have proof of some legitimate form of Handicap (handicap card or Golf Canada) or they play as a 0 Hdcp!**
- Spares (non members) are charged a \$31.50 Green fee plus \$10.50 to be eligible for skill prizes.
- Spares (members) are charged \$10.50 if they want to be eligible for skill prizes and no additional charges for green fees.

PLAYERS NOT PLAYING MATCHES

Players not playing matches will start on hole #9 or #18 based on availability.
(Maximum 8 per nine) 16 spots total. Spares will be booked first come first serve.
Spares must call the pro-shop to book these slots on hole #9 or #18

Spares cannot just show up and expect a slot to be open. Make sure you call to book your spot!

MAINTAIN PACE OF PLAY!

The Goal for pace of play is 2 hours and 30 minutes or less!

ALWAYS Keep up to the group in front of you.

If you do not see the group in front of you, you are playing too slow!!

Gimmee putts are encouraged to help speed of play. Gimme putts are inside 3 FEET.

- At any time during the play of a hole you may either concede the hole to your competitor or give them the shot they about to play. If your opponent gives you a putt, you must pick up and add one stroke. If an opponent gives you a long putt (e.g. 20 or 30 feet) and you must pick up, you should add the most likely number of strokes (i.e. 2 strokes) for handicap purposes instead of only adding one stroke as recommended by the RCGA..
- We understand everyone wants to play each hole. If you find you are holding up your group and are out of the match for that hole, please concede the hole and carry on to the next. Use Equitable Stroke Control to record your score for that hole. (maximum NET double bogey)
- You must tell your competitor that you are giving them a putt or conceding the hole, do not assume they know.
- **No gimmee putts allowed for deuces! You must make the putt for a deuce pot.**
- **Order of Play does not always have to be based on the honour system.**
- Etiquette deems that the winner of the previous hole Tee's off first on the next hole. Disregard this rule and PLAY READY GOLF!
- **Showing up late (TEEING OFF LATE IS NOT AN OPTION)**
- If you do not arrive on time for your match, you automatically lose the holes in which you did not play
- **All matches must start on time. (Matches must start promptly when the horn goes).**

We have eliminated the Penalty system for slow play, HOWEVER please keep your of PACE of PLAY! (2 hours and 30 minutes or less is your goal!!) Nobody wants to wait for a slow group!

****Suggestion to Captains: When making your groups, do not put all the high handicap players in the same group. Mix low handicap players with high handicap players if possible.**

THE EARLY NINE: (limited space available - may be booked 2 days in advance (as of Monday))

- **Tee times must be booked by calling the pro-shop. Not available on-line**
- **Early 9 non-members** - Limited early nine tee times are available for non-members (**\$25 + tax**)
- **Early 9 members** – Limited early nine tee times are available for members (No Charge)
- Early nine rounds will be front nine only. So, if your match is on the front nine you will be playing the front nine twice. This is allowed in the play-offs.
- **We are allowing power carts for the early nine this year! (\$22.50 + tax for 18 holes)**

GOLF COURSE ETIQUETTE

- Please be respectful of the golf course. Power carts must remain on the cart path or the fairway at all times. Obey all cart signs directing you to the cart path. DO NOT DRIVE ON THE MOUNDS OR IN THE ROUGH. **Players not obeying our cart rules will have their privileges revoked and a refund will not be given.**
- **Please repair your ball marks, replace or sand your divots and rake bunkers.**
- **GOLF DRESS CODE IS IN EFFECT! Golf Attire is required!**

NEW Local Rule for Mens League – Lost Ball Rule. If you think you have lost your ball outside of a penalty area, you should hit a provisional ball. If you cannot find your first ball you then have 2 options:
Option 1: Play your provisional (lying 3), or if you didn't hit a provisional use option 2.
Option 2: Take relief in the fairway laterally from your lost ball or ball out of bounds with a 2 stroke penalty (lying 3). Going back to to your original position to rehit is not an option as it slows down pace of play.

2026 WEEKLY PRIZE BREAKDOWN:

Each week we will hand out gift certificates as follows:

Closest to the Pin: (x2)	Front 9 and Back 9	\$40 x 2	Weekly Prizes
Longest Putt (x2)	Front 9 and Back 9	\$40 x 2	18 weeks at \$450
Closest to the Target (x2)	Front 9 and Back 9	\$40 x 2	\$8100
Draw Prize		\$35	
Deuce Pot : (divided by the number of deuces made)		\$175 / week	
Hole in one:		\$500 tab in the clubhouse	

Prizes: - The top 8 teams will receive a prize for regular season performance.

Regular Season:	\$3360	Playoffs:	\$2800
1 st place	8 x \$80.00	Overall Champions	8 x \$100.00
2 nd place	8 x \$70.00	A side Runner-up	8 x \$75.00
3 rd place	8 x \$60.00	B- Side Winner	8 x \$75.00
4 th place	8 x \$50.00	B-Side Runner-up	8 x \$50.00
5 th - 8 th place	32 x \$40.00	Team Scramble Winners	16 x \$25.00

Gift Cards are only valid for Pro-shop Merchandise (not green fees, carts or F&B)
Gift Cards are issued to the winners weekly.

2026 Mens League Committee:

Chairman:	Bob Davidchuk	- bob@thecanalatdelacour.com
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Any future changes, decisions or rulings will go through the committee.

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