

# 2020 Silver Oak Men's Club

## CLUB DUES

**\$60**

(By March 15, 2020, \$70 after)

Payable by cash or check (no credit cards)

Your dues will be \$30 (\$40 after 3/15) if you have paid your GHIN service fee at another club, but must include evidence that fee has been paid.

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Please review pace of play, USGA & local rules, club rules & policies, formats, schedule, and other information under "clubs" at

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- > **Reduced green fees**
- > **Weekly Tournament Games**
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**\$5 gross / \$5 net**
- > **Three flights (based on handicap)**
- > **GHIN service for 2020**
- > **Range balls on Sunday**
- > **FredEx Cup seasonal points race**  
(see Silver Oak Golf web page for details)
- > **Annual banquet and Awards**
- > **Web portal access to view events, scores & index at**  
**2020somc.golfgenius.com**  
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Name \_\_\_\_\_ GHIN # \_\_\_\_\_

(If you have a GHIN, from which club? \_\_\_\_\_)

Email (please print clearly) \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

By joining the SOMC you agree to its club rules and policies (on web page).

Check  Cash  (no credit cards) Amount paid \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Mail applications with dues made payable to SOMC or Silver Oak Men's Club to Silver Oak Golf Course, 1251 Country Club Drive ATTN: SOMC, Carson City NV 89703 or leave at the Silver Oak Golf Course pro shop.

## Silver Oak Men's Club (SOMC) 2020 Schedule of Events

Round	Date	Tee Times or Shotgun	Times Starting At	Tournament Format	Hdcp%	"X"	FredEx Pts.
1	3/15/2020	Tee Time	9:00 AM	New Member Orientation at 8:30 Individual Stroke Play (ISP)	100%		Regular
2	3/22/2020	Tee Time	9:00 AM	New Member Orientation at 8:30, ISP	100%		Regular
3	3/29/2020	Shotgun <sup>1</sup>	9:00 AM	4-Man 2-Net Best Ball w/Continental Breakfast General Meeting - Welcome and Announcements at 7:30	90%	Yes	Regular
4	4/5/2020	Shotgun <sup>2</sup>	8:30 AM	<b>Monthly Masters - ISP</b>	6-mo low idx		Double
5	4/12/2020	Tee Time	8:00 AM	ISP	100%		Regular
6	4/19/2020	Tee Time	8:00 AM	2-Man Best Ball	90%	Yes	Regular
7	4/26/2020	Tee Time	8:00 AM	ISP	100%		Regular
8	5/3/2020	Shotgun <sup>2</sup>	8:00 AM	<b>Monthly Masters - ISP</b>	6-mo low idx		Double
9	5/10/2020	Tee Time	7:00 AM	ISP	100%		Regular
10	5/17/2020	Shotgun <sup>5</sup>	8:00 AM	<b>Travel Day</b> at Dayton Valley - ISP	100%		Regular
11	5/24/2020	Tee Time	7:00 AM	ISP	100%		Regular
12	5/31/2020	Tee Time	7:00 AM	ISP - Black Tees	100%		Regular
13	6/7/2020	Shotgun <sup>2</sup>	8:00 AM	<b>Monthly Masters - ISP</b>	6-mo low idx		Double
14, 15 not posted	6/14/2020	Shotgun <sup>5</sup>	8:00 AM	<b>Presidents Cup Round 1 - Eclectic</b>	90% of 12-mo low index	Yes	Championship
	6/21/2020	Shotgun <sup>3</sup>	8:00 AM	<b>Presidents Cup Rd2/ Lunch and Results</b>			
16	6/28/2020	Tee Time	7:00 AM	ISP	100%		Regular
17	7/5/2020	Shotgun <sup>2</sup>	8:00 AM	<b>Monthly Masters - ISP</b>	6-mo low idx		Double
18	7/12/2020	Shotgun <sup>5</sup>	8:00 AM	<b>Travel Day</b> at Wolf Run - Two-Man Best Ball	90%	Yes	Regular
19	7/19/2020	Tee Time	7:00 AM	Modified Stableford	80%	Yes	Regular
20	7/26/2020	Tee Time	7:00 AM	ISP	100%		Regular
21	8/2/2020	Shotgun <sup>2</sup>	8:00 AM	<b>Monthly Masters - ISP</b>	6-mo low idx		Double
22	8/9/2020	Tee Time	7:00 AM	ISP	100%		Regular
23	8/16/2020	Tee Time	7:00 AM	ISP	100%		Regular
24, 25 "T" score	8/22/2020	Shotgun <sup>2</sup>	8:00 AM	<b>Club Championship Round 1</b>	12-mo Low Idx		Championship
	8/23/2020	Shotgun <sup>3</sup>	8:00 AM	<b>Club Championship R2/ Lunch and Results</b>	12-mo Low Idx		
26	8/30/2020	Shotgun <sup>2</sup>	8:00 AM	<b>Monthly Masters (last chance) - ISP</b>	6-mo low idx		Double
27	9/6/2020	Shotgun <sup>4</sup>	8:00 AM	<b>Playoffs</b> with drink ticket	6-mo low idx		None
	9/12/2020	Tee Time	7:00 AM	<b>SOMC Team Match Play Round 1</b>	6-mo low idx	Yes	
Regular Season Finale	9/13/2020	Shotgun <sup>1</sup>	8:00AM	<b>SOMCTeam Match Play Round 2</b> 4-Man 2-Net Best Ball followed by lunch, awards, annual meeting, board election and Horserace	20,15,10,5% for ABCD	Yes	
Fall 1	9/20/2020	Tee Time	8:00 AM	2-Man Scramble, optional team skins	35, 15%		
F2	9/27/2020	Tee Time	8:00 AM	2-Man Chapman, optional team skins	60,40%		
F3	10/4/2020	Tee Time	8:30 AM	2-Man Best Net Ball, optional individual skins	90%	Yes	
	10/4/2020	Shotgun	TBD	<b>NINGA Tournament of Champions</b> (Grizzly Ranch) Club Champions (gross and net winners) will represent SOMC	6-mo low idx		
F4	10/11/2020	Tee Time	8:30 AM	2-Man Best Net Ball, optional individual skins	90%	Yes	
F5	10/18/2020	Tee Time	8:30 AM	ISP	100%		
F6	10/25/2020	Tee Time	9:00 AM	You Pick - 6 Red/ 6White/ 6Black	100%		

Pairings: tournament with tee times - players' choice; tournaments with shotgun starts - <sup>1</sup> random draw within ABCD, <sup>2</sup> handicap index, <sup>3</sup> order of finish in round 1, <sup>4</sup> seasonal points, <sup>5</sup> players' choice.

"X" scores are allowed without disqualification in this tournament.

## Silver Oak Men's Club (SOMC) - 2020 Tournament Formats

On the 2020 schedule you'll find the date, time of start, type of start (Tee Times or Shotgun), format, handicap percentage and Fred-Ex Points to be awarded. All player's play from the BLUE TEES unless the format dictates otherwise. Handicap percentage is the allowance that is applied to the handicap index resulting in your playing handicap. Lowest index from the previous 12 months of the current revision is used for major championships and the 6-month low index is used for Monthly Masters, Playoffs and Team Match Play. Fred-Ex Points are the amount of points offered each week based on the format (see Table on next page). Tournament formats are described below.

**Handicap Individual Stroke Play (ISP)** - The total strokes taken for 18 holes minus handicap strokes.

**Tips (Black Tees)** - All players tee off from the black tees for the entire round.

**Modified Stableford** - Point values are given based on the net score for each hole: Double Eagle (8 pts); Eagle (5 pts); Birdie (3 pts); Par (1 pt); Bogie (-1 pt); and Dbl Bogie or worse (-3 pts).

**Monthly Masters** - A monthly tournament to determine qualifiers for the year end Master of the Masters. Three flights will be determined on the day of the tournament based on those playing. Winners of each flight are entered in the Master of the Masters portion of the playoffs towards the end of the season. If a winner of a previous "monthly masters" wins again, he will win the prize money but the second place finisher will be entered in as the qualifier.

**Presidents Cup (Major)** - An eclectic format is a two-round golf tournament that results in one 18-hole score per player. The lowest score made on each hole between the two rounds is recorded as their score producing an 18-hole score. Example: in Round 1, the golfer makes a 6 on hole No. 1; in Round 2, a 4 on hole No. 1. That golfer's score for the first hole is a 4. In the event of a tie, a playoff will occur immediately after lunch (forfeit if no show). Rounds will not be posted to GHIN. In order to play in the President's Cup, you must have played in at least three (3) SOMC scheduled events.

**Club Championship (Major)** - A 36-hole cumulative handicapped stroke play event that will be played on Saturday and Sunday of the same weekend. In the event of a tie, a playoff will occur immediately after lunch (forfeit if no show). Rounds are posted as "T-scores" in GHIN. In order to play in the Club Championship, you must have played in at least five (5) SOMC scheduled events.

**2 Man Scramble** - In a scramble, each player tees off on each hole. The best of the two tee shots is selected and both players play their second shots from that spot. The better of the second shots is determined, and then both play their third shots from that spot, and so on until the ball is holed. Team handicap allowance of 35% of A player and 15% of B player.

**4-Man 2-Net Best Ball** - Each player, on the 4-man team, plays his own golf ball the entire round. Each team should have four 18 hole scores on the scorecard. The two lowest net scores, or best balls, from each hole serves as the teams' score for each hole. Handicap allowance of 90% for each player.

**Chapman** — (1) Both players on a 2-man team hit drives. (2) Each plays the other's ball for the second shot. (3) The best of the second shots is selected and from there the two partners play alternate shot into the hole starting with the player whose second shot was not selected.

**You Pick (Red/White/Black)** - 18-hole stroke play. You decide which 6 holes are played from the red tees, which 6 holes are played from the white tees and which 6 holes are played from the black tees. Handicaps based off of white tees

**2020 Silver Oak Men's Club FedEx Cup Points Table\***

<b>Regular</b>		<b>Monthly Masters</b>		<b>Club Champ. &amp; President's Cup</b>	
Place	Points	Place	Points	Place	Points
1	500	1	1000	1	2000
2	300	2	600	2	1500
3	200	3	400	3	1250
4	150	4	300	4	1000
5	125	5	250	5	750
6	100	6	200	6	550
7	90	7	180	7	450
8	85	8	170	8	375
9	80	9	160	9	350
10	75	10	150	10	300
11	70	11	140	11	275
12	65	12	130	12	250
13	60	13	120	13	225
14	57	14	114	14	200
15	56	15	112	15	175
16	55	16	110	16	165
17	54	17	108	17	160
18	53	18	106	18	155
19	52	19	104	19	150
20	51	20	102	20	145
21	50	21	100	21	140
22	49	22	98	22	135
23	48	23	96	23	130
24	47	24	94	24	125
25	46	25	92	25	120
26	45	26	90	26	118
27	44	27	88	27	116
28	43	28	86	28	114
29	42	29	84	29	112
30	41	30	82	30	110
31+, pp	40	31+, pp	80	31+, pp	100

\* Points are rounded off to nearest whole numbers in case of ties. Participation Points (pp) will be awarded to players who complete and post their round even if they are not in the game or have an "X" on the scorecard. Zero points for any other DQ or DNF resulting in no posted score for the round.

## 2020 Silver Oak Men's Club (SOMC) (Revised 12/15/19)

Welcome to the web portal of the Silver Oak Men's Club. SOMC offers players 18 and over, of varying abilities, an environment of friendly competition. The 2020 season runs from March 15 to October 25. Prospective members are welcomed to browse our web portal at [2020somc.golfgenius.com](http://2020somc.golfgenius.com) (2019somc.golfgenius.com for 2019 results) and contact us for additional information. Benefits of membership include:

- Reduced green fees
- Handicap service through GHIN for 2020 and membership in the Northern Nevada Golf Assoc.
- Tournament games and optional gross and net skins
- Range balls on tournament day
- FedEx Cup seasonal points race and qualification for annual SOMC team match play event
- Web portal access to tournament results, seasonal points race, player stats and more
- Annual banquet and awards

Annual club dues are \$60 (\$70 after March 15, 2019). A secondary club membership is available for \$30 (\$40 after March 15) to players who choose to maintain an active GHIN handicap (and pay their service fee) with the Silver Oak Senior Men's Club or another NNGA-affiliated club. All returning members should have received their application and membership information for the 2020 season by e-mail. New members may download the membership packet at <http://www.silveroakgolf.com> under Sunday Men's Club.

### Congratulations to our 2019 Champions

FedEx Cup: Brad Williams - 7,032 points

Club Championship: Wes Camp – 74, 70 (low gross); David Messer – 67, 64 (low net)

President's Cup: Dan Wilson – 68 (low gross); Ryan Balik – 54 (low net)

### **2020 SOMC Board**

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Tournament and Handicap Committee: Eric Fujita, Gary Yoakum, Bert Wells, Robert Mason (adviser and Head Pro)

Scoring Team – Gary Yoakum (lead), Paul Jorgensen and Eric Schaub; (backup – Eric Fujita and Bert Wells).

## **Club Rules and Policies**

### **Tournament Schedule and Format**

Club tournaments are scheduled each Sunday from March 15 to September 13 (Regular Season) and from September 20 to October 25, 2020 (Fall Season). Click on Calendar under the Home Page tab for the tournament schedule. "More Info" specifies the tournament format for the day, handicap allowance and seasonal points. Descriptions of tournament formats can be found in the membership packet.

### **Tournament Signups**

Call the Silver Oak Pro Shop (775-841-7000, ext 2) up to two weeks in advance or sign up for the next tournament (or two) when you check in at the Pro Shop each Sunday. Please help out your Scoring Team by signing up or canceling no later than noon Friday prior to the next tournament. Your cooperation is especially needed for shotgun starts as cart signs, tee sheet and printed scorecards must be prepared in advance. Pairings for tournaments with reserved tee times are by players' choice. Groups of less than four will be deemed open spots to fill by other members calling in for a time. Pairings for shotgun starts are determined by type and format of the tournament: random draw within ABCD groups for four-man team events; handicap index for Monthly Masters and round 1 of Club Championship; order of finish in round 1 for round 2 of the President's Cup and Club Championship; seasonal points for Playoffs; and players' choice for travel days and round 1 of President's Cup. Players will need to have played in a minimum of three club events to qualify for entry into the President's Cup and a minimum of five events for the Club Championship.

### **New Member Orientation**

The Silver Oak Men's Club extends a warm welcome to our new members. We thank you for choosing SOMC and hope you enjoy playing in our club. Orientation will be held for new members prior to and during the scheduled tournaments on March 15 and 22, 2020. Pre-round orientation includes a "meet and greet" with board members and other new members over coffee and donuts, review of club rules, and a Q&A session. New members will then play in the day's scheduled tournament. Each pairing will include a Board member who will be able to answer questions regarding club rules and policies and point out local rules that are applicable on the golf course at Silver Oak.

### **Guest Policy**

Members may invite guests to play in any of the regular club events (i.e., excludes Club Championship, President's Cup, Playoffs and Monthly Masters). Guest invitations are intended for prospective new members to evaluate membership in SOMC and will be extended once per guest. Guests may not enter in the tournament game, but may optionally enter in net and gross skins. Their 6-month low index will be used for net skins (maximum handicap of 18) if the guest has an active GHIN handicap index. Guests without an active handicap index may optionally enter gross skins only.

### **Tournament Flights and Tees**

Tournaments consist of three flights with equal numbers of players unless specified otherwise by the format or Tournament Committee. Handicap cutoff between flights vary with the number of players in

the field. Handicaps in the first flight have typically top out at 10 to 11 and second flight at 15 to 16. Beginning in 2020, the third flight will be capped at a maximum handicap index of 27 (similar to NNGA-sponsored tournaments). All play is from the blue tees unless specified by the tournament format.

### **Tournament Entry Fees**

There is a \$10 entry fee for the game associated with the weekly tournaments ( except \$20 prior to first round of major championships). This entry fee is either mandatory, optional or not allowed depending on the player's handicap status (see handicap policy). The club retains 15% of the game entry fees to cover costs for year-end awards/luncheon, other club events throughout the season and hole-in-one insurance (up to \$100). Separate entry fees of \$5 each for gross and net skins are optional. Course handicap for net skins is limited to a maximum of 18. Place your entry fees in an envelope at the golf shop when you check in and drop it in the fee/scorecard bin.

### **Handicap Policy**

A local handicap index (based on SOMC events only) was used during 2019 if it differed from the player's GHIN handicap index by more than one stroke. Beginning in January 1, 2020, the World Handicap System will replace the USGA Handicap System for calculating a player's handicap index in GHIN. See the full Handicap Policy at <http://www.silveroakgolf.com> (under Sunday Men's Club) for summary of the changes. Due to these changes, the SOMC Board reconsidered the existing policy and has adopted the following revised policy for the 2020 season.

1. An active GHIN handicap index is required for entry into SOMC tournament games and net skins. Although a local index will no longer be used, conditions will be placed on the handicap index that can be used for SOMC tournaments in order to retain the intent of the local handicap.
2. The particular handicap index used to determine a player's course and playing handicaps depends on the type of tournament.
  - a. "Qualified" current GHIN handicap index for regular tournaments.
  - b. 6-month low index for Monthly Masters, Playoffs and Team Match Play.
  - c. 12-month low index for the President's Cup and Club Championship.
  - d. The maximum allowable handicap index is capped at 27 for all SOMC tournaments.

"Qualified" current index – requires at least 4 scores from SOMC events out of the 8 revision scores among the 20 most recent scores posted since March 15, 2019. Players having active handicaps with less than 20 posted scores and 4 qualifying revision scores can still satisfy this requirement as long as at least half of the revision scores are from SOMC events (e.g., 3 SOMC scores out of 6 revision scores among 15 total posted rounds, 2 of 4 among 10 rounds, 1 of 2 among 5 rounds, etc). The 6-month low index will be used instead of the current index during regular tournaments for players with active GHIN handicaps without the requisite number of qualifying revision scores.

3. Entry fee (\$10) for tournament games are mandatory, optional or not allowed depending upon the player's handicap status.
  - a. Mandatory for players with qualified current handicap index.
  - b. Optional for players with active, but not a qualified current handicap index.

- c. Not allowed for new players without an active handicap and not allowed for guests.
  - d. Members who play, but are not in the game, still earn participation FedEx points.
  - e. Regardless of handicap status, members are eligible for the President's Cup if they have played in at least 3 SOMC events and at least 5 SOMC events for the Club Championship. Entry fees for 2-round championships are \$20 payable prior to the first round.
4. Players with an active GHIN handicap index may enter net skins game (optional).
    - a. The qualified current index or 6-month low index (for players without sufficient number of qualifying revision scores) will be used for all net skins games (including during Monthly Masters and Major Championships).
    - b. Not allowed for new players without an active handicap and not allowed for guests.
    - c. Maximum course handicap for net skins is limited to 18.
  5. All players may play for gross skins (optional) including guests.

### **Course Handicap and Playing Handicap**

A course handicap is the handicap index multiplied by the slope rating of the tees played divided by the standard slope rating of 113. It indicates the number of handicap strokes a player receives from a specific set of tees at the course being played to adjust the player's scoring ability to the level of zero-handicap golf. See <http://cdn.cybergolf.com/images/1587/Mens-Slope-Tables.pdf> for the Silver Oak course handicap tables. Playing handicap includes the handicap allowance that is applicable to the tournament format.

### **Code of Conduct**

The club's primary goal is to promote an environment of friendly competition that is based upon sportsmanship, integrity, courtesy and respect for fellow players. It is the player's responsibility to know and play by the rules of golf. Play the ball as it lies at all times, unless otherwise allowed by the rules of golf or specified by the Tournament Committee, and putt out on every hole. A summary of the more commonly applied USGA and local rules can be downloaded from the Silver Oak website at <http://www.silveroakgolf.com> under Sunday Men's Club. Players are also expected to adhere to the etiquettes of the game and to conduct themselves in a sportsmanlike manner. Refrain from abusive language, cheating, club throwing, disrespect of fellow competitors, or abuse of golf course property. Violation of this code of conduct may result in suspension or termination of membership.

### **Pace of Play**

All groups are expected to **play ready golf** and complete their rounds in less than 4½ hours. Groups are encouraged to book tee times according to their usual pace of play to reduce potential backups on the course and to enable compliance with the pace-of-play policy by all. The Scoring Team will enforce the guidelines for penalizing slow groups as described in the SOMC Pace-of-Play Policy, which can be downloaded from the Silver Oak website at <http://www.silveroakgolf.com> under Sunday Men's Club.



## **Score Cards and Posting Scores**

1. First and last name (legible)
2. All scores must be dated, signed and attested.
3. For holes that are unfinished, post your “most likely score,” which is the actual number of strokes taken plus the number of strokes, in the player’s best judgment, which would be needed to finish the hole from that position more than half of the time. The score for those holes should be preceded by an X on the scorecard. Be aware that players who submit scorecards with an X on any hole will be disqualified from the game without refund of the mandatory entry fee (but will be eligible for skins and participation FedEx Cup points). Exceptions to this disqualification rule include the following formats: Match Play, Stableford, team best balls, and Eclectic (President’s Cup).
4. Incomplete or unreadable cards will be disqualified.
5. Scorecards are exchanged prior to play for Club Championship and President’s Cup.

The Tournament Committee will post scores to GHIN for SOMC events. Members are expected to post all other 9-hole (7 to 12 holes completed) or 18-hole (13 holes or more completed) scores of stroke play throughout the year as governed by USGA posting procedures. Score holes that are not played as par plus the number of strokes that you are entitled to according to your handicap. Don’t forget to apply the appropriate Equitable Stroke Control (ESC) adjustments. The maximum score, under the new World Handicap System, on any hole is net double bogey.

## **Tournament Payouts and Tie Breakers**

Tournament game winnings are paid out to the lowest net scores for a quarter of the field in each flight (except major championships) plus \$20 for low gross and \$15 for closest to the pin. Championship winnings are paid to low gross and net over field and to the lowest net scores for a quarter of the remaining field in each flight. All ties remain ties unless otherwise announced by the Tournament Committee. The Club Championship and President’s Cup winners will be determined in a same-day playoff following lunch (no shows will be considered a forfeit). Payouts (except skins) are in scrips redeemable for green fees, merchandise, lessons, food and beverages at the Silver Oak Pro Shop. FedEx Cup points are allocated according to the tables in the membership packet.

## **Posting and Review of Tournament Results**

The Scoring Team (Gary Yoakum, Paul Jorgensen and Eric Schaub in 2020) will post the preliminary tournament results for review on the web portal after conclusion of play. Click on results tab and select a date. Results for tournament and skins games are shown on separate pages. Reveal individual score cards by clicking on a player’s name and click on expand all in the skins sections for details of each winning skin. Contact the Scoring Team if you suspect an error in the scoring. Challenges to a posted score will be rejected if it matches the score on the signed and attested score card. The schedule for posting of results, review and challenges, and collection of game and skins awards will be announced prior to the start of the season.

## **FredEx Cup, Playoffs**

FredEx Cup, named after the club’s founding member Fred Coons, is a season long points race from March 15<sup>th</sup> through August 30<sup>th</sup> culminating in a one-day playoff on September 6<sup>th</sup> to determine the 12

qualifiers for the SOMC Team Match Play event on September 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup>. Points are awarded every week with each flight playing for first place points. Points range up to 500 points for regular tournament, up to 1000 for Monthly Masters, and up to 2000 for major tournaments (Club Championship and President's Cup). Winners of the Monthly Masters in each flight gain entry into the Master of the Masters, a parallel tournament during the playoff.

The final FedEx Cup standings will be posted to the club web portal on Sunday August 30<sup>th</sup>. Top 30 in seasonal points will qualify for the FedEx Cup playoffs on September 6, 2020 (8:00 shotgun) and will have until noon Friday (September 4) to sign up to play. Thereafter, the Tournament Committee will give open spots to players that are next in the standings. Seasonal points will reset for the playoffs and are converted to starting strokes as shown below (similar to the PGA FedEx Cup Finals).

FredEx Cup Champion (top in seasonal points)	5 under par
Club and President's Cup (low gross and net over field)	4 under par
Remaining players in seeds 2-5	3 under par
Seeds 6-10	2 under par
Seeds 11-20	1 under par
Seeds 21-30	even par

The field will be divided evenly into three flights and the following players will qualify for the FedEx Cup Team Match Play on September 12-13.

1-2	Low gross and low net over field
3-5	Lowest gross scores in each flight among remaining players
6-8	Lowest net scores in each flight among remaining players
9-10	Two lowest net scores among remaining players regardless of flight

The remaining two spots in the SOMC Cup Match Play will go to players with the lowest net scores in each of the two flights in the Master of the Masters tournament. All Monthly Master winners will start at even par. If a winner has already qualified through the Playoffs, his spot will go to the player with the next lowest net score within the same flight.

Course handicaps for the Playoffs and the Master of the Masters will be based on the 6-month low GHIN handicap index. A tie-breaker (score on the most to least difficult hole) will be used to determine winners in case of ties.

### **SOMC Team Match Play**

**When:** September 12-13 (Sat and Sun) with the second round played concurrently with the regular season ending finale (4-man 2-net best balls for players not in match play). Luncheon and annual meeting follow after golf with annual awards and Board elections. Day concludes with the Horserace (the rowdiest competition in golf).

**Where:** Silver Oak – Blue Tees

Players: Twelve qualifiers from FedEx Cup Playoffs. Players ranked ordered by handicap index and divided into two 6-man teams: Team 1 – Players 1,4,5,8,9,12; Team 2- Players 2,3,6,7,10,11. The 12 qualifiers will have until noon Thursday (September 10) to commit to play in the FedEx Cup Match Play.

Thereafter, the Tournament Committee will give open spots to players with the next qualifying scores within each of the applicable qualification categories.

**Handicap:** 6-month low GHIN index.

**Format:** Match Play

**Day 1:** front nine - two-man Scramble (35%, 15% AB); back nine – two-man best ball (90%). Players 1 and 4 vs 2 and 3; 5 and 8 vs 6 and 7; 9 and 12 vs 10 and 11. One point awarded to winning team for each nine and half point for ties.

**Day 2:** Six individual 18-hole matches – Player 1 vs 2, 3 vs 4, 5 vs 6, 7 vs 8, 9 vs 10 and 11 vs 12. One point awarded to winning team for each nine and half point for ties.

**Tie Breaker:** If match results in a tie, it remains a tie and the two teams split the purse evenly.

**Purse:** Amazon gift card to each player on winning team. Amount subject to club's year-end account balance.

**Other awards to each player:** two rounds of golf during match play. Those with annual passes will receive scripts equaled to green fees. Golf Cap with SOMC FedEx Cup Match Play. Different color for two teams.

### **Annual Awards**

- FedEx Cup Champion (personalized golf bag)
- Club Championship – low gross (personal trophy and name on perpetual plaque)
- Club Championship – Flight 2 (personal trophy and name on perpetual plaque)
- Club Championship - Flight 3 (personal trophy and name on perpetual plaque)
- NNGA Tournament of Champions (Club Champion, low gross and net)
- President's Cup Champion – flight 1 (name on perpetual plaque)
- President's Cup Champion – flight 2 (name on perpetual plaque)
- President's Cup Champion – flight 3 (name on perpetual plaque)
- Master of the Masters – flight 1 (name on perpetual plaque)
- Master of the Masters – flight 2 (name on perpetual plaque)
- Master of the Masters – flight 3 (name on perpetual plaque)
- SOMC Team Match Play
- Most club events played
- Most improved player

**Silver Oak Men's Club (SOMC)**  
**Handicap Policy (revised 12/15/2019)**

An active handicap index from the Golf Handicap and Information Network (GHIN) is required for entry into SOMC tournament games and net skins. GHIN enables players of differing abilities to compete on an equitable basis and is provided by the United States Golf Association (USGA) to participating golf associations and clubs. GHIN is administered in our region by the Northern Nevada Golf Association (NNGA) and access to GHIN is through Silver Oak (Service #54-05, Sunday Men's Club). The annual service fee for GHIN is included with your SOMC membership. GHIN handicaps will remain active for returning members until March 31, 2020 and will be deactivated thereafter if membership is not renewed. Players who are also members of the Silver Oak Senior Men's Club (SOSMC) will need to choose to have their GHIN service through either SOMC or SOSMC (Service #54-01), **but not both**. A secondary club membership is available as an option for players who choose to maintain an active GHIN handicap (and pay their service fee) through SOSMC or another NNGA-affiliated club.

Beginning in January 1, 2020, the World Handicap System will replace the USGA Handicap System for calculating a player's handicap index in GHIN. The following are among the major changes.

- Frequency of handicap index updates will be daily provided that a score is submitted the day before.
- Number of scores required to obtain a handicap index will be three rather than five 18-hole scores.
- Basis for handicap index calculation will be 8 rather than 10 best score differentials out of most recent 20.
- Playing condition calculation (PCC) – will adjust score differentials when abnormal course or weather conditions cause scores to be unusually high or low on a given day.
- Maximum score on any hole for handicapping purposes – of net double bogey replaces the current equitable stroke control (ESC) table.
- Upward movement of a handicap index – will be limited to 50% if a 3.0 stroke increase takes place within 12 months (“soft cap”) and to 5 strokes if a 5.0 stroke increase takes place within 12 months (“hard cap”).
- Exceptional score reduction (ESR) – of 1.0 stroke will be applied to a player's handicap index if a score differential is 7.0 to 9.9 stroke below the current index and reduction of 2.0 strokes will be applied if the net differential is 10.0 strokes or more.
- Maximum handicap index – will be 54.0 rather than current 36.4 for men. Committee in charge of competition may set lower maximum limit for use in competitions.
- Course handicap calculation – will include a course rating minus par adjustment:  
Course Handicap = Handicap Index x (Slope Rating /113) + (Course Rating – Par)

The new handicapping system may offset the Club's recent decision to replace the GHIN handicap index with a SOMC event-only local handicap index if they differed by more than one stroke. While the actual effect of the new handicapping system will not be known until well into the next season, it's likely to reduce the need to apply a local handicap. As a practical consideration, it will be more difficult and time-consuming to maintain a separate local handicap index given the additional calculations and complexity involved with the new system. Accordingly, the SOMC Board reconsidered the existing handicap policy and has adopted the following revised policy for the 2020 season.

1. An active GHIN handicap index is required for entry into SOMC tournament games and net skins. The Club will no longer use a local handicap index based upon scores from SOMC events only. However, conditions will be placed on the handicap index that can be used for SOMC tournaments in order to retain the intent of the local handicap.
2. The particular handicap index used to determine a player's course and playing handicaps depends on the type of tournament.
  - a. "Qualified" current GHIN handicap index for regular tournaments.
  - b. 6-month low index for Monthly Masters, Playoffs and Team Match Play.
  - c. 12-month low index for the President's Cup and Club Championship.
  - d. The maximum allowable handicap index is capped at 27 for all SOMC tournaments.

"Qualified" current index – requires at least 4 scores from SOMC events out of the 8 revision scores among the 20 most recent scores posted since March 15, 2019. Players having active handicaps with less than 20 posted scores and 4 qualifying revision scores can still satisfy this requirement as long as at least half of the revision scores are from SOMC events (e.g., 3 SOMC scores out of 6 revision scores among 15 total posted rounds, 2 of 4 among 10 rounds, 1 of 2 among 5 rounds, etc). The 6-month low index will be used instead of the current index during regular tournaments for players with active GHIN handicaps without the requisite number of qualifying revision scores.
3. Entry fee (\$10) for tournament games are mandatory, optional or not allowed depending upon the player's handicap status.
  - a. Mandatory for players with qualified current handicap index.
  - b. Optional for players with active, but not a qualified current handicap index.
  - c. Not allowed for new players without an active handicap and not allowed for guests.
  - d. Members who play, but are not in the game, still earn participation FedEx points.
  - e. Regardless of handicap status, members are eligible for the President's Cup if they have played in at least 3 SOMC events and at least 5 SOMC events for the Club Championship. Entry fees for 2-round championships are \$20 payable prior to the first round.
4. Players with an active GHIN handicap index may enter net skins game (optional).
  - a. The qualified current index or 6-month low index (for players without sufficient number of qualifying revision scores) will be used for all net skins games (including during Monthly Masters and Major Championships).
  - b. Not allowed for new players without an active handicap and not allowed for guests.
  - c. Maximum course handicap for net skins is limited to 18.
5. All players may play for gross skins (optional) including guests.

2020 Handicap Committee: Eric Fujita (Chairman), Gary Yoakum, Bert Wells, and Robert Mason (Adviser and Head Professional)

## USGA and SOMC Local Rules (revised 12/15/19)

Members are expected to know and play by the rules of golf. Please keep in mind that several changes to USGA rules took effect on January 1, 2019. See <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=chPOtflUHC0> for explanations of the most important changes. Commonly applied rules are summarized below.

1. Summer Rules – Play the ball down for all tournaments unless otherwise directed by the Tournament Committee.
2. Ball lost or out of bounds – Rule 27. If you hit a shot out of bounds or if the ball is lost, you must play your next shot from the original spot with 1 stroke penalty (i.e., stroke and distance penalty). Hit a provisional ball if you suspect your original ball might be lost or OB. You must announce your intention to play a provisional and do so before leaving the tee box or spot of the original shot. If you search and find your ball in play, you MUST play the ball. Consider your options on a hole like #14, #15 and #16 where a ball hit in the sage-brush area may not be playable and a legal drop after a penalty stroke may result in yet another unplayable lie. It may be more prudent to abandon the ball after a “cursory” search and take your chances with a playable provisional ball. The following areas are OB:
  - a. OB defined by white stakes including decorative white rock area on #2 (behind green), #5 (right and left of green) and #6.
  - b. All boundary fences. There is no free relief if your ball lies close to a boundary fence.
  - c. Left of split rail fence along cart path on #15 is OB, but cart parking area on #15 beyond the white stakes with green tips is not OB.

*Alternative to Stroke and Distance. A new optional local rule provides an alternative to stroke-and-distance relief for a ball that is out of bounds or lost outside a penalty area. This option allows the player, with a two stroke penalty, to drop in a large area between the point where the ball is estimated to have come to rest or gone out of bounds and the edge of the fairway that is not nearest to the hole. **The SOMC Board has elected not to adopt this local rule for 2020.***

3. Water Hazards (yellow stakes) - Rule 26-1: holes #4. You have 3 options if you hit a ball in a water hazard. (1) Play the ball as it lies in the hazard (no penalty). (2) Go back to the spot where you last hit from and drop a ball (1 stroke penalty). (3) Take a point where the ball last crossed the margin of the hazard, in line with the flagstick, and drop on the line as far back as you want (1 stroke penalty). Any ball that hits on the green side, but rolls back into the water, must be played from the fairway side under option 2 or 3.
4. Lateral Water Hazards (red stakes) – Rule 26-1: #2 (including unplayable wet area left of fairway), #6 #9 and #10. You have 5 options if you hit a ball in a lateral water hazard:
  - 1) Play the ball as it lies in the hazard (no penalty).
  - 2) Go back to the tee and tee up the ball or to the spot where you last hit from and drop a ball (1 stroke penalty).
  - 3) Take a point where the ball last crossed the margin of the hazard, in line with the flagstick, and drop on the line as far back as you want (1 stroke penalty).
  - 4) Take the point where it last crossed the margin of the hazard and drop within two club lengths and no closer to the hole (1 stroke penalty).
  - 5) Go to the opposite side of the hazard, equal distance from the hole, and drop within two club lengths (1 stroke penalty) [This option is not always feasible].

5. Embedded ball – Rule 25-2. Ball embedded in its own pitch mark anywhere in the general area (except sand bunkers or penalty area) may be lifted, cleaned and dropped without penalty, no nearer to the hole.
6. Free drop areas include: roads and cart paths; marked ground under repair; drainage areas on left side of fairway on #4 (left of fairway and behind green) and #6 (left of fairway beyond the pond); ball in hole caused by burrowing animals; sprinklers and other man-made obstructions (excluding boundary fences). No penalty. Drop ball one club length with no penalty, nearest the point of relief and no nearer the hole.
7. Drop from unplayable lie – One stroke penalty. Drop ball within two club lengths, nearest the point of relief and no nearer to the hole.

*Additional rule changes in 2019*

- *Height of ball drop changed from shoulder height to knee height.*
- *No penalty for a double-chip. Count double hit as one stroke.*
- *No penalty for accidentally moving a ball on the green unless it is “virtually certain” you caused it to move on purpose.*
- *Can putt with the flagstick in.*
- *Can repair spike marks or other damage on the green.*
- *No penalty for touching the line of the putt.*
- *No penalty for moving or touching loose impediment. There is no penalty for incidentally touching sand in bunker, but you may not ground the club or take a practice swing.*
- *No longer required to announce when lifting a ball to identify or see if it’s damaged.*
- *Allowed **three minutes** to look for a lost ball instead of the previous five minutes.*

**Silver Oak Men's Club (SOMC)**  
**Pace-of-Play Policy (Revised 12/15/19)**

All groups are expected to **play ready golf** and complete their rounds in less than 4½ hours. Note that this is the maximum and all groups should finish well within the allowable time if everyone plays ready golf. Check your progress during the round against the time check points corresponding to your tee time in the tables on the following pages. Goals for groups playing in the front, middle and back of the field should be to play in less than 4 hrs, 4 hrs and 10 min, and 4 hrs and 20 min, respectively. The elapsed times at the turn for these groups should be at least 15, 10 and 5 minutes earlier than the time check points respectively. If not, your group will need to pick up the pace. Groups are encouraged to book tee times according to their usual pace of play to reduce potential backups on the course and to enable compliance with the pace-of-play policy by all. Commit to the following guidelines for playing ready golf and make it a habit.

1. **On the Tee.** Player who is ready should hit (no honor system). Tee-off as soon as the group ahead is clear. Watch your partners' balls so you may assist in search.
2. **On the Fairway.** Drop your partner at his ball, then continue to yours. Take appropriate clubs to your ball and hit without delay (do not use honor system). Limit search for lost balls to **3 minutes**.
3. **On and Around the Greens.** Take extra club(s) if you're not sure about club selection. Leave extra clubs between the cup and cart. Tend the flag for other players when necessary. Repair ball marks and read your putts while other players are reading their putts. Be ready when it's your turn.
4. **Pre-shot Routine.** Consider shortening your pre-shot routine if you consistently take longer than 30 seconds to hit your shot from the time it's your turn to play.
5. **Golf GPS Apps.** Enter score and other information for the previous hole(s) prior to reaching your approach shot so that your yardage for the current hole is immediately available.

The Tournament Committee will enforce the following guidelines for penalizing slow groups:

1. Write on the scorecard the time your group is ready to tee off on the first hole and the time your group leaves the green on the last hole. Noted times should reasonably correspond to your group's actual tee time confirmed by the Starter and the time you hand in your scorecard to the Tournament Committee (minus 5-10 minutes). Assessment of reasonable times for shotgun starts will consider distances between starting/finishing hole and the clubhouse.
2. Groups may be penalized if they play in excess of 4 ½ hours and finish their last hole in excess of 14 minutes of the group in front of them (9-minute starting times plus a 5-minute grace period).
3. A group in violation of the above guidelines will be notified when submitting their scorecard and in writing at the time the preliminary tournament results are posted for review. Each player in the group may appeal to the Tournament Committee either in person immediately after the round or in writing no later than Monday. In the interest of fairness, the Tournament Committee will consider differences in pace-of-play among individuals in the group as well as adverse playing conditions due to weather or exceptional game format (e.g., playing from tips).
4. Multiple penalties will result in the following action.
  - 1<sup>st</sup> offense – warning.
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> offense – 2 stroke penalty for that day's game.
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> offense – disqualification from that day's game.
  - Continued repeat offenses – membership may be terminated for players that do not show an effort to comply with the club's guidance for playing ready golf.



**Silver Oak Golf Course (Blue Tees) - On-Pace Check Points for 4.5 Hour Round**

Time per Hole	Group	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
	Tee Time	7:00	7:09	7:18	7:27	7:36	7:45	7:54	8:03	8:12	8:21	8:30	8:39	8:48	8:57	9:06	9:15
0:14	1	7:14	7:23	7:32	7:41	7:50	7:59	8:08	8:17	8:26	8:35	8:44	8:53	9:02	9:11	9:20	9:29
0:15	2	7:29	7:38	7:47	7:56	8:05	8:14	8:23	8:32	8:41	8:50	8:59	9:08	9:17	9:26	9:35	9:44
0:11	3	7:40	7:49	7:58	8:07	8:16	8:25	8:34	8:43	8:52	9:01	9:10	9:19	9:28	9:37	9:46	9:55
0:16	4	7:56	8:05	8:14	8:23	8:32	8:41	8:50	8:59	9:08	9:17	9:26	9:35	9:44	9:53	10:02	10:11
0:12	5	8:08	8:17	8:26	8:35	8:44	8:53	9:02	9:11	9:20	9:29	9:38	9:47	9:56	10:05	10:14	10:23
0:18	6	8:26	8:35	8:44	8:53	9:02	9:11	9:20	9:29	9:38	9:47	9:56	10:05	10:14	10:23	10:32	10:41
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0:14	8	8:55	9:04	9:13	9:22	9:31	9:40	9:49	9:58	10:07	10:16	10:25	10:34	10:43	10:52	11:01	11:10
0:18	9	9:13	9:22	9:31	9:40	9:49	9:58	10:07	10:16	10:25	10:34	10:43	10:52	11:01	11:10	11:19	11:28
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0:17	18	11:30	11:39	11:48	11:57	12:06	12:15	12:24	12:33	12:42	12:51	13:00	13:09	13:18	13:27	13:36	13:45
<b>4:30</b>	Time at turn relative to check point should be: < 15 min for front third of field ; < 10 min for middle; and < 5 min for back third.																

**Silver Oak Golf Course (Blue Tees) - On-Pace Check Points for 4.5 Hour Round**

Time per Hole	Group	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32
	Tee Time	9:24	9:33	9:42	9:51	10:00	10:09	10:18	10:27	10:36	10:45	10:54	11:03	11:12	11:21	11:30	11:39
0:14	1	9:38	9:47	9:56	10:05	10:14	10:23	10:32	10:41	10:50	10:59	11:08	11:17	11:26	11:35	11:44	11:53
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