

# Heron Lakes “**PFRIEM** Fridays” Fourball League

## 2020 Spring Season – Rules & Information

### OVERVIEW & REGISTRATION

2-Player teams will compete in 9-hole weekly games consisting of a match against the other team in their pairing group, and against the field (or flight, dependent on participation). League play will run for 8 consecutive weeks, with the final week being a “position round” where matches are based on standings (1v2, 3v4, 5v6, 7v8 etc). Prizes will be awarded to teams based on final standings at the end of the season. Individuals can also win weekly prizes in optional KP/skins games.

### TEAMS & ELIGIBILITY

All male and female amateur golfers are eligible to participate, provided that they maintain an active **USGA/WHS handicap index**. Players without an active handicap will play as scratch until one is established. A **GHIN** number can be obtained by joining a **local Club** or directly joining the **OGA**. No unofficial handicap “services” will be allowed.

- **Team Entry Fees** – Full payment must be submitted with team registration and covers all green & prize fees. No refunds will be given after registration deadline. If player(s) miss a week, partial credit will be given as raincheck.
- **Team Names** – Participants may choose a unique team name for themselves
- **Team Captains** – One designated member is responsible for roster changes and setting match lineups.
- **Team Rosters** – Must consist of at least 2 players, but no more than 4 players. All roster changes must be emailed to the Tournament Director. If a team has to drop a player, they may provide a replacement. Dropped players will be ineligible to return to that team, but may compete for a new team. No player may simultaneously be on multiple rosters, nor shall any dropped player compete for more than 2 teams during the season.
- **Match Lineups** – Players should respond to their weekly “invitation” email to confirm which team members will be participating. If a team is only able to field one player, their scores can be counted as the team’s score for the match. However, there must be a team score for every hole to earn points in the flighted/field competition.
- **Rainchecks** – Will be issued for green fee value whenever a team cannot field both or either player slots.

### WEEKLY PLAY & SCORING

Each week, two players from each team will compete in a fourball (better-ball) match against the team they are paired with. Both team members play their own ball for the entire hole. The lowest net score between the two players on each hole will be the team’s score for that hole. Each team will also compete against every other team in a combined team net score game to win additional points. Both the Greenback and Great Blue courses will be played in a rotation over the duration of the season. Pairings, results and standings will be posted weekly at [heronlakesgolf.com/FridayLeague](http://heronlakesgolf.com/FridayLeague).

- **Match Points** – Each hole is worth 1 point if won, ½ point if halved, for 9 possible points. An additional 2-point bonus will be awarded to a team for winning a match. If the match is tied, the bonus points are NOT split.
- **Flight/Field Points** – Each team’s combined 9-hole net score will be ranked against that of the rest of the teams each week. 1<sup>st</sup> place wins 5 points, 2<sup>nd</sup> wins 4 points, 3<sup>rd</sup> wins 3 points, 4<sup>th</sup> wins 2 points and 5<sup>th</sup> wins 1 point.
- **No Shows** – Teams unable to field a legal lineup (minimum of 1 player) will be awarded 0 points for that match. Their opponent will be awarded a match win, but must still score at least a team net-par to win hole points.

### OPTIONAL CONTESTS & PRIZES

Individual players can enter the optional KP/Skins pot offered each week for \$10 (\$4 to gross skins, \$4 to net skins, \$2 to KPs), with prizes paid in cash. All other prizes will be issued as book money at Heron Lakes at the end of the season.

### RULES GOVERNING PLAY

USGA Rules govern all play except when modified below:

- **Tees** – By default, Men will play the **blue tees**; Men may opt to play the **white tees** if they are either A) **age 65+**, B) **age 50+ AND a 10+ Handicap Index** or C) **18+ Handicap Index**. Women will play the **yellow tees**. All course handicaps will account for the USGA/WHS required (Course rating – Par) adjustment, regardless of tees played.
- **Handicaps** – Players will receive 80% of their course adjusted 9-hole handicap, based on their current Handicap Index as of the day before play, with handicap strokes applied on holes as they fall. The maximum handicap differential allowed between players will be 5 strokes (9 holes) with the higher handicap player reduced to max.
- **Native Grass** – will be played as a penalty area | **Drop Zones** – yellow tees on par-3s with forced carry over water

**On League Fridays, participants receive \$1 off all **PFRIEM** draft beers**

All questions and concerns should be directed to the Heron Lakes Tournament Director  
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