



Pace of Play Policy

In 1993, the United States Golf Association developed a formula, the USGA Pace Rating, that can help players to complete a round of golf at an optimum pace. The USGA Pace Rating calculates completion time ("Time Par") for each hole on *your course*, taking into account length and difficulty of the hole and other attributes of play. Time pars allow players to keep track of when they are expected to arrive at each tee. **Seven Oaks Country Club has a pace rating of 4 hours 20 minutes. This is how long it should take to play 18 holes when our course is playing at capacity.** Seven Oaks Country Club and the Men's Golf Committee have agreed that this form of tracking "Time Par" is the most equitable and that **Members along with their guests are responsible for honoring this pace whenever they are using the golf course.** There will be times that a group may fall behind due to a lost ball or other "uncontrollable" situation. Our Staff will make every effort to assist you in regaining your position on the course. This may include raking bunkers, forecaddieing, searching for a lost ball, etc. If the group is still not making progress toward closing the gap, they will be asked to pick up and move to the next tee. **Please remember that your position on the golf course is immediately behind the group in front of you.** The position of the group behind you is not your concern. They are not part of the Time Par equation. The Golf Professional and Staff shall interpret all rules governing slow play and shall be the final authority in the enforcement of these rules.



2021 Men's Golf Committee Schedule & Information

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- Ice Breaker Scramble Saturday, April 24th
- **Aerification** **Monday, April 26th**
- Season Long Individual Match Play May 1st – Aug. 31st
- Baytko-Juba Event Saturday, May 15th
- Men's Invitational Thurs., Fri. & Sat., June 24th, 25th & 26th
- 2-Man Chapman.....Saturday, July 17th
- Member Member.....Friday - Sunday, July 30th, 31st & Aug 1st
- Senior Club Championship Sunday, August 15th
- Men's Club Championship.....Sat. & Sun, Aug. 28th & 29th
- The Ringer Open Saturday & Sunday, Sept. 11th & 12th
- The Ryder Cup.....Saturday, Sept. 25th
- **Aerification****Monday, Oct, 11th**
- Men's Committee Christmas Party Friday, December 3rd

All Booklet Information, Tournament Information & Event dates are subject to change due to format, scheduling, course conditions or weather conflicts!



Nine changes in the new Rules of Golf you absolutely need to know for 2021

I. Accidents happen - New language, first adopted through Local Rules since 2017, states there is no penalty if you accidentally move your ball (or ball marker) on the green. Put the ball back and you're good to go. The same applies if you're searching for a lost ball and mistakenly move it.

II. The fix is in—Golfers often complained about the silliness of letting players fix a ball mark on the green, but not a spike mark. What's the difference? With no good answer, officials now will let you fix everything without a penalty. You can also touch the line of your putt with your hand or club so long as you're not improving it.

III. A lost cause—To improve pace of play, golfers now have just three minutes to search for a missing ball rather than five. Admit it, if you hadn't found it in three minutes, you weren't finding it anyway.

IV. Knee is the new shoulder—The process for dropping a ball back in play is revamped in the new rules. Instead of letting go from shoulder height, players will drop from around their knee. This is a compromise from an original proposal that would have let golfers drop from just inches above the ground. To preserve some randomness with the drop, officials went with knee height instead. Why change at all? Primarily to speed up play by increasing the chances your ball stays within the two-club-length drop area on the first try.

V. No longer a touchy subject—Hitting a ball into a water hazard (now defined as "penalty area") should come with consequences. But golfers don't have to be nervous about incurring an additional penalty for a minor rules breach while playing their next shot. You're free to touch/move loose impediments and ground your club, eliminating any unnecessary worry. The only caveat: You still can't put your club down and use it to improve the conditions for the stroke. You can remove loose impediments in bunkers, too, although touching the sand in a bunker in front of or behind the ball is still prohibited.

VI. Damaged goods—We all get mad on the course, and sometimes that anger is taken out on an unsuspecting driver or putter. Previously, the rules were confusing on when or if you could play a club you damaged during a round, and it led to instances where some players were disqualified for playing clubs with a shaft slightly bent or some other damage they didn't realize the club had. Now you can play a club that has become damaged in any fashion. If you caused the damage, however, you can't replace the club with a new one.

VII. Twice is ...OK— A double hit is almost always accidental, and the outcome so random as to hardly be beneficial. So golfers are now spared the ignominy of adding a penalty for hitting a ball twice with one swing. It counts as only one stroke. Somewhere T.C. Chen is smiling.

VIII. The end of flagstick folly—Another nod to common sense eliminates a penalty for hitting a flagstick left in the hole while putting on a green. Taking out and then placing back in flagsticks can often cause undue delay in the round, and the flagstick is as likely to keep your ball out of the cup as it would help it fall in.

IX. O.B. option—Courses may implement a Local Rule (not for competition) that offers an alternative to the stroke-and-distance penalty for lost balls or shots hit out-of-bounds. A player may drop a ball anywhere between where the original ball was believed to come to rest (or went out-of-bounds) and just into the edge of the fairway, but no nearer the hole. The golfer takes a two-stroke penalty and plays on instead of returning to the tee. This way, the Local Rule mimics your score if you had played a decent provisional ball.

The Seven Oaks Top 10

Over the course of the season players will earn points for each Men's Golf Committee event they play in. Points will be awarded based on participation, the event played and what place they finish. At the end of the season, the Top 10 players who have accumulated the most points will be awarded prizes based on their finish. It is also important to know that players may also earn points by participating in the weekly SWATS game. Below you will find a scale on how points are awarded.

<u>Event</u>	<u>1st Place</u>	<u>2nd Place</u>	<u>3rd Place</u>	<u>Participation</u>
Ice Breaker Open	4 points	3 points	2 points	1 point
Match Play	8 points	6 points	4 points	1 point ***
Batyko - Juba	6 points	4 points	2 points	1 point
Men's Invitational	4 points	3 points	2 points	1 point
Men's Invitational Flight	4 points	2 points - Flight / shootout winners combine pts		
2 Man Chapman	6 points	4 points	2 points	1 point
Club Championship	6 points	4 points	2 points	1 point
Member-Member	6 points	4 points	2 points	1 point
Ringer Event	6 points	4 points	2 points	1 point
Ryder Cup	½ point for each team format victory, 1 point for overall team victory, 1 point participation			
SWATS				0.5 from 4/10/21 thru 9/5/21

*** The 4 points awarded for 3rd place will go to the 2 players defeated in the Final 4

*** 2 points will be awarded to 4 players defeated in Elite 8

The Top Ten Prizes:

1st & 2nd Place - ½ off Annual Cart Fee (value of \$675)

3rd, 4th & 5th Place - \$250 Golf Shop Credit

6th, 7th & 8th Place - \$100 Golf Shop Credit

9th & 10th Place - Sunday Brunch for 4

2021 Men's Golf Committee Members

Jeff Mateer	<i>Chairman</i>
Herb Higginbotham	<i>Treasurer</i>
Mike Anthony	<i>Handicap Chair & Advisor</i>
Larry Milosh	<i>Advisor</i>
Matt Stepanian	<i>Advisor</i>
John Navage Sr	<i>Advisor</i>
Jeff Gray	<i>Advisor</i>
Shawn McCreary	<i>Advisor</i>
George Juba	<i>Sr. Advisor</i>

Seven Oaks Country Club Staff Members

Chris Juba	<i>Director of Operations & Membership</i>
Jason Hammel	<i>P.G.A. Head Golf Professional</i>
Keith Hohenshel	<i>Operations Manager</i>
Dennis Kaminski	<i>Head Golf Course Superintendent</i>

Main Clubhouse Numbers & Contact Information

Front Desk	724-495-3300
The Golf Shop	724-495-2770
Men's Locker Room	724-495-0124
Grounds Maintenance	724-495-3569
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SWATS

- The SWATS game is a weekly game conducted every Saturday & Sunday based on availability.
- Players will earn season long points towards The Seven Oaks Top 10 list for participation from 4/10/21 thru 9/5/21. You are able to obtain a maximum of 2 points per month playing SWATS.
- All players must call or notify the Golf Shop by 8:00 A.M. to sign up.
- All play will begin at 8:30 a.m. with tee times starting on Hole #1. No shotguns or Back 9 starts will take place unless the Golf Shop approves.
- All games will be based off 100% of the player's course handicap.
- Summer rules will be in effect unless the Golf Shop alters based on course conditions (i.e. winter rules or lift, clean and place).
- The Golf Shop to determine game.
- Both the Saturday & Sunday game entry fee is \$21 dollars (\$5 dollars to skin game, \$15 dollars to Team or Individual game and \$1 dollar to staff).
- Members who have attained the age of 65 and have a handicap plus their respective age that meets or exceeds eighty (80) shall be permitted to play from the senior tees. Course/Tee Rating & Slope will be followed per USGA for all play.

ICE BREAKER SCRAMBLE

- DATE: Saturday, April 24th
- TIME: 10:00 A.M. shotgun start
- FEE: \$50.⁰⁰
- MENU: Breakfast buffet @ 8:30 A.M.
- PRIZES: Golf Shop credit to the winners
- FORMAT: Traditional 4-person scramble
- TEES: Orange or (Red tee = age + handicap equal or greater than 80)
- HANDICAP: N/A
- SPECIAL RULES: Teams are picked randomly by the computer based on Handicap.
- PLAYOFF: In the case of a tie, all prize money will be divided equally according to the teams finish.

SEASON LONG MATCH PLAY

- DATE:** May 1st – August 31st
- FEE:** \$50.⁰⁰ per person
- PRIZES:** Trophy to the Overall Winner and Golf Shop credit to the winners
- FORMAT:** Individual Match Play
- TEES:** Orange or (Red tee = age + handicap equal or greater than 80)
- HANDICAP:** 100% of player's course handicap. Scorecards will be dotted off of the low player's handicap. The difference between the player's handicaps will give the higher handicapped player the number of strokes he receives for the match.
- SPECIAL RULES:** Players will be responsible for scheduling each match with their opponent – not the Golf Shop. If the match is not completed by the deadline date, a coin will be flipped by the Golf Committee to determine a winner.
- PRIZE POT:** An optional \$20 cash side pot will be available to all players. Those players advancing to the final three rounds will divide the pot according to their finish in the event.

BATYKO - JUBA

- DATE:** Saturday, May 15th
- TIME:** 8:00 A.M. Tee Times
- FEE:** \$75.⁰⁰
- MENU:** 7:00 A.M. - Continental breakfast
10:00 A.M. - Signature bloody mary bar & beer specials
2 P.M. - Grab & go cookout
- TROPHIES:** Provided by George Juba
- PRIZES:** Golf Shop credit to winners
- FORMAT:** Pick your own partner, 27 hole event
* (1ST) Holes #10 - #18 - Scramble
* (2ND) Holes #1 - #9 - Best Ball of 2
* (3rd) Holes #10 - #18 - Alternate Shot
- TEES:** Orange or (Red tee = age + handicap equal or greater than 80)
- HANDICAP:** Scramble - 35% of low player - 15% of high player combined.
Better Ball - 85% handicap
Alternate Shot - 50% of partners combined course Handicap
- PLAYOFF:** First tiebreaker - Alternate Shot score
Second tiebreaker - Best Ball score
Third tiebreaker - Scramble score

Membership,

Welcome to the 2021 golf season, I know we are all looking forward to being back at Seven Oaks and enjoying the golf course! The Golf Committee is looking forward to all the events outlined in this communication and we look forward to your participation, as 2020 was a strong year for the events overall. Congrats to Larry Milosh & John Navage Jr. for their 1st place tie in winning the overall Point Championship and the “Seven Oaks Golfer of the Year” designation.

In this packet, we want to highlight our Annual Member-Guest, as no event has the impact and value for both you and your guest more than this one. We want to make sure we formally extend an invite to both you and your guest of choice.

You and Your Guest are cordially invited to join us the weekend of the 24th, 25th & 26th of June for the Men’s Invitational. We will follow the same format as we have done in the past. The event will start with an optional best ball of 2 format for Thursday’s Practice Round. The main event will be the standard 6 teams in each flight match play. We will play 3 nine hole matches on Friday and 2 nine hole matches on Saturday followed by the Championship Shoot Out.

The sign-up process will be the same as last year and the initial cut off will be the first 30 Teams to sign-up will have a guaranteed spot in the event. All sign-ups thereafter will be put on a waiting list until a full flight of 6 teams can be secured. All active members and their guest must have an established USGA index (which follows the new standards introduced in 2020), which is verifiable and must be at least 21 years of age. Jason will have the sign-up sheet in the Golf Shop upon the course opening, so sign up early to secure your spot for your team!

A Men’s Invitational packet regarding all of the details for the event will be provided once you have signed up and are confirmed.

The Men’s Golf Committee & The Golf Shop @ Seven Oaks C.C.



MEN’S INVITATIONAL

- DATE:** Thursday, Friday. & Saturday, June 24th, 25th & 26th
- TIME:** 9:00 A.M. Shotgun start Friday & Saturday
12:00 P.M. Shotgun start for Thursday practice round
- FEE:** \$650.⁰⁰ per team
- INCLUDES:** All guest green fees for Thurs., Fri. & Sat. rounds (carts not included), Thursday dinner along with welcome gifts. Friday’s continental breakfast & afternoon pig roast. Saturday’s continental breakfast and lite lunch, on course beverage cart, Saturday evenings dinner & awards presentation (members, guest, spouses, guest spouses & significant others are welcomed), Golf Shop credit and trophies to flight & overall winners.
- FORMAT:** Flights of 6 teams—5 nine hole matches within flights using better ball match play to determine flight winners.
- TEE:** Orange tees or (Red tees =age + handicap equal or greater than 80)
- HANDICAP:** 90% handicap - low player in match goes to 0 and the remaining adjust accordingly.
- PLAYOFF:** Alternate Shot Shootout (**Eight total teams** will advance to Shootout. This will include all Flight winners and Wild Card teams, if applicable). Shootout will start on Hole #6. Chip-offs will determine advancement if teams are tied, however if the final two teams are tied a sudden death playoff will continue to hole #9 and alternate between holes #9 & #18 until a winner is determined.

2-MAN CHAPMAN

- DATE:** Saturday, July 17th
- TIME:** 9:00 A.M Shotgun
- FEE:** \$75.00 per person
- MENU:** 7:30 A.M. Continental breakfast
- PRIZES:** Golf Shop credit & trophies to the winning team
- FORMAT:** Pick your own partner – members only
Golfer A and Golfer B both tee off. Golfer A will then play Golfer B's tee shot - Golfer B will then play Golfer A's tee shot. The team will then decide which ball to play, and then alternate shots until the ball is holed.
- TEES:** Orange or (Red tee = age + handicap equal or greater than 80)
- HANDICAP:** The partner with the lower course handicap gets 60 percent of their handicap and the partner with the higher course handicap receives 40 percent of their handicap – combine the two for the team handicap.
- PLAYOFF:** Sudden death beginning on #1 for the overall 2-Man Chapman Champion.

MEMBER MEMBER

- DATE:** Friday, Saturday & Sunday, July 30th, 31st & August 1st
- TIME:** 1:00 P.M. Shotgun start for Friday practice round
9:00 A.M. Shotgun start on Saturday
Tee Times on Sunday
- FEE:** \$125.00 per person
- MENU:** Chef's Selection
- PRIZES:** Golf Shop credit to winners & trophies to winners
- FORMAT:** Pick your own partner
Friday optional practice round – 1 Best Ball of 2
Saturday - 1 Best Ball of 2
Sunday – Aggregate combined total score (both balls count)
- HANDICAP:** Best Ball – 85% for Friday and Saturday
Aggregate combined score – 100% Sunday
- TEE:** Orange or (Red tee =age + handicap equal or greater than 80)
- PLAYOFF:** Sudden death playoff starting on Hole #1 using combined net score (both balls count).

SENIOR CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

- DATE:** Sunday, August 15th
- TIME:** 8:00 A.M. Tee Times
- FEE:** \$75.⁰⁰ per person
- MENU:** 7:30 A.M. Breakfast buffet
- PRIZES:** Golf Shop credit to winners & trophies to flight winners
- FORMAT:** Stroke play – flighted by handicap index. Championship Flight played from member tees to determine the Senior Club Champion.
Championship Flight - scratch
All other flights 100% handicap
- TEE:** Orange or (Red tee = age + handicap equal or greater than 80)
- SPECIAL RULES:** All USGA rules shall apply. **You must be 50 years of age or older the day of the event to qualify.** The Golf Shop will post all scores as tournament scores.
- PLAYOFF:** Sudden Death beginning on Hole 1 (All Flights)
- FLIGHTS:** Handicap Index will determine Championship Flight
Champ Flight 0.0-6.0 (and open)
All other flights to be determined by the number of players.

MEN'S CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

- DATE:** Saturday & Sunday, August 28th & 29th
- TIME:** 8:00 A.M Tee Times
- FEE:** \$125.⁰⁰ per person
- MENU:** Omelet & egg station Saturday morning starting at 7:00 A.M., Cookout Sunday afternoon following golf
- PRIZES:** Golf Shop credit to winners & trophies to flight winners
- FORMAT:** Stroke Play – 36 Holes - Flighted
- TEE:** Yellow tees (Champ. Flight) is playing for the parking spot, all other Tees are not eligible to win the parking spot. Tees for other Flights will be Orange or (Red =age + handicap equal or greater than 80)
All flights play at scratch
- SPECIAL RULES:** All USGA rules shall apply. Golf Shop will post all scores as tournament scores.
- PLAYOFF:** Championship Flight - 4 hole combined total score starting on Hole #1, sudden death thereafter. All other flights sudden death starting on hole #1.
- FLIGHTS:** Handicap Index will determine Flights
Champ Flight 0.0-6.0 (and open)
(Any participant can play in the Championship Flight, no matter what index.) All other flights to be determined by the number of players. All other players **MUST** play in their designated flight.

RINGER OPEN

DATE:	Saturday & Sunday, September 11 th & 12 th
TIME:	10:00 A.M. shotgun start Saturday 10:00 A.M. shotgun start Sunday
FEE:	\$125. ⁰⁰ per person
MENU:	(Saturday) - Lunch buffet following golf (Sunday) – Lunch buffet following golf
PRIZES:	Golf Shop credit to the winners Pari-Mutuels
FORMAT:	1 Best Ball of two partners – 85% handicap Saturday winner, Sunday winner & overall, 2 day ringer score winner. (Ringer score example; day 1 your team takes a bogey on Hole 1. Day 2 your team takes a birdie on Hole 1. Your ringer score for the 2 days is a birdie on Hole 1.)
TEE:	Orange or (Red tee = age + handicap equal or greater than 80)
SPECIAL RULES:	Pari-mutuels; has each team listed and allows each team to place individual bets with other teams (optional).
PLAYOFF:	Sudden death beginning on #1 for the overall Ringer Champion.

THE RYDER CUP

DATE:	Saturday, September 25 th
TIME:	9:00 A.M. Shotgun Start
FEE:	\$75. ⁰⁰
MENU:	Chef's Choice lunch buffet
PRIZES:	Golf Shop credit & trophies to team winners
FORMAT:	27 holes – 1 st 9 holes team Better Ball, 2 nd 9 holes team Alternate Shot 3 rd 9 holes Individual Match Play
TEE:	Orange or (Red tee = age + handicap equal or greater than 80)
HANDICAP:	Better Ball – 90% off the low Alt Shot – 50% of team combined, off the low Individual MP – 100% off the low
SPECIAL RULES:	We will split the entire field in half with the younger team playing the older team. Appointed captains will assign matches and pairings.
PLAYOFF:	Individual match play – captains pick 1 player from each team starting on Hole 1.

MEN'S GOLF COMMITTEE CHRISTMAS PARTY

DATE: Friday, December 3rd, 2021

TIME: 5:30 P.M. - ?

FEE: Compliments of the Men's Golf Committee

MENU: Heavy appetizers, beer, and wine compliments of the Men's Golf Committee

SPECIAL EVENTS: The Men's Golf Committee Christmas party is a year-end celebration that recognizes the season's champions & top ten point earners. Along with the champions receiving trophies, prizes will be given for the 10 top list. We will also conduct raffle drawings for merchandise & a 50/50 cash drawing. After the ceremonies, a poker game will be opened for all of those who would like to participate.

SIGN-UP: Please make sure to sign up or RSVP in the Golf Shop prior to the event.

