



## St. Johns County Men's Golf Association (SJCMGA)



### ◆ Description / Overview

The Men's Golf Association (MGA) promotes camaraderie, sportsmanship, and friendly competition. The MGA plays on **Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings** (1<sup>st</sup> tee time 7:15) with a game entry fee of \$5. Play is governed by USGA and local MGA rules. **Members may choose to play from one of five assigned tees**, listed from shortest to longest as follows: **1. Combo** (mixed Blue & Green), **2. Relief** (Green), **3. Hybrid** (mixed Green & Gold), **4. General** (Gold), and **5. Match** (White). To compete on an equitable basis, games are flighted by handicap and prize money is distributed to winners in each flight.

### ◆ Membership Dues / GHIN Handicaps

**Membership Dues:** \$35 upon initially joining the MGA, and then \$35 annually every December to renew MGA membership.

**New members without a GHIN handicap** must play 3 rounds (without the \$5 game entry fee) to establish a **GHIN handicap** before they can play for prize money. After that they will pay the \$5 game entry fee to compete for prize money.

**New members with a current GHIN handicap** will pay the \$5 game entry fee to immediately compete for prize money.

### ◆ Tournaments / Games

**Sign up to play:** Members must use the **SignUpGenius** online app (PC website or Smart phone - **ask for set up guidance**). The sign up **deadline is 4 days prior** to the date of play. Also see the **Sign Up Instructions** link included in all MGA emails.

**Monday and Wednesday tournaments** are **individual games** flighted by handicap. Here are four sample games:  
(1) *18 Holes, Low Net* (2) *18 Holes, Points Plus Handicap (modified Stableford)* (3) *Best 9, Front or Back, Low Net*  
(4) *Best 9, Front or Back, Points Plus Half Handicap.*

**Friday tournaments** are **team game competitions**, usually ABCD-flighted 4-man teams, and occasionally 2-man teams. There is a wide variety of team games that are played. A simple example of a 4-man team game is *Best 2 Balls*. A more creative example is *Best 1 or 3 Balls on Odd Holes & Best 2 or 4 Balls on Even Holes*.

**Skins game:** Occasionally there may be an optional skins game with a separate \$5 entry fee.

**Two major tournaments** are played each year: (1) **President's Cup** (2) **Club Championship**.

### ◆ Communications / Email

Members need a **valid email address** to join **GHIN** and to receive **Constant Contact emails**. Completed **Sign-Up Lists** are emailed 3 days before each competition, **Pairing Sheets** one day before, and **Winners** after the competition. There are many useful links included with every email, such as: ● the weekly (Sat.) GHIN Handicap Report; ● the monthly Games Schedule; ● the local MGA Rules of Golf; ● Committee Lists; ● current tournament Table Workers list; ● full Membership Roster; etc..

## How To Become a Member of the Men's Golf Association

- ▶ Fill out an **MGA New Member Application** form (available at the Clubhouse Pro Shop).
- ▶ **Show up at 11:30 on Monday, Wednesday or Friday to speak with any Membership Committee person - OR -**
- ▶ **Contact:**

<b>Peter Loney</b>	<b>Membership Chairman</b>	<b>305-772-6165</b>	<a href="mailto:poflondon@aol.com">poflondon@aol.com</a>
<b>Ron Saathoff</b>	<b>Membership Committee</b>	<b>904-417-0267</b>	<a href="mailto:rjsaathoff927@gmail.com">rjsaathoff927@gmail.com</a>
<b>John Zilles</b>	<b>MGA President</b>	<b>920-321-4165</b>	<a href="mailto:jlzilles@gmail.com">jlzilles@gmail.com</a>
- ▶ **Pay \$35** initial membership dues in **cash** or **check payable to SJCMGA**.
- ▶ Upon payment of the initial membership dues, you should receive a printed copy of the **MGA RULES OF GOLF**.