

## Luverne Country Club

### Ladies Formal Golf League Rules-2023

1. Each week we will have a shotgun start at 5:30. If you are unable to play at this time or day, you will need to make arrangements for a sub or reschedule your match. Please make every effort to reschedule your match as soon as possible. Deadline for any make up match is the last day of league, Aug 15. It is your responsibility to contact the opposing team as soon as you know you are unable to play – phone numbers are on league schedule. If you do not contact the opposing team prior to league play it is an automatic forfeit for you team. Please be courteous and respectful of other people's time.
2. Each week, the score cards will be up at the bar with your handicap written next to your name. Double check to make sure this is accurate. Your handicap number will change as you add additional rounds into the system..
3. The max handicap allowed for 9 holes is 25 when a person has an established handicap but it is more the 25.
4. If a player has paid for their handicap card but a handicap has not been established yet, use 18 as their handicap until a handicap is established. Those without handicaps should post the same score twice for league dates in May and June so that a handicap is established by July 11 league.
5. If a sub is used, the sub must be a member at Luverne Country Club. If they do not have a handicap card, the score they shoot is what will be used – bullet 3 & 4 do not apply. If they have paid for a handicap card but a handicap has not been established then bullet 4 applies. With an established handicap, bullet 3 will be a consideration.
6. How to figure out strokes given:
  - a. Add you & your partner's handicap together. Add your opponent's handicaps together. Subtract the two handicaps, this will give you the amount of strokes that will need to be given.
  - b. Beginning with the 1<sup>st</sup> Handicap hole (Hole #4 at LCC), this is where strokes are given to the higher handicap team. If the difference is less than 9, give one stroke, based on the handicap # shown on the bottom of the card. If the difference is more than 9, you will have 2 or more strokes on the hole, again using the handicap at the bottom of the card.
  - c. After a hole is played, add you & your partner's score together. If you get strokes, subtract from your total score for that hole, if less than your opponents, then you get a point for the hole. If it is higher, your opponent gets the point. Continue this format for all 9 holes. 1 point for each hole.
  - d. The 10<sup>th</sup> point is determined by adding you & your partners scores together, then subtract your total handicap. Do this for the other team. Whichever team has the lowest score, gets the final point.
7. Be sure to go over your scores after the round is complete. Both teams should keep track of scores and compare. Once the points are agreed upon, post your score on the League Score Sheet located in the ladies locker room.
8. Enter your score on the computer or you can use the GHIN app on your phone. It is important that you add your score into the system after each round to keep play fair for all. It is easy to post scores into the GHIN app on your smart phone and we ask that you try to do this right after your round on Tuesday so that you don't forget before the next week's league.

9. If you forfeit a match, your opponent will receive 7 points, your team 0. Byes will receive 7 points.
10. In the event of questionable golf weather, the board will decide by 4:30 and let everyone know if league is cancelled via text message. Refer to the first bullet above concerning inability to play the league match.
11. If play is suspended during the league round due to lightening or rain – after 30 minutes of delay the members of the 2 teams will need to come to a consensus if they want to finish the match at a different time or split the remaining points.
12. The only time that splitting points for a match is allowed is for weather delays. You can not split points for a non-played/rescheduled match.
13. Ladies league play winter rules in your own fairway, which means you can move your ball within a 6” radius, no closer to the hole, to better your lie in your own fairway. If you are in the rough or in another fairway, you must ball your ball as it lies. If you do need to take a unplayable lie (next to a tree, out of bounds, in the water) you will need to take the required penalty strokes.
14. Before starting your round, identify to the rest of the group what type of golf ball you are playing. Make sure you are always hitting your ball. If you hit another person’s ball it is a 2-stroke penalty and each person re-hits from original ball location.
15. All attempted hits of the ball are to be counted.
16. Once on the green – please play until all players have putted out.
17. Please play READY golf, this will help speed up play. Do your best to keep the game moving.

Don't be afraid to ask questions if you are uncertain about something.

Most important – HAVE FUN!

### **REQUEST from LCC grounds crew and main board:**

Please respect the golf course . . .

- PLEASE USE CART PATHS AT ALL TIMES! Examples: Do NOT cut through grass going from 3 to 4, stay on gravel path and go past men’s tee box. Do NOT cut across hole 7 fairway, through 6 to get to 8 tee box – go around on path.
- Always keep golf cart 30 feet from greens.
- Use seed/sand on your divots in fairways.
- Fix your divots on greens.