# Winter League Season 8 - Overview

## **Key Dates**

• **Signups Open:** December 1<sup>st</sup> at Noon (Sign up on stixgolfbar.com/league)

• League Start: Monday, January 19th - Friday, January 23rd

#### Costs

• Team Fee: \$600 (Plus Tax)

## **League Structure**

#### **Format**

• Duration: 12 weeks, 9 holes per week, with a partner

• Scoring: Stroke Play, Combined Net Scores

• 1 Hour time slot to play 9 Holes each week with Partner

• Playing with another team for 2 hours is encouraged!

## **Scheduling**

- **Flexibility:** If you can't make your scheduled time, you can reschedule for free anytime Monday Friday during the 12-week league. Just mention your team's name at check-in. For Individual makeup 30 minutes allotted. For Team makeup- 1 Hour allotted.
- Weekend Makeups: Allowed, but the hourly rate applies.

#### Tee Placement

League tee boxes are as follows:

• Green Tees: Women and Juniors (under 14)

• **Red Tees:** Men (over 65)

• White/Blue Tees: Men (under 65), based on course length

Once Total Gross hits these Benchmarks your tee box will go back:

-30 to -39 (Back One Tee Boxes)

-40 to ~ (Back Two Tee Boxes)



## **Handicap and Divisions**

• Weeks 1-4: Establish handicaps, with teams placed into 3 divisions based on total strokes. • Week 5-12: Net scoring starts; handicaps adjust weekly.

## **Handicapping Scoring Explained**

#### **Establishing Your Handicap:**

- Weeks 1-4: These are play-in weeks where each player's scores are used to establish a handicap and tee box.
- **Divisions:** After Week 4, teams are divided into three divisions based on total team strokes.

#### **Calculating Handicap Adjustments:**

- Weekly Adjustment: Handicaps are recalculated each week to ensure fair competition. Maximum Adjustment: To prevent "sandbagging," handicaps can only increase by a maximum of 4 strokes per week.
- Scratch Players: Players who consistently score par or better will have a minimum handicap of +2 (TBD), even if they score below par. Their handicap only adjusts if they score above par. Tee Box placement will help narrow the field even more- the goal is to get rid of outliers.

## Handicap Calculation Example (Par 36 Course):

- 1. **Initial Handicap:** Assume your initial handicap after Weeks 1-4 is 4.
- 2. Week 4 Performance: You shoot a score of 44 on a par 36 course, which is 8 strokes over par.
- 3. New Handicap Calculation:
  - Add your current handicap to the number of strokes over par: 4 (current handicap) + 8 (strokes over par) = 12.
  - $\circ$  Divide the result by 2 to find your new handicap: 12/2 = 6.
- 4. Net Score Calculation:
  - o Subtract your new handicap from your actual score: 44 (actual score) 6 (handicap) = 38.
  - o Your net score for Week 4 is 38, which is 2 strokes over the course par (36).

#### **Rounding Rules:**

- Rounding Down: If you shoot under your handicap, your handicap for the next week rounds down to the nearest whole number.
- Rounding Up: If you shoot over your handicap, your handicap rounds up.

#### **Substitute Players:**

• Scores from substitute players only count if they are better than the absent player's established handicap.

This system ensures fair play and adjusts based on individual performance, allowing for a competitive yet enjoyable experience for all participants.

#### **Awards**

• Platinum Division Winner: Stix Plaque Engraving, 8 Hours Free Golf, Trophies (TBD) • Gold,

Silver, and Bronze Division Winner: 8 Hours Free Golf, Trophies (TBD) • Lowest Gross

**Individual:** Stix Engraved Decanter with a beverage of choice, Medals for top 3

## **Additional Details**

#### **Mini Games & Contests**

- Weekly Mini Games: \$110 for all 12 weeks (includes a \$10 discount) Available for Purchase Weeks 1 & 2.
- Contests: Closest to the Pin, Longest Putt, Raffles
- Prizes: Weekly prizes and an end-of-season raffle for participants

## **Leaderboards & Updates**

- Updates: Leaderboards are updated every Sunday.
- Categories: Total Team Gross (Weeks 1-4) Interchangeable Divisions, Total Individual Gross (Weeks 1-12), Total Team Net (Weeks 5-12)

## **End-of-Season Events**

• Trophy Presentation & Raffle: Includes contests like Closest to the Pin and Longest Putt on Sims 7-8 • Last Season over \$15,000 in Prizes! Must buy into Mini Games to Participate!

Enjoy a fun and competitive atmosphere with beer, food, and sports on TV. This league is designed for both fun and honing your skills indoors!

