

2021 The Cup Metropolitan Golf Club/Crystal Springs Men's Golf Club Match Play Saturday, October 2

8:00 a.m. Shotgun Start

Format: This tournament is a team event based on 24 individual matches. The winner will be determined by either the challenging team getting 12.5 points or more or the reigning team earning 12 or more points. A victory in an individual match will be scored as 1 point for the winner, and in a match that finishes all square each opponent will be awarded $\frac{1}{2}$ point.

Pairings will be made by the host team Tournament Chair.

Handicap: Handicap will be 100% of the course handicap based on the most recent GHIN.

Match handicaps will be based on the difference between opponent's handicaps and using 0 for the lower handicap player. If the lower handicap player is a 6 tournament handicap, and the higher player is a 9, the difference is 3. The lower handicap player will play to 0 and the higher handicap opponent will receive 3 strokes. The higher handicap opponent will receive strokes on the #1, 2 and 3 handicap holes.

Registration – Green fees of \$50 walking or \$60 with cart payable in the Golf Shop.

All competitors should check in at the MGC registration table in the restaurant.

Tee Boxes: Play is from the blue tees except the last 5 matches will be from the white tees. The Captains of each team can select which players will play from the white tees.
The Which tees

Posting and Scoring Unfinished Holes: Scorecards must be dated and signed by each opponent and turned in to the scoring. Players are encouraged to pick up their ball after the hole has been decided. If a player starts but does not complete a hole, the marker shall record an "X" followed by the most likely score to be made. The score is for handicap purpose only and shall not exceed the Equitable Stroke Control (ESC) limit for his/her course handicap. For unplayed holes, the player shall use the likely score based on hole and course handicap.

Pace of Play: Each group is asked to be aware of pace of play for the group and if the group falls out of position, encourage the players to pick up the pace.

Out of Position is defined by a) play that exceeds 15 minutes per hole and b) if your group arrives at the teeing ground of a hole that is open and free of play or in other words the group ahead has already moved on so that you can hit immediately.

The Committee suggests:

- 1) Players in a match agree to play ready golf until they reach the green.
- 2) If the group is falling behind, players from the first match to finish should head to the tee as soon as each person is finished putting.
- 2) Encourage players to hit a provisional ball if there is any question if a ball may be lost... such as headed way off line from the fairway or toward the "no mow" grass.

The Rules of Golf state the group that is responsible for pace of play even if a single player is slow. But it is our intention to use peer pressure to improve our tournament speed. We recognize incidents happen, we all have a bad day. And tournaments require you play by the rules. But in general, we can do better and if something happens, we can pick up the pace to catch up.

Food: Lunch will be provided in the Banquet Room of Fairview/Metropolitan

Rules of Play: The 2021 USGA Rules of Golf are in effect. Metropolitan Golf Links and Metropolitan Golf Club Local Rules apply. **Most notable are the Environmental Sensitive Areas (ESA) which are marked with green tips and are NO ENTRY under any circumstances.**

MGC local rule on hole #2 and #6 lateral water hazards on left side of fairway: If the player chooses relief with penalty and two club lengths from the point the ball crosses the hazard puts the ball in the cart path, the player may assume the nearest point of relief is on the fairway side of the cart path.

Local Rule **E-5** (out of bounds, stroke and distance) is in effect, as is **B-3** (provisional ball) & **F-5** (immovable obstruction: sprinkler heads)