



*Ptarmigan Mens
Golf Association*

2020

Player Information Guide

2020 P.MGA. Schedule

Note: subject to change; events will be rescheduled if and when possible. Check ForeTees and with the pro shop

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| March 28 | Margaritaville Mulligan Madness |
| April 11 | Masters Match-Up |
| April 25 | Icebreaker (Tier 2) |
| May 28 | Thursday Night League Starts |
| May 9 | Silo Stroke Play (Tier 2) |
| TBD | FCCC Interclub |
| May | All Match Play Begins (M) |
| May 30 | Ptrifecta (Tier 2) |
| June 13&14 | Pfourman (Tier 1) |
| June 27 | Jeffe's Hot Ball (Tier 2) |
| July 22-25 | PtrapShoot |
| August 8&9 | Club Championship (Tier 1) |
| September 12&13 | Member-Member (Tier 1) |
| September 19 | Ram Rumble |
| October 8 | PMGA Banquet & FLOG |
| October 16&17 | Ptarmigan vs Rolling Hills |

**numbers in parentheses represent Player of the Year point ranking.*

Dear PMGA Members

It's a new world in 2020!

On behalf of the PMGA Board, I would like to welcome you to the 2020 PMGA Season. We are dealing with this new pandemic situation this year and we will do everything we can to have a great year and FUN!

This year's board is Dan Gustafson, Matt Huett, our head pro Jeff Ulvedal and me. Talk to us. We want to know what you like, don't like, what ideas you have, how we can do better, and what we can do to make your experience as a PMGA member as good as we can.

I want to thank Dan, Matt, Jeff and Jeff's team for the time and effort they put into the planning and execution of this year's events. Our goal is to create a fair and competitive environment where we can have fun with new and old friends.

See you on the course,

Jim Gutowski, PMGA President

New for 2020!

World Handicap System (WHS)

This new system brings about some changes that will impact your handicap. Your handicap is now computed from the best 8 scores from your last 20 (instead of 10); your playing handicap is computed from slope, course rating and par; Max score is now net double bogey instead of ESC; there is a calculation for abnormal playing conditions; and your handicap is updated daily.

Based on handicap committee feedback, PMGA tournaments will continue to use the lower of current USGA handicap (WHS / GHIN) or Blue Tee Home Score handicap (Blue Tee Index or BTI). *All PMGA tournaments will be from the blue tees unless specified otherwise.* The white tees are available to players that have a "white tee permit" in all tournaments except the PfourMan and the Member/Member.

Player Responsibilities

Player Handicap: All PMGA members are required to maintain an accurate and honest handicap. Players are expected to understand how to properly adjust and post scores. If you are unsure of how to adjust or post your score, please ask the pro shop or visit www.usga.org. "I didn't know" is not an excuse for handicap violations. Players are required to post all scores as soon as possible after their round. All scores should be posted the day of play. For 2 man team events there will be a max differential of 10 strokes between partners.

An important component of the USGA Handicap System is peer review, which provides the ability to re- view other member's scoring records. It is incumbent upon all club members to participate in peer review.

We do have a Handicap Committee to monitor and review handicaps for PMGA tournaments. This year Mike Ball, Dan Soukup and Bill Severin have volunteered for the committee. The board works with the committee on handicap issues.

Player Responsibilities cont.

Respect the Golf Course: All players are expected to repair ball marks, rake bunkers, and fill in divots with sand and seed mix. Leave each hole as you would like to find it when playing. Also, please remember to lay the flagstick down as so not to damage the green. Keep all four tires ON THE CART PATH around tees and greens.

Pace of Play: Players are responsible to keep up with the group in front of them. Don't look back when seeing how you are on pace, *look forward*. Play ready golf when necessary. During team tournaments, balls that do not count for team score should be picked up and "most likely" score should be recorded.

Player Responsibilities cont.

Match Play tournaments: There always seems to be challenges scheduling and playing matches, both individual and team. In 2019 we set up dates at the end of each round when matches not yet played could be scheduled during or just after Card Draw. *In 2020 we will strictly enforce getting matches played before or on those dates.* The next day the pro shop will effectively “toss a coin” and determine a winner. Delays in each round push later rounds out further and further and we simply need to get them finished on time. Get your matches scheduled and played as soon as you can.

Rules: Players are responsible for understanding the rules. Rules Sheets and Format Sheets will be available before every tournament. Please take the time to read and understand them. See the pro shop if you have any questions

- No gimmies! Any score going on the scorecard **MUST** go in the hole.
- Please turn in legible and accurate scorecards.
- All tournament scores and TNL scores will be posted by the proshop.

Remember: *We are here to have fun* with new and old friends. Let's congratulate a player that shoots a career round.

White Tee Policy

The white tees are available to players that have a "white tee permit" in all tournaments except: PfourMan and the Member/Member. White Tee Permits will be issued by the 4 members of the PMGA board plus 3 members on the handicap committee. We understand this is very subjective but, all decisions are made with fairness to the player AND to the membership as a whole.

Players who were granted a white tee permit last year DO NOT need to reapply for 2020. All players may be reevaluated at any time if their ability warrants playing with the rest of the membership from the blue tees.

White Tee Permits

In addition to any special circumstances, the following criteria will be used to help determine which players will be allowed to play from the white tees.

1. Does the player have the ability to fairly compete from the blue tees?
2. Does the player gain an unfair advantage by playing the white tees?
3. Does the player have a 12 or lower handicap from the blue tees?

If the answer to any question is yes, the player should compete from the blue tees with the rest of the membership. If all answers are no, you may apply for a permit.

2020 Ptrap Shoot

The Ptrap Shoot has long been reputed as the best Member/Guest in Colorado. A weighted lottery will be used to establish priority amongst non-exempt players for the tournament. The following players are exempt from the lottery.

1. 10+ yrs PMGA member with 3+ events previous year
2. Platinum Sponsor
3. PMGA board members within the last 10 years
4. PMGA member 5-9 years with 3+ events played, drawn out previous year

Non-exempt players will be assigned "balls" based on the number of years in PMGA (max 10), plus 2 times the PMGA POY events played in 2018. Players are drawn in. The standby list order will be based on number of balls.

PMGA Point System

The PMGA point system is used to determine both the Player of the Year and the PMGA NOCO Challenge team.

(Pfarmigan C.C. vs Fort Collins C.C.)

Golf Genius will track all PMGA points and you can check the status in the app in addition to the PMGA website. Points are awarded in two categories: participation points and performance points.

Winners will be determined for every event. In the case of ties, Golf Genius will use the USGA recommended procedure. (final 18, final 9, final 6, final 3, final hole). For all ties other than first, points are awarded by adding total points for the tied places divided by number of tied players. Major events use a playoff for 1st place. Team and individual match play points are also awarded based on matches won.

