

February 1, 2026

To: Returning and Prospective Members
From: Hal McHarris, President
Re: Seniors Golf League 2026 Season

The News: We have 60 tournaments for 2026. The Scramble with the Ladies League this year will be at Cattails. We have added a play at Pine Oaks and Ridgefields. We have dropped one at Morristown CC and we will not play at Elizabethton. There are no rule changes for 2026 but this year we need to work on playing ready golf. Our number one complaint is slow play. We need **No-show** notifications by 6 pm the day before a tournament. This will help us better fill a tournament that has a **Waiting List**.

Annual Membership Fee is \$35.00. The membership fee is pro-rated to \$20.00 if you join after August 15th.

Prize Changes- There are no changes to the prize schedule in 2026. Winners' certificates are mailed on the day of the tournament. You can accumulate your winnings. They may be redeemed at any club where the league played during the current year and from Golf Unlimited in Kingsport, Bristol Club Fitting in Bristol, and Mr. Golf in Greeneville. Certificates are not valid after December 1st of the current year.

Hole-In-One Contest: Each tournament entry fee will include the Hole-In-One contest. If you make a Hole-In-One during a tournament you will win \$500 in cash.

How to Enter a Tournament: Please do not mail entries more than **two weeks** in advance of the tournament date.

1. Enclose check or money order. Do not send cash.
2. Write or use an address label for the following information on the envelope:
 - a. Your name and address in upper left hand corner.
 - b. Tournament (course name) in lower left hand corner.
 - c. If you are a member in good standing of the course we are playing, write a capital **M** in lower left hand corner.
 - d. If you have a special request, or question write "Request Inside" in lower left hand corner.
 - e. If you want to have a guest, write "Guest Requested" in lower left hand corner or send a group email to Pairers. Guests will pay directly at the Pro Shop and will not be eligible for tournament prizes. We will not have guests at **Waiting List** tournaments.
3. We accept only one tournament entry per envelope and only one person per envelope. This is the only way each pairings person can retrieve the checks for his assigned tournaments.
4. Mail entries to: **SENIORS GOLF LEAGUE
P.O. BOX 7483
KINGSPORT, TN 37664**

Arrive on Time: Please plan to arrive at the course and have your bag on your cart 15 minutes prior to tee time so we'll know you are there. Do not take your bag to the practice area!!! If you are running late call the Pro Shop and tell them to let us know.

Speed of Play: Our objective is for everyone to finish in under 4 ½ hours. **Play Ready Golf.** This means that if you are ready to hit, and the player away is not ready you should go ahead and hit. It often means grabbing the clubs you need and walking to your ball, as compared to sitting in the cart and making no preparation. All groups should make every effort to keep up with the group ahead of them. Please limit searching for lost balls to a reasonably short time and certainly no longer than 3 minutes. Some of our members waste time hunting for balls while playing. Please don't.

Turn in your Scorecard: We need your Scorecard **ASAP**. Verify your scores. **Bring your card to the scoring table before taking your clubs to your car.** Help us out. We need to have all cards in order to score the event. We sometimes are waiting a long time for the last group to bring in their card.

If it Rains: Tournaments will normally not be called off prior to 15 minutes after the scheduled tee time.

An exception to this would be if the course management closes the course. If we are rained out, all checks will be torn up. If we know about cancelling a tournament early an Email may be sent to the Tournament entries.

Withdrawal – No Show

If you are scheduled to play, but fail to appear without notifying us by 6 pm the day before the tournament, you will be considered a **"No Show"** and will forfeit the \$6.00 prize fee. The rest of your entry fee will be refunded. If you notify us by 6:00 PM the night before we will tear up your check. If you do not reach the Committee to withdraw from a tournament, call the course and have them inform us so we can change the cart riders in your group, if needed. If the tournament has a **Waiting List** and we are not notified by 6pm, none of the **Refund** will be paid.

Tournament Pairers Group- If you wish to notify us about a tournament entry, pairings responsibility rotates so it is critical that you notify all of the following people in **one group email**. See **Contact Us** on the website for any easy way to do this.

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Send one e-mail with multiple addressees (a group e-mail). This way we all know that everyone received the e-mail. It assures you that the message will get to the person doing the pairings. You will receive a confirming e-mail from one of us. If you don't get a confirmation, please call. Call until you reach one person. They will direct you to the person doing the pairings. **No Shows** without notification cause problems. Please call the Pro Shop, and have them tell us. If we are not notified prior to a **Waiting List tournament** no **Refund** will be made.

Lost & Found: Label your clubs, rangefinders, and anything else you might lose on the course. Labeled items that are lost are retained by us, if turned in, and are returned to their owner. Unlabeled clubs will be left at the course where lost. If you lose something, check the website under Lost and Found. Vic Blevins manages our Lost and Found process.

Medical Emergencies: If you have a known medical problem that might need attention on the golf course, please discuss it with one of the Committee at the beginning of the season. We would like to know how to deal with it if an emergency occurs. It will be the responsibility of each player with a known problem to tell his foursome what to do if an emergency occurs.

Media: Tournament results are sent to all area local newspapers. If your newspaper does not have them, call them and ask why.

Website: Visit our website at www.seniorsgolfleague.com. Tournament results are usually posted by 5 PM the day of the tournament. The website also includes Results, Schedule, Course List, Directions, Handicaps and other information. The current tournament entries list is posted under **Next Event Entries List** the night before each tournament. If you are not on the list you could be on a **Waiting List** for courses that do not have sufficient carts. If you are on the **Waiting List** you will be called or emailed if an opening occurs. Feel free to send a group email to the pairers list if you think you have been overlooked.

Dress Code: Country Clubs are strict about not wearing jeans, tee shirts, and tank tops. Please respect their rules.

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