

NIHGA 9th Stroke Play Outing

Blue Mash GOLF COURSE

5821 Olney-Laytonsville Rd, Laytonsville, MD 20882

Course Phone: 301-670-1966

Date: Tuesday July 28th , 2020

Time/Format: Split tee times - 9:00 - 10:00 AM & Noon - 1:00 PM

Cost: \$ 54.00 and includes range balls (with mandatory cart)

Tees to use:

(Hybrid - 70.3 / 124 / 6294) Mens tees
(Green - 66.8 / 122 / 5438) Senior tees
(Red - 68.7 / 120 / 4966) Front tees

Money Collection:

Pay in Pro Shop

COVID Policy:

- We have two players per cart. A limited number of buddy shields are available if requested. (Buddy shield is a clear piece of vinyl placed in the cart that creates a protective barrier between the driver and the passenger. See the photo attached.)
- Carts are sanitized prior to use.
- No rakes in the bunkers.
- Flagsticks are sanitized and should not be touched. The cups are inverted to keep the ball from dropping into the cup.
- Masks must be worn when anywhere in the clubhouse and during check-in.
- Check-in is at the starter's shack, not in the Pro Shop, providing Wi-Fi enabled credit card readers. Payment is by credit card.
- We encourage players coming to the turn to text/call in food and/or beverage orders so they are prepared when they make the turn
- Walking is permitted

Contact: Contact Greg Chicca of team 8 at team8capt@gmail.com no later than Tuesday July 21st by 3:00 PM:

with your foursome or individual name to get paired up with a group.

Directions: Use your GPS or favorite phone app.

Announcements:

To speed up play, Equitable Stroke Control (ESC) **will be in effect**. Please pick up your ball when you have reached your ESC. Also, continuous putting is recommended.

| <u>HANDICAP</u> | <u>ESC SCORE</u> |
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| Less than 10 | double bogey |
| 10 to 19 | 7 |
| 20 to 29 | 8 |
| 30 to 39 | 9 |
| 40 or more * | 10 |

***New players with a default handicap index of 8.0 should use an ESC of 9 until they have played in two or more outings.**

Score Cards: Please put start and ending times on score card and have everyone in your group sign it (Guests as well as League members). This is mandatory. Your scores will not count unless your card is signed and timed.

Competition: Closest to the pin on 5 Par 3's.

2 Long Drive holes for each set of tees (one each on front and back nines)

Blue Mash is a SPIKELESS golf facility. Appropriate dress is required.

Rules of Play: Please review.

Rule 10 - Lost Ball and Ball Out of Bounds

A. A ball which has been determined to have come to rest outside the defined boundaries of the course can be placed in the fairway on a line perpendicular to the centerline of the fairway and even with the point at which the ball left the course; The point selected will be no less than five yards from the edge of the green. Two penalty strokes will be added to the players score for the hole.

B. If a ball is determined to be lost, the next shot can be played from the fairway and even with the point at which the ball was presumed lost. The point selected will be no less than five yards from the edge of the green. Two penalty strokes will be added to the

players score for the hole. No more than five minutes, from the time the player reaches the likely location of his/her ball, shall be spent searching for the ball.

C. If a ball is known or thought to be out of bounds or lost, a player has the option to hit a provisional shot from the same spot to take a stroke-and-distance penalty instead of the two stroke penalty specified in paragraphs A and B. The provisional shot must be hit before advancing to look for the possibly lost or out-of-bounds ball. Going back for a stroke-and-distance penalty is not permitted. If the original ball is found and is in-bounds, the original ball is the ball in play.

CHOICE OF TEES: Rule 5J states that: "Normally, men play from the white tees and women from the red tees. However, any member may choose to play from either the blue, white or red tees. The set of tees selected must be consistent throughout the entire season, including match-play events. The selection of tees is to be made at the first outing played by the member."

The new URL for the NIHGA web page is <http://www.recgov.org/nihga>. Please use this for all updated information about the NIHGA.