NIHGA 1st Stroke Play Outing 2021

Hampshire Greens Golf Course
616 Firestone Drive,
Silver Spring, MD
Pro Shop Phone: 301-476-7999

DATE: Tuesday, April 6, 2021

TEE TIMES**: Split tee times: 9:00am – 10:00am and 12:00pm – 1:00pm**

COVID Restrictions: Masks must be worn in the clubhouse.   Carts will have Divider between riders if needed or desired.

COST: **$64.00 to ride before 12:00, $54.00 to ride after 12:00. $10.00 extra for single cart**, includes greens fee and mandatory cart. Ok, to walk, but same fee. *RANGE BALLS ARE EXTRA*.
Please pay at PROSHOP no later than 15 minutes before your assigned tee time.

TEES TO USE: Declare which tees you will use for the entire season! Once you have played from a tee you must use them all year.
[NOTE: NIHGA HANDICAPPER WILL CONFIRM TO ASSURE PROPER MEMBER HANDICAPS IN 2021, ACCORDINGLY.]

Middle: BLUE   - 6512 yards, Slope 128, Rating 71.6
Senior: GREEN - 5970 yards, Slope 121, Rating 69.0
Front: TAN   - 5048 yards, Slope 114, Rating 68.5

NIHGA Outing Coordinator: Please use the SignUpGenius App. You will get an email and click the SignUp button. Sign in with your email and password and follow steps to sign up you and/or your group for a tee time. Click on the linkg to videos providing detailed instructions on how to sign up and fill out the information we need:
How to sign up for a tee time and How to change a tee time.
Links are also posted on the NIHGA website. Please contact Todd Smith, via email at twsmith99@verizon.net or Denise Droneburg at denisedroneburg@gmail.com, if you have problems. *PLEASE NOTE: LAST DAY FOR REGISTRATION IS EOB Sunday March 28th.*

NO SHOWS: Please call your Team Captain and the Hampshire Greens Pro Shop should you, at the last minute, be unable to participate in the outing. The NIHGA plays golf as long as the course is open.

Directions to the Course:

- From Beltway: I-495 to New Hampshire Avenue (Route 650). Proceed north on New Hampshire Avenue, continue through intersection of 198. Then turn left onto Bay Hill Lane. Turn right onto Harbourtown Drive, go ¾ of the way around the first circle to Firestone Dr. Go ½ way around the next circle. Take first right into entrance to the clubhouse area.

- From Rockville: Follow Norbeck Road (Route 28) past Norwood Road. Make left onto Firestone Drive. Clubhouse is ½ mile ahead on left.

PRIZES: Long Drive and Closest to the Pin Contests

Long Drive Holes: #9 and #13
Closest to the Pin: All Par 3 holes – 4, 8, 11 and 14 Everyone should bring a tape measure so each foursome will have one or use a phone app to measure the distance. Record the name of the player in your foursome who is closest to the pin, hole number, and distance on your scorecard. None will be provided by the course. Record name and distance on your scorecard for whomever in your group has the closest ball on the green.

Score Cards: We are temporarily lifting the requirement to sign the card. Each group will have the person keeping score for the group take a picture of the scorecard and email it to the handicapper as well as the team captain or captains, if there are golfers from more than one team. Also recommend emailing to others in group. This way no one touches a card except the person keeping score and there is a record of the groups scores.

Team 4 Captain: Todd Smith   twsmith99@verizon.net
Team 7 Captain: Wes Russell wesrussell9@gmail.com
Team 8 Captain: Gus Lambis guslambis@aol.com
Handicapper: Denise Droneburg   denisedroneburg@gmail.com

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- **Hampshire Greens may utilize a course marshal during this event. Please comply willingly as the league has granted this authority under its outing contract. You may use your ESC for any skipped hole(s). Hampshire Greens is a SPIKELESS golf facility. Appropriate golf attire is required.**

- **TO SPEED UP PLAY, the NIHGA Equitable Stroke Control (ESC) will be in effect. New players with no established NIHGA handicap should use an ESC of 9. Please pick up your golf ball when you have reached your ESC, accordingly:**
  - **Double Bogey --- for a handicap of less than 10,**
  - **7 --- for a handicap from 10 to 19,**
  - **8 --- for a handicap from 20 to 29,**
  - **9 --- for a handicap from 30 to 39,**
  - **10 --- for a handicap of 40 or more**

- **Rules of play: Please visit the NIHGA website at http://www.nihga.org/ for rules of play and all updated information about the NIHGA. RULE 10 – Lost Ball and Ball Out of Bounds, is as follows, for your immediate reference:**

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. <u>Two (2) penalty strokes will be added to the players score for the hole.</u>

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. <u>Two (2) penalty strokes will be added to the players score for the hole</u>. NO MORE THAN THREE 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, <u>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&B above.</u> The provisional shot must be hit before advancing <u>to</u> 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.

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