



2026

Handbook

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CHARBONNEAU GENERAL INFORMATION

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The Charbonneau Ladies Nine Hole Golfers is also referred to as the
“Niners”.

Our purpose is to promote the game of golf by welcoming and supporting women of all skill levels to thrive. We play nine holes of golf as a group every Tuesday and Thursday from the first week of April through the end of October. Scrambles are usually held on the first Tuesday of designated months, which consists of team competitions followed by a luncheon meeting in the clubhouse. The Niners’ Annual Tournament is scheduled at the end of the season.

Our goal is to provide a friendly and welcoming atmosphere to socialize and have fun playing golf whether you are just a beginner or an experienced golfer. We hope this handbook will help guide you as a member of the Niners.

You will find useful information about our Niners Club and the complete handbook on the Niners Website: <http://ladiesninersgolf.com>

BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND COMMITTEES

EXECUTIVE BOARD

President	Joann Carvalho	(408) 802-3102
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Secretary	Sylvia Morrison	(971) 409-6743
Treasurer	Rosemary Smurthwaite	(503) 624-9870

COMMITTEES & COMMITTEE CHAIRS

COMMITTEE	CHAIRPERSON(S)
Awards Scramble & Annual Banquet	Darlene Crosby and Joanne Stuvick
Annual Tournament	TBD
Battle of the Sexes	Kat Budiao
Dance Team & Annual Program	JoAnna Sawyer
Eclectic	Gloria Schwindt
Employee Merit Fund	Lisa Traylor
Greens Committee Rep	Virginia Horler
Handbook	Kat Budiao
Handicap	Rosemary Smurthwaite
Holiday Happy Hour	Joann Carvalho and 2027 President
Membership	Cathy Loffink
Guest Day	Bobbi Christiansen
New Member Orientation	Membership Committee
Niner Closet	Cathy Loffink
Photography	Jeanette Thatcher, Judi Hickman

COMMITTEE	CHAIRPERSON(S)
Publicity/Villager Article	Cathy Loffink
Rules	Bonnie Bohm
Scoring	Karla Colby
Scrambles Games & Luncheon	Ginny Jorgenson
Couples Tournament	Laura Kubsiak
Web site	Cathy Loffink
Welcome Back Coffee	Joanne Stuvick
Wilsonville H.S. Girls Golf	Cheryl Barnum
Winter Events	TBD

NINERS GENERAL INFORMATION

MONTHLY MEETINGS

Each member is urged to make a special effort to attend monthly meetings, even if she is unable to participate in golf or lunch on the day of the meeting.

PLAY DAY SIGNUP TEE-TIMES

Email Invitation for Tuesday Play:

1. Sent on Tuesday 12pm, the week before Play Day.
2. Invitation can be accepted or declined any time before Friday, 10pm. It can also be changed through the same Invite email.
3. Tee Sheet will be sent Saturday to all signed up to play.
4. No trading or changes to assigned Tee times are allowed.

After Sign Up Period:

1. Once signup is closed you can email ninergolfgg@gmail.com. If there is an opening, you can be added.
2. You will be notified of your Tee Time by email or phone call.
3. If Tuesday morning, you can call the Pro Shop for available Tee Times.

Cancellations:

1. Before Tuesday AM email ninergolfgg@gmail.com
2. If it is Tuesday morning, call the Pro Shop.
3. Please do let the Pro Shop know so they can fill your spot.

Email Invitation for Thursday Play:

1. Sent on Thursday 12pm, the week before Play day,
2. Invitation can be accepted or declined any time before Sunday, 10pm. It can also be changed through the same Invite email.
3. Once the invitation is accepted you can send a message indicating up to 3 other members that you would like to play with.
4. A maximum number of Tee Times will be available, it is on a first come, first serve basis.
5. Tee Sheet will be sent on Monday to all signed up to play.

After Sign Up Period:

1. Once signup is closed you can email ninergolfgg@gmail.com. If there is an opening, you can be added.
2. You will be notified of your Tee Time by email or phone call.
3. If Thursday morning, you can call the Pro Shop for available Tee Times

Cancellations:

1. Before Thursday AM, notify ninergolfgg@gmail.com.
2. If Thursday morning, call the Pro Shop.
3. Please do let the Pro Shop know so they can fill your spot.

SCRAMBLE EVENTS

Scrambles are usually held on the first Tuesday of designated months. Sign up for scrambles and luncheons will be in the sign-up notebook in the Pro Shop or online at ladiesninersgolf.com. Please adhere to all instructions regarding registration, paying of fees and deadlines to ensure participation in the event. If you must cancel golf, please call the Pro Shop and the Scramble Chairperson asap.

Members of the Niners are required to have an established handicap to play in any of three standard Scrambles or scramble events where payouts are awarded. Niners can play any day of the week and record their scores in GHIN to get enough games to establish a handicap. Par 3 only courses will not count toward a handicap.

Players should arrive, check in and be prepared to tee off 30 minutes prior to scheduled tee time or shotgun start whichever is applicable.

ANNUAL TOURNAMENT

The Annual Tournament consists of two separate rounds on playdays and will be held at the end of the season. The winner will be based on the cumulative score for the two rounds. Sign up for the tournament will be announced approximately two weeks in advance of the event. Pairings will be prepared and posted by the Scoring Committee. The Annual Tournament is open to all members with a handicap index who have played in at least five Niners 'events that year. Consideration for the Most Improved player of the year requires ten posted scores of nine holes or equivalent at the Charbonneau Golf Club that year.

HANDICAP AND SCORING

On January 1, 2020, the USGA, The R &A, and many golf associations around the world created a **World Handicap System (WHS)**. Its purpose is to enhance the enjoyment of the game of golf and to give as many golfers as possible the opportunity to:

- Obtain and maintain a *Handicap Index*
- Use their Handicap Index on any golf course around the world
- Compete, or play a casual round, with anyone else on a fair and equal basis

WHS will establish your Handicap after **six (6) 9-hole rounds** of golf have been posted, or **three (3) 18-hole** rounds of golf have been posted, or **any combination of those that equal 54 holes** down from the previous 90 holes required.

SETTING UP A GHIN ACCOUNT

It is important that each player set up their digital profile and add a unique email to access the Golf Handicap and Information Network (GHIN) application to post your score hole by hole. When posting hole by hole, the GHIN system will adjust your score accordingly.

POSTING SCORES

We encourage players to get out, have fun and enjoy the sport of golf. As a sanctioned organization based on integrity and character, we feel the best practice is to post your golf score after an acceptable round of golf in the GHIN application. Some exceptions when you would not post a score are:

- On league playdays, scoring committee will do it
- A round played alone
- Scramble format
- Number of clubs restricted
- Incomplete round, less than 9 holes played
- Seasonal posting restrictions

On regular play days, score cards are to be submitted no later than 3:00 PM on the day of play so that the Scoring Committee can post scores. On league playdays, scorecards should be signed, attested, initialed by each player and submitted immediately after play.

MAXIMUM STROKES PER HOLE

Maximum hole score for each player will be limited to PAR Plus 5. Once maximum strokes have been reached, whether on the fairway or green the player is to pick up their ball and continue to the next hole.

Example: Par 3 + 5 = 8 Par 4 + 5 = 9

PUTTS

Putts are to be counted and recorded, unless the player has reached the maximum number of strokes on the hole. In the case of maximum strokes reached, no putts are recorded.

COMPUTER POSTING

Other than Regular Tuesday and Thursday play, you may and are encouraged to post your score by using your GHIN app. Charbonneau is your "Home" course. Select the correct course either Red, Yellow, or Green, 9 or 18 holes. Women play from Red Tees, so select the correct tee. If you play another course beside Charbonneau select "Away". Be sure to post Hole by Hole.

Until you have a handicap index, you will not be eligible for Gross and Net Score awards for Tuesday Play Days.

PLAYER CONDUCT & INTEGRITY

“Play in the spirit of the game”

ACT WITH INTEGRITY

- Know and follow the Rules of Golf-USGA, Charbonneau Golf Course, and the Charbonneau Niners
- **“Honesty** is the best policy”
- Keep an accurate stroke count with the help of a scoring aid or assistance from another player
- Arrive early for play, at least 15 minutes before tee time and cancel tee times if unable to play

SHOW CONSIDERATION FOR OTHERS

- Don't move, talk, make noise, take practice swings or do anything that might disturb a player about to take a stroke.
- Don't offer unsolicited advice.
- When the player is at the tee addressing the ball, do not stand close or in a line behind the ball where the player can see you.
- When a player is putting do not stand directly in front or behind her.
- Don't hit your ball until those ahead are well out of range and would not be hit by your longest or wildest shots. (Hint: Short hitters play first).
- Don't step in the line of a player's putt, even before she is ready to putt. The footprint could dent the turf and keep the ball from running smoothly.
- Mute your phones when on the course.
- ***When grounds workers are actively working on the course, wait until they are safely out of range or until they wave you to play through before taking any shot.***

TAKE GOOD CARE OF THE COURSE

- At the tee, repair your divots with the sand/seed combo in the buckets.
- Repair all divots in the fairway and the rough, and repair ball marks on the green.
- Rake footprints when leaving a bunker
- Avoid damaging the green by dropping the flagstick or standing too close to the cup.
- Don't pull hand carts between a green and a bunker to reduce wear on the course.
- Power carts must be kept 30 feet from greens and bunkers.
- Power carts must obey the 90-degree cart path rule when instructed to do so by the Pro Shop

SPEED OF PLAY

“9 in 90 minutes”

- Ready golf – play a nine-hole round in 2 hours or less.
- The first player ready hits first, any shots including putts.
- Limit practice swings to one only. Preferably, take the swing outside of the tee box.
- While one player is teeing off, the next player should be ready.
- Watch others hit to help find lost balls. There is a three-minute maximum to search for lost ball.
- Plan ahead by quickly arriving at your ball after each shot while planning your next shot ahead of time.
- If riding in a cart, drop off your partner first, let her take the clubs she will need, and drive to your ball. Then pick up your partner who is already walking to her next shot.
- Keep up with the group ahead of you but hit only when they are out of your range. (Hint: Short hitters hit first).
- If the foursome behind you is waiting on you, after putting, two players can advance to the next hole and hit to speed up play.
- Ready golfers carry an extra ball, an extra tee, and a ball marker in their pocket. Mark your balls for faster identification.
- Be alert...Stay out of player's ball path.
- When approaching the green, park at the side of the green nearer the cart path to the next hole and be sure to take all clubs needed to finish the hole.
- If you can't walk Line up your putt before it is your turn. If you miss a putt, consider putting out rather than marking your ball. After asking permission, carefully mark the other players' balls for them if it speeds play.
- Plan to mark your scorecard at the next tee.
- If you can't walk briskly, please use a power cart.

OTHER POLICIES AND GUIDELINES

1. Handicap indexes will be established according to the WHS guidelines for 9 holes and will be calculated on the results of a 9-hole round played according to the *Rules of Golf*.
2. Committee Chairs are encouraged to hold their positions for two years.
3. The Niners will hold one director's position on the Charbonneau Golf Club, Inc. Board of Directors. The Executive Board will appoint this individual. The qualifications for this position are that this person must be a Charbonneau resident, have an active voting Niner membership with a minimum membership of 1 year, and have a good understanding of golf and golf courses.

For the Niner Calendar and Roster, please download from the website ladiesninersgolf.com. You can use the QR code below to go to the website.

