



HELLENIC GOLF CLUB of SA

HANDBOOK 2015

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GENERAL INFORMATION

Game-day Rules

Every Hellenic GCSA sanctioned round will be played in accordance with the rules of the R&A, in conjunction with any local rules of the course being played. Any questions, ask the Captain.

Etiquette

Just to mention a few:

- Quiet when others are playing. **SO SHUT IT!!**
- Always repair all divots and pitch marks.
- Always play in turn.
- Don't walk through the line of others putts.
- Phone's on silent or switched off!!
- NO slow play.....Keep it moving!! refer to A4 sheet that accompanied your programs

Stick to these and you should be fine.

Grades

Most Game-days are split into A-Grade and B-Grade, but everyone plays in groups mixed with A's and B's players. **We do not segregate!!!**

- A Grade – Handicaps 0-16
- B Grade – Handicaps 17+

Dress Code

All Members must wear the SAHGO Polo. White socks are recommended when wearing shorts. **Strictly no denim!!!**

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

The Hellenic GCSA Club Championship is the pinnacle for all members of the club. The club has seen a multitude of characters that have been Club Champion since the inaugural year. But, not one has resisted the urge to respond to a directed sledge with the patented '**...Club Champion to YOU!**'

The club championship has caused euphoria, heartbreak, frustration, tears and a bucket load of controversy over the years... This is why it's so special!!!!

The Club Championship is always hotly contested and in good spirits.

GOOD LUCK TO ALL IN THE ULTIMATE BATTLE FOR BRAGGING RIGHTS!!!

Club Championship Eligibility

To be eligible for the Club championship a player must cover the following criteria:

- Must be a financial member of Hellenic GCSA.
- Must have a registered Handicap.
- Must have participated in a minimum of **8** Hellenic GCSA sanctioned rounds in the 12 months prior to the first championship qualifier.

Club Championship Qualifying 2014

- There will be 3 designated qualifying rounds as set in the program.
- These qualifiers will be 18-Hole stroke-play rounds.
- Each participant will have an opportunity to compete in each of these rounds with a total aggregate score taken by adding their 2 best gross scores together.
- The top 4 best gross aggregate scores in each grade will advance to the match play playoffs.

Club championship qualification and format may change based on review by the match committee. Any changes will be advised well before the qualifying rounds take place.

Club Championship Playoffs

- The top four qualifiers from A & B grade will compete in 18-Hole match-play until there is a club champion.
- All rounds are off the stick match-play (NO HANDICAP)

- Week 1 – Semi Finals
 - o SF A: 1st vs. 4th
 - o SF B: 2nd vs. 3rd

- Week 2 - Championship Match
 - o Winner of SF A vs. Winner of SF B

All Playoff rounds are designated within the Hellenic GCSA Golfing Calendar. Any Playoff match can be moved to another date only if there is a valid reason, both players agree, the board ratifies the decision and the proposed date does not require altering following play-off rounds.

PIN HIGH OPEN

The Pin High Open marks the culmination of over 40 golf rounds of early mornings, unpredictable weather, sledging and lost balls. Not to mention the countless stories of near misses, lucky (A-Grade) bounces and 'the fluke' (OH, I MEANT TO DO THAT!!!).

The first weekend of December (at **Victor Harbour**) plays host to two rounds of very enjoyable, highly charged and often hysterical golf.

The weekend also features:

- Countless BBQ's
- A Bathtub full of Drinks (literally)
- Manilla, Back-Gammon, Friendly disagreements
- And our annual visit from SANTA!!

Format:

- 2 x 18-Hole Handicap Stroke-play rounds
- Best 36-Hole nett aggregate wins

PRESIDENTS CUP

'Forget the Internationals vs. The United States; the real Presidents Cup belongs to Hellenic GCSA.'

.....A Brave man, He will be missed!!

The Presidents Cup has always been a heralded event on the Pin High Calendar and has seen some worthy winners over the years.

At a course and date nominated by the President, a large turnout always fights to upstage the President on his own day. The last two years have seen members fail miserably, as the man himself has taken out his own trophy.

Format:

- 18-Holes of whatever the President feels like
- ONE WINNER!!

CAPTAINS TROPHY

Ever wanted to get back at the Captain for:

- Putting you in the last group?
- Making a ruling against you?
- Or even making you walk when you wanted a cart?

HERE'S YOUR CHANCE!!

The Captain reigns on the golf course, **but** on a course and date that is chosen by the man himself you can take his power from him.

Format:

- 18-Holes of whatever the Captain feels like
- ONE WINNER!!

SOTOS KASELOURIS CUP

“The SOTOS’ is played in the loving memory of a founding member of the Pin High Golf and Social Club.”

An annual event that is a mainstay on the Hellenic GCSA Golfing Calendar, it is played annually and was built to instil the word ‘FUN’ into golf.

There is always an amazing turnout to honour and respect the memory of SOTOS, who passed away after a battle with Leukaemia.

Always a fun and well spirited day, never is there more gamesmanship and flat out intimidation at any of the Pin High events. (LET THE GAME’S BEGIN!)

But most importantly, the whole day perpetuates the friendly competition and unbreakable bond that exists within all members of our club, **past and present!**

Format:

- 18-Hole Ambrose Round (Teams of Three or Four, depending on numbers.)

MONTHLY MEDALS

Monthly medals are always a good chance to fill the house with more silverware (...or paperweights!!!)

Played as the first round of the month, many members cringe when the Captain announces 'Stroke Round everybody, so **COUNT** every shot.'

Always a nice little incentive to perform, Monthly Medal always entices a solid turnout.

Format:

- 18-Hole Stroke-play.
- A- Grade and B-Grade Monthly medal's up for grabs.

POINTS CHAMPIONSHIP

The 'Mr Consistency Trophy' is always a good feather in the cap for any member of the club.

With many points and double-points rounds through the course of the year, attendance is paramount.

The Points Championship was introduced to entice attendance and has remained as an integral part of the Hellenic Golf Club Calendar as it has succeeded in doing exactly that.

Format:

- 18-Holes of varying scoring formats. **SO CHECK YOUR PROGRAM!!**
- Split into A's and B's.
- Points are awarded in each grade :
 - o 1st – 5 points
 - o 2nd – 4 points
 - o 3rd – 3 points
 - o Participation – 1 point

There are also double points rounds.

SURELY THIS DOES NOT NEED TO BE EXPLAINED

**'Sex and golf are the two things you can enjoy
even if you're not good at them.'**

Kevin Costner

There is always a load of prizes to play for with Hellenic GCSA, but let's not forget the true purpose of fun and friendship that the club has enjoyed since its inception.

REMINDER to All Members that we are guests of the various golf clubs we visit. Proper etiquette and respect must be adhered to at all times. You are representing Hellenic GCSA, so please act accordingly.

GOOD LUCK to all and most importantly:
HAPPY GOLFING!!

ANY FURTHER INFORMATION: VISIT THE CLUB WEBSITE
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