

Minutes of East Bay Team Play Spring Meeting

Wednesday, March 4, 2020

Oakhurst Country Club

The meeting was called to order by Sue Howell and Ann Brady, 2020 EBTP Directors, at 10:08 AM.

The Captains, Co-Captains, and representatives were asked to introduce themselves and then the meeting was started.

The Captain from Green Valley, our website administrator Catherine Clinehens, gave us an informative power point presentation about the eastbayteampay.com website. As she walked us through the website the following issues were highlighted:

1. Pro shops need to provide your club the Index sheets from USGA, dated the 1st and 15th of each month. We will use these dates for all of our matches, as we have done in the past.
2. The Letter of Invitation from the host club needs to list slope, rating, and par in order for each team member's handicap to be properly calculated.
3. The lineups sheets should be sent to the host clubs 7-10 days prior to the matches.
4. Consistent with 2019 play, both Gross and Net scores are tabulated.
5. All scores need to be posted by the Captain on the day the matches are played. This will allow the indexes to be updated daily, dictated by USGA rules.
6. The website lists the League Director for each year through 2034. Check out when your club will be responsible for directing East Bay Team Play.
7. Sacred dates for 2020 play will be limited to five (5) per club.

While there are many administrative details listed on the website under "Responsibilities", it appears that EBTP Bylaws have never been formalized. A proposed draft was sent to each captain and after discussion it was moved, seconded, and passed that the bylaws be adopted. Two points were highlighted in the discussion:

> Limiting the number of participating clubs to a maximum of fourteen (14).

> Withdrawal from EBTP will require following the steps outlined in the adopted bylaws with a written letter of resignation submitted to the League Director prior to scheduling the season.

There was discussion about a proposal to split the league to play fewer matches each year. At the October meeting it was brought up that due to the difficulty of scheduling matches for the year, and the conflicts from clubs that play in multiple leagues, like DVTP or NBTP, that we should consider fewer than the 13 matches we currently schedule. This matter had been considered 5 years prior and Sandy Westall from Berkeley had drafted a methodology on how to split the groups. Sandy attended the meeting to answer any questions concerning the methodology. There was discussion from the clubs in multiple leagues as to their challenges, and also from those in only one league, as to their members wanting to continue to play all the matches to have the opportunities to play all the clubs. After discussion a vote was taken and 7 teams voted to leave the schedule in its current form. Given an even split the decision was made to continue as is.

Oakhurst directors, Sue and Ann, will make an effort to involve the incoming 2021 League Director, Richmond, and also to expand the length of the season to include September and October. Also, if DVTP and NBTP will make their schedules available, an effort will be made to try to minimize conflicts.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:50 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Anne Carroll

EBTP Captain

Richmond Country Club

**Minutes of East Bay Team Play Fall Meeting
Wednesday, October 23, 2019
Castlewood Country Club**

EBTP Director Dawn Pombo called the meeting to order at 10:15 AM
All clubs were represented except Round Hill.

Old Business

Net and gross flights are working well.

The method for popping the cards for the matches are to continue to be at the discretion of the hosting captain.

Discussion on local rule for out of bounds.

It was confirmed that the league adopted the new Out of Bounds rule at our March meeting.

New Business

The new handicap system for next year will update handicaps daily.

It was decided that we will continue to use the handicaps revised on the 1st and the 15th for our matches and to continue to use a maximum handicap of 36.

Captains can have their handicap chairman set up an email report thru ghinclub.net to be generated on the first and the 15th to be used for the matches.

Fees for each match.

It was discussed that many captains are getting pushback from their clubs on the \$55 fee. It was decided that the fee would be raised to \$60 maximum. \$60 is not mandatory and if you can do the match for less it is encouraged to do so. Go in to management with this approach: "this is how much you have to work with and this is what we need from it". It is only one day a year and is an opportunity for them to showcase their club. It is for their Ladies club and not a profit event.

Splitting the League

A motion was made to investigate the possibility of splitting the league into two groups of seven.

There has already been some research done on this subject.

We will follow up on this item and send the captains an outline of the procedures prior to the March meeting. At the March meeting there will be a presentation on the options available for the split and a vote will be taken.

There will also be a discussion on sacred dates at the March meeting.

The Director presented information concerning available funds and it was agreed to continue at \$30 annual dues.

As a reminder, each club will have \$30 dues for EBTP league's 2020 season due at the March meeting.

Schedule of Matches

There was extensive discussion on the schedule, with several changes agreed upon and others to be followed up on by the current director.

The final schedule will be sent to the captains and posted on the website.

**The Spring meeting will be at 10:00 AM Wednesday, March 4, 2020,
at Oakhurst Country Club.**

The meeting was adjourned at 11:20 AM.

Respectfully submitted,
Sue Howell and Ann Brady
Oakhurst Country Club

Minutes of East Bay Team Play Meeting
March 5, 2019
Castlewood Country Club

EBTP director Dawn Pombo called the meeting to order at 10:15 AM and welcomed all the attending clubs. All the clubs were represented.

Attendees: Berkeley (Janet Tsukahira & Jan Bridges), Blackhawk (Lynn Prakash), Castlewood (Dawn Pombo & Kay King), Claremont (Ann Frizell & Maria White), Contra Costa (Darlene Martel), Crow Canyon (Dorothy Keen) Green Valley (Catherine Clinehens & Patti Williams), Moraga (Pat Brown), Oakhurst (Sue Howell & Ann Brady), Richmond (Rosemary Corbin), Rossmoor (Robin Moreau & Janice Davies), Round Hill (Eileen Short), Ruby Hill (Jackie Davos), Sequoyah (Donna Erickson),

Old business reviewed

1. We will continue scoring low gross and low net for A, B, and C teams.
The host club will be given the option of popping team cards in advance or having each club pop their own cards on the match date. This is to be stipulated on the letter of invitation.
2. **Indexes** If the match is within the first 10 days of the month we will use the 15th of the previous month index. Otherwise use the first of each month index. Captains must state which index is being used in their letter of invitation.
3. Send lineups to hosting club 7 to 10 days in advance
4. Send letter of invitation to Captains and Co-Captains one month in advance
5. Index/handicap spreads remain the same.
A Team 0 – 19.0 index
B Team 15.0 - 26.0 index
C Team 21.0 index and up to a maximum of 36 converted handicap
(Players must play to no more than a 36 converted handicap)
6. Pace of play - The finish times for each hole must be printed on the score cards. You must keep up with the group in front of you.
7. Resolving or handling any scoring issues is to be done on a hole by hole basis using good sportsmanship and respect. If the issue cannot be resolved, declare to your opponent that this hole is in dispute. Continue play and present both sides of the issue to the director at the end of the round. Do not sign your scorecards until resolved.

New business:

It was recommended that each Club hold a rules clinic for their EBTP players to cover the new rules in match play rules.

The WGANC website has a good video covering the new rules changes for 2019.

The USGA app is a great resource for Rules of Golf 2019.

Rules changes 2019

- a. Local rule for out of bounds was approved for our matches. This says if a shot is hit and presumed to be out of bounds, the player has option of dropping a ball parallel to where it went out of bounds and taking a 2 stroke penalty, rather than hitting a second ball from the original spot with a 1 stroke penalty.
Be sure to include your local rules sheet with the team play score cards.
- b. Under the new rules, the flagstick may remain in the hole. Let the player request if they want it out, otherwise leave it in.
- c. A correctly dropped ball is dropped from knee height with knees straight.
- d. Match play rules do not allow playing out of turn (ready golf). However, you can invite your opponent to play out of turn if you are behind on executing your shot (looking for a lost ball, raking a trap, etc.) on a shot by shot basis. Your opponent can refuse to hit out of turn.

More than 14 clubs –

The penalty for having more than 14 clubs in your bag was clarified and it was voted to except the scoring penalty guidelines used by Diablo League.

If you have more than 14 clubs in your bag for two holes or more the maximum penalty is loss of two points. One from gross one from net.

If it is discovered that you have more than 14 clubs in your bag after only one hole the penalty is loss of one point. Half a point from gross, half a point from net.

eastbayteamplay.com.

It was recommended that captains become familiar with the EBTP website - eastbayteamplay.com. – and encourage their team members to do so as well.

The standings after every match will be posted on the website. They will no longer be emailed to the captains.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:15 AM

The fall East Bay Team Play meeting will be held October 23, at 10:00 AM at Castlewood Country Club.

Submitted by Sue Howell and Ann Brady, Oakhurst Country Club