

A Senior Member-Guest Event

One of the problems of club tournament committees is to find competitive events which will attract the senior golfer as more and more members reach the senior class.

Most member-guest four-ball tournaments are played over one week-end. This usually necessitates thirty-six holes on at least one day, which discourages many seniors.

To provide competitions for seniors, the Seawane Harbor Club, on Long Island, inaugurated a few years ago a Senior Member-Guest Four-Ball Invitation to be played on a nine-hole basis. Mr. C. E. Murray has been kind enough to describe this tournament for us. All regular rules of play obtain with the following exceptions:

Players must be 53 years or more.

On the first day the first and second rounds and first round of the beaten eights are played, all on a nine-hole basis. On the second day, semi-final and final rounds, again on a nine-hole basis, are held. No qualifying round is held, but entries announcing each guest's name and handicap must be in by the Wednesday preceding the event. Entries are taken in order of their receipt.

At the tenth tee, the first winning team awaits the second winning team. Teams change accordingly and start the second round. Similarly at the tenth tee, the first losers meet the second losers, thus starting the first round of the beaten eights.

In case of a halved match at the ninth, the match continues as started but changes at the first winning hole of the second nine. The other winning team of the first nine continues play with its opponents, keeps its score and matches cards from the tenth tee on with the new opponents when change is made in teams.

The semi-final and final rounds on the second day follow the same procedure.

Teams are drawn by the committee to establish order of play. Owing to the nature of the tournament, it is absolutely

necessary that all players be ready at the designated starting time.

The score cards for the first nine are prepared and show where the strokes fall for each player. Similarly, the cards are marked by somebody stationed at the tenth for the second round.

This tournament has proved extremely popular, more so each year as members move into older age brackets and discover they should not play thirty-six holes in one day.

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