

TOURNAMENT DIRECTORS' REPORT 2021

The 2021 play day season ran from the Opening Fun Day on March 9th to the final play day on November 16th.

-Our goals this year were:

- to make the play days fun for all levels of players
- to implement the play-as-you-play system seamlessly and successfully
- to make the Shoot Out a bigger event in the PWGA year

-Formal play days began on March 23rd after a weather cancellation on the 16th.

- There were 27 play days scheduled
- 24 of those were played, with the remaining 3 being weather cancellations.
- Our average play day participation was 43, up slightly from 2019. (2020 was the pandemic year and therefore unusual so I did not compare those numbers)
- Additionally, 5 tournaments were conducted by the various tournament committees

Highlights of the season:

-This year we started the season with a fun mixer on the opening day. It was a “blind draw” for teams and there was no charge for entry. We had very positive feedback from the membership on this format.

-This was the first year for the Pay-as-You-Play format and it was well received. With assistance from the Pro Shop staff, we were able to implement it with few problems and with much success. Attached is the PWGA Prize Money 2021 report.

-The Race to the Shoot Out began on the first play day and points accumulated through October 19th

- We incorporated 4 *Shoot Out Bonus Days* where additional money and points could be earned. Of these, there was one AB-CD, one ABCD and two Peer Play days. One bonus day was played monthly from June through September
- On November 2nd the top 8 points getters played off in a Shoot Out to become the Shoot Out Champion. We made the regular game on that day a 14 hole event. This was done to accommodate the shoot out which was played on holes 15-18 and to encourage more people to come out and watch. This worked well and the turn out to watch the Shoot Out was large and the event a success.

Other items of Note:

-This year we added two match play events (one individual and one team) into the calendar. We feel they were a great success, greatly enjoyed, and would recommend continuing them.

Recommendations for 2022:

-We recommend that the schedule be posted only on the PWGA portal. In the past it has been on the main club website, as well as the portal. The one on the main website is difficult to get updated so causes confusion. It is truly unnecessary as the schedule can more easily be accessed on the PWGA Portal.

-We recommend that only two months of games be posted ahead on the PWGA portal. This would allow games to be more easily adjusted if needed and moved when necessary without disruption to the portal. It would also be easier to be maintained by the Pro Shop staff.

-We recommend that the Bonus Day extra pay outs be changed from percentages to dollars. For instance, instead of increasing each Bonus Day by 10%, 20%, 30% and 50%, increase instead by \$1.00, \$2.00, \$3.00 and \$4.00 (or any amount you decide). If there were 50 players, this would be a budget of an additional \$150. This year based on 50 players we would have needed to budget \$110; we actually spent only \$101.72.

-We recommend the last play day of the season be scheduled for the first Tuesday of November or last Tuesday of October, depending on when Thanksgiving falls. The Closing Meeting would follow two weeks later, allowing for the finalization of all awards and for the board to complete all business prior to Thanksgiving holiday.

Conclusion:

We believe 2021 has been a very successful year and that we accomplished our goals for the season.

The upcoming year should run even more smoothly after having one year of pay-as-you-play in the books, the use of the GolfGenius "League" worked through, and with the support of the membership as recognized by the vote to continue with this system.

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