

Woodbridge Golf Club – FAQ

What type of Club is it?

It is a combination golf club and social club. We do not play real serious golf, but we do take the competitions somewhat seriously and do alter the rules to facilitate fast play and allow the lesser golfer to keep pace.

Do I have to be a great golfer to play?

No. However, our experience has shown that you will enjoy your experience more if you have played at least 5 or more rounds in the last year at a regulation course (par 70+ with a slope greater than 115).

What is the make up of the club?

We have couples, singles, men and women and various age groups. The average handicap of the Club is approximately 20. Our A flight averages 10, the B flight averages 20 and the C flight averages a 33 handicap.

Can I maintain my SCGA with the Club without playing in any tournaments?

You certainly can. We also have the NetPost system with the SCGA to make it even easier for you to post your scores via the internet.

How do I join?

You can download the application form on this website and submit it to:
Ms. Janice Yee, PO Box 14545, Irvine CA 92623

How much does it cost?

\$65.00 per person for all or any part of the golf year. Renewals take place in the early fall of each year. You can join late in the calendar year and your fees will be applied to the next full calendar year without any additional expense to you. Check with Janice Yee for details.

Where do the fees go?

This is a not-for-profit golf club. All fees for membership and tournaments get redistributed to tournament participants in the form of prizes and awards or after golf social hour.

I am a member of another club. Do I receive the multi club discount?

No, the fee is not pro-rated or discounted.

I want to join and have no handicap but want to compete. What happens here?

You can play in the tournaments but you will not be eligible to be in any of the events that require a handicap for that event. You must record 5 scores with the SCGA to receive an index and compete in any of the handicapped events. As a member you can compete in the long drive, closest to the pins and double your money.

How are the handicaps calculated?

Scores are entered into the SCGA handicapping system via computer terminal generally located at each course. WGC tournament scores are entered by the WGC handicap chairperson at the conclusion of each tournament. Your handicap (or index) is automatically calculated by this system. As a general rule your handicap is based on the lowest 10 scores out of your last 20 rounds adjusted for the slope rating. (it is far more complicated but this is easier to remember).

Why do WGC tournament handicaps differ from my index on the SCGA website?

Each course is rated differently with respect to the course difficulty. This is called the slope system. You may have a 15.0 index and play to a 14 handicap at one course and a 17 handicap at another course.

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Can I use this handicap at other tournaments that I play in?

Yes, this is your official handicap. You may have your SCGA card stamped at each tournament to verify to others your handicap status, or your tournament official may access your scores via the SCGA system to verify your handicap.

What is the tournament format?

The format is individual stroke play, based on handicapped flights. Prizes are awarded for Low Gross and Low Net scores, Closest to the Pins, Long Drives (Men & Women), and Low Putts. There is no additional charge for these awards. We also play an optional (you pay to enter) double your money hole; if you hit the green on the designated par three hole, you get double your money back. There is also a skins game that you can enter before the Tournament.

How do you choose the courses, days and cost?

This site selection committee has a difficult task here. They do the best they can to get the best courses at an affordable price. The affordable price definition is different for each member. Saturdays are better than Sundays for some members and vice versa. Some of the nicer courses at an affordable price, are approximately an hour away. The WGC does survey the members periodically to determine some of these parameters.

Can I bring a friend with me to play?

Generally yes. Our tournaments are open to members, family and friends. We usually reserve 36 spots, sometimes one year in advance. Members will receive priority if we reach the limit and the course cannot provide additional openings for the tournament.

Why do we have to pay in advance?

The WGC must put down a deposit well in advance, then pay the course the final fees prior to the Tournament Day. The WGC is a not-for-profit organization and must use your entry fees to make these payments to the courses.

Will I get my money back if I cancel?

Cancellations are the nemesis of all tournament play. The courses are reluctant to make any refund. There are usually contract provisions that prevent the issuance of refunds. Additionally, there is quite a bit of preparation that goes into a tournament that has to be redone upon any cancellation. Note that if you cancel BEFORE any entry fee due date you will receive a full refund.