

## SENIOR ASSOCIATION OPERATION INFORMATION REVISED- 3 / 16 / 2023

### LSSGA Senior web page information

Information regarding the LaFortune South Lakes Senior Golf Association is available on the LaFortune G.C. web page, which can be accessed using draw down menus as follow: LaFortune G. C. > GOLF COURSE > SENIOR GOLF ... then scroll down to find the tab for Play Schedule, Senior Association Operating Information, Senior League Rules of Play, Senior Contest Rules, other information and members current handicaps at the bottom of the page.

### How are Tee Times Allotted to LSSGA?

We (LSSGA) manage our own T Times by forecasting or estimating the number of tee times the league will require each month on a monthly basis. Each request is forwarded to the appropriate golf course and the requested block of tee times is entered into their system well before the public is allowed to make or request individual tee times. Our estimates are based on the amount of play we have received in the past for each scheduled play day. We are required to be as realistic as possible with the estimates, but at the same time request sufficient tee times to accommodate the members who "sign up" to play. Many times, the number of players exceed the number of tee times requested and we are therefore required to take additional steps to enable everyone to play on the day requested. Thus far we have always been able to get each player a place to play whenever he so desires.

The most important thing you, as a member, can do to help with this situation is to always call our league starter as soon as you learn that you must cancel your tee time. This will permit someone else to use the space. Most of the members are very good about canceling when required, and this is appreciated.

Cancellation of play on the morning of a scheduled T-Time should be done through the appropriate golf course. Please, help everyone and don't be a NO SHOW and make the appropriate notification if you cannot play.

### Tee Time Rules

Please assist with the league's effort to start play at the time your tee time was assigned. By doing so, each player can expect to arrive at the course 30 minutes prior to the assigned tee time to have sufficient time to warm up prior to starting. When the early players manage to go off prior to their assigned tee times, then the pace is set for subsequent groups to follow. After several groups have followed this procedure, the start times are such that players are being called to the tee at the time they are arriving at the course. All members are requested to not be a NO SHOW with respect to regular play as well as tournament play. The tee time a NO SHOW player has may be utilized by someone else who would like to play but may not get to because the starter believes all the time are taken. Also, your fellow players in a tournament may be severely handicapped by a player who was signed up to play but decided not to without proper cancellation.

### Who Are the Starters?

The Starters are volunteers who have agreed to be responsible for the "Sign-up Book" for one week. Every eligible member is expected to volunteer to be a Starter at least one week each year. The only members we do not expect to volunteer are those who have not been in the league more than one year, those who have reached their 80th birthday and the league officers who are volunteering for other work. There are sign-up sheets available for becoming a Starter and they are available at the initial sign-up each month, or anyone can volunteer by contacting Joe Gill (918) 346-0621. The duties of the Starter are shown in the "Starters Book" and it is a very good way to get acquainted with the other members.

## Starters Book and T-Times

Sign-up Sheets are prepared for each play day and those sheets are available in the Starters Book. The sign-up sheets are available on a "first come, first serve basis" at the designated place inside each course clubhouse on play days. One person may sign up for just himself, or for a foursome, at any time which may be available, and on as many sheets as desired for the month. Subsequent sign-ups may occur throughout the month by inspecting the sign-up book which will be in the pro shop at each course while we are playing each day, or by calling the appropriate monthly Starter. Each Starter's name and telephone number appears on the LaFortune web page. The appropriate Starter will be the one listed for the week within which you are calling. Calls to the "Starter" are required for both assigning tee-times, as well as canceling tee-times when you will not be able to play. If a cancellation must be made on the morning of play, then you should call the course pro shop and advise them. No player should remove another's name from any sign-up sheet without the other player's knowledge and permission.

### The Monthly "SIGN-UP" DRAWING, for the upcoming months tee-times:

The monthly drawing is a lottery style drawing/sheet signing held on the Third (3rd) Thursday of each month, at 8:30, in the LaFortune meeting room. The drawing allows one (1) member from each individual group to vie for Tee -Times in the coming month. One (1) individual from each group (foursome/ threesome/ twosome) will randomly select a numbered chip and then be seated in numerical order 1 - 30. Daily sign-up sheets (M-W-F) will then be given to the individual who drew the lowest numbered chip. All sheets will then be circulated through each seated member in numerical order. Every play day during the coming month will have a sign-up sheet at both LaFortune and South Lakes. All late comers, after the final chip is drawn, WILL NOT be allowed to draw but instead shall proceed to the end of the seating order. No one can randomly sign-up individuals or additional group members on other time slots outside their groups allotted/signed up T-Time during this monthly sign-up drawing.

### Tournaments, contests and events

LSSGA schedules several types of Tournaments, Contests and events throughout the regular season, in addition to the final Scramble, at Meadowbrook, at seasons end. Some require a special sign-up and others are simply included in regular play days. Notification of a Special Sign-Up Tournament is given by email and require you to sign up on a tournament sheet that will be provided in the starters book prior to each event. More information on each specific Tournament, contest and event can be found under **SENIOR CONTEST RULES** on the LaFortune G.C. web page.

### ASSOCIATION POLICY FOR CANCELING TOURNAMENTS and CONTESTS

Tournaments may be canceled due to weather and/or course conditions and rescheduled for a later date, if possible. The decision to cancel or delay a tournament will be made by the Tournament Director, or in his absence the Association President, in agreement with Golf Course Management. This decision may possibly be determined on the morning of the event. If weather conditions change during an event and members drop out of the event, it will be deemed an official event if 50% of the members/ teams, who are registered to play, complete the event. Depending on if it is a team or individual player event. Pins Games are considered official if 50% of the players who are registered to play that day complete the event, with the provision that no fewer than 16 eligible players participate.

### Winning (Paperless) Clubhouse Credits

All winnings (clubhouse credits) are paid for by your annual LSSGA membership fees.

Clubhouse Credits are awarded to the winners of our tournaments/contests and the denomination varies by contest and place (1st, 2nd, 3rd etc...).

All Winners will have an electronic account established (clubhouse credits), in their names, and used to redeem their winning proceeds.

Clubhouse Credits are usually redeemable at either LaFortune or South Lakes the following Wednesday after a contest and have an **expiration date of ONE YEAR**.

Winning notifications of all tournaments/contests will be made through email by a Board Member.

### Handicap System

The handicaps are calculated and maintained by the LaFortune Golf Course personnel. Scores are entered into an online system which tracks the course, course rating, etc. The handicap is based on the best 10 of the last 20 rounds of golf at each course. LaFortune and South Lakes will enter the scores immediately after the score card is received.

### Cart Rental Info.

Riding on a rental cart without paying for it is a violation of the course rules as well as our league rules. Being able to rent a cart without having a second rider, and without having to pay the full price, is a privilege that we do not want to lose because of someone riding without paying. If you don't want to walk, please pay for either the total round, or for nine holes. Don't ruin it for everyone by "just riding a few holes".

### Use of Handicapped Flags on Riding Carts

The requirements for use are:

1. They must have a handicapped parking permit and are incapacitated enough to prevent them from being able to walk from the normal established cart restricted area onto the green.
2. They are incapacitated in the above stated manner, but do not have a handicapped permit because their condition is only temporary.

The restrictions of use are:

1. Carts may be driven inside the white lines but are not to be driven up on the collars or edges of the greens, or in between the green and a bunker.
2. Carts are to be driven out of these restricted areas by going back toward the fairway.
3. On days when it so wet that carts are restricted to "paths only", handicapped flags we will not be issued.