**PRESIDENTS CUP FOR 2023**

**Overview**

Two qualifying rounds will be played two weeks prior to the first round (planned for 8 and 15 May, 2023). The sixteen lowest scores from the two qualifying rounds will qualify. Play will use May 15th handicaps throughout the tournament. $5 buy in for each player will be paid prior to round one (planned for May 22 ,2023). Sixteen seeds will be ranked in the ladder (see below) playing four match play rounds to determine the Presidents Cup Winner.

Eight match play rounds will be played by the sixteen players in the first round. Winners will advance to play the second round and subsequent winners will match play until a winner is determined

Points will be awarded as follows: Eight - First round losers = 300 Points; Four - Second round losers = 550 Points; Two - Third round = 800 Points; One - Fourth round = 1200 Points and Presidents Cup Winner = 2,000 Points

**The ladder:**



 **Scoring**

The lowest handicapped player will be the scorekeeper. If the handicaps are the same, the first player listed on the scorecard will be the scorekeeper. Example: player A is up five holes with four holes to play. He would win five and four. Score is kept by using a + (plus sign) for winning a hole, a – (minus sign) for losing a hole, and a (straight line) for halving the hole or being even. The plus and minus signs will be from the reference point of the scorekeeper (lowest handicapped player).

The game is won when one player is up more than there are holes left to play

Examples: Player A is up 5 with only four holes to play (5 & 4) Player B is up by 2 with 1 hole remaining to play (2 & 1)

**Option to schedule around conflicts**

Players may arrange to play their match on an alternate day if agreed to by both players. The match can be played on any date after your opponent becomes known (Monday after all rounds are completed) until the Sunday following the Monday of the next Cup rounds, In other words, you have a 13 day window to get the match completed.

**Tie Breaker**

If players are tied after eighteen holes, play will continue for three holes #1 #2 #3 (best two out of three is the winner) If the match is still tied play sudden death from hole #4 on.

**Handicaps**

(Play using May 15th 2023 handicaps) for all matches through the final championship match.

Each player will play to his full handicap and strokes will be given equal to the difference between the low handicap in the high handicap.

Example player A has a handicap of 8 and player B has a handicap of 18 the difference would be 10 so player be would have 10 pops distributed according to the most difficult hole as listed on the scorecard.

**Concessions of stroke, hole or match**

A player may concede a putt, hole, or match to his opponent. A player’s concession of stroke cannot be declined or withdrawn. If a player continues to putt after the putt has been conceded his putts are irrelevant. And there is no penalty. For handicap purposes, the player shall record the score he most likely would have made. The most likely score consists of the number of strokes already taken plus, in his best judgment, the number of strokes the player would need to complete the hole from that position more than half the time. The most likely score should be preceded with an “X”.

The penalty for a breach of the Rules in match play is loss of hole.

**Posting Scores**

Match play scores shall be posted, but not as tournament scores. For handicap purposes, any holes left un-played, due to the winning of the match before 18 holes are completed, shall be recorded as par plus any handicap strokes that the player is entitled to receive on the un-played holes based on his full handicap.