

RED RIVER VALLEY SENIOR MEN'S GOLF ASSOCIATION

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Welcome to the Golf Association Active Membership

Please commit the player number that you received and your (we prefer that you use your cell phone) primary phone number that you gave us to memory. You must use it in all correspondence, sign up, prizes, etc.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR USE OF OUR WEB SITE:

THIS MEMO IS FOR TOUR ACTIVE MEMBERS ONLY

If you don't have internet:

Those who don't have internet often have a friend from the Association sign up for them. Some have a family member with internet sign up for them.

You can call the course rep and he will sign up for you. The names of course reps and their phone numbers are listed on the wallet schedule and on the web site.

Members receive a Monthly News Letters. Those without internet must get them from a friend. Those with internet will receive it by email. The schedule is posted on the web site. You can pick up wallet schedules at the first event you play. The schedule is also posted weekly in the Fargo Forum.

Web Site: www.redrivergolf.net Information

- 1. The first page has a number of tabs at the top which are self-explanatory.**
- 2. In order to sign up for golfing events or get further information, you must click on the "Members Only" tab.**
- 3. PLEASE NOTE THAT THE INFORMATION UNDER THE MEMBERS TAB IS FOR MEMBERS (Active and Waitlist) ONLY AND SOME OF THE INFORMATION WE DO NOT WANT AVAILABLE TO NONMEMBERS, SO PLEASE DON'T ABUSE THE RULES.**
- 4. On the screen that comes up you must do the following:**
 - a. Enter USER NAME which is: golfmember (all small case). (PLEASE DO NOT GIVE OUT THIS USER NAME)**

- b. Enter PASS WORD which is: mindak400, (all small case). Note the one “n” in mindak. (PLEASE DO NOT GIVE OUT THIS PASSWORD)
 - c. Note that the user name and the password are what they are and do not refer to your personal name and player number.
- 5. On the right under “Members Options” there are several topics which are self-explanatory, but one needs special attention--Sign-up Books

Sign-up Books

1. Click on Sign-up Books and you will be asked for your assigned player number and primary contact telephone number.
2. There will be 8-10 sign-up events listed at any given time. Select the event you want to join. [The first event on the list is a test event. This is designed for you to practice on.]
3. Click on “Sign-up for This Event”.
4. Fill out the information requested.
 - a. You must choose to ride or walk.
 - b. Under Comments, if you wish to play with another member, you must indicate that in this way: w/130 (number of the player you want to play with). You have only 6 spaces to use.
 - c. If you indicate that you want to play with another member, that member must also indicate that he wants to play with you.
 - d. When wanting to play with another member ‘b’ and ‘c’ above must be done exactly as shown or your request will not be honored.
 - e. After you have clicked on “Join This Event”, it is a good idea to go back to the Sign-up page and click on “View Current Player Listings” and make sure you are on it. You will appear in numeric order on the list.
 - f. If you need to cancel or edit the details of your sign up, you will click on the appropriate box.
 - g. When an event is taken down by the event manager and removed from the web site, members signed up for that event should receive an email stating that they are signed up and also should receive a text message. Sometimes these services are not reliable so you can also check the check in sheet under communication under Member Options on our web site.
 - h. When a course rep signs up or cancels a member the member should receive an email and a text indicating the action taken.

Event Wait List

- 1. If the course is full you still have the option of joining the wait list. When there is a cancellation, the top name on the list will automatically be brought over to the active list, providing that the rider/walker option matches. If not, the first one that meets the match will automatically be brought over.**
- 2. It will be your responsibility to check to see if you are on the Player List by checking the site from time to time. Be sure to check just before the Sign-up Book is removed from the web site which is at 9:00 P.M. the 4th day before the event.**
- 3. If, when you are signed up on the wait list, a spot opens and you have been moved to the active player list, you should get an email and a text message informing you that you are signed up to play that event.**
- 4. If you are still on the wait list when the event is pulled from the web site, the Course Rep will contact you if he has a cancellation and find out if you still want to join the event.**
- 5. Some courses we play have a limited number of carts so, while it may appear that there is space available, it could be for walkers only.**

It is important that you make yourself familiar with all the topics listed under member options. You will find a wealth of information there.

Communication Services Provided by the Association

The Association provides the following communication tools:

- 1. The web site which includes event sign-up, the schedule, member directory and much, much more.**
- 2. Email which is used for notifying and reminding members of their sign-up status at events, mass mailings, a monthly newsletter, movement from the event wait list to the event signup book, etc.**
- 3. Texting is primarily used to inform members of late cancellations, movement from the event wait list to the signup book and for emergency messages.**
- 4. Emailing and texting are added services to the members. Members still need to take responsibility for checking the web site for any changes to their signup status.**

It is the member's responsibility to keep the Tour informed of his up-to-date contact information:

1. Current cell phone number and service provider.
2. Current land phone number.
3. Current email address.
4. Current mailing address.

Send all changes to: redrivervalleysrgolftour@gmail.com

New Member Assistance

If you need help signing up the first time you golf, give us a call and we will assist you. Be sure to stop and meet us at your 1st event. We will fill you in on the various procedures that we go through at the events. In any case, we are looking forward to meeting you.

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When You Get to the Course

We expect you to show up at the course early. Members who come late cause extra work, confusion and late starts. We fine members who check in later than 15 minutes before the start time. We don't want your money. We want you to be on time.

When you arrive, you will find a list of pairings and hole assignments, scores from the previous event, prize winners and other information posted in an obvious place. If you are a rider you will sometimes find your name on the cart assigned to you. If not, your starting hole number will be listed on the pairings sheet and on the cart. The name at the top of your foursome is the designated scorekeeper. If you are designated to be the score keeper and are uncomfortable with it ask for a volunteer among your foursome.

If you are playing with the tour for the first time check in with our assistant secretary, Dale Brown. He will give you a Name Tag, and sell you a cap. Bring cash. Dale doesn't take Credit Cards. He can also connect you with someone to show you around.

If you ride you pay for your cart rental and your green fees at the Association check-in desk. **(CASH OR CHECK ONLY)**

You will **also** find a desk where winnings from previous events are being paid and a desk where you can sign up for the skin's games.

About 5-10 minutes before the start time the course rep will pass out the score cards. Score cards are made up prior to the event and will have your name and if you qualify for the FWD tee, it will have a YES under the FWD column. It is each player's responsibility to make sure his score is correct. Keep your own score and check it with the official card at the end of the round. The Score card processor will not change your score after he completes his job. The score cards will be marked with a **YES (FOR FORWARD TEES IF YOU QUALIFY)**. If you opt out of playing the forward tees then you must cross out the **YES UNDER THE FWD COLUMN. IF YOU PLAY THE REG TEE THAN CROSS OUT THE YES UNDER FWD TEE IF ANY.**

You qualify to play the forward tees if your age plus you INDEX total 89 or more.

Car Pooling

For events played away from home most members form car pools in various ways:

1. Join or form a car pool with four members you already know.
2. Check through the membership list for members who live near you and contact them.
3. A week or two prior to an event you have signed up to play, check the sign-up book for someone you know or some who lives near to you. Call them and ask them to ride with you.

Car pools handle their business in various ways:

1. Some have each member of the pool drive equal miles.
2. Some pay the driver a flat amount.
3. Some use a formula to determine how much to pay the driver. They figure the cost of driving per mile. A 120-mile round trip at 58.5 cents per mile for gas would be \$30.60. Divide that number by the number of people in the car. Four people in the car would come to \$7.65 per person.

WEB SITE:

It is important that you make yourself familiar with the information found under the **MEMBERS ONLY** tab on the web site home page. The most important file is the

ASSOCIATION RULES file. Index/Handicaps are probably the most discussed and least understood topic on the Tour. In the COMMUNICATIONS file you will find a complete explanation of how your Association index/handicap is determined.