

Member Golf Guide

On behalf of the Golf Staff, I would like to welcome you to Island Hills Golf Club. We are looking forward to getting to know all of you and provide you with a great year of golf!

The following pages contain information on how to get the most out of your membership. It is important to me that you are familiar with the way the club functions and the rules that must be followed while on club property.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me and I will assist you any way I can.

Thank you,

Darren Goralski, PGA
Head Golf Professional

Starting Times

We do not have tee times Tuesday to Friday – when all players in your group are present; Bernie will get you on the course. All tee times for Saturday and Sunday can be made by filling out a request card. Tee Time Request Cards can be found in the Golf Shop, next to the handicap computer. Cards may be filled out up to one week in advance for Saturday and Sunday.

The club is **closed** on Mondays.

Men's Tournament's:

The Men's Tournament Schedule consists of a variety of tournament designed to increase member interaction and provide competition for players of all levels. Prizes consist of golf shop credit and in the case of a 'major event', such as club championship, trophies. Each event will have an entry fee that will be posted on all sign-up sheets. All eligible members are strongly encouraged to get involved in the tournament program, as it is the best way to get acquainted to the rest of the membership.

Handicaps

If you do not have a handicap please stop by the golf shop so we can get one started for you. You will need to post a minimum of ten scores to establish one. If you already have an established USGA Handicap from another club we can set you up to start posting scores here immediately. Handicaps are required for all Men's Tournaments, if you would like to play in any events you will need to have one. Having a handicap also makes it easier for our staff to find players of similar ability to play with if you are ever looking for a game.

Dress Code:

The following are considered improper attire while at the club: Denim of any kind, Cargo shorts and pants, tee shirts, sweatshirts, short shorts, running shorts, tank tops, bathing suits and cut off shorts. If you are wearing a hat it must be facing forward and removed when entering the clubhouse.

Please make sure that all children and guests adhere to the dress code policies when they are on club property.

Cell Phones:

The use of cell phones is prohibited on weekends and during tournament play. During non-tournament play please make sure that the volume is turned **OFF** - do not let your usage affect the pace of play for your group. **Please make sure that all guests are made aware of the cell phone policies.**

Speed of Play:

You are expected to keep a pace of no more than four hours for eighteen holes. If you are holding up the group behind you please step aside and allow them to play through.

Guests:

When bringing guests to the club, please make sure that they are aware of all of our rules regarding dress code, cell phone use and speed of play. Guests are encouraged to make use of the men's locker room when changing into golf shoes, please try not to change shoes in the parking lot. **A guest may not play more than twice a month.**

Practice Facilities:

The driving range is open Tuesday thru Sunday. The range will be open before the first tee time - until dark. The short game area, located adjacent to the tenth hole is available Tuesday thru Sunday as well.

****All dress code and cell phone rules apply to practice areas.**

Carts:

Carts or Caddies must be used up until 3:00 p.m. You may carry your own bag after 3:00p.m.; the use of pull carts is only allowed when carts are prohibited. Carts should be driven in a safe manner, avoiding steep hills and adhering to all ropes and signs.

Golf Shop:

The Golf Shop is open Tuesday thru Sunday from 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. You are encouraged to visit the golf shop for any of your golfing needs. A full staff of PGA Professionals is available to assist you with all of your

needs. If you would like to contact the shop for any reason, please call 631.218.2166 or e-mail DarrenIHGC@optonline.net.

Lessons:

The professional staff offers a comprehensive lesson program to fit the needs every member. Lessons can be scheduled in person or by calling the golf shop.

Member Responsibilities on the Course:

As a member of a private club, you have the opportunity to play on a course that is maintained to the highest standards. Our Superintendent, Steve King, does an outstanding job getting the course ready every day. You are expected to keep the course in that same condition for the players behind you. This means, replacing your divots, fixing your ball marks and raking bunkers. Please do not leave your tees lying on the tee boxes! If your tee breaks, pick up the pieces and place them in the little box located next to the tee marker.

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