

*Country Club of New Bedford
89th Annual Four-Ball Tournament
August 5th through 11th, 2019*



GENERAL INFORMATION

- From Monday, August 5th through Sunday, August 11th there will be **NO** indoor food service.
- Luncheon will be available under the Four-Ball tent only from 10:30 to 3:00pm.
- Dinner will also be served under the tent Tuesday through Friday.
- Down Bar will be CLOSED.
- Saturday night's Dinner Dance will begin at 5:30 inside our main dining room. Seating arrangements will be provided inside and under the tent. Please specify. Players plus one ONLY. **Reservations required.**
- Please contact the Office (508-993-3453) to coordinate seating arrangements **no later** than 4:00 PM on Thursday, August 8th
- Sunday, August 11th - Awards for all winners and guests. All members invited to attend to honor this year's winners. Entertainment and hors d'oeuvres to follow award ceremony.

- Four-Ball Entry Fee Includes:
 - Practice Round
 - Monday Night Stag Dinner - 6:00 PM
 - Luncheon - Tuesday through Sunday
 - Saturday Night Dinner Dance for each player and their guest only. (Tickets not transferable)
 - Four competitive rounds of golf, including the Medal Play
- Satellite Entry Fee Includes:
 - Practice Round
 - Monday Night Stag Dinner - 6:00 PM
 - Luncheon - Wednesday through Sunday
 - Saturday Night Dinner Dance for each player and their guest only. (Tickets not transferable)
 - Four competitive rounds of golf, including the Medal Play.

*Starting Times** **FOUR-BALL TOURNAMENT**

Monday, August 5th	Practice Round (Please see golf shop for tee times)
Tuesday, August 6th	11:00am tee times off #1 & #10
Wednesday, August 7th	11:30am tee times off #1 & #10
Thursday, August 8th	11:30am tee times off #1 & #10
Friday, August 9th	11:30am (If you play Friday, you are ineligible for Sat. Medal)
Saturday, August 10th	11:30am
Sunday, August 11th	11:00am

SATELLITE TOURNAMENT

Monday, August 5th	Practice Round (Please see golf shop for tee times)
Wednesday, August 7th	7:30am Shotgun
Thursday, August 8th	7:30am Shotgun
Friday, August 9th	7:30am Shotgun
Saturday, August 10th	7:30am
Sunday, August 11th	9:00am

* Times and Starting Holes may be changed at any time during the competition by the Fourball Committee

Once again, we urge you to be conscious of the time in order to keep this tournament enjoyable for all. ***On hole #5 please park in designated area (turn-around) behind and to the right of green. **Hole #18 please park carts behind the green on the pavement.**

DRESS CODE The member is responsible for their team adhering to the CCNB dress code.

LIGHTNING In the event of severe lightning in the area a horn will be sounded to suspend play. After three consecutive blasts of the horn, players should mark your ball and come in immediately. One long blast indicates that play can resume.

USGA Rules are in effect with the following exceptions: One Ball Rule: Waived

PRACTICE AREAS Free lift from all practice areas. Drop within one club-length no nearer to the hole. Applies to holes; 1, 5, 6, 9 & 14.

FLOWERBEDS (And GARDENS) Free drop allowed to the nearest point of relief. Ball may be cleaned. Plantings along left side of hole #6 beyond the teeing area are not considered flowerbeds. Ball shall be played as it lies.

OUT OF BOUNDS

All outside boundaries of the course are OB. No OB within confines of the course, with the following exceptions:

5th hole

Ball beyond the out of bounds markers designating parking lot area are OB.

6th hole

Ball on or over the road or in parking lot to the left of the 6th fairway is OB between designated white lines.

ANY BALL IN THE PARKING LOT IS OUT OF BOUNDS

WHITE LINED AREAS Through the green relief may be taken without penalty. Clean and drop ball within one club length of nearest point of relief. Remember, if you intend to take relief from the white lined area, you must take complete relief (the ball must be dropped outside of the white area). **Newly seeded areas, players MUST take relief.*

14th HOLE

Cart path is defined as a man-made object. *USGA Rules Apply.*

IMMOVABLE OBSTRUCTIONS

The player shall lift the ball and drop it within one club length of and not nearer the hole than the nearest point of relief on a part of the course that avoids interference by the immovable object.

17TH HOLE

Please note: All water and the bridge on hole #17 are considered to be one hazard. Any ball crossing the margin of the hazard must be taken and dropped behind the pond fronting the green in the designated drop area.

18th HOLE

Drop areas will be assigned for balls on practice putting green.

MARKERS

Championship Event – BLACK MARKERS ONLY
Satellite Tournament – BLUE MARKERS – Competitors over the age of 70, and choosing to play from the GREY markers will be subject to handicap adjustment per Section 3.5 of the USGA Handicap system

PRACTICE

In order to prevent any inconvenience to those individuals playing the golf course, practice will be allowed only at practice nets in the Pro Shop and chipping and putting green areas.

SLOW PLAY

The August Four-Ball Committee and the Greens Staff have worked together to promote a smooth flow through the golf course and a close monitoring of pin placements. However, speed of play ultimately depends on you, the participants. We urge you to be conscious of the time it takes to play a hole. Please refer to the actual time on your scorecard as there are clocks placed at three separate locations on the golf course. Please keep up with those times. Please be considerate of those waiting behind you.

Please note that these rangers have been appointed by the August Four Ball Committee with the endorsement of the Board of Governors to implement the USGA Pace of Play Policy. Please understand it is not our intention to intimidate anyone, but in matters of slow play the Professionals decision is final. Any disrespect shown may be subject to disqualification.

MEASURING DEVICES Distance measuring devices ARE permitted. The slope feature must be turned off.

TURF CARE The sprinkler system is set on a timer. Each cycle lasts only three minutes. If this occurs during your play, please delay play until the completion of that cycle.

RULINGS If you need a ruling have one of the rangers contact the Golf Shop at 508.992.9339 or call PGA Head Professional Larry Demers at (c) 401-714-2115.

Handicaps

Attention all Four-Ball Participants

Score Cards Each player is obligated to be certain that his score card is complete and accurate - name, membership number, date, scores for un-played holes, gross score, equitable stroke control adjustment, and attestation. Please, return all scorecards, to the scoreboard. **CCNB golf shop staff will post all member scores during tournament play.**

The August Four-Ball Committee requests players to pick up on a hole when out of contention, thus negating the need to hole out.

Per Order of the Tournament Committee: When a Match is over and a Winner is Declared: ALL PLAYERS MUST END PLAY AND EXIT THE COURSE! NO CONTINUATION OF PLAY IS ALLOWED, AND IS SUBJECT TO LOSS OF HOLE OR MATCH AS DETERMINED BY THE COMMITTEE

Pace of Play Rules

USGA Rule 6-7 states that the player shall play without undue delay and in accordance with any pace of play guidelines which may be laid down by the committee. Between completion of a hole and playing from the next teeing ground, the player shall not unduly delay play. **This includes stoppages between nine holes, including lunch.**

The Tournament Committee has established the following guidelines regarding slow play/out of position for this tournament.

DEFINITION OF "OUT OF PLAY" POSITION: The first group to start will be considered out of position if, at any place during the round, the group is behind the allotted time of play.

Any following group will be considered out of position if it:

Is taking more than the allotted time to play as per the time on your scorecard and
If a group falls out of position, immediately after all players have left the teeing ground but before any subsequent strokes have been played, an official will inform the group that they are out of position and that they will be monitored and timed.

MONITORING: Any player in a group out of position who takes **more than 40 seconds to play a stroke** on one occasion will be advised of that fact and notified that if he exceeds 40 seconds on one more occasion (a total of two timings exceeding 40 seconds); **he will incur a penalty of disqualification** from the hole being played. Any player, who takes more than 40 seconds on any additional occasion, will incur the same penalty.

Third Warning - The Group will be asked to move up behind the group in front of them and the team in question will lose those respective holes.

Note: The timing process is continuous for the stipulated round.

TIMING: The timing of the player's stroke will begin when he has had a reasonable opportunity to reach his ball, it is his turn to play, and he can play without interference or distractions.

Except on the putting green, if a player has reached his ball, it is his turn to play and there are no distractions. Timing will begin after he has had reasonable time to select his club. Any time spent walking backward or forward for determining yardages will count as part of the time taken for the next stroke.

On the putting green, the timing will begin after the player has been allowed a reasonable amount of time to lift, clean, and replace his ball, repair his ball mark and other ball marks on his line of putt, and remove loose impediments on his line of putt.

(40 Seconds is the designated time for the aforementioned situations)

RULING OR OTHER INCIDENTS: If a ruling or some other legitimate delay occurs, which causes the group in question to lose position with respect to either the allotted time permitted and/or the preceding group, players are expected to make up the time and/or position.

It is unreasonable for players to take more than 15 minutes per hole in a group of four.

**HAVE A GREAT WEEK AND BEST OF LUCK TO ALL
COMPETITORS!**

The Tournament Committee

Gary Rocha

President

Larry Demers

PGA Golf Professional

Julian Scarborough

Associate Professional

Joel Gonsalves

Chairman Four-Ball Committee

Tom Neves

Satellite Chairman

THE 20 MOST IMPORTANT CHANGES TO THE RULES OF GOLF 2019

1. *SEARCH TIME – REDUCED FROM 5 MINUTES TO 3 MINUTES.*
2. *BALL MOVED DURING SEARCH – REPLACE NO PENALTY.*
3. *EMBEDDED BALL – FREE RELIEF ANYWHERE THROUGHOUT COURSE.*
4. *MEASURING A DROP – USE LONGEST CLUB (EXCEPT PUTTER).*
5. *DROPPING – DROP FROM KNEE HEIGHT INSTEAD OF SHOULDER.*
6. *TAKING STANCE ON WRONG GREEN IS NOT PERMITTED.*
7. *BALL UNINTENTIONALLY HITS PLAYER OR EQUIPMENT – NO PENALTY.*
8. *DOUBLE HIT – NO PENALTY – ONLY COUNTS AS ONE STROKE.*
9. *TOUCHING SAND IN BUNKER INCIDENTALLY IS PERMITTED.*
10. *LOOSE IMPEDIMENTS CAN BE REMOVED ANYWHERE INCLUDING HAZARDS.*
11. *DROPPING A BALL OUT OF A BUNKER – 2 PENALTY STROKES.*
12. *WATER HAZARDS – NOW CALLED PENALTY AREAS.*
13. *TOUCHING GROUND IN PENALTY AREA – NO PENALTY.*
14. *BALL MOVES ON GREEN AFTER BEING MARKED – REPLACE WITHOUT PENALTY.*
15. *BALL ACCIDENTALLY MOVED ON PUTTING GREEN – REPLACE NO PENALTY.*
16. *ALL DAMAGE TO GREEN CAN NOW BE REPAIRED.*
17. *POSITIONING A CLUB FOR ALIGNMENT IS NOT PERMITTED.*
18. *CADDIE OR PARTNER ASSISTING WITH ALIGNMENT IS NOW NOT PERMITTED.*
19. *PUTTING WITH FLAGSTICK IN HOLE IS NOW PERMITTED.*
20. *BALL WEDGED AGAINST FLAGSTICK AND SIDE OF HOLE IS DEEMED AS HOLED.*