**Idaho Falls Senior Men’s Golf Association – 2018**

**Our mission**: The Idaho Falls Senior Men’s Golf Association (IFSMGA) provides a forum for furthering the sport of golf for senior men with a commitment to building comraderie among members. We do this through weekly events which strive to maintain equitable competition across member skill levels in accordance with USGA rules and tournament guidelines.

**How do you join**: All men over 60, or who will turn 60 during the current calendar year, are eligible to join the IFSMGA. Signup for the IFSMGA will be held Thursday, March 29, 2018, from 9am to noon at Pinecrest Golf Couse. Annual membership is $50 for those 60 to 80 years old, $40 for those 80 to 90 years old, and free for anyone over 90. This fee will include participation in the US Golf Association GHIN handicap system, which will be used for all IFSMGA scheduled events. Three sets of tees will be used for IFSMGA events, and players’ tees will be established based on their GHIN handicaps. A player’s tee may change during the year, depending upon that golfer’s performance. A three-day tournament will be held in September. The first event will be held April 12 and will continue weekly through the beginning of September

**How do you sign up to play**: Players will sign up to play each week by marking signup sheets located at each of the three golf courses. A season-long schedule is located on the IFSMGA website and is posted at each course. The schedule is subject to change depending upon weather and participation. Each week all active seniors will receive an email invitation to play the next week’s game. Signing up is as simple as accepting that invitation. Alternatively, you may sign up on that week’s sheet, which will be posted at Pinecrest Golf Course. By Tuesday of the week of play, starting times and weekly pairings will be available on the city’s website, “golfif.com” or posted at each of the three golf courses. All weekly events will be by shotgun starts. Any requests for late signups or cancelations must be made directly with the course pro shop at which that week’s event is being held. Late signups will be honored on a space available basis, but will not be eligible for points.

**Handicapping**: Handicaps will be maintained by the USGA GHIN system. For weekly Senior events, scores will be entered into the GHIN system automatically. In addition to official Senior events, members are encouraged to enter valid scores from other games they play, either in Idaho Falls or elsewhere. Computers are available at all three Idaho Falls courses. Any member unfamiliar with the GHIN system or how to properly enter scores can get help from the local pro or may place their scorecards into designated box located at each course. Volunteers members of the league will enter the scores.

**Rewards:** Points are awarded each week based on the type of game and the relative place that a team or individual finishes. Points will be awarded for each event and are currently valued at $2 in shop credit redeemable at any of the three Idaho Falls courses. All points from the current 2018 season must be redeemed by the next year’s registration at the end of March 28, 2019. Any unused points will revert back to the IFSMGA.

**Officers:** President Steve Priebe 208-681-0723

 Vice President Michael Austin

 Secretary/Treasurer Tom McLaughlin

 Handicap Chairman LaMar Densley

 Tournament Chairman Glynn Jensen

 Awards Chairman Philip Wheatley

**Season Closer:** An annual business meeting and banquet will be held September 2018. This meeting will include election of board members.