

# Sage Lakes Chapman League

## 2023 Rules and Regulations

1. **TEAMS:** A team will consist of one female player and one male player. The Chapman format of play as outlined in *Attachment 1* is to be followed. There is a 9-hole tournament each week during the season. Each team should play with another Chapman team, if at all possible. Teams are not required to play every week. Play as many weeks as you wish or your schedule permits. Just have fun!!!
2. **DATES:** Play will begin April 20, 2023, and run for 17 weeks. An 18-Hole Year-End Tournament will be held Saturday, August 19<sup>th</sup>, which is limited to Sage Lakes Chapman League players only.
3. **ANNUAL DUES:** Annual dues are \$10.00 per team (couple) and are due the first week of chapman play. A Sign-Up Form was attached to the initial 2023 Sage Lakes Chapman League Kickoff E-Mail and will also be available in our chapman clear plastic box at the pro shop.
4. **WEEKLY ENTRY FEE:** The weekly 9-hole chapman play is \$5.00 per couple. Detailed instructions are contained in the initial 2023 Sage Lakes Chapman League Kickoff E-Mail.
5. **SCORECARDS:** Each time you play, enter the **full names of the** players on the scorecard, total scores, and sign the scorecard (only one couple member needs to sign the scorecard). If you are playing with another Chapman couple (recommended), and using a single scorecard, one person from each couple should sign the scorecard.  
*Note: Print first and last names on scorecard to assist Handicap Coordinator in calculating accurate handicaps for teams.* Detailed instructions are contained in the initial 2023 Sage Lakes Chapman League Kickoff E-Mail.
6. **TEE TIMES:** The front nine of Sage Lakes shall always be played for Chapman play. Suggest asking the Pro Shop if the front nine is available when you call for your tee time. Many couples play their Chapman tournament on the front nine and continue to play the back nine just for fun.
7. **START OF PLAY:** Once Chapman play begins, the round must be completed and scored. The only exception to this policy is a change in weather conditions that potentially could create a safety hazard, such as lightning. If this situation should occur, at the first opportunity, the remaining un-played holes may be completed and scored. *Replays of holes already played to better a score are not allowed.*
8. **PRIZES:** Weekly prizes for first, second, and third place (and ties) in each flight will be awarded in the form of merchandise credit at the Sage Lakes Pro Shop.

9. **FLIGHTS:** Flights will normally be comprised of 6-10 teams. Teams will compete in flights with teams having like handicaps, as closely as possible. It will occasionally be necessary to have other than 6-10 teams in a flight.

10. **THURSDAY/FRIDAY/SATURDAY/SUNDAY/MONDAY PLAY:**

Thursday/Friday/Saturday/Sunday/Monday play is allowed each week for the Chapman weekly tournament. Pick the best day you wish to play based on weather or your personal schedule.

11. **ANNUAL AWARDS:** Points earned each week are cumulative through the season. Weekly points are awarded as follows:

- 1 point for each week the Chapman couple plays.
  - 1 additional point for each third place won.
  - 2 additional points for each second place won.
  - 3 additional points for each first place win.
- (In the event of ties, the points are split)

100% of the annual dues (\$10.00/team) shall be used for the annual awards. The number of teams receiving awards shall be decided by a vote of the officers (usually top 25% of members).

12. **HANDICAPS:** Team handicaps will be calculated weekly based on the last four (rolling) gross scores, with the highest score thrown out. The average of the three lowest scores minus 35 will be the handicap for the subsequent week that the team plays. For those couples who previously played in the Sage Lakes Chapman League, your handicaps at the beginning of the 2023 season will be calculated using the last four scores from your last year playing in the Sage Lakes league for your rolling four scores.

Teams with a prior ***Pinecrest-Sandcreek Chapman Handicap:***

Since the Sage Lakes and Pinecrest-Sandcreek courses are similar in difficulty, the final four Pinecrest-Sandcreek scores from a prior year will be used per the above paragraph to calculate handicap for the first week of play for the Sage Lakes Chapman League year. Thereafter, the calculation will continue as stated above but use one less Pinecrest-Sandcreek prior year score each week until the 4<sup>th</sup> score of the current 2023 year is completed. At this point, handicap using the four week rolling calculation, will be based totally on current Sage Lakes year play.

New teams, who did not play in the Sage Lakes or Pinecrest-Sandcreek Chapman Leagues in prior years, will establish weekly handicaps as described below:

For the first four weeks that a new team plays, each week's handicap will be determined after the team plays that week, per the following formulas:

First week: (Week 1 score minus 35) times 0.6.

Second week: (Average of weeks 1 & 2 scores minus 35) times 0.75

Third week: (Average of weeks 1, 2, & 3 scores minus 35) times 0.9.

Fourth week: (Average of weeks 1, 2, 3, & 4 with the highest score thrown out minus 35) times 1.0.

Thereafter, the handicap calculation stated above for the Fourth week will be the same for all teams in the league.

**13. LEAGUE OFFICERS:**

Kathie Rice (**Handicap Coordinator**) (208-351-7501)

Dick Rice (**League Banker**) (208-521-6468)

Jim & Judy Sahr (208-523-2677) and Russ & Kathy Buckland (208-521-6147)

(**Year-End 18 Hole Tournament Coordinators**)

**14. HANDICAP COORDINATOR:** The handicap coordinator shall be responsible for the following:

- a. Composing the weekly flights
- b. Calculating and updating weekly handicaps
- c. Calculating the weekly winners and amounts won
- d. Determining the cumulative points earned each week
- e. Submitting the weekly prizes for the Sage Lakes Pro Shop books
- f. Sending out weekly e-mail results to members
- g. Posting weekly results (scores & winners) on our chapman bulletin board in the pro shop.

The total weekly tournament fees (\$5.00/team) will be 100% paid back to the weekly winners in each of the flights. The Sage Lakes Chapman League Officers and Sage Lake Pro Shop personnel are not compensated for their volunteered services. This policy may be revisited in future years as the league grows and more effort is required by key individuals. Any change in future year compensation will require a vote by the Sage Lakes Chapman League members.

## **Attachment 1**

### **CHAPMAN PLAY**

Chapman team = one male player “M” and one female player “F”.

Play proceeds as follows:

1. Both players tee off from their respective tee boxes. Men tee off from the white tees and ladies from the red tees. Note: The “Green” (forward) tees are not to be used for this Chapman League; only the Red and White tees. Gentlemen who will turn 80 years old in 2023, have the option of hitting from the ‘RED’ tees at the start of League play and must do so for the entire season. Also for the Gentlemen with a physical handicap, they too may also hit from the “red” tees after review with the Handicap Coordinator regarding their ailment. There are no mulligans. USGA Stroke Play Rules apply except as modified by the Chapman Play Rules below.
2. “M” then hits “F’s” ball and “F” hits “M’s” ball.
3. If a player whiffs the first ball, the player’s partner takes the next stroke with the ball still on the tee for the second shot on that ball.
4. The team then selects which of the two balls to play. The unselected ball is taken out of play at this time.
5. The selected ball is next hit by the partner of the player who hit it last. A player never hits the same ball twice in a row.
6. Play with the selected ball is continued, with strokes being taken by alternate teammates, until the ball is holed out.
7. Each hole is played in the same manner, starting with Step 1, above (including par 3’s)
8. Only strokes taken on the selected ball are counted. Any time a player “whiffs”, it counts as a stroke and if that ball is to remain in play, the player’s partner must hit that ball next. The ball is played from the same lie as before the “whiff”, including if on a tee.
9. A penalty stroke is not counted as the next player’s stroke. If “M” hits the ball into an unplayable lie or a hazard, “F” will hit the dropout ball for a stroke and the penalty stroke will be added following that shot. Remember, the same player never hits a ball twice in a row. Penalty strokes are always added after the next person has a chance to hit the ball. Another example is “M” hits his tee shot OB. “F” tees it up on the white tee box and hits shot number two on that ball. That ball is now laying three strokes with the penalty added following the second shot. to proceed to the green. “F” still has her first shot off the red tees with “M” hitting his second shot and now that ball is laying two.