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2026 TOURNAMENTS / SCHEDULE

8:30 shotgun unless noted

Tournaments are open to all eligible members (p.7) of the WSSGL.

With the exception of Opening Field Day*, players must have posted (8) scores to their GHIN handicap in the 12 months prior to the tournament.

*Opening Field Day is open to players without a handicap. Those players will use a 40 Course Handicap

All information at www.wssgl.com/tournaments

JUNE 4 Thursday	OPENING FIELD DAY HATHERLY CC ABCD Bramble; two best balls net of foursome \$95/player includes golf, cart, lunch, prizes entries open 5/7; close 5/28
JULY 16 Thursday	BOROS MEMORIAL PLYMOUTH COUNTRY CLUB Best Ball, total of team's 3 foursomes (one gross; two net) \$95/player includes golf, cart, lunch, prizes entries due July 9
AUGUST 10 Monday	FOUR BALL CHAMPIONSHIP + ANNUAL MEETING DUXBURY YACHT CLUB Best Ball of Twosome, gross and net champions \$95/player; \$190/team includes golf, cart, lunch, prizes entries open 7/13; close 8/3
SEPT 9 Wednesday	CENTENNIAL TOURNAMENT WOLLASTON GOLF CLUB ABCD Scramble \$200/player includes lunch, golf, cart, prizes, dinner + more! entries open 7/26; close 8/8

2026 TEAM MATCH SCHEDULE

Match 1 June 18	Cohasset @ Hatherly Duxbury @ Plymouth Marshfield @ Wollaston Halifax @ Scituate	7/7
Match 2 June 25	Duxbury @ Scituate Marshfield @ Halifax Plymouth @ Cohasset Wollaston @ Hatherly	6/9
Match 3 July 9	Duxbury @ Wollaston Hatherly @ Marshfield Halifax @ Plymouth Scituate @ Cohasset	7/2 6/16
Match 4 July 23	Cohasset @ Duxbury Hatherly @ Halifax Marshfield @ Scituate Wollaston @ Plymouth	
Match 5 July 30	Cohasset @ Marshfield Hatherly @ Duxbury Plymouth @ Scituate Wollaston @ Halifax	
Match 6 August 20	Duxbury @ Halifax Plymouth @ Marshfield Scituate @ Hatherly Wollaston @ Cohasset	9/3 6/11
Match 7 August 27	Halifax @ Cohasset Hatherly @ Plymouth Marshfield @ Duxbury Scituate @ Wollaston	7/14

LEAGUE POLICIES

PURPOSE: The WSSGL was founded to promote women's golf, friendly competition and camaraderie among its members by hosting tournaments and inter-club matches during the summer months.

ORGANIZATION: The WSSGL is a voluntary organization founded in 1926. The current membership consists of eight clubs: Cohasset, Duxbury, Halifax, Hatherly, Plymouth, Scituate, Marshfield and Wollaston.

MEMBERSHIP:

Clubs: The association's member clubs pay annual dues to belong to the WSSGL. Each member club should be available to host one tournament a year.

Individuals: Any female with a golf membership at a member club. No individual dues are assessed for membership

CELL PHONES: The use of a cell phone to access The Rules of Golf and/or as an approved Distance Measuring Device is permissible, provided such use is allowed by the host club. Making or receiving calls, texting, or checking messages is **prohibited** during team matches and tournaments except to report medical emergencies. Breach of this policy during tournaments is disqualification. Breach of this policy in team play is loss of hole on which the violation occurred for the player and her partner.

GPS DEVICES: GPS devices are allowed during a stipulated round for DISTANCE ONLY in tournament and team play. If a player uses a device that is designed to gauge or measure other conditions that might affect her play (e.g., gradient, wind speed, temperature, etc.) the player is in breach of USGA Rule 14-3 for which the penalty is disqualification regardless of whether any such additional functions are used. Distance, topography or geographical information is not considered advice and as such may be shared. Sharing of such information is not required but is encouraged.

CLUB REPRESENTATIVES - shall represent their club at all Executive Board meetings. They shall have one vote each on all league matters.

Chairpersons: Shall coordinate all WSSGL dates pertaining to their clubs and shall act as liaison between WSSGL and their club management and Board of Directors.

Team Captains: Shall select a team and ensure all correct team procedures are followed.

DRESS CODE: Players are expected to wear appropriate golf attire at all times. Tee shirts, tank tops, denims, gym attire, bike shorts and tennis shorts are prohibited. Some member clubs may have even stricter dress codes and as their guests, we will adhere to their rules. Members whose dress is deemed inappropriate by the host club chair, pro or team captain may be requested to change or be denied participation in the tournament.

LEAGUE POLICIES

PERSONAL CONDUCT: Players are to display good sportsmanship and play in their assigned foursomes and tee assignments; to respect the golf course and club property; to behave courteously in dealing with other competitors, club members and employees; and to play with proper course etiquette.

HANDICAPS:

1. With the exception of Opening Field Day, all players are required to have a USGA handicap. For Opening Field Day, players without handicaps will play to a 36.0 index.
2. The maximum handicap allowance for tournaments is a 36.0 index (course handicap 40) and a 30.4 index for team play and the Boros. Players with higher handicaps may enter tournaments and play on team, but their handicaps will be subject to these allowances.

SCORE POSTING: Players shall post their scores as home or away on the day of play for the Boros, Four-Ball and Closing Field Day Tournaments as well as for Team Matches. Captains shall confirm within 24 hours that scores for Team Matches and Boros have been posted.

SCORECARDS: Scorecards are to be exchanged for Four-Ball Championship and Closing Field Day. Upon completion of play, scorecards must be signed and attested before being turned into the scorer's table. In the event of a partner event, the better ball score used must be recorded next to the appropriate player. Incomplete scorecards will be subject to disqualification by the tournament committee.

HOLE-IN-ONE: Should a player have a hole-in-one during a tournament or team play, they shall be recognized at Closing Field Day with a prize valued at no more than \$100. The player is not responsible for drinks on the day of the Hole-in-One.

MEETINGS:

The ANNUAL MEETING is held at Closing Field Day. Old and new business is presented and voted upon as necessary; the Nominating Committee presents the slate of officers for a vote. EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETINGS are held in Spring and Fall. As voting members, captains & chairpersons are expected to attend and decide all issues before the Board.

PHOTO DISCLAIMER: By entering a League event, you are authorizing the League to use your image on our website, literature, or any other publication.

TOURNAMENT POLICIES

ELIGIBILITY

- Tournaments are open to all members of the WSSGL
- With the exception of Opening Field Day, to be eligible to participate a player must have posted eight (8) scores to her GHIN handicap in the 12 months prior to the entry closing date.
- Social Members are not eligible to play in League events.

ENTRIES: Tournaments are open to all eligible members of the WSSGL. Players must register on the website within the entry period. Payment by credit card is preferred. If paying by check, please bring payment to the tournament.

Boros: Team Captains shall register their team online and submit payment to the treasurer

PAIRINGS: Tournament pairings are computer-generated by handicaps. Pairings for 2nd day of Four-Ball are by first-day scores: gross scores for Flight 1; and net scores for all other flights.

WITHDRAWALS: In the event of a withdrawal, the player must notify the Tournament Host immediately. See Refund Policy.

PARTNER EVENTS: If one partner has to withdraw, the remaining partner may substitute another eligible partner. Four Ball: If the substitute is not available on both days the remaining player must play one round alone. Each player may have only one partner for the tournament. Contact the Tournament Host if a partner is needed.

TOURNAMENT CANCELLATION

INCLEMENT WEATHER

The decision to cancel or delay the start time will be made at the discretion of the Tournament Coordinator, Club Chairperson, WSSGL President, host club pro or host club superintendent. That decision will be made no later than 6:00 a.m. on the morning of the tournament. If carts are not allowed, the tournament will be cancelled. In case of cancellation, an email notification will be sent to registered players.

SUSPENDED PLAY

After the start of play, should the event be suspended, players are to stop play immediately and seek suitable shelter until notified that it is safe to resume play.

All scheduled lunches will be held rain or shine.

TOURNAMENT POLICIES

REFUNDS

In the case of a player withdrawal or tournament cancellation, entry fees will be partially refunded following these guidelines. All refunds are subject to an administrative fee as determined by the Board.

PLAYER WITHDRAWALS:

- If a player withdraws before the entry period closes, the player is eligible to receive a refund, less an administrative fee.
- If a player withdraws after the entry period closes, the player is not eligible for a refund.
- If a partner withdraws and the remaining partner locates a substitute, the entry fee shall be reconciled between those players.

TOURNAMENT CANCELLATION / SUSPENSION

In case of a Tournament Cancellation or Suspension, any refunds will be determined by any costs incurred by the host club and are subject to the administrative fee.

PACE OF PLAY: It is the entire foursome's responsibility to maintain pace of play with the group ahead of them. If your score cannot help your team, pick up and record the score you would most likely have made if completing the hole. Expected play time is 4.5 hours.

TIES: All ties will be determined by a match of cards per the USGA recommended method, except for permanent trophy tournaments, which will be decided by sudden-death playoffs. Players must be on the premises to compete

- **BOROS:** Each Team Captain shall choose one player from the gross team and one player from each of the net teams to compete in a sudden-death playoff. The team score is the total of all three players.
- **FOUR BALL CHAMPIONSHIP:** Ties for Overall Low Gross and Overall Low Net will be a sudden-death playoff using the aggregate score of partners.

PRIZES: Tournament prizes shall be WSSGL chits good at any member club's pro shop and expire on November 30th of the current year. The number of prizes available will be determined by the size and scope of the field. Players are eligible for only one prize per tournament.

CARTS: Carts are mandatory for all tournament play

TEAM RULES

1. USGA rules govern play.
2. **FORMAT:** Four-ball matches, scored on an 18-point system, one point per hole. Scheduled matches should begin no later than 8:30 am

3. ELIGIBILITY

- a. Any female who has golf membership at a member club.
- b. Player must have a handicap based on the USGA system of handicapping
 - To be eligible for a match, at the time of the lineup exchange, a player must have eight (8) scores posted to her GHIN handicap in the 12 months prior to the exchange.
 - Scores must have been posted at the time of play.
- c. If a player is a member of multiple WSSGL clubs, she may only play for one club's summer team and Boros team. .

4. **HOSPITALITY:** Host clubs shall provide coffee and tea prior to play and water must be available on the course. Players are encouraged to support the host club by staying for lunch, at the player's expense.

5. **CELL PHONES:** Use of cellular phones to access the Rules of Golf and/or as an approved distance measuring device is permissible, provided such use is allowed by the host club. The use of a cell phone to make or receive a call or text is prohibited during team matches, except to report medical emergencies. Penalty is loss of hole for the player and her partner.

6. **DISTANCE MEASURING DEVICES:** DMDs are allowed in a stipulated team round for measuring distance only. If a player uses a device that is designed to gauge or measure other conditions that might affect her play (e.g., gradient, wind speed, temperature, etc.) the player is in breach of USGA Rule 14-3 for which the penalty is disqualification, regardless of whether any such additional functions are used. Distance, topography, or geographical information is not considered advice and as such may be shared. Sharing of such information, while not required, is encouraged.

7. HANDICAPS:

- a. The maximum handicap index allowance for team matches is 30.4.
- b. The player's index from two days prior to a match shall be used. Handicap indexes will first be converted to the home course handicap and then adjusted to 85%.
- c. The lowest handicap of the foursome plays at "scratch".

TEAM RULES

8. TEAM CAPTAINS and PLAYERS

- a. Each club shall have a team captain (co-captain, if desired).
- b. In the event of a course conflict with a scheduled match, the captains shall arrive at a mutually agreed date as close to the originally scheduled match as possible and notify the League President and Web Liaison.
- c. Captains will meet with the President after lunch at Opening Field Day to discuss rules and procedures.
- d. Captains are responsible for seeing that players are eligible per Rule 3. If found ineligible after the match has begun, the player is disqualified. Any points accumulated by the disqualified player will be disallowed.
- e. Each club sends 12 players: a core team of six (6) which shall consist of the lowest handicap players who have committed to four (4) or more matches, and the next six (6) lowest handicap players who signed up to play that day.
- f. **PLAYER POSITIONING:** The six (6) lowest handicap players must play in the first three positions, in any order; the remaining six (6) in the last three positions, in any order. The captain shall decide the order within each group.
- g. If a club has less than 12 players any and/or all players may play alone in their position as determined by the captain.
- h. The visiting Captain is responsible for calling the home Captain on Tuesday (or two days before a rescheduled match) to exchange lineups. The two Captains alternate revealing a twosome, starting with visiting Captain. Once the lineups are exchanged no changes can be made with the exception of "i" below.
- i. In the event of a player cancellation after lineups have been exchanged, the substitute must play in the vacated position. The only exception would be if her handicap does not qualify her for the upper or lower section for which she is substituting. In that case, the player with the highest handicap from the upper division or the lowest handicap from the lower division moves down or up to the vacated spot. The sub then fills the newly vacated spot. No other adjustments to the lineup may be made. The sub's index must be taken from the same day as all other players in that match.
- j. On the day of the match captains and players are responsible for seeing that all players are playing in the correct position. If a player plays out of position, the points for that match will be split 9-9.
- k. If a player is late, the matches will tee off as usual. The late player may join the group at any time during the match without penalty.
- l. After the match, captains shall collect scorecards from their players. Players shall post their scores (Home or Away) for Team Matches on the day of play. Captains shall be responsible, within 24 hours, to confirm that scores have been posted.

TEAM RULES

8. TEAM CAPTAINS AND PLAYERS (con't)

- m. Home captains will text or email a copy of the signed results sheet to the Team Coordinator as soon as possible on the day of the match.
- n. Carts are mandatory for team play.

9. **TEAM COORDINATOR** will email the match results to all captains, the President, Website Liaison and Historian as soon as possible.

10. DEFAULTS:

TEAM: If an entire team defaults, it is disqualified from the remaining matches and all previous points won and lost shall be eliminated. Any points earned by the opposing teams from any previous matches will be nullified and each team's aggregate score will be adjusted accordingly.

POSITION: If one position is defaulted (a team of two players), then 9 points shall be awarded to the opposing team for the defaulted match.

11. INCLEMENT WEATHER

- a. **CALLED MATCH** In case of poor course conditions or inclement weather, even if the course is deemed open and the course superintendent allows carts, the Captains can mutually agree to call the match. They should agree on a rescheduled date as soon as possible. Notify the league president and website liaison.
- b. **POSTPONED MATCH:** A match shall be considered postponed if nine holes have not been completed by all players. The postponement of a match is to be decided by the superintendent and/or captains after a one-hour delay. Postponed matches will be replayed on the first available date at the home course. The match shall be replayed in its entirety.
- c. **INTERRUPTED MATCH** If nine holes have been completed by all players, and the course is still unplayable after a one-hour interruption, the match will be considered complete and the points for any holes not played in each position will be split.

12. **PACE OF PLAY:** Matches must be completed in four and a half hours (4.5). At the end of the allotted time, all play will conclude. If a hole is started but not completed at that time, the hole should be played and will conclude the match. Any holes remaining beyond the match time limit will be tied. It is the entire foursome's responsibility to maintain pace with the group in front of them. The Captain of each team must prepare their team to comply with policy and help enforce.

TEAM RULES

13 **PLAYOFF:** If two or more teams have equal points at the end of the season, there shall be an 18-hole playoff to determine the winner. Every effort shall be made to play the match at a neutral site.

14 **TEAM DECISION COMMITTEE** shall arbitrate all problems that may arise concerning any team matches that are not otherwise clarified by USGA Rules of Golf. The Committee shall consist of one team captain from each club and the league president.

15. **TEAM PINS:** Championship pins shall be awarded to all players who participated in a team match on the winning team.

16. **CARTS:** Carts are mandatory for team play

CLUB INFORMATION

<u>CLUB</u>	<u>PRO / PHONE</u>	<u>RATING/SLOPE</u>
COHASSET	Bryan Kienke 781-383-9890 x13	73.1/132 (yellow)
DUXBURY	Evan Force 781-934-2578	69.9/122 (yellow)
HALIFAX	Pro Shop 781-293-9063	71.6/119 (red)
HATHERLY	Chip Johnson 781-545-9814	71.0/119 (white/green)
MARSHFIELD	Alec Vozzella 781-837-9353	72.5/127 (green)
PLYMOUTH	Brian Culcasi 508-746-7800	71.4/127 (red)
SCITUATE	Ray Hayes 781-545-9768	72.0/129 (yellow/red)
WOLLASTON	Jeff Martin 617-698-0909	71.8/131 (red)

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