



February 2024

Dear Fellow Golfer,

The start of the 2024 golf season is fast approaching! The Ridgefield Golf Club Board of Governors has completed the Tournament Schedule and we are ready for another great season of fun, competition and prizes. **Please submit your Membership Application by March 15<sup>th</sup>**. The application and schedule are enclosed.

Below are some important items for the upcoming year:

- Full Members, please renew ASAP.
- Handicap Members, please consider Full Membership. You can win the forty-dollar differential in one tournament.
- **All rounds** of golf played during the handicap season, not just rounds at the Ridgefield Golf Course, **must be posted to GHIN**. For rules about this, please go to our website, [www.ridgefieldgolfclub.org](http://www.ridgefieldgolfclub.org).
- All participants in our tournaments need to play by the rules of golf and the rules of the particular tournament. The cardinal rule of golf is to play the ball as it lies, but please check the website and tournament sheet for updated local rules.
- The Kick-off Scramble is the first event of the year. Foursomes for this event are created by computer generated ABCD teams. This is a great event for new members to meet existing club members.
- **Sign-up sheets for the two season-long events will be posted online the weekend the course opens**. Please note that the Team Match Play will be played from the White Tees and the Tony Pisano Cup from the Blue Tees.
- The Board has decided to again donate \$500 to the First Tee of Connecticut to help grow the game of golf.
- In an attempt to grow our membership the Board has decided to continue the referral incentive program. This program provides a reduced membership fee to both the renewing member and the new member.
- The annual dues for members for the 2024 season are:
  - Handicap Service Only \$45
  - Renewing and new Full Members (includes handicap service) \$85
  - Incentive Renewal Program (combined fee) \$130
  - In addition, we have again included an optional donation for the Ridgefield Golf Course Improvement Fund (RGCIF). As many of you know our course was severely damaged by the rain last year. Any donations are greatly appreciated.
- **PayPal** will be an additional method of payment this year. Please visit the RGC Website for information and please use **"Friends & Family"**.
- To help promote Junior Golf, the dues for junior handicap service have again been waived. To be eligible, boys or girls must be under 19 years of age on January 1, 2024.
- A \$50 Pro Shop Credit will be awarded to any RGC Member for a Hole in One.
- We will communicate by email, so please include your email address on your application.
- Finally, and most important, we are encouraging participation in all events with the understanding that personal behavior, golf etiquette, and sportsmanship are expected at all times.

All of us on the Board are looking forward to another great year on the links.

Sincerely,

Board of Governors  
cc: Frank Sergiovanni, Director of Golf