

# 2026 Senior Club at Stanley

## Club Executive Board

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## Benefits!

- **Twelve bi-weekly tournaments, two President's Cup matches vs. rival Timberlin Senior Club**
- **Annual dues for 2026 are \$80 (\$85 if you are a new member)**
- **10% Discount on food and soft drinks at The Back 9 Tavern at Stanley! Just tell your server that you are a member of the Senior Club! **Not valid on alcohol.****
- **Complimentary Kick Off Dinner and Year End Picnic!**
- **Complimentary Coffee & Snacks after all Tournaments - even if you did not play!**
- **The fun and excitement of friendly competition! There is also prize money to be made!**
- **Five nine-hole scores get you a handicap to use for all play at Stanley GC!**
- **Optional GHIN handicap good at all courses worldwide for \$28!**

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<u>2026 Events</u>	
<u>Apr 1</u>	Tee Off Meeting; Dinner; Raffle; 4 p.m. Start Time <b>Please bring a donation or two for the raffle!</b>
<u>Apr 15</u>	The Dave Bishop Memorial Scramble (ABCD Format) <b>Pairings based on handicap!</b>
<u>Apr 29</u>	Jack Morris Memorial - Gross and Net <b>Individual Gross &amp; Net</b>
<u>May 13</u>	Cha-Cha-Cha <b>4 Player Team Event; Make your own team!</b>
<u>May 20</u>	President's Cup at Timberlin <b>Match Play - 8a.m Shotgun Start</b>
<u>May 27</u>	4 Player Carolina Progressive (ABCD Format) <b>1 score on the 5's, 2 on the 4's, 3 on the 3's!</b>
<u>Jun 3</u>	Individual Gross & Net <b>Nothin' Fancy; Just Play Your Best Golf!</b>
<u>Jun 17</u>	<b>President's Cup at Stanley</b> <b>Match Play – 8 am Shotgun Start</b>
<u>Jul 1</u>	Gross & Net 4 Club Tournament <b>Individual Scores, but only 4 clubs!</b>
<u>Jul 8</u>	2 Player Stableford <b>Combined Net Points! Real Stableford, no Quota</b>
<u>Jul 22</u>	Mulligan Tournament <b>*** NEW *** You get 3 Mulligans!</b>
<u>Aug 5</u>	2 Player Trifecta <b>Scramble; Better Ball; Modified Alternate Shot</b>
<u>Aug 19</u>	2 Player Better Ball <b>Gross &amp; Net; Better Score on Each Hole</b>
<u>Sep 2</u>	Ed Zieger Memorial Senior Club Championship - 18 holes <b>Individual Gross &amp; Net – 8a.m Shotgun Start</b>
<u>Sep 16</u>	Team Match Play <b>Intra-Club Teams! – 8 a.m. Shotgun Start</b>
<u>Sep 23</u>	Club Picnic and Awards

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## **Answers to Frequently Asked Questions!**

- Our tournaments are run every other Wednesday from April to September; sign up is done via e-mail, text, or telephone call.
- Tee times are between 7 am and 9 am; times may fall slightly earlier, depending on tournament participation; tee times are e-mailed by 2 p.m. the day before the event. If you do not see the tee times by then, check your spam folder. Contact the Tournament Chairman if you have signed up to play and do not see your name on the tee sheet or if you see your name on the tee sheet and cannot play.
- If you have constraints for early or late times, we do our best to accommodate you.
- We usually play the Blue Course, which is the 9-hole course; tee sheet mailings will tell what course we are playing that week.
- Club notifications are sent via e-mail; please be sure your e-mail address is legible and current when filling out the membership application!
- You do not need to join with a partner; we will pair you up with a partner for team events if needed.
- We have coffee and snacks after each tournament; you are free to partake even if you did not play in the event!
- We run two ABCD events, where pairings are made by the committee; these are intended to offer the opportunity to play with club members you may not know well. Requests to play with specific members will not be honored.
- Most tournament entry fees are \$5. The two exceptions are the Ed Zieger Memorial Club Championship (\$7) and the Intra Club Match Play (\$6).
- We hold Closest to the Pin contests on all the par 3 holes, paying 1<sup>st</sup> (\$10) and 2<sup>nd</sup> (\$5)!
- Gross and Net Prizes are paid out to 1/3 of the field. Tournament results are sent out via e-mail within two days of the event's end.

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## The Senior Club Member's Handbook

1. Know the Senior Club Tournament schedule shown below! Put it on your refrigerator and/or your calendar. Look for pre-tournament e-mail announcements!
2. Welcome new players to your group.
3. ALL your scores must be recorded online in the Handicap Golf Portal or in the GHIN System.
4. All tournament sign-up is done via e-mail, text, or telephone.
5. Tournament entry fees and winnings will be tracked by the Tournament Chairman, and accounts will be settled at the end of the season. You may make deposits to your account at any time during the season. Cash or checks payable to the Tournament Chairman are accepted. You may also use PayPal or Venmo.
6. Except for ABCD events, you may ask to be paired with specific players by requesting this at sign-up.
7. Be ready to play 5 minutes before your scheduled time so you are on the tee for your tee time! Keep up with the group in front of you! Repair ball marks and divots. Stanley is your golf course.
8. You should pick up your scorecard on the day of the tournament from the Tournament Chairman prior to your round. If the Tournament Chairman is not available, check with the starter. After you finish your round leave your score card with Tournament Chairman or in the Back Nine Tavern where the coffee and snacks are served if he is not available.
9. Play by USGA rules, except as modified by Senior Club local rules below. No gimmies - putt everything out. **IMPORTANT NOTE: USGA rules limit the time to find your ball to 3 minutes!**
10. We encourage you to enjoy all the benefits of being a Senior Club member but especially by joining your fellow members in as many tournaments as your schedule will allow. Play well and have fun!

## Local Rules to Govern All Senior Club Play at Stanley

1. You may lift and clean the ball from ALL places and replace the ball within six inches of its original location. (If the ball was in the rough or in a trap, you must replace it in the rough or trap.)
2. You may rake sand and replace the ball in all traps as needed.
3. You may not improve your position to the green. (As an example - if your ball lands behind a tree, you cannot to move it to a point where the tree is no longer an obstacle.) Individual players may, of course, choose to play the ball in its original location without taking advantage of the above.
4. Lost ball or ball hit out of bounds; put a ball in play as close as possible to the spot where the lost ball was likely to be or drop ball in bounds at the spot it crossed the boundary. One stroke penalty.

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## Post Scores Online!

- ALL in season (see next paragraph) scores at Stanley or other courses must be posted online in the Handicap Golf Portal or the GHIN System. You must post scores from other clubs, too.
- Connecticut, New England states, and other northern states observe a season for score posting. This season runs from April 1<sup>st</sup> to November 14<sup>th</sup>. Scores made within the season must be posted; scores outside these dates are not valid for posting. If you play in southern states like Florida or Arizona, there is no season, and scores made there must be posted.

If you are unsure about whether your score can be posted, you can use this link to check:

<https://www.usga.org/handicapping-articles/handicap-active-and-inactive-season-schedule-25489.html>

- The link for the portal is:  
<http://stanley.golfclub.net>
- You will be notified when the portal is available for use.
- To keep your handicap current, you should post your scores the same day you play. Updates in the systems are done daily.
- If you have trouble with the online site, you can use [seniorclubatstanley@gmail.com](mailto:seniorclubatstanley@gmail.com) to ask for help.
- Your password, if you are new to the club or forget it, is available on request via club e-mail at [seniorclubatstanley@gmail.com](mailto:seniorclubatstanley@gmail.com) (there is no provision in the system to change your password, so those requests must also be made to the e-mail address above).
- If you enter scores hole-by-hole, the maximum is adjusted automatically. Otherwise, you will have to adjust the total manually to limit the score on any hole to the net double bogey maximum.
- For Instructions on handicap score limit and the World Handicap System, here is the link:  
[www.usga.org/content/usga/home-page/handicapping/world-handicap-system/WHS-resources.html](http://www.usga.org/content/usga/home-page/handicapping/world-handicap-system/WHS-resources.html)
- [Failure to post scores may result in a penalty score applied to your handicap!](#)

Note that the best eight of the last 20 scores are used for handicap calculation. That means your prior year(s) scores will be used until you have twenty 18-hole scores in the current year. Nine-hole scores are combined when there are two posted to make an 18-hole score in the Portal. An 18-hole differential is calculated for nine-hole scores entered in GHIN.