

South Suburban Men's Club

2025 Two-Man Best Ball Calcutta; July 19 & 20, 2025

The following procedures, formats, and rules have been Board approved for the conduct of the Two-Man Best Ball tournament on July 19 & 20, 2025:

PLAYER ELIGIBILITY:

As published in the South Suburban Men's Club 2025 Member Guidelines available on the Club's Website, players must have a minimum of 3 South Suburban Men's Golf Club tournament scores within the previous 12 months to be eligible to participate in the Calcutta. Players that do not meet this threshold may still participate in the Tournament but will only be eligible for Pro Shop credits. Their team will not be included in the Calcutta auction, they may not purchase half their Team, nor will they be eligible for any Calcutta payouts for their respective Team. (If you have questions about Player eligibility, please contact Dwight Gibson, Handicap Board Committee Chairman.)

TEAMS:

Teams must consist of two South Suburban Men's Club Members with no more than a 10-point difference in their tournament handicap index (US GHIN index or Tournament index – whichever is lower). If players have a greater than 10-point difference in handicap index and wish to play together, the player with the higher handicap index will have theirs reduced to meet the 10-point rule.

GREEN FEE/CART PAYMENTS:

Be sure to pay your greens fees, both days, and cart (if applicable, not required) fees at the Golf Course on the day(s) of play.

FORMAT:

Two-Man Best Ball utilizing 85% of team handicap Day 1 and 100% on Day 2. For the first 18 holes (Saturday), we will play a standard two-man best ball. For the second 18 holes (Sunday), both players' net scores on the par 3 holes of the front 9 and both players' net scores on the par 5 holes of the back 9 will be used (making the par for Sunday's round 88). Other than these four holes on Sunday, we will play a straight two-man best ball. The field will be divided into four flights based on team combined index.

Flight rotation for both days is determined as:

- **Saturday:** 1-Blue Tees, 2-Flex Tees, 3-Flex Tees, and 4-White Tees
- **Sunday:** 4-White Tees, 3-Flex Tees, 2-Flex Tees, and 1-Blue Tees

PURSE:

The tentative club purse based on the size of the field, paid in pro shop credit, per flight per team, is:

- 1st Place: \$400.00
- 2nd Place: \$300.00
- 3rd Place: \$240.00
- 4th Place: \$180.00
- 5th Place: \$130.00
- 6th Place: \$100.00

In the event of a tie, place payments will be combined and divided among the tied players, with the exception of 6th Place ties where the \$100.00 will simply be divided among the tied 6th Place players. This is the practice we've followed throughout the entire 2025 season.

CALCUTTA PURSE:

The Calcutta purse will be paid out per flight as follows after a 4% deduction per flight for Friday night expenses:

- **Day Money each day:**
 - 1st Place: 3%
 - 2nd Place: 2%
 - 3rd Place: 1%
- **Overall Pay-Out per flight:**
 - 1st Place: 30%
 - 2nd Place: 22%
 - 3rd Place: 17%
 - 4th Place: 12%
 - 5th Place: 7%

There is NO CARD PLAYOFF for any Calcutta money. It is evenly divided among the owners of the teams that tied for that position.

CALCUTTA AUCTION (July 18th):

The Calcutta Auction will be conducted Friday night, **July 18, 2025**, starting at 5:00 PM beginning with the opportunity to buy ½ your team at the South Suburban Golf Course restaurant. The auction of teams will start promptly at 6:45 PM. Any team may pre-purchase 50% ownership of their team for \$200.00. (The remaining 50% will go up for random auction). Pre-purchase of 50% ownership will commence at 5:00 PM and end at 6:45 PM. The order of teams to be auctioned will be randomly drawn by the Tournament Committee. A "Wild Card" will be auctioned first and then another wild card after each 5th team is auctioned. A "Wild Card" gives the purchaser the right to select the remaining portion (50% or 100%) of any team that has not yet been purchased. Auction information sheets will be available on the night of the auction. For any syndicates/consortiums formed, we request that only one member of the group actually participate in the bidding process. **All payments to be made in CASH ONLY.**

SKINS:

An optional Skins pool is available for each flight. We ask if you attend the auction, please purchase your Team Skins at this event. ALL SKINS ARE NET, and are as posted for the team for that hole. If it is a two-ball hole, both balls will count for Skins determination. The entry fee for both rounds is \$40.00 per team.

PLAYER NO SHOWS:

The following Rules apply to any Team where a Player or entire Team for whatever reason does not show up over the course of the Tournament:

- If a Single Player from a Team does not show up on Saturday, Day 1, to the First Tee for their assigned Tee Time, the remaining player may play the Tournament and will be assigned a Blind Draw partner. However, this “Blind Draw” team will only be eligible for Pro Shop Credit; they will NOT be eligible for Skins or Calcutta Payouts. In this case, the Team’s Owner(s) will be refunded their Calcutta purchase amount for the respective team, however, Skins will NOT be refunded.
- If an entire Team does not show up on Saturday, Day 1, to the First Tee for their assigned Tee Time, the Team will be disqualified, and the Team’s Owner(s) will be refunded their Calcutta purchase amount for the respective team. However, Skins will NOT be refunded.
- If any Player on any Team or an entire Team withdraws at any time for any reason after teeing off the first tee on Saturday, Day 1, including withdrawing or not showing up for Sunday, Day 2, the entire Team will be disqualified, they will not be eligible for Pro Shop Credit, Skins, or Calcutta Payouts. And, in this case, NO refunds will be made to the Owner(s) of the respective Team and Skins will NOT be refunded.

To accommodate the potential for a Blind Draw, a few Players will be randomly selected prior to the start of the Tournament as Blind Draw Candidates. These Players will be asked to complete every hole to ensure they have a complete score in the event they are selected as a Blind Draw Partner.

HORSE RACE:

The Horse Race will be contested on Saturday evening upon completion of tournament play for the day. We are aiming for a 5:30pm Check-in and 6:00 PM start time. The top three teams in each flight are eligible. Should a top-three team choose not to participate, we will continue down that flight until we have three teams from each flight, totaling 12. When you Check-in for your round on Friday or Saturday, please inform the check-in table if you would like to play in the Horse Race. This will allow us to organize the Horse Race field in a timely manner at the end of the day. The entry fee is \$60.00 per team and the format is Scotch (absolute alternate shot) utilizing 50% of the team’s course handicap.

This will be a four-hole race that starts on Hole #1 then proceeds to Hole #2, Hole #3 and ends on Hole #5; note, Holes are subject to change based on access due to public play. All participating teams will tee off the first hole together, with a sudden death elimination as follows: 4 Teams dropped after the 1st Hole, 4 Teams dropped after the 2nd Hole, 2 Teams Dropped after the 3rd Hole (these two teams will be designated 3rd Place), and the

final two teams will play the 4th Hole to decide the Winner and 2nd Place. All Players will tee off from the White Tees, and individual handicaps used to calculate 50% of the team's course handicap will be adjusted to reflect the White Tee Box assignment.

Payouts:

- 1st Place: 40%
- 2nd Place: 30%
- 3rd Place (the two teams that drop on the 3rd Hole): 15% to each team of Horse Race purse.

****Special Local Rule on #13 green for sprinkler head located on the green.** A player is entitled to line of play relief without penalty once the ball is on the green. If all players in the group agree that the intended line of play is within a reasonable distance of the sprinkler head, the player is allowed to take relief by determining the nearest point of relief no closer to the hole and placing the ball so that the intended line of play will avoid the sprinkler head with a reasonable margin for error.