



Tournament Name: *Cactus Patch Fall Match*

- THEME:** *A sticky patch to match! Beat that!*
- DATE(S):** Friday, 1 September thru Thursday, 30 November 2006, 90 days.
Bracket play will end 15 November, with Challenge play to be completed between 16 and 30 November. See Play Format below.
- VENUE:** No specific course designated: any course agreed by player consensus.
This tournament may be played on any course agreeable to the two competing entrants. Since competition is match play, a single course is not necessary.
- TOURNAMENT CHAIRPERSON(S):** *TBD*
- PARTICIPATION REQUIREMENTS:** Participation is open to all CCGA club members in good standing.
Special CCGA sponsor exemptions can be awarded after review of formal request presented to the Tournament Committee.
- ENTRY DEADLINE:** 1 September 2006. Special late entry reviewed and approved by Tournament Committee; entrant will be notified of entry confirmation.
- AWARDS BANQUET:** *TBD.* (The CCGA hopes to prudently schedule tournament award ceremonies. This tournament's celebratory occasion may be combined with one or more other events.)
- FEES:** No tourney fee will be levied upon CCGA members. Players are responsible for all fees associated with playing and for individual refreshments before, during, and after the round.
- PLAY FORMAT:** *Match Play, Bracketed Single Elimination, Final Challenge – 18 Hole Format*
This tournament requires each participant play one round per bracket, advancing within or being singly eliminated from the tournament during play against another tournament entrant. If a player advances within the bracket, a new opponent will be designated...continuing until a single champion remains.
The winner of each match will notify the tournament chairperson of the results, which will be updated on the Leader Board. The single elimination brackets will continue until a final match of the two advancing players complete the champions' round.
- Point System:**
A point system will be applied to the winning margin of each round. The winner of the match will receive one point for each hole left not played. Thus, for example, if a match was won 3 and 2, the winner would receive 2 points to go with the win. As the player moves through the bracket, the points are accumulated.
- Tournament Champion Determination:**
Once the bracket of contestants is depleted and only one player remains, the single player from the remaining players with the highest number of points accumulated during bracket play may challenge that bracket champion to a final match to overall Champion. This last challenge is optional, but must be accepted by the bracket champion.



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ENTRY PROCESS:

When possible, tournament entry should always be completed using the CCGA Tournament Entry Form. However, when necessary, entry can be in person, by email, by phone, or by any other communication media that is understandable to the average person. Entry should be submitted directly to the tournament chairperson *no later than the start date of the tournament*.

Once entered, the participant's name will be entered on the Leader Board, which will be published and updated on the Yahoo Group Files page or club website, once operational.

Once participants are entered on the Leader Board, opponents can contact one another directly to schedule a round as required by the tournament Play Format. All participants are responsible for engaging one another for scheduling an agreeable time to play and for obtaining tee times at the golf course. *The Tournament Committee does not provide any scheduling of player rounds.*

TEAM OR FLIGHT FORMATION:

Only the Leader Board flight will be tabulated. No teams will be formed for this tournament.

Men's Flight: handicapped bracketed match play.

Women's Flight: handicapped bracketed match play.

RULES OUTLINE:

Standard Rules of Golf apply.

(INCLUDE SCORING GUIDELINES AND ANY SPECIAL VARIATION OF THE RULES OF GOLF)

Each individual will coordinate a single round of 18 holes at the designated golf course with their designated opponent. The round should be played as soon as reasonable after each new bracket level is posted to ensure time to complete the tournament within the allotted dates. Once the round is complete, the winner must be attested by the playing partner and forwarded to the Tournament Chairperson. See Score Posting Process below.

Men will play from the generally accepted Men's front course tees.

Women will play from the generally accepted Women's tees (typically red in color).

RULE DISPUTES:

All rule disputes should be managed by the players to be best of their abilities during the round, using the Rules of Golf, 2004-2007 edition, published by the Royal and Ancient.

However, if a dispute exists after the round is completed regarding a specific rule's interpretation, each player will attest the other's scorecard using the individual player's written score for the hole and round, rather than the partner's desired score.

In addition, the playing partner will note the offending hole and score he or she believes to be correct. The card should be presented to the Golf / Tournament Committee for review and decision, with the Committee Chair having overall decision responsibility. A review by the committee and a response will be provided as quickly as reasonable. The Tournament Committee will utilize the *2006-2007 USGA Decisions on The Rules of Golf* as a major source for making its final ruling.

HANDICAP CONTEXT:

The player's handicap index must be presented at time of tourney entry, which will be the handicap index of record until tournament completion. The player's course handicap will be applied on a hole-by-hole basis for each round played. In accordance with Rule 6-2.a., before starting each round, each player should determine from the other his or her course handicap.

As in accordance with Rule of Golf Match Play, a player's course handicap will be noted on the scorecard and will be utilized to determine



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competition hole play.

SCORE POSTING PROCESS:

Attested hardcopy scorecards should be presented to the Tournament Chairperson as soon as reasonable following the round's play.

When hardcopy of the attested scorecard is not reasonable, a scanned copy of the scorecard can be emailed to the Tournament Chairperson.

When a scanned copy of the scorecard is not possible, email the scorecards to the Tournament Chairperson. **Important:** *Each player's scores sent by email must be sent by the player's CCGA member playing and attesting partner. Email scores belonging to the individual sent by that individual will be considered invalid.*

Essential: Regardless of the form of the scorecard, a hole-by-hole scoring is required, with both gross and net scores reflected. Without this detail, the scorecard will be considered invalid.

SCORING FOR INDIVIDUAL HANDICAP UPDATE PURPOSES:

All scores are eligible to be returned to the Tournament Chairperson for handicap update purposes. However, only those 18-hole scores where a majority of the holes are completed will be considered valid, as governed by Handicap rules. Please refer to USGA Handicap System for more information on scoring a round for handicap purposes.

A decision should be made at the start of each match whether scores will be submitted for Handicap purposes. Then, each hole should be completed in accordance with Stroke Play rules. Match Play rules will still govern tournament play and competition.

AWARDS:

Awards will be issued for the following categories:

- Bracket Winner – Men's Champion
- Challenge Winner – Men's Tournament Champion
- Bracket Winner – Women's Champion
- Challenge Winner – Women's Tournament Champion