

2025 PUTTER PALS LEAGUE



Scheduled for the 2025 season, **Putter Pals League** is open to the public and White Hawk Country Club Members. **Two-person Scramble** Format: Both players tee off, the best shot is selected and both players play from that spot, continuing on until the ball is holed, make your own team. A team may have 2 or 3 players, using only two each week for the round. Play is every Thursday starting on April 24, 2025. Shotgun start at 5:15 pm, a pairing schedule will be set in advance based on the number of teams signed up.

FORMAT

1. **Scramble Format:** Both players tee off, the best shot is selected and both players play from that spot, continuing on until the ball is holed, play is from the Red Tees.
2. **Match Points:** The nine holes will be divided into three 3-Hole Matches, holes #1-3, #4-6, #7-9.
3. **Points are earned** for each 3-Hole result (segment), for a total of 6 points that may be won.
 - a. Win a Segment = 2, Tie a Segment = 1, Lose a Segment = 0
 - b. Three segments, so if a team wins all 3 = 6 points
4. **No-Show** teams will have 2 points deducted from their total.
5. The league season will have **two halves**.
 - a. The teams' finish position, each half, will receive a point total.
 - b. The combined point totals for each half will determine each divisions' winners.
 - c. Overall league winners will be decided by the grand total of points earned per finish place each half.
6. You may schedule two matches during the season to be played in the weekly window, Friday to Wednesday (not on Thursday at 5:15 pm). Must be 100% agreeable with the other team. Players will not be eligible for side games when playing on a day/time other than posted schedule.
7. There will be a schedule of different "side games" including closest to the pin or net skins, included with league entry fee.

TEAMS

1. A team may have 2 or 3 players, using only two each week for the round. At sign-up, the first two names of the team will be considered the "primary players". A two-person team may add a third player up until June 1st and pay remaining team entry balance. **There are no Subs.**
2. New teams without handicap will have one created after their first 3 scores. Results for the first three weeks will be updated based on these scores.
3. Teams with a low handicap will be in the **Pinehurst Division**, high handicap teams will be in the **Sawgrass Division**. Divisions will be used to determine matches, pairings, and the course being played.
4. League golfers will receive an email on the Tuesday before league to confirm team players, show current standings, previous week results, and match schedule. We will assume teams using "Primary Players" for match.
5. If a match has **2 players vs. 1**, the single may hit two shots on the tee and in the fairway, they may only hit one putt per attempt.

ENTRY/HANDICAP

1. **2025 League Fee** for a two-person team is \$80 each player (\$160), a three-person team is \$65 each (\$195). Teams may sign up and pay online, teams must be paid in full at time of sign up. This fee will include prize payout for top teams in each division, overall winners, weekly side games, and the season ending dinner party.

2. Online registration can be done by one team member, for the **entire team**.
3. Nine-hole green fee with cart is \$32 **in 2025**. Cart fees are still applicable if riding with a member in private cart.
4. There will be a team 9-hole handicap formula based on **league scramble scores**.
 - a. Three person teams will have **multiple handicaps** based on the combination of players (A with B, A with C, etc.) and the scores they shoot.
5. **New teams** without handicap will have one created after their first 3 scores. Results for the first three weeks will be updated based on these scores.
6. All USGA Rules apply except were modified by local rules (sheet), other local rules will be communicated based on course rotation used.

PAYOUT/TIES/RAIN OUT

1. **Prizes** will be paid out with gift cards for:
 - a. Top Division Teams – 1st half points combined with 2nd half points
 - b. Overall Team Winners – Top 4 total point earners, both divisions combined
 - c. Scheduled side game winners (skins/closest to the pin)
2. **Ties** for top division teams will be broken by:
 - a. Second half finish points over first half points
 - b. Head-to-Head match results
 - c. Remain a tie
3. Ties for **Overall Team Winners** will be broken by second half points over first half points, then weekly match points won compared in reverse order starting with the final week.

PLAYOFFS/OTHER

1. No playoffs in 2025. The league season will have **two halves**.
 - a. The teams' finish position, each half, will receive a point total.
 - b. The combined point totals will determine overall league winners.
 - i. Example: First half 6th place (16), plus, second half 4th place (20), equals 36 total **points overall**.
2. For the **last week of league**, we will organize a special golf event, dinner to follow, and recognition of winning teams. Looking to do a big cup par 3 event with golfers playing their own ball. Skin game with carryover format.
3. Pace of play is important; the round should be completed in 2 ½ hours maximum.
4. Maximum 3 over par per hole, pick up and move to next hole (triple bogey).
5. Continuous putt out on every hole. Once you are on the green and it is your teams' turn to putt, continue putting until the ball is holed out.
6. Each year we allow a generous time frame to give previous league teams the opportunity to sign up before opening up to new teams. Due to the high demand of people wanting to join, we will have a required attendance percentage to guarantee a spot for the following year. If your team has an attendance percentage of less than 75%, you will be ineligible for early sign up. This does not necessarily mean you will not be able to join the following year, only that you will not be eligible for early sign-up.