

2026 Crystal Lake Men's Golf League

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General

The 2026 Crystal Lake Men's League will consist of a maximum of 40 four-man teams for a total of 160 golfers. Play will be on Thursday evenings beginning Thursday, May 7th and run for seventeen weeks. The league will be filled on a first come, first serve basis with preference given to 2025 men's league players until midnight on February 28th. **Do not send payment in right away. Due to Venmo limits we need to stagger out payment this year. We will update you when we want your payment.**

League Cost

League cost for 2026 men's league will be \$750.00. This price includes your cart for the year. Sub fees will be \$135.00.

Payment options

We will only be accepting Venmo as payment options for 2026. Someone in your foursome must have Venmo. You can pay individually by Venmo, or one person on your team can collect and send in one big payment. This will allow us to disperse funds more easily at the end of the year vs. cash.

Format of Play

This year's format will be like last years. We will be doing different events every week with some combined 18-hole two-week events. You will need to pay attention to the schedule and the format as they change from week to week.

You will be playing with your own team again this year as in the past. We will again be playing from the white tees this year.

The feedback that we have received has overwhelmingly supported playing in our own foursomes and bringing more fun back into the league with more fun and different events.

If you are looking for an ultra-competitive weekly golf league, this may NOT be the league for you. We have set this up with the idea of a chance once a week to come out and be with your friends, relax and enjoy some fun golf.

We will be doing skins again this year. We will be doing ½ shot skins same as last year. Teams are limited to collecting prize money for a maximum of 2 events per year. After that we will go to the team that placed the next highest in the event to award the money too.

Teams

Each team will consist of four golfers. Only one entry form can be submitted per team that includes golfer information and total team entry fee. You cannot register until you have a complete four-man team. Each team should identify a Captain; this will be the first team member listed at the time of registration.

Tee Times

Play will be off both sides from 3:40PM to 6:00PM. The tee times will be every 7-8 minutes (i.e., 3:40, 3:47, 3:54, etc.). You will receive your complete schedule of starting times before the first week of league.

Captains' Meeting

There will not be a formal captain's meeting this year. We will be at the clubhouse for anyone that wishes to come up and has questions. We have such a large returning membership that there is no need for a formal captains' meeting. We will be at the course on April 30th @ 6:30

Substitutes

Substitutes are welcome to join the men's league. An official Crystal Lake Men's League Substitute list will be created and available on the website. In the past, substitutes have enjoyed the opportunity to play in the league almost every week just by showing up on Thursday's and waiting for an opportunity to play on a team that is short one of their four golfers. Teams in the league can **ONLY** use subs from the official league substitute list. There will be a maximum of 50 subs. Substitutes may sign up any time after 3:15 p.m. on league nights. It will be a first come first out policy. If there is more than one sub ready to sign up at 3:15, we will draw for spots.

How to Join

Register your team or as a sub on the league website. (crystallakemensleague.org) Then send your **full** team payment via Venmo. Do NOT send payment until we ask for it please. We will email your team with the Venmo address once it's time for you team to pay. Your league fees will be accepted after an online registration is complete and full team payment is received. Only 40 teams will be accepted first come first serve, with priority returning teams until midnight February 28th. **Partial team payments will NOT be accepted. In past years, the league has filled up prior to the deadline so get your team entries in early.**

League Schedule (events are subject to change)

Thursday, April 30 th	Optional captains meeting
Thursday, May 7 th	Just play golf (establish your handicap) (skins)
Thursday, May 14 th	Just play golf (establish your handicap) (skins, proxy)
Thursday, May 21 st	123-321 Best Ball (skins)
Thursday, May 28 th	123-321 Best Ball Cont. (skins)
Thursday, June 4 th	Shamble (3 flights)
Thursday, June 11 th	Shamble cont. (3 flights)
Thursday, June 18 th	Stableford with handicaps (skins)
Thursday, June 25 th	Stableford cont. with handicaps (skins)
Thursday, July 2 nd	No Golf- July 4 th Holiday
Thursday, July 9 th	Four-Man Scramble (3 flights) scoring and keg on deck
Thursday, July 16 th	Four-Man Scramble cont. (3 flights) scoring and keg on deck
Thursday, July 23 rd	Cha Cha Cha (skins)
Thursday, July 30 th	Team Quota (skins)
Wednesday, August 5 th	Makeup night for rainout (if necessary)
Thursday Aug. 6 th	Team Quota cont. (skins)
Thursday August 13 th	4 man choose'em and lose'em scramble
Thursday, August 20 th	Low gross low net (skins)
Thursday, August 27 th	Final Night and banquet. Event to be determined