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2017 Battle Creek Match Play Rules/Contact List

- Payouts: 1st Place 42%, 2nd Place 26%, 3rd Place 18%, 4th Place 14%
- Location: All matches will be played at The Ponds at Battle Creek
- Matches: Match-play
 - **Gross Bracket - All matches are 18-hole matches**
 - Net Bracket - 9-hole match play (18-holes can be played if both players agree) SEMI-Finals and FINALS will be an 18-hole match
- Ties: All ties will be decided by sudden-death playoff holes. In the Net division, handicaps do apply in the sudden-death playoff. (Please check with the course before moving on)
- Blue tees will be used for all matches.
 - In the NET BRACKET: Those that have a USGA handicap Index of 25.0 or greater may choose to play from the white tees.
 - Handicap is calculated from white tees and you lose one stroke (in 9-hole match)
 - EXAMPLE:
 - ∥ Player A (with index of 10.0) plays from blue tees.
 - ∥ Player B (with index of 29.0) plays from the white.
 - ∥ Player B has a handicap index of 29.0 and calculates to a 31 for 18-hole match.
 - ∥ Because Player B is playing from a different tee than his competitor, there is another adjustment based on course rating; blue 33.8 & white 32.9, a difference of 0.9 or 1 stroke in a 9-hole match, thus Player B's 9-hole handicap would be $29/2=14.5(15)$ less 1 stroke adjustment for different tee = 15.)
 - SENIORS that are 55 years old or older and have a USGA handicap Index of 14.0 or greater, you may also play the white tees (In the Net Tournament, the same adjustment as listed above)
 - In an 18-hole match, the deduction is TWO strokes taken off the players course handicap.
- Net Bracket Handicapping: In a 9-hole match (18-holes can be played if both players agree) using updated USGA handicaps, check the GHIN computer for each player's course handicap. Take the players "Course Handicap" (not the index) divide by two and round to nearest whole number. In an 18-hole match, the full handicap is used (Unless player was eligible to move up tees)
 - Handicaps are applied as follows: Scott Albright has an 18-hole course handicap of 6 and Mike Murray CH of 11. In an 18-hole match, Albright will give Murray 5 strokes on the toughest 5 holes as rated by the course handicap. In a 9-hole match, divide those course handicaps by 2; Scott $6/2=3$ Murray $11/2=5.5$ (round to 6) Scott will give Murray 3 shots in a 9-hole match.
 - SEMI-Finals and FINALS will be an 18-hole match
- Rainouts/bad weather: A match will be considered official after 6 holes have been completed. If you are forced off of the course because of weather before your round is done, even if you've completed 6 or more holes, you must allow one hour for the weather to clear before calling the match for the day
- Scheduling Matches: Matches must be completed by the scheduled deadline listed on bracket board. Both Members are responsible for contacting the opposing Member and scheduling the match.

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