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## Welcome to the **Ballantrae Men's Golf League**.

Our golf league is open to all male residents within the gates of the Ballantrae Golf Club Community.

We play for five months, from the first Tuesday in May till the last Tuesday in September.

Our Motto is: **HAVE FUN, ENJOY THE GAME and MEET YOUR NEIGHBOURS**

Our yearly **membership fee** is \$95.00 or \$130.00 if you want to participate in our weekly 50/50 draw.

The membership fee is required to be paid before the start of the season or by the Opening Banquet on the last Tuesday of April.

All members are responsible to pay their green fees direct to the Pro Shop when they check in to play on the Tuesday mornings.

The way our league works is every member who wants to play the following Tuesday needs to call up the Pro Shop every week before 12:00 noon Fridays and tell them they wish to be added to the players list for the following week. You can also tell the Pro Shop that you want to play for the entire month so you don't have to call in each week.

On the Friday evening the Pro Shop sends us the list of players registered. We then send out an email to all of the members, with the list of players and ask them to check if their name is on the list or if they have forgotten to sign up and to tell us via a reply email, if they wish to play, or if their name was missed or if they now can't play and need to withdraw.

We need this response email by Saturday evening. This is just to make sure we have everyone included who wants to play because preparing the Draw Sheet is a very time consuming process.

On Sunday morning we take the players list and set up the teams based on handicaps and tee box colours and try to balance the teams with the total handicaps for each team to be within 10 to 15 points. We then sent the Players Draw Sheet to all of the members telling them when they will be playing. All players will be starting on the first tee.

We require all players to arrive at least 15 minutes before their appointed tee time so there will be no delays in getting the rounds underway.

Our first time is at 8:00am and depending on the number of players we have registered for that day the last tee time could be after 11:00am, except in the early spring and fall, when the first tee will be changed to 8:30am.

We run a number of tournaments and events throughout the season and host luncheons every last Tuesday of the month at the Rec Centre in our community.

These luncheons are free to all registered members.

We have arranged with the Pro Shop for a 9:00am shotgun start on the days of our luncheons, (if we have enough players signed up to meet their requirements), this will enable everyone to finish and meet at the luncheon around the same time, so all of the players can eat together.



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We have weekly prizes for the winning team with the Lowest Net Score, as well as the Closest to the Pin prizes on all four of the par 3 holes and a 50/50 draw.

When you join, we will need to know your handicap, (if you have one) and from which tee box you play from, Whites, White/Red Blended, Reds and Red/Gold Blended.

If you don't have an existing handicap we will assign one for you and monitor your play and adjust it as the season goes on. We normally take the average of your last 10 games or how many games you have played at BGC.

Our handicap calculation is based **only** on the games you played at Ballantrae (BGC) and **not** at any other courses. We believe this keeps everyone playing on the same level and encourages having fun and getting to know your neighbours.

To be eligible to play in the Individual Championships, you must have played a minimum of five (5) games with BMGL and your fees are paid up to date.

***Outlined below are the main events scheduled throughout our 2023 golf season (May to September)***

<b>1. Pre-season Luncheon</b>	<b>Tuesday April 25<sup>th</sup>, 2023</b>
<b>2. Opening Day</b>	<b>Tuesday May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2023</b>
<b>3. Phil Kostandoff Spring Classic</b>	<b>Tuesday May 30<sup>th</sup>, 2023</b>
<b>4. Carrick Cup</b>	<b>Tuesday June 27, 2023</b>
<b>5. Bill Burrow Team Championship</b>	<b>Tuesday July 25<sup>th</sup>, 2023</b>
<b>6. Individual Championships /Red/Blended/White</b>	<b>Tuesday August 8<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>rd</sup>, 2023</b>
<b>7. Closing Day and Awards /Prizes Luncheon</b>	<b>Tuesday September 26<sup>th</sup>, 2023</b>

**Your (BMGL) Golf Team is run by the following community volunteers:**

Jay Adams	(Condo 4)
Norm Bresser	(Condo 1)
Bob Craig	(Condo 2)
Elio Palermo	(Condo 5)
Dan Balfour	(Condo 4)
Fred Watkin	(Condo 1)

Handicap Statistician: Phil Kostandoff (Condo 1)

If you have any questions or wish to join, please contact us at [ballantraemensgolfleague@gmail.com](mailto:ballantraemensgolfleague@gmail.com)

Your Golf Team