



Dehradun Golf League 2024

The Dehradun Golf League is back for its second edition in 2024, after a successful inaugural season where Vishranti Hospitality emerged as the champions. The first season featured 10 teams and 90 golfers, marking a significant milestone in the region's golfing community.

We return this November 2024 with an exciting new format inspired by the Ryder Cup. This inter-team tournament will involve ten teams, each competing in a series of matches across four weekends in a match play format, featuring foursomes and better ball encounters in the first three rounds and singles match play in the Finals.

The Dehradun Golf League 2024 continues its mission to promote golf and nurture inclusivity across the enchanting landscapes of Uttarakhand. We extend a warm invitation to every golfer to be a part of this grand endeavour.

Tournament Committee:

Mr. Sumeru Bahuguna	League Founder & Tournament Director
Lt Gen Pradhan (retd.)	Senior Committee Advisor
Captain Gandhi (retd.)	Organizing Committee
Mr. Dharmendra Bohra	Organizing Committee

Schedule for League Rounds:

Round 1: Sunday, Nov 03 - FRIMA

Round 2: Sunday, Nov 10 - FRIMA

Round 3: Sunday, Nov 17 - DSOI

Grand Finale: Sunday, Nov 24 – DSOI

Prize Distribution & Dinner: Sunday - 24 Nov from 1830 hrs at Vishranti, Canal Road

Auction: Oct 06 from 1830 hrs at Vishranti, Canal Road

Prizes:

- Team Prizes:** Two team prizes will be awarded at the end of the tournament.
- Winners:** The winning team receives a rolling trophy, a replica, and gold medals for each player, along with sponsor goodies/vouchers.
- Runners-Up:** The runner-up team receives silver medals and sponsor goodies/vouchers.
- Modifications:** The Committee reserves the right to modify prizes and establish additional prizes as needed. Exact number of prizes will be confirmed within 5 days of the Finals.

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Team Structure

Number of Teams: 10-14. Players Entry Fees: Rs. 3000/- (Rs. 750 per round x 4)

Exception Tournament Invitees, FRIMA/DSOI Management & Team Owners

Team Composition:

1. Each team will consist of 10 players. **Note:** This number will be confirmed one week before the auction, based on the number of player and team entries.
2. For each round, teams must select 8 out of their 10 players to participate. The remaining two players can be nominated as standbys in case a selected player becomes unavailable for that round. There are no restrictions on selecting the playing 8 for any round.

Schedule of Events

1. **Announcement of the Dehradun Golf League 2024:** August 18, 2024
2. **Final Date for Player Applications:** September 30, 2024
3. **Auction:** Oct 06, 2024, from 6:00 PM to 8:30 PM at Vishranti, Canal Road, Dehradun.
All Team Owners are invited along with their Captains.

Format of the League

1. **Round 1 @ FRIMA:** Foursomes Matchplay
2. **Round 2 @ FRIMA:** Best Ball Matchplay
3. **Round 3 @ DSOI:** Foursomes Matchplay
4. **Finals @ DSOI:** Singles Matchplay

Points System

- **Rounds 1 to 3:** Each winning pair earns 1 point, a draw earns 0.5 points, and a loss earns 0 points.
- **Finals:** Each player winning their match earns 2 points, a draw earns 1 point, and a loss earns 0 points.

Matchplay Formats

Rounds 1 & 3 – Foursomes Matchplay:

- **Format:** Two players from each team play as a pair. Each player plays their own ball, and the best score from each pair is counted for that hole.

Round 2 – Best Ball Matchplay (No Handicap/Strokes to be awarded):

- **Format:** Each team will consist of two players forming a pair. Both players will tee off, select the best ball, and then continue play from that spot. **All players will compete off the same handicap, with no strokes awarded due to the best ball format.**

Finals – Singles Matchplay:

- **Format:** One player from Team A competes against one player from Team B. The player with the lower score on each hole wins that hole.



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Final Round Conditions

1. **Qualification:** All teams after Round 3 will advance to the final round, which will be played in a singles Matchplay format.
2. **Pairings:** Teams will be paired for the final round based on their standings after the first three rounds (e.g., Team 1 vs. Team 2, Team 3 vs. Team 4, etc.).
3. **Scoring:** Each player who wins their match earns 2 points, a draw earns 1 point, and a loss earns 0 points.
4. **Calculation of Points:** The points earned from each match by a player in a team in the final round will be totalled and added to the Points after Round 3 determining the winner and runner-up.

Owners Committee

Each team owner may nominate a captain or any one owner as their representative. The Owners Committee will handle handicaps, player dropouts/replacements, and other rulings as determined by the League Committee. The committee has the authority to put any decision to a vote, with the League Committee holding the final decision in case of a tie.

Draw of Teams & Pairings

1. **Team Matchups:** Determined through a chit-drawing system. Each Wednesday at 9:30 AM at FRIMA, a team owner or captain will draw a chit with another team's name.
2. **Final Pairings:** Once determined, pairings are final and cannot be changed.
3. **Player Pairings:** Based on seeding, with four seeds comprising two players each, as decided by the team owners and captains. A team owner will have 15 minutes to submit seedings to the DGL Committee, which will match and announce the final opponents immediately.

Handicaps

1. **Handicap Cutoff:** The maximum handicap for Gentlemen, Ladies, and Children is set at 18. Any golfer with a handicap over 18 will automatically be assigned a maximum handicap of 18.
2. **Strokes Allowance:** In all rounds except Best Ball (Round 2), each golfer will receive 70% of their handicap against the Backmarker (the lowest handicapper). This applies to all three golfers, including the partner of the lowest handicapper.
3. **Review Process:** The Owners Committee will review all players' handicaps before the auction. Adjustments may be made based on a standardized review process.
4. **Handicap Adjustments:** If a player is consistently playing below their handicap (by a margin of at least 3 strokes), the DGL Owners Committee reserves the right to review and adjust the player's handicap after each round.
5. **Dispute Resolution:** Players who wish to dispute their assigned handicap may submit a WHS handicap certificate or recent stroke play tournament scores for review. The final handicap will be determined and approved by the DGL Committee.



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League Rules: Terms & Conditions of Play

Player Availability and Non-Availability:

- 1. Availability Commitment:** Players must declare full availability for the league during registration.
- 2. Unforeseen Non-Availability:** After team selection, the team is responsible for any impact caused by a player's non-availability. If a player becomes unavailable due to serious medical conditions or unexpected events, the committee may allow the team to backfill the spot with players from the waitlist.
- 3. Player Dropout:** A player unavailable for the entire league is deemed to have dropped out and cannot join another team. The Tournament Committee reserves the right to bring in standby players in exceptional cases.

Code of Conduct for Players and Owners:

- Players and team owners must uphold sportsmanship and appropriate conduct. Improper behaviour may result in restrictions on future participation, subject to inquiry and sanctions by the tournament committee.

Tees:

- 1. Men's Tees:** All gentlemen golfers will play from the Men's tees at FRIMA and DSOI.
- 2. Ladies' Tees:** Seniors above 80 years, ladies, and juniors below 13 years will play from the Ladies' Tees. Handicaps will be adjusted accordingly before the League/Auction.
- 3. Golf Carts:** Not permitted.

Unavailability of League Players:

- 1. Impact of Unavailability:** If a selected player is unavailable for a match, the team loses that player's services, and the remaining player in the pair competes alone.
- 2. Standby Player:** Teams may nominate one standby player per round to replace an unavailable player.
- 3. Penalty for Invalid Absence:** Players absent without a valid reason will be penalized Rs. 5000 and barred from future registrations. Only two substitutions are allowed per round.

Draw/Timings: Determined at the discretion of the Tournament Committee and Golf Course.

Handicap During League:

- 1. Maximum Handicap:** 18
- 2. Registration:** Players must register with their WHS Handicap or Club Handicap. The Owners Committee may review and adjust handicaps before the auction.



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Tie Breaker:

- In case of a tie in the aggregate points after the finals, a sudden death playoff will occur between two players from each team on the 18th hole. If unresolved after 3 holes, the playoff will continue on Holes 1, 3, and 5. A Play off will only be for the teams finishing 1st or 2nd.

Time of Starting:

1. **Punctuality:** If neither partner is present 5 minutes before the start, a General Penalty applies. If not present within 5 minutes, the side is disqualified.
2. **Representation:** One partner can represent the side during any part of the round. If a partner arrives late, they may start between holes only.
3. **Finals Disqualification:** A player who fails to report within 5 minutes of the scheduled start time for a Finals match will be disqualified, and their opponent will be declared the winner.

Rules of Golf: The tournament will follow the R&A/USGA Rules of Golf effective January 2019, along with local rules of FRIMA and DSOI as applicable (Preferred Lie may be allowed based on course conditions subject to Owners & DGL committee).

Distance Measuring Devices are allowed without slope function.

Penalty: Disqualification of the side or single golfer based on review by DGL Committee.

Transportation & Gallery:

- Motorized transport golf carts are NOT PERMITTED.
- Motorized golf trolleys and standard two- or three-wheel golf trolleys without seating support for players are permitted.
- **Penalty:** Disqualification of the side or single golfer based on review by DGL Committee.

Submission of Match Results/Return of Score Card:

- Match results are considered final when submitted to the tournament committee or club staff deputed for this purpose.

Result of Round/Competition is Final:

1. **Finality:** Match results are final once announced. Competition results are final after the Prize Distribution Ceremony.

Advice During Team Competition:

1. **Restrictions:** Players may only receive advice from their partners or the team captain.
2. **No Cross-Advice:** Players must not ask for or give advice to other team members on the course.