

SMGA 2026 MATCH PLAY

KEY DATES:

1. October 11th – Signups start.
2. January 3rd – Last day for signup AND PAYMENT.
3. January 9th – Brackets completed and published.
4. January 9th– Match Play competition begins.

SIGN UPS:

Match Play is only open to Full Golf members. If your membership status changes during the year to less than a Full Golf member, you will forfeit any remaining matches. Brackets are limited to 64 entries and all brackets will be filled on a first-come, first served basis. To sign up, please email with the brackets you wish to sign up for

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COMMUNICATION:

All formal SMGA communication on Match Play is via email. You need to be able to receive and respond to SMGA communication via email or have someone do it for you. The SMGA will not selectively "text" information to individuals. By entering Match Play you are authorizing the SMGA to share your email and/or phone # with all other Match Play competitors.

MATCH PLAY BRACKETS:

There will be 10 different Match Play brackets this year:

1. Singles-Gross
2. Singles-Net
3. Singles-Sr. Net
4. Singles-Sr. Gross
5. Singles-Super Sr. Net
6. 4ball-Gross
7. 4Ball-Net
8. 4Ball-Sr. Net
9. 4Ball-Sr. Gross
10. 4Ball - Alternate Shot

If you are signing up for multiple brackets, please be sure you will be available to play the required number of early rounds in January and February.

You must be 50 years old in 2026 to qualify for Sr. brackets and 65 years old in 2026 for Super Sr. Brackets.

HANDICAPS:

In Net 4Ball and Sr. Net 4Ball, there is a maximum 10-stroke handicap differential between partners. You can sign up with any partner but on the day that you play a match the high handicap player will be restricted to 10 strokes higher than the low handicap player (prior to the 90% limitation).

ENTRY FEE:

\$25 per player per bracket, payable by Venmo (@Sevillemensgolfassn) or payable in cash to any SMGA Board member prior to January 3rd. If paying by Venmo, you must add 2% to cover the processing fee. **ALL ENTRY FEES MUST BE PAID BY JANUARY 3rd OR YOU WILL NOT BE INCLUDED IN THE BRACKET.**

RULES OF PLAY:

1. Scorecards will NOT be provided. Competitors will be responsible for handicapping their own matches. Golf professionals on duty will be available to assist.
2. All players will receive 100% of their current handicap indexes on the day of play for individual net matches. All players will receive 90% of their current handicap indexes for the Net 4ball events. Matches must be handicapped off the low player, i.e. if the low player is a 4 handicap and the opponent is an 8 handicap, the high player gets 4 strokes. (A 4Ball Handicap Calculator is provided on the SMGA website or see golf shop on day of play for assistance).
3. Men's GROSS matches are played from the BLACK TEES.
4. Senior Men's GROSS matches are played from the GOLD TEES.
5. Any Men's NET match play event may be from the BLACK, BLACK/GOLD, GOLD, GOLD/BLUE or BLUE (with BLUE TEE ELIGIBILITY). If a player's current index combined with their age in 2026 equals or exceeds 70, they may, but are not obligated, to play the BLUE TEES.

PLEASE NOTE:

Once a player elects to compete from a set of tees (Black, Gold or Blue), that player MUST compete in every match from those same tees. However, a player may use a different set of tees in a separate match play bracket. Also, once a player qualifies for Blue tees during a year, he remains qualified for the remaining part of the year even if his index lowers and he would no longer be qualified per the calculation.

Match results must be reported immediately upon completion of play. Please post to the brackets in the men's locker room and please email results to Bob Jones bob@bjonescpa.com or email to sevillemga@gmail.com.

PARTNER:

After the first match has been played, if for ANY reason one partner of a match play team is unable to continue competing, a replacement player MAY NOT be substituted even if their handicaps are comparable. The single partner MAY continue to compete as a single ball in the four-ball matches. Also, all competitors must be Full Golf members at Seville in good standing at the time of play. A partner may be replaced with the Match Play Committee approval if no matches have been played by that team in the bracket.

DEADLINES:

We expect all matches to be completed by the deadlines indicated on the bracket boards in the Men's locker room. The final deadlines for all brackets will end on a Saturday men's club date and must be played on or before that date. If only one participant shows up on the final deadline date, they will win by forfeit, if neither participant shows up, both will forfeit. If one participant has been unavailable during the bracket period the SMGA Match Play Committee reserves the right to disqualify that player and declare a forfeit.

MATCH CANCELLATIONS:

Matches are scheduled at the discretion of the participating members. A 24-hour cancellation policy will be strictly enforced. In the event that a team no-shows a match or fails to cancel outside of the cancellation window, the cancelled upon team MAY either (1) elect to reschedule or (2) claim victory.

POSTING:

All Match play rounds are considered Competition rounds and will be posted by the pro shop. Please turn in your scorecards to the pro shop at the completion of your round. If the pro shop is closed, there will be a scorecard box in the locker room to deposit the score cards. Once the match is completed, no more scores should be entered on the card (i.e. if the match ends on 16, no scores would be entered for 17 or 18). This is the new method for posting competition rounds in Cap Patrol. Be sure to sign and date the scorecards and make sure names are legible.

SCHEDULING:

If you plan on playing a match during Saturday Men's Club, let the pro shop know by Wednesday noon so they can put you off the first tee.

BRACKETS:

Match play brackets will be updated periodically and there will be an updated bracket in the Men's locker room.

PAYOUTS:

The top 2, 4 or 8 finishers in each bracket (depending on the size of the field) will be paid based on 95% of the entry fees. A “Match Play Winners” plaque will be displayed in the locker room.

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