# **Golf Scoring Formats:**

Match Play vs Stroke Play. Golf events are scored using either Match Play or Stroke Play scoring systems. In Match Play points are awarded on a hole by hole basis. A point is won by the player (or team) who completes a hole with the least number of strokes. For each hole won a player/team earns one point. In the event of a tie, the hole is halved, with each player/team earning one half point. The player/team who earns the most points wins the match. In Stroke Play, there is no hole by hole scoring, and the golfer with the least number of total strokes for the entire round wins.

<u>Handicap System</u>. Most golf events utilize a handicap scoring system to allow golfers of varying skill levels to compete against each other. Essentially, a golfer's handicap is the average number of strokes over par (72) for an 18 whole round. In a Stroke Play match the final score would be determined by subtracting each golfer's handicap from his/her total strokes played in the round, and the golfer with the lower net score wins the match. In Match Play, the handicaps are allocated on a hole by hole basis —one "stroke" per hole for as many holes as needed to use up the handicap. The "stroke" is subtracted from each golfer's score on each hole to determine which golfer won that hole.

Only players with established handicaps are eligible to participate in club events utilizing handicaps. RCC Members have USGA Handicap services included with their memberships.

## **SEASON LONG (SINGLE ELIMINATION) GOLF TOURNAMENTS:**

### **Stone Memorial** (Men and Ladies)

These tournaments are individual match play events scored with handicaps. They are open to all RCC golf memberships. A \$10 entry fee is charged for prize money. Matches are played throughout the golfing season. The player with the lower net score on a hole wins a point for that hole. A match is won by the player who is leading by a number of points greater than the number of holes remaining to be played. The match winner advances in the bracket to play the next round.

#### **Two Person Best Ball** (Men and Ladies)

These tournaments are two-person team, match play events scored with handicaps. These are two of Reedsburg Country Club's most popular golfing events. They are open to all RCC golf memberships. A \$10 entry fee is charged for prize money. Matches are played throughout the golfing season. Each player on a team plays his/her own ball, and a team's score on each hole is based off the score of the player with the lowest net score for that hole. The team with the lower net score for each hole wins the hole and earns one point. A match is won by the team that is leading by a number of points greater than the number of holes remaining to be played. The match winner advances in the bracket to play the next round.

## **President's Cup** (Men)

This tournament is an individual match play event scored without handicaps. All men with RCC golf memberships are eligible. A \$10 fee is charged for prize money. Matches for this event will be played throughout the golfing season. The player with the lowest number of strokes on a hole wins a point for that hole. A match is won by the player who is leading by a number of points greater than the number of holes remaining to be played. The match winner advances in the bracket to play the next round.

## **OTHER COMPETITIVE GOLF EVENTS:**

### Men's Invitational

Teams consist of two players- one member and one guest. The teams are flighted by combined handicap. Each flight will consist of 4 teams. Each team will play 18 holes on Saturday and 18 holes on Sunday. Each team will play the three other teams in their flight over the first 27 holes of golf. The final nine holes of golf your team hole by hole score will be matched against each team in your flight. Matches consist of 9 holes of best ball match play. A total of ten points will be awarded in each match. The team that has the most points in the flight will play the other flight winner in a shootout on Sunday to determine the overall winner.

Date: July 8<sup>h</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup>

## **Badger Cup (Formerly the Holzmiller Cup)**

This is a two day, multi-format, co-ed event with eight, 8 member teams. Teams are composed of players drafted by 8 captains to represent 8 Big Ten schools. Four formats of golf are used: Scramble, alternate shot, best ball, and individual match play. 18 holes are played each day and teammates are re-paired each day. A point system is used to determine the overall winner. Pari-mutuel wagering is available. This is one of RCC's most popular events. Date: July 22<sup>nd</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup>

## **Ladies Invitational**

Women from area golf clubs are invited to participate in this Ladies' Day event. The game and scoring format varies each year. Lunch and golf is followed by dinner and awarding of prizes for the day. Date: July 25<sup>th</sup>

### Club Championships (Men / Seniors / Ladies)

This event is an individual, 2 day, 36 hole event (18 holes per day) scored using stroke play with no handicaps. It is open to all amateurs with a full RCC club membership. Although handicaps are not used to determine winners, they are used to determine the flight in which a player will participate. This allows players to compete against only other players of similar skill level. Below is an example of how flights are broken down in the men's division of the Club Championship. Each flight will have a Champion. Date: August 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>tht</sup>

Championship Flight Handicap 0-6 First Flight Handicap 7-12 Second Flight Handicap 13-19 Third Flight Handicap 20-27

Fourth Flight Handicap 28 and over

## **Couples Championship**

This is an 18 hole stroke play event scored with handicaps. It is open to couples who are golf members of RCC. Couples who are not married may wish to compete in this tournament for prizes, but the Club Championship Title will be awarded only to a husband-wife team. A couple's scores are combined for both gross and net totals. Date: July 26<sup>th</sup>

Members intending to participate in Club tournaments must sign up in the Pro Shop by the posted date. Entry fees will be billed at the time of the event. Match pairings and the final dates for the playing of matches will be posted in the Pro shop.

## **GROUP GOLF EVENTS**

### **Tuesday Ladies Day Group**

The ladies play every Tuesday around 1pm. An optional golf contest is held each week at a cost of \$5.00 for prize money. The events vary each week. At least once a month a special event is held where players are mixed into different groups. All members are welcome to play, and socializing in the clubhouse or on the patio after golf is typically a large part of this event.

### Wednesday Men's Day Group

The Men's Day players tee off from around noon until 1:30pm. An optional golf contest is held each week at a cost of \$5.00 for prize money. The events vary each week. All members are welcome to play, and socializing in the clubhouse or on the patio after golf is typically a large part of this event.

## **Saturday Morning Mixer**

This event starts around 8:45 (Shotgun) each Saturday. Players are divided into two-person teams. The event entry is \$10.00 for prize money with a full cash payout. All members are welcome to play, and typically players choose to stay and have lunch after the round.

## RCC GOLF LEAGUES

### Monday Night Men's League

Teams compete weekly in match play event scored with handicaps. 5:15pm Shotgun (9 holes); 20 weeks of competitive play - March to September! Playoffs will follow regular season to determine the season team champion. League consists of 16-24 teams of four or five players each. League format is individual match play, in foursomes consisting of two members each from two opposing teams, with one player on each team competing in a match against one player from the opposing team. Each match will be played for 10 points (1 point per hole plus a bonus point). The team scores consists of the combined scores of the four team members. A maximum of 40 points can be generated in a given week.

If you want to play in league but don't have a team, the Pro Shop can match you up with a team. Also, if you are unable to play every week you have the option to be a sub that plays only on days you choose (playing on different teams as needed), or you can join a team as a fifth member and rotate playing days with other members of that team.

#### **Thursday Night Ladies League**

Individuals compete weekly in events with varying formats each week. 5:30pm Shotgun (9 holes); 10 week season starting in May. Games and formats vary each week, with hole prizes and other varying contests, and a focus on fun.

#### Tuesday Night League & Wednesday Night League

Open co-ed leagues with individuals competing weekly in events with varying formats. 5:30pm Shotgun (9 holes) 12 week season starting in May, with a focus on fun and social play. Often competing for hole prizes tied to food and beverages in the clubhouse, and other golf related items.

Golf leagues are a great way to meet other club members, as you play against a different person or team each week, and players typically stay after golf for dinner and/or drinks in the clubhouse. This post-golf socializing in the clubhouse is typically a big part of the event.