

66TH ANNUAL WESTERN STATES LEFTY/RIGHTY TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP SEPTEMBER 3 – 5, 2024 RENO, NV & TRUCKEE, CA



The Northern California Left Handed Golfer's Association invites you, your partner and guests to join us in celebrating another year of the Western States Championship. Hard to believe it's been a year since our last one! Once again, we are headquartered at the Silver Legacy Resort and Casino in Reno. As we intend to every year, we have scheduled some excellent venues for everyone's enjoyment and challenge for this 54-hole championship event.

ENTRIES ARE LIMITED AND CLOSE MONDAY AUGUST 19

We have set aside enough spots for 30 teams so don't delay in getting signed up. Single entries will be accepted from both lefties and righties.

TOURNAMENT FORMAT AND FEATURED GOLF COURSES

The format of play for the Open Flights will be team best ball gross and net. The format of play for the Senior Flight on day 1 will be Shamble gross and net, while days 2 & 3 will be team best ball gross and net. The tournament starts off on Tuesday morning with play at Lakeridge Golf Course and their signature island green hole in Reno, NV. On Wednesday we take a little drive up in the mountains to Truckee, CA and play one of the favorites, The Golf Club at Gray's Crossing. We conclude the Championship on Thursday back in Reno, NV by playing Wolf Run Golf Club. Tuesday and Thursday will be 8:30am shotgun starts and the middle round at Gray's Crossing will be a 9:30am shotgun start. If there are any changes in the starting times, they will be communicated to everyone after the close of entries via email.

TOURNAMENT HEADQUARTERS

The Headquarters for the Championship will be the Silver Legacy Resort Casino in Reno, Nevada. They are located at 407 N. Virginia St. Reno, Nevada. Everyone staying at the Silver Legacy using the group rate must make their booking online now. The link for making the reservation is here: <u>https://book.passkey.com/go/SRNCL4</u> The group rate for single/double occupancy is \$45.00 per night excluding resort fees and taxes. Reservations must be made by Monday August 19th as after that date any rooms left from our block will be released back to the hotel.

HANDICAPS AND CHAMPIONSHIP AWARDS

The Championship will be played using verifiable USGA or similar GHIN August 15 handicaps. Entries should specify your current index. Flight position will be determined by team handicap. When there is a differential of more than 10 strokes (based on course handicap) between partners, the higher handicap player's handicap will be reduced to maintain the 10 stroke maximum team differential.

Awards will be presented to the overall field low gross and net teams for both Open and Senior Divisions. The number of places paid in each flight will be determined by the number of teams in the field. **Team awards are limited to one per team.** There will also be daily closest-to-pin contests on some par 3 holes.

<u>OPTIONAL GAMING CONTESTS</u> (Payoffs will be made at Awards Banquet or by postal mail.)

- Gross Deuces Game (3 day buy-in \$30 per team)
- Gross and/or Net Skins (3 day buy-in \$30 per team for each game)
- Buy-in must be for all three days and will take place at the Player Registrations.

SENIOR PLAYERS & SENIOR TEAMS

The Championship will allow seniors to request forward tees. To qualify as a SENIOR TEAM, both team members must be 65 years of age or older. If the team is eligible and desires this move forward, please make this selection on the entry form and this will place your team in the Senior division. All Senior Teams will play a forward set of tees and will be eligible for the Senior Low Gross and Senior Low Net Team Championship Awards.

■ SENIOR PLAYERS who are 65+ but have a partner that does not qualify as a senior are still able to request the forward tees. These teams will be placed in the Open division. Teams with mixed tees in the Open division are eligible for the Open Low Net Team Championship Award but <u>not</u> the Open Low Gross Team Championship Award.

WELCOME RECEPTION AND TOURNAMENT REGISTRATIONS

The Welcome Reception and Registration for all tournament participants, spouses and guests will be held Monday evening September 4th at the Silver Legacy Resort Casino from 6:00 to 8:00pm. Please join us for socializing and cocktails.

SOCIAL HOUR AND TEAM SCORE POSTING

Please join us on Tuesday and Wednesday evening for some further socializing and cocktails from 5pm - 7pm in one of the Silver Baron rooms that will be announced at the welcome reception. We will post up the team scores at that time so you can stop in, grab a drink, and chat up who had the best shots of the day! Thursday scores and final results will be posted at the Awards Banquet.

LADIES LUNCHEON

The plan is to host a Ladies Luncheon on Wednesday, September 4th at the Silver Legacy Hotel. Please let us know if you are interested on the entry and details will be sent out as the time gets closer. The ladies have a great time so don't miss out.

AWARDS BANQUET AND RAFFLE

This years Banquet and Raffle will be held Thursday evening, September 5th in the Banquet Room at the Silver Legacy Resort Casino. The no host bar will be available for socializing from 6:00-7:00pm with dinner immediately following. The raffle and awards will follow the dinner. Again, for this year will be the \$500 cash Grand Prize. Raffle tickets for this and many other prizes will be sold during the tournament registrations and at the banquet. For all guest dinners (non-tournament players) sign up on the entry.

ENTRY CLOSING DATE

Entries will be accepted in the order they are received. Entries will close upon receiving 30 Team Entries or Monday, August 19th. Late entries and entries received after the field is filled will be placed on a standby list. For additional information, please contact Ron Griffin at 530-343-0539 or rsdgriffin@sbcglobal.net

We hope you, your partner, and guests will join us for what will be another truly enjoyable and memorable experience.

Sincerely, NCLHGA, Western States Tournament Committee

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Maximum of 10 strokes between playing partners based on course handicap. Players who do not submit a verifiable index will compete at scratch. Full refunds will be made until August 19, 2024.