

2025 MERRY-HILL GOLF CLUB WOMEN'S LEAGUE ORIENTATION

We wish to welcome everyone to the 2025 Women's League at Merry-Hill Golf Club.

The league has been structured to create a fun and non-competitive golf experience that will allow you to maintain relationships you've established over the years and provide an opportunity to meet new people. At Merry-Hill we are committed to providing a comfortable environment in which you can develop an affinity for the game of golf that will last a lifetime.

Merry-Hill Staff

Your Women's League Coordinator this season is **Alisha Krysko**. She is very excited to be taking on this new role and she looks forward to ensuring your enjoyment in the league! Alisha will be the key contact for all communication throughout the league. If you have questions or concerns or need to change/cancel/adjust your tee time, she is the first person you should reach out to! In addition to handling all the paperwork, your league coordinator will manage and arrange all the on-course games, handicapping, and the swing and social events! You can easily reach your league coordinator by email at league@merryhillgolf.com or by calling the clubhouse at 519-648-2831.

The rest of our management team is excited to welcome you to the golf course! If there is anything we can do to make your experience better at Merry-Hill Golf Club, we encourage you to reach out to us!

- Clubhouse Manager – Abbey Steers | manager@merryhillgolf.com
- Golf Course Superintendent – Kevin Brohman | kevin@merryhillgolf.com
- Director of Golf – Carly Peister | carly@merryhillgolf.com

League Features

League play begins on Wednesday, April 30th with weekly play that will conclude on Wednesday, September 17th with the annual Year-End Social Fundraiser. This is a shotgun-style tournament we will be hosting in the afternoon that requires early registration and an additional fee. More details regarding this event will be provided to you in August.

Your league registration fee includes the following:

- Guaranteed tee times for 20 weeks of league play, being offered between 8:30 - 10:30 am, and afternoon tee times from 4:00 - 6:00 pm
- Monthly Swing and Social events, held on the first Wednesday in June, July, and August.
- Handicap tracking
- Donation towards local Women's Charities
- Participation prizes throughout the season! Win cool stuff just for playing!
- Optional entry into weekly 50/50 draws, with proceeds being donated to local women's charities

Your 2025 Club Card provides you with the following benefits:

- a 30% discount on posted green fee rates during designated league tee times, and a 25% discount on golf outside of league tee times!
- a 25% discount on power cart rentals during the upcoming season
- 10% discount on Golf Shop merchandise
- 10% discount on non-alcoholic Food & Beverage purchases
- Optional PrePaid account for fast, contactless purchases anywhere on the golf course

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Monthly Swing and Socials - Included in the Registration fee

Mark your calendars for June 4th, July 2nd, and August 6th, as these special events promise an unforgettable experience. Each social will include a food component and a fun activity. The first event will feature a minute to win style game, complemented by a delightful wine and charcuterie board tasting. The second gathering is a "80's themed tournament," where each player needs to break out their best 80s outfits! Prizes will be awarded for best individual and best group costumes. Post-round, a food truck awaits for a delicious meal. The final event will feature flatbreads after your 9-holes of golf. Registration will be required in order to plan the events accordingly. We aim to introduce a dose of fun and social camaraderie into the women's league, offering you a monthly activity to enjoy.

Green Fees

Green fees are not included in the league fee. As a Women’s League player, your Club Card will provide you with a 30% discount on green fees and a 25% discount on power cart rentals during designated league tee times. If you visit the course outside your league play, you will receive a 25% discount on green fees and power cart rentals.

All golfers must check in at the Golf Shop each week. You may opt to save a credit card to your account for quick and easy check-in procedures.

Women’s League Club Card 9-hole green fee rate: \$28.70 + HST (Morning Session)

Women’s League Club Card 9-hole green fee: \$32.20 + HST (Evening Session)

Women’s League Club Card 9-hole power cart rate: \$13.50 + HST

Women’s League Club Card 18-hole green fee rate: \$36.40 + HST (Morning only)

Women’s League Club Card 18-hole power cart rate: \$17.25 + HST

Fund Raising for Local Women’s Charity

Merry–Hill Golf Club has been supporting Women’s Health for a number of years now. This season, we will be providing support to local women’s charities. Women's shelters are leading advocacy efforts, providing employment services, supporting women experiencing poverty, and saving lives by helping women and children escape violence and abuse. A portion from every league registration, in addition to weekly activities (50/50 draw raffles, etc.) will benefit both the league players and our fundraising efforts. We encourage your participation in making our fundraising efforts a success. Tickets are \$2 each or 3 for \$5.

If you would like to purchase 50/50 draw tickets these will be sold in the Golf Shop and on the Beverage Cart

How To Book Your Tee Time

Morning league tee times are available from 8:30 am to 10:30 am, including both 9 or 18-hole time slots.

Afternoon league tee times are available from 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm with 9-hole time slots only.

League tee times are reserved for Women’s League players and their guests.

You may book tee times for yourself or your group as follows:

In-Person -14 days in advance:

- The League Coordinator will book your tee time(s) at the registration table under the marquee

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Online - 10 days in advance:

- Women's League players may book online. You must book into designated league tee times only
- 9-hole and 18-hole tee times are available for league bookings in the morning.
- Only 9-hole tee times are available in the afternoon
- When booking your tee times online, please enter the names of the other golfers in your group
- You are using the same reservation system as the general public, therefore you cannot see golfer's names online – call the Golf Shop if you would like to know who is playing at specific times, or if you forget your tee time
- If you need to cancel or change your tee time please call the golf shop or sign in to your online booking account to make changes. We ask for a minimum of 24 hours notice of any change or cancellation

By telephone - 13 days in advance:

- Call the Golf Shop at (519) 648-2831

Tee Time Adjustments and Changes

- **Adjustments:**
 - Tee times may be adjusted by +/- **20 minutes** weekly to accommodate changes or optimize league play. Efforts will be made to keep your time consistent.
 - Your tee time will be adjusted throughout the season during the following scenarios:
 1. Spring and Fall as daylight restrictions affect our open/close hours
 2. Scheduled (and unavoidable) course maintenance
 3. If participation in the league is low, we will adjust tee times to try to keep all league players teeing off consecutively
- **Changes:**
 - Tee times are reserved exclusively for league players until **3 days before play**, after which unbooked times are released to the public. Therefore you will see non-league members on the course when playing.
 - Players may be paired by the Golf Shop to ensure foursomes.
 - Notifications of any changes (due to weather, participation, tee time adjustments, etc.) will be sent via email. **Please check your email regularly** and ensure Merry-Hill is added as a contact to avoid messages going to spam.
 - **Weather Delays:** In the event of inclement weather, the Club will notify participants of delays or cancellations. Always check your email or call the Golf Shop for updates

No-Show and Cancellation Policy

Cancellations: We have a 24-hour cancellation policy for league players, please follow it. Call 519-648-2831 and speak with either the league coordinator or the Golf Shop staff.

- No-shows will be charged \$20.00 +HST. This charge is non-refundable.
- If you cannot attend your tee time, a "replacement" player can be sent in your place such that the position has been filled by a golfer with or without a Club Card. This negates any no-show fee from being charged.

PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE PHONE MESSAGES OR SEND EMAILS TO CANCEL TEE TIMES

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Weather-Related Cancellations

Green Fees paid during league play are subject to a 30% discount, and therefore, rain checks issued for League Play can only be redeemed during League Play. Your league rain check will have a 2-month expiration date. Please speak with the Clubhouse Manager if you need to extend this due to a holiday absence. Golf Shop staff do not have the authority to extend rain check expiration dates.

Check-In Procedures

Please arrive a minimum of 15 minutes before your tee time. This will allow you ample time to check in at the Golf Shop and with your League Coordinator, purchase your 50/50 tickets, use the washroom facilities, and purchase a cold beverage before heading to the putting green to warm up!

We accept credit, debit, and cash for payments. We also encourage you to use your PrePaid account for even faster check-in.

Women's League Guest Privileges/ Replacement Player

Each Women's League member is permitted to bring a guest to join them once (1) throughout the season. Your Club Card discount is not transferable to your guest. They will be required to pay for the posted green fee rate and will receive the Club Card discount if they are a Club Card holder themselves. Please be aware that the League is full and times are scarce. We reserve the option to decline a guest to accommodate a current league member.

Handicap Tracking

Included in your league registration is handicap tracking. If you'd like to participate in this, you will need to fill in your scorecard and hand it in to the Golf Shop or League Coordinator at the end of your round. You will be able to review your updated handicap roughly 48 hours later on the SmartGolf platform.

Year End Social Tournament– September 17th, 2025 – Planned shotgun event

This event is a league social fundraiser including 9 holes of golf and dinner along with a raffle to raise money for local women's charities. Every year we have a ton of great prizes to win and lots of fun on the course! More information will be provided closer to the event date. This will be an evening event with a set number of spaces and is an additional \$65.00 + HST. You can sign up at any point throughout the season with Alisha, spots are first come first serve.

Thank you for joining the 2025 Merry-Hill Women's League. We're excited to have you participating this year and look forward to a safe and enjoyable season. The entire Merry-Hill team is looking forward to welcoming you to the club each week you visit for league play and of course, if you're visiting for any extra rounds on the side!

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On-Course Etiquette

To keep the course in great shape and ensure everyone enjoys their round, please:

- **Replace divots** in the fairways.
 - **Fix ball marks** on the greens.
 - **Avoid gimmes:** Every putt must drop in the cup during league play.
 - Respect your fellow players by maintaining a positive and welcoming attitude.
 - Play to the outlined **pace of play** expectations.
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Player Responsibilities

- **Scorecard Submission:** If you'd like to track your handicap, ensure your scorecard is complete and drop it off at the Golf Shop counter. Please ensure the first and last names of each player are written clearly on the scorecard and that all scores are eligible.
 - **Be Proactive:** If you're unable to make a tee time, either cancel your time well in advance, or find a replacement player.
 - **Timeliness:** arrive early for your tee time and be ready to go when the Starter gives you the go-ahead.
 - **Stay Positive:** Lighthearted heckling is encouraged, but always keep it respectful and fun!
 - **Enjoy Yourself:** The league is about building connections, improving your game, and having fun on the course.
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Pace of Play

To ensure everyone enjoys their round, the expected pace of play for 9 holes is **1.5 to 2 hours** and 18 holes is **3.5 to 4 hours**. Please:

- **Play Ready Golf:** Whoever is ready should hit first.
- **Limit Practice Swings:** One or two practice swings should be enough before each shot.
- **Move Quickly Between Shots:** Walk or drive directly to your ball and prepare while others are hitting.
- **Use Cart Effectively:** If riding, drop one player off at their ball while the other proceeds to theirs.
- **Read Your Putt While Others Putt:** Read your line while others are putting it to save time.
- **Continuous Putting:** If you're close to the hole and won't interfere with others, finish putting out.
- **Be Ready on the Tee:** Have your club and ball ready when it's your turn to hit.
- **Scorekeeping:** Record scores while walking to the next tee or while others are hitting, rather than lingering by the green.
- **Limit Ball Searches:** Spend no more than 3 minutes looking for a lost ball. If you suspect your shot is out of bounds or lost, hit a provisional ball.

A maximum of **two warnings** will be given for slow play. Continued issues may result in your group being moved to **later tee times**.