

## PCM9GA Handicaps

Within our group, for many players, their individual handicaps are not personally important as their objective is simply to play and enjoy the game, the company and the fellowship. HOWEVER, handicaps are important when we have competitions where prizes are awarded, which we do just once a month, and for the first time this year an annual championship tournament, when inaccurate handicaps are unfair to our collective membership.

For team competitions they are necessary to create evenly matched foursomes with equal spans of expertise from hi to low handicaps.

For individual competitions they help determine who is truly having a good (and bad) day and who deserves to win a prize.

BUT handicaps are meaningless unless they are accurate and to be accurate each player must enter their score regularly and accurately in the AGA system.

Some rules must apply:

1. Weekly on non tournament days each foursome will determine how scores will be entered, by one member or each individually, but one scorecard should be used in any case to record all scores. The card need not be turned in. On tournament days one player , normally the low handicapper or Captain, will be responsible for recording all scores and will sign and turn in the card after play.
2. On weeks when handicaps will be used in a tournament no entries will be allowed after noon on Monday when sign in sheets are collected. In case of last minute cancellations the foursome will be played as a threesome and rules for adapting will be provided.
3. The association championship will be played in late March/early April. To be eligible to compete for the championship members must have an established handicap requiring a minimum of five scores.