

# THE WAVE

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## League Signup

- Registration Must be Submitted by March 28
- Online Signup only!
- Tee Times will be online and hosted be the Waveland website.
- Be an active member of the WGA! Play the WGA tournament, sign up for match play and the skins games, make use of the many IGA benefits such as GHIN access and the course GPS phone app.
- For a Hole-in-one shot on a league nine, the lucky WGA member will win a progressive jackpot !!!

## Spring Meeting April 2nd

### Sign Up Online via Emailed link !!!

Our spring meeting will start with social hour at 6PM on April 2nd at the Waveland clubhouse.

League sign up continues to be done online. The email containing this newsletter has your link allowing you to register and pay dues at a secured site using credit card or Paypal. Signup needs to be submitted by Thursday, March 28, 2024 to ensure your spot in league. Our waiting list will be given the opportunity to signup after that date. Team captains need to get with Cory Schultes, WGA League Chairman, at the Spring meeting or contact Cory to fill any open spots on team rosters.

The WGA board will holding our regular raffle at the Spring meeting. One free raffle ticket is given to attendees, and extra raffle

tickets can be purchased at the meeting. Good Luck! \*Note\*- the board adds money to the raffle prize fund as another way to give back to the members.

Our president, Dave Spiering, will be running the meeting. Vice president Greg Bentley will handle the duties if unforeseen circumstances occur. The agenda includes introducing our WGA board, the 2024 Waveland staff, a review of rules changes for 2024, and conducting raffle drawings. The meeting portion of the Tee Off is to start promptly at 7:00PM. The league will again provide snacks, a keg of beer, and an attendance gift.

## FROM THE LEAGUE CHAIRMAN

Same good stuff this year in the Waveland Golf Association! The Waveland Clubhouse will continue to manage league tee times with their tee time reservation system. This process works well for our members and we will continue to use the same tee-time system ongoing.

The spirit of our Team League Championship competition is as strong as ever. Many teams made the push to get into the expanded

playoffs with hopes of winning the WGA Team

Championship. Last year the Ace Holes were victorious but a repeat won't be easy for them in 2024. The WGA will continue to include a 5th team into the playoffs to bring on more competition. The 5th (wild-card) team will be awarded to the team with the most combined points from 1st and 2nd halves but did not win either half.

Be sure to visit our web page. <http://www.wavelandga.com>

Check it out to get up to speed on our league. The score and statistics web page can be reviewed at <https://waveland.golfligues.net> where you can check historical results from our league.

See you on the course!

Cory Schultes

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*The WGA Club championship trophy returned to Sam Pieczynski in 2023, who claimed his title and another opportunity to represent the WGA at the three day Tournament of Champions in Atlantic, Iowa. Sam overcame valiant efforts by Joe Schafer and Chris Osborn Jr. to bring home the hardware. Derek Nicholson won the other top prize as the WGA Net Handicap Champion for 2023. Our net flight winners for 2023 were:*

*Phil Hodges (1st Flight)  
Ron Eads (2nd Flight),  
James Bromm (3rd Flight)  
Vince Castillo (Gross Champion - Gold Tees)  
John Lopatkiewicz (Net Champion - Gold Tees)  
Michael Hartschen (1st Flight - Gold Tees)  
Chuck Hensley (2nd Flight - Gold Tees)*

*The Committee would like to thank the membership for continued strong participation in our tournament. This year's WGA League Tournament has been scheduled for Sunday, July 28th. The tournament committee will apply the following local rules to 2024 participant*

- *The tournament will be pre-flighted  
You will be playing against other members with similar handicaps  
Rewards playing your best golf on tournament day  
Eliminates the "luck of the draw" used in previous years  
A golfer with a lower handicap can't have a bad day and win money*
- *IF 9-hole handicaps have not been established entrant plays as scratch*
- *Your handicaps will still be applied within your flight*
- *Flights will be determined by the committee chairs according to number of entrants and handicaps.*
- *All ties will be determined by card count back.*
- *Will have a Scratch/Gross Champion*
- *Will have a Handicap/Net Champion (regardless of flight)*
- *Will have great payouts with many flights.*
- *Will be eligible for Hole-in-one progressive jackpot*
- *Will still have the same great day*

*2024 USGA Rules will be in effect for the tournament with the exception of playng your ball up in your own fairway. Additional exceptions may be instituted by the committee depending on course conditions at tournament time.*

*Any questions can be directed to Committee Chair Merle Ebert or committeemen Dave Schlarmann or Greg Bentley.*

# Sign Up for 2024 Match Play!

Mark the \$10 entry fee checkbox during League registration to enter our exciting match play competition. AGAIN, TWO DIVISIONS OF MATCH PLAY!!! We will have a SCRATCH player bracket (no handicaps or strokes given) and a separate HANDICAP bracket. A member may register and play in BOTH the scratch and handicap brackets if they so choose. Entering both would mean an additional \$10 to participate. The Match Play Committee pairs the first round matches at random. Players are expected to promptly arrange their own match times. (Matches do not have to be played on league night, For the Handicap division, the Committee prefers matches be played at the Wave). The Match Play Committee will be sending email updates to each competitor to help coordinate matches and keep the tournament on schedule. First round matches should be completed by the end of week 3; subsequent matches are expected to be played within two weeks of the prior match. If matches are not played in a

reasonable time and gets the tournament off schedule, the Match Play Committee will determine a fair course of action that may result in one or both competitors forfeiting.

For the HANDICAP DIVISION, your WGA handicap at the time the match is contested will be used. Players should address questions before play starts and come to an agreement on strokes given, on which holes, and how an extended match will be played. All entry fees into the match play payout in full to the top four finishers. Payments percentages would be 50% (winner), 25% (runner-up), 12.5% (3rd place finishers). Payouts may vary depending on number of entrants.

Dave Schlarmann was our 2023 Handicap Champion, Geoff Schumann was runner-up, with Greg Bentley and Joe Morris completing the Final Four. In the new scratch division, our champion was Brett Egge, runner-up Derek Schultz, and Souk Vivanh and Justin Mescher rounding out the final four.

Take a shot at the crystal Match Play trophy and sign up today!

## The Skins Game

In an ongoing effort to simplify and speed up the check in process on league nights, the Skins games will only be available on a Prepaid for the Season basis. This entry method has worked well the last few of years and allows the WGA to provide some much larger carryover payouts! If you want in for the 18 week season, the online signup option will be your **only** opportunity to get in on the Skins games. One dollar per week for Gross and Net Skins for a grand total of \$36 will give you the chance to get your name posted as a weekly winner on the website. Winnings are paid as clubhouse credit to be used by the end of the calendar year. Be sure your scores are posted via the cellphone software application the WGA now uses and watch your winnings grow on the money list our League Chairman and Website manager provide. Just like the lottery, you can't win if you don't play. It just takes one really good hole to win. Go low!

## *The President's Page*

First, I would like to welcome all previous and new members of the Waveland Golf Association to the 2024 men's league.

The previous changes made last year to include an additional team to the playoffs worked well and you can expect the same this year. The other change we made to add a scratch division to the match play also added some excitement and fun to our league. Some members signed up for both and doubled their experience! I encourage match play for the opportunity to meet new fellow golfers and enjoy the competition.

We will have a line on the registration form to express interest in volunteering for the Principal Charity Classic. With a new revamped Wakonda, our hole number 12 has become more spectator friendly and we are anticipating the need for more volunteers. Please check the box, sign up, and help the WGA do its part in this great event.

There is still a spot when registering for project donations to ensure that the WGA continues to support our golf course and to help with Waveland beautification projects and improvements to help our members.

As always, I would encourage everyone to sign up for our league handicap event. This tourney is the best chance to recoup WGA money.

I would personally like to thank all board member for their time and effort in making sure our league runs smoothly. Also, I would like to thank all of the Waveland staff for making our experiences enjoyable. Lastly, thanks to all the members that make this league possible. I sincerely hope everyone has a great time playing in the WGA men's league this year.

Stay in the bucket!

Your president,

*Dave Spiering*

WGA Tee Advertisers

Hole	Advertiser	Renewal Date
#1).	DSM Symphony	07/01/25
#2).	Norm's Pub	06/01/25
#3).	OPEN	
#4).	Bradley's Pub (Save Sign for Terry)	06/01/25
#5).	O'Donnell Ace Hardware	06/01/25
#6).	Missing the Base "Taste of Italy"	
#7).	Oakwood Builders Group	06/01/25
#8).	Broheim's	06/01/25
#9).	Drake Diner	06/01/25
#10).	Adventure Lighting	06/01/25
#11).	The Station	04/01/26
#12).	Ashworth Vision	08/01/25
#13).	OPEN	
#14).	Drake Homes 515-202-9500	06/01/25
#15).	OPEN	
#16).	West Bank	06/01/25
#17).	Court Avenue Brewing Company	06/01/25
#18).	EKG Golf	08/01/25



# THE PRINCIPAL CHARITY CLASSIC

May 29th - June 2nd

WAKONDA CLUB - DES MOINES



The Waveland Golf Association provides marshals on Hole #12 during the Principal Charity Classic, a premier local fund raising event on the Champions Tour. This year the event runs from May 29th through June 2nd. Hole captains Joe Finn and Dave Spiering will continue to organize our volunteer effort for 2024. Volunteers are expected to work at least a minimum of two six-hour shifts.

An online registration is required. The volunteer info website is:

<https://www.principalcharityclassic.com/volunteer/>

Volunteer packages will be shipped directly to the volunteers. New Swannies uniforms will require black, gray, or khaki pants or shorts. The fee for this year's volunteer package is \$65.00. The Volunteer Package for 2024 includes the following:

- (1) Polo and (1) Hat or Visor (Valued at \$59)
- Volunteer/Marshall Badge = FREE admission (Valued at \$35/day)
- Designated Volunteer Parking & Shuttle service
- Meals, snacks, and beverages on Workdays (Valued at \$15/day)
- Volunteer Party (Valued ???, beer and food usually in limited supply)
- Two Gallery Good-Any-One-Day tickets for family and friends (Valued at \$70)

This package has an estimated value of between \$235 to \$410 and can be yours for just \$65 dollars. Additional uniform items and tickets may be purchased at time of registration. Jackets from previous years (current logo preferred) may be worn. The application states that because the Classic operates as a 501(c)3, your volunteer fee is tax deductible.

Volunteers park in a designated area at Wells Fargo Arena North lot. Shuttles will transport volunteers to the entrance. Approximate Shuttle hours are:

- Wednesday 5:15 a.m.-8:00 p.m.
- Thursday 5:15 a.m.-8:00 p.m.
- Friday 6:15 a.m.-9:00 p.m.
- Saturday 6:15 a.m.-6:15 p.m.
- Sunday 6:15 a.m.-6:15 p.m.

You will need to recreate an account to volunteer. The process has you select 3 unique volunteer assignments. Choose Marshals Hole 12, Marshals, and Marshals Hole 11. The last two are irrelevant, but are required to complete the signup process.

Help the WGA continue to support golf in Iowa -- Volunteer Today !!!

# 2024 WGA League Schedule

DATE	EVENT
April 2	Spring Meeting 6 p.m.
April 16	League Play
April 23	League Play
April 30	League Play
May 7	League Play
May 14	League Play
May 21	League Play-(Steak Night!)
May 28	League Play
June 4	League Play
June 11	League Play-(Steak Night!)

## END OF FIRST HALF

June 18	League Play
June 25	League Play
July 2	League Play
July 9	League Play
July 16	League Play-(Steak Night!)
July 19-21	DSM Men's City Tournament
July 23	League Play
July 28	***WGA Club Tournament***
July 30	League Play
August 6	League Play
August 13	League Play -(Steak Night!)

## END OF SECOND HALF

August 20	Playoff/Fun Night
September 10	Fall Banquet/Elections