"Pitch-and-Putt" League To Build More Play

Louis Carreiro, owner-mgr. of the Pocasset CC, Bristol Ferry, Portsmouth, R. I., has formed a "Pitch and Putt" league, an innovation in competitive golf.

The formation of the league is the culmination of an idea long in his mind. A chance to give every golfer an opportunity to participate in competitive golf, promoting the practice sessions that most golfers tend to overlook and increasing club business are league objectives.

This type of competition also encourages the older golfers or "porch members" to play. The manner in which the league is set up, makes competition a prime factor, thus giving the necessary spark to make this type of play interesting to both young and old alike.

Here also the women golfers have an equal footing with the men in the distances involved in the setting up of the layout are equal to the average woman golfer's ability; her lies a challenge for the women to form leagues of their own.

It is hoped by Carreiro that eventually, enough interest will be shown by the golf and country clubs to promote a league in which all clubs will become members. Working hand in hand in such a project as this, the clubs will create a new feeling of friendship and good-will.

The younger members of the club fit into this picture.

This being a competitive type of play, means that the correct instruction from the pro, in the game of golf, is a basic need. Secondly, the application of the instructions, both in practice and on the course, will bring out the ability necessary to enter the field of competition. From this point on the young club member makes his own way; into club tournaments, the "Pitch and Putt" league of the club and all of the various other events.

It is envisioned that "Pitch and Putt" will stress and add flavor for all members, young and old, to that necessary evil, practice.

Carreio suggests the following regulations for league play:

The pro or club manager will be the sole arbitrator concerning any problems arising from any of the following rules: 1.) The league will consist of (8) teams of (5) men each.

2.) Selection of team captains: Highest scorer on each team in the first week of play becomes the team captain for the first month; following the first month the team captain for each month must have the high (4) weeks total score of team for previous month.

Low man each week is out of competition the following week; this does not exclude his paying the weekly dues.

4.) In the event that there are one or more of the team members absent from play, the team will automatically accept the lowest individual score made by a member of the team on that day.

 Method of scoring on pitching green:
 (12) pitch shots, allowing (1) stroke per ball.

(8) of the (12) pitch shots will be from 50 yards,

(4) of the (12) pitch shots will be from 25 yards.

The center of all scoring balls must be over center of marking lines.

POINTS. SCORE

5 Hole-in-one

Within 24 inch diameter of cup Within 48 inch diameter of cup

1 Within 48 inch diameter of cup Play is to be alternated with opposing team. Each member will hit (4) balls only at a time.

6.) Method of scoring on putting green:

18 HOLES PAR 36
POINTS SCORE

1 36
2 35
3 34
4 33
5 32

7.) Minimum yardage on putting green to be 90 yards or over.

For each additional (30) yards on putting surfaces, (1) stroke will be added to par, with points starting at par.

8.) Golf clubs to be used:

On putting surface: Putters of any type.

On pitching surface: Irons only will be used. Woods of any type or putters are not allowed.

9.) All correct score cards are to be verified and signed by opposing team captains

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and turned in immediately after play.

10.) In the event of tie finishes, playoff will decide winner.

11.) Practice will not be allowed on days of any playoffs.

12.) All persons must have name in Daily Golf Register to be able to use practice greens with exception of league play.

 All rules listed above apply to total of pitching and putting scores insofar as awarding of individual and team prizes.

14.) Any questions, circumstances, or rulings not covered by the above rules, may be ruled upon at the discretion of the club's league director, providing such ruling does not effect major rules of league play.

Concerning collection and disbursement of dues Carreiro suggests:

1.) DUES: Weekly dues are to be \$1.20

per team member.

Eight teams of five men each, paying the above dues, will give the league \$192.00 per month for disbursement as follows:

2.) DISBURSEMENT of DUES:

\$40.00 per month for extra grounds maintenance.

25.00 per month for first place team

10.00 per month for second place team prize.

5.00 per month for individual high scorer.

9.45 per month for winning teams of first and second halves.

3.55 per month for club trophy; playoff 18th week between 8 highest scorers of season. Winners will have names inscribed on trophy. \$4.00 per month for winner of match between 8 high scorers at end of first half and 8 high scorers at end of second half. The highest scorer from each team will make up above match.

32.00 per month for grand prize for winning team at end of season. Playoff between first half winner and second half winner to decide champion.

60.00 per month for banquet at end

of season.

3.00 per month for incidentals.

3.) Above figures are for eight teams of five men each, any smaller or greater amount will be figured accordingly.

4.) All prizes are to be of your choice

of merchandise from golf shop.

5.) PRIZES:

A) MONTHLY TEAM PRIZES 25.00 - 1st Place Team. \$10.00 - 2nd Place Team.

B) INDIVIDUAL HIGH SCORER MONTHLY \$5 - Per Month for Individual

High Score.

C) WINNERS OF HIGH SCORERS PLAYOFF - FIRST HALF \$9.00 - Eight week playoff - one high scorer from each of the league's teams.

D) WINNERS OF HIGH SCORERS PLAYOFF - SECOND HALF \$9.00 - Sixteenth week playoff - one high scorer from each of the the league's teams.

F) SECOND HALF TEAM PRIZE \$21.25 - Winning team first half.

F) SECOND HALF TEAM PRIZE \$21.25 - Winning team second half.

G) LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP TEAM PRIZE

> \$144.00 - Winner of playoff between first and second half champions.

H) TROPHY PLAY

Appropriate club trophy with names of four members of winning team inscribed on trophy. Teams to be chosen from eight highest scorers of season. Play to be held in the eighteenth week. Trophy to be won two years in succession for permanent possession.

I) LEAGUE BANQUET

Details to be posted at least two weeks before banquet is to take place.

Payment of dues for 18 weeks by all members is necessary to fulfill above prize list.

Last summer we had an unusual covering of white clover blossoms in our fairways and rough. I sprayed with 2-4-40 weed spray and in a couple of days the blossoms turned black although the plants, in most instances, didn't die completely. But the treatment certainly made it easier for a player to locate his ball and was well worth while to our players.

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