



THE AMERICAN LEGION ANNUAL GOLF OUTING

A POST GUIDE FOR HOSTING
THE TEAM BEST BALL
FALL GOLF OUTING

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WHAT IF OUR POST WANTS TO HOST THE GOLF OUTING?

- 1. **Contact a golf course** of your choice in your area and see if the 2nd Saturday in September is open. If yes ask for a tentative hold on that date. Also determine where the golf banquet will be held and reserve that date as well.
- 2. **Once that is done** prepare a letter to the Department's C&A Committee (Convention & Activities) asking to be considered to host the event. The Committee meets in Spring, Fall, Mid-Winter and at the Department Convention. The Golf committee will also review the request(s) and recommend who will receive the bid for the event. Normally the event is awarded for the up-coming year and the following year. If a Post drops out the Golf Committee will award the open date to another Post.
- 3. **The Golf Committee** will schedule a visit to the course a year out so as to determine if spotters are needed on any hole to speed up play.
- 4. **The year of your event** it is the host Post responsibility to contact Department Headquarters and place a short notice of the event in the Badger Legionnaire several times during the months leading up to the event.
- 5. **It is the responsibility** of the Post hosting the previous event to file a financial report and provide a listing of teams, team captains with contact information, number of dinner reservations etc. to you by the Department Fall Meetings.

WHAT IF A POST WANTS TO HOST THE GOLF OUTING? *CONTINUED*

- **6. The host Post is responsible** for sending a check to the State Golf Committee for each golfer entered in their outing. This is to defray the cost of the Golf Committees on-site visits, postage fees and any other costs incurred to keep the event going.
- **7. It is expected that** a small lunch such as a hamburger, hot-dog, or brat along with chips and a soda be provided for each golfer around noon. Can vary at turn-around if both morning and afternoon tee times or prior to an afternoon start. Also a banquet with either a buffet or a sit-down meal is to be provided for golfers on completion of the event. This is also a time for awards and any raffle, 50/50 ticket drawings etc. to raise money for the host Post. The Post can charge for extra dinner tickets for guests.
- **8. Each host can** sponsor awards on various holes, have a putting contest, or a “mulligan ticket”, some sort of raffle etc. to raise extra monies. A list of suggested awards on hole will be included later in this presentation.
- **9. The State Golf Committee has established rules** for the event that must be adhered to and are made available to the host Post. The scramble rules cover such things as tee box for golfers under or over 65 and apply **regardless of gender**. A list of rules must be made available for each team the day of the event.
- **10. As a suggestion**, if you have an 8:00 start time then carts should be ready and golfers begin to head to their appropriate starting tee 15 minutes prior to the shotgun start. That way the golfing will start on time and the banquet and such will fall in line.

ESTABLISHED RULES AMERICAN LEGION GOLF COMMITTEE

- **1. Eligibility-** Members in good standing of the Wisconsin Department American Legion, the Wisconsin American Legion Auxiliary, or the Wisconsin Detachment Sons of the American Legion (SAL) are eligible to participate in the Annual American Legion Golf Outing.
- **2. Teams-** No more than four (4) golfers will make up a team in the scramble format. Teams may consist of players from one or more American Legion, American Legion Auxiliary, or SAL Squadron and may be any mixture thereof.
- **3. Entry Fee-** Entry fee per player must include monies to provide the following: 18 holes of golf and cart rental, 1 noon lunch ticket, 1 banquet ticket, \$3.00 toward prize money, and \$1.00 to be paid immediately upon completion of the golf outing to the American Legion Golf Committee. This is to support the committee's expenses.
- **4. Report-** A report detailing the number and listing of all golfers, the expenses and all forms of income for the event. The report is due to the Convention & Activities **thirty days (30)** after the completion of the event. A copy will be made available to the next Post hosting the event.
- **5. Golf Committee Visit-** Arrangements need to be made for the Golf Committee to play a round of 18 holes at the course some time in late May prior to your event.

SCRAMBLE RULES

- 1. **Tee Shot**- Every team member will tee off on each of the 18 holes.
- 2. **The team will** select what they choose to be the best position for the next shot and all members will hit from that position. The only exception your selection of the best position is that each members Tee Shot must be used once for each 9 holes.
- 3. **In all cases** the team will select what they choose to be the best position and all team members will hit from that position until the ball is in the hole. Only one score per hole per team will be recorded on the score card.
- 4. **In the event** of a chip shot being holed the hole is done and all members will move to the next tee.
- 5. **The Scoring**- This is not Handicap tournament. The winning team shall be the team with the least number of strokes to complete eighteen (18) holes. Best gross score wins. In the case of a tie, predetermined handicap holes will be used to break the tie.
- 6. **Prizes will be awarded** to teams with each member receiving the same prize. All prizes will be of the host Post's choosing.
- 7. **Tee Boxes**- All players **64 years or younger, regardless of gender, will use the white tee boxes**. All players **65 years of age or older will use the gold tee boxes** or in the event that gold's are not provided **the red tee boxes** will be played.
- 8. **Two Putts**- When the ball has been played to the putting surface, if a limit of two putts per player has not holed the ball it is considered as holed **and a score including two putts will be recorded**. On a longest putt prize hole all members can put even if the team score is in.
- 9. **Advertisement**- In addition to the mailings etc., that the Host Post provides, an announcement and application to enter form should appear in the June or July issue of the ***Badger Legionnaire***, By order of the DEC there is no charge to the host Post.
- **Note:** The host Post will be playing their games of chance and sponsoring the usual hole events such as; long drive, long putt, etc. All of these events will be for individuals and not based on team play. 10/20/2012

A SAMPLE LETTER

- **To:** *Convention & Activities Committee*
- **Attention:** *C&A Committee Chairman*
- **From:** *American Legion Post (name & number) of (location), Wisconsin*
- **Regard:** *Post (number) of (location) is interested in Hosting the (year) **Golf Scramble at** (name of course) with the evening banquet to be held at (location of banquet).*
- *This request is submitted for Post (number) by (name of contact person/commander requesting). Include a contact phone and email address for a contact or Post officer.*
- Submit the letter through the Department Headquarters who will forward to the C&A Committee Chairperson. The C&A Committee meets in Spring, Fall, Midwinter and at the State Convention.

SAMPLE ANNOUNCEMENT

- **2014 American Legion**
- **State Golf Outing**
- **September 13, 2014**

• Entries must be postmarked by August (set a deadline here)

- **Telemark Golf Course – Cable, WI**

• Cost: \$70 per person

• Includes: Green fees, Cart, Dinner & Prizes

• Extra dinner tickets \$15

• Dinner will be held at (Location of dinner here)

• * * Late entries accepted until August (Se a date & late fee if desired)

• 2014 American Legion State Golf Outing Entry Form

• (Please Print)

• Legion Post #: _____ City: _____

• Legion, Auxiliary or SAL member name & membership number, phone optional except for Post contact person.

• 1. _____

• 2. _____

• 3. _____

• 4. _____

• Team Captain Name & Phone Number: _____

• Email address: _____

• Extra Dinners: _____ @ \$15 each = \$ _____

• **If there are two different start times, circle preference: (8 am (12 pm) Host Post set your tee times here**

• Checks payable to: American Legion Post (Name or number here)

• Send entry with check to: American Legion Post (Where checks are to be sent here)

• Attn: Golf Committee

• P.O. Box 224

• Seymour, WI 54165

HOLE SPONSORS- SAMPLE

- STATE AMERICAN LEGION GOLF OUTING
 - (Course name here) GOLF COURSE
 - HOLE SPONSORS FEE \$50.(post can set your price)
 - Name of sponsor* _____
 - *3 lines _____
 - _____
 - _____
 - Attach Business Card-
 - A sign depicting your business or individual will be placed on one of the 18 holes at (Course name here) Size 18" x 24" color on one side on aluminum "H" stand.
 - Detach receipt below:
 - **Received of** _____ \$50. For a sponsorship of one of 18 holes for the State American Legion Golf Outing at (Location & Date here)
 - Received by: _____ Post _____
- Thank you for your sponsorship.

A SAMPLE ANNOUNCEMENT



- **To:** Department of Wisconsin American Legion, Auxiliary, or SAL Golfers, we are looking forward to hosting the September 13, 2014 State Golf outing at **Telemark Golf Course Cable, WI.**
- **Mark your calendar** and form your team.
- *Post 487 Cable Golf Committee-Contact Dewey Jacobs Chr. at 715-794-2727 or 715-681-0446*

SAMPLE HOLE SPONSOR SIGN & ONE SOURCE



SAMPLE ANNOUNCEMENT 2014



**AMERICAN LEGION SCRAMBLE
GOLF OUTING TEAM BEST BALL
SEPTEMBER 13, 2014
TELEMARK GOLF COURSE
CABLE, WISCONSIN
HOSTED BY STOKES-LIEBMAN POST
487 CABLE, WI
Contact Dewey Jacobs at
715-794-2727 or 715-681-0446**



GOLF OUTING HOLE & EVENT GUIDELINES



- #1 LONGEST DRIVE IN THE FAIRWAY
- #4 SHORTEST DRIVE
- #5 CLOSEST TO THE PIN ON DRIVE
- # 8 LONGEST PUT
- #9 CLOSEST TO PIN IN TWO
- *****
- #10 LONGEST DRIVE IN FAREWAY
- #11 CLOSEST TO PIN ON DRIVE
- #15 CLOSEST TO U.S. FLAG IN FAREWAY
- #17 LONGEST PUTT
- #18 CLOSEST TO PIN IN TWO
- (This is only an example adjust to your course)



AREA MOTELS

- LAKEWOODS RESORT 715-794-2561 (6 miles Cable)
- GARMISCH INN 715-794-2204 (9 miles Cable)
- AMERICINN 715-634-2700 (19 MILES) Hayward
- HAYWARD KOA 715-634-2331 (16 miles) Hayward
- FLAT CREEK INN 715-834-4100 (21 miles) Hayward
- COMFORT SUITES 715 634-0700 (22 miles) Hayward
- CASINO LODGE LAC COURT OREILLES (19 miles)
Hayward
- Call for information or reservations



IN CONCLUSION.

- Hopefully this brief PowerPoint presentation will give you a good picture of what you need to do or can expect if you want to host the American Legion State Golf Outing.
- For example the “Hole Sponsor” idea is an opportunity for your Post to make a little extra money. Any area Sign Maker can produce the signs on a durable plastic/cardboard sign in color for under \$20.00. Seymour kept it at \$50.00 to be more attractive to local businesses.
- At the end of the outing we returned the sign to each sponsor and thanked them for their support. It worked well for us. They were 18” by 24” and we were able to have them in color.
- Contact the State Golf Committee for any further questions.

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