

# TAMARACK 9 HOLERS

2019 SEASON





# 2019 TAMARACK 9 HOLER HANDBOOK



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# WELCOME TO THE TAMARACK 9 HOLERS!

Welcome to the Tamarack 9 Hokers! This booklet was created to provide helpful information if you are new to golf and/or new to Tamarack as well as if you are a returning 9 Hoker. Please feel free to contact any of the members listed below or someone on the golf staff should you have any questions or concerns. Our two bulletin boards and weekly emails (sent during the season) also have additional information including flyers for 9 Hoker and Interclub events as well as announcements for golf lessons and classes, full tournament competition information and other exciting happenings!



## 9 HOLER BOARD MEMBERS AND CHAIRWOMEN—2019

President - Bonnie Sacarny

Vice President - Lisa Shah

Secretary - Michelle Glassman

Treasurer - Marilyn Greiner

Events Chairwomen—Caren Manne & Terry Orlofsky

New Member Chairwoman—Clare Blaser

Hospitality Chairwoman—Karen Sweetbaum

Tournament Competition Chairwoman—Mami Fujisaki

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Interclub/Wing Chairwoman—Bonnie Sacarny

## 9 HOLER MISSION STATEMENT

- ◆ Provide a supportive environment for members to learn the game of golf at each individual's own pace.
- ◆ Encourage new members to join, regardless of experience and skill level.
- ◆ Foster a social, enjoyable atmosphere with other members before, during and after our time on the golf course.

## ABOUT THE 9 HOLERS

*The Tamarack 9 Hokers are a very friendly, active group at the club and play most Thursday mornings from April -October. We either walk the course with a caddy or take a cart. On these mornings, we choose or the pro shop will help match us up with other 9 Hoker members as golf partners. Usually after our round, we all have lunch together upstairs either in the grill room, bar or outside on the portico. We hold themed, member-member or member-guest events each month. We also participate in 18 Hoker offered and Tamarack club sponsored activities such as Play for Pink and the Memorial tournaments as well as the Twilight events.*



## 9 HOLER MEMBERSHIP

There are many advantages that come with the 9 Hoker membership. There is tremendous flexibility and members can take advantage of whatever works for their interests and schedules. You can join us every Thursday, once a month or just for the events. Whatever is best for you!

When you ask, “Why join the 9 Hokers?”, the membership in our group provides organized and non-organized golf programs to support and promote enjoyment for your golf and social experience at Tamarack. By being a member, you are eligible to participate in these existing and newer programs:

- ◆ Regular 9 Hoker play on Thursdays (some Tuesdays) during golf season
- ◆ Events: Each month our Events Committee works with the pros, chef and assistant manager to host themed scrambles and delicious lunches; prizes are awarded as well.
- ◆ Interclub: We host our event in May plus our members have the opportunity to play at 11 other area clubs during the season. The format is a scramble or best ball, followed by lunch and prizes.

- ◆ Tournaments: President's/Governor's/Tamarack Cups and Club Championship
- ◆ Social Functions: New Member & End of the year parties
- ◆ New Programs/Offerings: Play With The Pros, Play 18 Holes, Play 3 Holes; Play In The Afternoon. We also created the: 1) New Member Committee to welcome new 9 Holer members. They will help you to meet and play golf with other members in the group, and 2) Tournament Committee to provide information on our tournaments. They and the golf staff will be able to help with any questions you may have.
- ◆ Dues: \$150 for the year covers the costs of the New Member party (food and a beverage are free for everyone attending), numerous gifts (table gifts, scramble prizes, end of the year gift certificates, etc.), decorations and any costs that come up during the year that are not covered by event fees. The only additional event fees are lunch and guest fees for one member-guest event a season

Our board and committee members work together behind the scenes with the pros and staff to promote fun events and programs during the season. Please let us know if you would like to serve on any of the committees and/or have ideas for new events. This is a great way to get to know other 9 Holers and to provide enjoyable activities for our group. There are a lot of fun things to do as a Tamarack 9 Holer!



## 9 HOLER COMMITTEES

*Here are our committees that work hard to provide enjoyable events for our members:*

**New Member Committee** – This Chairperson will work closely with other Board members to welcome new members to our group. She will coordinate the April opening party and help facilitate our new members to meet and play golf with existing 9 Holers.

**Events Committee** – Our Chairs organize our opening party in April which is a great way to meet so many 9 Holers. This party is for women who are thinking about joining our group, new members and for our returning 9 Holers. This committee plans special events, member-member and member-guest events with creative, fun themes during the season. The Chairs work with Chef Patrick and Karyn, the Assistant Manager, to plan fabulous lunches! Prizes are awarded for the winners and runners-up and each participant receives a gift.

**Interclub/WING (Women's Interclub Niners Golf)** – Tamarack and 11 area golf clubs participate in this organization. Each club has one tournament per season and they are held on Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday mornings from May-September. The atmosphere is relaxed and filled with friendly women representing each club. This enjoyable day includes a continental breakfast, 9 holes of golf, a delicious lunch and prizes. The Interclub schedule and sign-up sheets are posted on the 9 Holer Bulletin board. We hope you will join in the fun!

**Tournament Competition Committee** – The Chairperson works with our Golf Professionals to help organize all of the 9 Holer golf tournaments during the season. These include the President's Cup, Governor's Cup, Club Championship and the Tamarack Cup.

**Publicity Committee** – The responsibilities of this committee are to have pictures taken at all of our 9 Holer parties and events, to update the 9 Holer section of our website with event pictures and activity announcements and to provide event pictures to the pro shop to be included on the ForeTees homepage.

**Hospitality Committee** – This Chairperson will contact members who have experienced illness or loss of a loved one.

## TAMARACK GOLF STAFF

Head Golf Professional - Bobby Farrell  
Assistant Golf Professional - Ted Kimmel  
Assistant Golf Professional - Ryan Kalista  
Golf Apprentice - Carina Capobianco  
Caddy Master - Anthony Sileo



### **Pro Shop Hours:**

Tues.-Fri.: 7am-6pm; Sat., Sun., Holidays: 6:30am-6pm



## LADIES LOCKER ROOM INFORMATION

*Odalys is our wonderful locker room attendant.  
She is in the locker room during these hours:*

Tuesdays-Fridays: 7am-3pm  
Saturday & Sundays: 9am-4pm

*Tipping recommendations are as follows:*

- ◆ \$20 a month if you have your golf shoes cleaned regularly.
- ◆ \$5 each shoe cleaning if not on a regular basis.





# HOW TO MAKE A TEE TIME ONLINE

**ForeTees is an online tee time reservation system designed by golf professionals exclusively for private country clubs. All tee times and tournament/event sign-ups are done online through ForeTees via the Tamarack Country Club website doing the following:**

1. Confirm pro shop has your name in computer system (ForeTees).
2. Log onto [www.tamarackcountryclub.com](http://www.tamarackcountryclub.com)
3. Enter your username and password
4. Click on the Golf menu at the top and then Book Tee Time.
5. Select your name from the list.
6. While in ForeTees, you can make a tee time and sign up for events. For a regular tee time, click on the tab that says, "Tee Times". There will be a drop-down menu; click on "Make, Change, or View Tee Times". You will see a calendar. Click the day/date you would like. Then click on the time you would like. Your name should automatically come up as the first player. If not, you can select your name from the Member Directory on the right. You can also send others a tee time invitation; just find and insert the names from the Directory. In the notes section, you can indicate if you are taking a cart or caddy. Be sure to click "Submit" once finished.
7. To sign up for an event, click the "Events" tab on the ForeTees home page. You will see a list of events on the left. Find your event and click on it. Then click on "Sign Up". In the notes section, you can indicate if you are taking a cart or caddy. Be sure your name is listed and click on "Submit".
8. You will receive an automated email notification each time you make, change or cancel a tee time as well as sign up for an event.



# TAMARACK'S GOLF COURSE GUIDELINES

Our Staff and Committees work very hard to provide you with the best possible playing surfaces. Please be respectful of your fellow members by following proper etiquette. Golf course “maintenance” is the responsibility of every member. The guidelines are:

**Divots** – If you see or take a divot (no matter how small), please replace it. If the divot does not appear to be salvageable, then (and only then) should you use the divot seed provided on each cart. The divot seed provided is for fairways and tees ONLY. Please do not use it in our rough areas.

**Ballmarks** – Each and every time your golf ball flies onto a green it leaves a mark. Unattended marks will not heal and leave an unsightly patch on the green. Repaired ball marks heal in 24 hours. Please find and fix any ball mark you may see. It only takes a moment of your time.

**Tees** – Our golf shop provides tees to the membership as a courtesy. After hitting your shot, please pick up your tee. If your tee breaks, please place them in the used tee receptacle. Tees left in the ground dull the blades of our cutting equipment.

**Carts** – Notice and respect where there are ropes and cart signs scattered throughout the course. Please do not drive over ropes or beyond “No Cart” signs. Do not drive too close to tees, greens or bunkers. There are no carts allowed on Par 3 holes.

**Bunkers** – Tamarack has very large and challenging bunkers. Members should NEVER walk out of a bunker without raking it. Do not walk up the face of bunkers; enter and exit at the lowest point. After stepping out of bunker, immediately knock the sand off the bottom of your shoes so the sand will not get on the greens.



## TIPS FOR A FUN ROUND OF GOLF! PACE OF PLAY ETIQUETTE & SAFETY

- ◆ Play “ready golf” to keep up with the group ahead of you. If you cause the group behind you to wait, it may slow down play for everyone behind that group.
- ◆ Know and follow basic rules of golf, etiquette and safety.
- ◆ Always be ready to play with your golf club and ball (and tee when you’re teeing off!) in hand each time it’s your turn.
- ◆ Avoid detailed discussion, behavior, movement or noise that would distract or slow the pace of play of the person who is hitting.
- ◆ Take no more than one practice swing. There are no mulligans taken on the golf course.

### On the Tee:

- ◆ Wait until it’s your turn to tee the ball. Be aware if it’s your honor or your turn and be ready with everything you need to tee off.
- ◆ After hitting, keep your eye on the ball and find a visual cue to help identify where it landed. It’s also helpful to your partner to keep an eye on her ball as well.

### On the Fairway:

- ◆ Always be aware of the group ahead of you. If you fall behind, communicate with your group and pick up the pace of play.
- ◆ Nine holes should be played in around two hours. Check your watch to see if you are keeping pace.
- ◆ If walking, set a brisk pace to your ball, start planning your next shot as soon as it lands, look for yardage markers along the way and have the proper club(s) in hand when it is your turn.
- ◆ In a cart, plan shots and point out yardage markers along the way. Take multiple clubs to your ball to avoid having to return to the cart. Try to keep the cart ahead of you so you don’t have to walk back to move the cart, which could get in the way of the group behind you who are trying to hit their ball.



### **On the Putting Green:**

- ◆ Walk quickly to your ball, mark it and stand behind it to prepare for your putt.
- ◆ Quietly observe breaks, green pitch and other side of the pin. Do not move or distract the person who is putting. The person farthest away from the cup puts first.
- ◆ Leave your bags or carts in position to leave the green quickly and immediately after play of the hole is completed
- ◆ Do not stand or cast a shadow on another's "line of putt" or step on the "line of putt", which may leave shoe marks/indentations on that line. Players should remain on or close by the green until all players have holed out.

## **CADDIES AND CARTS**

Qualified and motivated caddies contribute greatly to the pleasure of a round of golf. Caddies are not employees of the Club; they are paid directly in either cash or the amount can be charged. Their pay is determined by the members who use their services.

### **Caddy Fee Schedule For 9 holes:**

- ◆ Walk and caddy carries bag, fee is \$30 per person + tip (typically \$40 total). \$60 per person + tip for 18 holes (typically \$80 total).
- ◆ Ride in cart and take "forecaddy" (he does all of the regular caddy work but is not carrying bags), fee is \$12.50 per person + tip (typically \$15 total); \$25 per person + tip for 18 holes (typically \$30 total).
- ◆ Ride in cart but the other members of your group have a caddy carrying their bags, often times their caddy will offer to carry your putter, help with lining up putts, rake bunkers, tend the pin, etc. In this case, you should give the caddy \$10 (total); \$15 per person plus tip for 18 holes (typically \$20 total).
- ◆ Caddy requests can be made on ForeTees when making tee times under "Notes to Pro".

Carts are available for use for one or two players. Please look to see the cart rules for the day posted in each cart: "Cart Paths and Deep Rough Only", "Cart Paths Only", or "Cart Use Today/Please Scatter". Please remember that carts must stay on the path on par three holes and please do not drive too close to tees, greens, or bunkers.



## WHAT IS A RINGER & HOW TO USE THE RINGER CARD

For each round of golf, we write down our total score and enter them into the computer system so we know our current handicap.

Many women like to also keep track of the lowest score they shoot on each hole. That individual hole score is called a ringer and it is kept on a separate Ringer Card, which is shown below:

**Left Card (Holes 1-9):**

HOLE	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	DATE	9 or 18	HOLER INITIALS
1	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9			
2	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9			
3	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9			
4	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9			
5	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9			
6	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9			
7	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9			
8	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9			
9	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9			
FRONT 9 TOTAL												

**Right Card (Holes 10-18):**

HOLE	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	DATE	9 or 18	HOLER INITIALS
10	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9			
11	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9			
12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9			
13	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9			
14	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9			
15	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9			
16	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9			
17	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9			
18	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9			
BACK 9 TOTAL												
TOTAL												

**Rules:**

- ENTER THE NUMBER OF PINNACLES FOR EACH HOLE. THE ONLY CIRCLE THAT YOU SHOULD MAKE WITH A Pencil IS HOLE AND PENCIL INITIALS. AS YOU SCORE A LOWER NUMBER ON EACH HOLE, ENTER THE ONE CIRCLE THE LOWER NUMBER. ENTER AND CIRCLE THE NUMBER FOR THE 9 HOLES AND CIRCLE THE NUMBER FOR THE 18 HOLES. DO NOT ERASE THE PREVIOUS CIRCLED SCORE.
- IF CIRCLES FOR RINGERS HAVE ALREADY BEEN FOLLOWED:

  - FOR RINGERS TO BE POSTED, THE GOLFER MUST BE PLAYING WITH EITHER A 9 OR 18 HOLER.
  - YOU MUST HAVE COMPLETED PLAYING ALL 9 HOLES.
  - THE BALL MUST BE "HOLED OUT" - MEANING PLAYED UNTIL THE BALL LANDS IN THE CUP.

PLEASE REVIEW THE DIRECTIONS AND GUIDELINES ON THE FRONT OF THE CARD.

As a baseline to start, for your first round of golf on that day, circle the lowest score for each hole, enter the date, circle the number 9 (Holer) or 18 (Holer) depending which group your partner is in and next to it write in her initials. Each time you play, if you shoot a lower score on any of the holes, circle the lower number on the card for that hole. You don't need to erase the previous circled score. You do need to erase and enter the date you had the lower score, circle a 9 or 18 showing you played with a 9 or 18 Holer and enter her initials.

In order for ringers to be counted, these rules must be followed:

- For ringers to be posted, the golfer must be playing with either a 9 or 18 Holer
- You must have completed playing all 9 holes
- The ball must be "holed out" - meaning played until the ball lands in the cup

### Birdies

We have a special birdie tree on the bulletin board. The player's name, date and birdie hole number are written on the tree!



## WHEN TO PICK UP YOUR GOLF BALL ESC CHART

The Equitable Stroke Control System (ESC) chart serves to tell us after how many strokes we should pick up our golf ball. This chart is based on the 9-Hole Course Handicap - not the Handicap Index and not an 18 Hole handicap. When playing golf, if you are not playing in a competition and don't need to "hole out" the ball, you should pick up your ball after you've played the maximum number (listed on the chart) on every hole. This helps with maintaining pace of play. The chart includes the 9-Hole Course Handicap ranges with the corresponding number of strokes showing when you should pick up the ball. E.g.: If you are playing the first hole (par 5 for women), you are not playing in a competition, don't need to hole out the ball and if your 9 Hole course handicap is a 10, then the maximum number of strokes you get for that hole is an 8. If you have questions, the golf pros are there to assist you. All scores, including ones that have been adjusted using the ESC chart, must be posted in the computer.

9-HOLE COURSE HANDICAP	MAXIMUM NUMBER ON ANY HOLE
4 or less	Double Bogey
5 through 9	7
10 through 14	8
15 through 19	9
20 or more	10

## ADDITIONAL 9 HOLER INFORMATION

For more in depth details on 9 Holer events, tournament competitions, handicaps, golf course dress code, cell phone use and other guidelines not included in this booklet, please check our 9 Holer bulletin board in the ladies locker room, speak with the Tamarack golf and administrative staff and/or consult the Tamarack Country Club Golf Information booklet.



## 9 HOLER TOURNAMENT COMPETITIONS

The full guidelines will be displayed on the 9 Holer bulletin board in the ladies' locker room. Here is a very brief description of the 9 Holer competitions you may want to enter:

### Governor's Cup & President's Cup

The Governor's Cup is individual play, the President's Cup is a team (partners) event. Both tournaments start at the same time and are played throughout the season. They are played using handicaps.

### 9 Holer Club Championship

The Club Championship tournament will consist of rounds of medal/stroke play to determine the two finalists.

In order to be eligible for this tournament competition, a player must have a USGA handicap or establish a handicap. The final round to determine the 9 Holer Club Champion will be match play and will be played on the same day as the other club championship matches. These matches are held on the Monday of Labor Day Weekend ("Toast the Champs").

Players MUST be able to play on these specific day/times. All of the rounds (qualifying and final) are without handicaps.



### Tamarack Cup

This tournament takes place every other year, is played as a team and handicaps are used.



## FORMATS/GAMES/COMPETITION

*There are many different terms that are used to describe particular ways we play golf and keep score. What follows is a simple explanation of some the more common formats, games, and competitions you might encounter:*

### STROKE PLAY

**Stroke Play** - competition in which the lowest score among players is the winner, and the scoring is not handicapped. Also referred to as medal play.

### MATCH PLAY

**Match Play** is a competition with players or teams competing to win individual holes, and the side winning the most holes wins the match. There are three best-known match play formats. In **Single Match Play**, player A plays against Player B. The player with the lower score on a hole wins that hole. The winner of the most holes wins the match. This is our Governor's Cup tournament format. In **Fourball Match Play**, each side consists of two players and each player plays her own ball throughout the round. The lower score of the two players is recorded as the score for that hole. This is our President's Cup tournament format.

In **Foursomes Match Play**, two-person teams play against each other, with each team playing one ball, alternating shots. For example, for the team of Players A & B, A tees off, B plays the second shot, A plays the third, etc.





## HOW TO KEEP A SCORE IN MATCH PLAY

In match play, scores are kept by hole. It does not count how many holes a player has won, but how many more holes than her opponent has won. For example, if you have completed 7 holes of your 9 hole match and you have won 4 holes and your opponent has won 3 holes, your score is not “4 to 3.” Instead, your score is “1 up” and her score is “1 down.” Ties do not count in scoring; these holes are called “halved”. Holes that are halved do not add or subtract from either score. If you have won 4 holes and your opponent has won 4 holes, the match is “all square.” Matches do not have to go the full 9 holes if one player has an insurmountable lead. If your score is “3 up” with 2 holes to play, your opponent could win the next 2 holes but still lose the match. You have then clinched the win at “3 up” with two holes to play and the match is over. This would be referred to as a “3 and 2”, meaning that the winner won by 3 holes and with two holes left to play. Match Play is when players compete hole by hole, and the winner of the match is the one who wins the most holes.

## SCRAMBLE

Usually played with 4-person teams, but 2-person teams are also popular. Handicaps are usually applied for a 2-person scramble, but they are not for a 4-person team unless it is an Ambrose-style scramble, in which a fraction of the total handicaps serve as one handicap for the group. In a scramble, each player tees off on each hole. The best of the tee shots is selected, and all players play their second shots from that spot. The better of the second shots is determined and then all play their third shots from that spot, and so on until the ball is holed. There can also be variations of the standard scramble, such as making the foursomes use at least one or two drives from each player. In a 2-person scramble, the teams consist of two players, and after each shot, the best of the two shots is selected and both players play from that spot until the ball is holed. One team score is recorded.



## BEST BALL

Best ball can be played using 2, 3, or 4-person teams with each player playing her own golf ball throughout the round. At each hole the low score, or “best ball,” of the team is recorded as the team score. Best ball is usually played as stroke play with the total score added at the end of the round. For 3 or 4-person teams, handicaps are applied so that weaker players will be able to contribute. Players can pick up their ball if it is clear a teammate has the lowest score of the team, but players should consider the strokes given to teammates in handicapped scoring before doing so.

### **1-2-3 Best Ball:**

This format is used for 4-person teams. Each player plays her own ball throughout the round. On each hole, a predetermined number of the lower scores is used for scoring. As an example, usually on the first hole, the one lowest score among the players counts as the team score; on the second hole, the two lowest scores; on the third hole, the three lowest scores, and then on the fourth hole, it is the one lowest score among the players again, and so on. There are variations, such as the lowest score on the par fives, the two lowest scores on the par hours, etc. This format is ideal for Member/Member tournaments because it promotes team effort instead of pitting two teams against each other.

### **Person Best Ball or Four Ball:**

A 2-person Best Ball is another name for Four Ball. The teams consist of two players, and one team plays against the other. Each player plays her own ball until the hole is completed, and then the lower of the two scores is recorded as the team score for that hole.



## ALTERNATE SHOT

Alternate Shot consists of 2-person teams, and it's sometimes called "Foursomes". The two players on a team alternate hitting shots, playing the same ball. Odds and evens is a variation of Alternate Shot. Instead of the team choosing the player to tee off on their first hole, a random method is used to select who tees off the teams' first hole.

## PINEHURST

A Pinehurst is a 2-person team competition format that melds several formats into one. Both players tee off, then switch balls. Each player hits the second shot. They then select the best of the second shots, and from that point until the ball is holed they play only one ball as they alternate shots. The player whose second ball was not chosen gets to play the third shot. Pinehurst is a great game for twosomes of varying abilities or husbands and wives. The USGA offers handicap allowances for Pinehurst competitions.





# GOLF TERMS



**Addressing the Ball:** Taking a stance and grounding the club (except in a hazard) before making a swing.

**Approach:** A shot to the green.

**Away:** Ball further from the hole to be played first.

**Ball Marker:** A small coin or something similar used to spot the position of the golf ball on the green.

**Birdie:** One stroke under the designated par of a hole.

**Bogey:** An arbitrary standard, usually one stroke per hole higher than par.

**Bunker:** A hazard, often a depression, and usually covered with sand (frequently referred to as a sand trap). Grass bordering or within a bunker is not considered part of the hazard.

**Casual Water:** A temporary water accumulation not intended as a hazard.

**Divot:** Turf displaced by players' club when making a swing.

**Dog Leg:** A hole in which the route of play angles to the right or left before reaching the green.

**Eagle:** Two strokes under par for a hole.

**Fairway:** Closely mowed route between teeing area and putting green.

**Flagstick:** A thin movable pole with a flag attached to the top, centered in the hole on the green.

**Fore:** A warning yell to any person in the way of play.

**Green:** The putting surface.

**Gross Score:** Total number of strokes taken to complete a designated round.

**Handicap:** A deduction from a player's gross score devised to match his/her score against.



**Hazard:** A term used to designate bunkers or water areas.

**Honor:** The right to tee off first, earned by scoring lowest on the preceding hole.

**Hook:** A stroke made by a right handed player which curves the ball from right to left.

**Hosel:** Extension of the club head into the shaft. Contact with this part of the club will result in what is known as a “shank”.

**Lie:** Stationary position of the ball in the grass or sand, also the angle of the shaft and ground.

**Marker:** A person who keeps score. (A Tee Marker defines the forward limits to the teeing area).

**Match Play:** Type of competition in which each hole is a separate contest. The winner is the player or side that wins more holes than there are left.

**Net Score:** Gross score less handicap.

**Obstruction:** In general, an artificial object erected, placed, or left on the golf course.

**Par:** A numerical standard of scoring excellence per hole, based on yardage and two putts per green.

**Push:** A straight shot to the right of the target for a right handed player.

**Rough:** Areas, usually of relatively long grass, adjacent to the tee, fairway, green or hazards.

**Shank:** A shank results in a ball that shoots out to the right at a severe angle for a right handed player.

**Slice:** A stroke made by a right handed player which curves the ball from left to right.

**Slope Rating:** The USGA determines the slope of each golf course. The slope rating is not expressed in strokes but rather as a ratio. The higher the slope, the more difficult the course plays. Slope ranges anywhere from 55 to 155. Tamarack’s slope rating for women is 127.

**Stance:** Position of the feet when addressing the ball.

**Stroke:** Any forward motion of the club head made with intent to strike the ball. When keeping score, if you swing (not for practice) and you do not hit the ball, the swing counts as a stroke on your scorecard.

**Tight Lie:** Any lie in which your ball is sitting on bare dirt, very short grass, or similar position in which there is very little grass beneath the ball.



