

Happy Friday Disc Golfers!

Riley and I hope you all had a very Merry Christmas and we appreciate you playing in our tournament. This email may be a bit long, but it will provide important details for tomorrow so read it all please!

The field is now set, hole assignments are published and available at <https://www.pdga.com/tour/event/84935>. We had some last minute cancellations and I did my very best to group all divisions with each other. It is not perfect, but it is close.

Check-in will begin promptly at 7:30 at Disc Golf Central. Disc Golf Central is the Red Yucca pavilion. It is over on the East side of the park and is right next to tee 6. Parking is available along Panorama Dr., El Lago Blvd and the parking lot at the East end of the park on Panorama Dr. It is right next to the bathrooms.

The players meeting will start promptly at 8:20. We will have a lot to cover so it is important you attend and pay attention. We will get done with the players meeting at 8:40 and send you to your hole assignments. There will be 2 air horn blasts at 8:58 and we will start at 9:00.

The tournament access code on PDGA Live is **oasis**. When Round one is completed, be sure to finalize your scoring so we can re-assign holes for round 2. The second round will begin approximately one hour after the last round 1 card is submitted. We will make an announcement on our PA and send a message to all of you on your phones. It is your responsibility to know the start time and be at your assigned tee prior to the start of the second round.

PACE OF PLAY. This is our biggest concern. We have a full field of 90 players and we are all navigating a very challenging layout. There is a LOT OF WATER that comes into play. This is the holiday season and we will be dealing with a LOT of PEDISTRIANS so we have a lot stacked against us. In order to finish the rounds in a timely manner, we are SUSPENDING THE 3 MINUTE RULE FOR A LOST DISC. What this means is that if you throw a disc into the water, it is GONE, UNLESS, it is right next to the shore where you can see it and grab it. Otherwise, it is lost. Repeat after me....."I WILL BRING EXTRA DISCS, I WILL BRING EXTRA DISCS, I WILL BRING EXTRA DISCS 😊". You can look for your lost discs in between rounds and after the second round. Please do not go in the water.

We will have spotters on Holes 1, 2, 3, 8 and 9. We hope to have volunteers keeping the pedestrians aware of flying discs. Spotters will be tasked with watching your drives and providing you a spot where you last crossed inbounds territory. THEY ARE NOT OFFICIALS. All final calls are made by the group. In the pictures section of DGS, there is a list of hole rules and they should be available at the top of each hole in PDGA Live. Bring that picture up and familiarize yourself with the hole rules. There is also a course map in the same section. I would also recommend you bring that up on your phone so avoid any confusion.

There are mandatories on hole 2, 4, 9 (Men), 10, 11 and 14. The mandos are trees. In general, the mando line runs vertically from the center of tree trunk marked with a mando sign and red ribbon. A line is painted on the restricted side of the mando. IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE CARD TO WATCH EACH OTHERS DRIVES so you can all assess if a shot missed a mando. If a mando is missed, read the hole rule. Some have a drop zone, some force you to re-tee. Refresh yourself on the mandatory rules. If at any point, your disc touches or crosses the plane of the restricted side of a mando, it is considered to have missed the mando.

There are NO elevated baskets. IMHO, the course is hard enough.

As of yesterday afternoon, the fence in the middle of fairway 15 is still up. We have been promised the fence will come down, BUT, if it is not, we will play the short hole by the tree. The hole distance is 241'. We will try to move the fence back from the hole and paint a line on the ground for OB behind the hole. It will be tight! Do not, under any circumstances go into the fenced area. Let's all hope the fence is down and if so, we will play the long 15 between the palm trees.

There will be extra holes on the course. They will be covered with black plastic bags. There is a good reason they are left in place. Play them like they part of the course.

Now to the fun part! We have CTP's on Holes 1, 3, 4, 7, 10, 12, 13 and 15. CTPs are only available during Round 1. If you finish on a CTP Hole, please do us a favor and bring the marker into Disc Central, thanks. We have some nice throwing and collectible discs for the winners. We have trophies 4 deep in some divisions so play your best!!

Lastly, bring a chair and plan to stick around for the awards ceremony. We will award CTP prizes first and then on to awards. We promise to make it quick, but there is nothing better than the disc golf community applauding the top finishers for a job well done. Bring a smile on your face, a song in your heart, a large dose of patience and EXTRA DISCS 😊.

See you tomorrow,

Mike and Riley