



Newsletter #1, February

2023 NHC Agenda

Thursday, June 8

9:00 AM International Feathery Challenge

Mike and Elmore Foursomes

10:00 AM Stroke Play

12:00 Noon Match Play

6:00 –8:00 PM Welcome Reception at clubhouse patio— lasagna and beer (etc.)

Friday, June 9

8:00 AM NHC Rounds 1 & 2

7:00 PM Championship Dinner at clubhouse

Saturday, June 10

8:00 AM NHC Rounds 1 & 2

4:00 PM Awards Ceremony

Lunch is provided each day roughly 11:00-1:00 in the clubhouse (included in entry fee) as are soft drinks & beer.

Back to Ohio

There were other contenders for the NHC site in 2023 but things didn't work out for them this year...maybe next year or in the future.

While the Mound is not a gutty era course, it was laid out by a gutty era Scotsman, Alex 'Nipper' Campbell. Aside from that the course, a city muni, has hosted us before and is pleased to be host again, or any time in the future. They are accommodating and look forward to the cache we give them being a national championship.

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Vintage Division Redux

The Vintage Division will mark its return to the NHC in 2023. Many hickory players have been interested in joining the gutty group based on the event's reputation. The last time the NHC held vintage hickory competition was 2006 (Pinehurst) and 2007 (White Sulphur Springs Valley View, adjacent to Oakhurst).

Rules and guidance is printed on the reverse side of this letter. Space is somewhat limited so please be timely in your entry if you are interested in joining the field. So that no one's expectations are disappointed, no motorized carts will be used. Ouimet, Evans and Jones all walked.

Foursomes and IFC Info

The addition of the 'Feathery Challenge' has made scheduling the foursomes competitions a bit more complicated. Please read on the reverse side the process for teeing off Thursday morning, especially for those interested in playing with featheries and also in the Mike and Elmore Foursomes Competition. Also note that because of the necessity to have a block of eight participants for Open Match Foursomes that event will be limited to the first eight entries received. There is no limit for stroke play foursomes. The course will be available for open practice to anyone not playing in the IFC or Foursomes when those groups are not at the first tee. Teeing off for open practice will close at 2:00 PM. The Mound's Thursday league will get the first tee after that time.

NHC Vintage Division Rules

- Current USGA rules of play
- Walking only, no motorized carts or hand carts
- Sand tees (anywhere on teeing ground)
- Golf bag permitted
- Only ball permitted is Brown-McIntyre JH Taylor mesh
- Clubs must be authentic pre-1930 hickories, no replicas, no slip-on rubber grips.
- No limit to number of clubs carried
- Follow dress code for Vintage Division players
- Vintage Division players may participate with gutty equipment in Foursomes -- either stroke or match play -- or in a special Vintage foursomes event (please specify on entry form). The separate Vintage Division Foursomes will be scheduled on Thursday (stroke play only)



IFC + Foursomes Play Schedule

- Players may play in both IFC and Foursomes
- **Open Match Play foursomes will be limited to the first eight (8) players to submit entries for that event. After the Open Match field of eight is filled all others will be in the stroke play flites.**
- If there are Clan Match entries they will play in the same starting time bracket as Open Match Play
- Stroke play foursomes will commence after the last IFC group tees off
- Match play foursomes will commence at the end of the IFC
- Vintage Division players may enter the IFC but shall comply with special IFC dress code and equipment (19th century) policies.



The cool trestle bridge on hole #2 crossing the 'gorge.'

Putting out on hole #8 with the famous Miamisburg Mound in the background.

