

May 12, 2020

Greetings,

We are getting closer to the golf season in Breckenridge. I would like to present what the start of the season will look like during the COVID pandemic. There are many changes all geared towards presenting a product that is safe for the staff and consumer under current State / Local health guidelines. Guidelines change frequently. We will continue to adjust in the best interest of our staff and consumer.

The golf course, like many courses at high elevation this year, suffered from ice damage. October snowfall followed by very warm conditions created an ice layer that had an impact on the putting greens. The golf course maintenance crew worked on breaking up the ice layer in late November, however some turf was lost. The affected areas are in a recovery mode. We are hopeful to open 18-holes on May 22, depending on conditions. This could be pushed back 7-10 days if the greens don't respond as quickly as hoped for. A recent *Summit Daily* article stated we would be opening on May 22. This is a target date and as mentioned above may very well be pushed back.

When we open there will be the *Summit County Road to Recovery* protocols in place that will minimize the potential spread of the Coronavirus. These include;

- Clubhouse areas will have signage that must be followed, such as the requirement of face coverings in the clubhouse and anytime social distancing of 6 feet cannot be maintained. Hand sanitizer stations have been set up at each of the main entries. A Plexiglas barrier has been installed at the customer counter. High touch point areas such as restrooms, door handles and counter tops will be regularly disinfected.
- The *Summit County Road to Recovery* limits eight customers in the golf shop at any given time.
- Electric golf carts will be available to rent as single rider, or with those persons living under the same roof allowed to ride double. Carts will be disinfected after each usage.
- A very limited supply of pull carts are available and will be disinfected after each usage.
- Rental Clubs will be available and disinfected after each usage.
- The Driving Range will be open with customers limited to a small bucket and will be social distanced. Should space allow, you may purchase more buckets.
- The practice putting green will be open with signage reminding golfers to social distance. There will be no cups or targets.
- The golf course will not have bunker rakes (play smooth and place). Ball washers and water coolers will not be available.
- Cups will be inverted. Inverted cups still allow the ball to drop slightly into the cup. Flagsticks will be a **no touch** piece of equipment.
- Course restrooms will be open and frequently sanitized.
- Many programs and services have been temporarily eliminated or postponed.

- Staff will not be able to assist you with your equipment before or after your round.
- We have suspended Club Storage (if you have already paid for storage we will refund you immediately or you can remain on the list in hope that we may be able to open later in the summer). We will refund you at any time.
- League events will not start until the week of June 1. Some league formats will be changed to accommodate social distancing (i.e. - no scrambles that bring a team together).
- Programs and events such as Nine and Wine, Complimentary Clinics, and Demo Days are suspended and possibly will not occur this summer.
- Golf Instruction will probably not be available until mid-June.
- Score handicap posting computers will not be available at the course. Scores must be posted through the GHIN app or on personal devices (GHIN.com).

Punch Cards create a number of touch opportunities that we want to eliminate. We will not start the season with punch cards, however we are allowing you to play/pay at your Punch Card rate. Details are as follows;

- Punch Card sales are currently suspended. As we work through the COVID pandemic, we are minimizing zones of touch for the safety of the consumer and staff. Until we resume sales, we plan to offer our locals a punch card rate, based on verifiable residency, without having to purchase a card. Golfers that qualify for a punch card will be able to play at their respective rate (\$44 for Breckenridge residency or \$53 for Summit/Park residents). [Resident guidelines can be found by clicking here and viewing the Punch Card downloads](#). Although we will not be selling cards, we will work from punch card policies. Basically you will pay a daily fee and not have to purchase in bulk. There will not be “Bring-a-Friend” punches until we resume selling cards.
- If you have punches on your 2019 card, we will honor those punches through June 30, 2021. This gives you an additional 12 months to use your 2019 card. We understand that at risk individuals as well as travel concerns may delay your chance to participate this year.

We ask that if you are experiencing any signs of illness to stay home and recover. Our staff is being asked the same and will be verifying daily they are free of COVID symptoms before reporting for work.

It is extremely important to show respect to staff and fellow golfers by following the protocols in place. Come prepared with your mask, wash your hands at every opportunity, bring your own drinking water and sanitizer.

I will send an additional email letting you know of our exact opening date and what the food and beverage situation will look like.

See you soon,

Erroll Miller  
Director of Golf Operations