

## View Point (VP) Ladies Match Play 2025 (16 X 2 Person Teams)

1. This is a team event of two players at a cost of \$10/team. Cash prizes of \$80 will be awarded to the Champions and \$40 will be paid to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Place and Consolation Winners.
2. Registration envelopes will be available at the Pro Shop beginning **December 17<sup>th</sup>** with a sign-up deadline of **January 3, 2025**. Registrations will be awarded to the first 16 teams entered.
3. Teams are to schedule their Match Play games. If you wish to play your Match during the regular morning Ladies League schedule **you must register indicating (Match Play) after your last name.** Registration for the Ladies League is noon on the Friday prior to the league play on Tuesday. Match players are not required to pay the \$2, will not be included in the "Game of the Day", nor entered into the Skins, Gross or Net Games.
4. Teams are welcome to book their Match Play games any day of the week as agreed by the teams to ensure the games are played within the designated Match Play schedule.
5. **Scoring:**
  - a. Teams are to use the View Point 18 Hole score cards and we recommend that each team keep a scorecard for confirmation of scoring.
  - b. All registered players will use an Adjusted handicap of 90% of their VP Ladies League handicap. An adjusted handicap allows for a more balanced approach to handicap differentials due to the wide range of playing skills of our members. The maximum individual gross View Point handicap is 36 prior to the reduction of 90%.
  - c. The player in your foursome with the lowest handicap will get zero strokes and their Adjusted (X 90%) handicap is subtracted from each persons Adjusted (X90%) handicap.

### **Example:**

**Judy has an VP handicap of 5 ( $5 \times 90\% = 4.5\%$  rounded to 5)**

**Debbie's VP handicap is 20 ( $20 \times 90\% = 18$ )**

**Linda's VP handicap is 13 ( $13 \times 90\% = 11.7$  rounded to 12), and**

**Paula's VP handicap is 30 ( $30 \times 90\% = 27$ ).**

**For the Match, the strokes are calculated as follows:**

**Judy will have zero strokes**

**Debbie's strokes are calculated as  $18 - 5$  (Judy's calculated handicap) = 13 strokes**

**Linda's strokes are calculated as  $12 - 5$  (Judy's calculated handicap) = 7 strokes, and**

**Paula's strokes are calculated as  $27 - 5$  (Judy's calculated handicap) = 22 strokes.**

**These strokes are then applied to each player and recorded on the score card starting with strokes indicated on the most difficult hole to the easiest hole.**

Q. Why does the player with the lowest Playing Handicap™ play at scratch (0 strokes) in match play?

A. By stroking off the low ball, the higher handicap player(s) receives their handicap strokes on the holes where they need them most – resulting in more holes tied compared to holes won or lost. If players used full Playing Handicaps in match play, the better player would have the advantage on the more difficult holes (because he or she would also be getting strokes) and the other player(s) would have an advantage on the easier holes.

6. Play your ball as usual. The lowest net score from your team of two against the lowest net score from the opposing team of two determines who will win the hole.

7. The team that wins more holes, wins the match. Overall individual scores do not matter, so if you are struggling in a bunker or elsewhere on the course, you can pick up your ball; however, we recommend you discuss with your partner prior to picking up your ball.
8. You are a team and therefore you may discuss the putts and any other shots you are making.
9. There is no need to turn in your scorecards ***unless there is a dispute.***
10. A Match is won when one team leads by a number of holes greater than the number of holes remaining to be played.
11. If teams are tied at the end of their Match, the teams will go back to their first hole and will continue to play until a team wins outright.
12. All Matches MUST be scheduled and played within the designated draw deadlines. Failure to do so may result in the team responsible for the delay to be disqualified from the tournament.
13. Teams are responsible to post the results of their Match Game on the draw which will be posted in the ladies' bathroom and to please email or text Sheila Spence at [s.spence@sasktel.net](mailto:s.spence@sasktel.net) or 306.222.0517 so we can keep the online posting up to date.
14. If a spare player is required, their name must be presented and approved by the Match Play Co-Chairs prior to the Match Play game. The new player must be a registered member of the VP Ladies 18 Hole League and not already registered in the 2025 Ladies Match Play. The new player's VP Ladies handicap must be no more than + or – 5 handicap points of the person they are replacing. The score card must be adjusted accordingly based on the spare's handicap.
15. Rules of play:
  - a. Each team can concede a hole at any time by giving a putt to the opposition.
  - b. Players should not hit out of turn unless the other team allows.
  - c. If you win the hole your team has the honours on the next tee.
  - d. Please be aware of your speed of play.
16. Posting of your Match Play game scores.
  - a. If a player has completed and played (in regulation) all 18 holes they are encouraged to post their score in the VP Ladies Handicap Posting.
  - b. The VP Ladies Match Play is an internal “fun” league event and therefore players who did not “hole out” or did not play all 18 holes, it ***is not*** necessary to enter your score in the VP Ladies Handicap Posting.
17. The Match Play Committee Chairs recognize these rules may not comply with the USGA website at [USGA.ORG](http://USGA.ORG) | [The official home of the United States Golf Association](http://The.official.home.of.the.United.States.Golf.Association); however, they are considered to be the 2024-25 View Point Ladies Match Play Rules.

Any questions or concerns please contact:

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