

Welcome to 35th Annual Polar Bear Open at Royce Brook

We are playing a single flighted individual net competition format with players playing from three different tees. Please make sure you know which tees you are playing today – Blue, Gold or White tees.

The top 20 net finishers will be awarded individual points.

Place	Points
1	5
2	4
3	3.25
4	3
5	2.75
6	2.5
7	2.25
8	2
9	1.8
10	1.7

Place	Points
11	1.6
12	1.5
13	1.4
14	1.3
15	1.2
16	1.1
17	1
18	0.95
19	0.9
20	0.85

Match Wins: 1 Point; Ties: 0.5 Point

CTP Winner: 0.5 Point

Gross Winner: Blue Tees - 1 Point; Gold Tees - 0.5 Point

Net Pool winners will be based one pool regardless of tees played. The net pool winners will be the top 3 participant low net individuals, and the winnings will be distributed 50/30/20 accordingly.

Birdie Pools – :

- Low BP – Mission Index of 9.9 or lower (Mission Index of 5.9 or lower must play from at least 6500 yards to be eligible; Mission Index of 6.0 to 9.9 must play from at least 6200 yards to be eligible)
- Mid BP – Mission Index between 10.0 to 15.9 (Mission Index of 10.0 to 15.9 must play at least 5900 yards)
- High BP – Mission Index of 16.0 or higher
- Players 65 years of age by 12/31/26 may play from any yardage of their choice. However you will be placed in the appropriate birdie pool based on your handicap.

CTP Hole #8 (all will tee from the same location – the Gold tees)

Pace of Play – each group will have a designated “Pace Leader” who will text Lisa at 973-570-8555 after completion of hole #5 and again after hole #14. Staff will be keeping time for each group on Hole 1 and Hole 18. The goal is 4:30 hour round.

Today's Rules...

Winter Rules – You may lift, clean and place your ball or any area cut to fairway height in your own fairway. You must place your ball within one scorecard length of where your ball came to rest.

Winter Rules in Bunkers - You have the option to rake and DROP your ball. Your ball must come to rest within one scorecard length of the ball's original position. After two unsuccessful drops you must place your ball within one scorecard length of its original position.

Internal Out Of Bounds - there are construction areas on Holes #10 - #13. There are boundary fences that separate these areas from the golf course. The boundary fences will be considered an OB line. Any ball hit into a construction area is OB.

GUR - Holes #12 & #13 have little drainage gullies right of their fairways. You may take relief if your ball comes to rest there.

Lateral Hazard Markings - As normal, if your ball is hit into tall grassy areas that predominate on holes #1 - 9 (old West course) and you are not able to find it within the allotted 3 minutes and there is no red line identifying it as a penalty area, you must proceed under the lost ball ruling for stroke and distance. Continue playing a provisional if you put one in play, otherwise, drop within one yard into the nearest fairway and take 2 penalty strokes.