

Re: Jackson Park GC Course Re-Rating

Dear Golfer,

Upon the completion of the new tee box on the 10th hole as a result of the driving range project, Jackson Park GC management felt it necessary to have the course re-rated to obtain more accuracy in the handicapping of the course. A team from the WSGA was kind enough to come out to Jackson Park GC during summer 2015 and re-rate the course. This extensive process, took much time to complete. The comparison between the former course rating/slope and the new course rating/slope can be found in the graphs below:

FORMER RATING/SLOPE

MEN	Rating	Slope	MEN	Rating	Slope
Blue	69.3	117	Blue	69.3	121
White	67.1	113	White	67.4	118
Gold	65.3	108	Gold	65.2	111
Green	58.1	85	Green	58.1	83

NEW RATING/SLOPE

WOMEN	Rating	Slope	WOMEN	Rating	Slope
Blue	74.5	125	Blue	74.9	129
White	72.2	121	White	72.6	126
Gold	69.7	116	Gold	70.0	120
Green	59.0	86	Green	58.9	85

As part of this project, Jackson Park GC management also took the opportunity to allocate updated hole handicap rankings. This was done by collecting hole-by-hole scorecard data from both the men's and women's golf clubs at Jackson Park GC. Players were split into A and B groups.

The A group for men consisted of players with handicap indexes ranging from 0 to 8 and the B group, 20 – 28.

For women, the A group consisted of players with handicap indexes ranging from 0 – 17 and the B group, 29 – 40.

The hole-by-hole scores were entered into a spreadsheet. The next steps; compare the average score per hole for group A against the average score per hole of group B. Rank the differential of hole scores between group A and group B from high-to-low (1 highest, 18 lowest) differential. Allocate odd and even numbers to front and back nine. The last step is to make sure low numerical holes are not at the beginning or end of each nine (unless exceptions need to be made).

These guidelines were followed per the recommendations that can be found on the USGA GHIN Handicap website. The changes for the new rankings are listed on new scorecards that arrived August 13th. The same goes for the GHIN system as the WSGA activated the new rating and

slope from each set of tees for both men and women the same day. In total, five of the 18 holes had changes in how they are ranked for handicapping purposes based on the data & calculations derived as well as best judgment by management. Summary of changes can be found below:

Hole 3: Ranking from blue & white tees is now 7

Hole 8: Ranking from blue & white tees is now 9
Ranking from gold & green tees is now 7

Hole 9: Ranking from blue & white tees is now 11
Ranking from gold & green tees is now 9

Hole 14: Ranking from blue & white tees is now 6

Hole 15: Ranking from blue & white tees is now 8

There were also some changes to the yardage of the golf course with the new tees that were created on holes 6, 8, 9, and 10. The changes can be seen below:

Hole 6: Gold tee yardage is now 395

Hole 8: Blue tee yardage is now 412

Hole 9: Gold tee yardage is now 322

Hole 10: Blue tee yardage is now 267
White tee yardage is now 236
Gold tee yardage is now 226
Green tee yardage is now 226

Due to the change in yardages from certain sets of tee boxes, the overall course yardage changed as well. See below chart for new course yardages (changes are highlighted yellow):

Course Yardages:	Front 9	Back 9	Total
Blue Tees	3167	2918	6085
White Tees	2936	2677	5613
Gold Tees	2639	2418	5057
Green Tees	1753	1644	3397

Thank you,

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