Posting Scores-Questions and Answers

1. **Why post scores?** Scores are posted to establish and maintain a golfer's index for handicap purposes.

2. **What scores are posted?** Scores for all rounds played whether at Club events or not.

3. **What score is posted after a round?** The "adjusted gross score" is posted.

4. **What is the "adjusted gross score"?** An "adjusted gross score" is a player’s gross score adjusted under the USGA Handicap System procedures for unfinished holes, conceded strokes, holes not played or not played under the Rules of Golf, or Equitable Stroke Control (ESC).

5. **What is "Equitable Stroke Control (ESC)"?** ESC is the downward adjustment of individual hole scores for handicap purposes, in order to make handicaps more representative of a player’s potential ability. ESC sets a maximum number that a player can post on any hole depending on the player’s Course Handicap. (See the attached chart.)

6. **If one plays a full 18 holes on a course, shoots 100 and has a 30 handicap on that course, what is posted?** First, according to ESC, a person with a handicap between 30 and 39 can post no score on any hole higher than a 9, so any scores higher must be adjusted downward to yield a new total gross score. Assuming the player had no score above 9 in shooting the 100, then the player's "adjusted gross score" for the day is 100. That is the score posted.

7. **What would happen if a player posted a score on a hole higher than the maximum allowed for their handicap during a round?** Using the previous example of a player whose handicap permitted no score higher than a 9 to be posted, if the player had scored a 10 on one hole and 12 on another, then the player would have to subtract a total of 4 strokes (1 stroke from the 10 and 3 strokes from the 12) from the gross score of 100 to get the "adjusted gross score" for the round. A 96 would then be posted as the "adjusted gross score." Note: The Club has a rule that no player will score more than 10 strokes on any hole. This is done to keep pace of play moving. Therefore, if the above round was during a Club event, the player should not have taken a 12 on any hole. With 10 the maximum the player can take, the above player would only adjust the score by 2 strokes (subtracting 1 stroke for each of the two holes the player shot higher than 9). Thus the player shooting 100 would post an "adjusted gross score" of 98.

8. **How does a player know their handicap?** Every player in the LADWP Golf Club with an index established by the SCGA will find their handicap for the course being played posted already on the official Club scorecard issued at the sign-in desk at each event.
9. **How does one know their handicap at a non-Club round of golf?**
   - A player's handicap at any golf course is computed by taking the golfer's index, established by the SCGA, and factoring in the "course rating" and "slope," or difficulty ratings for the course and tees from which the round is played. Handicap can be computed knowing this information; however the automatic posting methods available to a player can compute the handicap for the player once the score is posted.
   - Another way to find a player's handicap when not playing with the Club is to find the course you are going to play in the SCGA Directory (http://scga.org/Courses/CourseDirectory.aspx). Find the slope for the course for the tees you are going to play. Then go to the slope tables in the back of the Directory, or use the USGA Handicap Calculator (http://www.usga.org/playing/handicaps/calculator/course_handicap_calculator.asp), and find the slope for the course and tees you are going to play and find your handicap for your day of non-tournament play. Example: Say you have an index of 17.6 and you are going to play a course with slope of 111 for the white tees. You will find you have a 17 handicap for that course.

10. **What are these automatic posting methods?**
    - Posting computer at any golf course utilizing GHIN handicap services
    - Posting at LADWP Golf Club website: http://ghin.com/eclub/ladwpgc
    - GHIN Mobile app
    - SCGA Mobile web page
    - scga.org website
    - ghin.com website
    - IGN at any course not utilizing GHIN handicap services
    - Returned to the Handicap Chair/Handicap Committee for posting
    - To post out-of-state scores, the course must be connected to the GHIN system. If it is, just follow directions on the screen. We are under the Southern California Golf Association (SCGA). If not, the player must submit the score card to an officer of the club and the Club Handicap/Membership Director, David Ferguson, will post the score. The player must indicate the date played, color tee played from, and the adjusted score according to the player's handicap. The score probably won't be reflected until the following month after the player submitted the score card.

11. **How does one post a score at the golf course?** Usually in the clubhouse or pro shop at a course will be a computer to post scores. If hooked up to the GHIN handicap service, as most are in Southern California, then all a golfer needs to do is follow the prompts on the screen. Most of the computers these days use a touch screen, but some may still have a mouse attached to navigate the screens. To post a score:
    - First page will usually ask are you a member or "Guest" player. Club members select "Guest."
    - Next the player's will enter SCGA number.
    - If the number is entered correctly information properly identifying the player will appear and player will select "Post Score."
If asked, “is it a ‘Tournament,’ ‘Home,’ or ‘Away’ event?” at all Club events, except the Toe Mayeda Tournament of Champions (TOC), the player would select "Away." (For the TOC, players would select “Tournament.”) "Home" events are those outside the Club where the player is playing at their "home" course or country club. "Tournament" events are those where the player participates in an event outside the Club that is sponsored by an organization such as a charity or golf organization such as the SCGA.

- When asked what course was played, select the appropriate course and tee location listed.
- When asked for score, enter the "adjusted gross score."
- The system will display the information you have entered and ask whether to post to your home club. Select "Post" and you are done.

12. **How does one post a score on the website?** Have the scorecard for the round just played nearby. The card will include the "slope" for the tee location played. On the website: [http://ghin.com/eclub/ladwpgc](http://ghin.com/eclub/ladwpgc), log into the site and go to the "MY GAME" section, if not already there. To post a score:

- Select "Post Scores"
- Log into the "Score Posting" section by entering your GHIN/SCGA number and last name (no capital letters)
- In "Score Posting" complete the information.
- Enter "Date"
- For "Type" select "Away" and not "Tournament" or "Home." (NOTE: For the TOC, players would select “Tournament.”)
- Enter number of "Holes" played
- For "Rating/Slope Entry":
  - If "Course/Tee" is already selected:
    - Complete the information below (browse for the course you played) and the system will enter the appropriate rating/slope for the course and tee location you select.
    - In "ESC Score" enter your "adjusted gross score" for the round and select "Post Score"
  - If while browsing for the course just played the system does not find it:
    - Go back to "Rating/Slope Entry" and select "Manual"
    - Enter the "Course Name," "USGA Course Rating" and "Slope Rating" as listed on the scorecard.
    - Enter your "adjusted gross score" for the round and select "Post Score"

13. **How does one post a score if all the automated methods do not work or the player does not have access to any of those methods?** The player should submit the scorecard to any Club officer, Unit Leader or Board Member, and ask that the score be posted.