



Special Event

"2018 Jim O'Keefe Cup"



Team VGA vs Team SGL

- Date:** Saturday, November 3, 2018 (7:30 AM Shotgun Start)
- Course:** Falcon Golf Course – Litchfield Park, AZ (Cost: \$ 44.65 includes lunch)
- Entry Deadline:** Wednesday, October 31, 2018, 12:00 AM midnight – pairings and matches will be posted on Thursday, November 1, 2018.
- Format:** This year the teams will be comprised of **16 players** from each team and the contest will be more in the line of a Ryder Cup style format using only USGA Match Play Rules. All 16 team players will be matched up for a “**Singles Match Play**” competition. Due to this new format, no optional side games will be allowed by team members.
- Team Captains:** Tom Hecoeks – Team VGA
Dave Dean – Team SGL
- Handicaps:** GHIN handicap indexes will take precedent over SGL handicap indexes for players with both and will be used to determine strokes allowed before the matches begin based on the tees and gender.
- Tees to be used:**
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| Men - | Blue | 70.8 / 126 @ 6,551 yards |
| | White | 68.4 / 121 @ 6,074 yards |
| Women - | Red | 69.4 / 118 @ 5,319 yards |
- Scoring:** Winners of each match will receive 1 point towards the team total and after 18 holes of competition, if the match is all square, each team will receive a ½ point. The first team to get to 8 ½ points will win and hold the “2018 O’Keefe Cup”.
In the event of a team point tie, the VGA will be considered the winner and retain the O’Keefe Cup.
- Match Rules:** All matches will be played under the match play format as outlined in the [USGA’s Rules of Golf](#).
- Supplemental Information: [Singles Matches](#) (Rule 2)
- Exceptions to the rules:
- 1.) Desert Rule is in effect
 - 2.) Local Rules are in effect
 - 3.) A clean Putting Ball may be used
 - 4.) Distance measuring devices may be used

The team winner of the 2018 O’Keefe Cup will be allowed to keep the Cup for 1 calendar year and has the honor to choose the next year's venue for the 2019 O’Keefe Cup Challenge.

Note: For SGL players, a regular season event (with optional side games) will be held in conjunction with the team event for any players or qualifiers not competing in the team event. Also the SGL’s Hole in One Pool will be in effect for any SGL members. Players **not** part of the team event that are members of both groups may double dip.