

2021 National Putting Tour Changes

Division & Buy-In Changes

We will be adding a division and an extra money pool this year. Here are the new 2021 divisional breakdowns:

Beginner – This division will be free to enter. Only a player's best round will count. There will be one 1st place prize given. This will be a cash prize of \$5 to \$50 depending on the amount of players. A sudden death playoff will be played if needed to determine the winner. Also, to speed up play on 18 hole events, people in this division will start their rounds on hole 10 except for the final round, in which they will start on hole 1.

Amateur – This entry will stay at \$20.00. In this division the player will get one throw away round for 18 hole events and two throw away rounds for 6 – 9 hole events. Payouts will be determined by the blue payout graph. See the bottom of this document for this graph. A sudden death playoff will be played to determine top spots if needed. Also, to speed up play on 18 hole events, people in this division may start their rounds on hole 10 except for the final round, in which they will start on hole 1.

Professional – This entry will be \$50.00 at every event unless there is some sort of special circumstance where I need to change the buy-in or it is a private event that has a different buy-in structure. In this division, a player will get one throw away round. However, they cannot use it on the final round. In the professional division the final round will always count. Payouts will be determined by the gold payout graph. See the bottom of this document to view this graph. A sudden death playoff will be played to determine spots if needed.

MSOP Pro Addon – This will be a separate pool for the high rollers. To play in this division you must be in the “Professional” division. Payouts will be done via the MSOP Pro addon orange payout graph. In this division, a player will get one throw away round. However, they cannot use it on the final round. In the professional division the final round will always count. These payouts are a little more top heavy, favoring the 1st and 2nd place finishers in regard to payouts. See the bottom of this document to view that graph. Events that have this option will have a “MSOP Pro Addon” small logo placed on the event images on the “Upcoming Events” page. The standard entry price for this division will be \$100.00. \$10.00 of this entry will go into the “Hole in One Contest” pool. Players who do the MSOP Pro Addon will automatically get entered into the “Hole in One Contest.” A sudden death playoff will be played to determine spots if needed.

MSOP Super Pro Addon – This will be a separate pool for the highest of the high rollers. The fee will be \$500.00. There were a handful of people that wanted to putt for this much money and the NPT will oblige. This will be a “winner take all” prize pool.

Best Round of the Day – This will be a separate prize pool for the lowest round of the day. There can only be one winner. The entry price will be \$10.00 A sudden death playoff will be played if needed to determine the winner.

Hole in One Contest – This will be just \$10.00! At the end of the event every player will have a chance at the longest putt on the course to win the whole pot if they make the putt. If nobody makes the putt the money will roll over to the next event. “Mini Events” will not have this option. Only “Standard Events” and the NPT Tour Championship will have the Hole in One contest.

Number of Rounds Played Per Event Changes

We are going to lessen the amount of rounds we do. We are having some problems finishing in a decent amount of time. I have locked in the amount of rounds per event which will depend on how big the course is. Here are those guidelines:

18 Hole Course Event – 3 to 4 Rounds Will be Played

9 Hole Course Event – 5 to 6 Rounds Will be Played

6-8 Hole Course Event – 6 to 8 Rounds Will be Played

Split Tees & Group Re-Shuffling

To speed up play, the beginner division and some or all of the amateur division, will start their rounds on holes 4-10. In addition, at all tournaments for the final round, the players will re-shuffle and players will play in order of score. Players who have the lowest (best) scores will play at the end and players with higher (bad) scores will start off the final round.

Scorekeeping Changes

I have found a way to make this quicker and better. I will try to get a volunteer to keep score for every event. If I cannot find someone, I will have a different process. I will have a sheet taped down to a table where players will write their own scores in. This is what the famous “Mini Putt Tour” does. Players will first, write their name and the other two player’s name on the back of their card as well as the three final scores for that round for each player. They will then take a paper clip and place it on the bundle of cards for that group from all three players and submit that to the

scorekeeping box. Finally, they will write their scores on a master sheet that has been taped down on a table. All three players must watch each other write the scores on this sheet. A signature line will be next to each score and the players must fill that out to confirm the legitimacy of the score.

Then, I will review those scores and transfer those to the big scoreboard that is taped up on a nearby board or wall. I will also add the scores on my phone to the Wordpress backend and a new system I have on the NPT website. The scores will post to a page that will be on the National Putting Tour website. Yes! This will be a LIVE online scoring situation. I will do this at every break. That way, if you are in the bar/restaurant, bathroom, your car or if you are at home not playing in the event, you will be able to follow live scoring for the event! This new system also has a player profile option where each player can have a picture and attributes listed about them.

Once the next round starts, I will then have some downtime to look over as many cards as I can before I start my round. If I see any problem, I will consult the player in the next break or at the end, before we do final scoring. This will ensure a player is not bothered during their round and will help to shorten these unfortunate long breaks we have been having. I will also review the cards when I am home on my free time to ensure the integrity of the scoreboard. If a player tries to lie about their score and purposely cheat, they will be banned from the National Putting Tour for life.

I have also created an Instagram page that I will be using for live picture and caption posting as well as some short video taking and posting at the event. These can be followed in real time by anyone who wants to view the NPT Instagram page. This will also help people who are not at the event to follow the action!

Money Handling & Payouts

I have gotten much better at this. I had written in a previous email a couple months ago that I wanted to have someone else hold the money. I wish I would not have said that. Everything in regard to the tour rests on my shoulders and the handling of the money will be no different. I have done 10 tournaments and I have not had one money missing incident. I got this. Here at the National Putting Tour your money is guaranteed to be okay. If I were to lose it or if it were to get stolen, I would come out of pocket to refund everyone.

I also wanted to offer players another option in relation to payouts. If you want to wait after the event to get paid out, you can. I have been able to pay people inside an hour at the end of the tournament. If a player wins money and wants to leave, I can either mail you the money or I can give you National Putting Tour credit. This will allow players who have a long drive or are tired, to leave early if they wish.

NPT Points Changes & Event Types

All events will offer points. However, some events will yield more points than others. There will be three tiers of points and events in 2021. There will be different types of events. The tougher the division the higher the points. More info will be coming on this.

Standard Event – Coming Soon

VIP Events – Coming Soon.

Tour Championship – Coming Soon.

2021 Event Plans & Points Chase Tournament Requirements

We are going to have a total of 11 events this year that will be part of the NPT points race. I may decide to do private events that will be listed on the website but are not NPT points race events. There will be 6 “Standard Events,” (These are regular NPT events at outdoor greens) 4 “Mini/VIP Events,” (These are events at smaller, somewhat corky indoor and outdoor venues) and 1 “NPT Tour Championship.” I am going to try and do 1 “Mini/VIP Event” in each of the 4 geographical areas. Those once again are San Diego, LA/OC, Phoenix/Scottsdale and Las Vegas/Laughlin.

For the points chase we will only be counting your best 7 rounds. Here is how we are breaking that down. The NPT Tour Championship is in its own category and the points for that event have to count. That leaves us with 10 events. 6 of those are “Standard Events.” We will be counting your best 4 Events for the NPT Points race from that set of 6 events. For the “Mini Events,” we will count your best 2 events out of 4 played. That way, someone cannot just win the belt by playing in every event. We have set this up where if a player is able to play in 5-7 of the 11 events they should have a chance to win the belt. I am just trying to give as many players as possible a chance to win the belt.

I want people to feel good about the belt chase and I want a situation where people do not have to make it to every event to win the belt. It would be too much driving time for people. Keep in mind first place is 250 points at the NPT Tour Championship. This will give someone a chance to pick up ground at the end!

Hole in One – Big Prize

I have decided to create a “Hole in One Pool.” This is going to be really fun. The buy-in to this will be just \$10.00. Everyone who enters this contest will get one putt at the end of the contest to win the whole pot of money. The money will carry over from event to event until someone makes the putt. This putt will be in the 60 ft. to 100 ft. range. If nobody at a given event hits the putt, the money will roll over to the next event. In turn, this will create quite a big prize pool by the end of the year if nobody makes it. This will add excitement to an already fun day! I am also considering trying to get hole in one insurance so that for the 2021 NPT Tour Championship we can have a putt for BIG money. I will keep you posted on that.

Sponsorships, Funding the Tour

Unfortunately, we had our sponsors pull out and it looks like I'll be trying to find some different ways to help fund the tour this year. That is okay. I have so much fun with this thing I really don't care if I have to come out of pocket to finance the tour. I really appreciate the people that gave me some tips last year. It went a long way. However, when you factor in course rental, printing, belt purchase, gas, hotel costs, my time, other supply needs, etc... it starts to add up.

To help pay for this stuff, I have come up with some new ideas to raise some money to help fund the tour. I thought about doing a membership. This would be a situation where, in order to play on the tour, you would have to be a member of the tour. The membership would cost \$10.00 or \$20.00 a year. However, that would create more work for me to keep track of memberships. I'd rather not do that at this juncture but this may be something I have to do down the road to keep this thing going.

Instead, I came up with some other options that can give people an opportunity to give back to the tour. Keep in mind that these are totally optional. You are not obligated to do any sort of donating to be able to play

on the National Putting Tour. However, if you can spare a little bit, I would appreciate it. Here are those options:

1. Merchandise - I teamed up with a girl named Karen who works down at Cottonwood to provide some more merchandise options. In all honesty, these products are marked up. The majority of the money goes to pay for the merchandise and a percentage is kept as a donation for the National Putting Tour. You can see those here:

<https://nationalputtingtour.com/shop/>

2. Sports Betting Affiliate - Once in a while I make a sports bet online. When I do, I use Bovada. They have the quickest and most reliable deposit options. They have discrete billing. On my bank statement it does not say anything about a sports bet. They payout quicker than any other online book. They offer some pretty cool, first time deposit bonuses. If you get the urge to make a bet, come here first and click on this link below and the National Putting Tour will receive a small kickback. Tell a friend about this link. You can get there by clicking below:

https://record.revenuenetwork.com/_ckFggk0OfvoZY4D3LbAU9mNd7ZgqdRLk/1/

3. Donation - I set up a donation page. If you would like to donate straight to the National Pudding Tour, we would appreciate it. You can visit that donation page here:

<https://www.nationalputtingtour.com/donation>

4. Web Design & Graphic Design - I do website design and graphic design. If you know anybody who needs a website or graphics of any kind send them to me and I will give you a 10% referral commission. I will also

take 10% of the project cost and donate towards the National Putting Tour. If you are interested in this call 619-933-4020 for immediate assistance.

6. Play in an Event – If you play in a NPT event you are helping to fund the tour. 10% of your entry will go to help pay for NPT tour expenses. The NPT takes 1% from the “MSOP Pro Addon.” This is because the NPT will be taking 10% of the “Hole in One” contest entries, which is now an automatic part of the “MSOP Pro Addon” entry.

7. Hole in One Big Prize – At certain NPT events, players will have a chance to win a bunch of money for making just one putt! The NPT has created a putting contest unlike any other. Buy-ins for this part of the event will be \$10.00. 10% of the buy-ins will go to the National Putting Tour. The other 90% will go into a “Hole in One Pool.” “MSOP Pro Addon” players will automatically be in this contest.

The contest will be a situation where everyone who buys into that pool for that particular event day, will have a chance to attempt one putt at the end of the day on the course’s longest hole. If they make that putt, they will take all the money in the “Hole in One Contest Pool.” If more than one player makes the putt in one day, they will chop the money accordingly. If nobody makes the putt at that event, the money will roll over to the next event. This will create a situation where if nobody makes the putt for a series of events, by the end of the year this pool could be over \$1000.00! This will create some major excitement and help to give a little back to the NPT.

8. Tour Sponsorships – Do you want to have your business name associated with the National Putting Tour? We have some exciting new sponsorship opportunities that may interest you. They are:

Bronze Sponsorship - \$20 For the Year

Includes:

- Your name or business logo on the NPT website's home page in the "Our Sponsors" area.

Silver Sponsorship - \$50.00 For the Year

Includes:

- Your name or business logo on the NPT website's home page in the "Our Sponsors" area.
- Your name or business logo on all NPT scorecards
- Your name or business logo and/or advertisement on a sign which will be posted at all NPT events

Gold Sponsorship - \$150.00 For the Year (Only 7 Available)

Includes:

- Your name or business logo on the NPT website's home page in the "Our Sponsors" area.
- Your name or business logo on all NPT scorecards
- Email blast to introduce your business to the NPT community
- Your name or business logo and/or advertisement on a sign which will be posted at all NPT events
- Your name or business advertisement and/or logo on 1-2 of the hole signs for the event
- Your name or business will get announced once during the tournament
- NPT polo shirt

Platinum Sponsorship - \$1000.00 For the Year (Only 1 Available)

Includes:

- Your name or business logo next to the NPT logo at the top and bottom of site.
 - Banner advertisement prominent up high on the NPT Website home page.
 - ***Great Deal! Simple three-page, WordPress website (Hosting not included, Client must provide all content, Logo creation included)***
 - Multiple email blasts to introduce your business to the NPT community
 - Your name or business logo on the NPT website's home page in the "Our Sponsors" area.
 - Your name or business logo on the top in big print on all NPT scorecards
 - Your name or business logo and/or advertisement on multiple signs which will be posted at all NPT events
 - Your name or business advertisement and/or logo on 2-3 of the hole signs for the event
 - Your name or business will get announced at the beginning, and multiple times during the tournament
 - NPT polo shirt, mask, hat and logo Titleist ProV1 golf ball
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Late Entry Flexibility

Do you have a scheduling conflict? Maybe, you cannot make it to the event on time? We understand. The NPT now allows for a late entry option in 2021 at no extra charge. Because every division offers a throw away round, you can enter the tournament at round two and still be even with the rest of the field. Late entry players will not receive a throw away round. Late entry time periods will be roughly 45 minutes to 1 hour after the tournament starting time.

Course Rental Fee

There is a possibility that at some NPT events, there will be a \$5.00 course rental fee. These would be at venues of an extremely high caliber usually.

Payout Graphs

Here are the revised payout graphs per division:

National Putting League Payout Chart *Amateur Division*

Place	3-7 Players	8-11 Players	12-14 Players	15-17 Players	18-20 Players	21-23 Players	24-26 Players
1	65%	51%	46%	42%	38%	35%	32%
2	35%	32%	27%	24%	22%	19%	18%
3		17%	17%	15%	13%	13%	12%
4			10%	11%	11%	11%	10%
5				8%	9%	9%	9%
6					7%	7%	8%
7						6%	6%
8							5%
9							
10							

National Putting League Payout Chart *Professional Division*

Place	3-7 Players	8-11 Players	12-14 Players	15-17 Players	18-20 Players	21-23 Players	24-26 Players	27-28 Players	29-35 Players
1	50%	47%	45%	43%	40%	37%	35%	34%	33%
2	35%	31%	26%	23%	22%	20%	18%	17%	17%
3	15%	15%	15%	14%	14%	13%	12%	11%	11%
4		7%	9%	10%	10%	10%	9%	9%	9%
5			5%	7%	8%	8%	8%	8%	8%
6				3%	4%	6%	7%	7%	7%
7					2%	4%	6%	5%	5%
8						2%	3%	4%	4%
9							2%	3%	3%
10								2%	2%
11									1%
12									

National Putting League Payout Chart *MSOP PRO Addon Division*

Place	2-6 Players	7-10 Players	11-14 Players	15-17 Players	18-20 Players
1	70%	65%	59%	55%	52%
2	30%	25%	23%	21%	19%
3		10%	12%	12%	11%
4			6%	8%	7%
5				4%	6%
6					5%
7					