

Houston Senior Travelers League

Two-Day Year-End Event

(Revised November 14, 2024)

Format: This is a two-day, total-stroke, low-net event.

Cost: In addition to course fees, the tournament fee is \$50 for 2 rounds. All players pay \$50, even if only playing one day. Because it creates issues with scoring and payouts, players may not be allowed to only play the second day.

Scheduling: The two rounds will be played on the Wednesday and Thursday of the last week of the HSTL year.

Entry: Each day is limited to 120 players. All players are required to request entry via standard email signup after First Call is made. All members who, as of First Call for the two-day event, have played in 25 or more regular-season tournaments and are in the top 120-point leaders are entitled to priority entry until the Second Call for play is made. If space remains as of Second Call, other members who have requested entry will be entered based upon their e-mail entry time (first come, first served) but members who have not played at least 25 regular-season tournaments will not be eligible for two-day event prizes or Surplus Monies (see below).

Seeding:

- Wednesday:
 - 1st group: 1-4 total-low-net-players from the first two Club Championship rounds
 - 2nd group: 5-8 total-low-net-players from the first two Club Championship rounds
 - All remaining players will be grouped from low to high index within flights.
- Thursday:
 - 1st group: 1-4 total-low-net players from the first *three* Club Championship rounds
 - 2nd group: 5-8 low net players from the first *three* Club Championship rounds.
 - All remaining players will be grouped from low to high net within flight from Wednesday play.

Payouts – Money & Points: The Board will set one-day and two-day prizes for the two-day event. All entrants are competing for one-day prize money in each of Wednesday and Thursday events.

Only entrants who have participated in a minimum of 25 regular weekly HSTL tournaments prior to the Wednesday event qualify for the following two-day event payouts and surplus monies (except that the Club Champion is determined over four events).

Note: If the Board reduces the minimum number of rounds for eligibility to be Club Champion, the same minimum number will apply here.

Distribution as follows:

<u>Category</u>	<u>Points</u>	<u>Money</u>	<u>Totals</u>
Club Champion	30	\$300	\$300
Gross Score Champion	20	\$200	\$200
Two-day Flight Champions	15	\$100	\$600

\$ Distribution to top 32 Low Net Players in the two-day event:

Low Net 1-8	10	\$125	\$1,000
Low Net 9-16	8	\$100	\$800
Low Net 17-24	6	\$ 75	\$600
Low Net 25-32	4	\$50	\$400

In the event of a tie at the Low Net position in each category, all players in the tie are awarded the full category amount. The number of winners in the next lower category will then be reduced by the number of winners in a category in excess of 8 winners.

Surplus Monies: Money remaining in the HSTL treasury after making the forgoing payouts is distributed to the top 60 (and ties) finishers in the two-day event who have participated in a minimum of 25 regular weekly HSTL tournaments prior to the Wednesday event, based 40% on Travelers Points and 60% on the number of tournaments played during the year.

Sometimes to demonstrate a complex point, it is best to use real numbers. So let us look at 2020. The 60 low nets and ties turned out to be, not 60, but 68 golfers (because of ties). Those 68 golfers had a combined 2,495 tournaments played and they earned, collectively, 9,867 Travelers Points.

After making the payouts shown on the preceding page, reserving \$200 to start the next club year, and accounting for about \$160 used for “rounding” up to the next \$5 increment, HST had a “surplus” of \$7,831 to award to golfers. So, let’s see how the \$7,831 got distributed.

Low 60 and Ties:

Point Share = $(\$7,831 \times 40\%) / 9,867$ or \$0.3175 per point

Rounds Share = $(\$7,831 \times 60\%) / 2,495$ or \$1.8832 per round

So, for example, a golfer who finished in the top 60 and ties who had 167 Travelers Points and 41 rounds received \$53.02 based upon Travelers Points ($167 \times \$0.3175$) and \$77.21 based upon tournaments played ($41 \times \$1.8832$). Although the amount of winnings will always vary based on how often and how well the member plays, members share of surplus money averaged over \$115 in winnings for the 2-Day Event in 2020.

Rules / Tiebreaker: All HSTL rules apply. The HSTL standard scorecard tiebreak procedure will be applied to determine winners of any tie. For Club Champion Event this applies to the 4-round total. For the Two-Day, Year-End Event it applies to the 2-round total.