

MEMORANDUM TO PLAYERS

FORMAT

18-holes of stroke play on Friday, September 30th, followed by match play for 16 qualifiers. For purposes of determining places in the draw, ties in qualifying rounds will be decided by a blind draw, except that places of those participating in a play-off will be determined by the order of finish.

GENERAL

- The Golf Shop and Practice Range will open at 6:30 a.m.
- The Locker Room will open at 6:30 a.m. Competitors are encouraged to change their golf shoes in the Locker Room. Please do **not** change your golf shoes in the parking lot.

REGISTRATION

- Upon arrival please check-in at the Registration Tent. Competitors will receive a Tee Gift from The Stanwich Club.

CADDIES

- **This is a walking only event and caddies are required.**
- Competitors **must** bring their own caddie or reserve a club caddie.
- The Stanwich Club has a limited supply of caddies. Competitors must contact Henry Stefanowicz, Caddie Manager at henrys@stanwich.com or (203) 667-2798 to reserve a club caddie. The recommended caddie fee for a single bag for The Farrell is \$130.00 including tip per round.
- Competitors **are not** permitted to use Pull Carts.
- Golf Carts will only be available for those with a medical need, competitors must submit their request in advance of Thursday, September 29th.

FOOD SERVICE

- Competitors are guests of The Stanwich Club for breakfast and lunch on Friday, September 30th.
 - Breakfast - 6:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.
 - Lunch - 11:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.
 - Competitor Reception - 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
- An Award Reception will be held after the completion of the final matches on Sunday, October 2nd.
- All competitors should plan to pay (**sign back to their club or cash only**) for caddie and guests' lunches on all days of the Invitational.

PRACTICE ROUND

Competitors have been accorded the courtesy of a practice round on Thursday, September 29th. Competitors will receive a yardage book when arriving for their practice round. Competitors must contact the Golf Shop at (203) 869-2072 to schedule a practice round. Tee times will be available beginning at 11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. All competitors are strongly encouraged to walk with a caddie during their practice round.

DRESS

Please visit [www.stanwich.com/Guest Information](http://www.stanwich.com/Guest_Information) to review The Stanwich Club's Dress Code and Cell Phone Policy.

Stanwich is well known for its fast and true bent grass greens. Molded bottom shoes without plastic or rubber shoes are mandatory. Please be aware of the marks you make on the greens and tap down any spike marks before leaving each green.

LOCAL RULES

- Please check at the starter's table for the Local Rules and the USGA website (www.usga.org) for a list of approved golf balls & drivers for the competition.
- The Condition of Competition ("Groove Rule") will be in effect.
- The "One Ball Rule" will **NOT** be in effect.

PACE OF PLAY

It is a condition of the competition that "the Player shall play without undue delay and in accordance with any pace of play (POP) guidelines that the Committee may establish" and with the prescribed penalties for slow play. The MGA will be closely monitoring the POP at all MGA competitions. Chronic slow play takes away much of the enjoyment of the game of golf and we ask that you please be conscious of your pace. We appreciate your cooperation with the [MGA Pace of Play Policy](#).

IMPORTANT REMINDER

- If it becomes necessary to withdraw prior to the date of the competition, please contact Championship Coordinator, Justin Wexler at justin.wexler@mgagolf.org.
- If you must withdraw on the day of the event, please call The Golf Shop at (203) 869 – 2072.

CLUB ADDRESS

THE STANWICH CLUB

**888 North Street
Greenwich, CT 06831**

Please note that competitors, caddies, and spectators must only use the North Street entrance.

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