

101st Westchester Open Championship presented by Poland Spring

The Whippoorwill Club, Armonk, NY Tuesday, June 13 – Wednesday, June 14, 2023

MEMORANDUM TO PLAYERS

FORMAT

This event is a two-day 54-hole stroke play competition. All competitors will play 18 holes on Tuesday, June 13th, after which, the field will be cut to the low 40 players plus ties and anyone within 5 shots of the lead. In the event of a tie for the Championship, there will be a sudden death playoff immediately following the conclusion of regulation play.

GENERAL

- The Golf Shop and Practice Range will open at 6:30 a.m. Range balls will be provided courtesy of The Whippoorwill club
- The Locker Room will open at 6:30 a.m.
- The verbal use of cellular phones in permitted only in the Locker Room or Parking Lot.

REGISTRATION AND START OF PLAY

Registration will take place outside the Clubhouse entrance. Players are requested to check in upon their arrival at the course. Players are to report to their assigned starting tent, ready to play,10 minutes before their scheduled starting time. Caddie arrangements should be completed before players report.

PRACTICE ROUND

Players have been accorded the courtesy of a practice round. Please see the <u>Practice Round Notice</u> for information regarding practice round arrangements.

DRESS

Players must be neat in appearance with respect to clothing and personal grooming. Players and caddies must wear collared shirts. The wearing of jeans, cargo shorts, and cargo pants is prohibited. The Committee in charge decides whether this requirement has been met and has authority to withdraw the entry of a player who does not comply.

FOOD SERVICE

- A continental breakfast will be provided by the WGA on both days of the Championship from 6:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. on the Patio.
- A BBQ Cookout will be available for purchase of \$30 (cash or sign back) from 11:00 a.m. 3:30 p.m. on the Patio.
- Lunch will be provided by the WGA on Day 2 of the Championship from 11:00 a.m. 3:30 p.m. on the Patio. Players should be prepared to pay for their caddies and guests (cash only).
- All final day competitors are invited as guests of the WGA to an awards reception following the conclusion of play on the patio.

CADDIES/CARTS

- There is a <u>limited</u> supply of caddies at The Whippoorwill Club. Caddies are available on a first come first serve basis on the day of the qualifier. The 101st Westchester Open caddie fee is \$120.00 tip included (<u>cash</u> <u>only</u>).
- Caddies should be arranged in advance by emailing Noel Fahey at starter@whippoorwillclub.org
- Players will have the option to utilize a motorized golf car.
- The golf cart fee is \$40.00 and for Round 1, this must be paid through the golf genius link ahead of the Championship.
- Players may bring their own caddie.
- Players may carry their own bag.
- Players are **NOT** permitted to use pull carts.
- It is **strongly recommended** that caddies wear shoes without spikes or tread.

LOCAL RULES

- Please check at the starter's table for the Local Rules and the USGA website (<u>www.usga.org</u>) 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 Championships. Chronic slow play takes away much of the enjoyment of the game of golf and we ask that you please be courteous 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 the MGA Championship Department at (914) 347-4653.
- If you must withdraw on the day of the event, please contact Sean Corriston at (551) 795-6965.

CLUB ADDRESS/PHONE NUMBER

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