

Canoe Brook Country Club (North and South), Summit, N.J. Monday, June 5, 2023

MEMORANDUM TO PLAYERS

FORMAT

This event is a one-day 36-hole stroke play competition played at Canoe Brook Country Club's North and South Courses. The North Course will play to a par of 72 at approximately 7,150 yards. The South Course will play to a par of 70 at approximately 6,700 yards; holes #1 & #15 will be played as Par 4's at 460 & 470 yards respectively. Players will be teeing off in groups of two off two tees on **both** courses at Canoe Brook Country Club.

Please note that a **shuttle** will be provided for those starting on the South Course; players must be prepared to depart **15 minutes** prior to their scheduled tee time.

If necessary to determine the qualifiers and/or alternates, there will be a sudden death playoff which will begin immediately at the conclusion of regular play on the *North Course*. All players should keep informed as to the time and status of any playoff.

GENERAL

- All competitors will play both the North and South Courses.
- The Golf Shop and Practice Range will open at 5:30 a.m. Range Balls will be provided courtesy of Canoe Brook Country Club.
- The Locker Room will open at 5:30 a.m. Players are encouraged to change their golf shoes in the Locker Room. Please do **not** change your golf shoes in the parking lot.
- The use of cellular phones is permitted **only** in the parking lot or near the Scoreboard.
- The MGA would appreciate the cooperation of players in reporting their scores during their rounds. An MGA representative will be collecting Scores at scoring stations during the morning rounds. In the afternoon, each group will be accompanied by a Live Scorer who will be recording scores hole-by-hole.

REGISTRATION AND START OF PLAY

Players are requested to check in upon their arrival at the course. Contestants are to report to their assigned starting tees, ready to play, 10 minutes before their scheduled starting times. Caddie arrangements should be completed before players report. Each caddie will be required to wear an *MGA caddie bib* during the U.S. Open Championship SQR. Bibs will be available at the Starting Tee(s) and should be returned at the Scorecard Collection area immediately upon finishing play.

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 MGA from 5:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. on the Terrace Grill outside of the Men's Locker Room.
- Lunch will be available for purchase (Cash or Sign Back) from 11:00 a.m. 3:00 p.m. on the Back Patio.
- Water will be available in coolers on the course.
- Players will <u>not</u> be permitted to stop to eat between nines.

CADDIES

- There is a strong caddie program at Canoe Brook Country Club. Players must contact Preston Parker, Caddie Manager, at (908) 337-7932 to reserve a club caddie on a first-call basis. The club caddie fee for the 123rd U.S. Open Sectional Qualifying Round is \$120.00 (including tip) per round.
- Players may bring their own caddie.
- Players may carry their own bag.
- Players are **not** permitted to use push carts.
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- Caddies are **strongly encouraged** to 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 "One Ball Rule" will not be in effect.
- Distance Measuring Devices will <u>be permitted.</u>

"GROOVE AND PUNCH MARK SPECS" CONDITION

Clubs: Grooves – The player's clubs must conform to the groove and punch mark specifications in the Rules of Golf that are effective from January 1, 2010 – See Decision 4-1/1 and applicable championship entry for details.

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 and USGA 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 call Chris Gaffney, Director of Championships, at (516) 732-9044.

PRACTICE ROUND

Click <u>here</u> for the Practice Round Notice.

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