

# 5<sup>th</sup> U.S. Amateur Four-Ball Championship SQR (Garden City)

Garden City Country Club, Garden City, N.Y. Tuesday, October 9, 2018

# MEMORANDUM TO PLAYERS

### **FORMAT**

This event is a one-day 18-hole Four-Ball stroke play competition. 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. All players should keep informed as to the time and status of any playoff.

# **GENERAL**

- The Golf Shop and Practice Range (<u>irons only</u>) will open at 6:30 a.m. Range Balls will be provided courtesy of Garden City Country Club.
- The Locker Room will open at 6:30 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 Locker Room and parking lot.

# **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.

### PRACTICE ROUND

Players have been accorded the courtesy of a practice round <u>after 2:00 p.m.</u> on:

- Wednesday, September 19<sup>th</sup>
- Tuesday, September 25<sup>th</sup>
- Wednesday, September 26<sup>th</sup>

Players must call the Golf Shop at (516) 747-2929 to make arrangements on a first-call basis. The cost of the practice round is \$30.00 (cash or sign) which includes the <u>mandatory</u> use of a motorized cart. Limited availability and <u>no</u> guests allowed. Standard club policies apply.

Players are **only** permitted to use the practice facilities of Garden City Country Club on the day of their scheduled practice round **and** one hour before/after their scheduled practice round.

# **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 6:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m. in the Men's Grill Room.
- Luncheon service will be available for purchase (<u>cash or sign only</u>) from 11:30 a.m. 3:00 p.m. on the Patio.
- Players will <u>not</u> be permitted to stop to eat between nines.

# **CADDIES**

- There is a strong supply of caddies at Garden City Country Club. Players may contact Rich Mullin, Caddie Manager, at (516) 746-6804 to reserve a club caddie on a first-call basis. The club caddie fee per player is \$100.00 plus tip for the U.S. Amateur Four-Ball SQR.
- Players may bring their own caddie.
- Players may carry their own bag.
- Players are **not** permitted to use pull carts.

# **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 be in effect.
- The Condition of Competition ("Groove Rule") will be in effect.
- The Local Rule allowing Electronic Measuring Devices will be in effect (See App. I-A-7).
- The Local Rule for Accidental Movement of a Ball on the Putting Green will 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 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 Garden City Golf Shop at (516) 747-2929 with a request that the message be immediately relayed to the MGA official-in-charge.

#### **CLUB ADDRESS/PHONE NUMBER**

GARDEN CITY COUNTRY CLUB 206 Stewart Avenue, Garden City, NY 11530 Golf Shop - (516) 747-2929