# MEMORANDUM TO PLAYERS

## **FORMAT**

This event is a one-day 18-hole stroke play competition. In the event of a tie for the last qualifying position(s), all ties will qualify.

## **GENERAL**

- The Golf Shop and Practice Range (irons only) will be open at 6:30 a.m. Range balls will be available to purchase for \$5.00 (cash only)
- The Locker Room will be open at 6:30 a.m.

## **REGISTRATION AND START OF PLAY**

Players are requested to check in upon their arrival at the course. Players are to report to their assigned starting tees, ready to play, immediately after the prior tee time has left the teeing area. Caddie arrangements should be completed before players report.

## PRACTICE ROUND

Players have been accorded the courtesy of a practice round. Practice Rounds are available on the following dates <u>after 3:00 p.m.:</u>

- Thursday, May 19th
- Saturday, May 21st
- Sunday, May 22<sup>nd</sup>

Players <u>must</u> contact the Golf Shop at <u>(908) 850-0800</u> to make arrangements on a first-call basis. The cost for the practice round is \$30.00 plus tax which includes the use of a motorized cart. Limited availability and <u>no</u> guests allowed. Standard club policies apply.

Players are <u>only</u> permitted to use the practice facilities of Panther Valley Golf & Country Club on the day of their scheduled practice round <u>and</u> arrive no earlier than one hour before 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 in the locker room from 6:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.
- BBQ Buffet Lunch will be available for the purchase of \$30 (Cash, Credit or Sign) on the patio from 11:00 a.m. 3:00 p.m.
- Players will **not** be permitted to stop to eat between nines.

## **CADDIES**

- There is a <u>limited supply</u> of caddies at Panther Valley. Players must contact Caddie Manager, Tom Bezek at (908) 852-6120, one week in advance to reserve a club caddie on a first-call basis. The caddie fee for the MGA lke SQR is \$150.00 (tip included).
- Players may bring their own caddie.
- Players may carry their own bag.
- Players are <u>not</u> 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 **not** 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 call the Panther Valley Golf Shop at (908) 850-0800, with a request that the message be immediately relayed to the MGA official-in-charge.

## **CLUB ADDRESS/PHONE NUMBER**

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