



MEMORANDUM TO PLAYERS

FORMAT – PINEHURST (18 HOLES, STROKE PLAY)

Both partners tee off from their assigned tee and then each plays a second shot with the other's ball. After the second shot, a choice is made regarding the ball with which the hole will be completed. Alternating shots will be continued until the hole is completed. On par three holes, the choice must be made after the tee shots.

The team with the lowest gross score will be the Champions. In the event of a tie at the completion of play, the Championship may be decided by an 18-hole Playoff. All other ties will be decided by using the USGA's recommended method of matching cards.

Prizes will be awarded to the low teams (Gross & Net) and the low Professional team.

HANDICAPS

- The handicaps used to determine prizes in the net competition will be as of the **July 15th revision**.
- Please check at your club after **July 15th** to determine your current USGA Handicap Index. Your USGA Handicap Index is the decimal number.
- You will not play with your Home Course Handicap and it is not necessary to know the Slope Rating for your home course - just your USGA Handicap Index.
- The MGA will convert your USGA Handicap Index into a Course Handicap for the competition using the Saint Andrew's Golf Club Handicap Table.
- Under Rule 6-2, it is the player's responsibility to know their correct current USGA Handicap Index.
- Net scores will be derived by calculating 40% of the team's combined Course Handicaps.
- The "Pro Division" may include any combination of Professional and Amateur golfers. The Professional will play at a "scratch" handicap while Amateurs will play at their Course Handicap.

GENERAL

- The Golf Shop and Practice Range will open at 6:30 a.m. Range Balls have been given to all players courtesy of Saint Andrew's.
- The Men's and Women's Locker Rooms 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 or 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

There are **no** scheduled practice rounds for this competition

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.



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FOOD SERVICE

- Continental Breakfast will be provided by the MGA from 6:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. in the Lobby.
- Luncheon service will be provided by the MGA from 11:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. in the Dining Room.
- Players will **not** be permitted to stop to eat between nines.

CARTS/CADDIES

- Players are **required** to use a motorized golf cart. The golf cart fee is \$30.00 (**CASH or CREDIT**) per person, and should be paid in the Golf Shop. There will be **no** club caddies available for this event.
- Players may bring their own caddie, but **must** inform the club prior to the competition.
- Players may **not** carry their own bag.
- Pull carts are **not** permitted.

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 "One Ball Rule" will **not** be in effect.
- The Local Rule **allowing** Electronic Measuring Devices will be **in effect** (See App. I-A-7).

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 courteous of your pace. We appreciate your cooperation with the [MGA Pace of Play Policy](#).

PRIZES

GROSS (Amateur)*
Champions

NET (Amateur)*
Low Net

PROFESSIONAL DIVISION
Winners

** teams may only win one prize.*

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 Saint Andrew's Golf Club Golf Shop at (914) 478-5100 with a request that the message be immediately relayed to the MGA official-in-charge.

CLUB ADDRESS/PHONE NUMBER

THE SAINT ANDREW'S GOLF CLUB
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Golf Shop - (914) 478-5100

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