MEMORANDUM TO PLAYERS

FORMAT

This event is a one-day 36-hole stroke play qualifier at Pine Hollow Club. All competitors will play 18 holes after which, there will be a cut to the low 40 percent and ties of the players that teed off. Players will tee off on both the 1st and 10th tees. If necessary to determine the qualifiers and/or alternates, there will be a sudden death playoff which will begin immediately at the conclusion of play. All players should keep informed as to the time and status of any playoff.

GENERAL

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

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, 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 on the following days after 3:00 p.m.:

- Thursday, June 30th
- Thursday, July 7th

Players must contact Jesus Orozco at (516) 922-1749 to make arrangements on a first-call basis. Limited availability and standard club policies apply. Players will be **required** to take a golf cart; the cost is \$39.00 and can be paid in the Golf Shop.

Players are **only** permitted to use the practice facilities of Pine Hollow Club on the day of their scheduled practice round **and** 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 from 6:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. outside the Golf Shop.
- Luncheon service will be available for purchase (cash only) from 11:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. in the Terrace Room.
- Players will <u>not</u> be permitted to stop to eat between nines.

CADDIES

- There is a <u>limited supply</u> of caddies at Pine Hollow Club. Players may contact Jesus Orozco, at (516) 922-1749 to reserve a club caddie on a first-call basis. The caddie fee for the U.S. Amateur SQR is \$120.00 (tip not included).
- Players may bring their own caddie.
- Players may carry their own bag.
- It is **strongly recommended** that caddies wear shoes without spikes or tread.
- 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 Condition of Competition ("Groove Rule") will be in effect.
- The "One Ball Rule" 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 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

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 Pine Hollow Club Golf Shop at (516) 922-0300 ext. 125, with a request that the message be immediately relayed to the MGA official-in-charge.

CLUB ADDRESS/PHONE NUMBER

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