

90th MGA Senior Amateur Championship

Fairmount Country Club, Chatham Township, NJ Tuesday & Wednesday, May 2-3, 2017

MEMORANDUM TO PLAYERS

FORMAT

This event is a two-day 36-hole stroke play competition. After play of Round 1, the field will be cut to the low 40 scores plus ties and anyone within five strokes of the low score. Players who make the cut will then play 18 holes on Wednesday, May 3rd. The MGA Senior Amateur Champion will be the lowest score over 36 holes. If necessary to determine the champion, 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.

All age class competitions and prizes (Legends, Masters, Super Senior, Senior Division) will be conducted over 18 holes of stroke play and will be completed after Round 1. Ties will be broken based on second round scores, if applicable. Otherwise, ties will be broken based on date of birth (i.e. older player wins).

GENERAL

- The Golf Shop and Practice Range will open at 6:30 a.m. Range balls will be provided courtesy of the MGA.
- The Locker Room will open at 6:30 a.m. Players are encouraged to change their golf shoes in the Locker Room. Please do <u>not</u> change your golf shoes in the parking lot.
- The use of cellular phones is permitted **only** in the parking lot and the Media Center.

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 and cart arrangements should be completed before players report.

PRACTICE ROUND

Players have been accorded the courtesy of a practice round. Please see the *Practice Round Notice* in regards to making practice round arrangements.

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 both days of the Championship from 6:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. in the Mixed Grill Room outside the Men's Locker 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 on Tuesday, May 2nd.
- The MGA will host a luncheon on Wednesday, May 3rd, for contestants of the Championship from 11:30 a.m. 1:30 p.m. on the patio.
- Players will <u>not</u> be permitted to stop to eat between nines.

CARTS/CADDIES

- Players may use a motorized golf cart. The golf cart fee is \$30.00 (<u>cash or sign only</u>) per person payable in the Golf Shop.
- There is a limited supply of caddies at Fairmount Country Club. Players must contact Herb Woodson, Caddie Manager, at (973) 377-8901 to reserve a club caddie on a first-call basis. The club caddie fee is \$100.00 including tip (walking OR riding).
- Players may bring their own caddie
- Players may carry their own bag.
- Players are permitted to use Fairmount CC pull carts. No outside pull carts will be permitted.

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 Local Rule <u>allowing</u> Electronic Measuring Devices will be <u>in effect</u> (See App. I-B-9).
- The New 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.

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE FOR ROUND 2

- 6:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m. Check-in & Tee Times (reverse order of standings)
- 11:30 a.m. 1:30 p.m. Luncheon (hosted by the MGA); Awards Ceremony to follow play

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.

CLUB ADDRESS/PHONE NUMBER

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