



## 27<sup>th</sup> MGA Senior Net Four-Ball Tournament

Lawrence Yacht & Country Club, Lawrence, New York  
Thursday, May 16, 2019

# MEMORANDUM TO PLAYERS

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### **FORMAT**

This event is a one-day 18-hole stroke play competition on a net better-ball basis. The MGA Senior Net Four-Ball Champion will be the lowest net team score over 18 holes.

Prizes will be distributed to the top three net teams as well as the low gross team. All ties decided by total team age. A team may win only one prize.

### **HANDICAPS**

Under Rule 3.3, it is the player's responsibility to know his correct current Handicap Index. Please check at your club on or after May 15<sup>th</sup> to determine your current USGA Handicap Index (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 90% of the Lawrence Yacht & Country Club Handicap Table. If you have any questions regarding handicaps, please call the MGA office.

### **GENERAL**

- The Golf Shop and Practice Range will open at 6:30 a.m. Range balls will be provided courtesy of Lawrence Yacht & 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.

### **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. Players must contact the Lawrence Golf Shop at (516) 239-8263 to make arrangements on a first-call basis. The cost of the Practice Round is \$30.00 (**cash or credit**), which includes the use of a motorized golf cart. Limited availability and **no** guests allowed. Standard club policies apply.

Players are **only** permitted to use the practice facilities of Lawrence 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.

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## **FOOD SERVICE**

- A continental breakfast will be provided by the MGA from 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. in the Dining Room.
- Players are guests of the MGA for lunch available from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. on the Patio.
- 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 \$40.00 (**cash or credit**) per person, payable in the Clubhouse.
- Players may contact Vincent Biondo, at (516) 668-6458 to reserve a club caddie on a first-call basis. The caddie fee for the Senior Net Four-Ball Tournament is \$40.00 per person plus tip.
- Players may bring their own caddie
- Players may **not** 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 ([www.usga.org](http://www.usga.org)) 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 Lawrence Yacht & Country Club Golf Shop at (516) 239-8263, with a request that the message be immediately relayed to the MGA official-in-charge.

## **CLUB ADDRESS/PHONE NUMBER**

**LAWRENCE YACHT & COUNTRY CLUB**  
101 Causeway, Lawrence, NY 11559  
Golf Shop – (516) 239-8263

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