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TO: 2016 U.S. Open Championship Local Qualifying Contestants at Pinehurst, NC
FROM: Chris Zeh, Carolin's Golf Association
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TOPIC: Pinewild Country Club-Magnolia Course, Pinehurst, NC Qualifying Contestant Information

Starting Time

Please check the pairing sheet for your starting time on Monday, May 16 at Pinewild Country Club in Pinehurst, NC. The qualifier will be played on the Magnolia course.

Format, Caddies and USGA Policies

U.S. Open Local qualifying is 18 holes, that you must walk in all phases of the championship and that you are responsible for providing your own caddie. Caddies will **NOT** be available at Pinewild Country Club. Players may carry their own bag during the qualifying round. Pull-carts are allowed. Caddies will be allowed to rent a cart for the qualifying round at this site. However, caddies may have to share carts during the qualifying round as not more than two carts are allowed per group.

The USGA prohibits the use of cellular phones and distance measuring devices during qualifying and championship rounds.

Also, the USGA does not allow spectator carts or spectators to ride in a caddie cart during qualifying rounds or the championship proper. Traditional metal spikes are **NOT** allowed. The penalty for non-compliance is disqualification. The "One-Ball" rule will be in effect. USGA Hard Card rules sheet is available online at: [Rules Sheet](#)

New Grooves Rule Condition of Competition in Effect for U.S. Open Local Contestants

In Local Qualifying (first stage), Sectional Qualifying (second stage) and in the Championship proper, the player's clubs must conform to the groove specifications in the Rules of Golf that are effective from January 1, 2010. The condition of competition is available for review on the U.S. Open Championship entry application. The USGA and R&A have created a reference resource called the Informational Club Database to assist golfers in determining whether their irons, hybrids and fairway woods comply with the New Grooves Rule Specifications. For information about and to access the database, please use the following link: <http://www.usga.org/InfoClubsDB/intro.html>

*Penalty for Carrying, But Not Making Stroke with, Club or Clubs in Breach of Condition: Two strokes for each hole at which any breach occurred; maximum penalty per round – Four strokes.

*Penalty for Making Stroke with Club in Breach of Condition: Disqualification

Pinewild Country Club Information

Address: 1 Pinewild Country Club Drive, Pinehurst, NC 28374

Director of Golf/General Manager: Chris Little; Head Golf Professional: Sean Desmond; Superintendent: John Robertson

Golf Shop Phone: 910-295-5145. Golf Shop Hours: 7:00am-6:00pm

Practice Facility Hours: 6:30am-6:00pm; Website: www.pinewildcc.com

Locker Room: Players will have access to the men's locker room.

Dress Code: Shirts must have collars and be tucked-in; shorts are allowed but must be Bermuda length, and no denim. The policy is for both players and caddies.

Practice Round/Qualifying Round Fees

You are entitled to one practice round up to two weeks before, when tee times are available. There is a **mandatory** \$35.00 cart/range fee for the practice round. You may call the Pinewild CC golf shop starting on May 1 to schedule a practice round tee time. Make sure to identify yourself as a U.S. Open Championship qualifying participant. It would be helpful if you make your own game before calling. Play the Black tees during your practice round except play the White tee yardage on hole #3, Blue tee yardage on holes #10 and #11 (7331 yards, par 72).

Qualifying Round Fees

Any caddie that rents a cart is subject to a cart fee on May 16. Cart fee for caddies renting a cart is \$25.00. No other fees are due to the club. Pinewild CC accepts **Cash, Check, MasterCard and Visa** for cart/range fees and golf shop purchases.

Food and Beverage

The club's grill room and turn house window in the clubhouse will be open for food and beverage service. Club accepts cash, check, MasterCard, and Visa for food and beverage.

Qualifying Spots and Playoffs

5 qualifying spots and 2 alternate positions are available at this site. The number of qualifying spots will be updated at www.carolin'sgolf.org if necessary. There are 90 competitors in the field. An on-course playoff is used to determine the last qualifying spot or an alternate position. Players are responsible for making themselves available at the scoreboard for playoff instructions.

Course Yardage (Course Rating: 75.9/138) Note: Yardage is subject to change.

Hole	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Out	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	In	Total
Yardage	624	433	165	430	441	386	194	553	422	3648	456	424	184	558	412	199	444	457	549	3683	7331
Par	5	4	3	4	4	4	3	5	4	36	4	4	3	5	4	3	4	4	5	36	72

Lodging

There are several lodging options in the Pinehurst area. The closest hotels are the Homewood Suites-Pinehurst Olmstead Village (910-255-0300).

Qualifying Schedule**Sunday, May 15**

Tee times available for practice round (split tee). Call golf shop in advance.

Monday, May 16

Qualifying round: 18 holes of stroke play. Playoffs for qualifying spots and alternates immediately following play.

Tuesday, May 17(Am)

Rain Date (if necessary)

Directions to Pinewild Country Club

FROM PINEHURST TRAFFIC CIRCLE:

Take the Hwy 211 West exit (Seven Lakes/Candor). Go approximately 4 miles and entrance to club is on left.

Pace of Play Policy

A player who is discovered taking more than 40 seconds is subject to a warning and will be so advised. The player will be notified that exceeding 40 seconds on one more occasion will result in a penalty of one stroke. A third violation will result in a two stroke penalty, followed by disqualification. A player's time to play begins when he has had a reasonable opportunity to reach his ball and when it is the player's turn to play and can do so without interference or distraction. Penalties are applied individually, but more than one competitor in a group may be penalized.

Call me at the CGA office if you have any questions or e-mail me at chris.zeh@carolinasgolf.org Good luck!

Important Phone Numbers

Pinewild Country Club

910-295-5145

United States Golf Association

908-234-2300

Carolinas Golf Association

910-673-1000