



57th North Carolina Amateur Championship of the Carolinas Golf Association

June 15-18, 2017

River Run Country Club, Davidson, NC

Entries Open: April 2 (8:00pm)

Entries Close: May 15 (11:59pm)



ELIGIBILITY

Entry is open to any male amateur golfer who has reached his 13th birthday by June 15, 2017, is a legal resident of North Carolina, is a member in good standing of a club which is a member of the Carolinas Golf Association (CGA) and has an active GHIN® USGA Handicap Index® at a CGA member club that does not exceed **7.4**. Entries are subject to rejection at any time, including during the event, by the CGA or the host club. The reason for rejection may include unbecoming conduct or cell phone use during a stipulated round. All players must conform to the "USGA Rules of Amateur Status" as specified in "The Rules of Golf".

College Student Eligibility: A college student is considered a resident of their parent(s)/guardian(s) "Legal Residency Criteria" as stated in the CGA Tournament Manual unless said student (a) has no dependency on his/her parents; and (b) lives full time in North Carolina.

For complete residency and eligibility requirements, refer to the [CGA Tournament Manual](#).

Championship field size=144 players (approximately).

ENTRY FEES (All Cart/Range Fees Paid by the CGA to the Host Club)

Sectional Qualifying Entry Fee: \$125.00 (includes sectional qualifying cart/range fees)

Concurrent Qualifying with Carolinas Amateur: \$230.00 (includes all fees for both qualifiers)

Successful Qualifier Championship Entry Fee: \$60.00 (Fee is charged automatically to the player's credit card used for sectional qualifying registration who successfully qualifies and includes all championship site cart/range fees)

Exempt Player Entry Fee: \$160.00 (includes all championship site cart/range fees)

ENTRIES AND ONLINE REGISTRATION

All players, including those exempt, must register online at www.carolinascgolf.org. Mail-in applications are no longer accepted for this event. Fax, mail, e-mail, telephone, incomplete, illegible, or entries received before the opening date and after the closing date, are not accepted.

Exempt Players: Accepted into the championship proper at time of entry.

Non-exempt Players: Gain entry into the championship proper through sectional qualifying (see "Exemptions from Sectional Qualifying" and "Sectional Qualifying and Alternates" sections).

The CGA is not responsible for errors or delays by any internet service provider. Entries are only accepted between the open and close dates as stated above. Confirmation of acceptance is sent to players when their status is determined. Status may be checked at www.carolinascgolf.org. The appropriate entry fee must be paid by each player at time of registration. **Players who "Did Not Show" (DNS) or "No Card" (NC) are suspended from next year's North Carolina Amateur Championship.**

REFUND POLICY

Entry fee refund policy schedule:

Open Date to Day Prior to Championship or Qualifying Date: Full refund minus \$30.00 administrative fee regardless of reason if entry accepted into championship or sectional qualifier.

Withdraw on Championship or Qualifying Date; No-Shows: No refund for any reason.

Alternates: Full refund if player does not gain entry into a qualifying site.

*Note: Refund policy and schedule applies to each entry fee stage. Example: Player pays \$125.00 entry fee to qualify. Player is successful in qualifying (\$125.00 entry fee has been used) and is automatically charged the \$60.00 championship entry fee balance due to their credit card. Player withdraws from the championship proper on the day prior to the first round. Player receives a refund of \$30.00 (\$60.00 championship entry fee balance-\$30.00 admin fee).

RULES

USGA Rules of Golf govern play. Questions will be decided by the on-site Rules Committee whose decision will be final. Notice to Players and local rules are posted at host club and distributed at the starting tee(s). The CGA reserves the right to alter the conditions or schedules as stated, including alteration of the stipulated round(s) at any time during the championship including sectional qualifying. The competition is closed when the championship trophy has been presented. Special requests for starting times or pairings are not granted.

CART/RANGE FEES; GOLF CARTS; CADDIES; SPECTATORS (NEW)

Sectional Qualifying: Qualifying round cart/range fees paid by the CGA and are included in the entry fee. Competitors have the option to either walk or use a golf cart during a qualifying round. Cart rental is mandatory for practice rounds.

Championship Site: Championship site cart/range fees paid by the CGA and are included in the entry fee. Competitors have the option to either walk or use a golf cart during championship rounds. Cart rental is mandatory for practice rounds.

Caddies: Caddies are allowed for sectional qualifying and championship rounds. Caddies will not be available at host club. Caddie must be over the age of 13.

Caddie/Spectator Cart Policy: During the play of a hole, either the player or his caddie may ride in a golf cart but not both at the same time. Spectators are not allowed to ride in a player's golf cart at any time. Club owned spectator carts are not allowed except as provided in the CGA Tournament Manual.

FORMAT

The championship format is 72 holes of stroke play. After 36 holes, the field is cut to the low 60 scorers and ties. A tie for the overall championship is decided by an on-course playoff.

PRIZES

Merchandise prizes are awarded to the top 30 finishers at the championship proper and to the medalist at each qualifying site. Champion receives a trophy, merchandise from host club and possession of the *Billy Joe Patton Trophy* for the ensuing year.

EXEMPTIONS FROM SECTIONAL QUALIFYING

Players in the following categories are exempt from sectional qualifying if otherwise eligible. A complete list of exempt players is available on page 2.

1. Champions of the Carolinas Amateur since 2007.
2. Champions of the North Carolina Amateur since 2007.
3. Champions of the North Carolina Mid-Amateur since 2012.
4. Champions of the Carolinas Mid-Amateur since 2012.
5. Champions of the North Carolina Amateur Match Play since 2012.
6. 2016 Dogwood State Junior champion.
7. 2016 Carolinas Senior Amateur champion.
8. 2016 North Carolina Senior Amateur champion.
9. 2016 North Carolina Junior champion.
10. 2016 Carolinas Junior Boys champion.
11. 2017 Carolinas Four-Ball champions.
12. 2016 Carolinas Senior Four-Ball champions.
13. Players who finished 30th or better at the 2016 North Carolina Amateur.
14. 2016 Carolinas Men's Player of the Year.
15. 2016 Carolinas Senior Men's Player of the Year.
16. 2016 Carolinas Junior Boys Player of the Year.
17. Players ranked in the Top 50 of the CGA Carolinas Men's Amateur Rankings as of the entry opening date.
18. USGA individual or four-ball champions since 2012.
19. 2016 USGA Championship qualifiers.
20. Most recent Walker Cup team members.
21. Two exemptions for championship host club.
22. Special exemption bestowed by the CGA.

SECTIONAL QUALIFYING AND ALTERNATES

Sectional qualifying is 18 holes of stroke play. The number of qualifiers' places at each site is determined by the CGA after entries close, based on the size of the field. All ties for the final qualifying position qualify for the championship. Assignment is based on the date/time the CGA receives and processes each entry form. **Qualifying site assignments cannot be changed after entries close.**

If a qualifying site is full at the time of registration, a player may opt to be placed on that site's alternate wait list or register at another qualifying site. A player may only register for one qualifying site. Wait list alternates and on-site alternates are ranked according to date/time an entry is received and processed.

Qualifying site player information is sent after entries are accepted.

*Note: Qualifying sites may be cancelled due to a lack of participation.

CONCURRENT QUALIFYING WITH CAROLINAS AMATEUR

Players who choose to qualify for both championships concurrently **must** sign up for both qualifiers; your single score will count for both qualifiers. You may choose to only enter one qualifier.

QUALIFYING SCHEDULE

May 20

Timberlake Golf Club, Clinton, NC

May 22

North Shore Country Club, Sneads Ferry, NC

May 24

Oak Hollow Golf Course, High Point, NC

May 25

The Club at Irish Creek, Kannapolis, NC

June 5

Brier Creek Country Club, Raleigh, NC

June 7

Mimosa Hills Golf & Country Club, Morganton, NC*

*Concurrent with Carolinas Amateur Qualifying

CHAMPIONSHIP SCHEDULE

Wednesday, June 14

Tee times available for practice.

Thursday, June 15

First round. 18 holes of stroke play.

Friday, June 16

Second round. 18 holes of stroke play.

Field cut to low 60 scores and ties.

Saturday, June 17

Third round. 18 holes of stroke play.

Sunday, June 18

Final round. 18 holes of stroke play.

CONTACT INFORMATION

CGA: 910-673-1000 or e-mail: admin@carolinascgolf.org

Championship Site:

River Run Country Club: 704-892-4633

Qualifying Sites:

Timberlake Golf Club: 919-596-2211

Northshore Country Club: 910-327-2410

Oak Hollow Golf Course: 336-883-3260

The Club at Irish Creek: 704-933-4336

Brier Creek Country Club: 919-206-4653

Mimosa Hills Golf & Country Club: 828-437-1246



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Exempt Players



- 1. Champions of the Carolinas Amateur since 2007**
Scott Harvey, Carter Jenkins and Ben Kohles
- 2. Champions of the North Carolina Amateur since 2007**
Steven Brame, Matt Crenshaw, Ryan Heisey, Carter Jenkins, Nicholas Lyerly, Joshua Martin, Mark McMillen and Jerry Richardson Jr.
- 3. Champions of the North Carolina Mid-Amateur since 2012**
Jeff Allen, Greg Earnhardt, Scott Harvey and Joe Jaspers
- 4. Champions of the Carolinas Mid-Amateur since 2012**
Sherrill Britt, Matt Crenshaw and Scott Harvey
- 5. Champions of the North Carolina Amateur Match Play since 2012**
Matt Crenshaw, Al Dickens IV, Carter Jenkins, David Kocher and William Rainey
- 6. 2016 Dogwood State Junior champion**
Fulton Smith
- 7. 2016 Carolinas Senior Amateur champion**
Preston Edmondson
- 8. 2016 North Carolina Senior Amateur champion**
Paul Simson
- 9. 2016 North Carolina Junior champion**
Grant Powell
- 10. 2016 Carolinas Junior Boys champion**
- 11. 2017 Carolinas Four-Ball champions**
Will Be Posted May 8.
- 12. 2016 Carolinas Senior Four-Ball champions**
Jim Grainger and Jim Pearson
- 13. Players who finished 30th or better at the 2016 North Carolina Amateur**
Nicholas Adams, Eric Bae, **Akshay Bhatia**, **Anthony Baker**, Joseph Cansler, Tim Conover, Wesley Conover, Patrick Cover, Andy Crain, Matthew Crenshaw, David Donovan IV, Thomas Eldridge, Matt Elliott, Stephen Franken, David Gies II, David Germann, Scott Harvey, Bryce Hendrix, Joe Jaspers, Caleb Keck, Matthew Latham, Thomas Lilly, Nicholas Lyerly, Kevin O'Connell, Philip Oweida, Daniel Neveu, David Sargent, Alex Smalley, Blake Taylor, Justin Tereshko and Victor Wiggins
- 14. 2016 Carolinas Men's Player of the Year**
Scott Harvey
- 15. 2016 Carolinas Senior Men's Player of the Year**
Paul Simson
- 16. 2016 Carolinas Junior Boys Player of the Year**
- 17. Players ranked in the Top 50 of the CGA Carolinas Men's Amateur Rankings as of the entry opening date**
Eric Bae, Brett Boner, Sherrill Britt, Miller Capps, Joseph Cansler, Tim Conover, Wesley Conover, Chad Cox, Greg Earnhardt, Thomas Eldridge, Matt Elliott, Stephen Franken, David Gies, Benjamin Griffin, William Gordon, Scott Harvey, David Kocher, Thomas Lilly, Nicholas Lyerly, Dustin Moore, Kevin O'Connell, William Rainey, Doc Redman, William Register, David Sargent, Ben Schlottman, Alex Smalley, Jackson Spires, Blake Taylor, Justin Tereshko, Paul Tucker and Thomas Walsh
- 18. USGA individual or four-ball champions since 2012**
Scott Harvey and Paul Simson
- 19. 2016 USGA Championship qualifiers**
Anthony Baker, Akshay Bhatia, Brett Boner, Tim Bunten, Miller Capps, Michael Childress, Bryan Colquitt, Carter Cook, Eric Edwards, Stephen Franken, John Freeman, Jim Gallagher, David Gies II, Benjamin Griffin, Aman Gupta, Scott Harvey, Jacob Hicks, Logan Jackson, Tyler Johnson, Chris Jones, Joe Kastelic, David Kocher, Addison Lambeth, Nicholas Lyerly, Brandon Mader, Nolan Mills, Josh Nichols, Kevin O'Connell, Carson Ownbey, Jim Pearson, Doc Redman, William Register, Samuel Ring, Ben Schlottman, Steve Sharpe, Matthew Sharpstene, Henry Shimp, Alex Smalley, Conner Sock, Richard Taylor, Cam Warren, William Wears, Trevor Worrell and Grayson Wotnosky
- 20. Most recent Walker Cup team members**
Scott Harvey
- 21. Two exemptions for championship host club**
TBD
- 22. Special exemption bestowed by the CGA**