

Rescheduled 2017 Carolinas Golf Foundation Four-Ball Fundraiser Tournament Grandfather Golf & Country Club, Linville, NC Thursday, May 3, 2018 10:00am Shotgun

Open Date: Exempt: March 15 (8:00pm) All: March 29 (8:00pm) Close Date: April 24 (or when full)

Official Entry Form

Entry Fee: \$400.00 per team. Registration is online only at www.carolinasgolf.org

*Entry fee includes cart & range fees and lunch

Eligibility

Entry is open to <u>any</u> amateur golfer who is a member of a club that is a member of the Carolinas Golf Association and has an active GHIN® USGA Handicap Index® at a CGA member club. The minimum age for entry is 13 years as of the tournament date. A player with more than one handicap index must use the lowest current index. Entries are subject to rejection at any time including during the event, by the CGA or by the club hosting the tournament. The reason for rejection may include unbecoming conduct.

Format and Rules

USGA Rules of Golf govern play. Tournament format is 18 holes of four-ball stroke play, gross and net scores. According to USGA handicap procedures, 90 percent of a player's course handicap is used to determine net scores. If the difference between the partner's course handicaps exceeds eight strokes, then an additional 10 percent reduction is applied to both team members. <u>Teams may choose to compete in any division in which they are eligible</u>. Divisions are based upon team gender and age combination. Division options and yardage: Men A (6500-6800 yards), Men B (6000-6300 yards), Senior Men (both men age 55+ (5700-6000 yards)), Super Senior Men (both men age 65+ (5700-6000 yards)), Mixed (one male (6000-6300 yards)/one female (5000-5400 yards)), All Women (5000-5400 yards). A minimum of four teams is required to create a division. Otherwise, teams are combined together using the appropriate handicap adjustment for the difference in course ratings. Division changes are not allowed after entries close.

Partner substitutions made within five days of the tournament date must be approved in advance by the CGA office. Any on-site partner substitutions may result in the new partner playing at scratch. Competitors must subscribe to all host club restrictions concerning dress, coolers, etc. Cart use is mandatory for tournament rounds and caddies are not allowed. Spectator carts are not allowed except as provided in the CGA Tournament Manual. Practice rounds are not available. Metal and ceramic spikes are prohibited. The CGA monitors handicap score posting and reserves the right to adjust course handicaps and/or withhold prizes for competitors whose handicaps are considered unrealistic or who have participated in a disproportionate share of CGA prize distributions. CGA will automatically post tournament scores for participants back to their home club handicap. Players or teams failing to list all hole-by-hole scores may face suspension from future CGA one-day tournaments.

Entry Information

Entry is open to teams who were signed up in last year's cancelled Foundation Four-Ball. After that, entries will be accepted on a first come-first serve basis, starting March 29.

First 52 entries are accepted online only on a first-come, first-served basis. Alternate teams are ranked in the order which entries are received. Division selection has no bearing on entry or alternate order. Entries close when the allotment of accepted and alternate teams is filled or the entry close date is reached. Online registration opens at 8:00pm on the open date. Mail or walk-in applications are *not* accepted. Teams who are a "No Show" (DNS) or "No Card" (NC) will be suspended from the next four CGA four-ball one-day tournaments that they are eligible for including the Tournament of Champions. The suspension will carry forward between seasons if necessary. Tee time and pairings requests are not accepted. Entries will not be accepted before or after the open and close date.

Refund Policy

Open Date to Day Prior to Tournament Date: Full refund minus \$30.00 administrative fee refunded regardless of reason if entry accepted into tournament.

Withdraw on Tournament Date: No refund for any reason.

Alternates/wait list teams not gaining entry into the tournament receive a full refund.

Prizes and Merchandise

Merchandise is awarded for low gross and low net scores in all divisions. Merchandise certificates are redeemable only at the host club's golf shop. Ties for low gross, 2nd gross, low net or last place net is broken using the USGA recommended method. The 1st place gross and 1st place net winner from each division is eligible for the One-Day Four-Ball Tournament of Champions.

The CGA is not responsible for any unclaimed or unredeemed merchandise certificates after a tournament play date. It is the player's responsibility to claim or redeem a certificate or golf shop credit prior to leaving a tournament site. The CGA will not replace any lost or unclaimed merchandise certificates/gift cards after a tournament is played. Merchandise certificates must be redeemed on the tournament date.

One-Day Four-Ball Tournament Multiple Net Winner Course Handicap Reduction Policy

Individuals or teams who win first place net in three or more events in a calendar season will be subject to reduced course handicaps through the remainder of the calendar year. This rule is in effect for CGA One-Day Four-Ball tournaments, CGA Senior Four-Ball One-Day tournaments or in a combination of these tournament programs. Competitors who qualify for this reduction will be subject to the following course handicap reduction for the remainder of the tournament season, including any Tournament of Champion events. After 3rd Win=Additional 20% reduction; After 4th Win=Additional 30% reduction; After 5th Win=Additional 40% reduction, and so forth. If a player wins in three or more events with different partners, only the multi-event net winner will incur the appropriate course handicap reduction.

Waiver Statement

By submitting this application to the CGA, we agree to abide by all decisions of the CGA Tournament Committee, the CGA Tournament Manual (available online at www.carolinasgolf.org) and the conditions of play pertaining to this tournament. We are aware that disqualification is the penalty for failure to do so. We release the Carolinas Golf Association, its committee members, officers, staff, and host club from any and all liability for any event or consequence relating to entry or participation in this event.