



Carolinan Golf Association

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TO: 99th Carolinas Amateur Championship Contestants
FROM: Andy Priest, Carolinas Golf Association
DATE: May 31, 2013
TOPIC: Carolinas Amateur Championship Player Information

The Carolinas Golf Association looks forward to seeing you at the 99th playing of the Carolinas Amateur Championship at The Ocean Course on Kiawah Island Golf Resort from July 11-14, 2013. Please review the following championship information. Remember that we are guests of the club, need to conduct ourselves in a proper manner and adhere to all host club policies. Also, make sure to be at your assigned tee ready to play at least five minutes before your starting time. Call me at the CGA office if you have any questions or e-mail me at andy.priest@carolinanagolf.org. We hope you have a great championship!

Championship Registration

There will be a formal registration for all competitors in The Ocean Course clubhouse foyer on Wednesday, July 10 from 9:00am-5:00pm. Please register to pick up your player gifts, materials and have your photo taken for website scoring. Players unable to register may pickup registration materials following their first round at the scoreboard.

The Ocean Course Information

Director of Golf: Brian Gerard
Head Golf Professional: Stephen Youngner
Superintendent: Jeff Stone
Club Physical Address: 1000 Ocean Course Drive, Kiawah Island, SC 29455
Club Website: www.kiawahresort.com
Golf Shop Phone: 843-266-4670
Golf Shop Hours: Sunrise to Sunset
Practice Facility Hours: 7:00am-7:00pm
Championship Yardage: 7066 yards, par 36-36--72
Course/Slope Rating: 74.9/141
Course Architect: Pete Dye (1991)

The Ocean Course Policies (READ CAREFULLY)

Cell Phone Policy: Cell phones may only be used on the golf course in case of an emergency, to call the golf shop in need of a ruling, view tournament leaderboard or as a distance measuring device (if non-conforming apps are removed from the device). We ask that phones are set to silent while on club grounds.

Player Access to Locker Room: The Ocean Course clubhouse has 2 locker rooms available for players. There is one on the main floor adjacent to the golf shop. The main locker room is located on the second floor. Each locker room has lockers that are available on a first come, first served basis. Players should use a Locker Room to change into golf shoes and appropriate golf attire. Shower facilities are available.

Gate Entrance/Parking: Once you have reached Kiawah Island, you will pass through 2 guard gates en route to The Ocean Course. After passing through the second gate, take your first right onto Governors Drive, continue straight and road changes to Ocean Course Drive. There is ample parking at The Ocean Course clubhouse for players and guests.

Dress Code: Appropriate golf attire must be worn. Slacks or Bermuda shorts. No cut-offs, no denim, no cargo shorts. Men must wear shirts with collars and sleeves, tucked in at all times. Non-metal spikes only.

Coolers: Personal coolers are not allowed.

Practice Rounds and Practice Facility (Updated 6/28/13)

You are entitled to one practice round beginning June 18 when tee times are available. You may call The Ocean Course golf shop (843-266-4670) beginning June 12 to schedule a practice round. Make sure to identify yourself as a Carolinas Amateur Championship participant. It would be helpful if you make your own group before calling. There is a mandatory \$25.00 fee for the practice round whether you walk or use a cart. Players must walk before 12:00pm. Carts may be used after 12:00pm. The Ocean Course is cart path only.

Prior to July 10, a championship participant may bring one accompanied guest for \$125.00. A player may walk and either use a club caddy for \$70 per player or carry their own bag without any additional fees. If a player opts to use a golf cart, a forecaddy is required with a gratuity of \$35 per player.

On July 10, course is only available to championship participants. A player may walk and either use a club caddy for \$70 per player or carry their own bag without any additional fees. If a player opts to use a golf cart, a forecaddy is not required.

Caddy and forecaddy fees are recommended minimum amounts and payment should be based upon level of service. Fees are paid directly to the caddy or forecaddy.

Players are limited to playing one ball except from the teeing ground. Players seen hitting multiple shots from other areas of the course (bunkers, fairways, putting greens) will be removed from the golf course.

Players are welcome to use the practice range and putting green throughout the championship.

Championship Format and Schedule

Championship is conducted at 72 holes of stroke play. After 36 holes, the field is cut to the low 60 scores and ties for the final two rounds. An on-course play-off is used to break a tie for the championship. Top 30 scores will receive merchandise and are exempt into the 2014 Carolinas Amateur Championship.

Wednesday, July 10	All Day: Practice rounds. 9:00am-5:00pm: Player Registration in The Ocean Course clubhouse.
Thursday, July 12	Round 1: Tee times at 8:00am & 12:30pm off #1 & #10 tees. 11:00am-3:00pm: Hosted player lunch on the second floor in the clubhouse.
Friday, July 13	Round 2: Tee times at 8:00am & 12:30pm off #1 & #10 tees. 11:00am-3:00pm: Hosted player lunch on the second floor in the clubhouse. Cut to low 60 scores and ties. Field re-paired according to score.
Saturday, July 14	Round 3: Tee times at 8:00am off #1 & #10 tees. 11:00am-3:00pm: Hosted player lunch on the second floor in the clubhouse. Field re-paired according to score.
Sunday, July 15	Round 4: Tee times begin at 8:00am off #1 & #10 tees. Awards ceremony immediately following play at scoreboard.

Capers Cup Club Team Competition

The Capers Cup competition is held during rounds one and two of the championship proper. Three or four bona fide members from the same club comprise a team. The low three scores count each round. The CGA will contact clubs with more than four eligible players to select their team roster. Otherwise, the CGA will select the four players with the lowest USGA Handicap Index. Team rosters are due to the CGA by July 8.

Starting Times

Starting times for July 11-12 will be available on July 5 by 5:00pm. Check the CGA website at www.carolinascga.org or call the CGA office.

Championship Cart and Range Fees; Pull-Carts

Cart and range fees for all championship rounds are paid by the CGA. Contestants have the option to walk or use a cart during championship rounds. *Note that golf carts are restricted to cart paths only throughout the golf course.

Personal pull-carts are allowed. Club does not have pull carts available.

Caddies

Caddies are permitted, but during the play of a hole, either the player or the caddie may ride in a golf cart but not both at the same time. The Ocean Course will have club caddies available if they are requested in advance. Cost is \$70.00 per round (minimum) including gratuity that is paid directly to the caddie. Contact The Ocean Course staff at 843-266-4670 to reserve a caddie. Caddies will be required to wear a CGA caddie bib during championship rounds. Caddie bibs will be available at the starting tees and must be returned to the scoring area.

Spectators

Spectators are welcome at CGA championships however they are not allowed to ride in a player's golf cart at any time or rent a spectator cart except as provided in the [CGA Tournament Manual](#). Club owned spectator carts are not allowed. Due to the limited number of available carts, spectator carts will not be allowed for any reason on July 11-12. Spectators are asked to remain on or near cart paths and adhere to the club's dress code policy.

Food and Beverage

All food and beverage consumed on club grounds must be purchased at The Ocean Course. Below are the various dining options at The Ocean Course:

- Golf Snack Bar located adjacent to the practice range will be open from 7:00am-7:00pm daily.
- Ryder Cup Bar opens at 11:00am daily.
- The Atlantic Room serves dinner from 5:00pm-9:00pm daily.

Complimentary bottled water will be available for players and caddies throughout the golf course.

Hosted Player Lunch on July 11-13

The CGA will provide lunch for players from 11:00am-3:00pm on Thursday, Friday and Saturday on the second floor in the clubhouse. Lunch is for players only. Caddies and spectators may purchase food and beverage from the Snack Bar or Ryder Cup Bar.

Course Set-Up/Yardage (*All yardage is subject to change based upon wind direction and weather conditions)

Hole	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Out	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	In	Total
Yards	375	528	367	453	185	410	537	180	427	3462	385	562	425	404	151	421	579	197	480	3604	7066
Par	4	5	4	4	3	4	5	3	4	36	4	5	4	4	3	4	5	3	4	36	72

*CGA may use the following tee locations in addition to the above yardages as conditions warrant: Hole #12 (455 yards); Hole #13 (326 yards); Hole #15 (306 yards); Hole #18 (439 yards).

Alligators

Please note that alligators are very prevalent at The Ocean Course so use caution while searching or playing from near creeks and ponds.

Championship Policies

The Ocean Course is a soft-spike facility. The penalty for non-compliance is disqualification.

Any player who is discovered taking more than 40 seconds to play a stroke is subject to a penalty of one stroke. A second violation will result in a two stroke penalty, followed by disqualification.

Local rule allowing the use of conforming distance measuring devices will be in effect. Note that if a smartphone or tablet is used as a distance measuring device, the device must not contain apps that would render it non-conforming such as a compass or level app. The "Notice to Players" rules sheet is available on the Carolinas Amateur Championship website.

Lodging

Kiawah Island Golf Resort is offering championship participants a 10% discount on resort accommodations. Call Kiawah Island Resort reservations at 800-576-1570 and use Carolina AM ID # 11083 to receive a 10% discount. There is a 3 night minimum stay in one and two bedroom scenic condos. Reservations can walk you through all available lodging options to suit your needs. Please note that 1BR villas will start around \$275.00/night including taxes and resort fees.

Other lodging websites such as vrbo.com or homeaway.com might have lodging options available on Kiawah Island or nearby Seabrook Island.

The nearest "chain hotels" are located in Charleston about a 1 hour drive from The Ocean Course. There is a Hampton Inn & Suites Charleston/West Ashley (843-573-1200) and Holiday Inn Express Charleston Hwy 17/I-526 (803-402-8300) among others located at the I-526/Hwy 17 intersection. Check online for best rates.

Twitter

The CGA will post any tournament delays or cancellations via our Twitter account. Follow @cgagolf1909.

CGA North Carolina License Plate Campaign

The CGA is currently seeking 300 applications for the NCDMV to begin issuing license plates to registered vehicles in North Carolina. Your purchase of a CGA License plate will help the CGA continue to financially support the CGF and many other worthwhile Carolinas initiatives and will show your support of amateur golf every time you drive your vehicle. Click link for details about this program and to download an application form. <http://www.carolinasgolf.org/foundation/cgflicenseprogram.htm>

Directions and Map to The Ocean Course

Driving Time from I-526/Hwy 17 Intersection to The Ocean Course=1 hour.

From Hwy 17S: Take Hwy 17 south leaving Charleston. Turn left onto Main Road (Burger King on left corner, State Road 1020). Take Main Road for 17 miles (Main Road will change name to Bohicket Road). At traffic circle, take 3rd spur to Kiawah Island. Continue on Kiawah Island Pkwy to first gatehouse. Continue on Kiawah Island Pkwy to second gatehouse. Turn right after the gatehouse onto Governors Drive. Continue on Governors Drive that will change name to Ocean Course Drive. Take Ocean Course Drive to The Ocean Course clubhouse.

[Map and Driving Directions to The Ocean Course](#)

Phone Numbers

Carolinas Golf Association: 910-673-1000

The Ocean Course Golf Shop: 843-266-4670

Kiawah Island Resort Reservations: 800-576-1570