

# Carolinas Golf Association

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21st North Carolina Mid-Amateur Championship Players

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TOPIC: North Carolina Mid-Amateur Championship Player Information

The Carolinas Golf Association looks forward to seeing you at the 21st North Carolina Mid-Amateur Championship at Old Chatham Golf Club in Durham, NC on September 19-21, 2014. Please review the following championship information since there is no formal championship registration at the club. Remember that we are guests of the club and we need to conduct ourselves in a proper manner. 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 rusty.harder@carolinasgolf.org.

# Championship Site Cart and Range Fees (New for 2014)

All championship site cart and range fees are included in the entry fee and paid by the CGA. Players have the option to walk or use a golf cart.

#### **Old Chatham Golf Club Information**

PGA Golf Professional: John Marino

Superintendent: Brian Powell

Club Physical Address: 1480 O'Kelly Chapel Road, Durham, NC 27713

Club Website: www.oldchathamgolf.org

Golf Shop Phone: 919-361-1400 Golf Shop Hours: 7:00am-until

Practice Facility Hours: 7:00am-6:00pm

Championship Yardage: 6900 yards, par 36-36--72

Course/Slope Rating: 73.7/132 Course Architect: Rees Jones

Locker Room: Players will have full access to the men's locker room. Players must dress/change shoes in locker rooms.

Dress Code/Coolers: Shirts must have a collar (mock neck is OK if 1.5 inches), shirts must be tucked-in, hat brims face forward, no denim, no cargo pants or cargo shorts, soft-spike shoes. Personal coolers and outside beverages are not allowed.

Cell Phones: Except for emergencies, a ruling, viewing tournament leaderboard or use as a distance measuring device, cell phone use is not allowed on the golf course during championship rounds. Cell phone use is allowed outside the clubhouse or in the parking lot. Players are permitted to use their smartphone to view the tournament leaderboard as long as the device is on silent, is not used for voice or texting communications and play is not delayed.

Accepted Forms of Payment: Cash, MasterCard and Visa for golf shop purchases and food & beverage.

Personal Items: Make sure not to leave any valuable personal items unattended such as jewelry, wallets, etc. even if they are tucked away inside your golf bag. It is best to leave your valuables locked in your automobile. Neither the CGA nor the host club will be held responsible for any lost or stolen personal items.

## **Championship Format and Schedule**

Championship is conducted at 54 holes of stroke play. After 36 holes, the field is cut to the low 60 scores and ties for the final round. 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 2015 North Carolina Mid-Amateur Championship.

Tee times available for practice rounds. Must call golf shop in advance. Thursday, September 18

Friday, September 19 Round 1. Tee times at 8:00am & 12:30pm off #1 & #10 tees. Saturday. September 20 Round 2. Tee times at 8:00am & 12:30pm off #1 & #10 tees. Cut to low 60 scores and ties. Field re-paired according to score.

Round 3. Tee times begin at 8:00am off #1 & #10 tees.

Sunday, September 21 Awards ceremony immediately following play at scoreboard.

## **Starting Times**

Starting times for September 19-20 will be available on Thursday, September 11 by 5:00pm. Check the CGA website at www.carolinasgolf.org or call the CGA office or Old Chatham golf shop.

#### **Practice Rounds**

You are entitled to <u>one</u> practice round September 3-18 when tee times are available. You may call the Old Chatham golf shop beginning August 26 to schedule a practice round. Make sure to identify yourself as a NC Mid-Amateur Championship participant. It would be helpful if you make your own game before calling. There is a <u>mandatory</u> \$25.00 cart/range fee for the practice round.

#### **Caddies and Spectators**

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. 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 may not be available for any reason September 19-20. Check with the CGA staff about cart availability.

#### **Pull-Carts**

Private pull-carts are NOT permitted.

## **Food and Beverage**

All food and beverage consumed on club grounds must be purchased at Old Chatham. The Clubhouse grill room and Back Deck of Clubhouse Room will be available to service all food needs. Club accepts Cash, MasterCard and Visa for any food and beverage purchases.

Course Set-Up/Yardage (\*Note that this is a preliminary course set-up and 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
Yards	577	160	365	433	410	560	173	389	386	3453	365	610	190	414	510	396	362	199	403	3449	6902
Par	5	3	4	4	4	5	3	4	4	36	4	5	3	4	5	4	4	3	4	36	72

#### Lodging

Lodging is available at Courtyard Durham Research Triangle Park, located at 301 Residence Inn Boulevard, Durham, NC 27713-2281, (919) 484-2900. Please identify yourself with the "Carolinas Golf Association" to receive the discounted rate of \$109.00 + tax for King room or a Double room. <u>Hotel room rate is valid until September 1.</u>

Lodging is also available at the Holiday Inn Express RTP located at 4912 S. Miami Boulevard, Durham, NC 27703; (919) 474-9800. Please identify yourself with the "Carolinas Golf Association" to receive the discounted rate of \$83.00 + tax for King room or \$93.00 + tax for a Double room. **Hotel room rate is valid until September 1.** 

Holiday Inn Express Room Block Online Reservations at discounted rate

Directions to Old Chatham: <a href="https://goo.gl/maps/hgS1X">https://goo.gl/maps/hgS1X</a>
Directions to Courtyard Marriot: <a href="https://goo.gl/maps/GZxwj">https://goo.gl/maps/GZxwj</a>
Directions to Holiday Inn Express: <a href="https://goo.gl/maps/YEBaL">https://goo.gl/maps/YEBaL</a>

## **Tournament Policies**

Old Chatham 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. The "Notice to Players" rules sheet is available on the North Carolina Mid-Amateur Championship home page.

Distance Measuring Devices: Local rule allowing the use of conforming distance measuring devices will be in effect (i.e. measure distance only). Note that if a smartphone or tablet is used as a distance measuring device, the distance measuring application must measure distance only and the device must not have any other applications that would render the device non-conforming (i.e. GPS altimeter or anemometer). Compass and weather applications are now permitted on the device.

**Text Notifications:** The Carolinas Golf Association has a new text (SMS) notification feature in the TPP tournament software that will be used to send text messages to your mobile phone in the event of tournament schedule changes, delays and cancelations. This is a free service provided by the CGA. Note that standard texting and data rates apply based upon your cell phone plan.

To Opt-In

-Enter a mobile phone number into your TPP Player Profile.

(https://www.ghintpp.com/carolinasgolf/TPPOnlineGolfer/logon.aspx, click Edit Profile on left menu)

To Opt-Out:

- -Call or email the CGA office and request to be opted-out of text notifications (recommended).
- -Remove the mobile phone number from your TPP Player Profile (not recommended).

## **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 still accepting applications for CGA North Carolina license plate campaign. We anticipate that the NCDMV to begin issuing license plates to registered vehicles in North Carolina in August. 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. <a href="http://www.carolinasgolf.org/foundation/cgflicenseprogram.htm">http://www.carolinasgolf.org/foundation/cgflicenseprogram.htm</a>

# **Phone Numbers**

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