

# **Carolinas Golf Association**

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TO: 35<sup>th</sup> Carolinas Mid-Amateur Championship Players
FROM: Rusty Harder, Carolinas Golf Association
DATE: February 5, 2015
TOPIC: Carolinas Mid-Amateur Championship Player Information

The Carolinas Golf Association looks forward to seeing you at the 35<sup>th</sup> Carolinas Mid-Amateur Championship at North Ridge Country Club in Raleigh, NC on April 17-19, 2015. Please review the following championship information since there is no formal championship registration at the club. Remember that we are <u>guests</u> 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 <u>rusty.harder@carolinasgolf.org</u>.

## **Championship Site Cart and Range Fees**

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.

## North Ridge Country Club Information

Club Address: 6612 Falls of Neuse Road, Raleigh, NC 27615

Director of Golf: Sam Brewer; Head Golf Professional: Scott Kirkland; Superintendent: Butch Sheffield

Golf Shop Phone: 919-847-0796; Golf Shop Hours: 7:00am-7:00pm (during championship); Practice Facility Hours: 7:00am-7:00pm

Championship Tees: CGA Tees (6688 yards, par 36-36--72); Course/Slope Rating: 72.9/134

Locker Room: The men's locker room will be available to players during the championship.

Dress Code: Shirts must have a collar (mock neck is OK if 1 ½ inches in height), no denim, no cargo or cut-off shorts, soft-spike shoes.

Coolers: Personal coolers and outside beverages are not allowed.

Accepted Forms of Payment: Club accepts cash only for golf shop practice round fees and food and beverage purchases.

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

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.

## **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 2016 Carolinas Mid-Amateur Championship.

Thursday, April 16	Tee times available for practice rounds. Must call golf shop in advance.
Friday, April 17	Round 1. Tee times at 7:50am off #1 only.
Saturday, April 18	Round 2. Tee times at 7:50am off #1 only.
	Cut to low 60 scores and ties. Field re-paired according to score.
Sunday, April 19	Round 3. Tee times begin at 7:50am off #1 only.
	Awards ceremony immediately following play at scoreboard.

## Starting Times

Starting times for April 17-18 will be available on Friday, April 10 by 5:00pm. Check the CGA website at www.carolinasgolf.org, call the CGA office or the North Ridge golf shop.

## **Practice Rounds**

You are entitled to <u>one</u> practice round on April 11 after 12:00pm or April 14-16 when tee times are available. You may call the North Ridge golf shop beginning April 7 to schedule a practice round. Make sure to identify yourself as a Carolinas 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 on April 17-18. Check with the CGA staff about cart availability.

## **Pull-Carts**

Personal pull carts are <u>NOT</u> allowed.

## Food and Beverage

All food and beverage consumed on club grounds must be purchased at North Ridge Country Club. Food and beverage will be available for championship contestants in the club's snack bar inside the clubhouse and at the halfway house between holes 9, 10, 11. Personal coolers are not allowed. Cash in the only accepted form of payment.

## Friday, April 17 Lunch Cookout

The CGA will host a lunch cookout at North Ridge Country Club for players only during round one on Friday, April 17.

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Course Set-Up/Yardage (\*Note that this is a preliminary course set-up and yardage is subject to change)

\*CGA may use the 292-yard tee on hole #12

## Lodging

Lodging is available at the Hyatt Place Raleigh North (919-877-9997) located at 1105 Navaho Drive, Raleigh, NC 27609. Hotel offers free high-speed Internet access and free continental breakfast each morning. Please identify yourself with the "Carolinas Golf Association" to receive the discounted rate of \$89.00 + tax for a king room or double room. <u>Click here to book online</u>. Check with the hotel about double room availability at check-in. Hotel room block is held until April 3. There are numerous restaurants located around the hotel and on Wake Forest Road/Falls of the Neuse Road.

## Map to North Ridge Country Club

https://goo.gl/maps/NI7ve

## **Tournament Policies**

North Ridge Country Club is a spikeless facility. The penalty for non-compliance is disqualification. One-ball rule is not in effect. The "Notice to Players" rules sheet is available on the Carolinas 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.

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.

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.

**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.

(<u>https://www.ghintpp.com/carolinasgolf/TPPOnlineGolfer/logon.aspx</u>, 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.

## **Phone Numbers**

Carolinas Golf Association: 910-673-1000 North Ridge Country Club: 919-847-0796 Hyatt Place Raleigh North: 919-877-9997