

Carolinas Golf Association

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TO: 43rd South Carolina Amateur Match Play Championship Contestants
FROM: Andy Priest, Carolinas Golf Association
DATE: May 1, 2015
TOPIC: South Carolina Amateur Match Play Championship Player Information

The Carolinas Golf Association looks forward to seeing you at the 43rd South Carolina Amateur Match Play Championship at The Windermere Club in Blythewood, SC on June 17-21, 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 pay any appropriate fees in the golf shop prior to each round and 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>andy.priest@carolinasgolf.org</u>. See you at The Windermere Club!

Championship Website: http://www.carolinasgolf.org/championship/home/15scmatch/year/2015

The Windermere Club Information

PGA Golf Professional: Bill Chandler

Superintendent: Troy Thrall

Club Physical Address: 1101 Longtown Rd E., Blythewood, SC 29016

Club Website: http://www.windermereclubsc.com/

Golf Shop Phone: 803-786-7888

Golf Shop Hours: 7:00am-until

Practice Facility Hours: 7:00am-dark Championship Yardage: 6761 yards, par 35-36—71

Course/Slope Rating: 72.7/136

Course Architect: Pete Dye/P.B. Dye (1987)

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

Dress Code: Shirts must have a collar, shirts must be tucked-in; hat brims face forward, no denim, no cargo pants or cargo shorts, soft-spike shoes. Policy is for players, caddies and spectators.

Coolers: Personal coolers are not allowed.

Cell Phones: Except for emergencies, rulings, viewing tournament leaderboard and use as a distance measuring device, cell phone use is not allowed on the golf course during championship rounds. Cell phone calls are allowed outside the clubhouse or in the parking lot. Silent communications (text, email) is allowed inside the clubhouse. Please turn your phone to silent-mode when on club property.

Accepted Forms of Payment:

Golf Shop: Cash, MasterCard, Visa, Discover. Food & Beverage: Cash, MasterCard, Visa, Discover.

Championship Format and Schedule

Championship format is 36 holes of stroke play to determine 32 qualifiers for match play. The defending champion (Bradley Kauffman) is seeded number one for match play if otherwise eligible. Players advancing to match play will receive merchandise certificates and are exempt into the 2016 South Carolina Amateur Match Play Championship. Merchandise certificates valid until December 31, 2015.

Tuesday, June 16	Tee times available for practice rounds. Must call golf shop in advance.								
Wednesday, June 17	Stroke Play Qualifying Round 1. Tee times at 8:00am off #1 and #10 tees.								
Thursday, June 18	Stroke Play Qualifying Round 2. Tee times at 8:00am off #1 and #10 tees.								
	Cut to low 32 scores for match play. Playoff for medalist and last match play position.								
Friday, June 19	Round of 32 (AM) and Round of 16 (PM) match play (18 holes each round).								
Saturday, June 20	Quarterfinal (AM) and semifinal (PM) rounds of match play (18 holes each round).								
Sunday, June 21	Championship match (18 holes).								
	Awards ceremony immediately following play at scoreboard.								

Starting Times

Starting times for June 17-18 will be available on Friday, June 12 by 5:00pm. Link: <u>http://www.ghintpp.com/carolinasgolf/TPPOnlineScoring/Pairings.aspx?id=1192</u>

Practice Rounds

You are entitled to <u>one</u> practice round anytime when tee times are available. You may call The Windermere Club golf shop beginning one week in advance at 803-786-7888 to schedule a practice round. Make sure to identify yourself as a South Carolina Amateur Match Play 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.

Championship Cart and Range Fees

Contestants may use a golf cart or walk during stroke play and match play rounds. Cart & range fee is paid by the CGA for all championship rounds including stroke play qualifying and match play.

Caddies and Spectators

Caddies are permitted but during the play of a hole in stroke play qualifying, either the player or the caddie may ride in a golf cart but not both at the same time. During match play, both the caddie and player may ride in the same cart.

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 for a bona fide handicap issue. Club owned spectator carts are not allowed. Due to the limited number of available carts, spectator carts may not be available on June 17-18.

Pull-Carts

Personal pull-carts are allowed.

Course Set-Up/Yardage ("Note that 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
Stroke Play	369	412	512	192	388	450	446	445	186	3400	509	410	394	173	310	461	423	150	531	3361	6761
Match Play	369	412	512	170	388	450	446	445	201	3393	509	410	394	145	288	461	423	150	502	3282	6675
Par	4	4	5	3	4	4	4	4	3	35	5	4	4	3	4	4	4	3	5	36	71

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*note Hole #6 will be played as a 450-yard par 4 for the championship.

Food and Beverage

All food and beverage consumed on club grounds must be purchased at The Windermere Club. The clubhouse bar & grill will be open from 7:30am-6:00pm daily to service all food needs. Water fountains and coolers are located throughout the golf course.

Lodging

Lodging is available at the Comfort Suites Columbia (803-678-4266) located at 1540 Daulton Drive, Columbia, SC. Hotel is 15 minutes away fro

m The Windermere Club. Hotel offers free high-speed Internet access and free continental breakfast each morning. Please identify yourself with the "**Carolinas Golf Association Group**" to receive the discounted rate of \$92.00 + tax for a King room or 2 Queen room. <u>Hotel room block is held until May 21.</u> Rooms after the cutoff date are on a space available basis and at the current rates.

Map to The Windermere Club

https://goo.gl/maps/s3njD

Tournament Policies

The Windermere Club 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 South Carolina Amateur Match Play 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.
(<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 The Windermere Club: 803-786-7888 Comfort Suites Columbia: 803-678-4266