

# **Carolinas Golf Association**

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TO: 36th Carolinas Mid-Amateur Championship Contestants

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TOPIC: Carolinas Mid-Amateur Championship Player Information

The Carolinas Golf Association looks forward to seeing you at the 36th Carolinas Mid-Amateur Championship at Dataw Island Club (Cotton Dike) in St. Helena Island, SC on April 15-17, 2016. Please review the following championship information since there is no formal championship registration at the club. Remember that we are <u>quests</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 at 910-673-1000 if you have any questions or e-mail me at rusty.harder@carolinasgolf.org.

Pairings & Results: http://www.ghintpp.com/carolinasgolf/TPPOnlineScoring/Default.aspx?ID=1579

Qualifier Information: http://www.ghintpp.com/carolinasgolf/TPPOnlineGolfer/EventLanding.aspx?ID=1579

Participants: http://www.ghintpp.com/carolinasgolf/TPPOnlineGolfer/Participants.aspx?ID=1579

Entry Form: http://www.carolinasgolf.org/championship/home/16midam/year/2016

Withdraw: http://www.carolinasgolf.org/tournament\_withdraw

Championship Website: http://www.carolinasgolf.org/championship/home/16midam/year/2016

#### **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. **Due to the distances between holes, we recommend all players use a golf cart.** 

#### **Dataw Island Club Information**

Club Address: 100 Dataw Club Road, St. Helena Island, SC

Club Website: <a href="www.dataw.org">www.dataw.org</a>
PGA Director of Golf: Dave Britton
Superintendent: Brian Hollingsworth
Golf Shop Phone: 843-838-8250

Golf Shop Hours: 7:00am-6:00pm; Practice Facility Hours: 7:00am-5:30pm

Championship Tees: CGA Tees (6659 yards, par 36-36--72); Course/Slope Rating: 72.6/136

Architect: Tom Fazio (Opened 1985; Renovation 2011)

Locker Room: The men's locker room will be available to players during the championship. \*Note the locker room is very small

with a limited number of lockers and facilities.

Dress Code: Shirts must have a collar (mock neck is OK if 1 1/2 inches in height), no denim, no cargo pants, cargo shorts or cut-

off shorts, soft-spike shoes.

Coolers: Personal coolers and outside beverages are <u>not</u> allowed.

Accepted Forms of Payment:

Golf Shop: Cash, MasterCard, Visa, American Express;

Food & Beverage: Snack Bar=Cash only; Clubhouse Pub=MasterCard, Visa, American Express

Cell Phone Policy: Silent communications (email, text) only inside clubhouse. Phone calls must be made outside the clubhouse.

Map to Club: <a href="https://goo.gl/maps/Mp6kD">https://goo.gl/maps/Mp6kD</a>

## **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 2017 Carolinas Mid-Amateur Championship. Merchandise certificates are valid until July 31, 2016.

Thursday, April 14 Tee times available for practice rounds. Must call golf shop in advance.

Friday, April 15 Round 1. Tee times at 8:00am/12:45pm off #1 and #10 tees. Saturday, April 16 Round 2. Tee times at 8:00am/12:45pm off #1 and #10 tees.

Cut to low 60 scores and ties. Field re-paired according to score.

Sunday, April 17 Round 3. Tee times begin at 8:00am off #1 and #10 tees.

Awards ceremony immediately following play at scoreboard.

## **Starting Times**

Starting times for April 15-16 will be available on Monday, April 11 by 5:00pm. Check the CGA website at www.carolinasgolf.org; call the CGA office or the Dataw Island Club golf shop.

#### **Practice Rounds**

You are entitled to <u>one</u> practice round on Thursday, April 14 when tee times are available. You may call the golf shop beginning April 8 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> **\$30.00** cart/range fee for the practice round.

#### **Pull-Carts**

Personal pull carts are allowed.

#### **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 15-15. Check with the CGA staff about cart availability.

#### Food and Beverage

All food and beverage consumed on club grounds must be purchased at Dataw Island Club. Food and beverage will be available for purchase at the Snack Bar located between 9 green/#10 tee. Personal coolers are not allowed.

#### **Hosted Food Functions**

The CGA will host a luncheon for all players on Friday, April 15, 2016. Lunch will be provided from 11:30am-2:30pm in the Carolina Room in the Dataw Island Clubhouse.

### Course Set-Up/Yardage (\*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
Yardage	309	163	493	347	168	398	532	356	432	3198	404	374	183	533	387	452	187	432	509	3461	6659
Par	4	3	5	4	3	4	5	4	4	36	4	4	3	5	4	4	3	4	5	36	72

Alternate Tees: 286-yard tee on hole #8, 415-yard tee on hole #15, 398-yard tee on hole #17, 558-yard tee on #18.

#### Lodging

Lodging is available on-site at Dataw Island Club. There are a limited number of 1BR & 2BR villas adjacent to the clubhouse for rent. Contact Heidi Arroyave-Kook at (843-838-4243) to inquire about villa rates and availability. Beaufort is located 15 minutes away for dining and grocery needs.

Other area lodging and travel distances:

- Quality Inn St. Helena-Beaufort South (843-838-5022). Rates start at \$90.00. 5 minutes to club.
- Holiday Inn & Suites Beaufort (843-379-3100). Rates start at \$141.00. 20 minutes to club.
- Hilton Garden Inn Beaufort (843-379-9800). Rates start at \$189.00. 20 minutes to club.
- Fripp Island Resort (888-741-8974). Rates vary. 30 minutes to club. <a href="http://www.frippislandresort.com/rentals/search/">http://www.frippislandresort.com/rentals/search/</a>

## **Tournament Policies**

Dataw Island 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 Senior Amateur Championship home page.

Distance Measuring Devices: Local rule allowing the use of distance measuring devices will be in effect. If, during a stipulated round, a player uses a distance-measuring device to gauge or measure other conditions that might affect his play (e.g., elevation changes, wind speed, etc.), the player is in breach of Rule 14-3. Cell phones are permitted to use as DMD, provided no features or applications are accessed by the player that would cause a breach of Rule 14-3.

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.

(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.

# **Phone Numbers**

Carolinas Golf Association: 910-673-1000 Dataw Island Club: 843-838-8250