



# Carolin's Golf Association

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TO: 55<sup>th</sup> Carolinas Senior Amateur Championship Contestants  
FROM: Chris Zeh, Carolinas Golf Association  
DATE: July 1, 2016  
TOPIC: Carolinas Senior Amateur Championship Player Information

The Carolinas Golf Association looks forward to seeing you at the 55<sup>th</sup> Carolinas Senior Amateur Championship at Gaston Country Club in Gastonia, NC on September 12-14, 2016. 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 at 910-673-1000 if you have any questions or e-mail me at [chris.zeh@carolinasgolf.org](mailto:chris.zeh@carolinasgolf.org).

**Championship Website:** <http://www.carolinasgolf.org/championship/home/16senior/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.**

## Gaston Country Club Information

Club Address: 3700 Country Club, Gastonia, NC

Club Website: [www.gastoncc.com](http://www.gastoncc.com)

PGA Director of Golf: Tom Troncoso

Superintendent: Tim Carpenter

Golf Shop Phone: 704-867-9561

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

Championship Tees: CGA Tees (6,528yards, par 36-36-72); Course/Slope Rating 71.6/130:

Architect: Ellis Maples (Opened 1958; Renovation 2004)

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

Coolers: Personal coolers and outside beverages are not allowed.

Accepted Forms of Payment:

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

Food & Beverage: Clubhouse Pub=MasterCard, Visa, American Express Discover;

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

Map to Club: [Directions](#)

## 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 Senior Amateur Championship. Merchandise certificates are valid until December, 2016.

Sunday, September 11 **AFTERNOON ONLY** Tee times available for practice rounds. Must call golf shop in advance.

Monday, September 12 Round 1. Tee times at 8:00am/12:45pm off #1 and #10 tees.

Lunch in Banquet Formal Dining Room 11:00am-3:00pm

Tuesday, September 13 Round 2. Tee times at 8:00am/12:45pm off #1 and #10 tees.

Lunch in Banquet Formal Dining Room 11:00am-3:00pm

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

Wednesday, September 14 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 September 12-13 will be available on Thursday, September 8 by 5:00pm. Check the CGA website at [www.carolinasgolf.org](http://www.carolinasgolf.org), call the CGA office or the Gaston Country Club golf shop.

## Practice Rounds

You are entitled to one practice round on Sunday, September 11, **afternoon only** when tee times are available. You may call the golf shop beginning September 1st to schedule a practice round. Make sure to identify yourself as a Carolinas Senior Amateur Championship participant. It would be helpful if you make your own game before calling. There is a mandatory **\$35.00** cart/range fee for the practice round.

### **Pull-Carts**

Personal pull carts are **NOT** 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 September 12-13. Check with the CGA staff about cart availability.

### **Food and Beverage**

All food and beverage consumed on club grounds must be purchased at Gaston Country Club. Food and beverage will be available for purchase at the Mens Grill/Turnhouse located in clubhouse. Personal coolers are not allowed.

### **Hosted Food Functions**

Lunch will be provided for players only during rounds one and two only. Lunch will be served from 11:00am-3:00pm in the Formal Dining Room. Lunch can be purchased for others through Gaston CC.

### **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	481	163	392	376	413	373	495	199	395	3287	387	141	367	513	179	400	395	362	497	3241	6528
Par	5	3	4	4	4	4	5	3	4	36	4	3	4	5	3	4	4	4	5	36	72

### **Lodging-Please book before September 7**

Hampton Inn-\$104.00

Click Special Rate Codes and Enter CGA under Group Code on left side of screen after clicking on link

[www.charlottegastonia.hamptoninn.com](http://www.charlottegastonia.hamptoninn.com)

1859 Remount Road, Gastonia, North Carolina, 28054, USA TEL: +1-704-866-9090

### **Tournament Policies**

Gaston 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 Senior Amateur Championship home page.

**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 cancellations. 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**

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