

67th Four-Ball Championship of the Carolinas Golf Association

August 10-13, 2018

Camden Country Club, Camden, SC

Entries Open: July 5(8:00pm) Entries Close: July 30 (11:59 pm)

Entry Fee: \$375.00 (includes all cart/range fees)

ELIGIBILITY

Entry is open to any male amateur golfer who has reached his 13th birthday by May 3, 2018, maintains a residence in North Carolina or South Carolina, is member in good standing of a club which is a member of the Carolinas Golf Association (CGA) and has an active GHIN® USGA Handicap Index® at a CGA member club. Entries are subject to rejection at any time, including during the event, by the CGA or the host club. The reason for rejection may include unbecoming conduct or cell phone use during a stipulated round. All players must conform to the "USGA Rules of Amateur Status" as specified in the "Rules of Golf".

For complete residency and eligibility requirements, refer to the <u>CGA</u> <u>Tournament Manual</u> at the CGA website (www.carolinasgolf.org).

Championship field size=88 teams.

ENTRIES

All players, including those exempt, must register online at www.carolinasgolf.org. Mail-in applications are no longer accepted for this event. Fax, mail, e-mail, telephone, incomplete, illegible, or entries received before the opening date and after the closing date, are not accepted.

Entries are accepted on a first come, first serve basis.

Exempt players must register between 8:00pm on March 1 and 7:59pm on March 15 to ensure acceptance. Exempt players that sign up after 8:00pm on March 15 and non-exempt players gain entry into the tournament on a first come first serve basis.

The CGA is not responsible for errors or delays by any internet service provider. Entries are only accepted between the open and close dates as stated above. Confirmation of acceptance and tournament information is sent to players when their status has been determined. Status may be checked at www.carolinasgolf.org. Teams who "Did Not Show" (DNS) or "No Card" (NC) are suspended from next year's Carolinas Four-Ball Championship.

REFUND POLICY

Entry fee refund policy schedule:

Open Date to Day Prior to Championship Date: Full refund minus \$30.00 administrative fee regardless of reason if entry accepted into championship.

Withdraw on Championship Date; No-Shows: No refund for any reason.

Alternates: Full refund if player does not gain entry into the championship.

RULES

USGA Rules of Golf govern play. Questions will be decided by the on-site Rules Committee whose decision will be final. Notice to Players and local rules are posted at host club and distributed at the starting tee(s). The CGA reserves the right to alter the conditions or schedules as stated, including alteration of the stipulated round(s) at any time during the championship including sectional qualifying. The competition is closed when the championship trophy has been presented. Special requests for starting times or pairings are not granted.

COURSE FEES; GOLF CARTS; CADDIES; SPECTATORS

Stroke Play Qualifying and Match Play Rounds: All championship cart/range fees are paid by the CGA for all players. Players have the option to walk or use a golf cart during championship rounds.

Practice Rounds: Cart rental is mandatory for practice rounds.

Caddies: Caddies are allowed. A player may provide his own caddie. Caddies will not be available at host club. Caddie must be over the age of 13.

Caddie/Spectator Cart Policy: During the play of a hole, either the player or his caddie may ride in a golf cart but not both at the same time. Spectators are not allowed to ride in a player's golf cart at any time. Club owned spectator carts are not allowed except as provided in the CGA Tournament Manual.

FORMAT (New in 2018)

Championship format is 36 holes of four-ball stroke play to determine 16 qualifiers for four-ball match play.

PRIZES AND MERCHANDISE

The championship team receives merchandise, trophies and names inscribed on the *Hale Van Hoy Trophy*. Stroke play qualifying medalists' names will be inscribed on the *Joe B. McCarley Cup*. Additional prizes are awarded to all match play contestants.

Collegiate players should check with their institution compliance department regarding NCAA regulations relating to accepting prizes or merchandise.

EXEMPTIONS

- 1. Champions of the Carolinas Four-Ball Championship since 2008.
- Teams that qualified for match play at the 2017 Carolinas Four-Ball Championship.
- 4. Two exemptions for championship host club.
- 5. Special exemption bestowed by the CGA.

Exempt team members must compete on the same team or with another exempt player.

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CHAMPIONSHIP SCHEDULE (New in 2018)

Thursday, August 9

Tee times available for practice.

Friday, August 10

First round. 18 holes of four-ball stroke play qualifying.

Saturday, August 11

Second round. 18 holes of four-ball stroke play qualifying. Field cut to low 16 teams for match play.

Sunday, August 12

First and second rounds of four-ball match play (18 holes each round).

Monday, August 13

Semifinal and final rounds of four-ball match play (18 holes each round).

CONTACT INFORMATION

CGA: 910-673-1000 or e-mail: admin@carolinasgolf.org

Championship Site:

Camden Country Club: 803-432-3322