

34th Mid-Amateur Championship of the Carolinas Golf Association

April 4-6, 2014



Entries Open: February 2 **Entries Close: March 4**



ELIGIBILITY

Entry is open to any male amateur golfer who has reached his 30th birthday by April 4, 2014, is a legal resident of North Carolina or South Carolina, is a 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 that does not exceed 5.4. 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 unauthorized 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 CGA Tournament Manual at the CGA website (www.carolinasgolf.org). Championship Field Size: 132 (approximately)

ENTRY FEES (NEW - All Course Fees Paid by the CGA to the Host Club)

Sectional Qualifying Entry Fee: \$115.00 (includes sectional qualifying cart/range

Successful Qualifier Championship Entry Fee: \$75.00 (Fee is charged automatically to the player's credit card used for sectional qualifying registration who successfully qualifies and includes all championship site cart/range fees)

Exempt Player Entry Fee: \$165.00 (includes all championship site cart/range fees)

ENTRIES AND ONLINE REGISTRATION (NEW)

All players, including those exempt, must register online 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.

Exempt Players: Accepted into the championship proper at time of entry.

Non-exempt Players: Gain entry into the championship proper through sectional qualifying (see "Exemptions from Sectional Qualifying" and "Sectional Qualifying and Alternates" sections).

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 is sent to players when their status is determined. Status may be checked at www.carolinasgolf.org. The appropriate entry fee must be paid by each player at time of registration. Players who "Did Not Show" (DNS) or "No Card" (NC) are suspended from next year's Carolinas Mid-Amateur Championship.

REFUND POLICY (NEW)

Entry fee refund policy schedule: Open Date to Day Prior to Championship or Qualifying Date: Full refund minus \$30.00 administrative fee regardless of reason if entry accepted into championship or

Withdraw on Championship or Qualifying Date; No-Shows: No refund for any reason. Alternates: Full refund if player does not gain entry into a qualifying site

*Note: Refund policy and schedule applies to each entry fee stage. Example: Player pays \$115.00 entry fee to qualify. Player is successful in qualifying (\$115.00 entry fee has been used) and is automatically charged the \$75.00 championship entry fee balance due to their credit card. Player withdraws from the championship proper on the day prior to the first round. Player receives a refund of \$45.00 (\$75.00 championship entry fee balance-\$30.00 admin fee).

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.

CART/RANGE FEES; GOLF CARTS; CADDIES; SPECTATORS (NEW)

Sectional Qualifying: Qualifying round cart/range fees paid by the CGA and are included in the entry fee. Competitors have the option to either walk or use a golf cart during a qualifying round. Cart rental is mandatory for practice rounds.

(NEW) Championship Site: Championship site cart/range fees paid by the CGA and are included in the entry fee. Competitors have the option to either walk or use a golf cart during championship rounds. Cart rental is mandatory for practice rounds.

Caddies: Caddies are allowed for sectional qualifying and championship rounds. Caddies will not be available at host club.

Caddie/Spectator Cart Policy: During the play of a hole, either the player or his caddle 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.

CHAMPIONSHIP FORMAT

The championship format is 54 holes of stroke play. After 36 holes, the field is cut to the low 60 scorers and ties. A tie for the overall championship is decided by an on-

PRIZES

Merchandise prizes are awarded to the top 30 finishers at the championship proper and to the medalist at each qualifying site. Champion receives a trophy, merchandise from host club and possession of the *Darby Moore Trophy* for the ensuing year

EXEMPTIONS FROM SECTIONAL QUALIFYING

Players in the following categories are exempt from sectional qualifying if otherwise eligible. A complete list of exempt players is available on page 2.

- 1. Champions of the Carolinas Amateur since 2004.
- 2. Champions of the Carolinas Mid-Amateur since 2004.
- 3. Champions of the North Carolina Amateur since 2009.
- Champions of the CGA South Carolina Amateur Match Play since 2009.
- 5. Champions of the North Carolina Mid-Amateur since 2009.
- 6. Champions of the SCGA South Carolina Amateur since 2009.7. Champions of the SCGA South Carolina Mid-Amateur since 2009.
- 8. Champions of the North Carolina Amateur Match Play since 2010.
- 9. 2013 Carolinas Senior Amateur champion.
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- 12. Players who finished 30th or better in the 2013 Carolinas Mid Amateur. 13. 2013 Carolinas Men's Player of the Year.
- 14. 2013 Carolinas Senior Men's Player of the Year.
- 15. Players ranked in the Top 25 of the CGA Carolinas Men's Amateur Rankings as of opening date.
- 16. USGA individual champions since 2009.
- 17. 2013 USGA Championship qualifiers who advanced to match play at the amateur championships, finished top-100 at the U.S. Senior Open or advanced to the U.S. Open Championship proper.
- 18. Most recent Walker Cup Team members.
- 19. One exemption for championship host club.
- 20. 2013 Captain's Putter Carolinas Regular Team members.
- 21. Special exemption bestowed by the CGA

SECTIONAL QUALIFYING AND ALTERNATES

Sectional qualifying is 18 holes of stroke play. The number of qualifiers' places at each site is determined by the CGA after entries close, based on the size of the field. All ties for the final qualifying position qualify for the championship. Assignment is based on the date/time the CGA receives and processes each entry form. **Qualifying** site assignments cannot be changed after entries close.

If a qualifying site is full at the time of registration, a player may opt to be placed on

that site's alternate wait list or register at another qualifying site. A player may only register for one qualifying site. Wait list alternates and on-site alternates are ranked according to date/time an entry is received and processed.

Qualifying site player information is sent after entries are accepted. *Note: Qualifying sites may be cancelled due to a lack of participation.

SECTIONAL QUALIFYING SCHEDULE

March 10

Ballantyne Country Club, Charlotte, NC

Oak Valley Golf Club, Advance, NC

Country Club of Spartanburg, Spartanburg, SC

March 24

The Reserve Golf Club, Pawleys Island, SC Brier Creek Country Club, Raleigh, NC

March 27

Oak Hills Golf Club, Columbia, SC

CHAMPIONSHIP SCHEDULE

Thursday, April 3

Tee times available for practice.

Friday, April 4

First round. 18 holes of stroke play.

Saturday, April 5

Second round. 18 holes of stroke play.

Field cut to low 60 scores and ties for final round.

Sunday, April 6

Final round. 18 holes of stroke play.

CONTACT INFORMATION

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

Championship Site:

The Reserve Golf Club: 843-235-0755

Qualifying Sites:

Ballantyne Country Club: 704-341-3113 Brier Creek Country Club: 919-206-4653 Country Club of Spartanburg: 864-582-1646 The Reserve Golf Club: 843-235-0755 Oak Valley Golf Club: 336-940-2000 Oak Hills Golf Club: 803-735-9830

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Aughtry	Bubba	Concord	NC	12
Bowland	Blair	Burlington	NC	20
Brame	Steven	Henderson	NC	3,12, 20
Branyon	Josh	Honea Path	SC	7
Britt	Sherrill	West End	NC	12, 20
Buffaloe	Chris	Raleigh	NC	12
Channell	Dean	Cary	NC	12
Cloninger	Rick	Fort Mill	SC	9,14
Congdon	Andy	Murrells Inlet	SC	11
Crenshaw	Matthew	Burlington	NC	3, 20
Earnhardt	Greg	Greensboro	NC	12
Eaves	Chris	Burgaw	NC	12
Finster	John	Wake Forest	NC	2,12
Godfrey	Robert	Seneca	SC	2
Goins	Adam	Gaffney	SC	4
Grimes	Jarrett	Columbia	SC	2
Grisette	Uly	Clemmons	NC	5,12
Grumbles	Marcus	Travelers Rest	SC	7
Hall	William	Fort Mill	SC	12
Harris	James	Lillington	NC	12
Harvey	Scott	Greensboro	NC	1,2,5,12,13, 20
Hendley	Todd	Greer	SC	7,12
Hoft	J.D.	Bluffton	SC	20
Hukill	Robert	Raleigh	NC	12
Jackson	Jonathan	Chapel Hill	NC	20
Kirkpatrick	Ron	Charlotte	NC	12, 20
Laydon	Matt	Charleston	SC	4
Liebler	Steve	Irmo	SC	2,7,12
McClellan	Scott	Cary	NC	1
Mitchell	Chris	Prosperity	SC	12, 20
Neveu	Daniel	Pinehurst	NC	12
Palms	Lee	Greenville	SC	7
Patnode	Scott	Belmont	NC	12
Perry	Russ	Winston Salem	NC	10
Pugh	Gary	Asheboro	NC	12
Ring	Dale	Carthage	NC	12
Robinson	Gary	Fayetteville	NC	12, 20
Simmons	Rob	Beaufort	SC	12, 20
Simson	Paul	Raleigh	NC	1,12,16
Smith	Bill	Raleigh	NC	12
Swiger	Michael	Raleigh	NC	12
Thompson	Pat	Asheville	NC	12, 20
Todd, Sr	Walter	Laurens	SC	12, 20
Tucker	Paul	Waxhaw	NC	2,5
Waters	Keith	Raleigh	NC	12
Westveer	Brian	Charlotte	NC	5,12, 20
White	Todd	Moore	SC	4,18
Wood Jr.	Banks	Charlotte	NC	1
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