



# 102<sup>nd</sup> Amateur Championship of the Carolinas Golf Association July 14-17, 2016 Country Club of Charleston, Charleston, SC



**Entries Open: May 3 (8:00pm) Entry Fee: \$135.00 Entries Close: June 14 (11:59pm)**  
(Entry fee includes sectional qualifying round cart fee and all championship site cart fees)

## ELIGIBILITY

Entry is open to any male amateur golfer who has reached his 13<sup>th</sup> birthday by July 14, 2016, 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 **7.4**. 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. All players must conform to the "USGA Rules of Amateur Status" as specified in "The Rules of Golf".

**College Student Eligibility:** A college student is considered a resident of their parent(s)/guardian(s) "Legal Residency Criteria" as stated in the CGA Tournament Manual unless said student (a) has no dependency on his/her parents; and (b) lives full time in North Carolina or South Carolina.

For complete residency and eligibility requirements, refer to the [CGA Tournament Manual](#).

Approximate championship field size: 144 players.

## ENTRIES AND ONLINE REGISTRATION

All players, including those exempt, must register online at [www.carolinascgolf.org](http://www.carolinascgolf.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.carolinascgolf.org](http://www.carolinascgolf.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 Amateur Championship.**

## REFUND POLICY

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 sectional qualifier.

**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.

## 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

**Sectional Qualifying:** Qualifying round cart fee paid by the CGA and is included in the entry fee. Cart rental is mandatory for practice rounds.

**Championship Site:** CGA will pay cart and range fees for all championship rounds. Competitors have the option to either walk or use a golf cart during championship rounds. Cart and range fee 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 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

The championship format is 72 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-course playoff.

## CAPERS CUP TEAM COMPETITION

The Capers Cup competition is held during rounds one and two of the championship proper. Three or four bona fide members from the same club comprise a team. The low three scores count each round. The CGA will contact clubs with more than four eligible players to select their team roster. Otherwise, the CGA will select players with the four lowest USGA Handicap Indexes. Team rosters are due to the CGA by July 6.

## PRIZES

Champion receives a trophy, merchandise from host club and name inscribed on the *Richard S. Tufts Trophy*. Merchandise prizes are awarded to the top 30 finishers at the championship proper. Trophies are awarded to members of the winning team of the Capers Cup Competition. Trophies and merchandise are awarded to the medalist(s) at each sectional qualifying site.

## 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 2006.
2. Champions of the North Carolina Amateur since 2011.
3. Champions of the CGA South Carolina Amateur Match Play since 2011.
4. Champions of the Carolinas Mid-Amateur since 2011.
5. Champions of the North Carolina Mid-Amateur since 2011.
6. Players who finished in the top 30 at the 2015 Carolinas Amateur.
7. Champions of the SCGA South Carolina Amateur since 2011.
8. Champions of the SCGA South Carolina Mid-Amateur since 2011.
9. Champions of the North Carolina Amateur Match Play since 2011.
10. 2015 Carolinas Senior Amateur champion.
11. 2015 Carolinas Junior Boys Champion.
12. 2016 Carolinas Four-Ball champions.
13. 2015 Carolinas Senior Four-Ball champions.
14. 2015 Carolinas Men's Player of the Year.
15. 2015 Carolinas Senior Men's Player of the Year.
16. 2015 Carolinas Junior Boys Player of the Year.
17. USGA individual and four-ball champions since 2011.
18. 2015 USGA Championship qualifiers who advanced to match play at the amateur championships (individual or four-ball), finished top-100 at the U.S. Senior Open or advanced to the U.S. Open Championship proper.
19. Most recent Walker Cup Team members.
20. Two exemptions for championship host club.
21. Players ranked in Top 50 of CGA Men's Amateur Rankings as of opening date.
22. 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.

## QUALIFYING SCHEDULE

### **June 23**

Greenwood Country Club, Greenwood, SC

### **June 27**

Pine Lake Country Club, Charlotte, NC

### **June 28**

Masonboro Country Club, Wilmington, NC

### **June 30**

Pine Hollow Golf Club, Clayton, NC

### **June 30**

Wescott Golf Club, Summerville, SC

### **July 6**

Stoney Creek Golf Club, Whitsett, NC

### **July 7**

Columbia Country Club, Blythewood, SC

## CHAMPIONSHIP SCHEDULE

### **Wednesday, July 13**

Tee times available for practice.

### **Thursday, July 14**

First round. 18 holes of stroke play.

### **Friday, July 15**

Second round. 18 holes of stroke play.

Field cut to low 60 scores and ties.

### **Saturday, July 16**

Third round. 18 holes of stroke play.

### **Sunday, July 17**

Final round. 18 holes of stroke play.

## CONTACT INFORMATION

CGA: 910-673-1000 or e-mail: [admin@carolinascgolf.org](mailto:admin@carolinascgolf.org)

### **Championship Site:**

Country Club of Charleston, Charleston, SC:

### **Qualifying Sites:**

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| Last         | First     | City           | State | Exemption         | Last       | First     | City          | State | Exemption |
|--------------|-----------|----------------|-------|-------------------|------------|-----------|---------------|-------|-----------|
| Allen        | Jeff      | Jacksonville   | NC    | 5                 | Kocher     | David     | Charlotte     | NC    | 6,9,21    |
| Blalock      | Will      | Gastonia       | NC    | 6                 | Kohles     | Ben       | Cary          | NC    | 1         |
| Brame        | Steven    | Henderson      | NC    | 2                 | L:angdale  | Austin    | Townville     | SC    | 21        |
| Branyon      | Josh      | Honea Path     | SC    | 8,21              | Laydon     | Matt      | Charleston    | SC    | 3         |
| Britt        | Sherrill  | West End       | NC    | 4,21              | Lehman     | JD        | Okatie        | SC    | 6         |
| Capps        | Miller    | Denver         | NC    | 21                | Liebler    | Steve     | Irmo          | SC    | 21        |
| Cassetta     | Christian | Winston Salem  | NC    | 21                | Long       | Will      | Gastonia      | NC    | 21        |
| Cauthen      | Dwight    | Columbia       | SC    | 6                 | Martin     | Joshua    | Pinehurst     | NC    | 2,6,21    |
| Cloninger    | Rick      | Fort Mill      | SC    | 13                | McClellan  | Scott     | Cary          | NC    | 1         |
| Cole         | Preston   | Greer          | SC    | 6                 | Mitchell   | Eric      | Winston Salem | NC    | 6         |
| Conover      | Tim       | Holly Springs  | NC    | 21                | Murray, Jr | Michael   | Greensboro    | NC    | 6         |
| Conover      | Wesley    | Holly Springs  | NC    | 21                | Nesmith    | Matthew   | N. Augusta    | SC    | 21        |
| Crenshaw     | Matt      | Burlington     | NC    | 2,4,9             | Niland     | Charles   | Charlotte     | NC    | 6         |
| Dargan       | Robert    | Columbia       | SC    | 8                 | Nimmer     | Bryson    | Bluffton      | SC    | 21        |
| Dickens, IV  | Al        | Charlotte      | NC    | 9                 | Novak      | Andrew    | Mt. Pleasant  | SC    | 3,7,21    |
| Earnhardt    | Greg      | Greensboro     | NC    | 5,21              | O'Connell  | Kevin     | Raleigh       | NC    | 6         |
| Eberhardt    | Nick      | Lake Wylie     | SC    | 21                | Palms      | Lee       | Greenville    | SC    | 8,21      |
| Edmondson    | Noah      | Davidson       | NC    | 6                 | Park       | Christian | Charlotte     | NC    | 6         |
| Eldridge     | Thomas    | Raleigh        | NC    | 6,21              | Phillips   | Trent     | Inman         | SC    | 21        |
| Elliott      | Matt      | Wilkesboro     | NC    | 6,21              | Price      | Parks     | Taylorville   | NC    | 6         |
| Fields       | Jack      | Southern Pines | NC    | 1                 | Proveaux   | Cody      | Leesville     | SC    | 7,21      |
| Franken      | Stephen   | Raleigh        | NC    | 6,21              | Rada       | Patrick   | Anderson      | SC    | 1         |
| Gandy        | Seth      | Durham         | NC    | 6                 | Rainey     | William   | Charlotte     | NC    | 6,21      |
| Germann      | David     | Clayton        | NC    | 21                | Redman     | Doc       | Raleigh       | NC    | 6,21      |
| Gies II      | David     | Charlotte      | NC    | 21                | Reeves     | Austin    | Greer         | SC    | 7         |
| Goins        | Adam      | Gaffney        | SC    | 3                 | Robinson   | Gary      | Fayetteville  | NC    | 15        |
| Gordon       | William   | Davidson       | NC    | 21                | Salzer     | Christian | Sumter        | SC    | 16        |
| Grainger     | Jim       | Charlotte      | NC    | 13                | Schlottman | Ben       | Advance       | NC    | 21        |
| Griffin      | Benjamin  | Chapel Hill    | NC    | 21                | Seabolt    | Zach      | Raleigh       | NC    | 21        |
| Grisette     | Uly       | Winston Salem  | NC    | 21                | Shimp      | Henry     | Charlotte     | NC    | 6,11      |
| Hardee       | Jonathan  | Greer          | SC    | 21                | Simson     | Paul      | Raleigh       | NC    | 6,17      |
| Harrell      | Logan     | Huntersville   | NC    | 1                 | Smalley    | Alex      | Wake Forest   | NC    | 6,21      |
| Harvey       | Scott     | Greensboro     | NC    | 1,4,5,14,17,19,21 | Sutton     | Lionel    | La Grange     | NC    | 21        |
| Harwell      | Steven    | Mooresville    | NC    | 21                | Tereshko   | Justin    | Greensboro    | NC    | 6,21      |
| Hendley      | Todd      | Greer          | SC    | 8,21              | Thompson   | Pat       | Asheville     | NC    | 10        |
| Hicks        | Jacob     | Mebane         | NC    | 6,21              | Todd, III  | THomas    | Laurens       | SC    | 21        |
| Huskey       | Keenan    | Greenville     | SC    | 6,7,21            | Tucker     | Paul      | Waxhaw        | NC    | 4,6       |
| Jaspers      | Joe       | Huntersville   | NC    | 5,6,21            | Walsh      | Thomas    | High Point    | NC    | 21        |
| Jenkins      | Carter    | Raleigh        | NC    | 1,2,6,9,21        | Westveer   | Brian     | Charlotte     | NC    | 5         |
| Johnson, Jr. | Stanhope  | Greensboro     | NC    | 6,21              | White      | Todd      | Spartanburg   | SC    | 21        |
| Joye         | Mark      | Columbia       | SC    | 3                 | Wiggins    | Victor    | Gastonia      | NC    | 6,21      |
| Kauffman     | Bradley   | Greer          | SC    | 3                 | Womble     | Davis     | High Point    | NC    | 6,21      |
| Keur         | Julian    | Summerville    | SC    | 21                | Young      | Carson    | Pendleton     | SC    | 1,6,7,21  |
| Kilgo        | Matt      | Charlotte      | NC    | 6                 |            |           |               |       |           |