



# 23rd North Carolina Mid-Amateur Championship of the Carolinas Golf Association

September 23 - 25, 2016

Starmount Forest Country Club, Greensboro, NC

Entries Open: July 3 (8:00pm)

Entries Close: August 23 (11:59pm)



## ELIGIBILITY

Entry is open to any male amateur golfer who has reached his 30<sup>th</sup> birthday by September 23, 2016, is a legal resident of North 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 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](#).

Championship Field Size: 120 (approximately)

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

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

**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 at [www.carolinagolf.org](http://www.carolinagolf.org). Mail-in applications are not 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.carolinagolf.org](http://www.carolinagolf.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 North Carolina Mid-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.

\*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 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.

## 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-course playoff.

## 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 *P.J. Boatwright Trophy* for the ensuing year.

## EXEMPTIONS FROM SECTIONAL QUALIFYING (New for 2016)

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 Mid-Amateur since 2006.
3. Champions of the Carolinas Mid-Amateur since 2011.
4. Champions of the North Carolina Amateur since 2011.
5. Champions of the North Carolina Amateur Match Play since 2011.
6. 2015 Carolinas Senior Amateur champion.
7. 2016 North Carolina Senior Amateur champion.
8. 2016 Carolinas Four-Ball champions.
9. 2016 Carolinas Senior Four-Ball champions.
10. 2015 Carolinas Men's Player of the Year.
11. 2015 Carolinas Senior Men's Player of the Year.
12. Players who finished 30th or better in the 2015 North Carolina Mid-Amateur.
13. Players ranked in the Top 50 of the CGA Carolinas Men's Amateur Rankings as of entry opening date.
14. USGA individual or four-ball champions since 2011.
15. 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.
16. Most recent Walker Cup team members.
17. Two exemptions for championship host club.
18. 2015 Captain's Putter Carolinas Regular Team members.
19. 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

### August 29

Cabarrus Country Club, Concord, NC

### August 31

Carolina Trace Country Club (Lakes), Sanford, NC

### September 10

Pilot Knob Golf Club, Pilot Mountain, NC

### September 12

Bermuda Run Country Club, Advance, NC

### September 14

Lochmere Golf Club, Cary, NC

## CHAMPIONSHIP SCHEDULE

### Thursday, September 22

Tee times available for practice.

### Friday, September 23

First round. 18 holes of stroke play.

### Saturday, September 24

Second round. 18 holes of stroke play.

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

### Sunday, September 25

Final round. 18 holes of stroke play.

## CONTACT INFORMATION

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

### Championship Site:

Starmount Forest Country Club: 336-299-0427

### Qualifying Sites:

Cabarrus Country Club: 704-786-8154

Carolina Trace Country Club: 919-499-5611

Pilot Knob Golf Club: 336-368-2828

Bermuda Run Country Club: 336-998-8154

Lochmere Golf Club: 919-851-0611

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Last	First	City	State	Exemption		Last	First	City	State	Exemption
Allen	Jeff	Jacksonville	NC	2		Livonius	Justin	Charlotte	NC	12
Aughtry	Bubba	Concord	NC	12		Marion	Rick	Mt. Airy	NC	12
Belter	Bryan	Winston Salem	NC	12		McClellan	Scott	Cary	NC	1
Bowland	Blair	Burlington	NC	12		Miller	Tommy	Boone	NC	12
Brame	Steven	Henderson	NC	4,12,18		Murray	Jim	Taylorsville	NC	12
Britt	Sherrill	West End	NC	3,12,13,18		Neveu	Daniel	Pinehurst	NC	12,18
Buffaloe	Chris	Raleigh	NC	12		Park	Scott	Charlotte	NC	12
Byman	Ed	Raleigh	NC	15		Parks	Price	Calabash	NC	13
Callahan	Jonathan	Denver	NC	12		Pearson	Jim	Charlotte	NC	9
Cassetta	Chris	Winston Salem	NC	12,18		Pennell	Justin	Lenoir	NC	12
Channell	Dean	Cary	NC	12		Reece	Brandon	Rolesville	NC	12
Crenshaw	Matt	Burlington	NC	3,4,5,12,13,18		Robinson	Gary	Fayetteville	NC	2,11,15
Eaker	David	Forest City	NC	12		Rocchi	William	Pinehurst	NC	12
Earnhardt	Greg	Greensboro	NC	2,12,13,18		Simpson	Dwayne	Charlotte	NC	12
Eckard	Brady	Hickory	NC	12		Simson	Paul	Raleigh	NC	7,14,15
Elliott	Matthew	Wilkesboro	NC	18		Stovall	Brant	Asheboro	NC	12
Grainger	Jim	Charlotte	NC	9		Sutton	Lionel	La Grange	NC	12,13
Grisette	Uly	Clemmons	NC	2,18		Tereshko	Justin	Jamestown	NC	18
Harvey	Scott	Greensboro	NC	1,2,3,10,13,14,15,16,18		Thompson	Pat	Asheville	NC	6,15
Harwell	Steve	Davidson	NC	13,18		Thompson	Shane	Canton	NC	12
Hodges	Mark	Belmont	NC	12		Tucker	Paul	Waxhaw	NC	2,3,12,13
Hukill, III	Robert	Raleigh	NC	12		Waters	Patrick	Rutherfordton	NC	12
Jackson	Jonathan	Chapel Hill	NC	12		Westveer	Brian	Charlotte	NC	2
Jaspers	Joe	Huntersville	NC	2,12,13		Wood, Jr.	Banks	Charlotte	NC	12
Kirkpatrick	Ron	Charlotte	NC	12		York	Aaron	Durham	NC	12
Landry	Brent	Charlotte	NC	12						