

# 6<sup>th</sup> Carolinas Net Amateur Championship

Conducted by the Carolinas Golf Association, South Carolina Golf Association and

Women's South Carolina Golf Association

November 12-13, 2016

Pine Lakes Country Club, Myrtle Beach, SC

Entries Open: September 20 (8:00 pm) Entry Fee: \$150.00 Entries Close: November 3 (11:59 pm) (Cart & Range Fees and Saturday Social Included)

## **ELIGIBILITY**

Entry is open to any amateur golfer who has reached his or her **18**<sup>th</sup> birthday by November 12, 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), South Carolina Golf Association (SCGA) or Women's South Carolina Golf Association (WSCGA) and has an active GHIN® USGA Handicap Index® at a CGA/SCGA/WSCGA 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. 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 Tournament Manual</u>.

Field size=104 players.

#### ENTRIES AND ALTERNATES ENTRIES AND ONLINE REGISTRATION

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.

Exempt players are accepted at time of entry (see "Exemptions"). The first <u>98</u> non-exempt entries are accepted on a first come, first served basis regardless of gender according to date and time entry is received. Alternates are ranked in order which entries are received.

The CGA/SCGA/WSCGA 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 Net Amateur 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.

#### <u>RULES</u>

USGA Rules of Golf govern play. Questions will be decided by the onsite 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. The competition is closed when the championship trophy has been presented. Special requests for starting times or pairings are not granted. Dress code: No cut-off shorts or denim, no shorts shorter than four inches above the knees, no tank tops or t-shirts, and all shirts must have either a collar or sleeves.

#### CART FEES; GOLF CARTS; CADDIES; SPECTATORS

Practice Rounds: Cart rental is mandatory for practice rounds. Competitors pay host club directly for practice round fees.

Championship Rounds: Championship round cart & range fees and Saturday Social is included in the entry fee.

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

Caddie/Spectator Cart Policy: Competitors must use a golf cart during championship rounds, therefore caddies are required to walk at this championship. 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 is 36 holes of net stroke play using 100% Course Handicap. Net Score is calculated by subtracting Course Handicap from Gross Score. Players select the division in which to compete if eligible:

Men (age 18+); Senior Men (age 55+); Super Senior Men (age 65+); Women (age 18+); Senior Women (age 50+); Super Senior Women (age 65+).

Men age 55+ have the option to compete in the Men's division. Women age 50+ have the option to compete in the Women's division.

Players are assigned into flights within divisions by net score following the first round.

## COURSE YARDAGES

Men: 6305 yards Senior and Super Senior Men: 5756 yards Women: 4758 yards Senior and Super Senior Women: 4758 yards

#### HANDICAP AND "KNOCKOUT RULE"

USGA Handicap Index® as of the November 1, 2016 revision will be used to determine a player's Course Handicap.

The CGA/SCGA/WSCGA may, in an exceptional individual case, modify a player's Course Handicap before or between rounds of the competition.

A player is disqualified if his net score beats the course rating by eight or more strokes and beats the next best net score in their division by four or more strokes for <u>BOTH</u> championship rounds.

#### PRIZES AND PLAYOFFS

Overall champion in each division receives a trophy and merchandise. Merchandise will be awarded to the top finishers in each flight based upon the number of entrants.

A tie for the overall champion in each division is determined by an oncourse three hole playoff using 1/6 course handicap rounded to the nearest whole number. If a tie remains then co-champions will be declared.

All other ties are broken on the score card using the USGA recommended method.

#### EXEMPTIONS

Players in the following categories are exempt if otherwise eligible.

- 1. 2015 Carolinas Net Amateur Champions:
  - -Men's Division Champion. (Alex Finke)
  - -Women's Division Champion. (Chrissie Spidell)
  - -Senior Men's Division Champion. (Jeff Yohn)
  - -Senior Women's Division Champion. (Mary Jones)
  - -Super Senior Men's Division Champion. (Donald Leatherman)
  - -Super Senior Women's Division Champion. (Maggie Collins)

# CHAMPIONSHIP SCHEDULE

Friday, November 11 Tee times available for practice.

# Saturday, November 12

First round. AM shotgun. 18 holes of stroke play.

Field divided into flights by net score. Social immediately following play at Pine Lakes Country Club.

# Sunday, November 13

Final round. AM shotgun. 18 holes of stroke play. Awards ceremony immediately following play.

# CONTACT INFORMATION

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