



44th South Carolina Amateur Match Play Championship of the Carolinas Golf Association

June 15-19, 2016

Bear Creek Golf Club, Hilton Head Island, SC

Entries Open: April 17 (8:00pm) Entry Fee: \$160.00 Entries Close: June 7 (11:59pm)
(Includes all championship cart & range fees)



ELIGIBILITY

Entry is open to any male amateur golfer who has reached his 13th birthday by June 15, 2016, is a legal resident of 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 South Carolina.

For complete residency and eligibility requirements, refer to the CGA Tournament Manual at the CGA website (www.carolinagolf.org).

Championship field size=144 players.

ENTRIES AND ONLINE REGISTRATION

All players, including those exempt, must register online at 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: Entries are accumulated for the entire open/close window. The final field is comprised of exempt players and players with lowest handicap indexes. Alternates are ranked according to Handicap Index.

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 proper.

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

Championship Site: All championship site cart/range fees are paid by the CGA and included in the entry fee for both stroke play qualifying and match play rounds. Competitors have the option to either 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

Championship format is 36 holes of stroke play to determine 32 qualifiers for match play. The defending champion, **Andrew Novak**, is seeded number one for match play if otherwise eligible.

PRIZES

Champion receives a trophy, merchandise and possession of the permanent championship trophy for the ensuing year. Trophy and merchandise is awarded to the runner-up and stroke play qualifying medalist. Merchandise is awarded to players who advance to match play.

EXEMPTIONS

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

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4. Champions of the Carolinas Mid-Amateur since 2011.

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6. Players who qualified for match play at the 2015 South Carolina Amateur Match Play Championship.

7. 2015 Carolinas Senior Amateur champion.

8. 2015 SCGA South Carolina Senior Amateur champion.

9. 2015 CGA South Carolina Junior Match Play champion.

10. 2015 Carolinas Junior Boys champion.

11. 2015 SCGA South Carolina Junior champion.

12. 2016 Carolinas Four-Ball champions.

13. 2015 Carolinas Senior Four-Ball champions.

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18. USGA individual or four-ball champions since 2011.

19. 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.

20. Most recent Walker Cup team members.

21. Two exemptions for championship host club.

22. Special exemption bestowed by the CGA.

CHAMPIONSHIP SCHEDULE

Tuesday, June 14

Tee times available for practice.

Wednesday, June 15

First round of stroke play qualifying.

Thursday, June 16

Second round of stroke play qualifying.

Cut to low 32 players for match play.

Friday, June 17

First and second round of match play (18 holes each round).

Saturday, June 18

Quarterfinal and semifinal rounds of match play (18 holes each round).

Sunday, June 19

Championship match (18 holes).

CONTACT INFORMATION

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

Bear Creek Golf Club: 843-681-2667

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Last	First	City	State	Exemption
Anderson	Mark	Beaufort	SC	3
Andrews	Wick	Columbia	SC	6
Branyon	Josh	Honea Path	SC	5
Clepper	Cody	Sumter	SC	6
Cloninger	Rick	Fort Mill	SC	13
Cole	Preston	Greer	SC	6
Dallery	Charles	Sumter	SC	6
Dargan	Robert	Columbia	SC	5,6
Eberhardt	Nick	Lake Wylie	SC	6,17
Ernst	Drew	Seneca	SC	3
Fisher	Chase	Columbia	SC	6
French	Tripp	Columbia	SC	6
Goff	Jeffrey	Jackson	SC	3
Goins	Adam	Gaffney	SC	1
Grab	Jeremy	Daniel Island	SC	6
Grimes	Jarrett	Columbia	SC	6,17
Hardee	Jonathan	Greer	SC	6,17
Hart	Adam	Blythewood	SC	1
Hendley	Todd	Greer	SC	5,8
Hopkins	Luke	Greer	SC	3
Huskey	Keenan	Greenville	SC	3,17
Joye	Mark	Columbia	SC	1
Kauffman	Bradley	Greer	SC	1,6
Keur	Julian	Summerville	SC	6,17
Langdale	Austin	Townville	Sc	17
Laydon	Matt	Charleston	SC	1,6
Lutomski	Robert	Mauldin	SC	6
Mackay	Cameron	Bluffton	SC	6
McAllister	Tripp	Lake City	SC	1
McDonald	Chandler	Richland	SC	6

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Milam	Jud	Ridgeland	SC	6
Mitchell	Chris	Prosperity	SC	6,17
Nesmith	Matthew	N. Augusta	SC	17
Nimmer	Bryson	Bluffton	SC	17
Novak	Andrew	Mt. Pleasant	SC	1,3,6,17
Opperman	Tee	Pawleys Island	SC	17
O'Quinn	Matt	Beaufort	SC	6
Palms	Lee	Greenville	SC	3,5,17
Phillips	Cary	Kershaw	SC	6
Proveaux	Caleb	Lexington	SC	17
Proveaux	Cody	Leesville	SC	3,17
Rada	Patrick	Anderson	SC	2
Reeves	Austin	Greer	SC	3
Reeves	Crawford	Greenville	SC	1
Reynolds	Ryan	Camden	SC	6
Salzer	Christian	Sumter	SC	11,16
Scruggs	Kyle	Chesnee	SC	6
Sease	Christian	Mt. Pleasant	SC	6
Self	Coleman	Greenwood	SC	6
Smith	Jake	Duncan	SC	6
Sowell	Logan	Kershaw	SC	6
Thomas	Warren	Columbia	SC	1
Todd, III	Thomas	Laurens	SC	6,17
Truesdale	Brandon	Winnsboro	SC	6
Ward	Andrew	York	SC	6
White	Taylor	Duncan	SC	6
White	Todd	Moore	SC	1,17
Willis	Nick	Cowpens	SC	9
Young	Carson	Pendleton	SC	2,3,17