



42ND MGA PLAYERS' CHAMPIONSHIP Hastings Golf Club

Monday-Wednesday, August 17-19, 2020 NOTICE TO COMPETITORS

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DIRECTIONS TO HASTINGS: Click **HERE** for directions to Hastings Golf Club.

CHAMPIONSHIP FORMAT: The Championship format is match play. The 45 players who qualify in the Sectional Qualifying rounds will join the 19 exempt players for a total of 64 players at the Championship proper.

The following is the complete schedule of matches for the Championship:

First Round - Monday, August 17: 1st and 10th Tees from 7:30 – 9:30 am

Second Round - Monday, August 17: 1st Tee from 1:00–3:00 pm

Third Round - Tuesday, August 18: 1st Tee from 7:30–8:30 am

Quarterfinal Round - Tuesday, August 18: 1st Tee from 12:30-1:00 pm

Semifinal Round - Wednesday, August 19: 1st Tee at 7:30 and 7:38 am

Championship Match - Wednesday, August 19: 1st Tee at 12:30 pm

All matches will be 18-holes, and in case of ties, a hole-by-hole playoff will begin immediately from the hole on which the match started and will be considered as part of the stipulated round.

CHAMPIONSHIP DRAW: The MGA Tournament Committee will assign the Defending Champion the #1 see. The next 14 highest ranked players according to their standing on the 2019 Player of the Year points list will be given seeds #2-15. The next two spots (16-17) are reserved for the Senior and Junior Players of the Year from 2019, respectively. Lastly, the two previous Amateur champions (if they are not already in the field) will be seeded #18-19. The Host Club Exemption will be seeded #64. Any spot not filled will be returned to the qualifying process. Next, the medalist from each of the eleven (11) sectional qualifying sites will be seeded according to his differential during the qualifying round. In the event of co-medalists from a site(s), they will be grouped together and seeded in order of time of finish in the qualifying round. The balance of the qualifiers will be seeded based on the ranking of their differential (in the qualifying round) from lowest to highest. (NOTE: **Score - Course Rating = Differential**.)

The bracket and starting times will be posted at Noon on *Friday, August 14, 2020*. Players should visit the MGA web site, www.mngolf.org, for specific tee time and opponent information. Any withdrawal after Noon on Friday, August 14, will result in a bye.

<u>CHAMPIONSHIP PRACTICE ROUNDS:</u> Championship practice rounds <u>are available</u> based on availability. Call the Golf Shop at (651) 437-4210 to make arrangements.

<u>PRACTICE RANGE</u>: The practice range will be open at 45 minutes prior to the first starting time each day. Range balls will be complimentary prior to each round. **MGA Special COVID-19 Policies and Guidelines** remain in place. Please click <u>HERE</u> to view them.

<u>CADDIES:</u> Caddies ARE NOT PERMITTED. You may carry your own bag or use pull/push carts. <u>Motorized riding carts are prohibited during the Championship.</u>

<u>DRESS CODE FOR THE CHAMPIONSHIP</u>: As stated in the entry form, for all MGA competitions, <u>players and caddies</u> must be neat in appearance with respect to personal grooming and clothing. All males are required to wear shirts with collars and sleeves, and either golf slacks or Bermuda shorts, which measure no higher than 2 inches above their knees. The Committee in charge shall decide whether this requirement has been met and will withdraw the entry of a player who does not comply. Players are responsible for the dress of their caddies.

Examples of attire NOT ACCEPTABLE include the following: Short shorts, Cargo shorts, athletic shorts, tennis shorts, cut-offs, denim (of any type), tank tops, t-shirts, and sweat pants.

- **FOOTWEAR POLICY AT HASTINGS:** As stated in the entry form, it is a condition of the competition that shoes with metal or traditionally designed spikes are prohibited. Penalty for breach of this condition: *Disqualification*.
- **CELL PHONE POLICY:** The MGA prohibits the use of devices for telecommunication while on the course.
- <u>AWARDS:</u> The Champion will be presented the Al Wareham Memorial Trophy to be retained at the MGA headquarters. The Champion and Runner-up will receive a replica of the trophy for their permanent possession. The semi-finalists will receive a trophy as well.
- <u>PLAYERS' MEALS:</u> The MGA will provide a complimentary lunch for <u>players only</u> each day of the Championship. Guests and spectators are permitted to eat but at their own expense.
- <u>IMPORTANT NOTICE TO PLAYER:</u> If you are a successful qualifying player, you must confirm your position in the field by paying the Championship Fee in the Tournament Management (TM) online registration system for the Championship proper by <u>9 PM, THURSDAY, AUGUST 13.</u>

If you decide to withdraw, you have an obligation to do so in ample time to enable someone to take your place. Therefore, if you withdraw, you must notify the MGA office (952/345-3975) promptly. This is to insure an alternate a fair opportunity to play.

PLAYER POINTS: Player points will be awarded as follows:

Champion: 200 Quarterfinalist: 75 Runner-up: 150 Top 16: 50

Semifinalist: 100 Top 32: 25 Qualifiers: 5

COURSE SET-UP INFORMATION: The chart shows the anticipated course set-up and expected Pace of Play. The Committee reserves the right to modify the set-up prior to the beginning of play.

Course Rating: 73.2 Slope Rating: 134

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Out	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	IN	TOTAL
4	4	5	4	4	3	4	4	3	35	5	4	4	4	4	3	5	3	4	36	71
415	335	525	432	420	192	465	437	160	3,381	520	402	358	434	408	195	482	210	340	3,349	6,730
:13	:13	:14	:13	:13	:12	:14	:13	:12	1:57	:14	:13	:13	:13	:13	:12	:15	:12	:13	1:58	3:55