

MGA WOMEN'S AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP



NORTHLAND COUNTRY CLUB

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MONDAY-WEDNESDAY JULY 24-26, 2017

NOTICE TO COMPETITORS

CHAMPIONSHIP FORMAT: The Championship will consist of **TWO** divisions: *Championship* (54 holes) and *Flights* (36 holes). A player with a handicap index of 7.4 or less, effective at time of entry, will be placed in the Championship Division.

Championship Division will play 54 holes of stroke play, 18 holes each day. The Champion will be the player with the lowest total gross score after 54 holes.

Flights Division will play 36 holes of gross stroke play, 18 holes each day on the first two days. Players will be placed in flights based on their handicap index as of July 15.

- **PLAYOFF & TIES:** In the event there is a tie for the *Championship*, there will be a playoff immediately following the conclusion of play on a hole-by-hole basis. Ties for first place within *Flights* will be determined by a matching of final round scorecards following the USGA recommendation.
- **REGISTRATION & SHUTTLE:** There will be NO formal check-in and a shuttle (located near the Golf Shop) will be available for players starting on hole #10. A MGA staff member will help facilitate the shuttles. Please report to your assigned tee 10 minutes before your starting time.
- **RULES OF PLAY:** The USGA Rules of Golf, MGA Conditions of Competition, this Notice to Competitors, as well as any Local Rules established specifically for the Championship will govern play. Players will receive a Local Rules sheet daily at their starting hole. Players who want a copy of the MGA Conditions of Competition may find it on the MGA web site www.mngolf.org/tournaments/archive.
- **STARTING TIMES:** There will be no change in starting times other than by decision of the committee due to weather conditions. Starting times for Rounds 1 & 2 will be posted on the MGA website (www.mngolf.org) approximately five (5) days prior to the Championship.
- **PACE OF PLAY:** The MGA Pace of Play Policy will be in effect and strictly enforced. The Pace of Play for the Championship can be found at the Championship home page on the MGA web site www.mngolf.org. Players should make the effort to read the policy prior to the beginning of the Championship.
- **DRESS CODE FOR THE CHAMPIONSHIP:** For all MGA competitions, players and caddies must be neat in appearance with respect to personal grooming and clothing. All entrants are required to wear appropriate golf attire as defined by the host club and/or the MGA. Short shorts, athletic shorts, tennis shorts, denim, tank tops, T-shirts and sweats are not acceptable. The committee will decide whether this requirement has been met and will withdraw the entry of any player not complying.
- **FOOTWEAR POLICY:** As stated in the official 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.**
- **<u>CELL PHONE POLICY:</u>** The MGA prohibits the use of cell phones and other similar devices during play.
- **PRACTICE RANGE:** During the Championship, the practice range will be open an hour before the first tee time. Range balls are complimentary and will be setup on the practice facility.
- **DRINKING WATER:** Drinking water will be provided.
- **FOOD AND BEVERAGE SERVICE:** There will be a player banquet after play on Monday. Food and beverage service will be available on a cash and charge basis all days of the Championship. All food and beverages, except for that found at the 1st and 10th tees and at the player banquet, are at the player's expense.
- <u>CADDIES AND CARTS:</u> Carrying your bag and the use of a pull cart, including motorized, is permitted for all players. Motorized riding carts are *prohibited* in the **Championship Division**, but are *permitted* in the **Flights Division**. Only motorized carts provided by the host facility may be used. Contestants are responsible for paying the appropriate fee for the use of such carts prior to play each day. You are encouraged to bring your own caddie, if desired.

TEAM EVENT: A team will be comprised of two players from the same club. For the first two days of the Championship, the best two net scores from each club will be used for a team score. Any tie will be broken by the USGA recommendation of a matching of scorecards found in Appendix I, Part C.

PRIZES: Trophies will be awarded to the Champion and first place finishers in each flight for their permanent possession. Merchandise prizes will be awarded as determined by the Tournament Committee.

POSTING SCORES: All scores from the competition will be entered in GHIN and identified as tournament ("T") scores by the MGA. Do **NOT** enter these scores yourself.

<u>CHAMPIONSHIP PRACTICE ROUNDS:</u> Championship practice rounds are available on a space-available basis. Monday – Wednesday, Thursday mornings, Friday and Sunday afternoons are available for \$50 walking or \$70 with cart. Call the Golf Shop to schedule a practice round.

LODGING: Lodging arrangements have **NOT** been made at area hotels. However, there are hotels within a reasonable distance of Northland Country Club.

DIRECTIONS TO NORTHLAND COUNTRY CLUB: Click here for a link.

MGA PLAYER OF THE YEAR POINTS:

8 th : 50	15 th : 10
9 th : 40	
10 th : 35	
11 th : 30	
12 th : 25	
13 th : 20	
14 th : 15	
	9 th : 40 10 th : 35 11 th : 30 12 th : 25 13 th : 20

COURSE SET-UP:

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9		10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18		
Championship	395	313	342	471	137	367	370	186	464	3045	324	450	163	372	395	357	384	150	388	2983	6028
Flights	395	238	292	442	125	335	340	170	464	2801	324	408	130	337	360	357	356	120	325	2717	5518

CHAMPIONSHIP WEB SITES:

MGA Women's Amateur Championship:

https://www.mngolf.org/Tournament/75th MGA Womens Amateur Championship

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