

## Minnesota Golf Association

## 10<sup>th</sup> MGA MID-PLAYERS' CHAMPIONSHIP Bent Creek Golf Club

14490 Valley View Road, Eden Prairie, MN 55344 (952) 937-9347; <a href="https://www.bentcreekgolfclub.com">www.bentcreekgolfclub.com</a> Tuesday-Thursday, June 14-16, 2016

<u>CHAMPIONSHIP FORMAT</u>: The Championship format is match play. The 24 players who qualify in the Sectional Qualifying rounds will join the 8 exempt players for a total of 32 players at the Championship proper. *All players will play a first round match*.

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

First Round - Tuesday, June 14: 1<sup>st</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> Tee from 8:30 – 9:30 am Second Round - Tuesday, June 14: 1<sup>st</sup> Tee from 1:30 – 2:30 pm Quarterfinal Round - Wednesday, June 15: 1<sup>st</sup> Tee from 8:00 – 8:30 am Semifinal Round - Wednesday, June 15: 1<sup>st</sup> Tee at 12:46 and 12:54 p.m. Championship Match – Thursday, June 16: 1<sup>st</sup> Tee at 7:40 a.m.

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 (unless circumstances prohibit such) and will be considered as part of the stipulated round.

Champion (Joe O'Brien) as the #1 Seed. The next six seeds (2-7) will come from the entered Exempt Players according to their standing on the 2015 Player of the Year points list (in the event of a tie, there will be a blind draw for seeded positions). The Host Club Exemption will be seeded 32<sup>nd</sup>. Next, the medalist from each of the 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 first round draw and starting times will be posted at 12 noon on *Friday, June 10*, *2016*. Players may call the MGA office, (952) 345-3963, or visit the MGA web site, <a href="https://www.mngolf.org">www.mngolf.org</a> for specific tee time and opponent information. Any withdrawal after 12:00 noon on Friday, June 10, will result in a bye.

CHAMPIONSHIP PRACTICE ROUNDS: Championship practice rounds are available at Bent Creek GC at a rate of \$50 (walking). Call the Golf Shop (952) 937-9347 to make arrangements. Please identify yourself as an MGA Mid-Players' Contestant.

**PRACTICE RANGE:** The practice range will be open at least one hour prior to the first starting time each day of the tournament. Range balls will be complimentary prior to each round. The range is *irons only*. Thank you in advance for following this policy.

**DIRECTIONS TO BENT CREEK GC:** Click **HERE** for directions to Bent Creek.

- <u>CADDIES/CARTS:</u> Bent Creek GC <u>does not have</u> caddies available. You may bring your own caddie, carry your own bag, or use a pull/push cart. The use of a motorized riding cart is not permitted in the Championship.
- DRESS CODE FOR THE CHAMPIONSHIP: As stated in the entry form, for all MGA competitions, players and caddies 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.

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

- **FOOTWEAR POLICY AT BENT CREEK:** 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*.
- <u>CELL PHONE POLICY:</u> The MGA Tournament Players' Policy prohibits the use of cell phones on the golf course.
- <u>AWARDS:</u> The Champion will be presented with the permanent trophy to be retained at the MGA headquarters. The Champion and Runner-Up will receive trophies for their permanent possession.
- <u>PLAYERS' MEALS:</u> A lunch will be available for all contestants from 11:00 am to 3:00 pm on Tuesday, June 14<sup>th</sup>. Caddies and guests are permitted to eat but at their own expense. (Cost for the buffet is \$16 inclusive.) All meals for players continuing on in the Championship will be provided by the MGA as a courtesy to the players.
- **IMPORTANT NOTICE TO PLAYER:** By accepting this certificate, you are accepting a place in the 2016 MGA Mid-Players' Championship.

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 (952/927-4643 ext.2) promptly. This is to insure an alternate a fair opportunity to play.

**PLAYER POINTS:** Player points will be awarded as follows:

Champion: 100 Quarterfinalist: 40 Runner-up: 75 Round of 16: 25 Semi-finalist: 50 Qualifiers: 5

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

## COURSE RATING: 72.7 SLOPE RATING: 139

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Out	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	IN	TOTAL
5	3	4	4	4	4	4	3	4	35	5	4	4	4	3	4	5	3	4	36	71
520	145	360	435	332	382	405	192	390	3.161	500	335	410	400	212	438	520	160	435	3,410	6,571
:14	:11	:13	:14	:13	:13	:13	:12	:13	1:56	:14	:13	:13	:13	:12	:14	:14	:11	:14	1:58	3:54