

2016 SCGA SCRATCH LEAGUE ENTRY INFORMATION

<u>REGULAR SEASON</u>: Matches may begin after September 15 and conclude by November 14. Clubs wishing to start their matches earlier should contact the SCGA as soon as possible.

REGIONAL FINALS:

- Southern California: Industry Hills GC, November 18, 2016
- Northern California: Poppy Ridge GC, November 18, 2016

CALIFORNIA CHAMPIONSHIP: Red Hill Country Club, December 1, 2016

<u>SCRATCH LEAGUE FORMAT</u>: Teams within each group will play one match at each of the courses within the group. All play is without handicaps except for seeding the pairing order from low to high current Handicap Index. Each hole is worth a set number of points, which is divided amongst the players based upon the outcome of the hole. Stroke play rules apply.

<u>CLUB ELIGIBILITY</u>: Each club submitting an entry application must be identified as the "club of record" at its facility and must maintain at least one 18-hole (5,000 yards or more in length) golf course. Each club must have a certified Handicap Chair. Certification can be obtained by completing a SCGA Handicap Certification Class. Additionally, all clubs must be in compliance with the USGA License Agreement. Without a certified Handicap Chair and updated license, your club will not be eligible to participate in the 2016 SCGA Scratch League.

DEFINITION OF TEAM: Each team will consist of seven players (one club professional and six amateurs). A permanent roster is not required for each team. There is no limit as to the number of players who may be used during the season. Club professionals will play against each other.

<u>NOTE</u> (*Revised for 2016*): A club professional <u>must</u> participate in each match – no substitutions may be made for that position on the roster.

PLAYER ELIGIBILITY: Players must be 21 years of age or older as of the date of the match they participate in. All players must be listed on the club's membership roster for the team that he/she wishes to compete for as of September 1, 2016. Each player must have a current Handicap Index.

GROUP SELECTION: The SCGA encourages clubs to form their own groups for the regular season. The Group Selection Form (located within this document) must be completed and submitted along with the club's entry form. If a club is not part of a group, the SCGA will attempt to pair the club with other clubs that are similar and in geographic proximity. There is no guarantee or presumption that a club that submits an entry without being a part of group will be able to participate in the 2016 SCGA Scratch League. The SCGA's decision to pair groups is deemed to be final. Such groupings may consist of three, four or five teams. The sole remedy of a team that is not assigned to a group, or which is assigned to a group in which it does not want to play, is to withdraw its application and receive a refund of its entry fee.

HOST CLUB REQUIREMENTS: During the regular season, it is recommended that the host club host green fees for the visiting teams. Teams within a group may agree to other arrangements, provided all teams within the group are in agreement. Carts and food and beverages should be made available to the visiting club for purchase.

<u>CONDUCT</u>: The provisions of the 2016 SCGA Scratch League Rules of Play regarding player conduct are incorporated here.

ONLINE INFORMATION: For complete league information, rosters, results and archives, please click <u>here</u>.

ENTRY FEE: \$330. Payment must be received by the SCGA along with this entry no later than Monday, September 12, 2016. If your club would like to contribute to the SCGA Junior Foundation please note on your payment form.

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The SCGA reserves the right to accept or reject any entry at any time.