

# PLAYER INFORMATION 2015 SCGA PUBLIC LINKS CHAMPIONSHIP (GROSS)

Brookside Golf Club (Course #1 & #2) Friday - Sunday, August 21-23, 2015

# **GENERAL INFORMATION**

## 1. **REGISTRATION:**

There will be registration at 6 a.m. on Friday morning for this event. All players must check in at the starter's window if they wish to rent a golf cart and obtain a ticket to hit range balls.

## 2. STARTING TIMES AND PAIRINGS:

Starting times and pairings for the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Rounds will be e-mailed to players and posted online at scga.org one week in advance of the Championship. Starting times begin at 7:00 a.m. for Round 1 (Course #1) and at 7:00 a.m. for Round 2 (Course #2). Round 3 pairings will be available approximately one hour after play on Round 2. Round 3 will be played on Course #1 starting at 7:00 a.m.

Players are encouraged to arrive at their assigned tee well in advance of their starting time, as the SCGA starter will have information to discuss and distribute to each player in the group. Furthermore, players arriving late will be penalized under Rule 6-3a of the *Rules of Golf*. For example, the 9:00 a.m. starting time is defined as 9:00:00, and players arriving after that time are considered late. Lead groups should plan to be at their assigned tee 10 minutes in advance of their starting time. Subsequent groups are encouraged to arrive in time to watch the group in front of them tee off.

## 3. **FORMAT:**

54-hole individual gross stroke play championship. After 36 holes a cut will be made to the low 30 players and ties.

## 4. **TEES:**

#### Course #1

Men will play from the **Blue** tee markers. 72.5 / 129 / 6,711 yards. Par 72 Women will play from the **Blue** tee markers. 78.6 / 135 / 6,711 yards. Par 72

# Course #2

Men will play from the **Blue** tee markers. 68.9 / 122 / 6,046 yards. Par 70 Women will play the **Blue** tee markers. 74.9 / 131 / 6,046 yards. Par 70

# 5. **PRACTICE ROUNDS:**

Players may make arrangements for practice rounds at their own expense.

Go online at <a href="mailto:brookside.americangolf.com">brookside.americangolf.com</a> or call the Brookside Pro Shop at (626) 585-3598 to book a starting time. Standard rates apply to all participants.

# 6. **DRIVING RANGE:**

The Driving Range will be open by 6:30 a.m. on the day of the qualifier. Range balls will be provided compliments of the SCGA.

# 7. **FOOD SERVICE:**

The Restaurant will be open from 6:30 a.m. until the conclusion of play. <u>All participants will receive a discount off their total if they mention they are playing in the SCGA tournament.</u>

# 8. **PURCHASES:**

Cash and major credit cards will be accepted for all purchases.

## 9. **CLUB CONTACT INFORMATION:**

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# **CONDITIONS OF THE COMPETITION**

#### 1. RULES OF PLAY:

Play is governed by the USGA *Rules of Golf*. Local Rules in effect will be found on the SCGA Hard Card and the Notice to Players addendum distributed at the site. Disregard all other club posted Local Rules including those on the back of the club's score card.

## 2. DISTANCE MEASURING DEVICES AND CELL PHONES:

Distance measuring devices (without the capability of measuring slope, wind, etc.) are permitted. Players should be cautioned that some smart phones with a distance measuring application do not qualify for use due to other non-conforming applications on the phone (such as an altimeter or anemometer). The mere presence of a non-conforming feature or application disqualifies the device, even if these other features or applications are not being used. Beginning in 2014, the use of a compass is no longer a breach of the *Rules of Golf*. Any questions about such devices should be resolved before the start of the stipulated round. Otherwise, cell phone use is not permitted during the stipulated round.

# 3. **TIES:**

In the event of a tie for the last qualifying place or an alternate's position, a sudden death playoff will commence at the completion of regular play.

# 4. **AUTOMOTIVE TRANSPORTATION:**

Carts are optional at the player's expense (\$15 per player). There will be a maximum of two carts per group and two bags per cart. Drivers must be at least 16 years of age (or older if club policy dictates). Each player is entitled to one seat in a cart. If a player brings a caddie, the caddie may ride provided there is a vacant seat in one of the carts. Otherwise, either the player or the caddie must walk.

# 5. **PULL CARTS**:

Pull or push carts are permitted. The club rents them for \$5.

## 6. **CADDIES**:

Players may provide their own caddie (See section 4 on Automotive Transportation). Caddies must adhere to the dress code listed in section 8 below.

# 7. **SPECTATORS**:

Spectators are permitted but are not allowed in carts. Spectators must adhere to all policies set forth by the club.

## 8. **DRESS CODE:**

Players and caddies must be properly attired in golf shirts, slacks, Bermuda-length dress or golf shorts and soft spike shoes. Jeans (any color or any kind), T-shirts and tank tops will not be permitted. Shirts must be tucked in and hats are to be worn forward at all times.

# 9. PLAYER CODE OF CONDUCT:

By submitting an entry for any SCGA-administered competition, the contestant understands that his/her participation is at the sole discretion of the SCGA. A contestant may be removed from any competition at the discretion of the SCGA staff or Rules and Competitions Committee at any time before or during the competition. Incidents of unbecoming conduct or actions deemed to be detrimental to the image of the SCGA or the "Spirit of the Game" are grounds for such removal and suspension from future SCGA-administered competitions. These include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Willful damage of the golf course or golf course property
- Club throwing or unnecessary club tossing
- Offensive or unbecoming language
- Public criticism of golf course or verbal abuse of SCGA staff, officials, volunteers, host club staff or other contestants
- Potential endangerment of others
- Conduct deemed unbecoming
- Failure to post scores for handicapping purposes
- Manipulation of scores posted for handicapping purposes

# 10. **CANCELLATIONS:**

To withdraw for any reason prior to the start of an SCGA competition, a player must notify the SCGA Rules and Competitions Department at (818) 980-3630, or by clicking <a href="https://example.com/here/">here</a>.

If a player needs to withdraw on the morning of the event, notify the SCGA staff person through the golf shop staff at the host venue. Failure to notify the SCGA will subject the player to suspension from future SCGA competitions. Requests for refunds prior to the entry closing date will be honored less a \$10 administrative fee. Requests received after the entry closing date and 48 hours prior to the event will be honored less 50% of the entry fee. No refunds will be honored within 48 hours of the event.