MGA ________

MEMORANDUM TO PLAYERS

74th MGA Public Links Championship SQR (W #1)

Blue Hill Golf Course, Pearl River, NY • Wednesday, May 22, 2024

FORMAT

This event is a one-day 18-hole stroke play competition. In the event of a tie for the last qualifying position(s), all ties will qualify.

GENERAL

- This event will be played on the Pines (Front 9) and Woodlands (Back 9) courses.
- The Golf Shop and Locker Room will open at 6:30 a.m.
- There is <u>no</u> Practice Range at Blue Hill Golf Course.

REGISTRATION AND START OF PLAY

Players are requested to check in upon their arrival at the course. Contestants are to report to their assigned starting tees, ready to play, 10 minutes before their scheduled starting times. Caddie arrangements should be completed before players report.

PRACTICE ROUND

There are **no** MGA administered practice rounds for the qualifier. Players may schedule a practice round by Clicking Here.

DRESS

Players must be neat in appearance with respect to clothing and personal grooming. Players and caddies must wear collared shirts. The wearing of jeans, cargo shorts, and cargo pants is prohibited. The Committee in charge decides whether this requirement has been met and has authority to withdraw the entry of a player who does not comply.

FOOD SERVICE

- A continental breakfast will be provided by the MGA from 7:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m.
- Lunch will be available for purchase at O'Grady's Castle Restaurant at 11:00 a.m.
- Players will <u>not</u> be permitted to stop to eat between nines.

CADDIES

- There are **no** caddies at Blue Hill Golf Course.
- This is a walking only event.
- Players may bring their own caddie.
- Players may carry their own bag.
- It is **strongly recommended** that caddies wear shoes without spikes or tread.
- Players <u>are</u> permitted to use pull carts. A limited supply of pull carts are available to rent for \$5 inside the
 golf shop.

LOCAL RULES

- Please check at the starter's table for the Local Rules and the USGA website (<u>www.usga.org</u>) for a list of approved golf balls & drivers for the competition.
- The "One Ball Rule" is not in effect.

PACE OF PLAY

It is a condition of the competition that "the Player shall play without undue delay and in accordance with any pace of play (POP) guidelines that the Committee may establish" and with the prescribed penalties for slow play. The MGA will be closely monitoring the POP at all MGA competitions. Chronic slow play takes away much of the enjoyment of the game of golf and we ask that you please be courteous of your pace. We appreciate your cooperation with the MGA Pace of Play Policy.

IMPORTANT REMINDER

- If it becomes necessary to withdraw prior to the date of the competition, please contact the MGA Championship Department at (914) 347-4653.
- If you must withdraw on the day of the event, please call the Blue Hill Golf Course at (845) 735-2094, with a request that the message be immediately relayed to the MGA official-in-charge.

CLUB ADDRESS/PHONE NUMBER

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