MEMORANDUM TO PLAYERS 69th Ike MGA Stroke Play Championship



Nassau Country Club, Glen Cove, NY • Tuesday & Wednesday, June 25 - 26, 2024

FORMAT

Individual Championship - 54-holes stroke play. All qualifiers will play 18 holes on Tuesday, June 25 after which the field will be cut to the low 40 plus ties and any score within 5 strokes of the leader. All players who make the cut will play 36-holes on Wednesday, June 26; all starting times will be between 7:30 - 9:20 a.m. and official pairings will be available on the MGA website (www.mgagolf.org) Tuesday evening at approximately 8:00 p.m. Ties for first place for the Individual Championship will be decided by a three-hole aggregate stroke play playoff immediately following the conclusion of play on Wednesday.

<u>Team Championship</u> - will be run concurrently with the Individual Championship. At the conclusion of 54 holes, the two individuals from the same club with the lowest total combined score for 54 holes will automatically constitute that club's team. Clubs will be represented by their lowest 2-man team. A tie for first or second place in the Team Championship will go to the team with the lowest individual scorer. If there are no clubs from which two or more players make the "cut", the Team Championship will be decided after 18 holes.

GENERAL

- The practice range will open at 6:30 a.m. (185 yard maximum). Balls will be provided courtesy of Nassau CC.
- The Golf Shop and Locker Room will be open at 6:30 a.m.
- The MGA would appreciate the cooperation of players in reporting their scores at scoring stations setup throughout the golf course.
- Molded bottom shoes without plastic spikes or rubber shoes are highly encouraged to maintain the consistency of the greens throughout the championship. Please be aware of the marks you make on the greens and tap down any marks before leaving each green.

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

Players have been accorded the courtesy of a practice round. Please click <u>here</u> for the Practice Round Notice for additional information.

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. Molded bottom shoes without plastic spikes or rubber shoes are highly encouraged to maintain the consistency of the greens throughout the championship. Please be aware of the marks you make on the greens and tap down any marks before leaving each green.

FOOD SERVICE

- A continental breakfast will be provided by the MGA both days from 6:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. in the Grill Room.
- Luncheon service will be provided courtesy of the MGA both days, for contestants of the Championship from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. on the Upper Terrace.
- All players should plan to pay **cash** for caddie and guests' lunches on both days of the Championship.

CADDIES

- There is a <u>limited supply</u> of caddies at Nassau CC. Players must contact Darren Wetzel at <u>play@nassaucc.com</u>, to reserve a club caddie on a first-call basis. The caddie fee for the lke Championship is \$120.00 per player (tip not included).
- This is a walking only event.
- Players may bring their own caddie.
- Players may carry their own bag.
- Pull carts are **not** permitted.
- Caddies are **strongly encouraged** to wear shoes without spikes or tread.
- Caddies will be required to have MGA Caddie Bibs that will be provided by the MGA.

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" will not be in effect.
- Distance Measuring Devices will be permitted.

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 and USGA Championships. 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 Chris Gaffney, Director of Championships, at (516) 732-9044.

CLUB ADDRESS/PHONE NUMBER

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