MEMORANDUM TO PLAYERS 122nd Met Amateur Championship



Somerset Hills Country Club, Bernardsville, NJ • Thursday - Sunday, August 1 - 4

FORMAT

36-holes of stroke play on Thursday, August 1, followed by match play for 16 qualifiers (tie for onsite medalist prize will be determined by low p.m. round, then USGA matching of cards). For purposes of determining places in the draw, ties in qualifying rounds will be decided by a blind draw, except that places of those participating in a play-off will be determined by the order of finish.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Thursday, August 1 Stroke Play Rounds 1 & 2 beginning at 7:30 a.m.

Friday, August 2 Match Play Round of 16 beginning at 7:30 a.m. and afternoon quarterfinal matches

Saturday, August 3 Match Play Semifinal matches beginning at 7:30 a.m.

Sunday, August 4 Match Play 36 Hole Championship match beginning at 7:30 a.m.

GENERAL

- The Somerset Hills practice areas will open at 6:00 a.m. Please note that there is a 100 yard maximum at the range.
- The Golf Shop and Locker Room will be open at 6:00 a.m., players should self-park upon arrival.
- The use of cellular phones is permitted **only** in the Locker Room and inside of your car in the parking lot.

REGISTRATION AND START OF PLAY

- Upon arrival, please check-in at the Registration Tent.
- If you plan on bringing your own caddie, he or she will be required to wear an MGA caddie bib during
 the Met Amateur Championship. The caddie bibs will be distributed at the starting tee.

PRACTICE ROUND

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

CADDIES

- There is a <u>limited supply</u> of caddies at Somerset Hills CC. Players must contact David Wolfmeyer at <u>starters@somersetcc.org</u>, to reserve a club caddie on a first-call basis. The caddie fee for the Met Amateur 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.

FOOD SERVICE

- A continental breakfast will be provided by the MGA from 6:00 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. on the Terrace.
- Luncheon service will be provided courtesy of the MGA for contestants of the Championship from 11:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. on the Terrace.
- All players are invited to attend a small reception following the conclusion of their second round.
- All players should plan to pay <u>cash only</u> for caddie and guests' lunches on both days of the Championship.

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.

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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