



Women's Ohio State Golf Association

95th Amateur & 2nd Mid-Amateur Invitational Championships

July 23 - 26, 2018 • Moundbuilders Country Club • 125 N. 33rd St., Newark, OH 43055

2017 Amateur Champion • Ashley Au • Westerville
2017 Mid-Amateur Champion • Suzi Spotleson • Canton

ELIGIBILITY; DIVISIONS

Entry is open to amateur female golfers who (1) are members of a private club in Ohio that has paid 2018 Women's Ohio State Golf Association (WOSGA) membership dues, or (2) who are legal residents of Ohio, and (3) meet the handicap limits below.

Age: Player's date of birth and age are required on all WOSGA entry forms.

Residency: Proof may be required for non-member players.

Amateur Status: All players must conform to the USGA Rules of Amateur Status.

Divisions:

Open Division: No age limit. Player must have an individual up-to-date USGA Handicap Index not exceeding 18.0. Non-member players are invited to play and must have an individual up-to-date USGA Handicap Index[®] of 10.0 or less and be residents of Ohio.

Mid-Amateur Division: Players must have reached their 35th birthday by Monday, July 23, 2018. Mid-Amateur players must have an individual up-to-date Handicap Index[®] not exceeding 25.0. Non-member players are invited to play and must have an individual up-to-date Handicap Index[®] of 22.0 or less and be residents of Ohio.

FIELD

The field is limited to 88 players; 64 in the Open Division and 24 in the Mid-Amateur Division. A player's eligibility is determined by their USGA Handicap Index[®] in effect on the date their entry was received. Entries of players with a Handicap Index[®] less than 9.4 and past WOSGA tournament champions have priority acceptance through Friday, June 22, 2018. If field is full before the closing date, entrants will be placed on the Championship Alternate List maintained by WOSGA. WOSGA reserves the right to modify field size at any time and select players based on Handicap Index[®].

Acceptance into Events: WOSGA may reject, at their discretion, an entry application, revoke an accepted application, expel from the Championship or suspend a player from future championships for any reason including improper withdrawal from the Championship or unbecoming conduct. See WOSGA *Conditions of Play and Local Rules*, effective March 1, 2018 (www.wosga.org/policies). All entries are subject to acceptance by the WOSGA.

Substitutions: If a player withdraws prior to or on the first day of the Championship prior to playing their first stroke, substitution is allowable. A list of alternates (Championship Alternate List) shall be maintained by the WOSGA. Vacancies will be offered to an alternate in order of Handicap Index[®]. Any ties for the last spot in the field by an alternate will be settled by drawing of lot.

ENTRIES: FORM, FEES

All players shall apply on the official entry form provided by WOSGA, or a copy thereof, obtainable from the WOSGA or the WOSGA website (www.wosga.org/state-amateur). Keep this page for your use.

Entry fee of \$165.00 must be paid by every player who is a member of a private club that has paid 2018 WOSGA membership dues. All other eligible players must pay an entry fee of \$190.00. Entry fee includes driving range balls, lunch Monday and Tuesday at Moundbuilders Country Club during the Championship, and prizes.

Change for 2018: Entry form and fee must be mailed together; no electronic or emailed entry forms, nor an entry form without an entry fee accompanying it, will be accepted.

ENTRY DEADLINE; WITHDRAWAL; REFUNDS

Entries close Monday, July 2, 2018. Entry form and fee must be mailed to Kaye Julian at 8368 Grayson Green St. NW, Massillon, OH 44646 before the entry deadline. Late entries are automatically rejected. Acknowledgment of acceptance of entry will be sent via e-mail by Friday, July 6, 2018. WOSGA will have no liability with respect to errors in delivery of entry applications and the consequences therefrom, including rejection of entry. No entries or entry fees will be accepted at the tee.

Withdrawal: After the start of the Championship, a player must have the consent of the WOSGA Executive Committee or Tournament Manager (not host club personnel) to withdraw from the Championship. Players must contact Kaye Julian, Tournament Manager, at 330-608-7202 to withdraw from the Championship. If a player withdraws without this consent, they shall be ineligible to play in the championship for one year.

Refunds: A \$30.00 service fee will be deducted from ALL refunds. The entry fee will be refunded, minus the service fee, regardless of reason, if the WOSGA Tournament Director, Kaye Julian is notified at (330) 608-7202 before entries close. After entries close, entry fee will be refunded, minus the service fee, for injury or illness if requested by 11:59 P.M. EST on Wednesday, July 18, 2018. No refunds will be issued for any reason after Sunday, July 22, 2018. Any entry fee paid by an alternate with a position on the official Championship Alternate List who is not accepted into the Championship will be refunded in full.

REGISTRATION

Players are required to register on site. On-site player registration is from 12:30 P.M. to 3:00 P.M. on Sunday, July 22, 2018. Players who do not register may forfeit their position in the field to players on the Championship Alternate List. No refunds will be given for forfeited positions.

PRIZES

Prizes shall be awarded to the overall champion, runner-up, and semifinalists in the Open Division and the overall champion and runner-up in the Mid-Amateur Division. Flight winners and runner-ups receive prizes. The medalist is the competitor(s) with the lowest score for Qualifying in each Division. The medalist will receive an award; co-medalists are possible.

PRACTICE PRIVILEGES

Practice rounds are available on Sunday, July 22, 2018, beginning at 1:30 p.m. and cost \$25.00 (fee includes the player's cart fee for the practice round). Contact the pro shop beginning on Sunday, July 8, 2018 at (419) 666-1472 to schedule a practice round tee time. Contestants living within a 60-mile radius of the course are encouraged to arrange a practice round prior to July 22, 2018; local players should contact the pro shop to check on availability and to schedule their practice round. Automotive transportation is required for all practice rounds; WOSGA's Cart Policy is in effect, which means, if you have a caddy and they are riding in the cart during the practice round they are required to pay a \$25 cart fee. All contestants must arrange their practice rounds.

AUTOMOTIVE TRANSPORTATION; WALKING; CADDIES; PULL CARTS

A player may use automotive transportation, carry their own clubs, use a pull cart, or use a caddy. A player is prohibited from having member of the LPGA or PGA serve as a caddy during the stipulated round. The WOSGA Cart Policy is in effect (www.wosga.org/policies). Note the definition of caddy and equipment when using carts. All drivers must have a valid driver's license. Cart fees are charged per person per round.

SCHEDULE; TIES

Competition will be in two stages:

(A) Stroke Play: 18 holes stroke play to determine flights for match play. The 32 low qualifiers comprise the Championship Flight in the Open Division and the low 16 qualifiers comprise the Championship Flight in the Mid-Amateur Division. All other flights shall consist of 16 or 8 players. If there is an insufficient number of players to fill a flight, the flight may be played as a stroke play event and/or a combination of stroke and match play, at the discretion of the WOSGA. A tie for the last place in the Championship Flights of both Divisions shall be determined immediately by a sudden death playoff. All other ties shall be determined immediately by a scorecard playoff (*Appendix I of The Rules of Golf*). If the scorecard playoff still results in tie, then the secondary method will be "Last to First."

Sunday, July 22: Registration and Practice Rounds
Monday, July 23: Qualifying Round. 18 Holes Stroke Play; All Divisions

(B) Match Play: General numerical draw is used.

Tuesday, July 24: First Round. All Flights, All Divisions
Wednesday, July 25: A.M: Second Round. All Flights, All Divisions
P.M: Third Round. All Flights Open Division and Semifinals Championship Flight Mid-Amateur
Thursday, July 26: Double Round Match Play. Championship Flight, Open Division
A.M: Finals. 1st and 2nd Flight, Open Division and Mid-Amateur Division, All Flights

Pairings will be available as soon as possible after a round and posted at www.wosga.org. Due to possible weather conditions, tee times may change.

MONDAY AND TUESDAY PLAYER'S LUNCHES

Lunch is available for players following Monday's and Tuesday's round and is included in the entry fee. Caddies and spectators may purchase food.

PAYMENT; FOOD SERVICE

Moundbuilders Country Club will accept cash or credit card for cart fees, walking fees or other goods and services not included in the Championship's entry fee. No personal checks or reciprocal club charges will be accepted. Players and their guests may purchase food or beverage from the Club during the tournament week. Dinner reservations are recommended.

CONDITIONS; LOCAL RULES; SCHEDULES; DECISIONS

WOSGA's *Conditions of Competition and Local Rules and Cart Policy* are in effect and available at www.wosga.org/policies. The WOSGA Executive Committee reserves the right to alter any of the Conditions, Local Rules, Provisions, and/or Schedules herein, available at www.wosga.org, or provided as supplemental information for the Championship. The decision of the WOSGA Executive Committee in any matter shall be final.

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Make check payable to Women's Ohio State Golf Association. Do not send cash.

Change for 2018 – Emailed entries will not be accepted.

APPLICATION FEE FOR ENTRY

\$165 for Private Club Players from 2018 WOSGA Member Clubs (www.wosga.org/wosga-member-clubs)

\$190 for All Other Players; Must be a Legal Ohio Resident

I AM ENTERING (choose one) Open Division Mid-Amateur Division

Players may enter one division only. Players entering the Mid-Amateur Division must have reached their 35th birthday by July 23, 2018.

Print name by which you wish to be identified. Complete all applicable blanks or entry may be rejected. List age as of 12:01 A.M on July 23, 2018.

Name _____ Date of Birth _____ Age _____

Street _____ City and Zip _____

Home Phone (_____) _____ Cell Phone (_____) _____

E-mail Address _____ Club _____

Lunch Preference Regular Vegetarian Gluten-free

Do you want your e-mail address to appear on the roster of competitors? Yes No

CERTIFICATION OF HANDICAP

GHIN # of the above player is: _____ Handicap Index: _____

If no GHIN #, provide the following information:

Club Name _____ Handicap: _____

Handicap Chairperson/Golf Professional _____ Phone (_____) _____

CARTS/CADDYS FOR THE CHAMPIONSHIP

I prefer an automotive cart (\$25 plus tax daily fee* per rider per round)

I will provide my own caddy (one-time walking fee* of \$25 plus tax)

I will carry my own clubs or bring my own pull cart (one-time walking fee* of \$25 plus tax)

*Cart and walking fees are paid directly to Moundbuilders Country Club via cash or credit card.

I have read and agree to the Championship regulations attached hereto and posted on the WOSGA.org website. I have noted requirements for registration at the Championship site, Cart Policy, Conditions of Competition, Local Rules, Pace of Play, Code of Conduct, and for arranging a practice round. By entering a WOSGA event, the participant and any spectators associated with a participant understands and agrees that there are known risks involved with the participation in a golf event, including but not limited to being struck by lightning, being struck by a golf ball or golf club, suffering from heat exhaustion, incurring a severe health problem like a heart attack or stroke, being injured by uneven terrain, being injured while riding in a golf cart or by a golf cart, all of such risks participant assumes and solely accepts, and waves all claims of injury to body or property against the WOSGA. Furthermore, the participant agrees that while on the premises of all WOSGA events, the participant, any spectators/guest, associated with participant, shall be present at their own risk and that the WOSGA shall not be liable for any claims for injuries or damages whatsoever to person or property of that participant or associated person arising out of or in connection with the participation in the WOSGA event or presence at the WOSGA event. Participant agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the WOSGA from all claims by or liability to participant and associated persons. I agree that this entry is subject to rejection at any time (including during the Championship) by the WOSGA.

Signature of Applicant _____ Date _____

Signature of Parent/Guardian _____ Date _____

(Player and parent/guardian signatures required if contestant is under 18)

Amount Included: \$ _____