



WASHINGTON STATE GOLF ASSOCIATION 8TH MEN'S MID-AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP

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WINE VALLEY GOLF CLUB | WALLA WALLA, WASHINGTON
AUGUST 29 - 30, 2017
FIELD LIMIT: 120 | ENTRY FEE: \$190
ENTRY DEADLINE: AUGUST 8, 2017 AT 4:30 P.M.

ELIGIBILITY

Entries are open to amateur golfers who: a) are members in good standing of a WSGA member club; b) are 25 years of age or older by August 29, 2017; and c) have an active GHIN number and Handicap Index issued by a WSGA member club not exceeding 12.4, at the time of entry.

ENTRIES

Entrants may apply via the WSGA website at www.thewsga.org. Credit cards will be charged at the time of entry. Entrants may also apply on a WSGA entry form obtainable from the WSGA office or downloadable from the WSGA website. An entry fee of \$175 shall be paid by every applicant, except for the defending champion. A full refund will be sent to those players who are placed on a waiting list after entries have closed and are unsuccessful in getting into the playing field.

Entries, along with the appropriate fee, must be received by the WSGA by 4:30 p.m. on August 8, 2017. Refunds due to cancellation on or before August 8, 2017 are subject to a \$10 service fee. **NO REFUNDS WILL BE ISSUED AFTER AUGUST 8, 2017.**

Late entries will be accepted and placed on an alternate's list to fill spots if they become available up until a time that the WSGA Staff establishes. Late entries will not be accepted unless they are accompanied by the correct entry fee, plus an additional administrative fee of \$25. Contestants must contact the WSGA in order to submit a late entry.

CONDITIONS

The WSGA Men's Mid-Amateur Championship Committee reserves the right to alter any of the conditions and schedules herein. The Committee reserves the right to reject the entry of any applicant, at any time, for any reason. Any decision by the Committee, in any matter, shall be final.

CODE OF CONDUCT

Unacceptable conduct or behavior on the golf course or on club property will not be tolerated and are grounds for immediate disqualification, at any time, from any WSGA Championship. **The WSGA definition of unacceptable conduct or behavior will be provided at the championship.**

DISTANCE MEASURING DEVICES

In all WSGA Championships, a player may obtain distance information by use of a distance-measuring device. If, during a stipulated round, a player uses a distance-measuring device to gauge or measure other conditions that might affect her play, (e.g., elevation changes, wind speed, etc.), the player is in breach of Rule 14.3.

CARTS/CADDIES

The use of automotive carts during championship play is permitted. Contestants who wish to reserve a cart must indicate so on the entry form. Cart fees are \$20.00 per rider, per round and must be remitted along with the entry fee. No outside, private carts will be permitted during the championship. Contestants may have a caddie. Host club caddies may be available. Contact the golf shop regarding availability.

DRESS CODE

The WSGA expects all contestants and their caddies to wear suitable attire on the host club property throughout the duration of the championship, including practice rounds. The full WSGA Dress Code Policy can be found online at www.thewsga.org and will be provided to all players, along with any additional measures required by the host club, after the entry deadline. Gallery must adhere to the host club dress code policy. Failure to adhere to the dress code may result in disqualification and removal from the course.

PRACTICE ROUND

All contestants will be allowed one complimentary practice round prior to the championship. Consideration will be made for out-of-town players with regard to reserved starting times the day prior to the championship. Contestants can reserve practice round times directly through the golf shop. All practice round times are at the discretion of the golf shop staff.

STROKE LIMIT

Players must return a score within 15 strokes of the course rating in at least one of the rounds. Failure to do so will disqualify the player from entering the WSGA Men's Mid-Amateur Championship for a minimum of one year.

CHAMPIONSHIP SCHEDULE

36-hole stroke play competition (gross only). In the event of a tie for the championship, a sudden-death playoff will be used to determine the champion immediately following the conclusion of the final round.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 29

Round One

A.M. and P.M. Starting Times from the #1 Tee

Contestants re-paired by 18-hole scores

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 30

Final Round

A.M. and P.M. Starting Times from the #1 Tee

WITHDRAWAL POLICY

Refunds are not available after the closing deadline except for documented and approved medical reasons. All refunds are subject to a \$25 service fee.

During play of the championship, a "Withdrawal Form", available from a WSGA staff member, must be completed by any competitor withdrawing. Entrants who unofficially withdraw, by not filling out a form or without sufficient reason, may not be granted entry into any future WSGA championship for a minimum of two years.

LODGING

The WSGA recommends that contestants make their lodging arrangements at the earliest possible date. The WSGA has made arrangements for reserved rooms at the following hotel. When making reservations, contestants must identify themselves as WSGA Mid-Amateur Championship participants and must make reservations prior to the cutoff date. Rates are subject to change at any time.

Hotel information is available online at www.thewsga.org

CHAMPIONSHIP EXEMPTIONS

A place in the field will be reserved for the **2016 WSGA Men's Mid-Amateur Champion, Reid Hatley, 2012-2015 past champions of the WSGA Men's Mid-Amateur Championship** and the following Washington State Champions until August 8, 2017 (*Exempt players must meet the eligibility requirements of this Championship.*)

Past Champions: Tom Brandes, 2015; Tom Hale, 2014; Bjorn Bjorke, 2013; Tom Brandes, 2012

Top-Five finishers on the 2016 WSGA Mid-Amateur Points List: Reid Hatley, Mike Haack, Erik Hanson, Ryan Kelly, Sean Packer

2016 Hudson Cup Team: Chris Babcock, Mike Haack, Erik Hanson, Reid Hatley, Ryan Kelly

2016 WSGA Men's Amateur Champion: Chase Carlson

2016 WSGA Men's Mid-Amateur Player of the Year: Reid Hatley

2016 WSGA Senior Men's Amateur Champion: Brad Karns

2016 WSGA Men's Player of the Year: Andrew Whalen

2016 WSGA Super Senior Amateur Champion: Gudmund Lindbjerg

2016 WSGA Senior Men's Player of the Year: Erik Hanson

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PREFERRED STARTING TIME REQUESTS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED

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Name _____ Home Club _____
(Please Print)

Mailing Address _____

City _____ State/Province _____ Postal Code _____

Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

E-Mail Address _____ Age _____ Date of Birth _____
(As of August 29, 2017)

Handicap Index _____ GHIN# _____ Twitter Handle _____

Please reserve me a cart: _____ Please remit \$40 two day cart fee along with entry fee

Shirt Size: Small Medium Large X-Large XX-Large (Circle one)

I would like to make a \$ _____ tax-deductible contribution to the WSGA Youth on Course Program (Please include with entry fee)

By submission of this entry I agree to the following:

I agree to the eligibility requirements for acceptance and agree to the championship regulations.

I agree that the WSGA reserves the right to alter any conditions and schedules herein.

I agree to the "footwear" policy and agree that the WSGA assumes no liability for this condition of the competition.

I agree that this entry is subject to rejection at any time (including during the championship) by the WSGA. The reason for rejection may include unbecoming conduct.

I agree that the responsibility of ensuring this application is received by the WSGA no later than 4:30 P.M. on the entry deadline date is mine alone.

I agree that the risk of delay or error in transmission lies solely with me and that the WSGA has no liability with respect to any such delay or error.

X _____ Date _____
(Signature of entrant required)

Make checks payable to WSGA Men's Mid-Amateur and mail with entry to:

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