

17th METROPOLITAN WOMEN'S AMATEUR GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP

CONDUCTED BY THE METROPOLITAN AMATEUR GOLF ASSOCIATION



JULY 23 & 24, 2009

WHITMOOR COUNTRY CLUB



ELIGIBILITY

Entries are open to female amateur golfers who are affiliated with or are a member of a club which is a Member Club of the Metropolitan Amateur Golf Association. The entrant must have an up-to-date and current USGA GHIN Handicap Index of not more than 27.5. This entry and USGA GHIN Handicap must be certified by an Association or Club authorized to issue a USGA GHIN Handicap. Entries are subject to rejection at any time (including during the Championship) by the Championship Committee. The reason for rejection may include unbecoming conduct. Field will be 120 applicants with the lowest USGA GHIN Handicap Indexes. The Championship Committee reserves the right to issue special invitations.

SCHEDULE

Competition will be 36 holes, at stroke play. Flights will be determined based on USGA GHIN Handicap Index after close of entries on July 9, 2008. Championship Flight will be based upon entrants with a USGA GHIN Handicap Index of not more than 7.4. Championship Flight will play from a longer set of tees than the rest of the flights. Entrants with a USGA GHIN Handicap Index of more than 7.4 have the option to declare up to Championship Flight.

CHAMPIONSHIP: 36 holes at stroke play.

THURSDAY, JULY 23

First Round, 18 Holes

FRIDAY, JULY 24

Second Round, 18 Holes

Lowest scorer for 36 Holes will be Champion. Any tie(s) for the overall champion will be decided immediately by a sudden-death hole-by-hole play-off. For all other ties within a specific flight, see Appendix I of the USGA Rules of Golf, How to Decide Ties, Paragraph (c).

LUNCH RECEPTION

Complimentary lunch and cocktails for all Competitors, Friday, July 24, at the conclusion of play, at Whitmoor CC.

PRIZES

Champion: Jayne M. Watson Trophy for a period of one (1) year; Gold Medal

Runner-Up: Silver Medal

1st Place Each Flight: Silver Revere Bowl

Runner-Up Each Flight: Silver Revere Bowl

NO OTHER REMUNERATION: By this application, an entrant certifies that she is not entitled to remuneration of any kind for participation in this Championship other than the aforementioned prizes.

ENTRIES: Form, Fee, Closing Date

Entrants shall apply on the attached form. Copies are acceptable. \$85.00 entry fee shall be paid by every applicant. Entrant may file only one (1) entry. Entry fee will be refunded regardless of the reason if the Metropolitan Office is notified prior to the close of entries July 8, 2009. After the close of entries, entry fee will be refunded only after written proof to the Championship Committee of injury or illness and such written request for refund is made prior to July 15, 2009. No refunds for any reason if written request is made on or after July 15, 2009.

Entry Application and fees must reach the Association's Office at the address listed on the entry form by **5:00 p.m., July 8, 2009**. (Entries by telephone, telegraph or fax are **not** acceptable.)

REGISTRATION AT WHITMOOR CC

All players must be ready to play at their appropriate starting point and published starting time.

PRACTICE PRIVILEGES

Practice privileges (one practice round) at Whitmoor CC are extended to players in the Championship after the close of entries, at a time not disruptive to their member play. Information on practice privileges will be sent to players after close of entries.

CADDIES; AUTOMOTIVE TRANSPORTATION

A player may provide her own caddie at any time during the Championship, provided the caddie is not a participant in the Championship, or a player may carry her own clubs. Players may use automotive transportation during play. Any player utilizing a cart will do so at her own expense.

FOOTWEAR

Whitmoor CC is a spikeless facility. Shoes with traditionally-designed spikes, comprised either partially or entirely of metal, **are prohibited. Penalty for breach of this Condition: DISQUALIFICATION**

RULES OF GOLF

Play will be governed by the United States Golf Association Rules of Golf. Questions shall be settled by the Championship Committee whose decision shall be final.

DISTANCE-MEASURING DEVICES

The Local Rule as prescribed in Appendix I of the USGA Rules of Golf shall be in effect. A player may obtain distance information by using a device that measures distance only. If a player uses a distance-measuring device that is designed to gauge or measure other conditions (e.g., gradient, wind-speed, temperature, etc.), the player is in breach of Rule 14-3, for which the penalty is **DISQUALIFICATION**, regardless of whether any such additional function is actually used.

TIME OF STARTING

The Optional Condition for Time of Starting, as set forth in Appendix I of the USGA Rules of Golf, shall be in effect.

CONDITIONS, SCHEDULES

The Championship Committee reserves the right to alter any of the conditions and schedules herein. The decision of the Championship Committee in any matter shall be final.

GOLF BALLS; DRIVER HEADS

Only brands of golf balls on the most current USGA List of Conforming Balls may be used. (List is available at www.usga.org)

The Optional Condition, as set forth in Appendix I of the USGA Rules of Golf, which places a limitation on golf balls used during a round (One-Ball Rule), shall be in effect.

Only Driver Heads on the most current USGA List of Conforming Driver Heads may be used. (List is available at www.usga.org)

PERSONAL APPEARANCE

During all phases of the Championship, Competitors must be neat in appearance with respect to clothing and personal grooming. The Championship Committee shall decide whether this requirement has been met and has authority to withdraw the entry of a Competitor who does not comply. The wearing of Bermuda length shorts is permitted; shorts shorter than Bermuda length are not permitted. Tank tops and denim are not permitted.

NOTICE CONCERNING AMATEUR STATUS

Participation in this event is conditioned on Amateur Status. The USGA Rules of Amateur Status shall apply. The Championship Committee reserves the right to disqualify any participant for not having Amateur Status. Disqualifying events include (i) competing for cash prizes in any amount and (ii) competing for merchandise prizes exceeding \$750 in retail value.

PAST CHAMPIONS

Ellen Port	1993, 1994, 1998, 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006
Jo D. Blosch	1995
Barbara Berkmeier	1996, 1997
Lizzy Uthoff	1999
Whitney Brummett	2007
Chelsea Schriewer	2008

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ENTRY DEADLINE:

Entry and fees must arrive by 5:00 P.M. on Wednesday, July 8, 2009, addressed to:

Metropolitan Women's Amateur Golf Championship

555 Maryville University Drive • Suite 240

St. Louis, Missouri 63141

LATE OR INCOMPLETE ENTRY NOT ACCEPTABLE

DO NOT USE TELEGRAPH, TELEPHONE OR FAX

APPLICATION OF ENTRY – FEE \$85.00

Please print. Fill in every applicable blank or entry will be rejected.

Enclose entry fee of **\$85.00 payable to Metropolitan Amateur Golf Association**

(Do NOT send cash)

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Birth Date ____ / ____ / ____ Age _____ Phone Home: (____) _____

E-mail Address _____ Phone Cell: (____) _____

Club/Course _____

Club Address: City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Handicap Information: My up-to-date USGA GHIN Handicap Index is _____

My MAGA USGA GHIN HANDICAP NUMBER is: _____

Certified by _____ Title _____

I agree to the Championship regulations attached hereto. I have noted requirements for notice of withdrawal and registration at the Championship site.

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

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT _____ DATE _____