

Minnesota Public Golf Association
41st Annual State Four-Ball Championship
Rum River Hills Golf Course
Ramsey, Minnesota
May 20-21, 2017

ELIGIBILITY: The MPGA State Four-Ball Championship is open to amateur players who are members of a club that is a member of the Minnesota Public Golf Association (MPGA) and has a current active GHIN handicap at that club.

FORMAT: This championship will be divided into Divisions.

The **Championship Division** is elective and players will play with no handicap.

The **Senior Division** is elective and players will play with no handicap. To play in this division, all players on the team must be 50 years of age or older as of May 20, 2017.

The **Handicap Division** entries will be split as equally as possible using a ranking of combined handicaps into flights and each team member will play with 90% of his handicap adjusted to the slope rating of the golf course. The handicap index as of Close of Entries will be used and will determine which flight your team will be placed in. The cumulative 36-hole team score (net best-ball of the team from each hole) will be the team's score for the championship. The Committee may adjust handicaps in accordance with USGA approved procedures.

If a tie occurs for first place, a sudden-death play-off (all divisions) will take place. The playoff starting hole will be determined by the Committee. Assuming a full field - players will play at the following times: Championship and Senior Championship will play PM on Saturday and AM on Sunday. Net Fights will play AM on Saturday and PM on Sunday.

COMPETITION: Entrants must select the Division in which they wish to participate. If no selection is made on the application form, entrants will be placed in the Handicap Divisions.

ENTRY FEES: Entry fee must accompany your entry. Entries are on a first come basis, until field is full.

CLOSE OF ENTRIES: Entries submitted by Postal Mail must be postmarked not later than May 6th, 2017. On-line registration will be available until May 10th. Please submit only one team entry per envelope. Accepted entries will be posted on our website www.mpga.net.

ENTRY WITHDRAWAL AND REFUNDS: Entry fee will be refunded if the MPGA is notified before the close of entries. Fees will not be refunded after close of entry.

RULES: USGA rules govern all play except as amended by the Committee. Rangefinders may be used for distance measurements only. The MPGA Code of Conduct policy and dress code is in effect (reference www.mpga.net)

STARTING TIME Saturday's pairings/starting times will be **e-mailed** to each entrant prior to the championship. These starting times will be posted on the MPGA web site once they are available. Please check in at the registration table at least 20 minutes prior to your tee time on Saturday, and report to your assigned starting tee, ready to play, ten minutes prior to your starting time both days. You should go directly to the tee on Sunday.

POWER CART RENTAL: Use of a power cart is permissible. To reserve a cart call the Rum River Hills Golf Course.

MGA PLAYER POINTS: MGA Player Points will be awarded to each player in **Championship Division only**, as follows: 1st - 30, 2nd - 25, 3rd - 20, 4th - 15, 5th - 10 and 6th - 5 points. No MGA Player Points will be available for the Senior Division.

SPECIAL NOTE ON HANDICAPS: The partner's handicap indexes may not differ by more than 8.0 at time of entry. If the difference in handicaps changes to more than 8.0 between partners when the pairings are set-up, the higher handicap player will be reduced to 8.0 above the lower handicap player and then be put into the correct flight.

FOR QUESTIONS REGARDING YOUR ENTRY: Contact the MPGA at (651) 452-6394 or visit our website at www.mpga.net.

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Entry Fee: \$140 per team

We elect to compete in: _____ **Championship division (no handicap)**
_____ **Senior Division (No handicap)**
_____ **Net Divisions**

Date of Birth _____ **Age as of May 20, 2017** _____ (Needed for Senior Division Only)

Club Number 45 - _____ **Club Number 45 -** _____

GHIN # _____ **GHIN #** _____

Name: _____ **Name:** _____

Addr: _____ **Addr:** _____

City: _____ **City:** _____

State: _____ **Zip:** _____ **State:** _____ **Zip:** _____

Member Club: _____ **Member Club:** _____

Cell/Work Phone (____) _____ **Cell/Work Phone** (____) _____

Home Phone (____) _____ **Home Phone** (____) _____

* Player-1 E-Mail Addr: _____

* - Required for pairing/starting time notification (Please print clearly)

* Player-2 E-Mail Addr: _____

* - Required for pairing/starting time notification (Please print clearly)

Signature: _____ **Signature:** _____

We Confirm that we are members of the above club and we have read the USGA rules of amateur status. We conform to these rules in every respect. By signing and submitting this entry to this MPGA competition, we confirm that we have read, understand, and agree to abide by the MPGA Code of Conduct Policy.

Mail entry to: MPGA FOUR-BALL
P.O. Box 22171
Eagan MN 55122

Entry Fee: \$140 per team

Make check payable to: Minnesota Public Golf Association

For MPGA Use Only: **Team No:** _____ **Check No:** _____ **Date Received:** _____

PLEASE RETURN THIS PORTION OF THE ENTRY FORM TO THE MPGA ALONG WITH YOUR ENTRY FEE