



# Minnesota Public Golf Association

## 2017 Season

I would like to welcome all our member clubs and potential member clubs to the 2017 Minnesota Public Golf Association golf season. Minnesota's weather is shaping up to for an early golf startup. The sun is gaining in the sky, the snow is melting rapidly and forecasts are promising. One can only hope.

Enclosed is all the information you need to become a member or renew your membership in the MPGA for 2017. Also enclosed is a form listed on the back with all the requested information we need to keep in touch with clubs on events and tournaments for the entire season. Please take the time to read over everything and reply with the needed documentation. This year your club may pay their dues by credit card by using our web site. All that will be required is the credit card and a contact person's information to include Name, mailing address, phone number, and email address. See the enclosed invoice for instructions.

This year's spring mailing will be done both by snail mail and email to the persons we have listed in our data base as the contact for a member club. In past years' information sent to our member clubs went to the wrong contact person and the current contact person wasn't aware that an invoice had been sent out. I hope to alleviate that by using both methods of contact. If a club has a new contact not listed in our data base, the email can easily be forwarded to the correct person.

I would also like to remind everyone of the Board of Directors meeting on March 11<sup>th</sup>, 2017 at Como golf course. The meeting will begin at 10:00am and address such issues as Match Play Pairings for 12/16/20/24 man and 8-man senior match play teams and this year's rules for competition in all categories and classes. This meeting is open to everyone. Club officers and match play team captains should plan on being present. It is the only opportunity those in attendance will have to ask questions, voice opinions, get pairings, schedules and match dates before the season starts. We value this meeting for any member dialog which will guide us in future decisions regarding tournaments and Match play competitions.

The other reminder is for the Spring presidents invitational golf outing and Banquet. This year's site is Dakota Pines Golf Club in Hastings (Formerly Hasting Country Club). Presidents who bring a foursome for golf and banquet will play and eat at no cost. If my math is correct, that's a 25% savings. Dakota Pines is a medium length challenging course. Barret Boe of Dakota Pines is a great host and will have the course in shape for play. Hope to see you there. Banquet invitations will be sent out in early April by both snail mail and email.

See reverse side for requested information. For Question please contact me at cell # 651-428-6587 or email me at [mpgasecretary@comcast.net](mailto:mpgasecretary@comcast.net)

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