

WOMEN'S WESTERN GOLF ASSOCIATION

(A National Organization - Founded 1901)

117th NATIONAL AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP

June 12 - 17, 2017

River Forest Country Club - Elmhurst, Illinois

15W468 Grand Avenue, Elmhurst, Illinois 60126

630-279-5444

ELIGIBILITY

Entries are open to amateur girls and women who 1) Have an up-to-date 18-hole USGA Handicap Index not to exceed 7.4 under the USGA Handicap System, or a state or international equivalent handicap system, and 2) Are members of a properly organized golf club or women's golf group that is a 2017 WWGA member, or 3) Are foreign players (no club membership required).

CLUB MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

Applicant's golf club or golf group must be a 2017 member of the WWGA. Properly organized golf clubs and women's golf groups located in the United States of America, including the District of Columbia, and all its territories and possessions, are eligible for membership when they meet the membership requirements of the Association. WWGA club membership is \$35.00. Club membership dues are included in the entry fee for all United States players. The membership packet will be mailed to the club/group listed on your entry application. For any questions contact Membership Chairman, Sandra Fullmer, PSFUL@aol.com or call 815-777-2008.

ENTRY INFORMATION

US Citizen Entry Fee - \$245.00

Foreign Citizen Entry Fee - \$245.00

Entry applications are available online payable by credit card/PayPal at www.WWGA.org

Players will receive an email acknowledging receipt of application.

For any questions contact Entry Chairman, Betty Roska
wwgaAM@yahoo.com or call 815-621-7275

- Entries open **March 1, 2017** at 8:00 A.M. (EDT)
- Entries close **May 1, 2017** at 8:00 P.M. (EDT)
- The field is limited to the low 144 players.
- **Players will be notified of acceptance or wait list May 1, 2017 after 8:00 P.M. (EDT)**
- Incomplete or late entries will not be accepted.
- Entries are subject to approval or rejection at any time by the WWGA Amateur Tournament Committee.
- A \$25.00 administrative fee is included in the entry fee and will not be refunded.
- No refunds for withdrawals of accepted entries will be issued after May 25, 2017.

PLAYER REGISTRATION

Players must register in person at River Forest Country Club:

Saturday, June 10 - 4:00 P.M. to 6:00 P.M. (CDT)

or

Sunday, June 11 - 9:00 A.M. to 12:00 Noon (CDT)

Late Arrival Information: Players must register in person by 12:00 Noon (CDT) on Sunday, June 11 or have notified by phone Entry Chairman, Betty Roska 815-621-7275.

Note: *Place may be forfeited by a player from whom no word is received by 12:00 Noon (CDT) on Sunday, June 11.*

TOURNAMENT FORMAT

Match Play after 36-hole stroke play qualifying round to establish Flights. Tournament played at scratch.

Championship Flight - Low 64 qualifiers. Flights - 16 players. No Consolation.

TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

Monday, June 12	A.M. or P.M.	1 st Qualifying Round - 18 holes
Tuesday, June 13	A.M. or P.M.	2 nd Qualifying Round - 18 holes
Wednesday, June 14	A.M. or P.M.	1 st Round Match Play - All Flights
Thursday, June 15	A.M.	2 nd Round Match Play - All Flights
	P.M.	3 rd Round Match Play - Championship Flight
Friday, June 16	A.M.	Championship Flight - Quarterfinals
		All other Flights - Semifinals
	P.M.	Championship Flight - Semifinals
		All other Flights - Finals
Saturday, June 17	A.M. & P.M.	Championship Flight Final - 36 holes

The tournament could be modified due to inclement weather or unforeseen circumstances.

PLAYER RESPONSIBILITY

In fairness to the field of competition: In both the stroke play and match play portion of the tournament, it is expected and is the responsibility of every player to continue play throughout the tournament until eliminated. The entire field plays the Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday rounds. Beginning with the Wednesday matches players must win in order to continue.

COMPLIMENTARY PRACTICE ROUND

One complimentary practice round will be available:

Friday, June 9 before 11:00 A.M. and after 3:00 P.M.

Saturday, June 10 10:00 A.M. until dark

Sunday, June 11 8:00 A.M. shotgun start (limited tee times)

Call the Pro Shop after May 1 to schedule a practice round 630-279-5855

or email cgumbach@riverforestcc.org

CO-AM TOURNAMENT

River Forest Country Club members invite contestants to play in a Co-Am Tournament Sunday, June 11 at 1:00 P.M., shotgun start. *The field is limited.* This event may be used as an additional complimentary practice round. Call the Pro Shop early to sign up, 630-279-5855.

CADDIE INFORMATION

Players shall walk at all times during a stipulated round in the Championship. A player may provide her own caddie or carry her bag. A player may provide her own non-motorized pull cart. Caddies are available through River Forest Country Club and must be employed for a minimum of three rounds.

To reserve a caddie call the Pro Shop 630-279-5855 or Email: cgumbach@riverforestcc.org
Rate: \$60.00 (Honor), \$50 (A) or \$40 (B) per round, gratuity included in all rates.

REGULATIONS, FOOTWEAR & PERSONAL APPEARANCE

For Players, Caddies and Spectators

Distance-measuring device: A player may obtain distance information by using a device that measures **distance only** during all stipulated rounds in the Championship.

The use of electronic equipment is prohibited in this competition with the exception of distance-measuring devices that measure distance only, USGA Rule 14-3.

No metal or ceramic spikes permitted. Appropriate golf apparel must be worn at all times when using the practice facility, putting green and on the golf course. No short shorts or short skirts, jeans, cut-offs, tank tops, halters, bathing suits, or the like.

Spectators: No dogs allowed on the course. Spectators shall walk at all times. On the course, spectator cell phones must be on the 'silent only' setting.

Spectator Cart Policy: A spectator seeking a cart due to a disability as defined under the Americans with Disabilities Act must submit a medical certificate. Requests due to temporary injuries or impairments that do not qualify under the ADA will not be granted. All requests must go through the Tournament Chairman. Spectator carts may or may not be available at each tournament site. The WWGA will try to accommodate spectators whenever possible.

Note: Recreational vehicles, campers, motorhomes or the like will not be permitted to park on the River Forest Country Club premises. Tailgating will not be permitted.

SOCIAL EVENT and AWARDS PRESENTATIONS

Sunday, June 11 - 6:00 P.M.

Players are cordially invited to an informal Welcome Dinner hosted by the WWGA to be held at River Forest Country Club

...Family and friends are welcome and may pay for dinner by cash or check at registration...

Friday, June 16

Flights & Special Events Awards
(following completion of play)

Saturday, June 17

Champion & Finalist Awards Presentation
(following completion of play)

AWARDS

W. A. Alexander Cup - Champion. The Champion's name will be inscribed on the trophy.

'Babe' Didrikson Zaharias Memorial Trophy - Finalist. The Finalist's name will be inscribed on the trophy that is on display at the Nashville Golf and Athletic Club, Brentwood, Tennessee.

Margaret Lenz Trophy - Medalist. Lowest gross score from the 36-hole qualifying round.

Maschmeyer Cup - Four players from the same state or foreign country with the lowest combined gross score from the 36-hole qualifying round.

Derby Cup - Two players from the same member club with the lowest combined gross score from the 36-hole qualifying round. (USA, including the District of Columbia, all its territories and possessions)

Medals - Championship Flight: Champion, Finalist, Semifinalists and Quarterfinalists. Flights: Winners and Finalists.

PRIVATE HOUSING and LOCAL TRANSPORTATION will be available for contestants only. Private Housing and Local Transportation information will be included in the WWGA acceptance letter.

HOTEL INFORMATION

Reservations are to be made directly with the hotels. State that you are with the Women's Western Golf Association (WWGA).

Springhill Suites Elmhurst - 410 W Lake Street, Elmhurst, IL 60126
\$109.00 per night, plus tax. Reservations: 630-782-6300
WWGA Rate Reservation Deadline: May 12

Courtyard Elmhurst - 370 N IL RT 83, Elmhurst, IL 60126
\$99.00 per night, plus tax. Reservations: 630-941-9444
WWGA Rate Reservation Deadline: May 18

Hilton Chicago/Oak Brook Suites - 10 Drury Lane, Oakbrook Terrace, IL 60180
\$129.00 per night, plus tax. Reservations: 1-800-HILTONS
WWGA Rate Reservation Deadline: May 18

2017 AMATEUR TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE

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Founded in 1901, under sponsorship of the Western Golf Association, the
Women's Western Golf Association
has conducted National Championships for 117 years.

1901...First Championship

WWGA AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP

Held without interruption for 117 years...

1920...Inaugurated

WWGA JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP

1930...Founded

WOMEN'S WESTERN OPEN

A major championship in Women's Golf; the Open endorsed and supported the formation of the LPGA and women's professional golf. The championship was discontinued in 1967.

1971...Established

Women's Western Golf Foundation

1979...Inaugurated

WWGA SENIOR CHAMPIONSHIP

2017...Represented by Member Clubs, the WWGA incorporates over 45,000 women golfers nationwide.

The WWGA's rich tradition encompasses all ages by conducting national championships annually and is one of the oldest and most revered women's golf organizations in the United States. The WWGA's purpose is to foster national amateur golf competitions for women and girls.

Women's Western Golf Foundation

The **Women's Western Golf Foundation** was formed 46 years ago as an outgrowth of the WWGA. Its primary objective is to receive and distribute funds to advance young women who have an involvement in the game of golf and have attained scholastic achievement by granting them academic undergraduate scholarships. Since 1971 the Foundation has granted over \$3.6 million to over 680 young women representing 45 states; it also assists a number of women's collegiate golf programs.

For information on the Foundation contact:

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