



**IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

**83<sup>rd</sup> Annual Men's Fall Championship  
2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Women's Championship  
October 21-23, 2017**

Date: September 17, 2017  
To: Coaches and Players  
From: Mike Serijan, Executive Director  
Subject: Tournament Information

Enclosed you will find the following information regarding the **83<sup>rd</sup> NEIGA Championship** to be held on October 21-23, 2017, at The Captains Golf Course, in Brewster, MA. **Cleveland Golf Company** will again be serving as the "Presenting Sponsor."

1. Tournament Information (this letter)
2. Schedule of Events
3. List of Participating Teams
4. Directions to the Doubletree By Hilton Cape Cod, Holiday Inn Cape Cod – Hyannis and to The Captains Golf Course in Brewster.
5. Player Registration Form (***HIGHLY ENCOURAGED TO EMAIL AHEAD TO MIKE@NEIGA.ORG or YOU CAN TURN IN AT COACHES MEETING ON SATURDAY***)

Each team will be responsible for checking in at their respective hotel between 3:00 – 7:00 pm. You will be given your tournament gifts and your business meeting packet at the hotel desk when you check in. ***If you have any questions or issues, my cell phone number is 508-847-8700.***

**Attendance at the business meeting is strongly encouraged and will be held at 5:30pm on Saturday at The Doubletree By Hilton. Voting on the amended By-Laws will take place at this meeting.**

EACH TEAM MUST BE REPRESENTED BY THE GOLF COACH OR OFFICIAL APPOINTED BY THE SCHOOL ATHLETIC DIRECTOR AND BE REPRESENTED BY AT LEAST FOUR (4) PLAYERS TO COMPETE IN THE NEIGA CHAMPIONSHIP

**BANQUETS**

On **Saturday evening**, we will hold a dinner banquet at The Doubletree by Hilton Cape Cod for the **Men's teams** and coaches at 7:30pm. **SHIRT AND TIE MANDATORY (Jacket optional)**. We will present the Guy Tedesco, Gordon McCullough and George A. Jacobson Special Recognition Awards.

On **Sunday evening**, we will hold a dinner banquet at The Doubletree by Hilton Cape Cod for the **Women's teams** and coaches at 7:30pm. **Appropriate attire requested (ie. no sweats, athletic wear, t-shirts, etc.)**

### **Tournament Package**

Your entry fee includes the following: Use of the grass practice range Saturday through Monday across from the Captains; (2) Tournament rounds of golf per team for five players on Sunday and Monday; Player's/coach's gift package; A dinner banquet on Saturday night for the men and Sunday night for the women; drinks and snacks on the 1<sup>st</sup>/10<sup>th</sup> tee boxes on Sunday and Monday.

*If a team brings more than one coach, an additional \$50 is to be paid prior to the first round on Sunday October 22<sup>nd</sup> if you have not already paid. Please let Mike Serijan know in advance if you will be bringing an assistant coach.*

### **Room Registration**

Each hotel will attempt to make sure you have at least one room ready by 3:00pm. Each coach **MUST LEAVE A MAJOR CREDIT CARD ON FILE** as teams are responsible for any damages to rooms and for any extra expenses incurred.

### **Driving Range Practice**

The GRASS range, located ¼ mile from the Captains Golf Course, will be open to teams at approximately 1:30pm on Saturday (**Get free tokens at Captains Course Pro Shop**). On Sunday and Monday you proceed directly to the range which will open at 7:30 am. We will assign tee boxes to try and give each team equal access to the range. Please look at your tee time and range assignment for Day 1 in your packet that you will receive at registration.

### **Practice Rounds**

You may call The Captains Course directly to book a practice round. Note that tee times are based on availability and there is no guarantee that times will be available. Mention you are playing in the NEIGA Championship and use the provided coupon attachment in the email to get \$15 off the posted rate.

### **Awards Presentations**

The **Guy Tedesco (player) Award, Gordon McCullough Award, and George A. Jacobson Award** will be presented at the banquet on Saturday night at The Doubletree By Hilton Cape Cod. All other awards (team and individual champions, All-New England Teams, Top 18) will be presented at the Captains Course after the final round.

### **Dress Code and Misconduct**

Appropriate golf attire must be worn at the practice range and during the two playing rounds (**NO JEANS BY PLAYERS OR COACHES**). A player or team will be subject to disqualification if this is violated. The Tournament Committee may (1) reprimand a player/team publicly or privately; and/or (2) disqualify the player/team from future participation in championships; and/or (3) ban player from participation in subsequent championship competition for a student-athlete or a representative of an institution who is guilty of misconduct occurring at or any time preceding, during or subsequent to the competition during official dates of the championship. "Misconduct" shall mean any act of dishonesty, unsportsmanlike conduct in practice or competition or breach of law that tends to discredit the

championship and intercollegiate athletics and may be found upon an informal hearing granted to the student-athlete or representative involved.

### **Caddies**

No caddies will be allowed.

### **Golf Shoes**

Non-metal spikes only.

### **Starters and Officials**

The Massachusetts Golf Association (MGA) officials will be starters on both courses and will be available throughout for official rulings. Members of the Captains Golf Course will serve as volunteer marshals on the course. **Make sure your players are aware that The Captains' volunteers are there to help as spotters, not rules officials. They should be treated with the utmost respect.**

### **Coaches**

Coaches are asked to be available to help the starters during their team's wave of tee times and following the round to direct players to the MGA scorer's room.

Two-coach rule is in effect.

### **Players**

Players will be responsible for turning in their own scorecard to the MGA officials in the clubhouse immediately after their round.

### **Spectators**

*While we encourage family and friends to come as spectators and root on the players, all spectators shall remain on cart paths or in the rough and at least 15 yards from the players. Spectators cannot communicate with the players after the start of the round. Under NO circumstances will carts be provided for spectators. If a coach wants to drive a spectator around they may. Please let them know in advance of the Championship.*

Violation/Penalties:

First – Warning

Second – Spectator will be removed from the course for the remainder of the day

Third – Spectators will be removed from course for the remainder of the competition

### **Electronic Measuring Devices**

Electronic measuring devices calculating distance only are permitted for use during both the practice rounds and the competition rounds. Devices that measure other variables (e.g. slope) are not permissible and may not be used even if the particular feature may be turned off.

### **Snacks**

There will be snacks (granola bars, crackers, fruit) and drinks (water) on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> tee boxes both days. Teams are on their own for lunch.

### **Team Championship**

This is a 36-hole stroke play championship. Each team will count their top 4 out of 5 scores each day to determine their total score. In the event of a tie, we will use the USGA Recommended Tie Break of final 9 holes, final 6, final 3 and last hole. Only the four players whose score was used to make up the final round total will be used in this tiebreaker. If still tied, co-champions will be declared and awards will be presented to both teams.

### **Individual Championship**

The competitor with the lowest 36-hole total will be declared the individual champion. In the event of a tie, there will be a sudden-death playoff immediately following on the Starboard Course.

### **Golfstat**

Just a reminder that this tournament will be scored as three separate golf tournaments with different sets of Golfstat software for Division II and II. We will still award an “overall” champion for both the men and women.

### **Prizes**

- Individual:
- \*Men’s Individual Champion will have name inscribed on the Oakley Cup and will receive an individual trophy
  - \*Women’s Individual Champion will receive an individual trophy
  - \*Awards to the DII and DIII individual champions
  - \*Pin Flags for the top 18 and ties for both men and women
- Team:
- \*Overall Winning team receives a Championship Plaque
  - \*DII and DIII Team Champions will receive a team plaque and 6 individual plaques.