

COURSE CHAMPIONSHIPS & GCAC QUALIFYING

MANAKIKI – July 11
SHAWNEE HILLS – July 12

SLEEPY HOLLOW – July 18
SENECA – July 19



A World Amateur Golf Ranking Event

CHAMPIONSHIP

36 HOLE STROKE PLAY
AT Sleepy Hollow

SATURDAY, AUGUST 8
SUNDAY, AUGUST 9



Enter the 2020 Greater Cleveland Amateur Championship, to be played at Sleepy Hollow Saturday and Sunday, August 8 and 9. This 36-hole stroke play tournament will be contested at scratch, and is open for qualifying to amateur golfers of any age, gender, or residence. Contestants are expected to have a current handicap index of 7.4 or less in order to reasonably compete for a qualifying spot. USGA rules govern play.

Course Championships/GCAC Qualifying

Entry into the Greater Cleveland Amateur Championship is through earning an exemption (see reverse side) or by qualifying through the course championships at Sleepy Hollow, Manakiki, Shawnee Hills and Seneca golf courses. The 18-hole Course Championships will be conducted on Saturday July 11, Sunday July 12, Saturday July 18, and Sunday July 19. Each Championship is limited to the first 60 players entered. 20% of the non-exempt players and ties will advance to the GCAC. The committee reserves the right to adjust the numbers of qualifying position (up or down) based on the field size at each course. Maximum GCAC field is 72 players.

Championship Schedule

The GCAC will be contested over 36 holes at stroke play. All players will play Saturday with tee times starting at 8 a.m. Sunday's final round field will be cut to the low 50% + ties. Tee times will start at 8 a.m. with the leaders in the last group.

Fees

All players, including those who are exempt, shall enter using an official entry form. Entry fees for the Course Championships are \$85.

All players who earn their entry into the Championship through one of the qualifiers must pay a \$30 fee and confirm with John Fiander at Sleepy Hollow that they will be playing in the GCAC. For exempt players, the entry for the Championship proper is \$115, which includes all green fees. Carts are optional and not included in the entry fee. Caddies and spectators are welcome. In all rounds, male contestants will play from the black tees, females will play from gold tees.

Entry

To enter one of the Course Championships, or to enter as an exempt player, please mail or deliver the entry form below. Entries may be delivered at any of the four qualifying sites. Deadline to enter is July 4th for Manakiki and Shawnee Hills and July 11th for Sleepy Hollow and Seneca or when the field is full, exempt players not playing in the course championships entry deadline is August 1st.

Additional Information

Please read the back of this form for additional tournament info. Questions? Contact John Fiander at 440-526-4285.

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Please enter me in the 2020 Greater Cleveland Amateur Championship. I have enclosed the appropriate payment to enter the Course Championship at the site checked below, or I am an exempt player, with my exempt status described below.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: (_____) _____

E-mail: _____

Handicap Index: _____ (note: index is not mandatory)

I wish to enter the Course Championship & GCAC Qualifier at:

- Sleepy Hollow.....\$85 TEGC1
- Manakiki.....\$85 TEGC2
- Shawnee Hills.....\$85 TEGC3
- Seneca.....\$85 TEGC4
- I am exempt via:
- _____ \$115 TEGC5

Make checks payable to Cleveland Metroparks.

Eligibility

Contestants are expected to have a current handicap index of 7.4 or less, in order to reasonably compete for a qualifying spot. A USGA handicap index is not required for entry to this event.

Entries are subject to rejection at any time (including during the Championship and Qualifying) by the Tournament Committee. The reason for rejection may include unbecoming conduct.

Rules of Golf; Close of Competition

Play will be governed by the Rules of Golf as approved by the USGA. Questions will be resolved by the Tournament Committee, whose decision will be final. The competition shall be deemed to have closed when the Championship trophy has been presented.

Golf Balls; Driver Heads

Only brands of golf balls on the current USGA List of Conforming Golf Balls and driver heads on the most current USGA List of Conforming Driver Heads may be used. This list may be found on the USGA website at www.usga.org. The so-called "One-Ball Rule", the optional condition prescribed in Appendix I of the Rules of Golf, shall **not** be in effect.

Distance Measuring Devices

During a stipulated round of this competition a player may obtain distance information by using a device that has a "distance only" function. If a player uses a distance measuring device that is designed to measure other conditions that might affect his play (gradient, wind speed, temperature, etc.), that function must be turned off.

The distance between any two objects on the course is considered public information and not advice.

Tee Times/Time of Starting

Players should contact the course starting the Wednesday before play to obtain tee times.

Caddies

Competitors may provide their own caddie. No caddies are available at the course. Caddies may rent a golf cart. A player is not required to employ a caddie for any stage of the Championship.

Weather

In the event of inclement weather, the Course Championships/Qualifiers may be cancelled or rescheduled and the Greater Cleveland Amateur Championship to 18 holes.

Championship Committee

Manakiki Golf Course

Brad Smith, PGA
35501 Eddy Rd
Willoughby Hills, OH 44094
440-942-2500

Sleepy Hollow Golf Course

John Fiander, PGA
9445 Brecksville Rd
Brecksville, OH 44141
440-526-4285

Transportation

Rental carts are available for use during the tournament. Players must share carts when asked. Players within a group must decide the users of any carts. A caddie or spectator may pay to ride in a cart if the players are not using it.

Spectators

During the tournament spectators are welcome. All spectators must sign a waiver before being allowed onto the course. Spectators are responsible for their own safety while on the golf course.

Exemptions from Qualifying

Players in the following categories will be eligible for exemption from qualifying:

- 1) Past Champions, and the top ten finishers from the 2019 Championship. Past 5 Senior Champions, and the top five finishers from the 2019 Senior Championship. The 2019 Cleveland Metroparks Course Championship winners.
- 2) Players ranked in the top 1500 of the World Amateur Golf Ranking (WAGR) as of July 1, 2020.
- 3) Individual stroke play winners of Cleveland Metroparks Player of the Year Series since the 2019 GCAC. 2020 Northern Ohio Golf Association and the Akron District Golf Association stroke play winners.
- 4) 2020 Northern Ohio Golf Association club/course champions. (2019 champion eligible if the 2020 champion has not been determined by July 11, 2020).
- 5) The 2019 & 2020 winners and runners-up of the Northeast Ohio Amateur, the Ohio Amateur, and the Summit County Amateur.
- 6) Top 3 finishers in 2019 Cleveland Metroparks POY.
- 7) 2019 ADGA and NOGA Player of the Year.
- 8) Players ranked in the Top 5 of the CMP POY points list and top 3 on the CMP Senior POY list. Top 3 of the Northern Ohio Golf Association POY list as of July 1, 2020.
- 9) The Tournament Committee may issue additional exemptions to golf associations and tournaments, as it deems appropriate.

Prizes

The GCAC champion and runner-up will be awarded trophies. The top 10-15 finishers plus ties will be awarded merchandise credit. 1st Place will be win \$750. In the event of ties, a sudden death playoff will be held to determine the Champion; all other prize amounts will be split among the ties.

Shawnee Hills Golf Course

Ryan Short
18753 Egbert Rd
Bedford, OH 44146
440-232-7184

Seneca Golf Course

Geoff Koller, PGA
975 Valley Parkway
Broadview Heights, OH 44147
440-526-0043