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TO: 1st Alabama Ladies Two-Person Scramble Contestants
FROM: Adam Powell, Alabama Golf Association
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TOPIC: Ladies Two-Person Scramble Player Information

The Alabama Golf Association looks forward to seeing you at the 1st playing of the Ladies Two-Person Scramble at NorthRiver Yacht Club in Tuscaloosa, AL on Tuesday, April 7, 2020. Please review the following championship information. Remember that we are guests of the club, need to conduct ourselves in a proper manner and adhere to all host club policies. Also, make sure to be at your assigned tee ready to play at least five minutes before your starting time. Call me at the AGA office if you have any questions or e-mail me at adam@alabamagolf.org.

Event Website: <http://www.alabamagolf.org/2020-championships>

Event History

This year marks the Inaugural playing of the Alabama Ladies Two-Person Scramble and the first time NorthRiver Yacht Club has hosted the Ladies Two-Person Scramble.

NorthRiver Yacht Club Information

Director of Golf: Andrew Tomes, PGA
Course Superintendent: Mathew Devine
Physical Address: 3100 Yacht Club Way NE, Tuscaloosa, AL 35406
Club Website: www.northriveryc.com
Golf Shop Phone: 205-343-4507
Golf Shop Hours: 7:30am-5:00pm
Practice Facility Hours: 8:00am-7:00pm
Food & Beverage Hours: 7:30am-7:00pm
Event Yardage: 4944 yards
Course/Slope Rating: 69.2/123
Course Turfgrass: Tees/Fairway/Rough (Bermuda); Putting Greens (Tiff Eagle)

Food and Beverage

All food and beverage consumed on club grounds must be purchased at NorthRiver.

Map to NorthRiver Yacht Club

<https://www.google.com/maps/place/NorthRiverYC>

Lodging

There are several hotels near the course. Check online for best rates:
<https://post.affinitytravelbenefits.com/v6/home? s=MvRbEJ1cVD6DC14r& k=Z2E3AFsc>

NorthRiver Policies

- **Cell Phone Policy:** Use of cellular phones is prohibited on the golf course except for emergencies, a ruling, entering hole-by-hole scores, viewing tournament leaderboard or weather forecasts or using as a distance measuring device. We ask that phones are set to silent while on club grounds. Silent communications (text, email) may be used inside buildings. Verbal communication (phone calls) must be outside buildings.
- **Parking:** There is a limited amount of parking available at the host club and we ask that players, caddies and family members car pool as much as possible.
- **Dress Code:** Appropriate golf attire must be worn. Slacks or Bermuda shorts. No cut-offs, no denim, no cargo pants or cargo shorts. Men must wear shirts with collars and sleeves, tucked in at all times. Non-metal spikes only. Dress code applies to caddies and spectators.
- **Coolers:** Personal coolers are not allowed. All food and beverage consumed on club grounds must be purchased at host club.
- **Personal Items:** Make sure not to leave any valuable personal items unattended such as jewelry, wallets, etc. even if they are tucked away inside your golf bag. It is best to leave your valuables locked in your automobile. Neither the AGA nor the host club will be held responsible for any lost or stolen personal items.
- **Accepted Forms of Payment:** Club accepts **CASH, Credit Card**

Practice Rounds and Practice Facility

You are entitled to one practice round. You must call the golf shop in advance to reserve a practice round tee time. Make sure to identify yourself as an Alabama Ladies Two-Person Scramble participant. It would be helpful if you make your own group before calling. Do not just show up at the course and expect to be accommodated for a practice round. There is a **mandatory** \$30.00 fee for the practice round whether

you walk or ride. Players are limited to playing one ball except from the teeing ground. Players are welcome to use the practice range and putting green throughout the event.

Pairings & Starting Times

Starting times for will be available by 5:00pm Friday, March 27th. Check the AGA website at www.alabamagolf.org or call the AGA office.

Event Format

Event is conducted at 18 holes of scramble stroke play. Each partner of a side will start the play of each hole and then select one shot from the side and should mark the location with a ball-marker. Each partner of the side plays their next stroke from the selected location by placing a ball, using the procedures for replacing a ball under Rule 14.2b(2) and 14.2e, within eleven inches (AGA scorecard length) of the selected location, no nearer the hole. This procedure is followed on every shot until a ball is holed.

Teams select the division in which to compete if eligible:

Amateur Division: Team comprised of two amateurs. Gross Champion is the team posting the lowest 18-hole gross score. Net Champion is the team posting the lowest 18-hole net score. Flighted if necessary, and if so, flights are determined based on number of entries using 50% team Handicap Index as of the close of entry date (35% of low player course handicap, 15% of high player course handicap).

Open Division: Team comprised of one golf professional and one amateur (or an amateur awaiting reinstatement "A/R"). Gross Champion is the team posting the lowest 18-hole gross score. Net Champion is the team posting the lowest 18-hole net score. Flighted if necessary, and if so, flights are determined based on number of entries using 50% team Handicap Index as of the close of entry date (35% of low player course handicap, 15% of high player course handicap).

Event Schedule

Sunday, April 5th

Tee times available for practice.

Tuesday, April 7th

10:00am Shotgun start: Scramble Round

Pace of Play

The AGA wants all players to enjoy competing in our events. Pace of play may differ depending upon the venue, weather and course conditions. Every player is accountable for playing at an acceptable pace, therefore we need your help. Please observe the following guidelines to help ensure a pleasant tournament experience for all:

- Make sure to keep pace with the group in FRONT of you. The group behind should keep pace with your group and so forth.
- Go directly to your ball. If sharing a golf cart, drop-off the player farthest from the hole then proceed to the other ball.
- Be ready to play when it is your turn.
- Keep practice strokes and time taken to read putts to a minimum.
- Play a provisional ball if your original ball may be lost or out of bounds.
- Keep time taken at the snack bar or between nines to a minimum.

If everyone does their part, then 4½ hours should be the maximum time taken to play a round of golf at an AGA tournament. Following the lead of the USGA, the AGA has developed a pace of play policy, based on Rule 5.6b and Model Local Rule 8K that is fair to every competitor.

*Note: a group may receive a "friendly reminder" of their position regardless of pace of play guidelines.

Maximum Allowable Time

The maximum allowable time is the maximum time considered necessary by the Committee for a group to complete its round. This is expressed in a per-hole and aggregate time format and includes all time associated with playing the game, e.g., for rulings and walking times between holes.

Both the specific maximum time allotted per hole and for the completion of 18 holes at AGA championships will be denoted on each player's AGA issued scorecard.

See the complete [AGA Pace of Play Policy](#) for the procedure if a group is "out of position" and penalty for breach of Pace of Play Policy.

Cart/Range Fees

- *Practice Rounds:* Cart/range fees are not included in the entry fee. Cart rental is mandatory for practice rounds payable at the host club.
- *Event Round:* Event site cart/range fees are paid by the AGA and included in the entry fee. Cart use is mandatory for the event round.

Caddies

- *Caddies:* Caddies are not allowed for event round

Spectators

- *Spectator Golf Cart Policy:* Due to the limited number of available golf carts, spectator carts may not be available during the event.
- *Disability Golf Cart Policy:* In consistency with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), AGA will grant an individual with a bona fide disability a golf cart if the following conditions are met:
 - Requesting individual completes and submits a [Disabled Golf Cart Request Form](#) by the close of entries date;
 - Host club has a golf cart available;
 - Requesting individual pays host club the appropriate fee;
 - Requesting individual presents to the AGA staff or AGA representative a disability card issued by a government agency.
- Spectator carts must remain on the cart path at all times and spectators must adhere to the club's dress code policy.
- Spectators are not allowed to ride in a player's golf cart at any time. Non-club owned spectator carts are not allowed except as provided in the [AGA Tournament Manual](#).

Prizes

- Prizes will be awarded to sides within each flight for the low gross and low net. Any ties for flight winners in both low gross and low net will be determined by a score card playoff using the USGA recommended tie-breaker method.

Course Set-Up/Yardage (*All yardage is subject to change based upon wind direction and weather conditions)

NorthRiver Yacht Club Red Tees: 69.2/123

Hole	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Out	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	In	Total
Yards	433	330	148	299	313	121	289	342	465	2740	429	240	89	210	287	286	264	126	273	2204	4944
Par	5	4	3	4	4	3	4	4	5	36	5	4	3	4	4	4	4	3	4	35	71

Event Policies

- [AGA Code of Conduct](#)
- [AGA Tournament Manual](#)
- This is a soft-spike facility. The penalty for non-compliance is disqualification.

Withdrawals

If an accepted player withdraws for any reason before the close of registration at **11:59pm on Tuesday, March 24, 2020**, the entry fee will be refunded, subject to a \$30.00 service fee. If an accepted player withdraws for any reason after the close of registration and before **11:59pm on Saturday, April 4, 2020**, 50% of the entry fee will be refunded. No refunds will be made for withdrawals after **Saturday, April 4, 2020**.

To withdraw from the event before the close of registration, follow these steps:

1. Navigate to the [Event Website Portal](#)
2. Log into your USGATM Account
3. Click "Edit Registration"
4. Choose Cancel Registration under the dropdown menu on the right side of the page

To withdraw from the event after the close of registration, fill out the form here: [Online Event Withdrawal Form](#)

*Note: AGA will process your withdrawal and applicable refund within 72 hours

No Shows

Sides that fail to notify the AGA of their withdrawal and "No Show" their starting time will not receive a refund for any reason. "No Show" sides may be subject to suspension from future AGA events.

Event Delays and Updates

The AGA will text players with any tournament delays or schedule changes. Notices will also be posted to our Twitter account. Follow at @bamagolf.

Phone Numbers

Alabama Golf Association: 205-979-1234
 NorthRiver Golf Shop: 205-343-4581