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INAUGURAL UNITED STATES SENIOR WOMEN'S OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP

Sectional Qualifying

Tuesday, June 12, 2018 – Bent Creek Golf Club, Eden Prairie, MN

NOTICE TO COMPETITORS

USGA Groove Policy: The player's clubs must conform to the groove and punch mark specifications in the Rules of Golf that are effective from January 1, 2010.

*PENALTY FOR CARRYING, BUT NOT MAKING A STROKE WITH, CLUB OR CLUBS IN BREACH OF CONDITION: Two strokes for each hole at which any breach occurred; maximum penalty per round – Four strokes. In the event of a breach between the play of two holes, the penalty applies to the next hole.

*Any club or clubs carried in breach of this condition must be declared out of play by the player to his marker or a fellow-competitor immediately upon discovery that a breach has occurred. If the player fails to do so, he is disqualified.

PENALTY FOR MAKING A STROKE WITH CLUB IN BREACH OF CONDITION: ***Disqualification.***

Ping EYE 2 Clubs: Ping EYE 2 irons manufactured prior to March 31, 1990, ***may not*** be used at any stage of Qualifying or at the Championship proper unless they have been tested and found to conform with the current groove specifications.

Electronic Distance Measuring Devices: Per Rule 14-3, the use of these devices **IS PROHIBITED** at all phases of the Championship. PENALTY FOR BREACH OF THIS CONDITION: First Offense – ***Two strokes***; Second Offense – ***Disqualification.***

Accidental Movement of Ball on the Putting Green: This Local Rule is in effect for the Qualifying

Pace of Play: The Pace of Play policy posted on the Qualifying webpage is in effect. In addition, the pace will be printed on each *Official Scorecard*.

Starting Times: There will be no change in the starting times established by the Committee other than by decision of the Committee due to weather conditions.

Starting Holes: Starting times will be from Hole #1 tee.

Qualifiers and Playoffs: There are **TWO (2) spots** available in the qualifying and **THREE (3) alternates**. In the event of a tie for the qualifying place(s) or any alternate position(s), **a hole-by-hole playoff will be held immediately following the completion of play.**

Qualifier Certificate: The successful qualifier should pick up their Player's Certificate from the Committee upon the conclusion of the Qualifying.

Bent Creek Golf Club Information

HOST CLUB INFORMATION

Bent Creek Golf Club

14490 Valley View Rd
Eden Prairie, MN 55344
Golf Shop: 952/937-9347
Website: www.bentcreekgolfclub.com

General Manager: Michele Russell
PGA Professional: John Klooz
GCSAA Superintendent: Tom G Notch

Course Set-Up: This is the expected course set-up for the qualifier. The Committee reserves the right to modify it as necessary.

Hole	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>9</u>	Out	<u>10</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>18</u>	In	Total
Yardage	500	116	345	364	310	365	370	170	355	2931	493	320	380	385	162	367	492	137	410	3179	6110
Par	5	3	4	4	4	4	4	3	4	35	5	4	4	4	3	4	5	3	5	37	72
Pace	:16	:13	:14	:15	:14	:14	:14	:13	:14	2:07	:20*	:14	:14	:14	:13	:15	:16	:13	:15	2:14	4:21

Holes marked with an asterisk (*) include a four (4) minute "turn time" from 9 → 10.

Directions: For directions and additional information about Bent Creek Golf Club, visit www.bentcreekgolfclub.com.

Practice Rounds: To schedule a practice round, contact the Golf Shop (952/937-9347) and identify yourself as a US Senior Open contestant. Practice round fee is \$65 (Walking/Weekend) and \$50 (Walking/Weekday).

Practice Range: The practice range will be open at least 60 minutes prior to the first starting time on the morning of the qualifying.

Caddies and Carts: Bent Creek Golf Club ***will not*** have caddies available. You may bring your own caddie if you wish to use one, or you may carry your own bag. Bent Creek permits the use of push/pull carts. **The use of motorized carts is prohibited during all phases of the Championship unless prior authorization is made through the USGA.**

Footwear Policy: As stated on the official entry form, *shoes with traditionally-designed spikes (regardless of composition) or spikes, regardless of design, comprised either entirely or partially of metal (when such metal comes in contact with the surface of the putting green) are prohibited.* Penalty for breach of this condition: **DISQUALIFICATION.** (There will not be provisions to have your spikes changed on the day of the event at the host facility.)

Dress Code: Contestants and caddies must be neat in appearance. Bermuda length shorts may be worn. Denim and blue jeans, short shorts, tee shirts, and tank tops are prohibited. Shirts must have collars. The Committee will decide whether this requirement has been met. The dress code applies to the caddies as well as the players. A player will be held responsible for the appearance of his caddie.

Food Service: There will be limited food and beverage service available during the qualifying at the clubhouse.