

PLAYER INFORMATION MEMO

Thank you for entering the 53rd Nebraska Match Play Championship. We welcome you and trust you'll enjoy the experience of playing Hillcrest Country Club in a championship conducted by the Nebraska Golf Association.

The following information will help answer questions and explain many details before arriving on site in Lincoln. Please keep this memo for reference.

LOCATION

Hillcrest Country Club

9401 O Street
Lincoln, NE 68520
(402) 489-8181

General Manager - Mr. Zach Tyson
Director of Golf - Mr. Mike Brown
Superintendent - Mr. Brian Hellbusch

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Monday, June 22

6:30 a.m.	Practice Areas Open
6:30 a.m.-9:30 a.m.	Player Registration (Morning Wave)
7:30 a.m.-9:30 a.m.	Round One, Stroke Play Qualifying Starting Times (Morning Wave)
11:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.	Player Registration (Afternoon Wave)
12:30 p.m.-2:30 p.m.	Round One, Stroke Play Qualifying Starting Times (Afternoon Wave)
3:00 p.m.	Practice Areas Closed to Participants

Tuesday, June 23

6:30 a.m.	Practice Areas Open
6:30 a.m.-9:30 a.m.	Player Registration (Morning Wave)
7:30 a.m.-9:30 a.m.	Round Two, Stroke Play Qualifying Starting Times (Morning Wave)
11:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.	Player Registration (Afternoon Wave)
12:30 p.m.-2:30 p.m.	Round Two, Stroke Play Qualifying Starting Times (Afternoon Wave)
3:00 p.m.	Practice Areas Closed to Participants (Practice areas will be available to those involved in the play-off)
Approx. 7:00 p.m.	Play-Off, if necessary

Wednesday, June 24

6:00 a.m.	Player Registration & Practice Areas Open
7:00 a.m.-9:30 a.m.	Round of 32 Match Play
1:30 p.m.-2:40 p.m.	Round of 16 Match Play
3:00 p.m.	Practice Areas Close to Participants

Thursday, June 25

6:00 a.m.	Player Registration & Practice Areas Open
7:00 a.m.-7:30 a.m.	Quarterfinals
12:00 p.m.-12:10 p.m.	Semifinals
3:00 p.m.	Practice Areas Close to Participants

Friday, June 26

6:00 a.m.	Player Registration & Practice Areas Open
7:00 a.m.; 11:30 a.m.	36-Hole Final

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COVID-19 CHAMPIOSHIP GUIDELINES

Please review the NGA COVID-19 Championship Guidelines for full information on our guidelines in addition to this document. These guidelines can be found on the NGA website here: <https://www.nebgolf.org/nga-covid-19-championship-guidelines/>.

CHAMPIONSHIP WEB SITE

Complete championship information is available at the official Nebraska Match Play Championship web site – <https://www.nebgolf.org/nebraskamatchplay>. Included are links to tournament history, course set-up, groupings and starting times, real-time scoring updates and the match play bracket.

PRACTICE ROUNDS

To make arrangements for a practice round at a time convenient to Hillcrest Country Club please contact the Pro Shop at (402) 489-8181. Practice round rate is \$50 including cart.

*Availability may be limited due to the high demand for tee times by the membership. Players are encouraged to coordinate going in groups of 3 or 4 to play a practice round together. Individuals or groups of 2 will be accepted, but may be asked to pair up with others.

**No practice round availability on Friday, June 19th thru Sunday, June 21st due to the rescheduling of the club's Member/Member.

CADDIES

Caddies are permitted with the following restrictions:

- Player and Caddie must maintain 6' social distancing when possible.
- Caddie must walk. Caddie may carry or push a player's bag.
- Caddie must not hand a player any clubs.
- Caddie must not attend or remove flagstick.
- Caddie must not mark the spot of a player's ball and lift and replace the ball on the putting green.
- Caddie must not clean a player's ball.

CARTS

Automotive transportation (cart) is permitted. If a player has not pre-registered for a cart he should contact the NGA office to make a reservation because sufficient carts may not be available. **ONLY one (1) rider per cart will be allowed.** Under no circumstances will two (2) riders be allowed in a cart.

REGISTRATION

Registration will be located near the cart staging area one hour prior to the first start time each day of the championship. Players **ARE REQUIRED** to check in prior to starting play each day for COVID-19 screening assessment before they will be allowed access to the facility.

PRACTICE FACILITIES

Practice areas will open one hour before the first start time each day of the Championship. **Players ONLY** allowed in all practice areas. No caddies or spectators allowed.

Practice balls are complimentary and will be available on the practice range. Players **will be limited** to one bag (approximately 50 balls) for warm-up.

Use of the practice range after a player's round is **prohibited**.

SCORING

Scorecards will not be used during the championship. Digital (online) scoring will be used in place of scorecards through the USGA Tournament Management (USGA TM) app. Players are asked to download the USGA TM app prior to the start of their first round. Complete instructions on how to download the USGA TM app, login, and keep score will be sent to players prior to the start of the championship. Upon completion of the round players will enter the designated scoring area to review and verify their scores verbally with the scoring official.

ON-COURSE AMENITIES (WATER & SNACKS)

Bottled water will be available for players and caddies before your round on #1 and #10 tees, as well as, at the comfort station located between #7 and #12 tees. An attendant will be present to hand out water. Snacks, i.e. fruit, energy bars, etc. will not be available anywhere on the golf course. Players are encouraged to bring their own water and snacks for consumption during their round.

ENTRANCE & PARKING

The south entrance and parking lot is closed for construction. Please use the main entrance off of O Street and park in the north parking lot.

SPECTATORS

Spectators are allowed with a limit of **ONLY** two (2) spectators per player. Spectator carts **WILL NOT** be available during the stroke play qualifying rounds of the championship. Carts will be allowed, based on availability, for spectators to rent during the match play rounds. Hillcrest Country Club's policy regarding cart occupancy will be followed.

FORMAT

A) Stroke Play – 36-holes stroke play to determine 32 qualifiers for match play. A tie for the last qualifier's place shall be decided immediately by a hole-by-hole play-off beginning on hole #1 unless otherwise determined by the Committee.

MONDAY, JUNE 22, 18-holes

TUESDAY, JUNE 23, 18-holes

B) Match Play – General numerical draw will be used. For purposes of determining places in the draw, ties in qualifying rounds shall be decided by a blind draw, except that places of those participating in a play-off shall be determined by the order on the public scoreboard summary and by performance in the play-off.

WEDNESDAY A.M., JUNE 24, First Round, 18-holes

WEDNESDAY P.M., JUNE 24, Second Round, 18-holes

THURSDAY A.M., JUNE 25, Quarterfinal Round, 18-holes

THURSDAY P.M., JUNE 25, Semifinal Round, 18-holes

FRIDAY, JUNE 26, Final, 36-holes

In the event of a tied match, (a) the winner shall be decided immediately by a hole-by-hole play-off and (b) the stipulated round is deemed to extend to as many holes as are required for a match to be won.

NOTICE OF WITHDRAWAL

If you must withdraw, notify the NGA office immediately. Please call Justin Ahrens at (402) 505-4653, ext. 104 or at (402) 380-1916. Failure to comply may render you liable to disqualification from future NGA Championships.

FOOD & BEVERAGE

The clubhouse will be open for food and beverage service each day. The club accepts cash, credit cards, and club reciprocals as a method of payment. There is a 3% service fee charged for credit card purchases.

FOOTWEAR

Hillcrest Country Club is a spikeless club and, therefore, spiked shoes will not be allowed. Penalty for breach of the spikeless rule is disqualification.

PERSONAL EFFECTS

Please take care of your valuables. Neither Hillcrest Country Club nor the NGA can assume responsibility for articles lost or stolen.

PRIZES

WINNER: Custody of championship trophy, gold medal, championship money clip and a framed match play bracket.

RUNNER-UP: Crystal trophy and silver medal.

LOWEST QUALIFYING SCORE: Bronze medal; if a tie, duplicate medals will be awarded.

MERCHANDISE PRIZES: To Be Determined.

STARTING TIMES

See the pairings link on the championship web site for your assigned starting tee and time for both rounds of stroke play qualifying. Match play seedings and match starting times will be available following the stroke play qualifying rounds. It is your responsibility to be present at your assigned starting tee and ready to play at the assigned time.

SCORE POSTING

All scores will be posted for handicap purposes. Players should not post these scores individually.

53rd NEBRASKA MATCH PLAY CHAMPIONSHIP
Hillcrest Country Club, Lincoln
June 22-26, 2020

COURSE SET-UP

Hole	Par	Yardage	Alternate Yardage
1	5	476	
2	4	443	420
3	3	237	200/225
4	5	582	
5	4	398	
6	4	378	
7	4	401	
8	3	182	157
9	4	412	
Out	36	3509	
10	4	435	405
11	5	544	
12	3	180	144
13	4	398	
14	4	360	301
15	4	385	
16	3	200	170
17	4	407	
18	5	495	
In	36	3404	
Total	72	6913	