

The Northern California Golf Association cordially extends an invitation to your club to participate in the 31<sup>st</sup> Annual Team Match Competition.



**2019**

**OFFICIAL TEAM MATCH ENTRY APPLICATION  
TEAM MATCH COMPETITION**

**CHAMPIONSHIP:  
POPPY HILLS GOLF COURSE  
PEBBLE BEACH, CA**

A weekly team competition between players that belong to regular NCGA member clubs. Standings compiled throughout the season will be maintained at the NCGA office and will be the basis for playoffs culminating in the finals at Poppy Hills GC.

**TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE**

**TEAM ENTRY FEE: \$250**

**TEAM ENTRY DEADLINE**

**March 31, 2019**

**CLUB MATCHES**

**JUNE 6 THROUGH AUGUST 10, 2019**

**TEAM PLAY-OFFS**

**AUGUST 29 THROUGH OCTOBER 12, 2019**

**CHAMPIONSHIP**

**OCTOBER 26 - 27, 2019**

Entry application and appropriate fee must reach Northern California Golf Association, Tournaments, 3200 Lopez Road, Pebble Beach, CA 93953, no later than March 31, 2019. Telephone, walk-in, or incomplete entries will not be accepted. Register online at [www.ncga.org](http://www.ncga.org).

**LATE ENTRIES NOT ACCEPTED**

## 2019 TEAM MATCH SCHEDULE

<b>June 6 &amp; 8</b>	<b>First Round Matches</b>
<b>June 13 &amp; 14</b>	<b>Open Date</b>
<b>June 20 &amp; 22</b>	<b>Second Round Matches</b>
<b>June 27 &amp; 29</b>	<b>Third Round Matches</b>
<b>July 4 &amp; 6</b>	<b>Open Date</b>
<b>July 11 &amp; 13</b>	<b>Fourth Round Matches</b>
<b>July 18 &amp; 20</b>	<b>Open Date</b>
<b>July 25 &amp; 27</b>	<b>Fifth Round Matches</b>
<b>August 1 &amp; 3</b>	<b>Open Date</b>
<b>August 8 &amp; 10</b>	<b>Sixth Round Matches</b>
<b>August 15 &amp; 17</b>	<b>Open Date</b>
<b>August 22 &amp; 24</b>	<b>NCGA RESERVED (All Regular Season Matches must be completed prior to this date)</b>
<b>*August 29 &amp; 31</b>	<b>Playoffs Begin</b>
<b>*September 12 &amp; 14</b>	<b>Round of 16</b>
<b>*September 26 &amp; 28</b>	<b>Quarter Finals</b>
<b>*October 10 &amp; 12</b>	<b>Semi Finals</b>
<b>October 25</b>	<b>Practice Rounds</b>
<b>October 26 &amp; 27</b>	<b>Championship at Poppy Hills GC</b>

(SEE ATTACHED)

\*Each playoff round has two weeks to be completed, beginning with the week listed.

## TEAM MATCH COMMITTEE

**Gary Fox - Operations Committee Chairman**

**Ryan Farb, Director - Rules and Competitions**

**Rick Leoncio, Assistant Director - Rules and Competitions**

**Lindsey Phipps, Assistant Director - Rules and Competitions**

## CLUB/PLAYER ELIGIBILITY

Participating clubs with NCGA membership as of January 2019 may enter one Thursday team and one Saturday team for each 18-hole golf course of at least 5,000 yards in length that they maintain. If entering teams for both days, please use separate applications.

Participating players must be a member in good standing of the club, have a current numeric index and be listed on the club's index report as of June 1, 2019. Members affiliating with the club or establishing an index after that date are not eligible to compete in 2019. Any member who has not established a current numeric index is ineligible. **Players may represent only one club but may play on both teams (Thursday and Saturday) during the regular season. Players may represent only one team during the playoff.**

NCGA tournaments are open to male and female amateur golfers who are members in good standing of a current NCGA member club. When both men and women compete in net events, the women should play from a forward set of tees and handicaps will be adjusted accordingly.

All players will use their current handicap index (maximum of 18.4) for calculation of their course handicap. Players with a current handicap index higher than 18.4 are eligible to compete but must play to the 18.4 maximum.

Either the current club professional or assistant professional may participate as a team member if they have a numeric index, but both may not play on the same day of competition.

## TEAM GROUPINGS

**Teams may create their own groupings provided that all captains in the group agree.** Otherwise, Team Groupings are based primarily on the commonality of clubs within a group, especially with respect to playing privileges and amenities. Generally, this means that like clubs (private or public) will be grouped with similar clubs. However, of nearly equal significance in determining groupings is a participating club's geographical location and willingness to travel. Together, these factors may result in groupings where there is a mixture of public and private clubs. The Team Match Committee reserves the right to make changes to the team groupings after they have been published.

## CONDITIONS OF PLAY

Participating clubs are REQUIRED to host green fees for visiting teams and make their courses available for any scheduled and/or make-up matches (including playoffs if their team is involved). **CLUBS PARTICIPATING IN THE PLAYOFFS MUST HOST PRACTICE ROUNDS FOR THE SIX OPPONENTS/GUESTS WHO WILL BE COMPETING AT THEIR CLUB AT EACH LEVEL OF THE SINGLE ELIMINATION PLAYOFFS. ANY CLUB THAT DOES NOT PROVIDE A PRACTICE ROUND DURING THE PLAYOFFS WILL FORFEIT THE MATCH.**

## **STARTING TIMES**

Host Team Captains are responsible for setting starting times, or time, in the case of a shotgun start. However, opposing captains are expected to cooperate with each other and set starting times that are mutually agreeable and reasonable enough to accommodate the travel of visiting teams. Whenever possible, the first tee should be closed 20 minutes prior to the first starting time. (NOTE: DURING PLAYOFF MATCHES, THE STARTING TIMES MUST BE SET AT A TIME WHICH ENSURES THAT THE MATCH AND ANY SUDDEN DEATH PLAYOFFS CAN BE COMPLETED PRIOR TO DARKNESS.)

## **NUMBER OF PLAYERS**

Twelve players compete in each match. Participating clubs should maintain a roster of alternates.

## **FORMAT/SCORING**

A team of two players play the opposing team of two players in three simultaneous matches: two individual matches and a Four-Ball (best ball of partners) match.

Individual matches are played for 2 points. The Four-Ball match is also played for 2 points. There are 6 points possible in each group.

## **FORFEITURES**

Forfeiting teams may be declared ineligible for future competition pending a review of circumstances by the Team Match Committee.

## **DETERMINING GROUP WINNERS**

Group winners will be determined by awarding 2 points for a win, 1 point for a tie and 0 points for a loss. The team with the greatest number of points will be declared the winner. Exception: Groups with identical points. See “Rules of Play” for tie breaking procedure. “Rules of Play” will be distributed during the preseason.

## **PLAYOFF MATCHES**

Teams advancing to the playoffs will participate in single elimination matches to determine the overall Thursday and Saturday Team Champions. Only players who have participated during the regular season will be eligible to participate in the playoff matches and championship.

## **CHAMPIONSHIP**

Two teams from Thursday and Saturday Leagues will advance to the finals at Poppy Hills GC on October 26-27. Practice rounds are available Friday. On Saturday, the Thursday and Saturday Teams will compete in an 18-Hole League Championship. On Sunday, the Thursday and Saturday League Champions will compete for the overall championship. The runners-up will compete for third place.

## **WITHDRAWALS**

Participating clubs are expected to compete as scheduled. Withdrawal at any time after the pairings have been published will result in disqualification for the following year. Entry fees will NOT be refunded.