



FORT WAYNE GOLF ASSOCIATION

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Welcome to the 92st season of the FWGA! We are excited about this season, as many of you have already put a few rounds under your belt. Please visit FWGA.com for our 2017 schedule. Review each tournament information page for details and formats.

FWGA Membership (\$20/yr.) is required to play in any event, unless noted in the tournament information page. Membership is **required**, even if you are a member of the tournament host course. Please visit our home page for the "Sign up here" link. Consider joining your membership early this year. Joining early will ensure that you receive emails about upcoming information, FWGA news, tournament registration dates and deadlines. This is critical for those of you who only play the City Championship. If you are not in our database for each respective season, reminder emails for registration deadlines cannot be received.

Tournament registrations will open up on March 15, 2017 at 8:00 a.m., for all events. Register early to make sure you get in the events you want to play this year.

Our 2017 season begins with a 5-man scramble at Riverbend Golf Course. FWGA dues are NOT required for this event. This is the only event where team payment can be made the day of the tournament. The team captain is responsible for full team payment the day of the tournament. May brings the Hall of Fame at Coyote Creek and the 2-Man Mid Am at Cedar Creek. June has the Little City at McMillen and July has the Am Open and the City Qualifier at Brookwood.

This year's schedule includes three Major events: Hall of Fame, Little City, and the Am Open. This year we will be granting **(8) eight City Championship exemptions** in each of these three premier stroke play events. The 8 lowest scores (and ties) who are not already exempt for the City Championship, will earn an exemption. Last year's Player of the Year was super close, down to the last round at the City Championship. Thanks again to Bobick's Golf for their sponsorship of the POY!

This year the HOF and the Am Open will be 36-hole medal play events with a Gross and Net division! All players are automatically entered into both divisions. Players will be awarded gift certificates to the host pro shop based upon their highest finish (one award per player). The tournament registration entry form has an area for your IGA Handicap # (7 digits). If you DO NOT include or do not have a handicap #, you will play as a "0" handicap in the NET division.

The City Qualifier will be held at Brookwood and limited to the first 156 entries. Register early, as this qualifier will fill up fast! If you register early and earn an exemption, your qualifier entry fee will be refunded.

We are excited to have our premier event, the **2017 City Championship at Sycamore Hills Golf Club** on Sat/Sun/Mon, August 5-7, 2017. The field will consist of 156 players for Sat/Sun with the cut to the low 100 players and ties for the final Monday round.

Please visit the FWGA.com web site and review the eligibility requirements for the City Qualifier and the City Championship. You can find this information under the FWGA Policies and Procedures page, located under the "About Us" tab.

We are proud to announce new sponsorships for 2017. Please visit the sponsor area on our website and make every effort to acknowledge their support whenever possible. It is our goal that a sponsor provides a significant impact for each event.

There is an APP for the FWGA! BlueGolf APP for both iPhone and Android is available. This is a great addition to our platform and FREE to FWGA members. This allows membership and tournament registration.

USGA Rules of Golf Seminar: Tuesday April 18, 2017 at Coyote Creek Golf Club. More information will follow.

We appreciate your support and participation, welcome all suggestions, and look forward to seeing you on the course!

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