

22nd CoBank Colorado Women's Open

August 31 - September 2, 2016

Green Valley Ranch Golf Club, Denver, CO



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\$75,000 Total Purse!

FORMAT

The format for this event is a multi-round pro-am similar to the AT&T Pebble Beach National Pro-Am. Female professionals will be paired with sponsors to compete in a Pro-Am competition while simultaneously participating in the Open Championship. Female amateurs with active USGA Handicap Indexes not exceeding 5.4 (at time of entry) are also eligible to participate in the Open Championship. NOTE: Amateurs may NOT compete in both the Open Championship and Pro-Am competition.

Open Championship: 54 holes of individual stroke play.

Three Day Pro-Am Competition: 54 holes of net four-ball stroke play. A female professional and a net amateur play together as partners each player his or her own ball. The lower of the partner's scores is the team score for the hole. Net amateurs will compete at 90% of his or her Course Handicap with a maximum of 18.

FIELD COMPOSITION

Open Championship: The starting field shall be approximately **104 competitors** (86 professionals, 18 amateurs).

The following entry priority shall take effect:

1. All exempt players provided that the entry is received prior to the stated entry deadline, and she is otherwise eligible;
2. All other eligible players whose entries are received prior to the stated entry deadline and otherwise eligible on the basis of earliest receipt up to the field sizes of 86 professionals and 18 amateurs;
3. Applications received beyond these fill limits shall be placed on a wait list by player type on the basis of playing resume. NOTE: Players from the wait list shall only replace those from the same classification (i.e. Professionals replace professionals and amateurs replace amateurs).

Three Day Pro-Am Competition: The starting field size shall be limited to 40 teams. Space permitting, **all professionals are invited to pay the additional \$100 entry fee to compete in the three day Pro-Am Competition for a portion of the \$15,000 pro-am purse.** Amateurs (Net Amateurs) for the Pro-Am Competition are typically affiliated with event sponsors and provided by the Committee. In the event all net amateur positions are not filled, the Committee may allow professionals the opportunity to provide their own net amateur partner. NOTE: Amateurs may NOT compete in both the Open Championship and Pro-Am competition.

ENTRIES: FORM & ELIGIBILITY

The entry forms provided by the Colorado Open Golf Foundation (COGF) or photocopies of these entry forms must be used for entry by all players, including those that are exempt. Forms may be obtained from the COGF office or website (www.ColoradoOpen.com). Only one entry may be filed per player. The COGF reserves the right to disqualify anyone who submits more than one entry. Entries received after the deadline are not acceptable and will be automatically rejected. Entries should be submitted early to allow ample time for delay or error in transmission. The risk of delay or error in transmission lies solely with the entrant. The COGF shall have no liability with respect to any such delay or error and the consequences therefrom, including rejection of the entry.

Age: Players are required to list their age and date of birth on all Colorado Women's Open entry forms.

Minors: All players who are under the age of 18 by the date of entry submission must also list a parent/guardian with the appropriate phone numbers and the application must be signed by the same parent/guardian. Players subject to these restrictions may file an entry via the Internet, but the Certification of Parent or Guardian portion of the written entry must be submitted before the entry will be processed. Failure to comply with these requirements will result in rejection of the entry.

HOUSING & ACCOMMODATIONS

The COGF does not arrange host family housing; however, we are excited to share an exciting accommodation offer for this year. Country Inn & Suites-DIA is the host hotel for the Championship. Players receive a rate of \$84/night that includes deluxe breakfast, cocktail reception (M-Th), shuttle service to/from airport AND golf course, and flexible checkout policies. To make a reservation or to see more information, visit our website www.ColoradoOpen.com.

ENTRY FEE & DEADLINE

The Colorado Open Golf Foundation office must receive entry applications with full payment no later than the stated entry deadline.

Entry Deadline: 5:00 P.M. MDT on Wednesday, August 3, 2016

Confirmation of entry will be posted online and emailed by Friday, August 5th. Tee times for the first two rounds will be posted by Wednesday, August 24th on www.ColoradoOpen.com.

Championship Entry Fees:

- **Professionals: \$300**
- **Amateurs: \$200**

Three Day Pro-Am Entry Fees:

- **Professional: \$100 + championship entry fee**
- **Net Amateur: call for pricing**

SCHEDULE & PRIZE PAYOUTS

Championship: August 31 - September 2, 2015
at **Green Valley Ranch Golf Club**

Practice Round: Each championship participant will receive one complimentary practice round at Green Valley Ranch Golf Club. Vouchers will be issued to all confirmed players with their player packet.

Cuts: If the field is full, the lowest 40% of the teams plus ties and the lowest 40% of the individual (professionals and amateurs) scorers plus ties after 36 holes of play continue for the final 18 holes on September 1st; the remainder of the field is cut.

Purses: The Open Championship purse is \$60,000 and the Pro-Am purse is up to an additional \$15,000 (both purses include amateur merchandise prizes). Prize money will only be paid to those players that make the 36 hole cut and complete the final round of play. Amateurs will receive their payment in the form of merchandise gift certificates redeemable at Green Valley Ranch Golf Club.

REFUNDS & WITHDRAWALS

Refunds: A full refund of the entry fee will be issued to all entrants not admitted into an event. There is a \$45.00 service charge for ALL withdrawals prior to the entry deadline. Players who contact the Colorado Open Golf Foundation office to withdraw after the deadline date, but at least by 5:00 P.M. MDT one week prior to the first day of the event, will receive a 50% refund of their entry fee. Unless deemed appropriate by the Committee, players are not eligible for refunds after this cutoff. No refunds will be issued for any reason after the start of the tournament. All refunds are issued to the person listed on the entry form and are in the form of a check. Please allow up to two weeks for processing refunds.

Withdrawals: If a player must withdraw from the Championship once it has begun, she must notify the Colorado Open Golf Foundation office or tournament site as soon as possible with the reason for the withdrawal. "No-Carding," "No-Showing," and withdrawing from an event without a valid excuse is NOT acceptable. All players needing to withdraw from an event must notify a member of the Committee and return their scorecard prior to leaving the tournament site. Failure to do so will result in a one-year suspension and loss of any future exemptions from any COGF event.

CADDIES & CARTS

Caddies: Caddies are allowed; however, the Colorado Open Golf Foundation is NOT responsible for furnishing caddies and recommends that players bring their own. Players are not required to employ a caddie for the Championship and may carry or push/pull his or her own bag.

Carts for Championship: Prohibited. All players and caddies must walk.

Disabled Participants & Spectators: The Committee reserves the right to waive the no-cart rule for anyone with a disability as defined under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). All such requests and required supporting information must be submitted in writing with the entry application by the deadline. Requests due to temporary injuries or impairments that do not qualify as a "disability" under the ADA will not be granted. Cart availability for spectators is not guaranteed and riders must provide their handicap parking permit or like written verification of their disability to be eligible to rent a cart. The per rider fee is determined by Green Valley Ranch.

EXEMPTIONS

Exemption Eligibility

Players in the following categories shall be exempt into the Championship provided that a completed entry, with payment, is received prior to stated deadline, and she is otherwise eligible. A complete list of exempt players may be viewed on-line from the 2016 CoBank Colorado Women's Open Championship Information page on www.ColoradoOpen.com. Exemptions reserved for amateurs will be granted only to players who remain amateurs through the duration of the Championship. An amateur who accepts an exemption becomes ineligible to compete in the Championship if he or she becomes a professional before or during the play of the Championship.

Exemption Categories

1. All former Colorado Women's Open Champions
2. Top 30 plus ties (amateur or professional) from the 2015 CoBank Colorado Women's Open Championship
3. The Colorado Section of the PGA has 5 exemptions to use at their discretion
4. The Colorado Women's Golf Association has 15 exemptions to be issued at their discretion to the top Colorado amateurs and in accordance with the amateur eligibility requirements listed above
5. One returning player of the women's golf team from the following local NCAA Division I programs: University of Colorado, Colorado State University, University of Denver, University of Northern Colorado and the University of Wyoming. The Head Coach of each program will determine at his/her discretion the player to receive the invitation.
6. Sponsor Selection—up to 5 exemptions will be granted upon the decision of the Colorado Open Golf Foundation Executive Committee
7. Any player that has made the Colorado Women's Open Championship cut at least four out of the past twelve years (2004-2015).

PAST CHAMPIONS

(a) Denotes Amateur

Year	First	Last	Hometown	Championship Site
1995	Shelly	Rule	Tequesta, FL	Fox Hollow GC
1996	Stephani	Martin-Cobb	Colorado Springs, CO	Valley CC
1997	Lanny	Whiteside	Woodland Park, CO	Valley CC
1998	Dawne	Kortgaard	La Veta, CO	Valley CC
1999	Shannon	Hanley	Lakewood, CO	Valley CC
2000	Janice	Littlefield	Round Rock, TX	Valley CC
2001	Tamara	Johns	Queensland, Australia	Valley CC
2002	Isabelle	Beisiegel	Norman, OK	Valley CC
2003	Lisa	De Paulo	Austin, TX	Valley CC
2004	Julie	Tvede	Copenhagen, Denmark	Green Valley Ranch GC
2005	Erin	Kerr	Phoenix, AZ	Green Valley Ranch GC
2006	(a) Paige	MacKenzie	Yakima, WA	Green Valley Ranch GC
2007	Walailak	Satarak	Bangkok, Thailand	Green Valley Ranch GC
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2009	Whitney	Wade	Glasgow, KY	Green Valley Ranch GC
2010	Moira	Dunn	Utica, NY	Green Valley Ranch GC
2011	Jessica	Carafiello	Coral Springs, FL	Green Valley Ranch GC
2012	Joy	Trotter	Chino Hills, CA	Green Valley Ranch GC
2013	Becca	Huffer	Denver, CO	Green Valley Ranch GC
2014	Kendall	Dye	Phoenix, AZ	Green Valley Ranch GC
2015	Allison	Emrey	Charlotte, NC	Green Valley Ranch GC

2015 RESULTS--Top 15 Individuals & Top 3 Teams

	Name	Hometown	Score	Total	Payout
1	Allison Emrey*	Charlotte, NC	69-71-73	213 -3	\$11,000.00
2	Clariss Guce	Artesia, CA	72-68-73	213 -3	\$6,350.00
3	Briana Mao	Folsom, CA	73-69-72	214 -2	\$4,000.00
T4	Katie Kempter	Albuquerque, NM	73-72-70	215 -1	\$2,375.00
T4	Karinn Dickinson	Mukilteo, WA	67-76-72	215 -1	\$2,375.00
T4	Christine Meier	Rochester Hills, MI	71-71-73	215 -1	\$2,375.00
T7	Kaitlyn Rohrback	Crofton, MD	75-73-68	216 E	\$1,775.00
T7	Allyssa Ferrell	Edgerton, WI	73-73-70	216 E	\$1,775.00
T7	Carleigh Silvers	Martinsville, IN	75-68-73	216 E	\$1,775.00
T7	Britney Hamilton	Lake Orion, MI	71-71-74	216 E	\$1,775.00
T7	Ashley Tait	Littleton, CO	70-72-74	216 E	\$1,775.00
T12	Ashlan Ramsey	Milledgeville, GA	72-76-69	217 +1	\$1,337.50
T12	Sherry Andonian	Castle Rock, CO	74-74-69	217 +1	\$1,337.50
T14	Dana Finklstain	Chandler, AZ	73-77-69	219 +3	\$1,162.50
T14	Bree Arthur	Brookwater, Ipswich QLD	74-73-72	219 +3	\$1,162.50

Team	Pro/Net Am	Score	Pro \$
1	HealthONE #2* Allison Emrey/J. Dorsey	67-65-65-197	-19 \$2,800.00
2	Team Welch #2 Olivia Jordan-Higgins/M. Welch	65-68-64-197	-19 \$1,900.00
T3	Oakwood Homes Katie Kempter/P. Hamill	68-68-63-199	-17 \$1,100.00
T3	Massage Envy Spa Catherine O'Donnell/E. Kenealy	68-62-69-199	-17 \$1,100.00

RULES AND PROCEDURES

Play will be governed by the 2016 Rules of Golf as approved by the USGA. Local rules and conditions of competition will be included in each player's registration packet. The Colorado Open Rules Committee is comprised of staff and volunteer Rules Officials from the Colorado Golf Association, Colorado Women's Golf Association, Colorado Section PGA, and the Colorado Open Golf Foundation. This Committee reserves the right to alter any of the conditions and schedules herein and shall settle all questions and disputes related to the Championship—their decision is final.

Player Registration

All participants must register in person at the Player Registration area prior to play of the Championship.

Playoffs

For the Open Championship—Hole-by-hole playoff on hole #18 and continuing on 18 until the Champion is determined.

For the Open Championship Low Amateur—Hole-by-hole playoff on hole #10 and continuing on 10 until the Low Amateur is determined.

For the Pro-Am Competition—Hole-by-hole playoff on a hole to be determined by the Committee and continuing on such hole until team champion is determined.

Golf Balls & Equipment

Only brands of golf balls listed on the USGA's current List of Conforming Golf Balls and driver heads listed on the Conforming Driver Head List may be used. The optional condition prescribed in Appendix I of the Rules of Golf shall be in effect.

Championship Individuals only (Net Am's are exempt): The player's clubs must conform to the groove and punch mark specifications in the 2016-2017 Rules of Golf. Penalty for CARRYING, BUT NOT MAKING 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. 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 in stroke play immediately upon discovery that a breach has occurred. If the player fails to do so, he is disqualified. Penalty for MAKING STROKE with club in breach of condition: Disqualification.

Dress Requirements

Throughout the Championship players and their caddies must be neat in appearance with respect to clothing and personal grooming. Players and caddies are required to wear appropriate golf attire (NOTE: male contestants in the Pro-Am must wear a collared or mock-neck shirts). Denim and tank tops are expressly prohibited. During the Championship, caddies are required to wear the provided bib at all times to designate their status as an official caddie. The Committee in charge of the competition decides whether or not this requirement has been met and has the authority to withdraw the entry of a player who does not comply.

Footwear

Footwear is required for both players and caddies. Shoes with traditionally-designed spikes (regardless of composition) or spikes, regardless of design, comprised either entirely or partially of metal (if such metal may come in contact with the course) are prohibited during the stipulated round. Penalty for breach: DISQUALIFICATION.

Conduct

Unbecoming conduct by a player or a caddie, reported to the Committee before, during or after a competitor's round, may be cause for rejecting a player's entry or action under Rule 33-7. Objectionable conduct includes club throwing, foul language, abuse of the golf course or course property, abuse of officials, alcohol/drug impaired behavior, or any conduct unbecoming a lady or gentleman. Players may also be suspended from playing in future Colorado Open Golf Foundation events.

Cellular Phones and Pagers

The use of cellular phones and or pagers on the competition course is discouraged during the stipulated round, unless authorized by the Committee or in the event of a medical emergency. Use of these devices in a distracting fashion could be deemed a serious breach of etiquette subject to penalty of disqualification under Rule 33-7.

Distance Measuring Devices

Throughout the Championship a player may use a distance-measuring device to obtain distance information ONLY. If, during a stipulated round, a player uses a distance-measuring device that is designed to gauge or measure other conditions that might affect his play (e.g. gradient, wind-speed, temperature, etc.), the player is in breach of Rule 14-3. The penalty for the first breach is TWO STROKES and any subsequent breach will result in DISQUALIFICATION.

Pace of Play Policy

Throughout the Championship the player must play without undue delay. Individual penalties will be issued to violators. (NOTE: The policy in full detail is available on-line from www.ColoradoOpen.com)

QUESTIONS OR NEED MORE INFORMATION?

Contact the Colorado Open Golf Foundation at: 303-486-8800 or Info@ColoradoOpen.com

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COMPLETELY EXECUTED ENTRY WITH PAYMENT MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN:

5:00 P.M. MDT ON WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 3, 2016 AT THE FOLLOWING ADDRESS

Colorado Open Golf Foundation ♦ 20309 E. 48th Place ♦ Denver, CO 80249 ♦ P:(303)486-8800 ♦ F:(303)486-8823

APPLICATION FOR CHAMPIONSHIP ENTRY

Please print name by which you wish to be identified. Fill in every applicable blank or entry may be rejected.

First Name _____ Last Name _____ Middle Initial _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Country _____ Zip Code _____

Hometown for display on scoreboard: City _____ State/Country _____

Primary Phone _____ Cell phone _____

We are now able to send SMS messages for pairings & other important event messages. Check here to authorize us to send text messages to your cell phone.

Maiden Name _____ Email _____

Date of Birth: Month _____ Date _____ Year _____ Age** _____ Gender: Male Female

** (If under 18 by date of entry submission, parental signature is required below.)

*(Must be female to be eligible)

Player Favor: Hat Visor

Media Information

(If returning player, list updates from previous year)

Birthplace _____

Do you currently or did you play college level golf? YES NO

If yes, when? _____ Where? _____

Are you currently, or have you been, a member of a Professional Playing Tour? YES NO

If yes, which one(s)? _____ For how many years? _____

Do you currently have a Tour Card? _____

Have you played in an LPGA or USGA Championship? YES NO

If yes, which one(s) and when? _____

TYPE OF PLAYER—Applicant must check one

I am an AMATEUR golfer. Entry fee: \$200. If checked, the following must be completed for verification of Handicap Index. Only a handicap computed under the USGA Handicap System is acceptable. A player falsifying her handicap is liable to indefinite disqualification from Colorado Open competitions. Handicap must be verifiable by the COGF Office.

My current USGA Handicap Index is _____ and is actively on record at _____ (Name of vendor i.e. GHIN, EZlinks) under the following identification number (i.e. GHIN #) _____

I am a golf PROFESSIONAL. The year I turned professional is: _____ Social Security Number _____ - _____ - _____ (Required in order to receive prize money)

I would like to enter the Open Championship and only compete in the individual event. **Entry fee: \$300**

I would like to enter the Open Championship & the Pro-Am Competition. **Entry fee: \$400**

I am an AMATEUR AWAITING REINSTATEMENT. Entry fee: \$200.

Date of reinstatement: ___ / ___ / _____. Reinstatement application on file at: _____

PAYMENT INFORMATION—Please check type of payment

Cash—please do not send cash, deliver it in person to the Colorado Open Golf Foundation office

Check or Money Order—Payable to Colorado Open Golf Foundation

Credit Card—All fields below are required in order to process payment

Type of Card: Name as it appears on card _____

VISA Billing Address: _____

Mastercard Account Number _____

AMEX Exp. Date: Month ___ / Year ___ Security Code (on back of card) _____

SIGNATURE —Please read and sign below

By submission of this entry I agree to the following:

- I agree to the Championship regulations included herewith. I have noted requirements for acceptance of places, notices of withdrawal and registration at the Championship site.
- I agree that there are certain risks inherent in the game of golf and accept personal and sole liability for all such risks.
- I have not entered into and will not enter into any arrangement whereby I could have a financial interest in any other player's prize money (such as through prize-splitting or prize money "insurance").
- I agree that this entry is subject to rejection at any time (including during the Championship). The reason for rejection may include unbecoming conduct.
- I agree that the responsibility for ensuring this application is received by the Colorado Open Golf Foundation by no later than the entry deadline is mine alone and that this application will be automatically rejected if received by the Colorado Open Golf Foundation after such date and time. I agree that the risk of delay or error in transmission lies solely with me and that the Colorado Open Golf Foundation has no liability with respect to any such delay or error and the consequences there from, including rejection of this entry.
- I consent to the use by the Colorado Women's Open, or persons authorized by the Colorado Women's Open, of my name, likeness, voice and references to me and photographs and other images of me and my play connected with my appearance in the qualifiers or Championship, in connection with media promotion or commemoration of current and future Colorado Open Golf Foundation events.
- I consent to the release of my email address to corporate sponsors of the Colorado Open Golf Foundation upon their request.

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT _____ Date _____

**Certification of Parent or Guardian (For entrants who are minors only—under the age of 18)

As a parent or guardian of the applicant, I hereby certify the facts in this entry form and state that I am familiar with her plans to participate in the Colorado Open and that she does so with my approval and consent. Further, I, for myself and the applicant, hereby release the Colorado Open Golf Foundation, the host club and their respective committee members, officers and employees from any and all liability for any event or consequence whatsoever in any way arising out of or relating to the applicant's entry or participation in this Championship. In case of a medical emergency occurring during the Championship, I authorize a qualified medical doctor to take all necessary measures in the treatment of this applicant.

Name of Parent or Guardian (Please Print) _____ Phone _____

Signature of Parent or Guardian _____ Relation to Applicant _____

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PLAYING HISTORY FOR NON-EXEMPT PLAYERS

All individuals not already exempt into the 2016 CoBank Colorado Women's Open Championship are encouraged to complete this form. The COGF will evaluate all applications submitted through the entry deadline and place players into the field based on strength of playing resume. ONLY information submitted on this form and the entry will be reviewed, so please do not submit any additional materials. Applicants will be informed of their status in the field within 48 hours of the entry deadline.

Player Information--Must Complete Entry Form (all sections other than Qualifier Selection & Payment Information are required.)

Restate Name as listed on entry: _____

Restate Player Type as listed on entry: Professional (year turned pro _____) Amateur Amateur for Reinstatement

Are you a member of the LPGA or PGA of America? YES NO If yes, which section _____

Are you a member of the Colorado Women's Golf Association? YES NO

Have you participated in a previous Colorado Open Event? YES, CO Women's Open YES, CO Open Pro-Am NO, this is my first event

Which Tours are you actively involved with? None LPGA Symetra (formerly FUTURES) Cactus Canadian Other: _____

Do you or did you play collegiate level golf? YES at _____ from ____ to _____ NO

PLAYING RECORD--should ONLY reflect accomplishments for the 3-year period prior to the upcoming championship

List top 5 individual tournament finishes within the past 3 years.

Year	Event	Location	Score	Finish

List top golf awards/honors earned within the past 3 years.

Year	Event	Location	Score	Finish

List other major accomplishments you have achieved throughout your playing career: _____
