



## Dear Participant,

On behalf of the Members and staff at Sugar Mill Country Club, we would like to welcome you this year's Mid-Amateur Stroke Play Championship. We are certainly excited and honored to be hosting this year's prestigious event. We hope you find the golf course to be challenging and enjoyable.

Upon arriving at Sugar Mill you will be provided with a guest tag that we would ask all players to please place on their bag. This will aid our staff in storing clubs and getting players set for play each morning.

In hosting this event we did want to insure that all competitors were familiar with a couple of polices which Sugar Mill has in place which we would ask that all players follow:

- 1) Sugar Mill does not permit Cargo Pants/Shorts
- 2) Sugar Mill requires all players to have the tails of the shirts neatly tucked.
- 3) Sugar Mill requires all players to wear collared or mock turtle neck golf shirts.
- 4) For everyone's safety, all players must adhere to the directional signs when driving their carts around the Clubhouse and Golf Shop.

We thank you in advance for your adherence to these policies.

In closing, please feel free to contact me or any member of my staff with any needs that you may have prior to or during championship week. Once again, welcome and good luck in this year's Championship.

Sincerely,

Derek Morrison, PGA Director of Golf Sugar Mill Country Club golfpro@sugarmillcc.com (386)426-5210

# **Championship Information**

Memorandum to Contestants

Thank you for registering for the **Mid-Amateur Stroke Play Championship**. We are certain that you enjoy your experience in competing at a State Championship and take many favorable memories from your time at Sugar Mill Country Club.

Please take time to carefully read through this packet of information. There are several important pieces of information contained here, some of which require action by you (e.g. hotel reservations and practice rounds, etc.). If you have any questions please contact the FSGA Championship Department at (813) 632-3742 or <a href="mailto:championships@fsga.org">championships@fsga.org</a>.

## **Championship Format & Cut**

54 holes of individual stroke play. The field will be cut to the low seventy (70) players and ties after thirty-six holes. The lowest score for 54 holes will be the Champion. If necessary, there will be a hole-by-hole play-off to determine the champion. *It is the player's responsibility to be present for any playoff.* 

If necessary, the championship may be shortened to 36 or 18 holes if inclement weather forces the FSGA to cancel a round or rounds.

# **Defending Champion**

Joe Alfieri II, of Lutz, FL, shot rounds of 67-71-69—207 (-10) at Vero Beach Country Club in route to winning the 2013 title.

#### Course

Tournament rounds are scheduled on the Red and White nines at Sugar Mill Country Club. The White nine will be holes #1-9 while the Red nine will be holes #10-18.

The main clubhouse is the large building adjacent to the parking lot, however the Golf Shop is located at the bottom of the hill next to the driving range. The scoreboard will be located in the Grill Room.



## **Tee Times & Groupings**

Tee times and pairings groups will be arranged and posted on the FSGA website at <a href="www.fsga.org">www.fsga.org</a> on or before May 5th. All competitors with a valid email address on file with the FSGA will have a link to the pairings emailed to them.

#### **Carts & Caddies**

Sugar Mill Country Club has a limited number of carts. Players starting in the afternoon wave in rounds 1 and 2 may not have a cart available for them until shortly before their starting time. Players may have to walk to and from the practice area and practice putting greens.

All players must ride in a cart during tournament rounds. If a player employs a caddie, the caddie **MUST** walk and the player's clubs must remain on the golf cart. Only players are allowed to ride in carts.

#### **Practice Rounds**

Practice rounds are available one week prior to the Championship on a space available basis. Practice rounds are restricted to after 12:00 PM on the weekend prior to the Championship.

The cost of the practice round, including range balls and cart, is \$35 plus tax. Due to a limited number of carts at Sugar Mill Country Club players will normally be paired with other players. Players are allowed one practice round per course at the \$35 plus tax rate.

Starting times for your practice round can be arranged by calling the club.

**Golf Shop Number:** 386-426-5210

You may **not** make your practice round tee time **before the first round tee times are posted**.

### **Practice Facilities**

The practice range at Sugar Mill Country Club only measures approximately 230 yards. <u>Players must hit the white range balls (limited flight) when hitting fairway woods and drivers.</u>

The practice facilities will open at 6:45 AM each morning and close at 6:00 PM each day.

#### **GPS and Range Finders**

In this competition, a player may obtain distance information by using a device that measures distance **ONLY**. However, 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, for which the penalty is disqualification, regardless of whether any such additional functions are actually used."

#### **Host Site Policies & Dress Code**

The Membership, Management at Sugar Mill Country Club would like all of you to enjoy your experience during the Mid-Amateur Stroke Play Championship.

- Gentlemen are required to have shirts tucked in and hats worn properly while on the golf course.
- The wearing of **cargo shorts** designed for golf are **NOT** permitted.
- Players are encouraged to use the services of the clubhouse including the buffets and grill room for food and beverage as well as the locker room and its services.
- The club prohibits the use cell phones on the golf course and in the clubhouse. Leave your cell phone on vibrate or silent.

Remember that you are guests of Sugar Mill Country Club and entries are subject to rejection or withdrawal at any time (including during the event). The reason for withdrawal may include improper attire and/or unbecoming conduct.

### Food & Beverage

Players are not allowed to bring product on property. Please support the club and purchase your food and beverage at the club.

#### **Hotel Arrangements**

The **Hampton Inn New Smyrna Beach** is offering a rate of \$110 per night plus tax for a room with a king bed or two queens. When making your reservations please identify yourself with the **group code "FLG"**.

This Hampton Inn is located 8 miles from Sugar Mill Country Club. <u>The hotel is located within walking distance</u> to the beach and several restaurants and bars. The hotel offers complementary breakfast, parking and wireless internet.

To receive the reduced rate you must make your reservation by April 12<sup>th</sup>. Hampton Inn Phone Number – **386-898-9444** 

## Pace of Play

In order to accommodate a "double wave", it is essential that the game be played at a brisk pace which may be defined as 4:15 in groups of three during the Championship rounds. If and when it should become necessary to give players in each group a penalty for slow play, we hope they will react with the understanding that we do it in the best interest of the Championship and the other players. The pace of play for the Championship will be posted on the Notice to Players. FSGA Pace of Play Policy.

The FSGA Pace of Play Policy utilizes a two checkpoint system.

- Players will **NOT** receive warnings.
- Each group is responsible for monitoring their own pace.
- To avoid penalty, groups must complete each checkpoint hole:
  - 1. Within 15 minutes of the group ahead, or
  - 2. Under the allotted time.
- Checkpoints on each course will be on holes #9 and #18.
- All players in a group in breach are subject to penalty.

Position with Group Ahead – To stay within 15 minutes of the group ahead, players should never have an open hole ahead, and they should be in the fairway on par 4's and 5's when the group ahead leaves the green.

# Player Check-In (Friday)

There will a check-in table set up in the clubhouse at Sugar Mill Country Club to pick up your tee gift and player information prior to your first round starting time.

## **Charges**

Sugar Mill Country Club accepts cash and Visa/MasterCard for payment.

#### **Location - Sugar Mill Country Club**

150 Club House Cir. New Smyrna Beach, Florida 3168 386-426-5200

Directions: Exit 249 off I95 (FL 44). Head east 0.5 miles, turn left on Sugar Mill Drive. Follow Sugar Mill Dr for 1.8 miles, then turn left onto Club House Blvd. Drive 0.45 miles and turn left into the parking lot on Club House Circle.



# Approximate Championship Yardages Sugar Mill Country Club

White Nine (Holes #1-9)

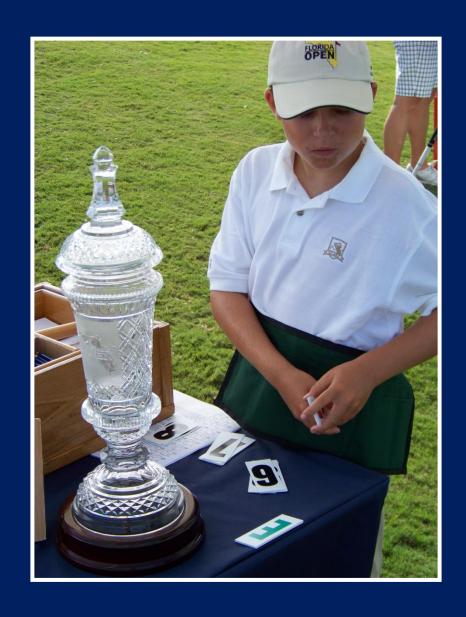
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Hole #	<u>Par</u>	<u>Yardage</u>
1	4	401
2	4	444
3	3	174
4	5	571
5	3	199
6	4	364
7	4	345
8	5	489
9	<u>4</u>	<u>431</u>
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Red Nine (Holes #10-18)

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