



2017 Cyprus Amateur Men's National Championship



Secret Valley GC

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1. ELIGIBILITY

Entries for the Aegean Cyprus Amateur Men's National Championship 2017 will be accepted from amateur gentlemen players members of the Cyprus Golf Federation who are Cyprus Passports holders or citizens of the Republic of Cyprus, and conform in all respects to the current Amateur Status Rules of the R&A. **Additionally, at Registration, entrants must produce proof of their citizenship status (passport/ID).**

Entries will only be accepted via the official electronic form found on the CGF's website and must be submitted by the **closing date, 10th January 2018.**

All entries shall be subject to approval by the Tournament Committee which reserves the right to accept or refuse, or having accepted, to subsequently reject any entry without giving reason for its decision which shall be final. The Tournament Committee reserves the right to disqualify any competitor making a false statement on his entry form.

2. FORM OF PLAY

The **Championship** will be decided by Stroke Play off the **White tees** in a 2-round event over 36 holes, to be played at Secret Valley GC. The player with the lowest gross score over 36 holes will be the **Cyprus National Champion 2017**. The leading 16 players after the first round will continue to compete for the **Championship** on Final day, while the rest of the field will compete for the **Championship Plate**. In the event of a tie for the **Championship**, there will be an immediate "sudden death" play-off over hole 18, repeated if necessary. The **Championship Plate** will be decided by Stableford points off full handicap, played off the **Yellow tees** on the final day of the event. In the event of a tie for the **Championship Plate** as well as for any other prizes (see paragraph 10 below), the following procedures will be applied in sequence to decide the result: Best score over last 18, 9, 6, 3, 2, 1 hole respectively. **This is a handicap qualifying competition** and players' scores will be electronically transmitted through CGF's handicapping software to their home clubs.

Pace of play will be **monitored and penalised** at the discretion of the Course Marshal. Please help us to avoid slow play and **at all times abide** by the directives of the Course Marshal. Please play a **provisional ball** if in doubt and in any event if you are so directed by the **tee Marshal**.

3. HANDICAP LIMITS AND CATEGORIES

The maximum Handicap for entry is EGA exact 28.0. In the event of the Championship being oversubscribed, entries will be decided by the exact handicap as shown in the National Handicap database and published on the CGF's website and date of entry received. This will take place immediately after the closing date for entries. Unsuccessful entrants will be informed without delay but may be given the opportunity to compete if scratching subsequently occurs.

4. ENTRY APPLICATIONS & FEES

All applicants are required to register for the event through the on-line application entry form that can be found under the event's page on the CGF's website (www.cgf.org.cy). Payment should be submitted with the completed entry form. **No entry forms will be accepted unless accompanied by appropriate payment.** Credit Cards accepted are, Visa or MasterCard. In the event of withdrawal after the closing date, **10th January, 2018**, the entry fee **will not be refunded**. All Entry Applications received will be acknowledged by email, fax or phone upon receipt. Should acknowledgment be not received within a reasonable time all applicants are requested to enquire as to the status of their Entry Application directly with the CGF Offices. The Entry Fee is € 85.00 (€ 35.00 for SVGC Members). Payment should be submitted with the completed entry form. **No entry forms will be accepted unless accompanied by appropriate payment.** Credit Cards accepted are, Visa or MasterCard. In the event of withdrawal after the closing date, **10th January 2018**, the entry fee **will not be refunded**. The fee covers the 2 competition rounds, prizes and buffet meal during the Prize Presentation function on Final day. The Entry Fees does not cover green fees for any practice rounds, which have to be booked with and paid for directly to the course.

5. BUGGIES, CADDIES AND TROLLEYS

Use of buggies is optional during the Championship days. The use of buggies however is governed by the course's rules and regulations currently in force, which must be respected at all times. A limited number of buggies are available for hire at Secret Valley pro-shop on a first come first served basis; players wishing to reserve one should contact the course Reception directly (Tel: 26 274 000). Electric or manual trolleys may be used and caddies are allowed, however, any caddies to be used, must be fully aware of golf etiquette and need to be notified to the Tournament Committee on registration.

6. RULES.

The Championship will be played in accordance with the rules of golf as approved by the R & A, the Cyprus Golf Federation, and in accordance with the Local Rules endorsed by the Tournament Committee. The Tournament Committee reserves the right to undertake random checks on conforming equipment. **Distance measuring devices as provided for in the Local Rules are permitted on all competition days.** On course Referees will give rulings, but the Tournament Committee is the final arbiter of all on and off course disputes.

7. REGISTRATION AND STARTING TIMES

On or after the closing date, **10th January, 2018**, entrants should contact CGF office (Tel: + 357 22 449 874, Fax: + 357 22 449 876, or e-mail <cgf@cgf.org.cy>) to confirm acceptance of their entry unless already notified of their acceptance by CGF. Competition Registration is mandatory and will take place at Secret Valley Golf Club on Saturday, 13th January, from 7:30am. Starting times for the first day of competition will be published on the CGF's website (www.cgf.org.cy) and will also be available at the registration desk and posted on the Tournament notice boards at Secret Valley Golf Club. Day 2 start times will be available as above within an hour of the close of play of Day 1. The Tournament Committee reserves the right to fix and/or alter the starting times and amend the regulations as necessary. All alterations and amendments will be published on the CGF's website and posted on the official notice board at the course. Players are reminded that they must complete **Course Registration** and collect scorecards on arrival at Secret Valley Golf Club on each day of the competition **at least fifteen minutes** before their tee time. **Failure to start on time: Rule 6-3 will apply.**

8. PRACTICE

The Entry Fee does not include a practice round. Bookings for a practice rounds at the course on previous days may be made, subject to tee time availability, by contacting the Secret Valley Golf Club Reception directly; a special green fee of €40 will be applicable for CGF members, other than Secret Valley GC members, for each practice round. Players should note that, when playing practice rounds, the course **would not** be set up as for the Championship. Practice facilities (driving range etc.) at Secret Valley GC will be open daily prior to the first starting times and **free practice golf balls** will be provided on both competition days.

9. PRIZES.

The gentleman winner of the Championship will be "**Cyprus National Champion 2017**". The Championship trophy will be held for that year by the winner's club. If the winner's club is not located in Cyprus, the trophy will be retained in Cyprus, in the offices of the Cyprus Golf Federation. There will also be 2nd and 3rd gross overall trophies for the Championship. For the Championship Plate section, there will also be 2nd and 3rd net trophies.

10. MOBILE TELEPHONES.

The use of mobile telephones even for SMS by players or their caddies while on the golf course is **absolutely prohibited**. Breach of this Condition will result in **disqualification**.

11. LOCKERS.

Club storage is available and can be arranged through the Caddy Masters department on the day of arrival

12. MEDICAL CARE

During play, a doctor will be on call at own expense.

13. CREDIT CARDS

All major credit cards are ordinarily accepted in hotels, restaurants, the clubhouse, the pro-shop. Please note however that CGF accepts only VISA and MasterCard for the payment of Entry Fees.

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