



When/where does the event take place?

The *Members-Only Weekend* will take place May 29-31 in Nipomo, CA. Registration will be held on May 29 at 10:30 AM.

In what format will the event be played?

The tournament is a 36-hole, four-ball net stroke play event. In four-ball stroke play, two competitors play as partners, each playing their own ball. The lower of the partners' net scores is the score for the hole. Allowance: Men will receive 90% of course handicap. Women will receive 95% of their course handicap. USGA® rules are in effect at all times during play. An additional 10% will be deducted from those teams whose course handicap difference is more than 8 strokes.

The 12-hole Challenge course event will be held as an Individual Gross and Net competition. This is an added event aside from the 36-hole four-ball net.

How do I sign up for the *Members-Only Weekend*?

Register online via the [Members-Only Outing](#) website or by calling Ali White at the NCGA office at (831) 625-4653. NCGA offices are open Monday-Friday from 8 am to 5 pm. You can also [e-mail](#) Ali for more information.

What is the cost for the event?

Players can choose between three different golf packages. Packages have either one, two or three rounds of golf. This event is on a first-come, first-served basis and is considered full at 60 players.

Registration fees vary depending on which package you choose to buy. Please visit the [Members-Only Outing](#) webpage to view the price structures and amenities.

I do not have local housing in this area, where do I stay?

The NCGA has set aside room blocks at five different hotels in San Luis Obispo and Pismo Beach. Each facility is providing discounts on the Memorial weekend stay but with a limited number of rooms blocked. The approximate commute time is 20-30 minutes depending on the facility you stay at. ***The room blocks are being held until April 28, 2010 unless otherwise stated. You must make your own hotel arrangements.***

Is there a cancellation policy?

Yes. By registering for the *Members-Only Weekend*, you are agreeing to the following cancellation policy agreement: Any cancellations prior to May 14, 2010, 5:00 p.m. PST will be refunded less a \$25 administrative fee. Any request for cancellations after May 14 will have to be directed to Ali White at the NCGA (831) 625-4653 or via e-mail awhite@ncga.org. Cancellations after May 14 are subject to a full loss of funds. All payments for all competitors MUST be pre-paid via credit card. Sorry, No Exceptions.

Do I have to be a member of the NCGA to play in the event?

No. However, one member of the team MUST be a member of the NCGA in order to compete at the *Members-Only Weekend*. You must have a certified handicap index from the NCGA or another regional or state golf association.

If you need to become a NCGA member, but are unsure how to do so please contact us at member@ncga.org.

Where will the event registration be held?

On Saturday, May 29, from 10:30am – 12pm NCGA staff will be on hand at Monarch Dunes Golf Course for registration. Players MUST check in prior to the event start. Crucial information regarding local rules and pace of play will be provided at this time. Dinner will follow golf for all the players and their guests.

For those only wanting to play in Monday's event, registration information will be e-mailed out the week prior to the event.

Can I have a caddy?

No.

Can I have a guest and/or an extra cart?

No. Because of liability issues, guests not playing will not be welcomed on the course.

What time do I tee off?

Rounds of golf will be determined by the number of participants. Saturday is currently scheduled to be a 12:00pm shotgun and Sunday is slated for a 10:00am shotgun. Depending on the final player count, Monarch Dunes Golf Course does have the right to change this event to scheduled tee times. When pairings information is e-mailed out, players will know whether we are going to start as a shotgun or assigned tee times. Further details regarding starting times will be distributed prior to the event.

Monday's Challenge course event will start at 10:00am with assigned tee times. However, if the participation count is high, we will move this to a shotgun start so players traveling far distances can get on the road.

Where can I find pairings?

Pairings will be e-mailed out a week before the tournament starts. Pairings will also be available at the registration.

How are the flights determined?

Assuming a full field (60 golfers), there will be two flights for the event and each flight will have a maximum of 15 teams per flight, distributed by team handicaps. Entries will be compiled and flight lines will be determined after registration closes. We will add each teammate's handicap together to come up with a single team handicap in order to determine the final flight breakdowns.

I'm a 2 handicap; can I play with a 20 handicap?

Any player can be paired with and compete with any other player. The only stipulation is that, teams with players that have a course handicap difference of 8 or more will be subject to an additional 10% reduction to be applied to the course handicap of each member of the team.

Can I register to play even though I don't have a partner?

Yes. We are accepting single registrations. However, if registration concludes with an odd number of players, one single will have to blind draw his/her partner from the field.

Are there any side games?

Yes. There will be a skins game for each day. Skins will be awarded within each flight. The **optional** skins game is \$5 per player per day. Winners will be the lowest net score per hole (broken into flights). Skins will be paid based on the pot total divided by number of skins won per flight, per day.

Skins winners must be present to collect the cash awarded. For those who are not present, the cash will be donated to the NCGA Foundation which is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization.

There will also be designated contest holes for long drive and closest to the hole.

What are the prizes for the flight winners?

Prizes for the top finishers will be based on the number of players in each flight and will consist of trophies and merchandise gift certificates. No single prize value will exceed \$750 in order to comply with the USGA® Rules of Amateur Status.

What happens in the event of a tie?

All ties will be broken based on the USGA® method for matching scorecards (back 9, last 6, last 3, etc.). Note: In a shotgun start the back nine of the course remains holes 9 through 18.

Where dinner/awards taking place?

The Saturday night dinner will be in the Banquet Room located at Monarch Dunes Golf Course following Saturday's round of golf. The meal is buffet style including an appetizer, citrus broiled chicken or roasted tri-tip, salad, beans, bread, drinks (non-alcoholic) and dessert. We will also hand out awards on Sunday in this same room. Snacks will be provided and meals will be available for purchase on Sunday afternoon.

When/where is the awards presentation taking place?

All awards will be presented at Monarch Dunes Golf Course immediately following the completion of the final round on Sunday, May 30. All players must take their prizes/trophies with them as they depart.

What happens in the event of weather delays?

The NCGA Staff will do everything possible to get all holes completed for the event should there be any delays due to inclement weather. Should the course be deemed unplayable or dangerous lightning is imminent; the event may be reduced to a shortened number of holes. We will do everything possible to get all 36 holes completed but all players should be sure to check with the staff for any possible changes to tee times and/or events. **PLEASE** be prepared for any and all weather conditions.

How does the NCGA ensure proper flights?

The NCGA will look at every competitor's index as of May 15. We will confirm every player's handicap that enters the event. Note that the tournament organizers will establish an Exceptional Scoring Committee (ESC) that reserves the right to re-flight and/or disqualify any group that the committee determines has intentionally manipulated the concept of fair-play and clean-competition.

What are the transportation/parking details for the event?

Each player is responsible for his/her own transportation to and from the golf course during the event. Parking is available at the course.

Can I/my team use a rangefinder during play?

The tournament committee has made a decision to ALLOW teams to use a rangefinder during the event. In accordance with the USGA Rules of Golf rangefinders must measure distance ONLY.