



The Presidents Cup 2016

Welcome to The Presidents Cup, 2016. This tournament is chaired by Donna Courchaine. I am available to assist you in any way I can.

If there are any discrepancies between this info and what is in the SNEWGA Annual Directory, this letter and all future communications override the directory.

We are sending all the info and sign-up sheets to the SNEWGA representatives *via email only*. If you receive this and are no longer the SNEWGA Rep for your club, **please** be sure you pass it along to the correct people. All info sheets and entry forms will also be available for download from the SNEWGA website.

*** All Club Entry Forms must be received by Donna on or before August 8, 2016 ***
This is a firm deadline – there will be NO exceptions.

This tournament consists of two phases: the Regional Championships, where each Region holds a tournament to determine its champion; and The Presidents Cup, in which the Regional champions will play in single elimination matches to determine the winner of the tournament. This is a Net event.

- Teams should be listed on your SNEWGA Club Entry Form in order of priority; those listed first will have precedence.
- **Payments for each team must accompany the SNEWGA Club Entry form** (\$160/team for Lake of Isles, which includes a \$10.00 team entry fee) – **checks made out to SNEWGA**. It will be refunded if a team is not selected, or if the event is entirely cancelled. **In case of withdrawal, refunds will be made ONLY if a replacement team can be found.**
- Substitutions are allowed. However once a player has been eliminated, she may not sub.
- When practical, the handicap index in effect at the time each round is played will be used.
- Handicaps will be adjusted to 90% of course handicap. Team member handicaps will be adjusted to a maximum spread of 8 strokes after handicaps are adjusted to 90%.
NOTE: You may sign up as a team even if your handicaps are more than 8 strokes apart. If there is a team handicap spread greater than 8 strokes, the higher handicap will be reduced to meet the 8 stroke spread maximum. This also applies to subs.
- The format for the Regional Championship round will be first nine Better Ball, second nine Modified Alternate Shot.
- A minimum of three tee shots will be required from each team member in Modified Alternate Shot format.
- Regional Championships will be stroke play. Presidents Cup rounds will be match play.
- Ties in Regional Championships will be broken by playoffs, whenever possible. Ties in the Presidents Cup match play rounds will be broken by extending the match until the tie is broken. Tie breakers in any round will be played in Better Ball format.
- The Presidents Cup rounds will be Better Ball match play format and played at neutral sites.
- If an advancing team defaults, the next lowest net score team will advance to the next round.

While we have the below date and location scheduled, adjustments may have to be made. We will make every effort to adhere to this date. Weather or “unavailability” of the course will be the only reason for a date change. Any adjustments will be communicated to participating teams as soon as possible.

Regional Championships

Regions I, II, III & IV (i.e. all Regions)	Sunday, August 21, 2016	Lake of Isles
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The Presidents Cup rounds will be scheduled after the Regional Championships have been completed. As the SNEWGA Representative, your responsibilities are as follows:

- **Your club members must submit their Team Entry forms/checks to you, for receipt on or before August 1, 2016.**
- **You fill out the SNEWGA Club Entry form with the information about each of your teams. Be sure to enter them in priority order, and identify a Team Captain for each team.**
- **Mail the completed SNEWGA Club Entry form, accompanied by all the checks, to:**

**Donna Courchaine
481 Main Street
Wethersfield, CT 06109-1818**

- **Donna must receive your clubs' form and all the checks on or before August 8, 2016.**

If any team needs to find a substitute, you can help, but it is their responsibility to find a replacement.

If you have any questions, or I can help you in any way, I am at your service.

Thank you for your help in organizing and supporting The Presidents Cup, 2016.

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