

GCAA Summer Series Presented by the John T. Reis Foundation

Player Information

Penn State Golf Courses – State College, PA

August 3 - August 5, 2021

Player Registration	Player registration is available Sunday afternoon starting at 3:00 pm and Monday morning at 6:00 am. Players are required to wear a mask while inside the clubhouse and practice social distancing. If you need to withdraw, please call or email the Deputy Director, Brandon Earnest, below so he can call the next alternate.
Format & Tee Times	This is a 54-hole stroke play competition. First round Tuesday starting at 7:30 a.m. with 2nd round Wednesday starting at 7:30 a.m. Thursday's final round starting at 7:30 a.m. You will receive your first-round tee times via email and will also be on golfstat.com. Each player will have a morning and afternoon starting time the first two days. Final day pairings will be based on previous days scores with leaders going off last.
Practice Round	You will be responsible for setting your own practice round tee time with the club. Dates for scheduling will be July 24 - August 1, as well as on August 2nd, the Monday before competition, at a rate determined by club and GCAA.
Tees to Play & Par	Participants will play the John T. Reis Foundation tees. Approximate yardages 7,219 depending on daily Summer Series course setup and weather predictions. Par is 72
StrackaLine	StrackaLine is the “ Official Yardage and Greens Book ” of the GCAA Summer Series. All participants of the GCAA Summer Series will be able to purchase books and digital books through StrackaLine at a discounted rate.
Water	Please practice social distancing with a mask on while only in the clubhouse. Water is being provided in coolers on the course during the competition
Caddies	Caddies will be allowed during the competition. If your caddy wishes to play alongside you during the practice round, they will have to pay full rates of the club.
Push Carts	Push carts will be allowed during play.
Range Finders	GCAA allows the usage of distance-measuring devices in all GCAA competitions. If, during a stipulated round, a player uses a distance-measuring device to gauge or MEASURE OTHER CONDITIONS that might affect his/her play (e.g., gradient, wind speed, temperature, etc.), the player is in breach of Rule 4.3 (1).
One Ball Rule	The one ball rule is in effect.
Golf Cars & Evacuation	In the event of inclement weather, a horn/siren will signal the suspension of play. Please follow the evacuation plan as provided to the nearest shelter. Please be mindful of social distancing and wait for email/text messages to let you know when it is all clear.
Suspension of Play	A suspension for a dangerous situation (<i>i.e.: lightning or tornado</i>) will be signaled by one long siren or horn blast. Players shall discontinue play immediately and seek shelter. All other suspensions shall be signaled by three shorts blasts. All practice areas shall be

closed during suspension for a dangerous situation until the committee has declared them open for use.

Practice Facilities

The range & practice putting green will be open for use starting at 6:15 a.m. on days of competition. There is no charge for practice balls throughout the tournament for warm up **prior** to and after each day of competition. Please practice social distancing in these areas to the best of your ability.

Pace of Play

The Summer Series Rules Committee has set a generous pace of four hours and thirty-two minutes (4 hours and 32 minutes) for each round of competition. Play ready golf and keep up with the group in front of you.

Withdraw / Alternates

Please call or email the Deputy Director, **Brandon Earnest, 214.422.3809** if you must withdraw before the competition so he can contact the next alternate to participate.

**Summer Series
Contacts**

Director: Donnie Wagner, cell 317.966.6447; donnie@collegiategolf.com

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Rules Officials

John Reis, GCAA Director of Rules & Competitions

Refund Policy

Prior to July 5th: Full refund minus \$25 administrative fee

July 5th - 19th: a 50% refund will be provided

After July 20th: no refund

Scoring / Scorecards

Players are required to bring a fully charged mobile phone or device that supports the Golfstat website (available on iOS or Android) to use for their **official scorecard and live scoring during GCAA events**. Instructions on how to use the software will be sent to all players prior to the competition. Players will be provided your own player log in at registration and will be assigned to mark for another player in the group. The player is responsible for providing their own mobile device, as well as ensuring that it is fully charged. **Please bring your fully charged backup charger. All player information will be provided electronically on Golfstat for your ease of access.**

Medalist Award Ceremony

There will be a quick awards presentation and picture for the medalist immediately following the close of the competition by the clubhouse or on the 18th green.

Play-off Procedure

There will be a hole-by-hole playoff if there is a tie for the medalist. If a hole-by-hole playoff is not feasible due to inclement weather, the medalist will be decided by a scorecard play-off of the total score of the last nine holes (Holes 10-18). If the players have the same score for the last nine holes, the medalist will be determined, on the basis of the last six (Holes 13-18), last three (Holes 16-18), and finally last hole (18th).

Personal Appearance	Players must be neat with respect to personal grooming and clothing. Players may not wear cargo or denim shorts. No jeans will be allowed during competition. Men are to wear collar or designer mock shirts. Please keep in mind, we are guests at each facility.
Code of Conduct	Any conduct unbecoming a golfer shall be subject to one warning by an official then immediate disqualification at any time thereafter. Such conduct shall include abusive language, club throwing, profanity, showing disrespect to volunteers, officials, or staff, littering, or leaving trash on the course, or abuse of the golf course/facilities. Players must be willing to comply with respect to dress code and social distancing.
Parents / Spectators	Spectators will be allowed during the event. Please practice social distancing while on property and <u>masks are mandatory</u> in the Clubhouse.
Spectator Golf Cars	Spectator carts will be allowed if you have a handicap/condition that requires a cart. Normal fees will be charged by the course. Please call or email Brandon Earnest prior to the tournament.
Health & Safety Plans	<p>The GCAA's 2021 health and safety plans are developed below using recommendations from global health partners and working in conjunction with the Back2Golf plan, an industry-wide collaboration of the PGA TOUR, PGA of America, USGA, LPGA, IAGA and allied golf associations.</p> <p>In addition, the GCAA will work with local government officials to ensure community guidelines are met. At a minimum of two weeks prior to the event, local governing officials will be asked to sign off on the GCAA's safety plans and approve an event can be conducted in the local community.</p> <p>There will be COVID screening before each round so give yourself adequate time.</p>
Practice Facilities	<p>Players can arrive one hour before your tee time.</p> <p>Driving range stalls are spaced per social distancing requirements.</p> <p>Range balls are set out without bags and baskets.</p>
Starting Events	<p>Staff, officials, and volunteers will wear masks when interacting with players.</p> <p>No paperwork is physically distributed, but all is available through the Golfstat mobile scoring platform.</p> <p>All players participate in digital scoring with mobile devices – no physical scorecards.</p>
During Competition	Essential number of Summer Series Rules Officials will monitor pace of play and provide rulings on the course.
Scoring	There will be a scoring table located around the clubhouse and a precise location will be given at registration. Players will be asked to social distance to review their scores at the completion of their final hole. Players will attest their scores and submit prior to leaving their final hole.

GCAA officials can confirm hole-by-hole scores and totals, as well as helping with marker and player disputes if they do not agree with their scores, near the clubhouse.

Social Media

Instagram: @GolfCoachesAssn

Facebook: GolfCoachesAssociationofAmerica

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