***Minnesota Golf Classic***

***At Pioneer Creek***







**2021 Participation Manual**

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### **Tournament Committee**

**Justin Smith** Tournament Director

**Nick Cocalis** Tournament Director

**Marcia Kreklow** General Manager, Pioneer Creek GC

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### **Minnesota Golf Classic Games Committee**

**Nick Cocalis** Tournament Director

**Tom Peterson**Head Golf Professional, Pioneer Creek GC

**Bob Boldus** Tournament Rules and Competitions Coordinator

**Minnesota Men’s Golf Support Staff**

**Mike Wierzbicki** Sport Administrator for Minnesota Men’s Golf

**Sadie Keller** Communications

**Curtis Simondet** Sports Medicine

**FIELD**

Pairings will be available on Golfstat.com by Friday, September 10 at 5 pm.

Field will be 80-90 players.

There will be a team (Division II and III) and individual (all players) competition.

# **Schedule of Events**

## Friday, September 10

ALL DAY Arrive and Check In at Hotel

3:00 pm Optional Tee Times Available at Pioneer Creek (952-955-3982)

* ***Call Pioneer Creek Pro Shop for arrangements***

**Saturday, September 11**

6:45 am Practice Facilities Open

8:00-10:00 am Optional Practice Round Tee Times Available

* ***Call Pioneer Creek Pro Shop for arrangements***

11:00-2:00 pm BBQ Lunch-All Players

1:00 pm **Coaches Meeting**

* Near Tent

2:00 pm 1st Round Shotgun Start

## Sunday, September 12

6:45 am Practice facilities open

8:30 am 2nd Round Shotgun Start

11:00 am-2:00 pm BBQ Lunch(grab when by clubhouse)

1:15 pm Final Round Continuous Play

# **Practice Round Times**

1. All tee times for **non-Division 1 coaches** should be made by calling Pioneer Creek GC Pro Shop at 952-955-3982. Please ask for Marcia Kreklow or Tom Peterson.
2. **Division 1 coaches** must make tee time arrangements for practice rounds on Friday or Saturday by contacting Pioneer Creek GC Pro Shop at 952-955-3982. Friday tee times can be at any time and Saturday tee times will be between 8:00 and 10:00 am.
3. Practice round rates from April 1-September 11 for participating team members only are $21+tax/player. Rate valid weekdays, weekends and holidays after 2pm. All practice round tee times for September 11 and 12 must be booked by August 25.
4. Play is only in foursomes at Pioneer Creek GC. Please be mindful of this policy when booking practice round tee times.
5. There is no limit on # of practice rounds any player can have in 2021.

# **Competition Tee Times**

1. Shotgun Start for all tournament rounds.
2. Pairings will be determined according to field size. We will look to last year’s format of fivesomes to limit the amount of groups on the course if needed.
3. Pairings will include teams and individuals.
4. Pairings will be available on Golfstat under Pioneer Creek Collegiate by 3 pm on Friday, September 11.
5. Upon arriving at starting hole daily, players in first group off hole may begin without waiting for starting horn. No starting horn will be used to signify start of rounds.

# **General Information**

**Lineups**

All preliminary lineups should be submitted by email to Coach Cocalis by Thursday, September 9, 2021 at 5 pm.

**Entry Fee**

Division 1 Individuals=$200

\*\*Please make checks payable to “University of Minnesota”

## Meals

## Breakfast—Coffee and snacks available at course for purchase daily

## Lunch—Grill on the deck will serve food that is available for purchase daily. Lunch is included in entry fee for all participants.

## Dinner—Dinner on Sunday night is included in entry fee for all Division 1 participants at Windsong Farm GC following completion of play.

## Parking

No assigned parking at golf course.

## Rules Officials & Committee

The rules officials for the Gopher Invitational will be from the Minnesota Golf Association. The rules committee is comprised of Minnesota Golf Association officials.

The rules committee shall be responsible for the following:

1. Marking of the golf course
2. Decisions regarding any rulings, including pace of play
3. Disciplinary action
4. Interpretation of all rules

**Pace of Play**

Pace of play policy will be handed out at the coaches meeting.

**Spectators**

Spectators are encouraged to attend however will be asked to maintain an appropriate distance (15 feet) from the participants. Spectators will not be given golf carts unless permission is granted through medical waiver. Carts are limited for the event. Please contact Marcia Kreklow, GM of Pioneer Creek Golf Course, to make special arrangements. Her telephone # is 763.843.2944

## Live Scoring

Golfstat.com will have all live scoring information. Players be prepared with fully charged phones. All live scoring will be done by one member of each pairing. All instructions for live scoring functionality will be given at Coaches’ meeting.

## Sports Medicine

The training staff will offer onsite services throughout the tournament and will be located at the back of the men’s locker room at Windsong Farm Golf Club. A daily schedule and contact information for the trainer will be provided at the coaches’ meeting.

## Awards

Pioneer Creek Collegiate awards ceremony will take place immediately following play next to the scoreboard in the staging area. Trophies and medals will be handed out for Team Champion and Individuals placing from 1st through 10th places.

**Coaches Meeting**

Coaches meeting will be at 1:00PM on Saturday, September 12. Coaches will be sent an email with all course and tournament details. If you have any additional questions, contact Nick Cocalis at 608.213.2650