**NOTICE TO PLAYERS**

Play is governed by the United States Golf Association (USGA) Official Guide to the Rules of Golf, the Local Rules and Terms of the Competition for 2021 USGA Championships(‘Hard Card’), the USGA document entitled “6th U.S. Amateur Four-Ball Championship” and, where applicable, the following Local Rules and Conditions. All local rules listed on Hackberry Creek Country Club scorecards, posted on notice boards or posted on the course are **not** in effect for this tournament. Unless otherwise noted, penalty for breach of a Local Rule or Condition is two strokes.

1. **TEES:** Play will be from the rectangular, white USGA-logo tee markers.

2. **TRANSPORTATION:** Players must walk during the stipulated round. Players may accept a ride when going back to play under stroke and distance. Caddies may use a motorized cart to transport clubs; one cart per side.

3. **SCORING AREA:** The scoring area will be between the 18th green and the back of the clubhouse. All scores must be individually identifiable by player. Scorecards will be considered as returned when electronic scores have been visually verified and verbally attested.

4. **PLAYOFFS:** In the event of a tie for the final qualifying or alternate spots, a sudden-death, hole-by-hole playoff will be conducted immediately after all scores have been verified. Announcements will be made adjacent to the scoring area.

**SUPPLEMENTAL RULES OF PLAY .**

1. **Out of bounds** is additionally defined by the following:

* Course side of cart path concrete/curbing and/or stone walls behind #18 green; and thereafter ties to white stakes along practice area to penalty area at creek.
* Course side at ground level of retaining walls or other obstructions supporting boundary fences.
* The line connecting across tunnel openings between white dots near the base of walls.
* Inside edge/curbing (golf course side) of all paved roads and parking lots.

Note: A ball that crosses a roadway defined as a boundary and comes to rest beyond that boundary is deemed to be out of bounds even if it lies on another part of the course. There is no in-course out of bounds between #9 and #10 fairways.

2. **IMMOVABLE OBSTRUCTIONS:**

* Stone hole signs, decorative rock formations, ball washers, trash cans, water stations, and embedded flagstone adjacent to cart path are part of the same obstruction.
* Areas of cart traffic damage immediately adjacent to cart paths are part of the same obstruction.
* Landscaped areas surrounded by stone retaining walls or cart paths are part of the same obstruction.
* Staking, water bags, and wires supporting young trees.

3. **WRONG GREENS:** The turf nursery right of #2 green near maintenance barn and the green in #18 fairway on north side of creek (across creek from clubhouse) are wrong greens. Mandatory free relief per Rule 13.1f.

**4. DROP ZONE:** If it is known or virtually certain that a ball that has not been found is in the penalty area on hole number 11, the player may proceed under the applicable options under Rule 17; or as an additional option, drop a ball under penalty of one stroke in the designated dropping zone, which is on a forward tee pad at about 105 yards.

5. **INTEGRAL OBJECTS:** The large stones around/near tree near #3 green are integral objects from which free relief is not available.

6. **DOUBT AS TO PROCEDURE:** If in doubt and a Referee is not nearby, players are encouraged to declare and play a second ball in accordance with Rule 20.1c(3) . Properly announce your intention and which ball you wish to score if the Rules permit. Players **MUST** report facts and actions taken to a Committee member before returning scorecard or be disqualified.

7. **PACE OF PLAY** is established at 2:20 for the front nine and 2:21 for the back nine, 4 hours and 45 minutes total. Pace of play checkpoints will be at hole 9 and hole 18. See separate memorandum “USGA Pace of Play Policy” which governs pace of play.