

## Philadelphia Here We Go!

You have already received the email notification on the change in venue. This is the official announcement and agenda for our altered plans.

We will be conducting the National Hickory Championship on the historic St. Martins course of the Philadelphia Cricket Club in the Chestnut Hill district of Philadelphia.



This was also the site of the 2013 NHC and those that participated will remember the uncompromising hospitality the club showed us. Therefore returning is an honor and pleasure for us.

The Greenbrier informed me on February 23 they would be unable to host us owing to their efforts to repair damage from last June's tragic flooding. Oakhurst would not be repaired this summer and initially they offered us the Greenbrier Course, later withdrawing the offer.

The Cricket Club generously installed earthen teeing grounds for us in 2013 and these tees added so much to the historical nature of the St. Martins course that the club made them permanent. This aids in making the course especially conducive to holding gutty ball competitions.

All competitors and guests should note that this is a private club and we are very fortunate to be allowed to use their facilities. Don't hesitate to thank the staff and our hosts whenever possible.



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### Sneak Preview

The 2013 NHC crew will recall how fabulous the food & beverage service at the Cricket Club was. We will get the same great service this year. For a sneak preview — and many final menu selections will be made in the near future and reported to you — the Thursday reception will feature beer and wine (a few soft drinks, too) with the snacks provided by a slider station and a grilled cheese station with sandwich makings.

**THE Shirt** Contestants will receive a special 20th Anniversary shirt this year. I have to order well in advance for embroidering so if you plan to enter please advise me of your size as quickly as practical.

### Hotel

There are a number of hotels in the area but the NHC has a block of rooms at the SpringHill Suites in Plymouth Meeting, PA. The rate is \$112 for a King Suite which includes breakfast. To reserve phone this number and reference the National Hickory Championship. **800 287-9400**

**Deadline** If you wish to place an ad or business card in the NHC program book the deadline for artwork is April 30. Please advise Pete of your intention so space can be held for you. It goes to the printer May 1.

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## More Returning Golfers



Ross Snellings (20)



Billy Wardwell (2)  
*Returning Champion*



Jim Koss (3)



Kilty Ahlschwede (19)



Bill Geisler (2)



Dave Brown (4)



Dave Gamet (7)



Bern Bernacki (7)



Tom Mehigan (3)



David Olivas (5)



Wright McLeod (2)



Cam Henry (5)

## NHC 2017 Order of Events

### Thursday June 8

- Arrival at club starting around 9:00 — arrival packets by starter's hut
- Foursomes begin at 11:00 AM, pairings drawn at 10:50
- Open practice on the course starting around 1:00 PM, till 5:30
- Reception 6:00-8:00 PM with beer and sandwiches, site at club TBA

### Friday June 9

- First tee times at around 7:30 AM (tee times emailed to everyone around Memorial Day)
- Buffet lunch served in the clubhouse 11:00-1:00
- Locker room is available for showering and changing before dinner
- Buffet Dinner in the clubhouse around 7:00 PM (cash bar)

### Saturday June 10

- First tee times at around 7:00 AM (we have to be off the course by 4:00)
- Buffet lunch served in the clubhouse 11:00-1:00
- Locker room is available for showering and changing before departing
- Award ceremony with beer and snacks in clubhouse around 5:00 PM

## Foursomes Update

The Match Eight is filled since it is by invitation. Open Match Play (1) is also filled however if another eight sign up for that format we can have a second division (Open Match Play 2). Stroke play is wide open.

Open Match Play (1): **Ahlschwede, Gamet, Johnson T, Kaiser, Koss, Ravert, Smith, Snellings.**

## Already Entered?

If you already entered and used the Oakhurst entry form you are good to go (don't re-enter). **Included with this newsletter is a revised form for new entries for the Cricket Club. Pricing is unchanged.**