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New England Section

Drive, Chip and Putt Contestant,

Thank you for your interest in the Drive, Chip and Putt Championship. Please refer to this informational document for all things pertaining to your local qualifying event.

Each player will compete in Driving, Chipping and Putting. The sheet titled “Rules of Competition” provides a description of each skill and the appropriate point values for each result. The tie-breakers, overall champions and regional qualifiers are also provided.

Players will be expected to be at the appropriate skill and ready to play when introduced by the starter. We have limited time, so players should move directly to the next station as they complete each skill competition.

Pace of Play: Players will play without delay and must play when prompted by the starter. Delay or Failure to do so will result in point deductions.

Advice/Coaching: Once a player begins a particular skill, they will compete in that skill without coaching or other assistance.

Age Divisions: Age divisions are based on **THE AGE YOU WILL BE ON APRIL 2, 2017.** All participants will be expected to show proof of age should they advance to regional qualifying. Failure to provide a birth certificate or proper form of age verification at the regional qualifier will result in that participant being ineligible to compete.

Notice to Players: All players are responsible for their own golf clubs and golfing attire.

YOUR TEE/REPORTING TIME IS LISTED ON PAGE 5 OF THIS DOCUMENT

PLEASE LEAVE AMPLE TIME TO REGISTER, WARM UP/STRETCH AND BE READY TO PLAY AT YOUR TEE TIME. ARRIVING LATE FOR YOUR TEE TIME WILL RESULT IN A TOTAL POINT DEDUCTION OR DISQUALIFICATION.

Following the completion of play in each division, there will be an awards ceremony in the scoring area. At that time, ribbons will be awarded to the 1st, 2nd and 3rd place players in each skill as well as overall. There are no further activities following the awards ceremony and you are free to leave at that time.

The top three overall point earners in each of the boys and girls divisions from the four age brackets will advance to the sub-regional qualifying level of the competition. Players who qualify for a sub-regional competition must compete at the location in which they are assigned.



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Rules of Competition

1. The 2016 Drive, Chip and Putt Championship is open to boys and girls ages 7-15. Boys and girls will compete in separate divisions in four age categories: 7-9 years old; 10-11 years old; 12-13 years old; and 14-15 years old.
2. Participants will be grouped based on their age as of the championship final on Sunday, April 2, 2017. Participants must be at least 7 years of age on Sunday, April 2, 2017, and may not be older than 15 years of age on Sunday, April 2, 2017. Please note: a player may participate in Local, Sub Regional and Regional qualifying if he/she is 6 years old provided that he/she turn 7 years old prior to April 2, 2017. A 15 year old who will turn 16 years of age prior to April 2, 2017 is not eligible to participate.
3. All participants will be expected to show proof of age. Failure to provide a birth certificate or proper form of age verification at the appropriate time will result in that participant being ineligible to compete.
4. Participants may register to compete in only one local competition. Competing in more than one local competition will result in the automatic disqualification of that participant.
5. The guardian or parent of all participants must submit a release of liability form prior to participation.
6. All competitors must conform to the [USGA Rules of Amateur Status](#). Participation in the Drive, Chip & Putt Championship will in no way affect a competitor's amateur status.
7. The player's clubs and golf balls must conform with Rules of Golf and the provisions, specifications and interpretations set forth in Appendices II (for golf clubs) and III (for golf balls).

Scoring / Competing

1. Each participant will compete in all three skills (Drive, Chip & Putt). An individual rules sheet for each skill competition is available on the championship website (www.drivechipandputt.com).
2. Participants will accumulate points in each skill. The participant with the highest number of accumulated points will be declared the Overall Champion of his or her age category.
3. In the case of tie in the overall score, the putting rank will serve as the tie breaker (followed by 1) chipping and 2) driving if necessary).

Local / Regional Qualifying Scoring:

All championship scoring will be based on a 25-point-per-shot basis, with each participant taking three shots per skill. Each participant will accumulate points per shot in all three skills (maximum of 75 points per skill = 25 points per shot x 3). The overall champion in each age category will be determined by the participant with the most points accumulated between all three skills (maximum of 225 points = 75 points per skill x 3).

Driving

1. 40-yard wide fairway – all shots must finish in the fairway to score points.
2. Flags marking both sides of the fairway at 25-yard increments beginning at 100 yards.
3. A ball coming to rest on any of the boundary lines is considered in bounds.
4. A ball coming to rest on any of the scoring lines will be scored in the longer of the two scoring grids.
5. In the event of a tie the contestant's third drive will serve as a tie breaker (followed by second and first if necessary). If a tie still exists, co-champions of the skill will be declared.

Point System for All Ages

1 _{PTS.}	Up to 25 yards	6 _{PTS.}	110-120 yards	11 _{PTS.}	160-170 yards	16 _{PTS.}	210-220 yards	21 _{PTS.}	260-270 yards
2 _{PTS.}	25-50 yards	7 _{PTS.}	120-130 yards	12 _{PTS.}	170-180 yards	17 _{PTS.}	220-230 yards	22 _{PTS.}	270-280 yards
3 _{PTS.}	50-75 yards	8 _{PTS.}	130-140 yards	13 _{PTS.}	180-190 yards	18 _{PTS.}	230-240 yards	23 _{PTS.}	280-290 yards
4 _{PTS.}	75-100 yards	9 _{PTS.}	140-150 yards	14 _{PTS.}	190-200 yards	19 _{PTS.}	240-250 yards	24 _{PTS.}	290-300 yards
5 _{PTS.}	100-110 yards	10 _{PTS.}	150-160 yards	15 _{PTS.}	200-210 yards	20 _{PTS.}	250-260 yards	25 _{PTS.}	300+ yards

Chipping

1. Each participant will attempt three 10-15 yard shots at the scoring hole. All shots will be measured from the center of the hole with a string clearly marking the scoring rings.
2. The difficulty of the shot will increase with age (A relatively flat lie with little to no break for U9 year olds and an uneven lie with medium break to the chip for 14-15 year olds).
3. A ball coming to rest on any of the scoring lines will be scored in the higher of the two point rings.
4. In the event of a tie the contestant's third chip will serve as a tie breaker (followed by second and first if necessary). If a tie still exists co-champions of the skill will be declared.

Point System for All Ages

1 PT.	A ball finishing more than 10' from the hole		
2 PTS.	A ball finishing 8' - 10' from the hole	15 PTS.	A ball finishing 2' - 4' from the hole
5 PTS.	A ball finishing 6' - 8' from the hole	20 PTS.	A ball finishing 2' or nearer to the hole
10 PTS.	A ball finishing 4' - 6' from the hole	25 PTS.	Hole in One

Putting

1. Each participant will attempt one putt from each distance (6 feet, 15 feet and 30 feet). Putts will be measured from the center of the hole with a string clearly marking the scoring rings.
2. The difficulty of the putts will increase with age (Relatively flat putts with little to no break for U9 year olds with putts that increase in break as we advance to the 14-15 year olds).
3. A ball coming to rest on any of the scoring lines will be scored in the higher of the two point rings.
4. In the event of a tie the contestant's third putt will serve as a tie breaker (followed by second and first if necessary). If a tie still exists co-champions of the skill will be declared.

Point System for All Ages

1 PT.	A ball finishing more than 5' from the hole		
2 PTS.	A ball finishing 4' - 5' from the hole	15 PTS.	A ball finishing 1' - 2' from the hole
5 PTS.	A ball finishing 3' - 4' from the hole	20 PTS.	A ball finishing 1' or nearer to the hole
10 PTS.	A ball finishing 2' - 3' from the hole	25 PTS.	Hole in One

2017 Championship Final Scoring

All Championship Final Scoring will be listed at www.drivechipandputt.com



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Button Hole Golf Course
SATURDAY – June 18, 2016

Tee/Reporting Times

<u>Division</u>	<u>Tee Time</u>
Girls 7-9	10:00am
Boys 7-9	10:30am
Girls 10-11	11:00am
Boys 10-11	11:30am
Girls 12-13	12:00pm
Boys 12-13	12:30pm
Girls 14-15	1:00pm
Boys 14-15	1:30pm

**TEE TIMES LISTED ARE THE TIME YOU MUST REPORT TO
PLAY.**

**PLEASE PREPARE, PRACTICE, STRETCH AND BE READY TO
PLAY AT YOUR TEE TIME.**

**FAILURE TO REPORT FOR YOUR TEE TIME WILL RESULT IN
PENALTY OR DISQUALIFICATION.**



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Local Qualifying Information
Button Hole Golf Course

Driving Directions

Button Hole Golf Course
1 Buttonhole Dr,
Providence, RI 02909
(401) 421-1664

Directions:

I-95 to Route 6, West West-Hartford Avenue exit. Take left (East) on Hartford Ave. Go 0.7 miles and take right on Glenbridge Avenue. Go 0.3 miles and take left on Button Hole Drive. The facility is on the right.

Recommended Hotel Information

Hotel Providence
139 Mathewson St
Providence, RI 02903

<http://www.hotelprovidence.com>



Drive, Chip and Putt Championship Parent/Guardian Consent Form

By submission of this entry and my signature below, I, for myself and on behalf of the Player (referred to in these provisions as the "Player"), I am confirming and agree to the following with respect to the Drive, Chip and Putt Championship (the "Championship"):

I have reviewed, understand, and, on my own behalf and on behalf of the Player, agree to the Privacy Policy regarding the collection and use of information relating to the Player and me, which will include personally identifying information. I have also reviewed, understand, and, on my own behalf and on behalf of the Player, agree to the Terms and Conditions, including all referenced agreements, as well as the Championship regulations included herewith.

I, on my own behalf and on behalf of the Player, agree that there are certain risks inherent in the game of golf and I accept personal and sole liability for all such risks, including, but not limited to any health-related risks. I am familiar with the Player's plans to participate in the Championship and I have carefully considered the risks involved, and the Player's participation is with my approval and consent. In case of a medical emergency involving the Player, I understand every effort will be made to contact me. In the event I cannot be reached, I hereby authorize a qualified medical professional to take all measures deemed in good faith to be appropriate in the treatment of the Player. I release the DCP Championship, LLC (and its successors), the Masters Tournament Foundation, the PGA of America, the United States Golf Association, the local clubs and golf associations, and all officers, employees, volunteers, committee members, related parties, or other organizations associated with the Championship (collectively, the "DCP Entities") from any and all claims or liability in any way arising out of or relating to the Player's entry or participation in the Championship.

The DCP Entities may arrange for promotion of the Championship, for radio, internet and television broadcasting and other exhibition and publication of the Championship or excerpts thereof in any and all media throughout the world, whether now known or hereafter developed, and (ii) the design, manufacture and sale of merchandise which commemorates or memorializes the Championship, throughout the world.

In addition to the terms of the Privacy Policy, I agree, on my own behalf and on behalf of the Player, to the use by the DCP Entities, or persons authorized by the DCP Entities, of the Player's name, likeness, voice and references to the Player and photographs and other images of the Player and the Player's play connected with the Player's appearance in the Championship, or any portion(s) thereof, in connection with such media promotion, broadcasting and other exhibition and publication of the Championship and design, manufacture and sale of commemorative merchandise. The DCP Entities may utilize the rights granted it hereunder in connection with the promotion and/or commemoration of the current Championship as well as future Championships.

In addition, I hereby grant permission to the DCP Championship, LLC (or its successors) to provide my email address to The Golf Channel for use in gathering biographical information about the Player for use during broadcasts of the Championship.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ **Date:** _____