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National Retired Military Golf Classic Newsletter #2 for 2020 37th Anniversary Tournament

Greetings fellow golfers and comrades in arms. We hope this newsletter finds you all faring well through this tough winter. We also realize that in parts of our country the weather may be prohibiting you from getting onto the links as much as desired, but hopefully most of you have gotten some practice in. Soon the weather will improve and we'll all sharpen our games in preparation for this year's National Retired Military Golf Classic.

If you haven't mailed your application in already, **DO IT NOW**. If you have retired friends who need to mail their application in, please remind them. After January 31st the price goes up to \$345 for men and \$300 for women.

Our committee met three times in recent months and has been in close contact with the Founders Group International (FGI) and Oceana Resorts teams to ensure we provide you a great package for this year's tournament. We have picked out the shirts, towels and other stuff for the goodie bag and we think you'll really like them. As always, we'll also have some special drawing prizes along with the normal drawings, registration day raffle, and closest to the pin prizes.

Of course we're sticking with the very popular all prime time tee-time schedules, morning shotgun starts, and FGI has again agreed that we will be allowed to use as many courses as we need to accommodate our participants with the maximum on each course of about 128. And don't forget that we brought back a few old favorite golf courses this year: MBN North, Wild Wing, and Long Bay. **OF NOTE: We'll continue with 0800 start times for men, but WOMEN'S START TIMES WILL BE 0830 TO ALLOW FOR COUPLES TO BOTH GET TO COURSES ON TIME.**

In addition to changing up the courses a bit, we're also adding a "new twist" this year: the **DAILY CHALLENGE**. On each day the team with the best score on each course will win a prize which will be provided on the following morning on the next course in the rotation. This way really good rounds are rewarded even if they don't lead to an overall top ranking at

the end. The daily challenge will happen on Wed, Thur, and Fri rounds for men; Wed and Thurs for women. And as we did last year, if you're a first time player and have the lowest score of the other first time players in your flight after all tournament rounds are complete, you'll win the new player prize.

We're going to continue our highly successful new member orientation this year, new winner prizes, beer/soft drink coupons per round per player for post round socializing with fellow players/comrades, competitions during the waiting times for award ceremonies, and of course continued camaraderie on some of the best golf courses around. And for our more experienced players don't forget that in addition to allowing players over 70 years of age to play from forward tees, we'll have a "super senior mentors" tee for our players over 80 years young. **ONE BIG CHANGE THIS YEAR: NO MULLIGANS.** Based on player feedback, this feature is not really needed and eliminating it should speed up play.

So far the numbers are looking good this year, but we still need your help to get the word out and **BRING YOUR FELLOW RETIRED MILITARY GOLFING BUDDIES WITH YOU!** By far the most successful recruiting comes from your personal, face-to-face testimonies about this great event. And please let your eligible golf buddies know that **THERE IS NO WAITING LIST. ALL MILITARY RETIREES AND THEIR SPOUSES WILL GET IN IF THEY APPLY.** Spouses of retired “non-golfing” military retirees are also welcome to play. There's a \$20 PGA Tour Superstore gift card awaiting each recruiter for each of his/her recruits. The top recruiter gets their 2021 application fee paid. Just make sure your recruits put your name on their application. If they forget, they can get with a committee member and get you the credit you deserve.

Your Committee, Founders Group International, Oceana Resorts, Alabama Theatre, PGA Tour Superstore, Brown and Associates, Kearney and Company, USfalcon, Sun Mountain, Seiko, IGA and our other supporters are dedicated to making this year's tournament a special memory for each and every player and family member.

OK enough for now. We'll provide another update or two before the tournament and are always available to answer any of your questions. If you haven't registered, get it done and let us know if you need more applications for new recruits. Your loyal participation and camaraderie coupled with your continued efforts to bring fellow military retirees with you to the tournament will keep this event great for another 37 years. Thanks for your service to our nation and thanks for participating in our tournament. May God continue to bless you all and your wonderful families.

Sincerely,

The NRMGC Committee:
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