ELIGIBILITY
Entries are open to teams of four male amateur golfers who are members in good standing of the same OGA Member Club. Each OGA Member Club is limited to a maximum of 3 team entries. All contestants must be at least 13 years of age as of October 28, 2016.

ENTRY FEE
$600.00 team entry fee must accompany entry form and will include three rounds of golf (one practice round and two competitive rounds) and tee prizes. Refunds are not available after the closing date of October 5, 2016, except for documented medical reasons. All refunds are subject to a $20.00 administrative fee.

FORMAT AND PRIZES
(GROSS PRIZES ONLY)
36-hole stroke play team competition. The low 3 of 4 individual gross scores each day will represent the team’s aggregate. Round one play will be on Old Macdonald. Round two play will be on Bandon Trails. Special awards from Jones Sports Co. will be provided to the winning team. In addition, merchandise certificates will be awarded to top individual finishers. THERE WILL BE NO NET PRIZES.

ENTRY DEADLINE
All entry forms must reach the OGA office by 5pm on Wednesday, October 5, 2016. Entries by telephone, FAX, or email must accompany payment. Late entries will be accepted and placed on an alternate’s list to fill spots if they become available up until a time that the OGA Staff establishes. Late entries will not be accepted unless they are accompanied by the correct entry fee, plus an additional fee of $25. Contestants must contact the OGA in order to submit a late entry.

EXEMPTIONS
The defending championship team, Bandon Dunes GC, and any OGA Member Club that hosts a 2016 OGA Championship, USGA or OGA Qualifier, or Junior Amateur Championship is eligible for one guaranteed entry into the Championship. Exempt team players must meet the eligibility requirements & must file an entry by the October 5, 2016 entry deadline.

FIELD LIMIT
The field is limited to 36 teams. A club may enter up to three teams but only their #1 team will be granted entry into the Championship (if spots are available). Additional teams entered by a club will be put on a waiting list. After the October 5, 2016 closing deadline, all remaining spots will be filled from the waiting list. The waiting list teams will be granted entry based on the lowest teams combined Handicap Indexes™ as of the October 1, 2016 revision date.

CLUBS MAY SUBMIT AN ENTRY AND ENTRY FEE WITH PLAYER NAMES TO BE DETERMINED AT A LATER DATE. All teams must submit player names to the OGA by October 5, 2016 or forfeit their entry.

STARTING TIMES & PRACTICE_ROUNDS
Starting times, pairings, and practice round information will be forwarded to designated Team Captain.

TIES
In the event of a tie for the Team Championship, the unused individual’s score of the final round will be counted. If teams are still tied, then the unused individual’s score of the first round will be counted. Should the tie still exist, duplicate awards will be issued.

LODGING
Discounted lodging will be available for Team Championship contestants. When making your reservation, mention you are a Team Championship contestant to receive the discounted rate.

AUTOMOTIVE TRANSPORTATION & CADDIES
Automotive transportation will not be available for the Championship. Contestants may use a caddie. A player may provide his own caddie.

RULES
USGA Rules of Golf will govern all play except for those conditions modified by Local Rules which will be published prior to the start of the Championship on www.oga.org. All questions will be resolved by the committee in charge of the competition, whose decision shall be final.

GOLF BALLS
Only brands of golf balls on the most current USGA List of Conforming Golf Balls shall be used. The so-called “One-Ball Rule” shall NOT be in effect.

GOLF EQUIPMENT
Golf clubs on the latest list of USGA Non-Conforming Driving Clubs will be prohibited from all OGA Championships. A copy of the USGA Non-Conforming Driving Clubs list will be available at the starter’s table prior to each round. The penalty for carrying but not making a stroke with a non-conforming club in stroke play is two strokes for each hole at which any breach occurred; maximum penalty of four strokes. The penalty in match play, at the conclusion of the hole at which the breach is discovered, the state of the match is adjusted by deducting one hole for each hole at which a breach occurred; maximum deduction of two holes. The penalty for making a stroke with a non-conforming golf club is DISQUALIFICATION. The penalty for using a non-conforming tee or any other object to raise the ball off the ground is DISQUALIFICATION.
89TH OGA MEN’S TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP

Entry Fee: $600.00/Team
Entries Close: October 5, 2016, 5pm

(PREFERRED STARTING TIME REQUESTS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.)

☐ I would also like my info via U.S. Mail

Check box to reserve a caddie
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Club Name_________________________________________ GHIN# ___________________ - ___________
Player #1_________________________________________ GHIN# ___________________ - ___________
Player #2_________________________________________ GHIN# ___________________ - ___________
Player #3_________________________________________ GHIN# ___________________ - ___________
Player #4_________________________________________ GHIN# ___________________ - ___________

Pairing and starting time information will be sent to Team Captain:

Team Captain_________________________________________ Daytime Phone

Address______________________________________________________ Email ____________________________
City_________________ State___ Zip

Credit Card (Circle One): VISA/MC/AMEX/DISCOVER Card Number__________________________ - - - - - - - - CCV*________
Expiration Date (MM/YY) __________________ Card Name ____________________________

I have noted the requirements for acceptance into this Championship. We are qualified by the rules of eligibility and agree to abide by the Championship regulations. I have noted the Dress Code and Code of Conduct and understand that entries are subject to approval or rejection at any time (including during the Championship) by the OGA, at its discretion, and by the Host Club.

TEAM CAPTAIN SIGNATURE

DISTANCE MEASURING DEVICES (DMD)
The use of conforming DMD are permitted during the competition. The Local Rule as prescribed by Appendix I will be in effect at the Championship.

RESTRICTIONS ON OTHER ELECTRONIC DEVICES
To avoid distractions the use of cell phones, iPods, iPads, tablets and other similar electronic devices for communication purposes will be prohibited during OGA tournament play. Multifunctional devices may be used as a DMD or as otherwise provided under the Rules. Clarifications and special requests regarding this condition should be directed to the committee in charge of the competition.

DRESS CODE
Suitable attire must be worn at all times. Suitable attire does not include spandex body wear, cutoffs, running shorts, running suits, short-shorts, tank tops, tee shirts, denim of any kind or color, or unkempt clothing of any kind. Neat and clean pants, slacks, cords, or appropriately hemmed, tailored shorts no more than six (6) inches above the knee with a minimum of three pockets are acceptable as are sweaters, sweatshirts and golf shirts with collars. Shoes must be worn at all times. Contestants failing to meet the OGA Dress Code will not be permitted to play.

SPIKELESS SHOES
It is a condition of this competition that contestants in the OGA Team Championship will not be permitted to wear metal spikes on their golf shoes during Championship play. Contestants may wear golf shoes with any of the alternative “spikeless” products, or any golf teaching shoes, tennis shoes, sneakers or any other hard or soft soled shoes that will not penetrate or damage a soft putting green.

UNOFFICIAL WITHDRAWAL
Entrants who unofficially withdraw without an acceptable reason and without notifying the OGA will not be granted entry into any future OGA events for a minimum of one year.

CODE OF CONDUCT
Contestants are expected to (1) know and play by the Rules of Golf, (2) conduct themselves at all times in a sportsmanlike manner, (3) respect the golf course and the rights of other contestants, (4) fulfill their playing obligations and (5) know and abide by the OGA Pace of Play Policy. If the Committee considers that a player is guilty of a serious breach of etiquette, including but not limited to unsportsmanlike conduct (cheating, damaging the golf course, defacing club property, using loud obscene language, throwing clubs, etc.), it may impose a penalty of DISQUALIFICATION and possible suspension from future play in OGA Championships. Any disciplinary actions imposed on a contestant by the OGA may be formally communicated to a representative of the contestant’s club and/or to any other allied golf association that the OGA deems appropriate.

CONDITIONS & SCHEDULES
The OGA assumes no liability for any conditions of the competition. Upon submitting this entry form and subsequently playing in this competition, players agree to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the OGA and its respective affiliates directors, officers, employees, agents, and assigns from and against any and all claims, damages, liabilities and losses, including, without limitation reasonable attorney’s fees and costs and expenses of litigation, arising out of any negligent act or omission of the indemnifying party in connection with the conditions herein. The committee in charge of the competition reserves the right to alter any of the conditions and schedules herein. The decision of the Committee in any matter shall be final.

INCLEMENT WEATHER
The OGA will make every effort to complete the scheduled number of rounds of the tournament. As a general policy, in circumstances under which the final round is suspended due to inclement weather and it becomes impossible to complete the round on the same day: 1) If all players in the field/flight/division have not completed at least 9 holes, the results of the Championship will be determined by reverting to the previous round’s totals and the suspended round will be canceled, or 2) If all players have completed at least 9 holes of the final round, every effort will be made to finish the final round on the following day. All decisions to suspend or resume play will be at the discretion of the Committee. Any additional information regarding guidelines for suspensions and cancelations can be obtained by contacting the OGA.

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