



105<sup>th</sup> Open Championship  
Conducted by Western Pennsylvania Golf Association  
Sponsored by PNC Bank – [www.pnc.com](http://www.pnc.com)  
Played for Harry C. Milholland Vase  
Monday & Tuesday, June 22-23, 2009  
Westmoreland Country Club • Export, PA

**ELIGIBILITY:** Entries are open to professional and amateur golfers residing in the Western Pennsylvania district as of 4/01/09 or affiliated with a WPGA Member Club as follows:

- A. Golf professionals and apprentices in good standing with their respective PGA Sections.
- B. Professional golfers
- C. Amateur golfers with a Handicap Index not exceeding 2.4 strokes.

**ENTRIES (Form, Fee, Closing Date):** All entries and fee of \$150.00 must reach the Association office by 5:00 P.M. E.D.T., on Wednesday, June 3, 2009, to be considered.

- A. Online registration - Players may enter online at <http://www.wpga.org>. Players must have a valid e-mail address and a WPGA account to register online. Accounts can be created by contacting the WPGA at 412-826-2180 or by e-mailing [tournamentinfo@wpga.org](mailto:tournamentinfo@wpga.org) with name, address, and e-mail address included. The user name and password will be sent back to the player. Online entries may be paid by Visa, Mastercard, or Discover Card.
- B. Entry from registration – Players may enter using this form. Send completed application and fee to the Association. Make check or money order payable to Western Pennsylvania Golf Association. Do not send cash.

The committee reserves the right to select the most representative field, using any criteria at its discretion.

The committee reserves the right to accept late entries. Late entries must use this form, and these entries will be placed on an alternates list to fill spots if they become available. A fee of \$50.00 must accompany all late entries.

Entry fee will be refunded with a \$15.00 service charge for withdrawals before the close of entries. Withdrawals after the close of entries will be subject to a \$25.00 service charge.

**FORMAT:**

36 holes of stroke play for championship. The championship will be limited to 132 players. See schedule below.

**SCHEDULE:**

Championship

- A. Monday, June 22 – 18 holes of stroke play, morning and afternoon rounds.
- B. Tuesday, June 23 – 18 holes of stroke play for the low 50 and ties, after first round.



#### **REGULATIONS AND INFORMATION:**

- A. Players must walk.
- B. Players may bring their own caddies.
- C. Players may carry their own bags.
- D. It is a condition of competition that shoes with traditionally designed spikes, regardless of composition, or spikes comprised either entirely or partially of metal, regardless of design, are prohibited during the championship.
- E. Play will be governed by The Rules of Golf, conditions stated on the WPGA Rules of Play card, and other Local Rules as posted.
- F. Proper attire is mandatory in all phases of the championship. Shirts with collars and sleeves are required. Shorts of Bermuda length or longer are acceptable.
- G. In the event of a tie for first place at the championship, a hole-by-hole playoff will be conducted immediately after completion of the round.
- H. Players failing to return scores within ten (10) strokes of the USGA Course Rating at qualifying sites may have future entries declined, unless the contestant can document he is capable of competing at the championship level.
- I. A player falsifying a Handicap Index may be subject to indefinite suspension from WPGA Championships.
- J. Entrants on a waiting list, if used, have no status at the championship site until they are officially accepted into the field.
- K. Starting times and other information will be available on the WPGA web site (<http://www.wpga.org>) approximately one week before the Championship. Players unable to retrieve starting times should call the WPGA office (412-826-2180).

**PRIZES:** A trophy will be awarded to the winning player. Professional purse (minimum \$21,000 added) and prize distribution shall be posted at the Championship site. Prizes for amateurs will consist of credits in the host club's golf shop.

#### **ACCEPTANCE INTO CHAMPIONSHIP CATEGORIES**

- 1. All past PGA National Club Pro Champions
- 2. Top 25 Tri-State Section, PGA Professional Points List – 2008
- 3. Top 25 Tri-State Section, PGA Money List - 2008
- 4. Tri-State Section, PGA Champions – 2004-2008
- 5. Frank B. Fuhrer Invitational Champions – 2004-2008
- 6. Tri-State Section, PGA Match Play Champions – 2006-2008
- 7. Top 25 and Ties, PGA National Club Pro Championship – 2008
- 8. Tri-State Section, Open Champion – 2009
- 9. Tri-State Section, Assistants Champion – 2008 & 2009
- 10. Tri-Section Section, Senior Champion – 2008
- 11. All past WPGA Open Champions
- 12. Top 15 and ties, WPGA Open Championship - 2008
- 13. WPGA Amateur Champions – 2004-2008
- 14. WPGA Public Links Champion – 2008
- 15. WPGA Mid-Amateur Champion – 2009
- 16. WPGA Senior Amateur Champion – 2008
- 17. WPGA Honor Roll – 2008
- 18. Pennsylvania Open Champions – 2004-2008



19. Pennsylvania Amateur Champions – 2004-2008
20. WPGA and Tri-State Section Palmer Cup Team Members - 2008
21. Westmoreland Country Club – Host Professional and 2008 Club Champion.
22. Other exemptions at Championship Committee discretion.

**NOTICE:** By submission of this entry, I agree to the following:

- I have read and understand the entry requirements and championship regulations.
- I agree that there are certain risks inherent in golf and accept personal and sole liability for such risks including but not limited to health risks.
- This entry is subject to rejection at any time (including during the Championship) by the WPGA. The reason may include unbecoming conduct.
- Responsibility for ensuring this application is received by the WPGA prior to the specified deadline is mine alone and that this application may be automatically rejected by the WPGA if received by after such date and time.
- Risk of delay or error in transmission is solely with me and that the WPGA has no liability with respect to any such delay or error and the consequences there from, including the entry not being accepted.
- Any player under 18 years of age must have the WPGA Parental Consent Form filed before their application will be accepted. Parental consent forms can be found on the WPGA website in the appropriate tournament information or by contacting the Association office (412-826-2180).
- I understand the Championship Committee has complete discretion in accepting and rejecting entries with any criteria it determines.



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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Club Name: \_\_\_\_\_

GHIN #: \_\_\_\_\_ Handicap Index: \_\_\_\_\_

Professional: Yes / No If Yes, SSN: \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ **REQUIRED**

Exempt? \_\_\_\_\_ Yes If yes, category # \_\_\_\_\_ No

Completed entry form and fee of \$150 must reach the Western Pennsylvania Golf Association office by 5:00 P.M. E.D.T. on Wednesday, June 03, 2009, to be considered.

Mail entries to: Western Pennsylvania Golf Association, 324 Fourth ST, Pittsburgh, PA 15238

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I agree to the attached Championship regulations, and have noted entry requirements.  
 I agree there are certain risks in the game of golf and I accept personal liability.  
 I agree this entry is subject to rejection at any time (including during the Championship) by WPGA. The reason for rejection may include unbecoming conduct.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Certification of Parent or Guardian** (For players who are minors only)

As parent or guardian of the applicant, I hereby certify that I am familiar with his plans to participate in the WPGA Open Championship and that he does so with my approval and consent. In case of a medical emergency occurring during this Championship, I authorize a qualified medical doctor to take all necessary measures in the treatment of this applicant.

Signature of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_ Relation: \_\_\_\_\_