

# The Main Event 2025 August 14-16, 2025



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# CONGRATULATIONS To The 2024 Winners

## **TEAM ANDREW HOWELL**

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## **Important Information**

### **Friday Dinner**

Players and Guest sit down dinner at Governor's Towne Club Country Club. 6-10pm, country club attire; not formal.

### **Course Beverages:**

Beverages will be provided on carts both Friday and Saturday and will also be available at the Turn Grill. Beverages & lunch ARE NOT INCLUDED ON THURSDAY.

#### **Shootout:**

Format will be Slightly Modified Alternate Shot Net (explained herein). If you need to pick-up any guests who would like to watch the shootout, please do so during the lunch break between 2:30 - 3:30pm.

## **Tournament Itinerary**

### Day 1 Thursday August 14, 2025

10:30am - 4:00pm Practice Round at Governor's Towne Club

**10:30am - 5:00pm** Registration at Governor's Towne Club Pro Shop for all players. (Tee Gifts will be in the pro shop and given to the team captains for the entire team)

Lunch and drinks **ARE NOT INCLUDED**. They are available for purchase at the scoreboard area.

No Scheduled Activities for the Evening.

## Day 2

Friday August 15, 2025

**7:30am - 9:00am** Breakfast Buffet served in the men's grill. Bloody Mary's & Screwdrivers provided during breakfast.

**7:30am - 9:00am** Registration at Governor's Towne Club Pro Shop for all players & Team Captains. (Tee Gifts will be in the pro shop and given to the team captains for the entire team)

**9:00am** Announcements for Round 1 at practice putting green.

9:30am Shotgun start of Round 1: 4-Man Scramble Format

Please arrive early and be at the 1st tee 5 minutes prior to 9:30 am start. Beer/Seltzer and Water provided on your cart and at the Turn Grill, liquor is an additional charge.

**Lunch** Boxed lunch provided by GTC Staff on the course or at the turn. **ONLY 1 PER Golfer** 

7:00pm - 10:00pm Party at Country Club (Players and Guest)

## **Tournament Itinerary**

### Day 3 Saturday August 16, 2025

**7:30am - 8:30am** Breakfast Buffet served in the men's grill. Bloody Mary's & Screwdrivers provided during breakfast.

9:00am Announcements for Round 2 at practice putting green

9:30am Shotgun start of Round 2: Best Ball Net Format

Please arrive early and be at the 1st tee 5 minutes prior to 9:30am start. Beer/Seltzer and Water provided on your carts and at the Turn Grill, liquor is an additional charge.

**Lunch** Boxed lunch provided by GTC Staff on the course or at the turn. **ONLY 1 PER Golfer** 

**4:30pm - 6:30pm** Championship Shootout holes #1/#10/#17/#18

**6:30pm** Awards Presentation by the GTC Score board

## **The Main Event Format**

### Friday (8/15/25) 4-Man Scramble

Teams will be paired in Eightsomes, shotgun at 9:30am. Each player will hit a tee shot. The team will select the best tee shot. Again, each player will hit a second shot. The team will select the best. This process is repeated until the ball is holed. Each team writes down one **GROSS** score per hole. **ONLY ONE GROSS SCORE**, **DO NOT WRITE DOWN ANYTHING BUT GROSS SCORE**.

Each player can move ball one scorecard length thru green, but you cannot improve the lie, nor move the ball closer to the hole.

Sand traps will be played as preferred lies, one score-card length no closer to hole.

A team handicap will be utilized for this round. The team Handicap is made up of 25% of player A's, 20% of player B's, 15% of player C's and 10% of player D's handicaps added together for a team total. This will be your handicap subtracted from your final score.

All players will play from Towne Tees; unless age 65 or older and you wish to play the Club Tees, again you must be 65 or older, 80 percent of their rounds played and scores posted must verify they are from the Club Tees. Individuals that wish to play the Senior Tees (White Tees) must be 72 or older with the same requirements; 80 percent of their rounds played and scores posted must verify they are from the Senior Tees (White Tees).

Please always record gross scores on the scorecard as the computer will calculate net scores.

Please refer to signs on each tee box and/or the tee marker colors and arrows on the scorecard per hole. Course should have only 3 tees - Towne, Club (65+) and White (72+)

Saturday (8/16/25) 2 Best Ball Net

Teams will be paired in Eightsomes by score and flight from Friday's results. Shotgun start for all teams at 9:30am.

Each player will play thru the hole and write down each player's GROSS Score.

Play the ball as it lies everywhere including sand traps.

Must count two GROSS scores per hole and write on the scorecard. Please always record GROSS scores on the scorecard as the computer will calculate net scores.

Maximum per hole per player is double par.

ONLY GROSS SCORES, DO NOT WRITE DOWN ANYTHING BUT GROSS SCORE.

All players will play from Towne Tees; unless age 65 or older and you wish to play the Club Tees, again you must be 65 or older, 80 percent of their rounds played and scores posted must verify they are from the Club Tees. Individuals that wish to play the Senior Tees (White Tees) must be 72 or older with the same requirements; 80 percent of their rounds played and scores posted must verify they are from the Senior Tees (White Tees).

Please refer to signs on each tee box and/or the tee marker colors and arrows on the scorecard per hole.

The Championship Shootout

Format will be Slightly Modified Alternate Shot Net (explained herein). If you need to pick-up any guests who would like to watch the shootout, please do so during the lunch break between 2:30pm - 3:30pm.

### **Handicap Rules**

#### Day 1: 4-Man Scramble

A team handicap will be utilized for this round. The team handicap is made up of 25% of player A's, 20% of player B's, 15% of player C's and 10% of player D's handicaps added together for a team total. This will be your handicap subtracted from your final score. Please always record GROSS scores on the scorecards as the computer will calculate net scores.

#### Day 2: Two Best Ball Net

Each player on each team will receive 80% of their handicap. This will be reflected on scorecards and dots will show on holes where players will receive a stroke. Please always record GROSS scores on the scorecards as the computer will calculate net scores.

## **NOTICE - MAXIMUM PLAYING HANDICAP is 18 for all players**

\*USGA Recommends the following handicap rules for the 4 person Scramble and Best Ball Format.

### **Tie Breakers - Flight Winners**

If any teams are tied for winning their flight after Friday/Saturday two-day total scores for their flight, the winner will be determined by the result of a playoff on #18 (150 yards out). The playoff will be a true alternate shot with the captain selecting the order of play. (Handicaps DO NOT apply to the playoff).

In the event of a tie on the playoff hole #18, the teams will replay #18 again from 150 yards out.

### **Prize Winnings**

Flight Winners receive individual prizes each.

There will be a 1st, 2nd and 3rd place team purse prize cash for the top 3 teams in the Shootout

Each member of the winning team will be presented with both Championship Trophies and Belts.

#### **Other Prizes**

Hole 3: Par 3 Closeup Prize (Friday, 08/15/25)
Hole 9: Par 3 Closeup Prize (Saturday, 08/16/25)
Hole 11: Par 3 Closeup Prize (Friday, 08/15/25)
Hole 14: Par 3 closeup Prize (Saturday, 08/16/25)



## **Shootout Format & Rules**

### Each flight winner will be in the Championship Shootout

There will be six flights of six teams. Each flight winner will be in the Championship Shootout. The next three low scores for the tournament will qualify as "Wildcards". If there is a tie for any of the three "Wildcard" spots, there will be a playoff on hole #18 and depending on your flight, you will play from the following yardage.

Flights 1 & 2 - 190 yards Flights 3 & 4 - 170 yards Flights 5 & 6 - 150 yards

The Championship Shootout will play four-holes (Holes 1, 10, 17, and 18). The Format for the Championship Shootout will be slightly modified alternate shot NET. The Championship Shootout will start on Hole 1 followed by Hole 10, 17 and conclude on Hole 18. Two teams will be eliminated on each hole. If teams are tied the Championship Shootout after Hole 18, the sudden death playoff will start on Hole 18.

The Captain will select the order of play for the team (1, 2, 3, or 4). The Captain, will also designate two players who will hit tee shots on Hole 18 and Hole 10. The remaining two players will hit the tee shots on Hole 1 and Hole 17. Whichever tee shot is used by the team the order will start with the second shot.

Ex: Team uses Player 2 Tee Shot. Player 3 will hit the second shot. The rotation is followed until the ball is holed.

Scoring will be one net ball for each team. All eight teams will tee off on Hole 1 together. The order of play for the Championship Shootout is determined by the two-day total of the Rusty Putter (lowest two-day total will tee off last).

If there is a tie on the hole during Shoot-out, there will be a chip off to determine which team will advance to the next hole. It will be the next player in the Team's rotation who will hit the shot in the chip off. Ex Player #4 sinks the putt then Player #1 would hit the chip shot in the chip off.

The USGA handicap allowance for foursome (alternate shot) format is one half (50%) of the 100% of the combined playing handicaps for a traditional two-person team. The Championship Shootout as four players therefore the total team handicap is a quarter (.25) of the teams total playing handicap.

Ex- all four player have a course handicap of 12. 12 (players handicap)\*4 (total of players) = 48. 48 (total team playing handicap)\*.25 = 12

12 would be the team handicap. Handicap shots will fall according to handicap holes on the scorecard. Hole 1 is handicap hole 13. Hole 10 is handicap hole 18. Hole 17 is handicap hole 12. Hole 18 is handicap hole 6.

The team would receive a shot hole 18 and hole 9.

There will be the following Team eliminations on the Holes

Hole 1 Two Teams
Hole 10 Two Teams
Hole 17 Three Teams

Hole 18 Two Teams for Championship

If there is a tie at the end of the Shoot-out, the teams will continue to replay Hole 18 (other players will hit tee shots) until a winner is determined.

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## **Tournament Rules**

USGA Rules govern all play with the exception of any Governor's Towne Club Local Rules.

All players will play from Towne Tees unless age 65 or older and you wish to play the Club Tees, but you must be 65 or older with 80 percent of your rounds played and scores posted must verify they are from the Club Tees. Individuals that wish to play the Senior Tees (White Tees) must be 72 or older with 80 percent of your rounds played and scores posted must verify they are from the Senior Tees (White Tees). The team captain is responsible for informing the committee or the pro shop via email if any team members are playing adjusted tees other than Towne no later than August 1st. Failure to do so will result in participants playing the towne tees. All players that play from the Club tees or white tees will have their handicap adjusted accordingly.

Please refer to Format Rules on pages 6, 7 and 8.

Friday play will utilize preferred lies. Your ball may be moved within 1 scorecard length no closer to the hole.

Saturday play will utilize play the ball as it lies. (This includes sand traps)

Sand traps on Friday will be utilized preferred lies and the embedded ball rule is in effect "In the General Area"

The 14 Club Rule is in effect.

All rule inquiries should be directed to Jonathan Verrill, or the Governor's Towne Club Golf Shop.

\*\*Any rules interpretation, any flight adjustments and any handicap adjustments will be done at the discretion of the tournament committee.

## Governor's Towne Club Local Rules

# USGA Rules Govern all play and include the following local rules:

**Embedded ball (Rule 16.3):** "In the General Area", a ball which is embedded in its own pitch-mark in the ground, other than sand, may be lifted without penalty, cleaned and dropped at a point right behind where the ball is embedded and within one club length from that reference point, not nearer the hole.

**Abnormal Course Conditions (Rule 16):** Areas are marked with white paint.

#### **Temporary Immovable Obstructions (Rule 16):**

Relief without penalty is available if the temporary immovable obstruction interferes with your stance, lie of ball, or area of swing. A fan is a temporary immovable obstruction. If a fan is between your ball and the hole or if your ball lies within one club length of such interference, a player may find the nearest point of relief that eliminates interference or intervention as defined above and drop within one club length, no closer to the hole.

**Rangefinders:** The use of laser or GPS rangefinders are approved during this event.

**Decorative Gardens and Bushes:** Decorative gardens and bushes on the course are considered to be "in the general area" and no free relief is available.

## Governor's Towne Club Local Rules

**Mulch Beds:** Mulch beds on the course are NOT abnormal course conditions, unless otherwise marked. However, the "cut" border surrounding the exterior of these beds is considered abnormal course condition. A player may drop his ball without penalty, but must stay within the mulch bed.

**Weather:** Mark the position of your ball and return to the clubhouse to take shelter. If play is suspended due to weather, a minimum # of holes total must be completed by all teams for found to count. If minimum # holes are completed on day 1, we will play day 2 and add the 2-day totals together. If day 1 is suspended completely, we will revert to day 2 scores. If day 2 is suspended due to weather we will count minimum # of holes if all teams have completed minimum # of holes to determine winners and those teams that will go to the shootout.

"In the General Area": The general area covers the entire course except for these four specific areas: the teeing ground (Rule 6.2), all penalty areas (Rule 17), all bunkers (Rule 12), the putting green of the hole you are playing (Rule 13).

# THANK YOU!!

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