

2024 NALG National Tournament September 20 - 22, 2024 Myrtle Beach, SC

Tournament Overview & Frequently Asked Questions



Where is the tournament being played?

The host golf course for the 2024 88th annual NALG national tournament is the Pine Lakes Country Club located at 5603 Grandaddy Drive in Myrtle Beach, SC. (<u>Welcome to Pine Lakes Country Club in Myrtle Beach</u>).

Our lefties will find Pine Lakes to be a "second shot" golf course with mostly generous driving landing areas and large greens complexes that are well bunkered with various elevation challenges. Situated at sea-level and coupled with the many changes in elevation, the players will find the par 70 layout to play noticeably longer than the scorecard yardages would otherwise indicate.

Founded in 1927, Pine Lakes is rich in history and is distinguished as the very first golf course constructed in Myrtle Beach which today is home to over 125 golfing facilities in the area.



On what dates will the tournament be played?

The tournament will be a 54-hole competition with 18-holes played each day Friday September 20, 2024 thru Sunday September 22, 2024. Play will begin at 8:30a EDT each day with tee times starting on both holes #1 and #10 tee boxes.

Can I play a practice round and what are the fees?

Practice rounds are available for play on Thursday, September 19, 2024 with tee times available from 8:30a thru 9:30a EDT starting on both tee boxes for holes #1 and #10. To book a practice round tee time, please call the Pine Lakes Country Club pro shop directly at (843) 315-7700 and let them know you are with the NALG. Greens fees for a player practice round is \$76.

Note: Pine Lakes does not offer a pre-round warmup driving range. Located just a 5 minute drive away from Pine Lakes at 7301 N. Kings Hwy. is the Cane Patch Driving Range. Note the Cane Patch driving range hours on the dates of tournament play is 8:00a – 10:00p.

Is there a Host Hotel?

The Grande Shores Ocean Resort (<u>Grande Shores Resort in Myrtle Beach</u>) located at 201 77th Ave. N., Myrtle Beach, SC 29572 will serve as the tournament host hotel. Reservations may be made by calling the hotel at (877) 219-8878 and letting them know you are with the NALG. Room options and rates are:

UNIT TYPE	ACCOMMODATIONS	Ocean Front	Ocean View
3 Bedroom / 2 Bath Condo	2 King & 2 Double Beds, Sleeper Sofa, 2 Baths and Full Kitchen	\$188	\$171
2 Bedroom / 2 Bath Condo	1 King & 2 Queen Beds, Sleeper Sofa, 2 Baths and Full Kitchen		\$152
1 Bedroom / 1 Bath Condo	2 Queen Beds, Murphy Bed and Sleeper Sofa, 1 Bath & Kitchenette		\$129
Efficiency Hotel Room 2 Queen Beds, 1 Bath & + Kitchenette		\$112	-
Standard Hotel Room 2 Queen Beds, 1 Bath & Fridge		\$108	\$99

The rates noted above are before applicable taxes and fees, which are 29.99%.

The cut-off date for reserving your stay with the discounted room rates noted above is Saturday, August 3, 2024. Also note the rates noted above are contracted for any or all nights beginning the night of Tuesday, September 17, 2024 through the night of Tuesday, September 24, 2024.

Do all players in the tournament compete against all others or in different divisions?

Players will select one division within which you wish to compete with the following options:

- Championship (6300 +/- yds). All players may opt to compete in the Championship Division;
- Open (5700 +/- yds). All players may opt to compete in the Open Division;
- Senior (5500 +/- yds). Players must be at least age 55 to compete in the Senior Division;
- Masters (4700 +/- yds). Players must be at least age 70 to compete in the Masters Division;
- Grand Masters (4300 +/- yds) Players must be at least age 80 to compete in the Grand Masters Division;
- Women's (4300 +/- yds);
- Jr. (4300 +/- yds). Players must have not yet attained age 19 to compete in the Jr. Division.

Age requirements as noted above are as of September 20, 2024.

A minimum of four players must opt to play in a specified division for that division to be considered a valid competitive division. If less than 4 players opt to enter a specific division, the Tournament Directors will work with the player(s) to enter them into a valid competitive division. Additionally, any division of play with ten or more entered players will be split into an "A" division and "B" division following play on Day 1. Further, the "10-shot rule" will be in effect wherein should any player in a "B" division score 10 or more shots less than the prior day they will be moved to the "A" division.

Are Division Champions' scores determined on a "Gross" or "Net" basis?

Scoring for Division champions and leaderboards are determined on a "gross" score basis.

What is the tournament entry fee and what is inclusive?

The tournament entry fee is \$415 per player. Included in the entry fee is:

- Greens fees for three days;
- Cart rental for three days;
- Commemorative tee gifts;
- Awards Ceremony Luncheon; and
- Prizes, division champions trophies and related awards.

Additionally, a Welcome Reception Dinner is offered on an optional basis at a cost of \$45 per person.

How much is the tournament prize money?

Specific tournament prize money and award amounts cannot be determined until all entries have been received. A portion of the tournament entry fee is allocated to fund division trophies, prize money and awards. Specific prize money and awards will be determined once the tournament field has been set. However, it should be noted that prizes and awards will be set such that approximately 50% of the field will earn said prizes and awards.

The following two items should be further noted:

- Prize money will not exceed the amount allowed by the USGA to retain a player's amateur status; and
- The Junior division winner will receive a division winner's trophy but not prize money.

Can I bring a guest?

Historically, about 50% of the tournament players bring guests and are encouraged to do so. Myrtle Beach is of course a popular tourist destination with a myriad of activities to enjoy during those hours the players are on the golf course.

Will there be a "Guest Golf" day?

Yes. The guest golf day will be held on Saturday, September 21, 2024. The guest golf fee is \$76 and may be paid along with the player entry on either the manual entry form or using the online entry option.

Can you give me a sense of the overall tournament agenda?

Following is an outline of the tournament agenda:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	Event
09/19/24	8:30a	Practice round tee times from 8:30a – 9:30a off both holes #1 and #10
09/19/24	6:00p- 8:30p	Tournament Registration
09/19/24	6:30p – 7:30p	Welcome Reception Dinner (Optional)
09/19/24	7:30p	Introductory Remarks and Tournament Review
09/20/24	8:30a – 9:30a	Tournament Round #1 Tee Times on Holes #1 and #10
09/21/24	8:30a – 9:30a	Tournament Round #2 / Guest Golf Tee Times on Holes #1 and #10
09/22/24	8:30a – 9:30a	Tournament Round #3 Tee Times on Holes #1 and #10
09/22/24	1:30p – 3:00p	Closing Luncheon and Awards

Note: All events will take place at the Pine Lakes CC located at 5603 Grandaddy Drive in Myrtle Beach, SC.

How Can I enter and what is the tournament entry deadline?

Tournament entry and fees payment can be submitted electronically or by mail. Entries for the 2024 tournament open February 5, 2024 and close September 1, 2024.

Please go to the tournament page on <u>www.nalg.org</u> to complete your entry and payment online or find a link to a manual entry form including where to mail your entry and payment.

Is there a cancellation fee?

Commitments to tournament vendors will be made on September 1, 2024. If you have need to cancel your entry for any reason following September 1, 2024 a cancellation fee of \$ 100 will be imposed with the balance of your paid entry returned.

Are Tournament Sponsorship Opportunities Available?

Yes indeed. The per player entry fee does not cover the total cost to produce the NALG National Tournament. This gap is closed via the NALG's receipt of generous individual and corporate paid sponsorships.

You will find a line item on the tournament entry form to elect the number of individual sponsorship units you may wish to contribute. Each sponsorship unit is set at \$100.

If you are affiliated with, or aware of a potential contributing corporate sponsor, please email Sid Miner at <u>sidminer@hotmail.com</u> or phone him at 406-580-8711.

Note that the NALG is a designated 501(c)(3) non-profit organization wherein contributions may be made on a tax deductible basis.

Can you provide a summary of key dates I should be aware of?

August 3, 2024	Cutoff date for reserving discounted rates at the Grande Shores Ocean Resort.

September 1, 2024	Tournament entry cut-off date
September 17, 2024	First night discounted room rates are available at the Grande Shores Ocean Resort.
September 19, 2024	Tournament Practice Round / Welcome Reception Dinner and Registration
September 20, 2024	Tournament Round 1
September 21, 2024	Tournament Round 2 / Guest Golf Day
September 22, 2024	Tournament Round 3 / Luncheon and Awards

September 24, 2024 Final night discounted room rates are available at the Grande Shores Ocean Resort.

Who should I contact with any further questions I may have?

Your 2024 NALG National Tournament co-directors are Paul Brock and Bob Wolf. Please contact Paul or Bob directly with any further questions you may have as follows:

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