

Welcome To the 50th Annual
Francis Quimet Memorial Tournament
July 26, 27 & 28, 2017



Participant Information Guide

Host Site Contact Information



Brae Burn Country Club
326 Fuller Street
West Newton, MA 02465
617-244-4411



The Country Club
191 Clyde Street
Chestnut Hill, MA 02467
617-566-0244



Woodland Golf Club
1897 Washington Street
Auburndale, MA 02466
617-527-9675

50th Anniversary Player Dinner

To commemorate the 50th Playing of the Event, The Tournament Committee will be hosting a Player Dinner following golf at Brae Burn on July 26th. There will be no additional cost for the dinner and is available for anyone playing in the event.

6:00 PM – 8:00 PM Buffet Dinner

7:00 PM – Speaking Program

General Event Information

Practice Rounds: Please respect our gracious host sites in their no practice round policies.

Dress Code: Proper golf attire must be worn at all sites, collared golf shirt, soft spikes, hat facing forward, no cargo shorts. Gentlemen must remove hats upon entering the clubhouses.

Cell Phones: Cell phone use is restricted to the parking lot of each host site.

Parking: There is ample parking at each of the facilities.

-The Country Club: Please follow signage to the Skeet Parking Area.

Spectators: -The MGA Mobility Impaired Spectator Policy will be in effect. Please use the links below to find the policy as well as the spectator form.

Policy:

<http://www.mgalinks.org/championships/MGA%20Mobility%20Impaired%20Spectator%20Cart%20Policy%20FINAL.pdf>

Form:

<http://www.emailmeform.com/builder/form/2Yc83Rleud75pdFrcN47Vdk>

Meals: -Continental Breakfast is included and will be available from 6:30 AM until 10:00 AM for Rounds one and two, and from 7:30 AM until 10:00 AM for Round three.

-Lunch will be available for purchase from 11:00AM until 3:00PM at each facility (cash only).

-On course concessions will be available at all three facilities. Purchases will be cash only.

Tee Times: -Tee times and pairings will available seven days prior to the event. They will be posted on the MGA website (www.mgalinks.org). For rounds one and two, starting times will begin at 7:00 AM from the first tee only. Round three tee times at Woodland will begin at 8:00 AM.

-The Women's Division will play on Friday. Tee times will be available on the MGA website on Thursday Evening. They normally begin after 10:00 AM.

Practice Facilities:

- Brae Burn: -Putting Green and Driving Range will be available at 6:15 AM
 - Use restricted flight golf balls for woods/drivers
 - No golf carts at driving range, a shuttle will be available
- The Country Club: -Putting Green and Driving Range will both be open at 6:00 AM
 - Use restricted flight balls for shots over 180 yards (yellow balls)
- Woodland: Driving Range and Putting Green will both be open at 7:00 AM.

****All Facilities will close to participants when the last group tees off****

36 Hole Cut Line: Championship Division – Low 40 and ties
Lowery Division – Low 9 and ties

Carts/Caddies: Each of the host sites have strong caddie programs so all players are encouraged to use these caddies. The suggested rates are listed below. Carts will be available to the Lowery Division only, prices are also below:

Club	Cart Price	Suggested Caddy Rate
Brae Burn	\$30 pp	Call ahead for rate
The Country Club	\$55 Per Cart	\$85-95 per bag
Woodland	\$25 pp	Call ahead for rate

******All cart and caddie fees are cash only******

****Maximum of 2 Carts Per Group****

Due to the traditions of the club, the amount of golf carts at The Country Club are extremely limited and all players are encouraged to walk.

Please reserve your caddies in advance:

- Brae Burn: Contact Tony Gomes at 617-244-4411
- The Country Club: Email the starter at starters@tclub.org
- Woodland: Email the Caddie Master at: shaskell@woodlandgolfclub.com

Although encouraged to use host site caddies, players may also choose to bring their own caddie, carry their bag or bring their own pull cart.

If you need information beyond the contents of this package, feel free to reach out to Ouimet Staff by email at jeffm@ouimet.org or MGA staff by email at keldridge@mgalinks.org. Up to date tournament information can be located at: www.mgalinks.org.

At the conclusion of 2017 play, the Massachusetts Golf Association will take over the management of the Ouimet Memorial Tournament.

Full details, including future exemption criteria can be found at

www.mgalinks.org.

OUIMET MEMORIAL TOURNAMENT HISTORY

The Francis Ouimet Memorial Tournament was founded in 1968, one year after the death of Mr. Ouimet. The event was originally founded by a group of his friends at Woodland Golf Club, where Francis Ouimet was a member and played much of his golf.

The first Tournament began with quite a splash. The Tournament selection committee for the prestigious invitational included many local and nationally prominent players. A special highlight at that first tournament was an exhibition at Woodland on Thursday featuring previous Honorary Chairman Gene Sarazen, U.S. Amateur champion Ted Bishop, Pennsylvania's Bill Hyndman, and host pro Ancy Doyle. Eddie Lowery, who gained fame as Mr. Ouimet's caddie in 1913 also used to attend the first few Tournaments, coming from Pebble Beach, California. Lowery always viewed this as a special homecoming. Later on, he would become the caddiemaster at Woodland.

At the beginning, the Tournament was played at Woodland, Brae Burn and Charles River and occasionally at The Country Club. For the last 30 years the first 36 holes have been played on successive days on two different fine courses in Massachusetts, but the final round, after the cut to the low 40 and ties, is always played at Woodland.

RICHARD F. CONNOLLY, SR. TROPHY

Richard F. Connolly, Jr., has been the Tournament Chairman since 1979. Mr. Connolly also donated the permanent trophy for the tournament in 1990, which was named after his late father, Richard F. Connolly, Sr. The trophy is one of the most unique in American sports. The trophy is built around the clubs which were used by Francis Ouimet, Harry Vardon and Ted Ray and were contributed to The Fund by Dr. Gary Wiren, a famed golf historian. A new silver golf ball is hung every year from the shaft of one of the clubs. The ball is inscribed with the winner's name and year and a replica is given to the winner.