



95th ILLINOIS STATE AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP

Event Title:	2026 Illinois State Amateur Championship		
Date:	July 14-16, 2025		
Location:	Crestwicke Country Club 15671 E 910 North Rd Bloomington, IL 61705 Designed by Roger & Larry Packard in 1969 Par 35-36--71 Yardage: 7024		
Field:	138 Illinois Amateurs		
2024 Champion:	Jordan Less	272 (-16)	@ Stonebridge CC
Conducted By:	The Chicago District Golf Association, founded in 1914 by 25 Chicago area clubs. The CDGA currently has over 340 member clubs and over 119,000 individual members throughout Illinois, northwest Indiana, southeast Wisconsin, and southwest Michigan.		

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Notice to Players

This information supplements the Local Rules and Terms of the Competition for 2026 CDGA Championships.
Rules and definitions as published on local course scorecards shall not be used.

Rulings – If you are in need of assistance with a ruling, please find a rules official on course or call a CDGA staff member at **(630) 685-2405**.

Tees – All players will play from the **Illinois State Amateur Tee Markers**.

Out of Bounds is defined by the course-side edge of white, painted lines and the course-side points, at ground level, of white stakes and fence posts.

- **Model Local Rule A-5 is in effect.** A ball coming to rest on or beyond any public road is out of bounds, even if it comes to rest on a part of the course that is in bounds for other holes.
- The clubhouse, maintenance area, driving range, practice putting green, and swimming pool are out of bounds, as defined by white, painted lines. The practice chipping green is in bounds.

Immovable Obstructions – Railroad ties and other curbing, including planted areas and worn turf immediately adjacent to cart paths is considered part of the cart path, and thus an immovable obstruction. Areas of turf, mulch or the like that are encircled by a road or path are deemed to be part of the path and thus, part of the same obstruction.

Temporary Immovable Obstructions – **Model Local Rule F-23 is in effect.** All Illinois State Amateur hole signs and posts are considered TIOs.

Decision of ties – After 36 holes, the low-35 players and ties will advance to the final 36 holes of stroke play. If the Championship ends in a tie, a playoff will commence with a three-hole aggregate stroke format. If a tie persists after the three-hole playoff, play will continue in a hole-by-hole sudden victory format until the champion is determined.



Local Rules and Terms of the Competition

For 2026 CDGA Championships



The Rules of Golf as approved by the United States Golf Association and R&A Rules Limited govern play. These Local Rules and Terms of the Competition are in effect at all CDGA and Illinois State championships and qualifying rounds. See applicable championship or qualifying round notice to players for modifications or additions to these Local Rules and Terms of the Competition. Complete text of the Rules and Local Rules may be found in the *Official Guide to the Rules of Golf*, effective January 2023. **Unless otherwise noted, the penalty for breach of a Local Rule is the general penalty.**

Local Rules

Out of Bounds – Defined by the line between the course-side points of white stakes and fence posts at ground level.

Penalty Areas – When a penalty area is defined on only one side, it extends to infinity. When a penalty area is connected to the out-of-bounds edge, the penalty area extends to and coincides with out of bounds.

Ground Under Repair – Defined by white lines. French drains are ground under repair.

Ground under repair may include areas of unusual damage, including areas where spectators or other traffic has combined with wet conditions to affect materially the ground surface, but only when so declared by an authorized member of the Committee. When immediately adjacent to an immovable obstruction, such an area is part of that obstruction.

Animal Near Ball – Model Local Rule E-13 is in effect.

Relief from Seams of Cut Turf – Model Local Rule F-7 is in effect.

Immovable Obstructions – Include plastic bumpers on roads and paths, and mats secured to the ground with spikes when the bumpers or mats cover cables.

White-Lined Areas Tying into Artificially Surfaced Roads and Paths – White-lined areas of ground under repair and the artificially surfaced roads, paths or other identified obstructions that they are connected to are a single abnormal course condition when taking relief under Rule 16.1.

Wood Chips and Mulch – Are loose impediments.

Integral Objects – Include objects when closely attached to trees and boundary objects, and artificial walls and pilings when located in penalty areas or in or adjacent to bunkers, and bunker liners.

An exposed bunker liner may be treated as ground under repair, but interference does not exist if the liner interferes only with the player's stance.

Immovable Obstructions Close to Putting Greens – Model Local Rule F-5.2 is in effect.

Footwear – Model Local Rule G-7 is in effect.

List of Conforming Driver Heads – Model Local Rule G-1 is in effect.

List of Conforming Golf Balls – Model Local Rule G-3 is in effect.

Prohibiting Use of Motorized Transportation – Model Local Rule G-6 is in effect for ONLY the championship rounds of the CDGA Amateur Championship and Illinois State Amateur Championship.

During a round, players or caddies must not ride on any form of motorized transportation except as authorized or later approved by the Committee.

Exception: Motorized transportation is permissible at all other CDGA and Illinois State championships and qualifiers.

Missing Player or Marker Certification – Model Local Rule L-1 is in effect.

Pace of Play – The CDGA Pace of Play Policy will be in effect at all CDGA and Illinois State championships and qualifiers.

Stopping and Resuming Play – Model Local Rule J-1 is in effect.

All practice areas are closed during an immediate suspension for a dangerous situation until the Committee has declared them open. Players who practice on closed practice areas will be asked to stop practicing; failure to stop might result in disqualification.

An immediate suspension will be signaled by one prolonged airhorn note. All other types of suspension will be signaled by three consecutive airhorn notes. Resumption of play will be signaled by two short airhorn notes.

Practice – Prior to and after a round in stroke play, a player may practice on the designated practice areas. Rule 5.2b covering practice in stroke play is modified in this way: A player may not practice on the competition course before or between rounds. Penalty for breach of Local Rule, see Rule 5.2.

When Competition is Final – The competition is final when the trophy has been presented to the winner or, in the absence of a prize ceremony, when all scores have been approved by the Committee.

Code of Conduct – The Code of Conduct Policy can be found in the CDGA Championship Policies and is in effect at all CDGA and Illinois State championships and qualifiers. Penalty Structure:

First Breach – Warning or Committee sanction

Second Breach – General Penalty

Third Breach or any serious misconduct – Disqualification

Terms of the Competition

Alcohol, Marijuana, and Controlled Substance Policy – As noted in the CDGA Championship Policies – During the round or any delay, should a player or caddie consume, be under the influence of, or have in his/her possession any alcohol, marijuana or controlled substance, the player will be disqualified from that tournament. In the event the Committee determines serious misconduct has occurred, the player and/or caddie will also be suspended from all CDGA events for a minimum of 12 months. The player may appeal any such suspension to the CDGA Championship Policy Committee.

Communication Devices – As noted in the CDGA Championship Policies – Electronic communication devices carried during a stipulated round by either a player or his/her caddie should be powered off or kept on silent mode. Use of these devices should be limited to emergencies or specifically permitted golf purposes, such as scoring, checking leaderboards or requesting a ruling. Players will be subject to penalty if their usage of such a device distracts other players.



CDGA Pace of Play Policy

In accordance with Committee Procedures 5H and Rule 5.6b

This information supplements the Local Rules and Terms of the Competition for 2026 CDGA Championships.

The policy applies for all CDGA-conducted championship and qualifying rounds.

Pace of Play – Players are expected to maintain a prompt pace of play at all times by maintaining position relative to the group in front of them or completing each hole within the allotted time par. Players in violation of this policy may be subject to penalty. Please review the following details:

Definition of “Time Par” – Time par is the latest time by which each group is expected to complete each hole on the course. This maximum time includes time for rulings, ball searches, etc. A Raguzzi sheet with each group’s time par for each hole will be available in the scoring app.

Definition of “Out of Position”

- The **first group** to tee off on each nine will be considered out of position if at any time they complete a hole in excess of time par.
- Any **subsequent group** will be considered out of position if they finish a hole in excess of time par **AND** they reach the teeing area of a par-4 or par-5 hole that is clear of all play or a par-3 hole that is clear of all play and all players in the preceding group have played from the next teeing area.

When a Group is Out of Position

- When a group is observed to be out of position, it will receive a **warning** from a CDGA Rover or Staff Member.
- A warned group is expected to make up time on each hole until it has regained position. A warned group that does not make progress towards regaining position may be **timed**.

Definition of “Bad Time”

- Players are expected to play a stroke within 40 seconds. When a group is being timed, any player taking longer than 40 seconds to play a stroke will receive a bad time.
- Timing will begin when a player has had reasonable opportunity to reach their ball, it is their turn to play and they can play without interference or distraction.
- On the putting green, a player is also allowed a reasonable time to lift, clean and replace their ball, repair their ball mark and remove loose impediments from their line of play before timing begins. Time spent reading the green will count towards their time to play the next stroke.

When a Group is Being Timed

- When a group has been notified by a CDGA Rover or Staff Member that they are being timed, each stroke from each individual player will be timed until the group has regained position, or has made satisfactory progress in the opinion of the Committee.
- Players who receive a bad time will be subject to the following penalty structure:
 - **First Breach:** Verbal warning
 - **Second Breach:** One-stroke penalty
 - **Third Breach:** Additional two-stroke penalty
 - **Fourth Breach:** Disqualification



Driving Range Notice/Course Notes

Practice Facilities: The practice facilities at Crestwicke CC will close promptly at the times indicated each day. This schedule is subject to change due to weather conditions.

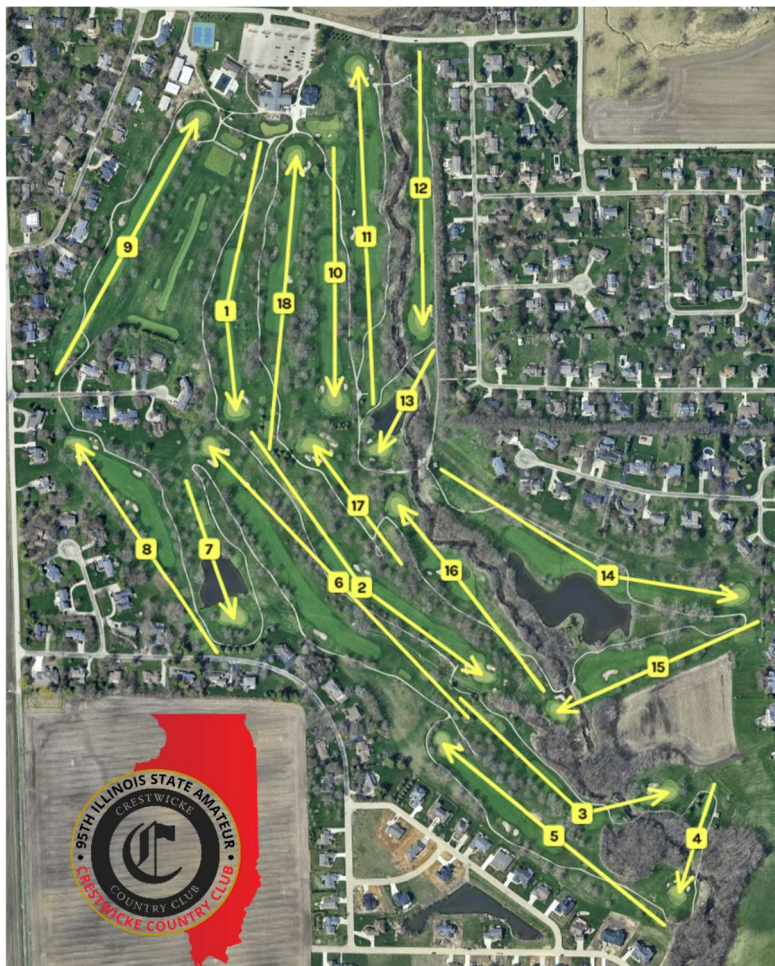
Approximately 15 stations will be available at the driving range. Please exercise courtesy towards other players by limiting your practice time when others are waiting. The Bloomington/Normal area has several other courses with driving ranges.

Driving range hours are listed below:

Monday	6:30 a.m. until 7:00 p.m.
Tuesday	6:30 a.m. until 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday	6:30 a.m. until 7:00 p.m.
Thursday	6:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m.

The practice putting and chipping greens will be available until sunset each day. Please note that a portion of the chipping green is directly in front of the 10th teeing area. Players practicing should yield to players teeing off at all times.

Course: The routing of the course will be as shown. Championship yardages are available in the Golf Genius portal and are mostly consistent with the Black tees on the Crestwicke CC scorecard. Please look for the Illinois State Amateur hole signs and tee markers.





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Policy Regarding the Suspension of Play & Course Evacuation Procedures

In the event of heavy rain, lightning or other disruptive weather, the decision to suspend play will be the responsibility of Will Cawthon, Colin Wadelin, and Damian Rodriguez.

One prolonged airhorn note of approximately 5 seconds will signal the suspension of play. Once this occurs, play is immediately suspended. The CDGA Hard Card distributed to all the players states:

Stopping and Resuming Play – Model Local Rule J-1 is in effect.

All practice areas are closed during an immediate suspension for a dangerous situation until the Committee has declared them open. Players who practice on closed practice areas will be asked to stop practicing; failure to stop might result in disqualification.

An immediate suspension will be signaled by one prolonged airhorn note. All other types of suspension will be signaled by three consecutive airhorn notes. Resumption of play will be signaled by two short airhorn notes.

Once play has been suspended, a nearby CDGA Rules Official will verbally notify each group that is playing the hole or holes that the Official is working. Officials will assist players in evacuating the course. Do not wait for a ride to start the evacuation process.

In the event of a suspension of play due to weather, all players and officials will immediately seek shelter in the clubhouse.

Transportation to the clubhouse will first be offered to players. Spectators may get a ride if a seat is open on a shuttle cart.



Hole	Yardage	Par
1	407	4
2	475	4
3	393	4
4	182	3
5	438	4
6	610	5
7	211	3
8	392	4
9	420	4
OUT	3528	35
10	417	4
11	550	5
12	419	4
13	169	3
14	570	5
15	347	4
16	351	4
17	213	3
18	460	4
IN	3496	36
Total	7024	71





PLAYER NOTES

Food Service:

Drinking Water: Bottled water in coolers is for players and caddies only. Spectators may bring their own water, or purchase water from the halfway house. We are encouraging the use of refillable water bottles for all players, caddies, and spectators. Water refill stations are located outside the clubhouse, and near the tees on Holes 4 & 14. Coolers of bottled water for players and caddies will be available throughout the course.

Breakfast: Breakfast will NOT be available at Crestwicke CC.

Lunch:

Monday - Food service will be available for players, caddies, and spectators at the halfway house. Players, caddies, and spectators will be required to pay for any lunch items with credit card.

Tuesday and Wednesday - A lunch buffet will be provided for all players, courtesy of the CDGA. The buffet will be located in the clubhouse. Players **MUST** give their name to the club staff at the beginning of the buffet line. Caddies and spectators will be able to purchase food and beverage at the halfway house with credit card.

Thursday - A lunch buffet will be provided for players who make the 36-hole cut. Caddies and spectators will be able to purchase food and beverage at the halfway house with credit card.

Dinner: Dinner will NOT be available at Crestwicke CC

Halfway House: The halfway house at Crestwicke CC is located near the clubhouse and 9th green. All items are available for purchase by players, caddies, and spectators with credit card.

2026 Illinois State Amateur Championship Exemptions - IN THE FIELD

Name	Exemption	Name	Exemption	Exemption Class Codes
Alexander Creamean	3,11,12	Dave Ryan	5	1. State Amateur Champion Prior to 1992 - Lifetime exemption
John Creamean	3	Tyler Samaan	7	2. State Amateur Champion - Within Past 10 years
Myles Cunningham	3	Justin Schwab	12	3. Previous Year Championship – Low 20 Scores & Ties
Brien Davis	3,12	Nicolas Simon	3	4. Previous Year Illinois State Mid-Amateur Champion
Robert Dofflemyer	3,16	Chadd Slutzky	3,12	5. Previous Year Illinois State Senior Amateur Champion
Jackson Hulsey	3,12	Logan Stauffer	17	6. Previous Year Southern Illinois Golf Association (SIGA) Amateur Champion
Michael Johansen	9	Rick Stewart	12,14	7. Previous Year IJGA Chick Evans Junior Amateur Match Play Champion
Michael Jorski	3,8	River Stilley	6,13	8. Previous Year IJGA Illinois State Junior Amateur Champion
Brady Kaufmann	3	Devin Swoyer	3,11	9. Previous Year IJGA-CDGA Junior Amateur Champion
David Keenan	3	Byan Warren	13	10. Previous Year Illinois Open Champion (if eligible)
Charlie Kulwin	3	John Wild	3	11. Previous Year Semifinalists in the CDGA Amateur Championship
Jack Mulligan	11			12. Previous Year CDGA Player of the Year Points List - Top 10 & ties
				13. Previous Year SIGA Points List - Top 3 on points list
				14. Previous Year CDGA Senior Player of the Year
				15. Current Year CDGA Senior Amateur Champion
				16. Current Year CDGA Mid-Amateur Champion
				17. Current Year Host Site Exemption
				18. USGA Championship Finalist – Within Past Year