

## **Pine Island Country Club to Host NC Women's Amateur Championship**

**June 13, 2017 - Charlotte, NC** - The North Carolina Women's Golf Association (NCWGA) will host the 68<sup>th</sup> playing of its Women's Amateur Championship at Pine Island Country Club in Charlotte, NC, on June 20-22, 2017. The North Carolina Women's Amateur is a stroke play event open to all female amateurs who reside in North Carolina for at least six months, have an established GHIN Handicap Index, and have paid their NCWGA annual dues or are a member of a NCWGA member club.

Two sets of tees will be utilized for the championship. The Championship Division will compete from approximately 6,000+ yards and the State Division (shorter tees) will compete from around 5,200 yards. The NCWGA Champion, Senior Champion and Junior Champion will be determined from contestants playing the Championship Tees. The Super Senior Champion will be determined from contestants playing the State Tees.

The 2016 Championship was held at Croasdaile Country Club in Durham and was won by Bryana Nguyen who shot 69-70-71--210 to take the title. Nguyen, who plays for UNC Chapel Hill and just completed her junior year, will not competing in this year's Championship.

### *Notables to Watch:*

Sarah Bertram of Concord - 2016 Carolinas Women's Four-Ball Champion (with partner Taylor Dodson), Top-10 at 2017 Carolinas Women's Amateur, currently ranked 15th in Carolinas Women's Player Rankings, recent graduate of Gardner Webb University

Kathryn Carson of Mooresville - 2017 North Carolina Junior Girls' Champion, finished T6 in Carolinas Women's Amateur, currently ranked 6th in North Carolina Junior Girls' Player Rankings, will attend East Carolina University in the Fall

Courtney McKim of Raleigh - Finished 5th in the 2016 North Carolina Women's Amateur, Finished 9th at the 2017 Carolinas Women's Amateur, competed in the 2017 U.S. Women's Four-Ball Championship (with partner Mary Katherine Donovan), made the match play cut at the 2016 U.S. Women's Mid-Amateur Championship, currently ranked 9th in Carolinas Women's Player Rankings

Ashley Sloup of Southport - Finished 2nd in the 2016 North Carolina Women's Amateur, 2016 Carolinas Women's Amateur Champion, Finished T6 at the Carolinas Women's Amateur, currently ranked 17th in Carolinas Women's Player Rankings, current player at Winthrop University

Jessica Spicer of Bahama - Finished T6 in the 2016 North Carolina Women's Amateur, finished 2nd in the 2016 Carolinas Young Amateur, finished 6th in the 2017 Women's

Eastern Amateur, competed in the 2017 U.S. Women's Four-Ball Championship (with sister and partner Sarah Spicer), competed in the 2016 U.S. Women's Amateur Championship, currently ranked 19th in Carolinas Women's Player Rankings, current player at Virginia Tech

Sarah Spicer of Bahama - 2015 North Carolina Women's Amateur Champion, finished T17 in the 2016 North Carolina Women's Amateur, currently ranked in Top 50 of Carolinas Women's Player Rankings, current player at Virginia Tech

"Pine Island is honored to host this event that will attract many of the State's top women amateur golfers," said tournament chair Linda Daniel. "And we know the players will feel right at home at Pine Island and will enjoy our wonderful facility and our southern hospitality."

*Pine Island Country Club is a private club located just off I-485 in Charlotte. For more information about Pine Island, please visit [www.pineislandcc.com](http://www.pineislandcc.com).*

Scoring will be provided by the Carolinas Golf Association - [Online Scoring](#)