

The Golfing Grads of USMA

24rd Annual Reunion & Golf Tournament

Auburn Marriott Opelika Hotel & Conference Center
at Grand National

on Alabama's Robert Trent Jones Golf Trail

Opelika, Alabama

April 19 - 22, 2012

January, 2012

In 2012, we will once again visit the Auburn Marriott Opelika at Grand National golf resort in Opelika, Alabama. This stop on the RTJ Trail was the location Jones himself proclaimed as "the single greatest site for a course" he had ever seen. The resort is located just a few miles from Auburn University. Grand National has been the host site for the 1997 Nike Tour Championship, the 1998 LPGA Tournament of Championships, and the 2000 NCAA Men's Division I Championship.

The basic three-day package is for the evenings of April 19 - 21. Additional night packages (accommodations and breakfasts only) are available for periods either before or after the basic package dates.

Last year we were very fortunate to have astronaut Doug Wheelock, USMA '83, speak to us about his recent stay at the International Space Station. This year, we have asked MG Bob Brown, USMA '81, a B-ball player under Coach K and the current Fort Benning commander, to speak about the establishment of the US Army Maneuver Center of Excellence at Fort Benning.

We have two changes for 2012. We will use the Short Course (the par 3 course) for the Two Man Best Ball and Scramble. The course will be set up with 6 holes greater than 175 yards, 6 holes between 125 and 175 yards, and 6 holes less than 125 yards. We will also allow players to choose between using the regular men's tees (WHITE) or the senior's tees (TEAL). However, players must indicate on the reply sheet which tees they will use so that the scorers can input this information into the computer.

The hotel has given us the Lobby Lounge off the hotel lobby to use as our hospitality suite. Practice rounds will be available but you will have to contact the RTJ Pro, arrange your own times and foursomes, and guarantee payment. As usual, several of the participating classes will share in running this event. Our thanks go to them for all their help.

We have made reservations for 160 golfers. We hope you will be among them...

Tyler & Dan Willson

PS. We have a new website. Check it out at www.GolfingGrads ofUSMA.com.

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This three-day golf tournament will have team (USMA class) and individual competitions played on three quality courses – the Lake course, which has 12 holes played along the banks of the 600 acre Lake Saughatchee, includes a 230 yard shot to an island green, the Links course, the cornerstone of the Grand National complex, and the Short course, a very unique par three course. The Lake course reopened in September 2011 after a summer greens resurfacing with Champion Bermuda Ultra Dwarf grass. Each course is very fun and challenging in its own way!
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Here's what you need to do NLT March 19th to MAKE SURE YOU'RE INCLUDED:

(1) Make your reservation by sending an E-mail (see attached format) to Matthew Day at the Auburn Marriott Opelika. Matt's direct phone number is (334) 737-2132.

(2) Complete the attached "reply sheet", include a check for \$85.00, and mail to Dan. He will coordinate with the hotel and the courses on the names of prepaid attendees, arrival and departure dates, rooming lists, etc.

(3) If your reservation and deposit are not made by March 19th, you will not be guaranteed accommodations with "The Golfing Grads of USMA". After that date, reservations will be made on an individual, space-available basis.

If you must cancel after you have made a reservation, you will have until 72 hours prior to your original arrival date to cancel without penalty. If you cancel after that time, you will forfeit your deposit. Each cancellation will be reviewed on an individual basis.

Any questions, call: Tyler Willson, USMA '60, at (904) 997 – 6334 or
Dan Willson, USMA '63, at (828) 452 - 3662

Sample Reservations Request E-mail

Send to: golfinggrads@marriottgrandnational.com

Name:

John Jones

Date of Arrival:

April 18

Date of Departure:

April 22

Type of Package(s) Requested:

*1 Extra Night Package (Double
Occupancy) and
1 Basic Package (Double Occupancy)*

Roommate (if Applicable):

Sam Smith

My Credit Card type:

AMEX, Visa, MasterCard, etc.

My Credit Card Number (to guarantee reservation):

1122 3344 5566 7788

Credit Card Expiration Date: *07/13*

Special Requests:

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Reply Sheet

Name: _____ USMA Class: _____

Golf Index/Handicap: _____/_____

Arrival Date: _____ Departure Date: _____

Preference for Roommate: _____

I will play from the _____ White (regular men) _____ Teal (senior) tees.

1. Select the package and golf options you prefer (place "X" by your choice):

a. Basic Packages (April 19, 20, 21)

(1) _____ **Single Occupancy** (1 golfer/room) (\$813.26/person),
including all resort service fees and taxes.

Includes accommodations for 3 nights, 3 rounds of golf w/ cart, 3
breakfasts, Thursday evening welcome reception, and Saturday evening
awards banquet.

(2) _____ **Double Occupancy** (2 golfers/room) (\$603.18/person),
including all resort service fees and taxes.

Includes accommodations for 3 nights, 3 rounds of golf w/ cart, 3
breakfasts, Thursday evening welcome reception, and Saturday evening
awards banquet.

(3) _____ **Double Occupancy** (1 golfer & 1 non-golfer) (\$956.88/couple),
including all resort service fees and taxes.

Includes accommodations for 3 nights, 3 breakfasts, Thursday evening
welcome reception, and Saturday evening awards banquet. Includes golf
for the golfer only.

**These are package prices and cannot be altered or changed.
You cannot "opt out" of any portion of the package.**

b. Extra Night with Breakfast Packages (April 16, 17, 18, 22, or 23)(These packages do NOT include a round of golf):

- (1) _____ **Single Occupancy** (1 golfer/room) (\$156.96/person),
including all resort service fees and taxes).
Includes accommodations for 1 night and breakfast the following morning.
- (2) _____ **Double Occupancy** (2 golfers/room) (\$86.90/person),
including all resort service fees and taxes).
Includes accommodations for 1 night and breakfast the following morning.
- (3) _____ **Double Occupancy** (1 golfer & 1 non-golfer)(\$173.80/couple),
including all resort service fees and taxes).
Includes accommodations for 1 night and breakfast the following morning.

c. Golf Options:

(1) The **3 competition rounds** are included in the basic Three-Day Packages. Note that the Additional Night Packages do not include a round of golf.

(2) Those who want to schedule tee times for **practice rounds** on any of the competition courses must personally contact the clubhouse and guarantee payment. The rates will be \$54.00 (inclusive) for the Links and Lake Courses and \$25.00 (inclusive) for the Short Course (Par 3). For tee times on either of the 3 courses, contact Scott Gomberg, Director of Golf, by phone (334-737-3341) or by email at sgomberg@rtjgolf.com. Be sure to identify yourself as a member of the “Golfing Grads of USMA”.

(3) Should you desire to play a **second round** on one of the other courses either before or after your scheduled competition round, there will be an additional charge.

2. **NLT March 19th**, return this form and a check for **\$85.00 to Dan Willson** at 124 Reflection Drive, Waynesville, NC 28786. This check will cover expenses for “goodie bag” items, golf prizes, hospitality room items, telephone calls, postage, shipping charges, and other administrative expenses.

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Schedule of Events

Wednesday, April 18

4:00 PM-Midnight	Arrival and Check-In (Early Arrivals)	Front Desk, Main Lobby
4:00 PM-Midnight	Hospitality Room open (Early Arrivals)	Lobby Lounge

Thursday, April 19

6:00-8:00 AM	Breakfast (Early Arrivals)	Hotel Meeting Room
8:00 AM	<i>Four Man Team Scramble</i> (Early Arrivals)	Links Course (Shotgun)
1:00 PM	<i>Four Man Team Scramble</i>	Links Course (Shotgun)
4:00 PM-Midnight	Arrival and Check-In (3 night packages)	Front Desk, Main Lobby
6:30-7:30 PM	Attitude Adjustment Hour	Golf Clubhouse
7:30-9:00 PM	Welcome Reception & Buffet Dinner	Golf Clubhouse Dining Room
9 PM-Midnight	Hospitality Room open	Lobby Lounge

Friday, April 20

6:00-8:00 AM	Breakfast	Hotel Meeting Room
8:00 AM	<i>Two Man Team Best Ball</i> (9 holes) & <i>Scramble</i> (9 holes)	Short Course (Shotgun)
1:00 PM	<i>Two Man Team Best Ball</i> (9 holes)	Short Course

& Scramble (9 holes)**(Shotgun)**

Evening

Class Dinners

TBD by Class Reps

9 PM-Midnight

Hospitality Room open

Lobby Lounge

Saturday, April 21

6:00 - 8:00 AM

Breakfast

Hotel Meeting Room

8:00 AM***Individual Low Gross/Low Net***
(1st & 2nd Flights)**Lake Course**
(Shotgun)**1:00 PM*****Individual Low Gross/Low Net***
(3rd & 4th Flights)**Lake Course**
(Shotgun)

6:30 - 7:30 PM

Attitude Adjustment Hour

Hotel Meeting Room

7:30 - 9 PM**Award Presentations & Buffet Dinner****Hotel Meeting Room**

9 PM-Midnight

Hospitality Room open

Lobby Lounge

Sunday, April 22

6:00 - 8:00 AM

Breakfast

Hotel Meeting Room

7:00 AM - Noon

Check-out time

Front Desk, Main
Lobby

(To obtain a late check-out time, contact the front desk on Saturday night or Sunday morning - of course, late check-out times are not guaranteed since new guests may be scheduled to move into your room)