

**INDO-AMERICAN  
TOURNAMENT FORMAT CHANGES  
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**MUST READ ALL!!!!!!**

Members,

It has been 14 fantastic years for IAGA as we have grown from a group of 4 founding members sitting in a pizza shop brainstorming how to bring the Indo American community together around the game of golf, to the format and membership we enjoy today.

IAGA has held steady year after year as our membership has grown through your efforts to bring your friends into IAGA. We have a solid foundation and a terrific membership who we are eager and proud to serve. Golf is a passion and it's great to have members who display that passion with IAGA.

Every organization and club must evolve in order to adapt to the changes around them, else they are deemed to be insensitive to the needs of their membership. IAGA is no different. We are very aware of the economic challenges, the changing profile of our membership, and the competitive juices our events fulfill. We have taken all of these factors into consideration as we strive to take IAGA to the next level.

In addition, we have also heard about the challenges of rising early to reach in time for breakfasts. Not to mention the content within the breakfast of handing out prizes and skins (which are relevant only to those receiving their winnings) and the limitations the breakfast puts on warm up / range time.

With numerous other considerations which can bring IAGA to the next level, we are proud to announce MAJOR CHANGES to IAGA and our event structure for the REMAINDER of 2010 and going forward.

We truly believe these changes are aligned with the direction our membership is seeking and will allow for better and more exciting tournaments. It will also incite greater competition and heightened passion for the game.

Starting in the 2nd half of our 2010 season (with the July event at Yocha De He), we will be migrating to a MAJORS structure. There will be 2 MAJORS every year. One in June and one in October. The 2nd Major will always be the Club Championship held in October.

All other tournaments will be designed towards eligibility for the MAJORS. There will be HUGE prizes to shoot for and we feel you will be motivated to qualify. All the focus will transition to your performance in the qualifiers and the MAJORS.

Here are the details:

- IAGA will hold 8 events during the year. 4 in the first half and 4 in the second half.
- 3 of the 4 events in each half will be qualifying events for the Major in that half. i.e. March, April, May will be qualifiers for the JUNE MAJOR. July, Aug, Sept, will be qualifiers for the OCTOBER MAJOR
- Each event will have an entry of \$110 (not the current \$130)
- Breakfast will no longer become mandatory. We will schedule the tee time (Shotgun or tee time), and breakfast will be at your leisure and at your own expense.
- Majority of the events will still be conducted as SHOTGUN events with NO breakfast. You will be responsible for reaching the course on time, warming up and be ready to go 10 minutes BEFORE THE SHOTGUN start.
- Qualifying for a Major will be based upon your TWO Low Net scores out of the 3 qualifying events.
- After each event, rankings will be published and you will know where you stand.
- The Major will have a field of 32 players AND ties. Each flight will be represented by a fair share of qualifiers. Example: If the Tiger flight had the most # of players trying to qualify, Tiger will have the highest percentage of players in the Major.
- You MUST play in a minimum of 2 events to qualify for the MAJORS. If you feel your ranking is not high enough after 2 events, you can choose to play the third to get your best 2 low net scores. The goal is to have your 2 Lowest Net scores combined make the cut for the Major.
- Winners of the qualifying events will earn FREE rounds of golf for each flight winner. So if you win your flight in a qualifying event, we will refund your entry fee.
- There will still be CTP, Long Drive, and Skins competitions during the qualifying events
- Payout for CTP and LD during qualifying events will be a FREE lunch after the round to the winners
- Skins will still be a cash payout.
- There will no longer be a 2nd place award or low gross.
- The Tournament of Champions will be replaced with a SUPER SKINS event.....structure to be announced.
- Lemonade serving will still be conducted at the SUPER SKINS event. Lemonade Server qualification is if you are the lowest index in your flight and DO NOT qualify for a Major.
- The prize structure for the Majors will be as follows. Winners of each flight of a MAJOR will win \$500....2nd will win \$200.....third will win \$100. CTP and Long Drives will earn \$50 (greater if we bring in \$\$ through sponsorships).
- The top money winner of the season will earn a bonus of \$300. This Top Money winner will replace the Golfer of the Year format.
- We will no longer have an AWARDS tournament. The Club Championship event will be the concluding event. All monies received in IAGA will be paid out in the MAJORS.
- Majors will be scheduled for the first weekend of June and October respectively.
- The JUNE MAJOR will be an 18 hole event
- The October Major will be a 36 hole event as it will also be the Club Championship.
- The Club Championship will retain the Maharaja and Tiger Cup formats.

- For the Club Championship event, you are still eligible to play for the Maharaja and/or Tiger Cup by playing in 3 events during the year. Should you not qualify for a Major, you will still have earned the right to play for the Maharaja or Tiger Cup. The primary difference will be in payout \$\$\$ should you win the Maharaja or Tiger Cup.....you will win \$100 as well as the Trophy. If you are a qualifier and win the Maharaja or Tiger, your payout will be \$500 or greater.
- We will require MANDATORY breakfast attendance at the the MAJORS to ensure all rules are covered and everyone understands the playing conditions for the Major. Failure to attend the breakfast will be a DQ from the event.....NO EXCEPTIONS!!!!
- Match Play events, Individual and Team, will transition back to a Fall/Winter schedule to fill the IAGA golf void from October to February.
- IAGA will conduct the 2010/2011 Individual Match Play event starting in October after the Club Championship.
- E-Clubhouse will be used to allow members to connect with each other as members data will remain current on E-Clubhouse.
- Entries to any event will be via email response or E-Clubhouse (whichever you prefer). Updates of entrants will be provided regularly.
- YOU MUST STILL PAY FOR THE EVENT VIA THE IAGAGOLF WEBSITE as we do not want to manage your credit card information. IF YOU DO NOT PAY BY THE DEADLINE, YOUR NAME WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE EVENT. NO EXCEPTIONS!!!! BE SURE YOU ARE PAID UP BY THE DEADLINE !!!
- If you choose not to participate in the qualifiers for the sake of qualifying for a major, and simply want to play with IAGA during our events, all members will always be welcome to play any event without participating in the competition.

Members, we are excited about these changes and we hope this truly brings you the PREMIER value you seek in your golfing \$\$\$ and your competitive golfing experience.

The Majors with their HUGE prize pools will create true excitement and pressure. Ever putted to win \$1000 on the 18th hole?? Now you just might get that chance.

Sign up for Yocha De He for July 10th and be sure you are getting started for Qualifying for the October Major!!!! There are only 32 spots for this qualifying event. Details will be sent shortly in a separate email.....

See you at the Majors.....and at least twice before!!!!.....Let the Qualifying begin!!!!

IAGA Committee