



68th Florida Open Championship

**BONITA BAY CLUB
NAPLES, FLORIDA
JULY 18-20, 2014**

A yellow graphic of the state of Florida, with a red flag on a black pole positioned over the southern part of the state.

**FLORIDA
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Dear Florida Open Participant:

The entire membership and staff at Bonita Bay Club would like to congratulate you on qualifying for the 2014 Florida Open. Bonita Bay Club is excited to have the privilege of hosting the Florida State Golf Association's premier event.

Our golf course agronomy and maintenance teams, led by Hal Akins and Scott Brinckerhoff, have prepared two of the best conditioned golf courses you will find anywhere. The Bay Island and Cypress golf courses will both prove to be excellent championship venues for the week.

During the week, our entire team is here to make sure all of your needs are taken care of and you have a memorable experience. Bonita Bay Club prides itself on creating a world class golf experience to everyone that visits our club, and we look forward to providing you with our services. If there is anything that we can do to enhance your week, please do not hesitate to contact us at any time.

See you soon.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dan Miles".

Dan Miles, CCM, CCE
General Manager, COO

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "E.J. McDonnell".

E.J. McDonnell, PGA
Director of Golf



Memorandum to Contestants

On behalf of the Florida State Golf Association (FSGA) and the PGA Sections operating in Florida, congratulations on qualifying for the **68th Florida Open Championship**. We hope that you enjoy your experience competing in one of Florida's oldest Championships and take many favorable memories from your time at each facility.

Please take time to carefully read through this packet of information. There are several important items contained here, some of which require action by you by a certain time (e.g. hotel reservations, pre-registration, and practice rounds, etc.). If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact the FSGA Championships Department at (813) 868-5850 or championships@fsga.org.

Pre-Registration Deadline: By 12:00PM, Monday, July 14th, each player must pre-register:

All qualifying professional players must remit \$250 and amateur players must remit \$150 per player for advance payment of Championship fees. Championship fees include tee gift, cart fees and range balls for all competitive rounds. Players should pay by credit card online through the **My FSGA Account** section at www.fsga.org. Payment **must** be received by **3:30 PM, Monday, July 14th**, or you will be withdrawn from the Championship.

To register online:

- log on to the FSGA website at www.fsga.org using your email address and password
- click on "My Account" in the upper right hand corner of the homepage
- under "My Tournaments", click on the "Pre-Register" button to the right of the tournament name
- enter your credit card information and then click the "Charge My Card" button on the bottom right hand corner of the page

Exempt players are automatically pre-registered with a complete entry.

Failure to meet this deadline will result in withdrawal of your entry and your place in the field will be filled by an alternate. We stress that all players who qualify must meet the pre-registration deadline of **3:30 PM, Monday, July 14th**.

Championship (54-Holes) - The Championship field of 156 players will be split for rounds 1 & 2 between the two championship courses. Over the first two rounds, each player will play one round at each course. After two rounds, the field will be cut to the low 60 players and ties with the final round being conducted at the Bonita Bay Club Naples (Cypress Course).

The Cypress and Bay Island Courses are located 15 miles apart (25 minute drive).

Players beginning their round on the 11th hole of the Bay Island course will be instructed to leave the clubhouse 25 minutes before their tee time and drive their cart to the 11th tee. It is a 13 minute drive in a cart along the roads in the community. Maps and instructions will be provided.

Practice Facility

The practice facilities will open at 6:45 AM Friday - Sunday. The practice facilities will close each day at approximately 6:00 PM (determined by each club). The Bonita Bay Club Naples will lock its gate at 7:00 PM each night. Don't get locked in!

GPS and Range Finders

The Local Rule that allows distance measuring devices will be in effect.

Lunch Buffets & Food & Beverage

During the Championship rounds, there will be a complimentary player's buffet set up in the main clubhouse at each club. Players will need to show their player badge to the club's staff to receive lunch. Lunches for spectators and caddies will be available. The price will be posted at each club.

Breakfast will NOT be available at either club; however, a few "grab & go" items will be available (muffins, bagels, etc.). Please plan accordingly.

Dress Code

Gentlemen are required to have shirts tucked in and hats worn properly while on the golf course. The wearing of mock turtleneck shirts designed for golf is permitted. Golf shorts are permitted. **No** cargo shorts are allowed.

Remember that you are guests at Bonita Bay Club Naples and Bonita Bay Club. Entries are subject to rejection or withdrawal at any time (including during the event). The reason for rejection may include improper attire and/or unbecoming conduct.

Caddies & Spectator's Dress Code – All caddies, spectators and family members should wear golf attire. Caddies should wear golf shirts with a collar.

Accommodations

Arrangements have been made at the Ritz-Carlton Golf Resort Naples at a rate of \$119 plus tax (rate includes parking, internet access, etc.). When making your reservations please identify yourself as a FSGA Florida Open competitor. For reservations please call **888-856-2164**, and identify yourself as an FSGA Competitor. For more information [click here](#).

Pace of Play Policy – Checkpoint System

In order to accommodate 156 players, it is essential that the game be played at a brisk pace and the stated pace of play for each course will be posted on the Notice to Players.

The FSGA uses a checkpoint pace of play system at all competitions that it conducts in the state of Florida. There are **NO Warnings** to the players and players are not timed. Each group must complete each nine within the stated time or within 15 minutes of the group ahead or each player in the group will be subject to a one stroke penalty (two strokes for a second breach). This pace of play policy places the full responsibility for pace of play on the players. [FSGA Pace of Play Policy](#).

The FSGA pace of play policy utilizes a two checkpoint system.

- **Players will not receive warnings.**
- **Players are not timed**
- **Each group is responsible for monitoring their own pace.**
- **To avoid penalty, groups must complete each checkpoint hole:**
 - 1. Within 15 minutes of the group ahead, or**
 - 2. Under the allotted time.**
- **Checkpoints at each course will be on holes #9 and #18.**
- **All players in a group in breach are subject to penalty.**

Position with Group Ahead – To stay within 15 minutes of the group ahead, players should never have an open hole and they should be in the fairway on par 4's and 5's when the group ahead leaves the green.

Purse Pay Out

The purse and payout will be announced at the site during registration on Thursday. The golf professional payouts will be mailed to the professional's address on file from their entry by the Wednesday following the Championship. The amateurs in the field will receive gift certificates immediately after all of the scores are accepted.



Registration



There will be a registration table set up in the main clubhouse at Bonita Bay Club Naples (Cypress Course) to pick up your Florida Open Shirt, hat, and player badge and player information the day before the Championship from 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM. This is **NOT** a mandatory registration. Tee gifts and additional information will be available for pickup before the competitive rounds for players not playing a practice round on Thursday on the Cypress Course.

Charges

Each club accepts Visa/MasterCard for payment ONLY.

Spike Policy

It is a condition of the Florida State Golf Association that shoes with traditionally designed spikes (regardless of composition, i.e. ceramic, plastic, etc.) or spikes, regardless of design, comprised either entirely or partially of metal (when such metal comes in contact with the surface of the putting green) are prohibited. Penalty for breach of this condition: ***Disqualification.***

FSGA Championships Department

Approximate Championship Yardages

Bonita Bay Club Naples Cypress Course

Bonita Bay Club Bay Island Course

<u>Hole</u>	<u>Par</u>	<u>Yardage</u>	<u>Par</u>	<u>Yardage</u>
1	4	428	4	444
2	3	203	5	521
3	4	436	3	207
4	5	548	4	311
5	3	200	4	443
6	4	401	3	177
7	4	466	4	381
8	5	544	4	441
9	<u>4</u>	<u>400</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>579</u>
	36	3,626	36	3504
10	4	432	4	396
11	3	191	5	539
12	5	552	3	184
13	4	389	4	331
14	4	302	4	445
15	5	516	5	530
16	3	232	4	382
17	4	335	3	173
18	<u>4</u>	<u>453</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>426</u>
	36	<u>3,402</u>	36	<u>3406</u>
		7,028		6,910



Directions to Bonita Bay Club Naples (Cypress Course)

3700 Wildwood Blvd.

Naples, Florida 34120

239-353-5100

[Click here](#) for a map and directions

Directions to Bonita Bay Club (Bay Island Course)

26660 Country Club Dr.

Bonita Springs, Florida 34134

239-353-5100

[Click here](#) for a map and directions

Driving Directions from Cypress Course to Bay Island Course

16.7 Miles – Driving Time 25 Min.

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| 1. Departing from Bonita Bay Club Naples turn Right Immokalee Rd | 5.25 miles |
| 2. Turn Right onto I-75N | 2.0 Miles |
| 3. Take exit 116 - County Hwy 865/Bonita Beach Rd – Head West | 3.5 Miles |
| 4. Turn right (North) on S Tamiami Trl/US-41 | 1.1 Miles |
| 5. Turn left on Bonita Bay Blvd. Proceed to Guard Gate. | 0.3 Miles |
| 6. Turn right onto Country Club Dr. Club is on the left | 0.4 Miles |





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