

ISPS Handa US Blind Open

March 19 – March 23 , 2023

Itinerary

**March 19**

Arrival Day

Hotel

La Quinta Columbus North

171 Rollins Way

Columbus, GA 31904

706-223-1333 If you need extra nights, Please contact Greg to arrange. We have blocked rooms and can get you the rate of \$ 109 per night. Let Greg know for which nights you need.

**March 20**

Practice Day

Golf Course

Green Island Country Club

6501 Standing Boy Rd.

Columbus, GA 31904

9:00 am

Clinic with Veterans from the Columbus Blinded Veterans Association

USBGA Players and Coaches to help on Range and Practice Green.

10:30

Refreshments at Island Patio

11:00

Practice Round Shotgun Start

For those who wish to participate,, there will be a player/coach scramble during the practice round. You do not have to participate. If you don't, then you will be grouped with others not in the scramble. We will be followed by the participants from the PGA Hope program in Columbus. They will also be some of our volunteers during the tournament.

7:00 pm

Welcome Dinner and Player /Coach Meeting

Country's Bar B Que North

6298 Veteran's Parkway

Columbus, GA 31909

Dinner begins at 7:00 pm. During dinner we will have Dan Parker as our guest speaker. Dan is the worlds fastest blind person. His story is one to remember. After dinner we will have our Player / Coach meeting. There you will get pairings and local rules.

**March 21 First Day**

11:00 am Opening Ceremony

Presentation of Colors, National Anthem will be done by Columbus area volunteers. We will be joined by the Blinded Veterans Association, PGA Hope Veterans and Columbus area First Responders.

12 noon First Tee Off for Opening Round from Hole 1 tee.

Box lunches will be provided at 2 pm. They will be brought to you if you are on the course. Scorekeepers for each group. There will be fore caddies on the course. There will be a rules official for every 3 to 4 groups. Other volunteers will be on the course with water and snacks.

Evening Dinner is on your own. There is ae many restaurants in Columbus that are fantastic. If you are at the hotel there are 11 eating venues within walking distance. Pairings will be in the hotel desk at 8 pm

**March 22 Round 2 Final Day**

11:00 am First tee time from Hole 1 tee.

6:30 pm Awards Dinner at Green Island Country Club Banquet Room

Cash Bar opens and will be open through dinner

7:00 pm Dinner begins. Menu will be:

House salad with dressing on table

Chicken Plicata with vegetables

Lemon Italian Crème Cake

Awards to follow Dinner

**March 23 Departure Day**