



Greg Neujahr, PGA Captures Nebraska Senior PGA Professional Title; Earns Berth in 30th Senior PGA Professional Championship

LINCOLN, NE - Greg Neujahr, PGA, Director of Golf at Champions Run holds on to capture the Nebraska Senior PGA Professional Championship. Neujahr will lead five Nebraska Section PGA Professionals set to compete October 25-28 in the 30th Senior PGA Professional Championship at PGA Golf Club, Port St. Lucie Florida. Neujahr played steady golf all day and a timely 35-foot birdie putt on his 35th hole of the championship helped him claim the championship with a five-under-par 36-hole total of 139. Closely on his heels was Jim White, PGA MP of The Fairways at Lincoln who posted a tournament best six-under-par 66 to finish one stroke back at four-under-par. White, a 11-time champion of this event finished with three birdies in a row to apply the pressure on Neujahr. Two-time defending champion, Bryan Hughett, PGA of Albion C.C. who was battling for the lead most of the day with Neujahr made an unfortunate double-bogey on the 15th hole that cost him the chance to make it three in a row and finished solo third place. Joining them will be Ted DiGiacomo, PGA of Golf Galaxy - Omaha and first time qualifier, Jon Petersen, PGA of Tiburon G.C.

The Senior PGA Professional Championship brings together a field of 264 contestants representing the PGA of America's 41 nationwide Sections, and features a total purse of \$300,000.

Begun in 1989, the Senior PGA Professional Championship is modeled after the PGA Professional Championship, with a field of 50-and-older senior PGA Professionals who advanced through 41 Section Championships conducted from July through September this year.

The top 35 finishers in the national Championship earn a berth in the 80th KitchenAid Senior PGA Championship, which will be conducted in May 2019, at famed Oak Hill C.C. in Rochester, N.Y. The top five finishers earn an exemption into the final stage of the 2019 PGA Tour Champions National Finals. Since its debut, many participants in the Senior PGA Professional Championship have used their success in the event as a springboard to a PGA Tour Champions career.

Qualifiers: 5 Alternates: 4

QUALIFIERS

1	Greg Neujahr	Champions Run	69-70--139	-5
2	Jim White	Fairways at Lincoln	74-66--140	-4
3	Bryan Hughett	Albion CC	72-69--141	-3
4	Ted DiGiacomo	Golf Galaxy - Omaha	73-72--145	+1
5	Jon Petersen	Tiburon GC	74-72--146	+2

ALTERNATES - IN ORDER

6	Troy Harder	Wayne Country Club	74-73--147	+3
T7	Tom Hearn	PGA Tour	77-73--150	+6
T7	Don Germer	The Players Club at Deer	75-75--150	+6
T9	Mike Antonio	Happy Hollow Club	77-74--151	+7

DID NOT QUALIFY

T9	Mike VunCannon	Elks Country Club	76-75--151	+7
11	Tim Kruse	Golf Galaxy - Omaha	79-74--153	+9
T12	Mark Baumann	Eagle Hills	80-76--156	+12
T12	Joe Finnegan	Shadow Ridge CC	75-81--156	+12
T12	Douglas Dunbar	Quail Run	75-81--156	+12
15	James Sieckmann	Shadow Ridge CC	74-85--159	+15
16	Denis Vontz	Highlands GC	82-78--160	+16
17	John Craw		79-83--162	+18
18	Brian Kuta	Iron Horse GC	84-79--163	+19
19	Chris Thomson	Wilderness Ridge	83-81--164	+20
T20	Greg Johannesen	Fairways at Lincoln	86-80--166	+22
T20	Mike Cornell	Champions Run	82-84--166	+22
22	Mark Mooberry	Bent Tree	84-84--168	+24
23	Don Graham	Wild Horse Golf Club	82-88--170	+26
24	Dan Zadalis		90-85--175	+31

About The Nebraska Section PGA

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