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SPIRIT HOLLOW TO HOST US OPEN LOCAL QUALIFER ON MAY 15, 2017

Sixty-six players will vie for four spots

Burlington, Iowa – Spirit Hollow Golf Club plays host to the local qualifier for the US Open beginning at 8:30am on Monday, May 15, 2017.

Sixty-six players, including 38 amateurs and 28 professionals, will compete for four spots in the next level of competition to reach the ultimate goal of playing in the US Open at Erin Hills in June.

The competitors will face a course set up to reward risk and creative shot making. From the gold tees, Spirit Hollow, the #2 ranked course in Iowa by Golf Digest and Golf Week, will play to a par 72 and stretch to 7,396 yard. USGA pace of play standards will have all players finishing their round in four hours, forty minutes.

“It is an honor to have these elite players compete at Spirit Hollow,” commented Jim Wyffels, General Manager. “Our course will provide a true test of each player’s ability to navigate the fairways, bunkers and greens on their way to competing for a coveted spot in the US Open field.”

Spirit Hollow, which opened in 2000 was designed by Rick Jacobson to provide risk/reward opportunities at every turn with the chance to use every club in the bag. In addition to 15,000 trees lining the fairways, rock outcroppings, valleys and streams flow throughout the layout.

Since 2002, Spirit Hollow has played host multiple Iowa Golf Association events, including the Iowa Amateur (2002 and 2012), Senior Am (2009), Match Play (2005 and 2009), Mid-Amateur (2015) and State Four-Ball (2016). Spirit Hollow was the host course for the Golfweek Conference Challenge from 2011-2016. In 2015, the Missouri Valley Conference played the Women’s Championship at the course and in 2018 it is slated to host the IWGA Women’s Amateur.

The public is welcome to walk the course and follow their competition beginning at 8:30am.

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About Spirit Hollow

Spirit Hollow, in Burlington, Iowa, is a public golf course that opened in 2000. The courses stretches to 7,550 yards with a 74.8 rating and 134 slope from the Gold tees. For players not up to that challenge, the Black (6,580 yards), White (6,010 yards) and Rust (5,053 yards) tee markers will certainly provide a pure and rewarding golf experience. For more information, visit www.spirithollow.com.