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2020 NORTHEAST AMATEUR INVITATIONAL CANCELED DUE TO COVID-19 PANDEMIC

RUMFORD, R.I. Tournament chairman Ben Tuthill has announced the cancelation of the 2020 Northeast Amateur Invitational which was set to be played June 24-27th at Wannamoisett Country Club. “Our priority is to protect the health and safety of the invitees, officials, volunteers, staff and membership of Wannamoisett Country Club. We care deeply about amateur golf and hosting one of the top events of the year, and make this decision with a heavy heart. Many different considerations went into this decision and we must act responsibly during this pandemic. We know how disappointing this news is for the players that were invited and planned to participate in the tournament this year. The tournament committee will acknowledge all exemption criteria used for the 2020 field selection and will invite those players to participate in the event next summer.”

The Northeast Amateur Invitational is considered a ‘major’ in amateur golf and in 2019 was ranked #4 of U.S. and #9 of World Amateur golf events by strength of field according to Scratch Players World Event Ranking. It is the only 72 hole amateur event played in twosomes, and has been given the name of “Masters of Amateur Golf” by a noted senior golf writer. The tournament began in 1962 and conducted over 72 holes of stroke play, with a cut after 54 holes. The field consists of top amateur players throughout the world and is limited to 92 players by invitation only. This will be the first time in its history that the event will be cancelled. The 59th Northeast Amateur Invitational is scheduled to be played June 23-26, 2021.