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RFP for all 2020 PDGA-Owned Major Events Released

Appling, GA (July 2, 2018) - The Professional Disc Golf Association (PDGA) is pleased to announce the release of its bid packages for all 2020 PDGA-owned Major events. These National and World Championship tournaments will be sanctioned by the Professional Disc Golf Association as PDGA Major Events. The PDGA is the international governing body for the sport of disc golf and sanctions over 3,500 tournaments in 35 countries each year for professional and amateur disc golfers.

2018 introduces a new model for these RFPs, as the general bidding guidelines can now be found in a single document to provide a clearer picture of the expectations of a PDGA Major. The event-specific guidelines are now detailed in separate event documents. This new presentation is meant to accentuate the individual requirements to Host each event, while the general guidelines to bid on any event are consistent and can be found within one single RFP. New this time around is the added ability to bid on a combined World Championship (Pro/Am, Open/Masters etc.) should the bidding community be in a position to do so.

“The PDGA is excited for the next iteration of the National and World Championship events, as they are a direct reflection of the growth of our sport and the increased demand to bid on and participate in a PDGA Major,” PDGA Director of Operations Michael Downes said. “Over the last several years, we have seen an exponential increase in the number of members wishing to compete for a Championship title. The future of these Championships looks bright, and now, with the ability to bid on a combined Worlds event, we offer more opportunity for our eventual Hosts as well. We can’t wait to see the bar raised as the events continue to grow, and we are thrilled to receive and review bids for these 2020 events!”

Disc Golf, or Frisbee™ Golf as it is more commonly known, is one of the fastest growing sports in the United States, with over 7,000 courses in existence and many more being installed each year. The sport is played using the same general rules, terminology, and etiquette as traditional golf, but with different equipment; the player throws a high-tech flying disc into a standardized target. The objective, just as in traditional golf, is to play in as few throws of the disc as possible. Serious competitors carry a bag of approximately 10-15 discs, each one having a different flight characteristic, but the sport can be played recreationally with only one disc.

For each of its owned Major Championships, the PDGA seeks Hosts and encourages bids from around the world. An experienced disc golf club; non/for-profit businesses; or an individual working in conjunction with a community sports commission, visitors bureau, or facilities owner can submit a bid to Host any event(s). All bids are reviewed by the PDGA Staff and Board of Directors, and a Host is selected based upon the experience with running a large, sanctioned disc golf event; contents of the bid; suitable facilities; proximity of courses and venues to each other; and other requirements. All 2020 bid packages can be found at http://www.pdga.com/major-disc-golf-events. Deadline for submission will be November 1, 2018.

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