

Northern Nevada Junior Golf Association

Parents and Players:

Welcome to a new year of Jr golf in Northern Nevada. This year there will be some changes to sign up and to events. Let's go over a few of them to help you with the new system. There will not be a need to fill out a form if you played in the previous year and you are in our computer system. You will have to go to the tournament/signup link and enter your username and password then click on the upper left hand corner for level signup. There is where you will be asked for you CC for payment.

1. **Last year players** can sign up online for their membership and level they wish to play. **NEW Members/players** will need to fill out a NNJGA Jr Application and send it to NNJGA office, then sign up online for their level. Fees will be paid on line with your Credit Card. You can call or email the NNJGA office to request a Jr. Application and one will be sent to you ASAP.
2. **IF** you need help deciding on which level to sign up for here is a general guideline.
 - a. Level 1 players are younger beginning players that have enough knowledge of the game to play without caddies. (age 7 -12)
 - b. Level 2 players are generally JV players in High School or have been taking lessons and they are not quite ready for a 18 hole event. (18 hole events have a cut score after 9 and play at a longer length). It is suggested that if you are unsure you should start in level 2. (age 13-18)
 - c. Level 3 players are generally Varsity players or more advanced for their age group. They will normally shoot in the 80's. Note: we will have a JV Division for both Boys and Girls playing shorter tees than Varsity.
3. **STABLEFORD**, this year we are going to play level 1-2 using Stableford scoring. Stableford is a format that is easy to play and is less pressure for the player. Plus, the players can pick up when they reach the target number without being disqualified. The scoring goes something like this. Triple Bogie 0 pts. Double Bogey 1 pts- Bogey 2 pts - Par 3 pts- Birdie 5 pts- Eagle 7 pts. If a player reaches a triple bogie they can pick up and mark down an X and still not be out of the game.
4. **QUALIFIERS** for NV State Jr. GJAC, BJAC and Hogan Cup are listed on the Tournament Schedule. These events will have an * in front of them on the schedule.
5. **Handicap Differentials:** To determine the Handicap Differential subtract the USGA Course Rating from the adjusted gross score; multiply the difference by 113 and divide the resulting number by the Slope Rating from the course you played. Round the final number to the nearest tenth.
6. **EVENTS** will be online for signup. You will be able to see who is on the waiting list, pairings, and scores; hole by hole. You will also have the ability to withdraw online up to 4 days out from the event. There will be no credits given as we will not charge your CC until 4 days out. Anything after 4 days is NO REFUNDS or Credits.
7. **PARENTS are asked to work 2 events per child.** This can be a grandparent, uncle or responsible person such as an older sibling.
8. **CARTS** are available for a fee. Please do not ask for a free cart. Remember the Golf Course is giving up paid rounds to let Jr's play there.
9. **SPECTATORS**, I will have the spectator rules everywhere including attached to this memo. Please read them over so if someone you know is coming out to watch your Jr please inform them of the rules. **There will be a spectator agreement that the Spectator will signed before the spectator will be allowed on the course.**

10. **We are affiliated with Youth on Course** here in Northern Nevada. Players will need a **NNGA/GHIN number to be eligible**. Our GHIN Club for NNJGA will be the Reno Carson Golf Club, when you register you will also receive a YOC (youth on course) card. <http://youthoncourse.org/>

The following pages should answer most of your questions. If you have any additional questions not covered in this booklet, please feel free to contact me (Pam) at your convenience. You can email me at nnjagolf@gmail.com or call me at 775-742-4574. I will get back to you ASAP.

Signup process

To sign up a player for NNJGA simply follow the steps below.

1. This is most important. Your player **MUST** have a NNGA GHIN number, be a member of the Reno Carson Golf Club and join the Master on our NNJGA Web Page under the Tournament Button.
2. You should get a GHIN number by joining the Reno Carson Golf Club.

Go to the Reno Carson Golf Club. Click on Join This Club fill in the application. IF YOU HAVE A GHIN NUMBER use that number, call the office to get your number if you don't remember it. When you are given a choice of membership, choose the "Jr membership". There will be no charge. You will receive an email when you have been approved. It will contain your NNGA/GHIN number.

3. Now take that GHIN number and go to the NNJGA web site (www.nnjga.org) and click on the "All Tournament Information" button. Once you are there, click on the Registration button at the top of the page. This will take you to The Master Roster Registration. Click on the blue button at the bottom of the page to register and fill out the form. If you are already registered for the Master Roster just skip this step.
4. Next you will need to join the NNJGA by clicking on the Membership button at the top of the same page as the Registration button in the above step. Once there simply select the correct Level of membership (if you have any questions about what level you should be in please contact Pam). Now add it to your cart, go to your cart and pay with a credit card.
5. You can now sign up for events at the same location (www.nnjga.org) and select the "All Tournament Information" button.
6. The policy for tournaments: Sign up for all the events you want to. We will not charge your card until 4 days out from the event. This might require us to call you due to different credit card rules about delayed charges.
7. You will have the ability to withdraw from events online up to 4 days out. After that **NO REFUNDS**.

Pamela Whalen, NNJGA Exec. Director

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Pairings

1. Available online 3 days out from the event.

Scoring Online

1. You can get to all event info at www.nnjga.org and select the “All Tournament Information” button.

Pictures will continue to be posted on Facebook. www.facebook.com/nnjgagolf

There will be some changes in the way we qualify players for team events this year. Due to the schools getting out later and at different times we will be using some weekend events as qualifiers.

We will be **using a stableford** scoring in most **Level 1-2 events** this year. This will allow the players to pick up after a max score. The way it works is each score is assigned a point value, example; par is 2 points or double bogie 0 points. This will allow players having a bad hole to continue without DQ. I am trying to take out the intimidation factor of a bad hole and yet still maintain play under the rules of golf. The actual score will still be recorded on the card for those of you trying to qualify for events.

Boys Jr Americas Cup Qualifier, (Must live and attend school within 75 miles of Reno or be a resident of Northern Nevada).

Events with a * in front will be used as Qualifiers. The players 4 best differentials out of the rounds with a * will be used to determine the top 4 players and alternates, 2 for BJAC 2 for Hogan Cup. The fairest way is to use the differential since it is based on the rating and slope of the course. We will announce the top 4 and alternates a couple of days after the last Tournament with a *. Each player will be able to choose from the list of available spots starting with 1st place finisher. Overall accomplishments, attitude and conduct are taken into consideration when making selections. BJAC players will be responsible for a \$500.00 travel team fee. **Fees not refundable 3 weeks from event.**

Hogan Cup Qualifier (Must live and attend school within 75 miles of Reno or resident of Northern Nevada)

Boys in the 15-18 age division will qualify by using the differential of Tournaments with a *. These events are marked on the Schedule with a *. The players 4 best differentials out of the * rounds will be used to determine the top 4 players and alternates will be announced a couple of days after the last Tournament with a *. Each player will be able to choose from the list of available spots starting with 1st place finisher. Overall accomplishments, attitude and conduct are taken into consideration when making selections. Hogan Cup players will be responsible for a \$400.00 travel team fee. **Fees not refundable 3 weeks from event.**

Girls Jr Americas Cup Qualifier, (Must be a Northern Nevada resident)

Girls age 14-18 will qualify by using the differential of Tournaments with a *. Girls that are 14 and in the top 5 will be allowed to play Edgewood to try and qualify). We will announce the 4 players plus alternate a couple of days after the last Tournament with a *. Overall accomplishments, attitude and conduct are taken into consideration when making selections. GJAC players will be responsible for a \$500.00 travel team fee. **Fees not refundable 3 weeks from event.**

Nevada State Jr Amateur Qualifier, Open to **Level 3 players only**, boys and girls. Nevada State Jr Am will be by invitation only, the players that rank in the top positions in the Capital City Jr will be invited. The remaining spots will be filled by the Committee based on the differential Report for each Division.

- Boys 15-18 Division - Top 12 Selected
- Girls 15-18 Division - Top 8 Selected
- Boys 13-14 Division - Top 8 Selected
- Girls 13-14 Division - Top 4 Selected

The state event is a two day 36-Hole competition held between the Northern and Southern Nevada Junior Golf Associations to crown the best junior golfer in the state. Nevada State Jr. Championship will be held at Eagle Valley GC-East Course. **See NNJGA schedule for dates. Details will be sent to the qualifiers prior to the Nv. State Junior.**

IMG Jr World Qualifier, Level 3 or Level 1-2 players.

The IMG Junior World Golf Championship is truly unique with a total field size exceeding 1000 golfers from an impressive number of countries and states. The NNJGA hosts two qualifiers for this event, both levels will be held at Sierra Sage GC. See NNJGA schedule for dates.

- Qualifiers are only open to NNJGA members that live and attend school within 75 miles of Reno or are a Northern Nevada Resident.
- Juniors are only allowed to play in one NNJGA qualifier.
- Level 1 1st place winners will still need to get approval from the NNJGA Executive Director to be eligible to represent Northern Nevada.
- Qualifiers will be responsible for all costs incurred for the Callaway Jr. World Championship if they wish to participate.

NNJGA Qualifiers – IMG Jr World- Sierra Sage GC (Level 1)

- Boys 11-12 Division - 1 spot, 1st Place Only
- Girls 11-12 Division - 1 spot, 1st Place Only
- Boys 9-10 Division - 1 spot, 1st Place Only
- Girls 9-10 Division - 1 spot, 1st Place Only
- * No alternates will be selected or sent

NNJGA Qualifiers – IMG- Jr. World Sierra Sage GC (Level 3)

- Boys 15-17 Division - 2 spots, no scoring requirement
- Girls 15-17 Division - 2 spots, qualifying score of 82 or better
- Boys 13-14 Division - 1 spot, qualifying score of 79 or better
- Girls 13-14 Division - 1 spot, qualifying score of 85 or better

The Optimist International Junior Golf Championships

The Optimist International Junior Golf Championship is one of the largest and best-known junior golf tournaments in the world. Each year, more than 600 golfers participate in THE OPTIMIST. Optimists have been involved in the sport of junior golf for more than 30 years by holding local, regional and international tournaments. More than 5,000 golfers compete in official Optimist District qualifying tournaments. The best of these golfers, along with international golfers from around the globe, advance to the annual Optimist International Junior Golf Championships. Former champions and top finishers of the Optimist International Junior Golf Championships include Beth Bauer, Jonathan Byrd, Jason Day, Bill Haas, Brittany Lincicome, Jeff Overton, Stacy Prammanasudh and Jennifer Rosales.

Washoe GC will be hosting the Optimist Qualifier. See NNJGA schedule [Optimist Website](#). See attached form.

Optimist Qualifier Max Scores:

- 16-18 Boys, 1 spot (78 or better)
- 15-18 Girls, 1 spot (85 or better)
- 14-15 Boys, 1 spot (83 or better)
- 13-14 Girls, 1 spot (92 or better)

ELIGIBILITY FOR AN INVITATION TO BJAC, GJAC, HOGAN CUP, JR. STATE STROKE

1. Must be a member in good standing
2. Conduct/Attitude/ Sportsmanship and Overall Accomplishments is also considered

DRESS CODE

1. All players must wear a collared shirt at all times. Failure to comply, player will not be allowed to participate in that event. Shirts must be tucked in at Registration and prior to play.
2. Gym shorts, cutoffs, cargo pants will not be acceptable dress attire for NNJGA.
3. Soft spikes only no metal spikes.
4. Hats worn forward at all times.
5. Remember we are guest at the golf facility please have your junior dress appropriately.

Tournament Rules:

1. All tournaments are played under the USGA rules of golf. Each junior will be given a current USGA rule book which should be carried in his or her golf bag.
2. Hard cards will be handed out from the first event your junior plays in.

Etiquette:

1. All Juniors shall conduct themselves as Ladies and Gentlemen on the course and around the clubhouse. Remember, we are guests of the golf course and golf professionals behave accordingly.

Improper conduct can result in a *disqualification* from that tournament and if repeated or if flagrant, there will be a suspension of membership.

Code of Conduct: The Code of Conduct requires that all members maintain proper course etiquette and play the game in the spirit of good sportsmanship. The Committee has the authority to disqualify a player or players for the round played or suspend from a future tournament for repeated violation of the Tournament Rules. See below the list of specific violations.

Specific violations include: *Disqualification penalty.*

- a. Lack of respect towards the scorer or fellow competitor
- b. Failure to abide by the Rules of Golf
- c. Damage to green and other course property
- d. Throwing clubs
- e. Obscene or vulgar language
- f. Use of tobacco, alcohol, or drugs (unless medically prescribed) during play
- g. Generally poor conduct or disruptive behavior

Cheating:

1. Any player caught cheating will be disqualified from the event and will be suspended for the next two events. Repeated violation membership will be suspended. No refunds.

Rulings and Decisions:

1. Rulings and Decisions will be made by the Rules Committee and all decisions are final

Competition is considered closed: Competition is considered closed when the awards have been given in the absence of awards when the winners have been announced.