

2018 Junior Golf Program

# Inverness Golf Club

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The future of Inverness Golf Club is dependent on providing a quality experience for our youth to entice memberships for generations to come.

### **Inverness Junior Golf Mission Statement:**

“To help juniors develop their self confidence, individuality, moral values, and interpersonal skills by gaining enjoyment, knowledge, experience and maturity through the game of golf.”

# Letter From the Professional

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April 22, 2018

To All Junior Golf Participants and Parents:

My staff and I would like to welcome all of the new and returning Junior Golf Participants to the 2018 Junior Golf Season. The Junior Golf Committee and the Professional Golf Staff have been working towards an improved Junior Program.

The premise of a quality Junior Golf Program is based on a foundation of quality learning and social interaction amongst peers. Golf is best learned through developmentally appropriate instruction. Within a large group environment our focus will be on the fundamentals of golf incorporating the values, traditions and etiquette of the game.

We will provide industry-leading techniques with innovative ideas to highlight correct motions of the golf swing. Also, we want to stress that playing a certain number of holes is not as important as budgeting your time on the golf course. By playing the correct amount of holes in the correct amount of time, we can build a solid foundation at a young age.

It is our goal to provide all participants an atmosphere of fun and learning. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us in the Golf Shop. We look forward to a great summer!

**Most sincerely,**

**Josh Pius**  
**Head Golf Professional**

# Junior Golf Rules & Policies

**Age:** This year's program is available for a variety of age groups. Little Linkers Clinics will be for ages 6-7 years old. Ages 8-9 will play 3 holes. Ages 10-11 will play 5 holes, Ages 12-13 will play 7 holes and Ages 14-18 will play either 9 or 18 holes.

\*In an effort to maximize the potential for each individual, we recognize that all kids do not fit into these parameters. We are open to placing the juniors into different groups if necessary\*

**Attire:** All Junior Golfers will be sized for a Junior Golf gift at the Junior Golf Kick Off Evening hosted at the Club (Sunday April 22nd, 5-7 pm) The cost for Junior Golf in 2018 is **\$175**. Boys are required to wear slacks or knee length shorts and a golf shirt. Girls are required to wear appropriate length golf skirts, shorts or slacks and a golf shirt. All shirts must be tucked into slacks or shorts and no cargo shorts or pants are allowed.

**Weather:** If the weather is in question, parents should contact the Golf Shop before Junior Golf is scheduled to begin.

**Registration:** All Junior Golf sessions will begin at the upper practice putting green. If a Junior Golfer has his/her clubs stored in the bag room, they must retrieve them from a member of the bag room staff before going to the range.

**Walkers:** All Junior Golfers are required to walk their designated number of holes. There will be absolutely no exceptions to this rule.

# Safety First

## Both in practice and play always make sure that...

- \* No one is near you when you swing.
- \* No one is ahead of you where your shot might hit them.
- \* Yell “FORE” if a ball is headed in the direction of another person.
- \* Never walk in front of someone about to hit a ball or behind someone swinging a club.
- \* Do not take practice swings unless you are in a clear area. Limit yourself to only one practice swing.
- \* Always walk off the back of the green and toward the next tee when play is completed.
- \* Do not walk in front of other players in your group.
- \* If you hear the sound of the warning horn during play, mark your ball and immediately leave the golf course. Get to the clubhouse or halfway house as soon as possible.

After lunch please ensure that each junior golfer returns their golf clubs to the bag room/putting area.



# Junior Golf Dress Code

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All Junior Golfers are required to follow the Club's dress code for adults when playing on the golf course or using the golf practice facilities.

**The following shall be considered appropriate golf attire:**

- \* Only spike-less golf shoes or smooth-soled tennis shoes are permitted.
- \* Boy's shirts are required to have both a collar and sleeves and **they must be tucked in!**
- \* Girls are permitted to wear sleeveless golf shirts (with a collar). However, tank tops are **not permitted.**
- \* Shorts should be Bermuda-length (mid thigh) in length. Tennis shorts, cutoffs, short-shorts, athletic "biker style" stretch and soccer style shorts are **not allowed.**
- \* Cargo style pants/shorts or blue jeans are **not permitted** at anytime.

# Golf Course Etiquette

- \* **Each Junior Golfer is responsible for the care of the course at all times**

## **Care of the course includes:**

- \* Replace all divots.
- \* Rake all bunkers.
- \* Keep off designated areas.
- \* Fix ball marks.
- \* Place all trash in proper containers.
- \* All practice must be on the practice tee, practice green and practice bunker.
- \* If someone else is playing from the tee, do not tee your ball until he or she has played.
- \* Always stand still and to the side of rather than behind another player when he or she is playing. Do not talk.
- \* Be ready to play when it is your turn.
- \* Speed of play is essential. Keep pace with the group ahead of you. If there is a hole empty in front of you and players are waiting behind you, let them play through. Look for a lost ball for no more than 5 minutes.
- \* Write down scores on the way to the next hole, not on the green you are leaving.
- \* Never take more than one practice swing, if any.
- \* Mark your ball on the green if it is in the other player's line.
- \* Stops at the Halfway House and/or Clubhouse should be kept to a minimum.

# Parent Responsibilities

- \* Make sure your Juniors arrive on time for their scheduled clinic or tee time. All children under 12 must be escorted to the practice range at their group's starting time.
  
- \* Provide the proper golf equipment (clubs, balls, bag, tees, markers and water bottle) for each of your Junior players for each session.
  
- \* A parent will be required to score on the course at least **2** times for one Junior Golf participant. Families with two or more participants must volunteer **3** or more times if needed. Please note: parents may not score for their own children during the Championship Tournament.
  
- \* If a parent scorer fails to show at their assigned time, his/her child(ren) will not be scheduled for the next play day and/or their last play day score will not be counted. Scoring obligation: a Junior Golfer will not be eligible to participate in the season-ending tournament if the parents have not fulfilled their scoring/supervisor obligation during regular play.
  
- \* Parents are responsible for their children prior to and immediately following play.
  
- \* For Friday Play Days, it is the responsibility of the parents to make sure their children are registered **no later than 5:00 pm of the day before**. This will help to avoid grouping confusion on Friday morning and allow all a more enjoyable experience.



# Parent Scorer / Supervisor Responsibilities

- \* Please try to spend some time on the course with your child practicing and reinforcing what they are learning during Junior Golf.
- \* **If a parent cannot make a scheduled time, it is his/her responsibility to find a qualified substitute. If unable to find a substitute, a caddie will be utilized and charged to the member's account.**
- \* Scorers should report to the Podium by the first tee 10 minutes prior to their scheduled time.
- \* To avoid any injury, no small children will be allowed to walk with scorers.
- \* Each parent **must** chaperone at least **TWICE** or will be charged a caddie fee. Please provide chaperone dates to the Golf Shop prior to the start of the 2018 Junior Golf Season
- \* If any questions arise on the course concerning a penalty, check with a Golf Professional. If you are unable to answer the question, have each player continue play (going the full round) and ask the question of the Golf Professional Staff before turning in the score.
- \* Age groups are determined by the age of the Junior Golfer as of June 1st, 2018. Juniors who will have a birthday during the clinic series will have the option of which group they would like to be assigned.

# 2018 Junior Golf Schedule

## DATES & TIMES

### Tuesday Clinics:

9:00 am - 10:00 am Clinics for Little Linkers, 3, and 5 holers.

10:00 am - 11:00 am Clinics for 7, 9 & 18 holers.

### Friday Play Days:

**8:00 am - 8:30 am** 7, 9, & 18 holers off number 1  
18 holers off # 1 @ 8:00  
9 holers off # 1 starting @ 8:16  
7 holers off #1 starting @ 8:30

**8:30 am -** Little Linkers, 3, and 5 Holers off Back 9.  
(2 Hours to complete their holes.)

## SCHEDULE

Tuesday	June 5th	Clinic
Friday	June 8th	Play Day
Tuesday	June 12th	Clinic
Friday	June 15th	Play Day
Tuesday	June 19th	Clinic
Friday	June 22nd	Play Day
Tuesday	June 26th	<b>NO CLINIC - GUEST DAY</b>
Friday	June 29th	Play Day
Tuesday	July 3rd	<b>NO CLINIC - 4th of July</b>
Friday	July 6th	Clinic
Tuesday	July 10th	Clinic
Friday	July 13th	<b>NO PLAY DAY- DERBY DAYS</b>
Tuesday	July 17th	Clinic
Friday	July 20th	Play Day
Tuesday	July 24th	<b>JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP- 2 PM</b>

# Season Long Point Competition

- \* Each grouping will compete in a season long points competition. At the end of the season, the top point getter will be rewarded with a prize.

## Allocation of points...

### \* Clinic Days

- Participation—5 Points
- Competitions
  - 1st - 20 pts
  - 2nd - 15 pts
  - 3rd - 10 pts

### \* Friday Play Days

- Participation - 5 pts
- Parent Participation - 5 pts
- Low Score - 20 pts
- 2nd Low Score - 15 pts
- 3rd Low Score - 10 pts

**\*Must turn in scorecard\***

### \* Practice Outside of Junior Golf

- Sign in at the golf shop - 5 pts
- Private lessons - 10 pts

### \* PGA Junior League

- Participation - 20 pts
- Each event participation - 5 pts
- Win your match - 5 pts



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