

## 2008 SUNY Delhi/WNYPGA Junior Boys Tour

### **PURPOSE:**

The SUNY Delhi/WNYPGA Junior Golf Tour provides an opportunity and atmosphere for juniors to enjoy the camaraderie, friendship, and sportsmanship of competitive golf at a series of premier venues throughout the Western New York Section of the PGA of America.

### **MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION:**

All full-time, 18-Hole members will receive the opportunity to play in 10 events for \$300.

Part time members can participate in 5 events for \$200.

Single event members may play in an event for \$50.

9-Hole memberships are also available and are listed on page 2 of the application.

### **PLEASE NOTE:**

Entry into each event is on a first come basis. Full Time Members receive first priority, followed by Part Time Members. Single Entry participation is permitted based on available space at any venue.

### **STARTING TIMES, RESULTS, and POINT STANDINGS:**

Will be posted on the Junior Golf Page of the WNYPGA website: [www.westernnewyork.pga.com](http://www.westernnewyork.pga.com)

### **ELIGIBILITY:**

The WNYPGA Junior Golf Tour is open to junior boys residing within the boundaries of the WNYPGA Section who have:

- Joined the 2008 Junior Tour
- Attained an age of 10 years but not to have reached his 19<sup>th</sup> birthday by September 1, 2008.

### **EVENT STRUCTURE:**

- All play will be stroke play
- Players will be divided into 3 divisions based on gender and age (age as of 9/1/08 to be used).
- Age Divisions:
- 10-12 (9 Holes)
- 13-15 (18 Holes)
- 16-18 (18 Holes)

### **TOUR CONDUCTED BY:**

The Western New York PGA Section  
P.O. Box 1728, Williamsville, NY 14231  
Phone: (716) 626-0603 Fax: (716) 626-5308

WNYPGA Tournament Director: Joe Bertino  
[JBertino@pgahq.com](mailto:JBertino@pgahq.com)

## COMPETITION GUIDELINES AND COMPETITOR RESPONSIBILITIES

### PLAYER CONDUCT:

Any conduct that may be detrimental to the WNYPGA Junior Golf Tour will not be tolerated, including swearing, club abuse, and damage to the golf course or another player's belongings. The first such instance of any of these actions may result in a warning, two stroke penalty, or disqualification. Possession of alcohol, drugs or tobacco products, gambling, or display of vulgar or abusive behavior will result in immediate disqualification. Multiple violations will result in dismissal from the WNYPGA Junior Golf Tour.

### RULES VIOLATIONS AND CHEATING:

The USGA Rules of Golf and the local rules of each facility shall be observed. If you are suspected of cheating, measures will be taken to monitor your score during future junior events. If a player suspects another of cheating or of violating a rule of golf, the player should seek a rules official as soon as possible to handle the situation. Cheating will result in immediate disqualification from the Junior Golf Program with no refund. Note #1: The WNYPGA Junior Golf Program trusts that its members will act on the ethical responsibility of notifying a rules official of any problems before spreading rumors of alleged violations. Questions are more easily handled on site when all players are present than after the event has concluded and players have gone home.

### CARE FOR THE GOLF COURSE:

All players are expected to maintain the golf course by replacing divots, repairing ball marks, raking bunkers, etc. Any abuse to the course or other club facilities will result in immediate disqualification. All players and parents are also encouraged to thank the host club, staff, and volunteers for their support of junior golf.

**A serious breach of Etiquette will result in disqualification from the event (Rule 33-7).** This includes abusive or foul language, throwing clubs, pace of play, dress code and all points covered in the USGA Rules of Golf-Section 1-Etiquette; Behavior on the Course. Players are responsible for the actions of their spectators as well.

### CADDIE GUIDELINES:

**Players may not use caddies or motorized carts. All players must carry their own clubs or use a pull-cart (if permitted by the facility).**

### DRESS CODE:

The Dress Code of each facility shall be observed. In addition, boys shall wear shirts with a collar. All juniors may wear shorts with mid-thigh length or slacks. Tennis shorts, gym shorts, cargo shorts or pants, jeans, and sleeveless shirts without a collar are not permitted. All shirts will be "tucked-in". Hats shall be worn with the bill to the front at all times.

### NO CARDS/ON COURSE WITHDRAWALS:

If a player must leave a tournament site because of illness, injury, or a family emergency, a tournament official must be notified. A player failing to turn in a scorecard for any other reason will not be eligible to participate in their next scheduled event, with no refund.

### SCORE LIMITS:

We would like to remind both parents and juniors that although the tour is meant to be an enjoyable learning experience for those involved, there is a high level of competitiveness. For that reason, and to help maintain a reasonable pace of play, the WNYPGA Junior Golf Program has found it necessary to implement the following policy. This policy is not in effect to discourage junior golfers, but rather to provide a competitive program in the WNYPGA Section.

Note: Any player who shoots a score over the posted limit for his/her age at TWO different events will be subject to review and could be eliminated from the remainder of the schedule.

### PACE OF PLAY POLICY:

Our tour will strictly enforce pace of play guidelines as posted on the rules sheet at each event. We expect that our players are capable of playing an 18 hole round of golf in under 4 hours. When a group is out of position and behind their allotted pace of play (as defined on our rules sheet), the individuals in the group will be timed until the group is back in position and on schedule.

### Score Limits:

#### Boys- 18 Holes

Age	Score
16-18	95
13-15	105

#### 9 Holes

10-12	65
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Weather and course conditions will be taken into consideration in determining the score limits. If the scoring limits cannot be met, the WNYPGA Junior Golf Program will be pleased to assist you in finding a local golf program or PGA Professional for instruction.



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## MEMBERSHIP REGISTRATION & TOURNAMENT ENTRY INFORMATION

### PAYMENT INFORMATION:

- ❖ Full Membership for 2008 WNYPGA Junior Golf Tour includes Entry Fee for ten (10) events.  
  
Boys Ages 13-18, 18 Holes: \$300  
Boys Ages 10-12, 9 Hole: \$200
- ❖ Single Event Entry 18 Holes-\$50, 9 Holes-\$35.
- ❖ Part-Time Membership includes entry into (5) events:  
Boys Ages 13-18, 18 Holes: \$200  
Boys Ages 10-12, 9 Hole: \$100

**THE COMMITTEE RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REJECT ANY APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP.**

### ENTRY INFORMATION:

- ❖ Capacity at event varies. All entries are dated when they are received in the WNYPGA office and are processed each day. Should the maximum number of entrants for an event be reached, any further entries will be processed as alternates. (See alternate policies.)
- ❖ Registration for each event is available on a first-come first-served basis. Full Time Members will be given priority into any event. Part Time Members receive second priority and single entries will be entered in a field on a space-available basis.
- ❖ The entry deadline for each event shall be 10 days prior to the event. Telephone entries are not accepted. The membership fee and the entry fee must be received by the event deadline. If the event is not full, you will be entered in the event. If the event is full at the time your entry is received, you will be placed on an alternate list.

- ❖ Upon receipt of your entry fee and preferred schedule of events, you will be contacted via email to confirm the events for which you wish to be registered. Should any event for which you registered already be filled, a list of sites with availability will be included from which you may select a different event.
- ❖ Requests for pairings will generally not be granted. However, we will be happy to attempt to make arrangements for juniors traveling together to be paired in groups near each other.

### ALTERNATE POLICIES:

- ❖ If an event is full when your entry is received, you will be notified that you are on the alternate list.
- ❖ If you choose to remain on the alternate list for an event, up until two days prior to an event, as an alternate you may be notified by phone between the hours of 9am-5pm, if your name is pulled from the alternate list to fill a cancellation.
- ❖ If an alternate is unable to be reached by phone, the next name on the alternate list will be called.
- ❖ If there are cancellations and you do not play as an alternate you will lose one of your playing opportunities.

**PLAYER WITHDRAWAL, NO-SHOW & REFUND POLICY: SEE ATTACHED.**



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### MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Junior's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Day Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Evening Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

I verify that the above 2008 SUNY Delhi/WNYPGA Junior Golf Tour applicant has a thorough knowledge of the Rules & Etiquette of Golf.

PGA Professional or golf coach Signature \_\_\_\_\_

**Please circle the type of membership you are applying for:**

18 Hole Full Time Membership (\$300)    18 Hole Part Time Membership (\$200)    18 Hole Single Event Entry (\$50/event)

9 Hole Full Time Membership (\$200)    9 Hole Part Time Membership (\$150)    9 Hole Single Event Entry (\$35/event)

\*Please check the events you will be participating in: Maximum of ten (10) events.

\*Single Events are \$50 for ages 13-18, 18 Holes and \$35 for ages 10-12, 9 Holes

PLEASE NOTE: Full Time Member entries will receive priority for events. Single Event Entries will be awarded based upon availability.

Date	Tournament Site	Starting Times	Participating (X)
Saturday, April 26	Stafford CC, Stafford, NY	12:00pm	
Sunday, April 27	Ridgemont CC, Rochester, NY (16-18 Division only)	1:30pm	
Saturday May 10	Clifton Springs CC, Clifton Springs, NY	1:00pm	
Sunday, May 11	Holiday Valley Resort, Ellicottville, NY	11:00am	
Sunday May 18	CC of Mendon, Mendon, NY	12:00pm	
Saturday, May 31	Lockport T&CC, Lockport, NY (13-15 Division only)	1:00pm	
Saturday, June 7	CenterPointe GC, Canandaigua, NY	1:00pm	
Saturday, June 14	Niagara Frontier CC, Youngstown, NY	1:00pm	
Sunday, June 22	Caledonia CC, Caledonia, NY	12:00pm	
Monday, July 7	Fox Valley CC, Lancaster, NY	7:30am shotgun	
Tuesday, July 8	Buffalo Tournament Club, Lancaster, NY	12:30pm	
Monday, July 14	Ravenwood GC, Victor, NY	8:00am	
Tuesday, July 15	Shelridge CC, Medina, NY	8:30am	
Wednesday, July 23	Eagle Vale GC, Fairport, NY	10:00am	

**NOTE: Parents and/or Legal Guardian are required to read and sign below before your child is eligible to play on the tour.**

I understand that the Sponsors of the 2008 SUNY Delhi/WNYPGA Junior Golf Tour, WNYPGA, PGA of America, and Host Facilities are not liable for any accidents or injuries sustained by my son/daughter when attending or participating in any 2008 WNYPGA Junior Tour Event.

Print Name \_\_\_\_\_ Parent/Legal Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Mail this form with your check payable to **WNYPGA Junior Golf Tour** to:

**2008 WNYPGA Junior Golf Tour  
P.O. Box 1728  
Williamsville, NY 14231**



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### PLAYER OF THE YEAR POINT SYSTEM

For each of the 3 divisions, points will be awarded at each event at follows:

PLACE	POINTS
1 <sup>st</sup>	50
2 <sup>nd</sup>	40
3 <sup>rd</sup>	35
4 <sup>th</sup>	30
5 <sup>th</sup>	25
6 <sup>th</sup>	20
7 <sup>th</sup>	15

Each place following will receive points descending by 1 point down to 1 point awarded. Ties for all places will split all points, ties for weekly awards will be broken by a USGA Match of Cards (1st nie, last six, last three, last hole, coin flip if necessary). Single entry participants will be eligible to win weekly awards, but will not factor in the distribution of Player of the Year Points.

After the regular season events have been completed, the top Point leaders in each age group will be invited to the SUNY Delhi/WNYPGA Junior Tour Championship, to be held on Monday August 11<sup>th</sup> (Brookfield CC) and Tuesday, August 12 (Lancaster CC). Should any of the top players in any division be unable to attend, the next player in the standings shall be invited, etc., until the field is complete.

### WITHDRAWAL, NO-SHOW, & REFUND POLICY

1. A player must give notice to the WNYPGA Section Office no later than 72 hours prior to an event in order to reschedule to play in another event in its place.
2. Withdrawal inside the 72 hour limit: The player may schedule for another event (if space is available) with a \$25 penalty fee being assessed.
3. If a player gives no notice and fails to arrive at the tee and ready to play at his/her starting time, or beyond the 5 minute grace period thereafter, the player will automatically forfeit the next event for which they are registered, and may not reschedule the event.
4. Generally, refunds will not be granted. However, requests will be considered on an individual basis.



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## **PARENT/SPECTATOR/PLAYER CODE OF CONDUCT AGREEMENT**

**We welcome parents, family members, and others to attend our events and watch their favorite junior golfer play in competition. We do, however, insist on asking that you observe the following guidelines to make this series of junior golf events as enjoyable as possible for all parties concerned. Please understand that a player is responsible for the actions and behavior of his /her spectators. Should a facility permit spectators, and in addition to facility guidelines, the following policy shall be in effect.**

- 1. Use of cellular phones is prohibited during any SUNY Delhi/WNYPGA Junior Tour events. If you must carry one with you, PLEASE turn it off during your round to avoid any unfortunate distractions to you and your fellow competitors. Should spectators need to use their phones, they are requested to return to the clubhouse area or an area that will not be distracting to players in the competition.**
- 2. Spectators should remain 1 shot ahead of the group they are observing, and on cart paths or in the rough. This will prevent them from interfering with play of following groups and allow them to spot errant tee shots, etc.**
- 3. Spectators must remain in the rough (or on the cart path) to avoid distracting players during play of a hole.**
- 4. A 2-stroke penalty shall be incurred by a player receiving advice from their spectators for the first offense, as advice given is deemed having been asked for and therefore will be considered a breach of Rule 8-1b. A second offense shall result in immediate disqualification. Polite applause and encouragement is always welcomed!**
- 5. Spectator dress code shall be the same as for participants in the events.**
- 6. Spectators are not to give rulings. Administrators of the event will be on the course to handle any questions on the Rules of Golf.**
- 7. Please attempt to refrain from alcohol and tobacco consumption on the course.**
- 8. Spectators may carry water, food, & necessary medicines for players.**

**The committee reserves the right to have spectators who fail to comply with these policies removed from the course and prohibited from further course access in future events.**

**“We, the undersigned, understand and agree to these SUNY Delhi/WNYPGA Junior Tour policies.”**

**Parent/Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_**

**Player Signature \_\_\_\_\_**



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## Keys to enjoying the SUNY Delhi/WNYPGA Junior Boys Tour

We strive to make every effort to help you enjoy your participation on our tour, but there are steps that you can take as well that will ensure that you get the most out of your membership.

**1. BE ON TIME!** Be aware of your starting time. Starting Times will be posted 72 hours ahead of any scheduled event, and are available on the Junior Golf Page at [www.westernnewyork.pga.com](http://www.westernnewyork.pga.com), or you may call the WNYPGA Section Office at (716) 626-0603 Monday through Friday between 8:30am and 4:30pm. Rule 6-3a. states that “The player must start at the time established by the Committee”. You are expected to be on the tee and absolutely ready to play at the exact time of starting. As a condition of our competitions, if the player arrives at his starting point ready to play within five minutes after his or her starting time, the penalty for failure to start on time shall be two strokes at the first hole instead of disqualification.

A link and contacts at each site will be provided on our website’s Junior Golf page. Please make sure that you allow ample travel time and that your directions are accurate. You should plan on arriving at least 45 minutes before your scheduled starting time to allow for any delays, wrong turns, etc.

**2. BE PREPARED!** Golf is a sport played outdoors and in Western New York, that can mean just about anything as far as the weather goes. Check the weather forecast for the day of your event and pack whatever you may find necessary that day (rain suit/ wind shirt/ sunblock, etc). Our events will go on as scheduled unless a course is closed or there is dangerous weather present or approaching. Spectators are permitted to carry food, drinks, umbrella, and other gear. Please don’t omit something from your checklist that could cost you in performance that day!

**3. BE READY!** Nothing is more frustrating than having what could have been the round of a lifetime shattered by a poor start that was caused by not being ready. When you make your travel plans, keep in mind what you intend to do before your starting time (eat lunch, hit balls, practice putting, etc.) and figure that time into your planned arrival time. Few golfers can perform their best when they are forced to rush straight from the parking lot to the first tee in an effort to avoid penalties or worse, disqualification.

**4. BE INFORMED!** Please note that the player is responsible for knowing the Rules of Golf. A Rules sheet will be presented at the first tee along with your official scorecards. Any local rules of the venue that day will also be listed in this sheet. You can greatly improve your own knowledge of the Rules of Golf by visiting [USGA.org](http://USGA.org). In addition to a wealth of other information, all of the Rules and Decisions can be found there, and you can take a variety of Rules quizzes to see just how well you know them. Often times, knowing how to proceed can prevent you from incurring penalties that otherwise could have been avoided. The WNYPGA will have staff at each site to help with rulings, but the responsibility for proper procedures will still lie with the players themselves.

Although no one Rule is more important than any other, as all of our events are stroke play, players should be most familiar Rule 3 Stroke Play, and in particular 3-3a & 3-3b, which cover what to do when you don’t know what to do!