# **U.S. Kids Golf Participants,**

We look forward to seeing your family in Georgia for the 20th annual U.S. Kids Golf <u>Jekyll Island Cup</u>. Included below are the details you need to prepare for your weekend at Jekyll!



<u>Course Assignments</u> <u>Tournament Schedule</u> <u>Regional Championship Hard Card</u> Pace of Play Policy

# **Golf Club Address**

Jekyll Island Golf Club 322 Captain Wylly Rd. Jekyll Island, GA 31527 (912) 635-2368

# **Player Registration\***

**Registration:** a period of registration will be available on Friday and Saturday. Players only need to attend one of these periods. The first registration opportunity will be Friday, March 24th on the Jekyll Golf Club back patio from 1:00pm to 4:00pm. Players unable to attend on Friday can register on Saturday, February 25th between 7:00am – 1:00pm. Both registration periods will take place on the patio. Players only need to attend one registration period.

Friday, March 24<sup>th</sup> Jekyll Clubhouse Patio – 1:00pm to 4:00pm

Saturday, March 25<sup>th</sup> Jekyll Clubhouse Patio – 7:00am – 1:00pm

# **Tournament Information and use of Cell Phones**

All tournament information (Local Rules, Hole Locations, Tee Sheets, etc.) will be made available online. There will be no paper information handed out. Players and caddies will be permitted to use their cell phones to access the information during their rounds. Cell phones may only be used during your round to access tournament info, call the rules hotline, access GPS yardage apps, or in the case of emergency. Cell phones may not be used for any other purpose.

# **U.S. Kids Golf Text Messages**

Throughout the Jekyll Island Cup, parents will receive important event updates via text message. The messages will include tee time updates, results, and any play suspensions/delays due to weather.

# **Golf Genius**

U.S. Kids Golf is working with Golf Genius to provide electronic scoring at events. For the Jekyll Island Cup, **18-hole competitors on the Indian Mound course (Boys 13-14, Boys 12, Boys 11, and Girls 12)** will utilize electronic live scoring via the Golf Genius App. Your online scorecard will serve as your official scorecard this week. More information, including your unique GGID, will be emailed to competitors soon. We advise all players to download the Golf Genius App before arriving to the Jekyll Island and to come to each round with their phones fully charged. The use of Golf Genius allows scores to be updated in real time on uskidsgolf.com, so parents, spectators, and supporters can keep up with the action. **9-hole players on Indian Mound and all competitors on Pine Lakes will use paper scorecards.** 

### **Practice Rounds**

Official practice rounds on Friday, March 24<sup>th</sup> are available for all participants. Walking rounds are highly suggested as carts availability will be limited. Rates are as follows:

9-holes Walking: \$15 9-holes w/ Cart: \$20 18-holes Walking: \$25 18-holes w/Cart: \$40

Tee times may be booked at (912) 635-2368. For a complete listing of course assignments and estimated tournament round tee time ranges, please visit <u>Registration Information</u>.

### **Practice Range**

Due to the number of players and limited space available, the practice range will be available for warm up purposes ONLY. Each player will be permitted one small bucket (approx. 30 balls) prior to their round. We ask that players arrive to the course to warm up NO EARLIER than 60 minutes prior to your tee time.

### \*Spectator Carts\*

Due to the number of participants and the limited number of golf carts, Spectator Carts will only be available on a limited basis. **Only 1 cart maximum may be rented per player, and may be rented no earlier than 30 minutes prior to the player's tee time.** 

To ensure availability for all spectators, we ask that you return your cart to the golf shop immediately following your player's round. Spectator carts can be rented for a cost of \$35 for 18-holes and \$20 for 9-holes. All spectator carts are permitted to have only 2 passengers riding at any given time and must adhere to the U.S. Kids Golf Cart Policy. **Driver must have a valid Driver's License to operate the golf cart.** Please be aware that the golf courses have a limited number of carts available to rent.

### **Caddie Use of Carts**

**18-hole players and caddies may not use carts for play at any U.S. Kids Golf Regional Championship**. All players must walk during play of each hole at all events. Penalty: Two strokes per hole at which any breach occurred; Maximum penalty per round: Four strokes.

Caddies for 9-hole players may rent a cart for use during play (Cart Path Only). **A 9-hole player must** walk the duration of the hole and may only use the cart to be shuttled from green to the next tee box. The caddie may leave the bag on the cart or carry it on the course for the player when needed. Penalty: Two strokes per hole at which any breach occurred; Maximum penalty per round: Four strokes.

Spectators are allowed ride with a 9-hole caddie, as only 1 cart is allowed per player.

### NEW 2023 Tour Series 5 and epTOUR Elite Driver Demo!

Jekyll Island participants will be among the first players to ever hit the new **2023 Tour Series 5** and **epTOUR** Elite Drivers! U.S. Kids Golf Product Development team members will be setup on the **Jekyll Practice Range on Friday from 10am – 3pm** to allow players to try out our brand new drivers, set to launch in 2023. Utilizing Trackman technology in 2 bays, players will hit their driver, alongside our new drivers to see how the new clubs stack up!

Thank you for your support and we look forward to seeing you there!

*Each player will hit approximately 10-15 shots with various drivers for a data comparison. Testing will take around 15 minutes. Data can be shared with the player, and parents, on-site if requested. Players* 

*will be served on a first-come first-serve basis so come early and avoid the line*. Any questions, please contact Joshua Kinchen, Sr. Director of Product Development, at <u>jkinchen@uskidsgolf.com</u>

# **Caddie Bibs**

Players now receive a universal U.S. Kids Golf caddie bib that they will keep and use for all future U.S. Kids Golf events. Additionally, an iron-on patch with the tournament logo will be available at every Major Championship. These patches will be available for no charge, and are designed to be worn as "pride stickers" for each event played. Caddie bibs are required during play. If you have already received a U.S. Kids Golf caddie bib, please bring it with you to the 2023 Jekyll Island Cup. Remaining players will receive a bib at registration

Players that have preordered his/her last name will be able to pick up the name and caddie bib at registration.

# **Dress Code**

Only acceptable golf attire is permitted. PLAYERS AND CADDIES are prohibited from wearing shoes with metal spikes, short shorts, swimwear, denim of any kind, t-shirts, or tank tops. Shirts must be tucked in at all times. Players and caddies not appropriately attired will not be permitted to participate.

### **REQUIRED DRESS AT THE GOLF COURSE:**

- Hats/visors must be worn with brim forward
- Males must remove hat/visor while indoors
- Shirts must be tucked in at all times
- Girls' fitted shirts do not have to be tucked in, but should be an appropriate length

### **PROHIBITED DRESS AT THE GOLF COURSE:**

- Tank tops, T-shirts
- Denim
- Shorts, skorts or skirts that are too short
- Cut-off shorts
- Gym shorts or pants

Proper attire is required at all times at the host facility. This includes practice rounds, straightest drive contests and awards ceremonies. Questionable attire will be reviewed by the Tournament Committee. Should a host golf course or resort have a stricter dress code, its policy will take precedence. Players and caddies in violation will not be allowed to tee off.

### **Care for the Course**

U.S. Kids Golf is committed to keeping our host tournament sites in the best condition possible. During the round, we encourage players and caddies to fill or replace their divots, repair ball marks and dispose of trash properly. These simple things will keep the course in better condition and leave the host facility with a positive impression of junior golf and U.S. Kids Golf families. Thank you for helping make a positive impact on the golf course.

# U.S. Kids Golf on Social Media

To keep up with U.S. Kids Golf or share your tournament experience, feel free to follow and share on our social media pages.

Visit us on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram!

# **Tee Times**

Players will be paired randomly for the first round and by score for the final round, unless weather conditions prohibit this. Tee times for the first round will be posted on our <u>Jekyll Island Cup</u> homepage, at registration and around the golf course by noon on **Thursday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>.** 

Times for the final round will be posted on our website and at the golf course approximately one hour after the completion of play for each age/gender division. Please do not call the golf club or the front desk of any hotels seeking tee time information. Players and parents are advised to look at pairings sheets personally to assure accuracy of tee times.

### Award Ceremonies

The awards will be presented shortly after each age group has finished and the scores are posted on Sunday. The top five finishers and ties in each age group will receive an award. A schedule of ceremony times will be posted Sunday morning and all ceremonies will be held at the Jekyll Island Golf Club putting green (weather permitting).

# Junior Golf Scoreboard

U.S. Kids Golf will report Jekyll Island Cup scores to <u>Junior Golf</u> <u>Scoreboard</u> for players ages 11 and older. Junior Golf Scoreboard is a ranking system that groups players by high school graduation year.

# AJGA Performance Based Entry

Champions in the Boys 11, Boys 12, Boys 13-14, Girls, 11, Girls 12 and Girls 13-14 divisions will earn **two** AJGA Performance Stars. Top 5 in Boys 11, Boys 12, and Boys 13-14 and the Top 3 in Girls 11, Girls 12 and Girls 13-14 will earn **one** Performance Star.





# **Priority Status**

When your young player participates in U.S. Kids Golf events, they have the opportunity to earn <u>Priority</u> <u>Status</u> – a qualification that determines when players receive invitations for multi-day events.

- There are 13 levels of Status, with Lifetime Status being the highest
- The twelve additional levels are numerically ranked: Level 12 (Higher) to Level 1 (Lowest)
- Players may gain Status by score OR by order of finish
- If multiple levels of Status are obtained in one event, the higher Status takes effect
- Priority Status expires after one year
- Players can have multiple levels of Status, each level with its own expiration date
- After the conclusion of the Jekyll Island Cup, Priority Status will be awarded to players within 1-2 weeks



### **Upcoming Events**

For a list of our multi-day championship events, please view our <u>Championships Schedule</u>. Registration is limited, so make sure you don't miss these great events!

# **U.S. Kids Golf Event Staff**

Tournament Director – *Corey Floyd*, U.S. Kids Golf Tournament Operations/Volunteers – *Davis McClearen*, U.S. Kids Golf Tournament Operations/Volunteers – *Jay Scott*, U.S. Kids Golf Indian Mound Course Director – *Tom Shea, Tampa Local Tour* Indian Mound Course Director – *Rhonda Ferguson, Jacksonville Local Tour* Pine Lakes Course Director – *Dona Lerner*, U.S. Kids Golf Pine Lakes Course Director – *Kathy Bounds*, U.S. Kids Golf Senior Rules Official – *Charlie Lanzetta, PGA* U.S. Kids Golf LLC – *Jeff Cowell* U.S. Kids Golf LLC – *Chris Carme* 

We look forward to seeing you at the Jekyll Island Cup!

# **U.S. Kids Golf Tournaments**

