Texas Open Participant,

As you travel to Horseshoe Bay, Texas for the 2016 Texas Open, we would like to inform you of some important information for the event.

USKG Policies

Player Registration

Registration 1: Friday, May 6 from 12:00pm – 5:00pm at the Cap Rock Clubhouse (Apple/Ram Pro Shop)

Registration 2: Saturday, May 7 from 7:00am – 12:00pm at the Cap Rock Clubhouse (Apple/Ram Pro Shop)

Players unable to attend Registration Period 1 will have the opportunity to attend Period 2. Players only need to attend one of the registration periods prior to their first round during designated registration times.

For a complete listing of Course Assignments by Age and Tee Time schedule, please visit the Registration Information homepage.

Player Shuttling by Spectators and Staff

At the Texas Open, all ***spectators and staff members are permitted to shuttle all players and caddies between holes (from green to the next tee)***. In efforts to relieve players of long walks between holes and promote positive pace of play, we ask that anyone with a rented cart please provide equal opportunity for rides for all players in your group. Carts must be used in accordance with the U.S. Kids Golf Cart Policy.

Spectator Carts

Spectator carts may be rented on a first come, first served basis from the golf shop for $15 for 9-hole players and $30 for 18-hole players. Due to the limited number of carts, ***carts may only be rented 30 minutes prior to players tee time and only 1 cart may be rented per player.*** In order to ensure availability for all spectators, we ask that you please return your cart to the golf shop immediately following your player's round.

All spectator carts are permitted to have only two 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.

USKG Family Night

Join us at the Horseshoe Bay Resort Live Oak Lawn for Family Night, Saturday May 7th from 6:30-8:30! Organized games such as Ultimate Frisbee, two-hand touch football, giant checkers and many more games will be available to all who wish to play. Families can enjoy a live DJ and S'mores by the Fire Pit.

Age Verification

U.S. Kids Golf will be verifying TPA player's birthdates at Major Championships. **Players who have been listed as unverified please bring a copy of your player's birth certificate OR passport to registration to submit to U.S. Kids Golf.** This is a one-time process for each player.

Pre-Verification: Players can submit an electronic passport copy or birth certificate copy to U.S. Kids Golf prior to the event to become a verified player. Documents can be emailed to tournaments@uskidsgolf.com or faxed to 678.405.3422.

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, Family Nights 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.

Caddie Bibs

Players that have already received a Tournament Players Association (TPA) caddie bib should bring it with them to the 2016 Texas Open. Remaining players will receive a bib at Player Registration. The TPA caddie bib should be used for all future U.S. Kids Golf events.

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

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.

USKG on Social Media

Tournament information will be posted continuously on Facebook, Twitter and the USKG Blog. Look for weather delays, low rounds and great shots!

Visit us on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram.

Caddie use of Carts

18-hole players and caddies may not use carts for play other than being shuttled between holes at the Texas Open. All players must walk during the play of each hole. Two strokes per hole at which any breach occurred; Maximum penalty per round: Four strokes.

Caddies for the 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 with the player when needed. Two strokes per hole at which any breach occurred; Maximum penalty per round: Four strokes.

Practice Rounds

Official practice rounds on Friday, May 6th, are available for all participants at a cost of $18 for 9-hole players and $30 for 18-hole players per round by calling the golf shop. Tee times may be booked at (830) 598-6561. For a complete listing of Course Assignments by Age, please visit the Registration Information homepage.

Apple Rock and Ram Rock Range

Practice balls at the range will be available at no charge for players during the official practice round day and tournament rounds.

Demo Day

U.S. Kids Golf will be hosting a Demo Day on Friday, May 6th from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. The Demo Day will be located at the Apple and Ram Rock Driving Range.

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 Texas Open homepage, at registration and around the golf course by **noon on Thursday, May 5th**.

Times for the final round will be posted approximately one hour after the completion of play for each age/gender division on our website and at the golf course. Please do not call the front desk of the hotel 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 Awards Ceremonies will be posted Sunday morning and all ceremonies will be held at the main putting green (weather permitting).

Junior Golf Scoreboard

U.S. Kids Golf will report Texas Open scores to Junior Golf Scoreboard for boys 11 and older and Girls 13-14. Junior Golf Scoreboard is a ranking system that groups players by high school graduation year.

Priority Status

There are three levels of Priority Status that players may earn based on their order of finish at the

Texas Open: Green Status, Orange Status and Blue Status. All players must meet the Scoring Requirement at the event in which he or she qualifies. This Priority Status is good for one year and covers all events that are played in that span.

The Priority Status earned from the Texas Open, based on order of finish, is listed below. Players who earn Green Status through this tournament will receive an automatic invitation to the 2016 World or Teen World Championship in Pinehurst, N.C.

Order of Finish	1st - 3rd	4th - 10th	11th - 20th
2016 Texas Open	Green Status	Orange Status	Blue Status

AJGA Performance Based Entry

Champions in Boys 11, Boys 12, Boys13-14, Girls 12 and Girls 13-14 divisions will earn Two AGJA Performance Stars. Top 3 in Boys 11, Boys 12 and Boys 13-14 will earn One performance star.

Upcoming Events

There are currently six Major Championships open for Registration. The European Championship, Teen World Championship, World Championship, Red White & Blue Invitational, British Kids Championship and Venice Open are all active. All State Invitationals are also all active. Registration is limited, so make sure you don't miss these great events!

Event Staff

Tournament Director – **Corey Floyd**
Tournament Ops – **Nikki Cline**
Tournament Ops - **Casey Truelove**
Tournament Ops - **Patrick Skakel**
Apple Rock Course Director – **Tom Shea**, *Tampa LT*
Ram Rock Course Director – **Chris Reed**, *Cleveland LT*
Head Rules Official- **Charlie Lanzetta**
Rules Official- **Neil Cheshire**

We look forward to seeing you at the Texas Open!

USKG Tournament Players Association