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TO: 74th Alabama Boys State Junior Championship Contestants

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TOPIC: State Junior Championship Player Information

The Alabama Golf Association looks forward to seeing you at the 74th playing of the Alabama Boys' State Junior Championship at Indian Hills Country Club in Tuscaloosa, AL from July 23-25, 2019. Please review the following championship information. Remember that we are guests of the club, need to conduct ourselves in a proper manner and adhere to all host club policies. Also, make sure to be at your assigned tee ready to play at least five minutes before your starting time. Call me at the AGA office if you have any questions or e-mail me at jeremy@alabamagolf.org. We hope you have a great championship!

Championship Website: http://www.alabamagolf.org/2019-championships

Championship History

This year marks the 74th playing of the Alabama Boys' State Junior Championship and the second time that Indian Hills Country Club has hosted the Boys' State Junior Championship. Nick Dunlap, of Birmingham won the title in 2018 at GlenLakes Golf Club. The Championship was first played in 1946 with Walter Wood winning the inaugural event. Bobby Wyatt of Mobile holds the record with 4 victories (2007-2010).

Championship Registration

Players should sign the host plaque in the clubhouse outside of the Pro Shop on Monday, July 22 from 10:00am-4:00pm.

Indian Hills Country Club Information

Director of Golf Operations: Paul Reid Course Superintendent: Kevin Holifield

Physical Address: 1650 McFarland Blvd. N., Tuscaloosa, AL 35406

Club Website: www.indianhillscountryclub.net

Golf Shop Phone: 205-349-1504 Golf Shop Hours: 7:30am-6:00pm Practice Facility Hours: 7:30am-6:00pm Food & Beverage Hours: 11:00am-6:00pm

Championship Yardage: 14-18 Divisions: 6510 yards 12-13 Division: 5713 yards 8-11 Division 5087 yards (9 Holes each day)

Course/Slope Rating: 14-18 Divisions: 71.5/128 12-13 Division 68.3/117 8-11 Division 64.8/113 (9 Holes each day)

Course Turfgrass: Tees/Fairways, Rough (419 Bermuda); Putting Greens (TifEagle)

Food and Beverage

All food and beverage consumed on club grounds must be purchased at Indian Hills Country Club.

Hosted Player Lunch on July 23-25

The AGA will provide lunch for players from 11:00am-3:00pm for each round of the competition (Tuesday-Thursday) in the clubhouse. Lunch is for players only. Spectators may purchase food and beverage in the clubhouse.

Directions to Indian Hills Country Club

https://www.google.com/maps/

Lodging

There are several hotels near the course. Check online for best rates:

https://post.affinitytravelbenefits.com/v6/home? s=MvRbEJ1cVD6DC14r& k=Z2E3AFsc

Host Club Policies

Cell Phone Policy: Cell phones may only be used on the golf course in case of an emergency, to call the golf shop in need of a ruling, view tournament leaderboard or as a distance measuring device. We ask that phones are set to silent while on club grounds. Silent communications (text, email) may be used inside buildings. Verbal communication (phone calls) must be outside buildings.

Parking: There is a limited amount of parking available at the host club and we ask that players, caddies and family members car pool as much as possible.

Dress Code: Appropriate golf attire must be worn. Slacks or Bermuda shorts. No cut-offs, no denim, no cargo pants or cargo shorts. Men must wear shirts with collars and sleeves, tucked in at all times. Non-metal spikes only. Dress code applies to players, caddies and spectators.

Coolers: Personal coolers are not allowed.

Personal Items: Make sure not to leave any valuable personal items unattended such as jewelry, wallets, etc. even if they are tucked away inside your golf bag. It is best to leave your valuables locked in your automobile. Neither the AGA nor the host club will be held responsible for any lost or stolen personal items.

Accepted Forms of Payment: Club accepts CASH, Credit Card.

Practice Rounds and Practice Facility

You are entitled to **one** practice round on July 22. You may call the golf shop 205-349-1504 to reserve a practice round tee time. Make sure to identify yourself as an Alabama State Junior Championship participant. It would be helpful if you make your own group before calling. Do not just show up at the course and expect to be accommodated for a practice round. There is a **mandatory** \$30.00/player fee for the practice round. Players are limited to playing one ball except from the teeing ground. Players are welcome to use the practice range and putting green throughout the championship. **Practice Round times begin at 10:00am on July 22.**

Practice Range

The use of Drivers and Fairway woods <u>will not be allowed</u> on Indian Hills Country Club Practice Range during the Championship or Practice Round. Players may use Ol' Colony's driving range prior to their round, at the players expense. Players electing to warm-up at Ol' Colony are still responsible for arriving to the Starting tee at the time specified by the committee.

Starting Times

Starting times for July 23-24 will be available on July 18 by 5:00pm. Check the AGA website at www.alabamagolf.org or call the AGA office.

Championship Format and Schedule

- Limited to the first 156 players. If championship is full at the time of registration, a player may opt to be placed on the alternate wait list. Wait list alternates are ranked according to date/time an entry is received and processed.
- 54 holes of gross individual stroke play for players age 12-18. 27 holes (9 each day) for players age 8-11.
- Players in the Overall Divisions will play the same tees and will be eligible to win the overall Championship.
- The field (14-18) will be cut to the low 60 players and ties after 36 holes. There will be no cut for the 8-11 or 12-13 Age Divisions.
- The lowest score for 54 holes in the Overall Division will be the Champion.
- In the event of a tie for the overall Championship only, a hole-by-hole play-off will be held immediately following play. The play-off holes and their order of play will be determined by the Committee.
- Initial groupings will be for two days; the field will be cut and re-paired by score after the second round

Monday, July 22 All Day: Practice rounds.

8:00am-4:00pm: Player Registration in the Clubhouse Foyer adjacent to the golf shop.

Tuesday, July 23 Round 1: Tee times at 7:30am & 12:30pm off #1 & #10 tees.

11:00am-3:00pm: Hosted player lunch in the Clubhouse

Wednesday, July 24 Round 2: Tee times at 7:30am & 12:30pm off #1 & #10 tees.

11:00am-3:00pm: Hosted player lunch in the Clubhouse

Cut to low 60 scores and ties. Field re-grouped according to score.

Thursday, July 25 Round 3: Tee times at 7:30am off #1 & #10 tees.

11:00am-3:00pm: Hosted player lunch in the Clubhouse. Awards ceremony immediately following play at scoreboard.

Pace of Play

The AGA wants all players to enjoy competing in our events. Pace of play may differ depending upon the venue, weather and course conditions. Every player is accountable for playing at an acceptable pace, therefore we need your help. Please observe the following guidelines to help ensure a pleasant tournament experience for all:

- Make sure to keep pace with the group in FRONT of you. The group behind should keep pace with your group and so forth.
- Go directly to your ball. If sharing a golf cart, drop-off the player farthest from the hole then proceed to the other ball.
- Be ready to play when it is your turn.
- Keep practice strokes and time taken to read putts to a minimum.
- Play a provisional ball if your original ball may be lost or out of bounds.
- Keep time taken at the snack bar or between nines to a minimum.

If everyone does their part, then 4½ hours should be the maximum time taken to play a round of golf at an AGA tournament. Following the lead of the USGA, the AGA has developed a pace of play policy, based on Rule 5.6b and Model Local Rule 8K that is fair to every competitor. *Note: a group may receive a "friendly reminder" of their position regardless of pace of play guidelines.

Maximum Allowable Time

The maximum allowable time is the maximum time considered necessary by the Committee for a group to complete its round. This is expressed in a per-hole and aggregate time format and includes all time associated with playing the game, e.g., for rulings and walking times between holes.

Both the specific maximum time allotted per hole and for the completion of 18 holes at AGA championships will be denoted on each player's AGA issued scorecard.

See the complete AGA Pace of Play Policy for the procedure if a group is "out of position" and penalty for breach of Pace of Play Policy.

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- A competitor's time to play begins when the competitor has had a reasonable opportunity to reach his or her ball and when it is
 the competitor's turn to play and can do so without interference or distraction. Penalties are applied individually, but more than
 one competitor in a group may be penalized.
- In general, competitors in a group are subject to being timed at any time but specifically when the group is deemed to be out of
 position and over the allotted pace of play guidelines.

Note that a group that is out of position at any time may be asked to close the gap regardless of pace of play guidelines. A group is out of position if they are over their maximum acceptable pace of play and more than 15 minutes behind the group ahead of them. The first group off either side is out of position if they are over their maximum acceptable pace of play.

Range Fees; Push Carts

- Practice Rounds: Practice round fees are not included in the entry fee.
- Championship Site: All range fees during the championship rounds are paid by the AGA and are included in the entry fee. Competitors must walk during championship rounds. Push carts are allowed.

Caddies

- Caddies: Caddies are allowed, provided the caddie is 18 years old or under and will be denoted by wearing an AGA issued caddie bib. Caddies will not be available at host club. Caddies will be held to the same dress and code of conduct policies as the player.
- Caddie Cart Policy: Caddies must walk during the championship rounds.

Spectators

- Spectator Cart Policy: AGA defers to host club policy in regards to allowing spectator carts at junior championships. If spectator carts are allowed, they will be available on a first-come, first-serve basis.
- Disability Golf Cart Policy: In consistency with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), AGA will grant an individual with a bona fide
 disability a golf cart if the following conditions are met:
 - o Requesting individual completes and submits a <u>Disabled Golf Cart Request Form</u> by the close of entries date;
 - o Host club has a golf cart available;
 - o Requesting individual pays host club the appropriate fee;
 - o Requesting individual presents to the AGA staff or AGA representative a disability card issued by a government agency.
- Spectator carts must remain on the cart path at all times and spectators must adhere to the club's dress code policy.
- Non-club owned spectator carts are not allowed except as provided in the AGA Tournament Manual.

Prizes & Awards

Awards will be presented to the top 5 finishers in the overall division (14-18) and top 2 finishers in each of the 8-11 and 12-13 divisions. Champion will have his name engraved on the permanent trophy and may take possession of the trophy for the ensuing year.

Exemptions Earned

- Champion receives exemption into Alabama State Junior for remainder of eligibility
- Champion receives an exemption into the 2020 Alabama State Amateur
- Champion receives a 3-year exemption into the Alabama State Match Play Championship (2019-2021)
- Champion receives automatic spot on 2019 Southern Junior Cup Team
- Champion receives an exemption into the 2020 Southern Junior Championship
- Champion receives an exemption into the 2019 Bobby Chapman Junior Invitational
- Champion receives an exemption into the 2019 Chenal Junior Invitational
- Champion receives an exemption into the 2020 LJT Texas Cup
- Champion receives an exemption into the 2020 Gator Invitational
- Champion receives AJGA exemptions (see AJGA.org website)

Course Set-Up/Yardage (*All yardage is subject to change based upon wind direction and weather conditions)
14-18 Division

Hole	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Out	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	In	Total
Yards	425	193	509	423	436	381	415	315	188	3285	363	204	372	480	136	395	410	326	539	3225	6510
Par	4	3	5	4	4	4	4	4	3	36	4	3	4	5	3	4	4	4	5	36	72

12-13 Division

Hole	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Out	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	In	Total
Yards	391	145	462	352	316	338	315	290	155	2764	347	145	329	465	126	375	352	314	496	2949	5713
Par	4	3	5	4	4	4	4	4	3	36	4	3	4	5	3	4	4	4	5	36	72

8-11 Division

Hole	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Out	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	In	Total
Yards	353	117	449	323	291	268	247	280	124	2452	266	145	325	404	112	290	336	308	449	2635	5087
Par	4	3	5	4	4	4	4	4	3	36	4	3	4	5	3	4	4	4	5	36	72

Championship Policies

- AGA Code of Conduct
- AGA Tournament Manual
- This is a soft-spike facility. The penalty for non-compliance is disqualification.

Withdrawals

Withdrawal: If an accepted player withdraws for any reason before the close of registration at 11:59pm on Tuesday, July 16, 2019, the entry fee will be refunded, subject to a \$30.00 service fee. If an accepted player withdraws for any reason after the close of registration and before 11:59pm on Friday, July 19, 2019, 50% of the entry fee will be refunded. No refunds will be made for withdrawals after Friday, July 19, 2019.

To withdraw from the event <u>before</u> the close of registration, follow these steps:

- 1. https://www.golfgenius.com/pages/1815965
- 2. Log into your USGATM Account
- 3. Click "Edit Registration"
- 4. Choose Cancel Registration under the dropdown menu on the right side of the page

To withdraw from the event after the close of registration, fill out the form here: https://form.jotform.com/83325136316149

No Shows

Players that fail to notify the AGA of their withdrawal and "No Show" their starting time will not receive a refund for any reason. "No Show" players may be subject to suspension from future AGA events.

Tournament Delays and Updates

The AGA will text players with any tournament delays or schedule changes. Notices will also be posted our Twitter account. Follow @bamagolf.

Phone Numbers

Alabama Golf Association: 205-979-1234 Indian Hills Country Club: 205-349-1504