

# 2018

## *Idaho Falls Junior Golf Information Booklet*

*Pinecrest (612-8485)*

*Sandcreek (612-8115)*

*Sage Lakes (612-8535)*

### *INSIDE:*

- *How to Join the Idaho Falls Junior Golf Association*
- *PGA Junior League and Other Fun Events*
- *Golf Lessons for Kids*

## **New for 2018**

- ✓ *New for 2018, for our annual Participation Points program, we will require each Junior to **track their own points**. Enclosed with this booklet is a form to track your participation points. Each activity must be dated, and the form must be signed by the parent/guardian and the junior **prior** to turning the form in. The form **MUST** be turned into the golf shop at Pinecrest **NO LATER than Wednesday, August 8, 2018**. Late forms will **NOT** be accepted.*
- ✓ *Generally, we do not allow parents to play on Junior Day. However, we have expanded our **PARENT-JUNIOR GOLF DAYS this Summer** to include **THREE** Junior Days that parents will be allowed to play (July 2, July 9, July 16). On these special Monday's, we will allow non-Junior Association members (parents, family members and friends) the opportunity to play 9-holes of golf with Junior Association Members. Non members who want to play will be required to pay a reduced green fee price of \$9.99 per person (those with a season pass are exempt). There **MUST** be at least **ONE** Junior Association member in the group or they will not be allowed to play. Groups will be limited to four players.*
- ✓ *New for 2018 includes **FREE** golf clinics given by our local PGA Golf Professionals! These informative clinics start at 9:00am and last for 30 minutes. They will cover the basics of the swing, tips to improve, and ideas on how and what to practice. Juniors and their parents, etc are all welcome to attend. Simply show up at the clubhouse and have some fun!*
- ✓ ***SIGN UP FOR OUR INFORMATIVE EMAIL BLASTS!** These blasts will include numerous green fee specials and some fun family outings at lower than usual prices. Go to our website at **Golfif.com** and sign up under Birthday Club.*
- ✓ ***Junior Lessons**- see the last section on a large selection of lesson programs - and our Assistant Golf Professionals are again offering their great deal of Two-Lessons for \$35.00. There are additional junior lessons and these fees can be paid along with your Junior Assoc registration fee.*
- ✓ ***FAMILY GOLF DAYS**. These days will provide golfers the ability to play without the stress of having to play at a quick pace. It is a great opportunity to play our courses with the chance to **LEARN** the game. Read more in this booklet.*

## **What the Idaho Falls Junior Golf Association is all about**

The program provides children ages 17 and under the chance to:

- × Play 9-holes of golf at Pinecrest, Sandcreek, and Sage Lakes on scheduled days reserved for the kids. These scheduled days are referred to as a JUNIOR DAYS. The schedule for these Junior Days are included later in this booklet.
- × The opportunity to play the 6 hole short course at Sandcreek 7 days a week.
- × The opportunity to play in the **annual club championship tournament** and attend the **year end banquet** where tournament trophies and other awards are presented.
- × In order to become a member a junior must fulfill certain requirements:

## **MANDATORY MUSTS (5 ITEMS)**

### **1. Etiquette & Rules Clinic**

All juniors of the Idaho Falls Junior Golf Association must attend and pass a required Etiquette & Rules Clinic **each year** before they are allowed to play golf on junior day.

The purpose of the clinic is to teach & remind kids about the basic rules of the game, safety, consideration for other players, pace of play, and care of the course. The clinic is taught by our local PGA Golf Professionals. Each junior golfer will receive an Idaho Falls Junior Golf Association Membership card upon completion of this clinic. The membership card must be carried and shown to the Junior Golf Personnel when playing on junior day and when playing the 6 hole short course at Sandcreek.

Etiquette Clinics will **ONLY** be held on the following days. Juniors do not need to bring clubs to the clinic, just themselves. The juniors need to meet at the clubhouse of the appropriate golf course 10 minutes before the start of the clinic and should plan on spending approximately one hour.

May 19<sup>th</sup> at Pinecrest Golf Course 8:00am OR 9:00am OR 10:00am

May 26<sup>th</sup> at Pinecrest Golf Course 8:00am OR 9:00am OR 10:00am

June 4<sup>th</sup> at Pinecrest Golf Course 8:00am OR 9:00am OR 10:00am

June 11<sup>th</sup> at Sand Creek Golf Course 8:00am OR 9:00am OR 10:00am

June 18th at Sage Lakes Golf Course 8:00am OR 9:00am OR 10:00am

## **2. Everyone must have their own set of clubs**

In order to help with the pace of play, we do require every junior who participates in the program to have his/her own golf bag and clubs. For those without clubs, the local course golf shops do offer clubs for sale at reasonable prices. They also offer sets which can be rented for the entire season for \$25. Please contact any of the local golf shops for more information.

## **3. Dress Code**

Proper golf attire (neat and clean) is required. Shirts (t-shirts, etc) & shoes (tennis shoes, golf shoes, etc) must be worn at all times.

## **4. Kids 14 and under must have Adult Supervision**

- If your child is age 14 or younger they will not be allowed to play on junior day unless accompanied by an adult (age 18 and older).
- At least one adult must be present regardless of whether or not the other junior golfers in the group are over 14 (**adults are NOT allowed to play golf during junior day**).
- The purpose of this rule is to eliminate problems we've incurred on junior day in the past (acts of vandalism on the course) and to help keep the kids moving along at a reasonable pace.

## **5. HOW TO SIGN UP**

There are **TWO** ways to sign up. Enclosed in this booklet there should be a registration form.

(1) **MAIL IN REGISTRATION**: Cost is \$30.00. Fill out the registration form and mail it anytime prior to May 15th. Your envelope must be postmarked no later than May 15<sup>th</sup>. Juniors with a City of Idaho Falls season golf pass pay \$20.00 (you must have purchased the season pass when you pay your fee). **Please Mail to: Pinecrest Golf Course / 701 E Elva Street / Idaho Falls, ID 83401 / ATTN: "JR GOLF"**.

(2) **WALK-IN REGISTRATION**: Cost is \$35.00. Juniors with a City of Idaho Falls season golf pass pay \$25.00 (you must have purchased the season pass when you pay your fee). Walk-in registration will be held on the following days:  
May 19th at 7:30-10:00am at Pinecrest

May 26<sup>th</sup> at 7:30-10:00am at Pinecrest

June 4<sup>th</sup> at 7:30-10:00am at Pinecrest

June 11<sup>th</sup> at 7:30-10:00am at Sand Creek

June 18<sup>th</sup> at 7:30-10:00am at Sage Lakes

**NOTE:** If you purchase a season pass after you pay your registration fees, we will NOT refund any fees. Additional registration forms are available at any of the three golf shops (Pinecrest, Sandcreek, or Sage Lakes). Remember, that all juniors must attend the mandatory Etiquette and Rules Clinic before they are allowed to play golf on Junior Day!

## **DON'T FORGET: GET Two Private Golf Lessons for \$35.00 during Sign up!**

Our Assistant Golf Professionals are offering all Junior Association members the opportunity to take **two** 25-minute private golf lessons for the very nominal fee of \$35.00. Simply pay this additional fee with your Registration fee. Your child can then choose which of our instructors they want to have as their coach. Simply call the course where your instructor works at and set up your lessons at your convenience! One special per member and lessons must be redeemed by Nov 30, 2018.

### The Instructors

Tyson Bowen - Sage Lakes 612-8535

Ryan McQuary - Sage Lakes 612-8535

Kevin Kavran - Sandcreek 612-8115

Sean Thomsen - Pinecrest 612-8485

### **How to make a tee time for Junior Day**

In order for kids to play golf on junior day, we allow them to make "tee times" so not everyone shows up to play at the same time. Each "tee time" will accommodate 4 golfers. We allow juniors to play only 9 holes during junior day; as a result please sign up for only ONE tee time each Monday. Juniors may play either the front nine or the back nine holes depending upon availability. Juniors may play with their friends (only 4 kids per group) or they may sign up with another two-some or three-some that has room. We will allow juniors to play an extra 9 holes on junior day if there is space available **AFTER** they play their first 9 hole game. Inquire with the Junior Golf personnel after your first round. Some other reminders:

1. Tee times are hand written on our Junior Tee Time Sheets. Tee times can be made one week in advance (so to make a tee time for the next Monday Junior day, kids can start to sign up on the prior Monday on the tee time sheets which will be located at the course where Junior Day is

- at). Tee Time Sheets will be located at Pinecrest Golf Course from Tuesday-Sunday after Junior Day for your convenience. Please, no phone calls to make tee time reservations for Junior Day.
2. Tee times are available on a first come, first serve basis.
  3. We request all juniors to show up at least 15 minutes prior to their tee time in order to allow for check-in and warm-up.
  4. If you are unable to make your tee-time, please call the golf shop and cancel your time.

**EXCEPTION:** To get a tee time for the first junior day (Monday, June 4th) we will have times available starting May 19th.

### **Can Parents play on Junior Day?**

Parents are not allowed to play on Junior Day, **EXCEPT** for the following three junior Days:

Monday, July 2nd at Sand Creek

Monday, July 9th at Sage Lakes

Monday, July 16th at Pinecrest

On these special Monday's, we will allow non-Junior Association members (parents, family members and friends) the opportunity to play 9-holes of golf with Junior Association Members. Non members who want to play will be required to pay a reduced green fee price of \$9.99 per person (those with a season pass are exempt). There **MUST** be at least ONE Junior Association member in the group or they will not be allowed to play. Groups will be limited to four players.

### **How to Check in on Junior Day**

1. Arrive at the golf course at least 15 minutes prior to your tee time.
2. Bring and show your Idaho Falls Junior Golf Association Membership card with BARCODE to the Junior Golf Personnel and pick up a scorecard and pencil.
3. The Junior golf personnel will instruct the juniors on where and when to tee off.

### **FREE GOLF CLINICS on JUNIOR DAY!!**

New this year we will have three FREE golf clinics given by our local PGA

Golf Professionals! These informative clinics start at 9:00am and last for 30 minutes. They will cover the basics of the swing, tips to improve, and ideas on how and what to practice. Juniors and their parents, etc are all welcome to attend. Simply show up at the clubhouse and have some fun!

Monday, June 25th 9:00 am at Pinecrest (meet at the clubhouse)

Monday, July 2nd 9:00 am at Sand Creek (meet at the clubhouse)

Monday, July 9th 9:00 am at Sage Lakes (meet at the clubhouse)

## **MONDAY, AUGUST 6<sup>TH</sup> IS A SPECIAL DAY!**

On Monday, Aug 6<sup>th</sup>, Junior Assoc members can play at Pinecrest of Sage Lakes for FREE! Parents can play as well. Parents with a junior will pay \$9.99 for 9 or 18 holes. To play you MUST make a tee time by calling the golf course. Reservations are only taken 3 days in advance starting on Friday, Aug 3<sup>rd</sup>. Golfers will be expected to keep the proper pace of play as the courses will be busy with adults as well as juniors!

## **Earning Junior Participation Points for Prizes**

New for 2018, we will require each Junior to **track their own points**. Enclosed with this booklet is a form to track your participation points. Each activity must be dated, and the form must be signed by the parent/guardian and the junior **prior** to turning the form in. The form **MUST** be turned into the golf shop at Pinecrest **NO LATER than Wednesday, August 8, 2018**. Late forms will NOT be accepted. Points will be given based on the following:

- Play on Junior Day (one point)
- Play in the Club Championship (one point)
- Take a lesson (one point for every lesson)
- Play 9 or 18 holes not on Jr Day at any course (one point per day)
- Play the Short Course (one point per day)
- Hit a bucket of Balls (one point per day)

Points can only be accumulated starting on Monday June 4<sup>th</sup> and ending on Monday August 6<sup>th</sup>.

## **Annual Club Championship Details**

The annual Club Championship is held at the end of the season. The tournament is divided into age groups for both boys and girls. Important details are:

- The junior's actual **age as of July 23, 2018** will determine which age

*group they will compete for in this tournament.*

- *Boys ages 12 and up (18 holes) AND Girls ages 13 & over (18 holes) will play on **Monday July 30<sup>th</sup> at Sage Lakes.***
- *Boys ages 9-11 (9 holes- Back 9); Girls ages 9-12 (9 holes-Front 9) will play on **Monday July 23rd at Sandcreek.***
- *Boys & Girls 8 & under (6 holes) will play on **Monday, July 23rd at the 6-Hole Short Course at Sandcreek.** (Age 6-8 play 6 holes; Age 5-under play 3 holes (1,2,and 3))*
- ***HOW TO SIGN UP FOR THE CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP: Starting on Monday, June 25<sup>th</sup>, everyone can start signing up for this event. The sign up book will be available during Junior Days at the course where Jr Day is held. Please do not call the Golf Shop.***

*To play in this event, juniors must sign up on this register book in order to play. Juniors can pick the time they want to play and who they play with. Juniors must play on the day and course they are assigned (see box above). Tee times will be available on a first come, first served basis.*
- *Participants are required to show up at least 15 minutes prior to their tee time.*
- ***WE NEED VOLUNTEER SCOREKEEPERS.** For the tournament we'll need volunteer scorekeepers to ensure its success. If your child plans on participating in the tournament please make a commitment to keep score for a group. Provide your name on the tournament signup sheet (same sheet where juniors sign up for this event) if you can help.*
- *Trophies will be awarded based on the number of kids in each age group.*
- *We may have some tee times for those Juniors (no parents) who are not playing in the club championship on both of these days. Check with the Pinecrest Golf Shop for available tee times anytime after Monday, July 16<sup>th</sup>.*

## **End of the year Banquet & Awards Party**

*The end of the year banquet is always a fun event. We will present awards for the Club Championship tournament, recognize other special awards for those Juniors who participated in our program during the summer. **The banquet is open to your entire family.** We ask that you bring a dessert*



**or salad** and the association will provide the chicken, pop, water, and eating utensils. We also recommend that you bring lawn chairs and your camera. This year's banquet will be held on **Thursday, August 16th @ 6:30 pm** at the Short-Range at Pinecrest.

## **Short Course at Sandcreek Privileges**

The 6-hole short course was designed to help novice players gain a greater proficiency of the game before taking on the regulation size courses. This will help the novice golfer to feel more confident and become more familiar with how the game is played, etc. Junior course green fees are FREE 7 days a week to all Idaho Falls Junior Golf Association Members. Information on the 6-hole short course at Sandcreek is as follows:

- The course is open to the public, adults as well as juniors.
- The estimated time to play 6 holes is approximately 1 hour.
- Junior course green fees are FREE to all Idaho Falls Junior Golf Association Members. You must present your Idaho Falls Jr. Association membership card to the Golf Shop personnel in the clubhouse at Sandcreek (approximately 250 yards from the short course) before you play. Non-IF Junior Association members and Parents green fees are \$4.00 for each 6-hole round played. Season golf passes for the regular courses are **NOT** valid on the Short course.
- Each group of golfers should have an ADULT (someone 18 years of age or older) along with them in order to play.
- Individuals over the age of 9 must play with IRONS ONLY - NO WOODS.
- The short course is open to the public seven days a week, 8am to dusk. NOTE: These hours are subject to change without notice due to time needed for course maintenance, etc. We recommend that you contact the Sandcreek Golf Shop at 612-8115 to confirm the short course hours of operation before you go out to play!
- The short course does not take tee times except for Junior Day. Play is on a first come, first serve basis.
- Any further questions please contact John Graham, PGA Professional at Sandcreek golf course at 612-8115.

## **General play Season Pass Prices**

Prices for junior golfers to play Pinecrest, Sandcreek, & Sage Lakes are listed below. These prices are for general play at the regulation sized golf courses and do not include Junior Day.

Season Passes for juniors (Must be born in 2001 or later and those who are 18 who are still in high school):

\$220.00 Pass - Good at all 3 courses, Valid in Year 2018, 7 days a week.

\$150.00 Pass - Good at all 3 courses, Valid in Year 2018, Weekdays only prior to 4pm, not valid on Weekends or Holidays.

Green fees - \$10.00 7 days a week for all kids 17 and under (and those who are 18 who are still in high school).

## **Have Questions? Need more information?**

The Idaho Falls Junior Golf Association is organized and conducted by the Idaho Falls Junior Golf Board. The Board is comprised of four people (Tim Reinke PGA Professional @ Pinecrest, Jack Anderson, Fred Sica, and Kim Berrett). If you ever have any questions or suggestions on the program, please feel free to contact any of them @ [ifjrgolf@gmail.com](mailto:ifjrgolf@gmail.com). Also, if you know of a junior who may have financial difficulty in joining this association please let us know as the Idaho Falls Elks Lodge does provide funding for this program. Contact anyone on the Junior Golf Board at the email address above.

## **Want to help with the program?**

We are always looking for new Volunteers to help with our junior golf program. If you are at all interested, please call Tim Reinke at Pinecrest @ 612-8485. Thanks in advance for being a volunteer!

## **This Season's Junior Golf Calendar & Schedule**

The Idaho Falls Junior Golf Association calendar & schedule is attached to the Registration form. Detach it and post it on your refrigerator for easy reference. It includes all the activities, deadlines, etc.

## ***Family Golf Day with Big Size Putting Holes!***

Every Saturday Afternoon STARTING at 4pm during June, July, and August. Play will rotate each week between Pinecrest, Sand Creek, and Sage Lakes COME PLAY 9 HOLES IN A FUN, NO PRESSURE ATMOSPHERE THAT ALLOWS YOUR GROUP TO PLAY AT A LEISURELY PACE.....AND WE WILL HAVE THE BIG HOLES ON OUR PUTTING GREENS FOR MORE FUN!!

PRICES for 9 Holes: \$9.99 Adults; \$6.99 for kids 12 and Under  
All kids 12 and under must have Adult Supervision

Call to make a Tee Time!

### **Family Day Schedule 2018 (subject to change)**

**Saturday, June 9 Pinecrest**  
**Saturday, June 16 Sand Creek**  
**Saturday, June 23 Sage Lakes**  
**Saturday, June 30 Pinecrest**  
**Saturday, July 7 Sand Creek**  
**Saturday, July 14 Sage Lakes**  
**Saturday, July 21 Pinecrest**  
**Saturday, July 28 Sage Lakes**  
**Saturday, August 4 Sand Creek**  
**Saturday, August 11 Pinecrest**  
**Saturday, August 18 Sage Lakes**  
**Saturday, August 25 Sand Creek**

## ***Fun Events for Families***

**Friday, July 13th Sandcreek Short Course Parent-Junior DERBY!!** First every derby on the Short Course!! Format: Each team must have one junior (age 17 and under) paired with one adult (18 and older). Limited to the first 13 teams. Based on a full field, all 13 teams will tee off on the first hole (Juniors tee off all odd holes, adults on the even holes). Play will be alternate shot. On every hole, the two teams with the highest scores will be eliminated (a chip off will be conducted to eliminate any ties). A chip off on the final hole will also be conducted if necessary to decide on who is first, second, and third place. Entry fee is \$10 per team. Entry includes prizes for winners and all participants will receive a fun ice cream beverage to enjoy!!

**Saturday, August 4th 17<sup>th</sup> Annual Sandcreek Short Course Parent-Junior Golf Championship.**

To be eligible to play a junior must be 17 or under on or before August 5, 2018 or have been enrolled as a senior in high school in the spring of 2018. We will use the junior's age on Aug 4<sup>th</sup> for this event. Format this year will be a chapman.

\*Entry fee is \$15 per team which will pay for green fees and prizes.

\*We will have several divisions: Father-Son; Father-Daughter; Mother-Son; Mother-Daughter; Grandfather-Grandson; Grandfather-Granddaughter; Grandmother-Grandson; Grandmother-Granddaughter.

\*We will award prizes for the top teams at the annual Junior Golf Banquet. We will have the results posted by midweek after the event at Pinecrest.

\*To play, just show up @ Sandcreek on Saturday, Aug 4th anytime during the day. No need to preregister.

\*Players may play any time during the day and with any other team that enters or by themselves.

\*Format of event: 6 holes, Chapman Format (both players tee off each hole; players alternate 2nd shots; after the 2nd shots, team picks the best location and rotate hitting into the hole for one team score.

\*Can play one round with Dad, then next round with Grandma, etc.

## ***The Idaho State Junior Golf Association***

The Idaho State Junior Golf Association is a state wide association for junior golfers. They provide competitive junior tournaments throughout the summer followed by a yearend State Championship tournament for juniors who qualified via the weekly tournaments. To register for this program, please go online to **[www.theiga.org](http://www.theiga.org)**.

## ***Other Competitive Junior Golf Events***

Each year through-out the State of Idaho and the intermountain West, there are numerous golf tournaments for junior golfers. Several of these events require an official entry form which must be mailed in on or before a strict deadline. The

*events are too numerous to list here. As a result, please check the junior bulletin board in the Pinecrest clubhouse as we will post all events in this location. If you have any questions please ask any of the golf shop personnel for more information.*