



2021

*Idaho Falls
Junior Golf Program*

*Informational
Booklet*



Sage Lakes (612-8535) Pinecrest (612-8485) Sand Creek (612-8115)

“The only thing a golfer needs is more daylight”

Ben Hogan

New and Important Reminders for the 2021 Season

- ✓ **Junior Association Members can play for FREE on FAMILY GOLF DAYS-**It is a great opportunity to play our courses with the whole family at a leisurely pace. Read about all the details later in this booklet.
- ✓ **Junior Lessons-** see the last section on a large selection of lesson programs.
- ✓ **Register Online-** We are set up for online registration through www.idahofallsidaho.gov/JGA and the cost is \$40. If you would like to pay with check or cash, you can still do so via mail or in-person at Pinecrest Golf Course and the cost is \$35.
- ✓ **Online Etiquette Class-** Due to the possibility that social distancing policies are still in effect, there will be no group etiquette classes. We ask that all participants in the junior program watch the etiquette video which will be assessable online. Instructions to access the video are listed in the mandatory must section of this booklet.
- ✓ **Make Tee Times Over the Phone-** Make a tee time for the upcoming Monday Junior Day by simply calling the course any time after the previous Junior Day.

What the Idaho Falls Junior Golf Association is all about

The program provides children 17 and under the chance to:

- × Play 9-holes of golf at Pinecrest, Sand Creek, and Sage Lakes on scheduled Junior Days reserved for the kids. The schedule for these Junior Days is included later in this booklet.
- × Unlimited play on the 6-hole short course at Sand Creek.
- × The opportunity to play, within their age division, 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.... please read below:

MANDATORY MUSTS

1. Etiquette & Rules Clinic

The purpose of this 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. Again, this year this clinic is conducted online by accessing

a short video that highlights all the etiquette and rules that are important to know. This video can only be accessed online by visiting our website at golfif.com. Once on the website go to “leagues” and then go to “Idaho Falls Junior Golf Association” where you will find a link to the video. Once you have watched the video and really soaked it in, you can pick up your membership card!! Membership cards will be available at all pro shops. You can pick them up the first time you play on either a Junior Day or at the short course. (If a junior was a member last year, and still has their card, their membership cards will simply be re-activated.

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 their own golf bag and clubs. For those without clubs, the local course golf shops do offer clubs for sale at reasonable prices. We 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 under age 14 must have Adult Supervision

- If your child is under the age of 14, 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 14 or older.*
- 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 to move along at a reasonable pace, etc.*

5. HOW TO SIGN UP

*(1) **MAIL or IN-PERSON REGISTRATION:** Cost is \$35.00. Fill out the registration form provided in this booklet and bring it in or mail it to **Pinecrest Golf Course / 701 E Elva Street / Idaho Falls, ID 83401 / ATTN: “JR GOLF”**. (Juniors with a City of Idaho Falls season golf pass pay \$25.00. You must have purchased the season pass before registering)*

Registration forms can also be printed off of golfif.com. Go to “leagues” and then click “Idaho Falls Junior Association”.

(2) **ONLINE REGISTRATION:** Cost is \$40.00. Go online to www.idahofallsidaho.gov/JGA create a profile, register and pay! You can also scan the following QR Code to gain access to our online registration portal:

QR Code



How to make a tee time for Junior Day

In order for kids to play golf on Junior Day, **you must make a tee time**. This year, make a tee time for the upcoming Junior Day by simply calling the course any time after the previous Junior Day. **OUR FIRST JUNIOR DAY IS JUNE 7th**. To make a tee time for that day call Pinecrest any time after May 15th. Each tee time will only accommodate 4 golfers. Please sign up for only ONE tee time. Juniors may make a tee time for either the front nine or the back nine. We will allow juniors to play an extra 9 holes on junior day if there is space available. Inquire with the Junior Golf personnel after your first round. Some other reminders:

- Tee times are available on a first come, first serve basis.
- 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.
- If you are unable to make your tee-time, please call the golf shop and cancel your time.

Parents can now play on some Junior Days?

Parents are usually not allowed to play on Junior Days but this year parents can play on these dates!!!

- Monday, June 28th @ Pinecrest
- Monday, July 5th @ Sand Creek
- Monday, July 12th @ 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 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.

Earning Prizes by collecting Junior Participation Points!!

As we did last year, we will require each junior to **track their own points**. This is a very serious task that requires great integrity. Enclosed in this booklet is a form to track of participation points which can be earned by completing activities. (Alternate forms can be printed off of golfif.com) Each activity must be dated and the form must be signed by a parent/guardian and the junior prior to turning it in. The form **MUST** be turned into the golf shop at Pinecrest **NO LATER than WEDNESDAY August 11, 2021**. 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 7th and ending on Sunday, August 8th.

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 26, 2021** 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 August 2nd at Sage Lakes.**
- Boys ages 9-11 (9 holes- Back 9); Girls ages 9-12 (9 holes-Front 9) will

play on **Monday July 26th at Sand Creek.**

- Boys & Girls 8 & under (6 holes) will play on **Monday, July 26th at the 6-Hole Short Course at Sand Creek.** (Age 6-8 play 6 holes; Age 5-under play 3 holes (1, 2, & 3))
- **HOW TO SIGN UP FOR THE CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP:** Monday, June 28th, is the first day juniors can sign up for the club championship. The sign-up book will be available during Junior Days at the course where Jr Day is held. If you fail to sign up that day you can call Pinecrest Tuesday through Sunday. 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. Tee times will be available on a first come, first served basis and only 4 players per tee time.
- 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.

End of the year Banquet & Awards Party

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 **Wednesday, August 18th @ 6:30 pm** at the Short-Range at Pinecrest.

Short Course Privileges at Sand Creek

The 6-hole short course was designed to help novice players gain confidence in their game before taking on the regulation size courses. Playing the short course will help the novice golfer become 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 Sand Creek 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 Sand Creek (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 Sand Creek 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 on Junior Day. Play is on a first come, first serve basis.

General play Season Pass Prices

Prices for junior golfers to play Pinecrest, Sand Creek, & 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 2002 or later and those who are 18 who are still in high school):

\$280.80 Pass - Good at all 3 courses, Valid in Year 2021, 7 days a week.

\$205.20 Pass - Good at all 3 courses, Valid in Year 2021, Weekdays only prior to 4pm, not valid on Weekends or Holidays.

Daily 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. 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.

Want to help with the program?

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

Family Golf Day

Every Saturday Afternoon STARTING at **3pm** during June, July, and August, your family can Come play 9 holes on a fun, no pressure atmosphere that allows your group to play at a leisurely pace. PRICES for 9 Holes: \$9.99 Adults; \$6.99 for kids under 12 and **JUNIOR ASSOCIATION MEMBERS ARE FREE!!** *All kids 13 and under must have Adult Supervision

Please Call to make a Tee Time!

Family Day Schedule 2021 (subject to change-please call course to confirm)

Saturday, June 12 Sand Creek

Saturday, June 19 Pinecrest

Saturday, June 26 Sage Lakes

Saturday, July 3 Sand Creek

Saturday, July 10 Pinecrest

Saturday, July 17 Sage Lakes

Saturday, July 24 Sand Creek

Saturday, July 31 Pinecrest

Saturday, August 7 Sage Lakes

Saturday, August 14 Pinecrest

Saturday, August 21 Sand Creek

Saturday, August 28 Sage Lakes

Fun Events for Families

Saturday, August 7th 20th Annual Sand Creek Short Course Parent-Junior Golf Tournament. *To be eligible to play, a junior must be 17 or under on or before August 7, 2021 or have been enrolled as a senior in high school in the spring of 2021. We will use the junior's age on Aug 7th for this event*

**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 @ Sand Creek on Saturday, Aug 7th anytime during the day. No need to pre-register.*

**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 rotates hitting shots until the ball is holed 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.idahoga.org**.*

LESSON PROGRAMS

1. Private Golf Lessons for Juniors

Cost: \$30.00 for 30 minutes Or a Series of 5 Private Lessons for \$135.00. Call the course of your choice to get set up lessons.

2. Operation 36 Program

**Cost: varies depending on program*

**Boys & Girls Ages 7-18*

**Instructors: Kevin Kavran, PGA and Tyson Bowen, PGA*

Operation 36 provides beginners with the most effective model and technology to learn to play golf. Become a skilled golfer by following a motivating roadmap to shooting Par (36) or better for 9 holes! For more information about Operation 36, go online and visit operation36.golf/. Simply click 'Find A Program' and search Idaho Falls. From there, select the course you want to participate at and submit a player form.