



# 2023

*Idaho Falls  
Junior Golf Program*

*Informational  
Booklet*



*Sage Lakes (612-8535)*



*Pinecrest (612-8485)*



*Sand Creek (612-8115)*

*“Resolve never to quit, never to give up, no matter what the situation.”* Jack Nicklaus

## **Important Reminders for the 2023 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 page for junior lesson opportunities.
- ✓ **Register Online-** We are set up for online registration through [www.idahofallsidaho.gov/JGA](http://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-** We ask that all participants registering for the junior program watch an etiquette video and take a quiz which will need to be turned in with your registration. Both are assessable online. Instructions to access the video and quiz 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 Video & Quiz**

The purpose of this video is to inform participants about the basic rules of the game, safety, consideration for other players, pace of play, and care of the course. The video and quiz can be accessed online by visiting our website at

*golfif.com. Once on the website go to “Tournaments & 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, take the quiz (which is available on the website) and turn it in either with your registration fees (if you register on line, bring the test to the first Junior Day you play) and then you will be issued your membership card!! Membership cards will be available at all pro shops.. (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 someone responsible at least 14 years 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 at 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](http://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.** To make a tee time for the First Junior Day on June 5<sup>th</sup>, call Pinecrest any time after May 20<sup>th</sup>. After that, you can make tee times for future Junior Days one week in advance when you come to play on Junior Day. If you are unable to play on Junior Day, tee times can be made by calling the course. 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, July 3<sup>rd</sup> @ Sand Creek*
- *Monday, July 10<sup>th</sup> @ Sage Lakes*
- *Monday, July 17<sup>th</sup> @ 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 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](http://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 9, 2023**. 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 5<sup>th</sup> and ending on Sunday, 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 24, 2023** will determine which age group they will compete for in this tournament.
- Boys ages 12 and up (18 holes) AND Girls ages 13 and up (18 holes) will play on **Monday July 31<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 24<sup>th</sup> at Sand Creek**.

- Boys & Girls 8 & under (6 holes) will play on **Monday, July 24<sup>th</sup> at the 6-Hole Short Course at Sand Creek.** (Age 6-8 play 6 holes; Age 5 play 3 holes (1,2, & 3); 4 & under play 1 hole)
- **HOW TO SIGN UP FOR THE CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP:** Monday, June 26<sup>th</sup>, 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.** The association will provide all the food (chicken, salad, rolls/chips, pop, water, and eating utensils. All you need to bring is your lawn chairs and your camera. This year's banquet will be held on **Thursday, August 17th @ 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 \$5.00 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 2005 or later and those who are 18 who are still in high school):

\$309.58 Pass - Good at all 3 courses, Valid for current year, 7 days a week.

\$226.23 Pass - Good at all 3 courses, Valid for current year, Weekdays only prior to 4pm, not valid on Weekends or Holidays.

Daily Green fees - \$15 for 18 Holes and \$10 for 9 Holes, 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 2023 (subject to change-please call course to confirm)**

**Saturday, June 10<sup>th</sup> Pinecrest**  
**Saturday, June 17<sup>th</sup> Sand Creek**  
**Saturday, June 24<sup>th</sup>, Sage Lakes**  
**Saturday, July 1<sup>st</sup>, Pinecrest**  
**Saturday, July 8<sup>th</sup>, Sage Lakes**  
**Saturday, July 15<sup>th</sup>, Sand Creek**  
**Saturday, July 22<sup>nd</sup>, Pinecrest**  
**Saturday, July 29<sup>th</sup>, Sand Creek**  
**Saturday, Aug 5<sup>th</sup>, Sage Lakes**  
**Saturday, Aug 12<sup>th</sup>, Pinecrest**  
**Saturday, Aug 19<sup>th</sup>, Sand Creek**  
**Saturday, Aug 26<sup>th</sup>, Sage Lakes**



## ***Fun Event for Families***

***Saturday, August 5<sup>th</sup> 22<sup>nd</sup> 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 5, 2023 or have been enrolled as a senior in high school in the spring of 2023. We will use the junior's age on Aug 5<sup>th</sup> 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 5<sup>th</sup> 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](http://www.idahoga.org)**.*

# ***LESSON PROGRAMS***

## **1. Private Golf Lessons for Juniors**

*Cost: \$45.00 for 30-45 minutes Or a Series of 3 Private Lessons for \$130.00 Or a Series of 5 Private Lessons for 200.00 Call the course of your choice to 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/](http://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.*

## **3. Sand Creek Golf Course will have Junior Group**

**Lessons**.....at the time of this books printing, the dates and times were not available. Please call Sand Creek @ 208-612-8115 for more information.