



The 2017 golf season is almost here and we have some great things planned for our juniors this season. This year we will again be offering Spring and Fall Clinics on Thursdays and Saturdays. Our Summer Program will be starting the first week in June and will be moving to ***Thursday (previously held on Tuesdays)***. We are busy working on creating some new and fun ways of teaching the kids and we are looking forward to having all the juniors out to enjoy the course!

Spring Clinics:

Thursdays 4:30-5:30 April 13 to May 18 -- 6-Hole and Up

\$95 for all 6 sessions or **\$25** for each individual session

These clinics are targeted at our players that were in the 6-hole group and up from last season. We will usually spend 30 minutes practicing and 30 minutes teaching on the golf course.

Saturdays 3:00 to 4:00 April 15 to May 13 -- 3-Hole and Down

\$75 for all 5 sessions or **\$25** for each individual session

These clinics are targeted at our players that were in our 3-hole group and younger from last season. We will usually spend a little more time practicing with these kids to develop their range of motion with fun golf games then graduate to more time on the course.

Summer Program:

Our summer program has moved to Thursday mornings and will start the first week of June and continue until July 27th. Sign up will start immediately for all golf members. The fees for each group in the program are listed below. Included in the fee is entry into the annual Parent-Child Tournament and the Junior Club Championship. The details for these two events are listed below.

Advanced Class June 6 to August 2

The fee for this class will be **\$210**

Tuesdays - At 11:30 pm they will attend clinic for one hour. After clinic they will play 9 or 18 holes at 12:30 pm with a golf professional. The Tuesday classes and golf will continue through August 2nd. **(We will not have Tuesdays on July 4th)**

Thursdays- This group will play 18 holes starting at 8:00am. During play we will expect them to keep stats for us to track progress. **(We will not have class on Thursday, June 8th or Thursday, June 22nd)**

New this year is the introduction of the Birdie Fire program. Birdie Fire is an online and mobile based program that students can use to track their statistics from round to round over the course of the season. These statistics will help narrow down where the strengths and weaknesses are in each individual. The great thing about Birdie Fire, is it will better assist the coaches in helping the student progress in the right direction. Birdie Fire can also be used to help in the search for a college golf scholarship. Many collegiate teams use the program to recruit new students as well as help the current students and teams achieve their golf goals.

* To qualify for this class these players should be able to shoot 55 or below on 9 holes.

9-Hole Class June 1 to July 27 (We will not have class on June 8th/22nd)
The fee for this class will be **\$165**

Thursdays - This group will have clinic from 7:30 – 8:15 and play at 8:15 am. They will play 9 holes and finish around 11:15.

*To qualify for this class these players must be able to shoot 65 or below on 9 holes. These players should also be ready to play on the course without a parent walker.

6-Hole Class June 1 to July 27 (We will not have class on June 8th/22nd)

The fee for this class will be **\$165**

Thursdays - This group will have clinic from 8:45 – 9:30 and play at 9:30 am. They will play 6 holes and finish around 11:15.

*To qualify for this class these players must be able to shoot between 48 – 60 on 6 holes.

3-Hole Class June 1 to July 27 (We will not have class on June 8th/22nd)

The fee for this class will be **\$165**

Thursdays - This group will have clinic from 9:30 – 10:15 and play at 10:15 am. They will play 3 holes and finish around 11:30.

*To qualify for this class these players must be able to shoot between 24 – 40 on 3 holes.

Little Linksters June 1 to July 22 (We will not have class on June 24th)

The fee for this group will be \$120

Saturdays - This group will be at the course from 4:00 – 4:45. This class is targeted at our youngest players with ages ranging from 3 to 7 and is a great way to introduce your youngster to the game. We have equipment for the kids to use in this class, so just bring them out and let them fall in love with the game!

***Parent – Child Tournament Information* Sunday, July 16**

This event is open to any of our juniors that participated in junior golf and their parent. If a parent is not available a junior can play with a grandparent, uncle or aunt. The format is Modified Chapman Alternate Shot.

The golf event with golf cart and prizes is included in the junior golf fee for the 2016 season. The buffet after the golf will be \$15 for adults and \$9 for children.

***Junior Club Championship Information* August 19 and 20**

Juniors will play both days and will play within the hole classes they participated in for Junior Golf summer clinics. The format will be Individual Stroke Play. There is no entry fee for this event.

CCL Team Opportunities:

This year Country Club of Leawood will offer two team opportunities. One will be the Junior KC Cup that we have participated in for four years and the other one will be a team opportunity called PGA Junior League. Both of these options are fun opportunities for your youngsters and can be a great way to test if they are interested in competitive golf by breaking in with one of these fun, low pressure events. I have described both of these opportunities below with more information to follow for those of you that are qualified.

PGA Junior League Golf (<http://www.pgajlg.com/>)

PGA Junior League Golf is a very fun, low pressure event for our juniors. The idea behind this is to set up a team format that will be similar to what our youngest players use for other sports. As a part of the CCL PGA Junior League Team the players will receive a jersey with a number similar to other sports. I encourage you to check out the above website for more cool information about PGA Junior League!

Who is eligible?: The PGA Junior League will be open to our players 13 and under.

What is the format?: Each match will have 12 players playing. Those 12 players will split into four teams of three and each of them will play a 9-hole match against one of the teams from the other course. The 9-Hole match will be split into three 3-hole matches (each of these being worth one flag). The team with the most flags at the end of the matches is the winning team. During the matches the players will play a scramble format.

When and where are the events?: We will be following up with much more information on this over the next couple weeks. At this time we do not have a schedule, but we do know that we will be in a league with Lake Quivira, Hallbrook and Blue Hills. We will play a home and away match with each team.

How do you get your junior into PGA Junior League?: Contact the Golf Shop and let us know your junior would like to participate. The fees for the league will be \$150 and will include playing in at least 4 of the matches as well as a weekly practice (clinic) ran by one of our Golf Professionals.

Junior KC Cup

Country Club of Leawood will again participate in the Junior KC Cup in 2017. Details are below. This is a touch more competitive than PGA Junior League, but still a great entry level competition for our juniors.

Who is eligible?: The Junior KC Cup will be open to any of our juniors from the ages 9 to 15. We will work to put together as strong a team as possible for each event.

What is the format?: Each team will be composed of six players playing in the following divisions. The team score will be the one lowest score from each division. The team will then earn points based on what place we finish amongst the other teams playing.

2 Players at 15 & Under (play 18 holes)

2 Players at 13 & Under (play 18 holes)

2 Players at 9-11 (play 9 holes)

When and where are the events?: Listed below is the schedule for the matches.

Date	Site
June 13th	The Deuce at the National
July 10th	Lakewood Oaks Country Club
July 13th	Shadow Glen Golf Club
July 20th	Lawrence Country Club
Junior KC Cup Final	
August 10th	Kansas City Country Club

How do you get your junior into Junior KC Cup?: The first step is to let me know that your child is interested and what their availability is for these 5 dates. The second step is to sign up through the Kansas City Golf Association. The cost will be \$100 (only \$60 if your junior is already signed up for the KC Junior Tour).

Tournament Opportunities:

For our juniors that are interested in competing in some local, statewide or even national events we have listed below the websites for several tours that we suggest. There is a lot of information on all of these tours and some of it can be overwhelming. We are certainly here to help you find what is best for your junior, so please don't hesitate to reach out for more information.

Midwest Junior PGA Championship - <http://www.midwest.pga.com/pgajrchampionship/>

Kansas City Golf Association – KC Junior Tour - <http://www.kansascitygolfer.org/junior-golf/kc-junior-tour/>

US Kids Golf Local Tour - <http://www.uskidsgolf.com/tournaments/local-tours/find-local-tour/284882/kansas-city>

Kansas Junior Golf Association - <http://www.kansasgolf.org/kansas-junior-golf-association--kjga/schedule-3/>

Drive, Chip and Putt - <https://www.drivechipandputt.com/>

American Junior Golf Association - <https://www.ajga.org/index-normal.asp>

United States Golf Association - <http://www.usga.org/Championships.aspx?id=7796>