



# PGA

Central New York Section

## Junior Tour

Presented by,

the  
**Esther Cannizzo**  
Junior Golf Foundation

Dear Junior Golfer:

On behalf of the Central New York Section of the PGA of America, we would like to welcome you to the 2020 Central New York PGA Junior Golf Tour. The CNY PGA Junior Golf Tour was created to provide affordable, competitive events for junior golfers, further develop the quality of junior golfers in the region and to encourage sportsmanship while promoting the rules and etiquette of the game. Our goal is to provide junior golfers with affordable events that are administered to the highest professional standards of the PGA of America.

As you review the schedule we have created, you will see that the tour is set to visit some of the finest facilities across the Section. We will play a number of events, beginning in May and ending in mid-August. Players will earn points in each of the first 12 point events they participate in, with the top;

- 9 boys 19-20
- 21 boys ages 16-18
- 21 boys ages 14-15
- 12 boys ages 12-13
- 9 boys ages 9-11
- 9 girls 19-20
- 21 girls ages 12-18
- 4 girls ages 9-11

Earning a spot in the final event of the season, the Tour Championship. As you read this booklet, you will find out about the CNY PGA Junior Golf Tour and the benefits you will receive by becoming a member of the tour.

In order for the CNY PGA Junior Golf Tour to succeed, we have guidelines and procedures for all juniors and parents to follow. Players and parents should take the time to review these guidelines and familiarize themselves on all policies and procedures.

We are very excited about the 2020 CNY PGA Junior Golf Tour. The Central New York Section of the PGA of America is dedicated to providing junior golfers with one of the finest junior golf programs in the country. Play well!

Sincerely,

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## **REGISTRATION PROCESS**

This year the Junior Tour will continue with “WEB-ACCESS” tournament entry. The steps below detail the process of both joining the tour and entering the individual events. You must first be a member of the CNYPGA Junior Tour and have a customer I.D. number. The customer I.D. number allows you to enter CNYPGA Junior Tour events.

**STEP 1** ON THE WEB, GO TO [WWW.CNY.PGA.COM](http://WWW.CNY.PGA.COM)  
CLICK ON “Juniors Programs → Junior Tour” OR just “Junior Tour”

### **NEW MEMBERS/PAST MEMBERS**

GO TO “Login | Registration” AND CLICK ON “Here” OR SEND IN JR. TOUR ENTRY INCLUDED IN THIS PACKET

**STEP 2** ONCE YOU HAVE FILLED IN THE PLAYERS CLUB INFORMATION WE’LL EMAIL YOU YOUR CUSTOMER ID#

**STEP 3** SELECT THE EVENT OR EVENTS IN WHICH YOU WISH TO PLAY

**STEP 4** FOLLOW EASY “STEP BY STEP” DIRECTIONS

**After you are in an event you may not make changes on the web.** You must call the CNY PGA Section Office at 315 - 446 - 5610 to make changes or cancellations.

Advantages are:

- ~You instantly know whether you’re in an event
- ~See your number on the wait list
- ~See all the events in which you are participating
- ~See how many entries there are to date

If you decide to be on the wait list, you will be automatically billed for that event. You are considered in the event if an opening arises. If you are on the waitlist, you are expected to have no conflicts with that event and must play if called upon. If you cannot play, you will be charged a \$10 processing fee. If you are not called from the wait list you will be refunded fully at the end of the season.

### **Deadlines:**

**Tour Membership - Unlimited**

**Tournament Entry - must register 5 days before tournament**

*\*\*The 5 day deadline to register for tournaments will be adhered to strictly this season. In order to provide the host course with enough notice on the number of players, we must follow this rule.\*\**

# **MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION**

## **Eligibility**

The CNY PGA Junior Golf Tour is open to boys and girls ages 9 - 20 as of August 8<sup>th</sup>, 2020. They must reside in one of the following counties unless otherwise stated by the committee; **Broome, Cayuga, Chenango, Chemung, Cortland, Jefferson, Lewis, Madison, Oneida, Onondaga, Oswego, Schuyler, Seneca, St. Lawrence, Steuben, Tioga, Tompkins, Wayne**. Remember, to compete in any CNY PGA Junior Golf Tour event, you must have paid the Tour Membership fee for 2020. (unless event is open to Non-Members).

## **Membership and Tournament Fees**

CNY PGA Junior Golf Tour Membership is **\$85.00** per junior golfer.

The entry fee is **\$45.00** per tournament.

The entry fee for the 9-11 divisions is **\$25.00** per tournament.

All two-day events for Boys and Girls ages 12-20 will cost **\$65.00** for CNY PGA Junior Tour Members

All two-day events for Boys and Girls ages 9-11 will cost **\$40.00** for CNY PGA Junior Tour Members

The optimist qualifier will cost **\$60.00** for CNY PGA Junior Tour Members

\* Boys and girls 9-11 will only play in a select number of events. Each event for the 9-11 division will consist of 9 holes and lunch.

\* Boys and girls 19-20 will only play in a select number of events. Each event will consist of 18 holes with lunch.

## **Membership Benefits**

~Eligible to participate in all CNY PGA Junior Golf Tour Events

~CNY PGA Junior Golf Tour membership package

~Receive Player of the Year points (First 12 events)

~Build a playing resume

~Get recognized on multiple national websites

## **Refer a Player Program:**

Throughout the 2020 CNY PGA Junior Tour season, if you refer 1 brand new player (players that have never played on the CNY PGA Junior Tour before) to the CNYPGA Junior Tour. If that new player becomes a 2020 Junior Tour Member and plays in an event, you will receive a \$40 credit to your account. This gives you the opportunity to play a tournament at NO COST! There are no limits to the number of players you can refer. The more players you refer the more events you play in at no cost. Help us share the experience and receive rewards for your referrals.

## How to get our Refer a Player reward?

- Tell a friend about one of our events in 2020
  - Call into our office at (315) 446-5610 and ask for Brianna Sovring
  - Mention the name of the player you are referring, and we will monitor when your referral plays in a CNYPGA Jr Tour event
  - We will keep track of the players you referred to us and when they have successfully completed an event, we will then get you into your next event at no cost.
  - You will be contacted by the CNY PGA Jr Tour to determine what event you would like to play in.
  - **For tracking purposes, it is mandatory to fill out the CNY PGA Jr Tour player referral form in order to obtain your credit.**
- . Take advantage of this great opportunity and we can't wait to see you all on the golf course with your friends!

## Refer a Player Program:

CNY PGA Jr Tour Member: \_\_\_\_\_

How did you hear about this program?

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Players you would like to refer:

Name

Player 1:

Player 2:

Player 3:

Player 4:

Player 5:

Player 6:

# **TOURNAMENT INFORMATION**

## **Age Divisions**

Age division for individual tour events only. Age as of August 8<sup>th</sup>, 2020 will determine the age group for the participant.

**Boys Divisions:** 9 - 11, 12 - 13, 14 - 15, 16 - 18, 19 - 20      **Girls Divisions:** 9 - 11, 12 - 14, 15 - 18, 19 - 20

## **Tournament Availability**

There are 100 spots available in each tournament. The first 100 paid entries will be accepted. Up to 15 entries received after the tournament is fully subscribed will be placed on the waiting list. In the event a spot becomes available, the next eligible participant will be notified via telephone.

## **Entry Deadlines**

All entry deadlines for each CNY PGA Junior Golf Tour will be indicated on the official web site. **Juniors must register for an event 5 days before the tournament date. No late entries will be accepted for any reason.** After the deadline, each applicant will be able to access tee time and directions to the tournament site via the internet at CNY.PGA.COM. If the applicant cannot access the web site, please call the CNY PGA Section office at 315 - 446 - 5610.

## **Weather Policy**

The PGA representative or Section staff in charge, after consultation with the host professional and course superintendent, has the authority to order discontinuance of play due to weather, a decision to cancel play entirely rests with the official in charge, again after appropriate consultation. Suspension of play will be designated by one long blast for a dangerous situation or three short blasts for course unplayable or darkness. Resumption of play will be designated by two long blasts. (Note: Players should be aware of their right to stop play at any time if they think lightning threatens them, even though no signal for discontinuance has been given or heard.)

The following situations will result in the following outcome:

- The event is cancelled before play begins – **Full refund**
- The event is cancelled after play begins and all competitors have completed less than 9 holes and no lunch is served – **Full refund (minus \$5 processing fee)**
- The event is cancelled after play begins and all competitors have completed less than 9 holes however lunch is served – **Partial refund (minus \$5 processing fee)**
- The event is cancelled after all competitors have completed 9 holes- **No refund**

## **FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS**

**Q: How will the 9-11-year-old division operate?**

A: The 9-11-year-old division will consist of a boys and girls division. Competitors will pay the \$85 membership fee and a \$25 tournament fee per event. Each event will consist of 9 holes with lunch following play. Throughout the season, player of the year points will be awarded to determine a boy and girl player of the year. A schedule can be found below along with visiting [www.cny.pga.com/junior-tour](http://www.cny.pga.com/junior-tour)

**Q: How will the 19-20-year-old division operate?**

A: The 19-20-year-old division will consist of a boys and girls division. Competitors will pay the \$85 membership fee and a \$45 tournament fee per event. Each event will consist of 18 holes with lunch following play. Throughout the season, player of the year points will be awarded to determine a boy and girl player of the year. A schedule can be found below along with visiting [www.cny.pga.com/junior-tour](http://www.cny.pga.com/junior-tour)

**Q: How many spots are available in each tournament?**

A: Each event is limited to the first 100 paid entries. An additional 15 entries will be placed on an alternate list.

**Q: If a tournament is full, should I still sign up on the web?**

A: Yes, if you will be available for the day of the event. Your credit card will be charged at the time of your sign - up (even if you are an alternate). If you are not called from the wait list, you will be refunded fully at the end of the season. Spots become available due to player withdrawals. You will be able to see how many are already waiting. If your application is accepted as an alternate, you will be notified via telephone prior to the tournament.

**Q: When will I receive my Junior Golf Tour packet?**

A: You will receive your packet via email once you register. You can also retrieve the packet online at CNY.PGA.COM

**Q: When and how will I know my tee time?**

A: Tee times for each event will be emailed to you as well as being located at the PGA Website at CNY.PGA.COM. Directions to the golf course and telephone numbers will also be included on the website.

**Q: Can my child play up in a division if we feel their playing ability warrants?**

A: No. The CNY PGA Junior Tour is open to juniors ages 9-20 to participate and earn points in events around Central New York. The CNY PGA Junior Tour is designed to categorize all participants by their ages as of the last day of the season, being the Junior Tour Championship. Their age division is based on their age as of that date, not the players playing ability.

**Q: Are spectators allowed to watch?**

A: Yes. Spectators can follow but no interaction is allowed with the player. Parents are more than welcome to follow their children around the golf course, however, any interaction between spectators and children is unacceptable and could result in disqualification. Please see below our guidelines.

This applies for every tournament the Central New York PGA Administers.

**1<sup>st</sup> offence:** 2 stroke penalty to your son or daughter

**2<sup>nd</sup> offence:** Your son or daughter will be DQ (**disqualification**)

- **No advice is to be given during the round. "Advice" is any counsel or suggestion, which could influence a player in determining his play, the choice of club or the method of making a stroke (see Rule 8 in the USGA Rules Book).**
- **You may follow but no interaction with any player is allowed. No spectator is allowed on any greens, tee boxes or fairways. Spectators are "outside the ropes" only.**
- **Parents will not make any rulings. If the players are in doubt of a ruling they can follow Rule 3-3 which allows them to play two balls. Before signing their scorecard, they can come to the committee to talk about the situation.**

If you are unable to follow these guidelines, then we will ask you not to follow your son or daughter.

**Q: If I withdraw from a tournament, do I get a refund?**

A: If a player wishes to withdraw from an event that he/she has signed up to participate in, the following policy shall apply:

- ~Cancellation prior to event deadline: Participant will be charged a \$5.00 processing fee.
- ~Cancellation after the entry deadline: Forfeit 1/2 (one half) the entry fee.
- ~Cancellation day of event: No refund.

*The Junior Golf Tour membership fee of \$85 is non-refundable.*

**Q: If I have a birthday during the tournament season, in which age group do I participate?**

A: Your age is as of August 8<sup>th</sup>, 2020. You will then be able to play in the same age group for the entire season and be ranked accordingly.

**Q: As a parent, am I allowed to caddie for my child?**

A: No. The junior golfer must carry his/her own clubs (i.e. no caddies permitted at any time). **No advice** is to be given during the round. "Advice" is any counsel or suggestion, which could influence a player in determining his play, the choice of club or the method of making a stroke (see Rule 8 in the USGA Rules Book). A copy of the CNY PGA Junior Golf Tour Spectator Guidelines will be distributed to spectators on the first tee.

**Q: Can I combine membership application and multiple events in payment?**

A: Yes, money for the Junior Tour Membership and all events must be paid via the web at [www.cny.pga.com](http://www.cny.pga.com).

**Q: Why is there a deadline when the tournaments fill up before the deadline?**

A: The deadline is necessary to determine field pairings and to allow time to make changes without penalty. Making changes after the deadline period will prohibit a full refund.

**Q: If I get disqualified from an event does that count as an event played for Player of the Year?**

A: If you get disqualified from an event it will **NOT** count as an event played for Player of the Year point's race.



# **2020 Junior Tour Schedule**

## **Junior Tour Open/ Jr. Series #3**

Saturday and Sunday, May 30<sup>th</sup> – 31<sup>st</sup> – Mark Twain Golf Course, Elmira

## **Optimist Qualifier**

Sunday, June 14<sup>th</sup> – Sunset Ridge Golf Course

## **PGA Jr. Championship Qualifier**

Saturday and Sunday, June 20<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup> – Radisson Greens GC, Baldwinsville

<b><u>Day</u></b>	<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Location</u></b>
Sunday	June 28	Beaver Meadows GC, Phoenix
Tuesday	June 30	En-Joie GC, Endicott
Thursday	July 2	Pompey Club, Pompey
Thursday	July 9	Yahnundasis GC, New Hartford
Friday	July 10	Oneida Community GC, Oneida
Tuesday	July 14	Timber Banks GC, Baldwinsville
Thursday	July 16	Links at Erie Village, East Syracuse
Friday	July 17	Tuscarora GC, Camillus
Wednesday	July 22	Cortland CC, Cortland
Thursday	July 23	Oswego CC, Oswego
Friday	July 24	Cazenovia CC, Cazenovia
Tuesday	July 29	Bellevue CC, Syracuse
Thursday	July 30	LakeShore 1860, Cicero
Friday	July 31	Crestwood GC, Marcy

## **CNY PGA Junior Tour Championship**

Round 1 – Thursday August 6<sup>th</sup> – Kaluhyat Golf Club, Verona

Round 2 – Friday August 7<sup>th</sup> – Shenendoah Golf Club, Verona

**ALL golf courses are spikeless golf facilities - no metal spikes will be permitted**

# **CODE OF CONDUCT**

- Dress Code:**
1. All Competitors shall wear shirts with a collar; *mock golf shirts* are allowed.
  2. Girls golf shirts may be sleeveless.
  3. T-shirts and tank tops are not allowed.
  4. Players may wear shorts of mid-thigh length. Gym shorts, blue jeans and cutoffs are not allowed.
  5. Shirts must remain “tucked-in” at all times.
  6. “Baseball” caps are acceptable, with bill facing forwards.

**1st infraction – warning; 2<sup>nd</sup> infraction 2 stroke penalty and player must correct immediately;  
3rd infraction - Disqualification from event**

**Conduct:**

Any conduct that is determined to be detrimental to the Central New York PGA Junior Golf Tour will not be tolerated. Such conduct includes but is not limited to the following: Consumption of alcoholic beverages, smoking or use of tobacco products, drug use, gambling, abusive language or profanity, club throwing, damage or abuse of host facility property.

Any breach of the above guidelines will result in disqualification from the event where the incident occurred. The player will also be disqualified from the next event entered without a refund. A second infraction will result in suspension from the Central New York PGA Junior Golf Tour for the remainder of the season and forfeiture of all applicable entry fees.

**“NO-SHOW” Policy:**

A player must call the CNY PGA Section office two days prior to the tournament from which they intend to withdraw. **A player failing to withdraw from a tournament and/or failing to compete will forfeit the entry fee and be suspended from the next tournament and no money shall be refunded.** If a player breaches this rule a second time, he/she will be suspended for the remainder of the season and forfeit all applicable entry fees.

**Caddies and or Carts:**

Caddies and/or motorized carts will not be permitted at any Central New York PGA Junior Golf Tour event. Each competitor must walk and carry his/her own clubs. Pull carts are allowed unless not permitted by the host facility.

**Spectator Guidelines:**

Parents are more than welcome to follow their children around the golf course, however any interaction between spectators and children is unacceptable and could result in disqualification. Please see below our guidelines.

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If you are unable to follow these guidelines, then we will ask you not to follow your son or daughter.

**Care for the Golf Course:**

All players are expected to maintain, as well as improve, the condition of the golf course by replacing divots, repairing ball marks, raking bunkers, picking up and disposing of trash, etc.

**Players Assisting Players:**

Fellow-competitors are not allowed to give advice to each other. “Advice” is any counsel or suggestion, which could influence a player in determining his/her play, the choice of club or the method of making a stroke (see page 32, Rule 1-3 of the Rules of Golf book). To assist in understanding this definition provided here are just a few examples of giving advice:

“I think you should hit a 6-iron here” or “Take an un-playable lie” or “Your ball is 124 yards from the hole” or “Keep your head down”.

However, information on the Rules or on matters of public information, such as the position of hazards or the flagstick on the putting green is not advice. The following are not examples of asking for advice: “Can you show me where the 150 yard marker is?” or “My ball is in the hazard, what are my options?” or “Where is the hole located?” or “Is the hazard located on the left or right side of the fairway?”

**Cheating:**

Cheating of any type will not be tolerated and will result in immediate disqualification and suspension from the Central New York PGA Junior Golf Tour. The player will forfeit all remaining entry fees and incur a one-year suspension from all Central New York PGA sanctioned events.

**Individuals with Special Needs:**

The Central New York PGA Junior Golf Tour strongly supports and encourages individuals with special needs to participate on the tour. We please ask that all guidelines from above be reached. For more information please contact the section office at 315-446-5610.

**2020 Central New York PGA Junior Golf Tour**  
**MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION**  
**Ages 9 - 20**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Customer ID#: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Facility: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail Address (REQUIRED) \_\_\_\_\_

Male [\_\_\_\_] Female [\_\_\_\_] Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_

**Fee: \$85.00**

Select Payment Method:      Check      MasterCard      Visa

Card Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name on Card: \_\_\_\_\_ Credit Card ID: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**Make Check payable and mail to: CNY PGA // Mail to: 5011 Jamesville Road, Jamesville, NY 13078**

In consideration of the applicant's participation in the Central New York PGA Junior Golf Tour: 1) the applicant and the parent/guardian hereby release the PGA of America, the Central New York Section PGA of America, the Central New York Section Foundation, host sites of CNY PGA Junior Golf Tour events and all of each company's respective officers, directors, employees, agents, subsidiaries, and affiliates from any and all liability, damages, accidents, claims or injuries sustained by the applicant or parent/guardian in connection with the tournaments; 2) the applicant grants and assigns his/her individual media /photo rights respecting participation in the competition, without the exception to the sponsors, PGA of America and CNY PGA.

In fairness to my fellow CNY PGA Junior Golf Tour members, I agree to cancel all entries by following the CNY PGA Junior Golf Tour withdrawal/no-show policy for any event in which I am unable to compete. The Central New York Junior Golf Tour shall have the sole authority to determine and enforce any rules and regulations of the tournament including eligibility, as well as accuracy violations. The CNY PGA Junior Golf Tour reserves the right to cancel any event at its sole discretion.

In case of medical emergency during an CNY PGA Junior Golf Tour event, I authorize a qualified, medical physician to take all necessary measures in the treatment of this CNY PGA Junior Golf Tour participant.

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Applicant's Signature      Date      Parent/Guardian Signature