



WESTERN PROVINCE GOLF

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2019

WP (GIRLS) JUNIOR SQUAD and WGSA NOMADS GIRLS CHAMPIONSHIPS

The Western Province (Girls) Junior Squad 2019 will focus on providing a safe platform (as far as is financially, organisationally and realistically feasible) for players, of varying ages and golfing skill, who have a golf handicap, the opportunity to develop their golfing ability fully, advance their personal growth and gain valuable life and social skills by funding group coaching sessions by professional coaches. It will also provide a platform for the Junior WP/WGSA ranked Players to develop as role models and mentors to the less experienced players by sharing knowledge and experience.

Coaching programme:

The coaching provided for players with handicap indexes of 15.4 and over, will help lay a solid foundation on swing fundamentals with:

- Range coaching sessions: focus on all clubs, including learning chipping, bunker shots, pitching, and specialized shot techniques and putting.
- On-course sessions: learn how best to play holes/courses; specialized shots and test newly learnt skills.

For players with handicap indexes 15.3 and under (based on tournament scores), the specialized coaching sessions will cover:

- Range coaching sessions: technical aspects of the swing, ball flight, short game skills.
- Group forum sessions: instruction on statistics, practice routines, fitness and good nutrition.
- On course sessions: learn and hone specialized shots and shot shaping techniques.

WP Volunteers:

Will provide an organisational supportive framework to assist with:

- Learning the Rules of Golf
- Guidance on how the players should conduct themselves in accordance with the Etiquette of the game both on and off the golf course.
- Assistance and advice on how to enter competitive golf events from Junior, Club, Provincial to National level.

Player commitment:

WP Golf requires the Junior Squad 2019 players to commit to the program for the year by:

- Attending as many of the coaching sessions as possible throughout the year – minimum of two (2) sessions per term.
- Practicing and playing between coaching sessions.
- Playing tournaments appropriate to the player's age and skill level – minimum three (3) tournaments per six (6) months.

- Responding timeously and courteously to all WP Golf, volunteers or coaches communications.

2019 coaching session details:

Junior Squad sessions at Royal Cape (tbc) - 14:00 – 17:00

14:00 – 15:00 – Discussion and information session on Rules/Etiquette/up coming Tournaments

15:00 – 17:00 – Group Range session with coaches for all players

Junior Squad sessions at Steenberg – 14:00 – 17:00

14:00 – 16:00 – Group Range session for handicap index players 15.4 & over

14:00 – 16:00 – Group Range sessions for handicap index players 15.3 & under

16:00 – 17:00 – Short game skills test or on- course

Junior Squad On-course sessions at Royal Cape - 14:00 – 17:00

14:00 – 15:00 – Discussion and information session on Rules/Etiquette/up coming Tournaments

15:00 – 17:00 – Warm up & on-course session with coaches for Handicap index players 15.4 & over

15:00 – 17:00 – Warm up & on course session to test their skills for Handicap index players 15.3 & under

A Fixture list showing both the provisional dates, venues and times of the Junior Squad coaching sessions for the year and Tournaments (appropriate to each age and ability level) will be provided.

WP Golf in consultation with the coaches reserves the right to amend or change the times, dates or content of the coaching sessions at any time. Players will be timeously informed.

Tournament entry details:

River Club Mashie 18 Hole Competitions (for handicaps 25 and over)

Organizers: John Laidlaw and WP Golf Peter Little. No competition fee payable.

Peter Little contact details: Cell 084 656 1102 Email littlegolfers2@gmail.com

WP Junior Open Tournaments (in divisions for handicaps 0-24)

Organizer: WP Golf Peter Little. Entry forms are sent out on email to Junior Squad players. Entry fees payable to WP Golf.

Taylormade U13 (players 12 years or under) & U15 Tournaments (players 14 years or under)

Organizer: WP Golf Peter Little. Entry forms are sent out on email to Junior Squad players. Entry fees payable to WP Golf.

BFMJS (Bridge Fund Managers Junior Series)

Organizer: WP Golf Peter Little. Enter and pay entry fees online: <https://juniorseries.bridgfm.co.za>

Peter Little contact details: Cell 084 656 1102 Email: littlegolfers2@gmail.com

WP Womens Tournaments

Most entries are online: i.e. enter and pay the entry fees online.

For Eligibility, Tournament Conditions and Entry details go to www.westernprovincegolf.co.za website. Under the Women tab click the Tournaments and Results on the dropdown tab. Scroll down to find the name of the tournament and click on it.

Provincial Tournaments

For Eligibility, Tournament Conditions and Entry details go to www.golfrsa.co.za website. Under the Women tab click the Tournaments and Results on the dropdown tab. Scroll down to find the name of the tournament and click on it.

National Tournaments

Entries online on www.golfrsa.co.za website. Under the Women tab click the Tournaments and Results on the dropdown tab. Scroll down to find the name of the tournament and click on it.

WGSA Girls Championships

The highlight of the WP Junior Squad year is the annual WGSA Nomads Girls Championships held in Orkney during the school holidays (23-25 June 2019). In recent years, Western Province has been fortunate to take a large number of players to this tournament, but there is no guarantee that this will be the case again this year. The number of players who qualify for selection to the Western Province group of players may be curtailed for any reason, including but not limited to, budget constraints, accommodation capacity limits or Union player numbers being capped by WGSA.

A WP Junior Squad Criteria Document to determine a ranking order of players who qualify (highest to lowest player assessment percentage score) has been drawn up and each player's performance will be measured against a weighted rolling system of 4 parts. Each player will then be ranked in order of qualification to be included in the Western Province group.

In order to avoid disappointment, we outline below the 4 key points ***in order of importance*** whereby the players will be assessed and used as a guideline for choosing players for inclusion in the chaperoned group to be assisted with apparel, travelling and tournament costs to the 2019 WGSA Nomads Girls Championship. The assessment period will run from July to June each year

- **Participation in a minimum of three (3) Tournaments within six (6) months.**

Players: Handicap Index 15.3) and under

Strokeplay tournaments, for example but not limited to:

National Tournaments - SA Rose Bowl, SA Amateur Strokeplay, SA Amateur Matchplay

Other Provincial Tournaments - Open and Junior Championships

WP Golf Tournaments - Women's Amateur Championships, Junior Girls Championships,

Ackerman Championships

WP Golf Junior Tournaments

Players: Handicap Index 15.4) and over

Strokeplay & Individual Stableford tournaments, for example but not limited to:

National Tournaments - SA Rose Bowl

Other Provincial Tournaments - Open and Junior Championships

WP Golf Tournaments - Women's Amateur Championships, WP Junior Girls & Boys

Championships, Ackerman Championships

WP Golf Junior Tournaments and other Junior Tournaments and Championships – Junior Opens, BMFJS, Taylormade U13 & U15.

- **Tournament Scores**

Based on Nett scores or Stableford points. (Stableford scores will be converted to Nett scores)

- **Regular attendance at Squad. All Junior Squad players should attend two (2) out of the five (5) sessions per term.**

Players will only be excused from Junior Squad provided the WP Golf representative is advised in advance should they be:

- Representing their Club, playing in Club Championships, Provincial and National tournaments/competitions or attending Club, Provincial or National golf-related squad activities
- Writing matric examinations or attending compulsory school activities
- Suffering from an incapacitating illness or injury.

- **Playing regular rounds (throughout the year)**

In addition to playing in tournaments and in order to adequately prepare for the Championship, a minimum of 18 holes per month should be played with the scores entered timeously. Emphasis must be given to practice and play in the weeks leading up to the tournament, in preparation for the tournament.

Should players have the same assessment percentage (overall), the player with the higher tournament participation percentage will be given preference.

In the event the tournament participation percentages being the same, their tournament score percentage will then be taken into account.

Other factors that may be taken into account should players assessment scores be equal, include but not limited to:

- Player's scores have been entered to ensure a correct and accurate handicap index is maintained. Penalty scores incurred on the system will seriously detract from your eligibility.
- Attitude, behaviour and adhering to the etiquette of the game of golf at all times both on and off the golf course.

In choosing the players to make up the travel group, the abovementioned factors will be used. However, WP Golf reserves the right to include players who for whatever reason do not meet all the above criteria. The decision of WP Golf will be final.

Please note that a player who has either not been included in the group or a player who prefers to travel independently, may enter and play the Championship however, they will be solely responsible for their own transport and accommodation arrangements.

WP Golf looks forward to an exciting and successful year for our Junior Squad players.

Should you have any questions kindly contact our **Junior Squad Co-Ordinator, June Watson.**
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