



CGGU Junior Golf

(Your JUNIOR JOURNEY in golf starts here!)

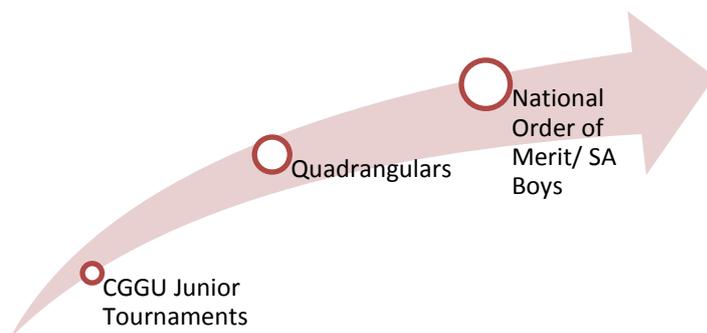
Information for players and parents.

What is a JUNIOR JOURNEY?

We all want to play the best golf we can and we all want the opportunity to represent our club, union or even country! To get to the top you have to start somewhere.

If you are not sure how to start playing in junior local and national tournaments you have come to the right place. Here you will find information on how to start your JUNIOR JOURNEY in golf!

CGGU Juniors forms part of Central Gauteng Golf Union. Any junior golfer who is a member of a golf club in Central Gauteng is automatically a member of CGGU Juniors as this is covered in their affiliation fees which they pay to the club. If you are not sure if your home club is in Central Gauteng, please check on our website under MEMBER CLUBS to find out.



Junior golfers start by playing in the CGGU Junior tournaments and affiliated tournaments (Glacier events) and make their way onto the CGGU Junior Order or Merit.

Players are then selected according to the CGGU Junior Order of Merit for both regional and national tournaments. Once players start playing in the National tournaments they will make their way onto SAGA's National Order of Merit (NOOM)

F.A.Q

Q: How do I enter CGGU Junior Tournaments?

A: Download the CGGU Junior Fixture List which is available on this website under the "JUNIORS" tab. Entry forms will become available approximately a month prior to each event and these entry forms can be found under the "TOURNAMENTS" tab or "CALENDER" on the left hand side of the home page. Entry forms are to be faxed back to us along with the proof of payment.

Q: Once I have entered a tournament, how does it work?

A: Once you have entered a CGGU Junior Tournament and have paid the entry fee you will receive a sms with your tee time 3 days before the tournament, the draw is also published on the website. The tournament is played in three divisions, A Division (handicap 7 and less); B Division (handicap 8-15) and C Division (handicap of 16 and higher). The A and B Divisions play Individual Medal and the C Division play Individual Stableford. Prizes are awarded for the top 3 in each division. The full results are then published on the website

Q: There are many colours and strange words on the CGGU Junior Fixture List, which tournaments can I play in?

A: Here is a breakdown of the CGGU Junior Fixture List:

CGGU Junior Tournament. (Open to all Junior Golfers)

There are basically two different types of CGGU Junior Tournaments.

- Firstly we have CGGU Junior 18 Hole Events which include the Sunday pm tournaments which are played over 18 holes on a Sunday afternoon and the "Festive Tour" which take place over the December/January holidays and the tournaments are played in the mornings.
- Secondly we have CGGU Junior 36 Hole Events and these are played during the school holidays and players play 36 holes in one day.

Bridge Fund Junior Series. (Open to all Junior Golfers)

These Tournaments are run on a National Series with the assistance of the host golf union.

BFM events that take place on courses in Central Gauteng count towards the CGGU Junior Order of Merit. To enter these tournaments you must register on <https://juniorseries.bridgefm.co.za/entries-and-results/> and follow the instructions on their website.

Quadrangulars (by invitation only)

There are four Quadrangular tournaments each year and are hosted by the northern golf unions, Central Gauteng, Gauteng North, Ekurhuleni, Mpumalanga and North West. Each Quadrangular tournament is split into age categories namely U/13, U/15, U/17, U/19 and Girls. These tournaments are by invitation only and invites are sent to those players who fall under the respective age category according to the CGGU Junior Order of Merit.

Junior League (via home club)

CGGU Junior League is an interclub league and selection for this league is done by the participating clubs. Players are requested to contact their home club to enquire if their club is in the league and how they can pay in the league side.

NOOM (by invitation only)

NOOM stand for National Order of Merit. There are coastal and inland NOOMs. These tournaments are run by SAGA. SAGA allocates a certain number of spots to each union. According to the allocated number we simply go down the CGGU Junior Order of Merit and invite those players.

Nomads SA Boys Strokeplay (by invitation only)

These tournaments are split into the various age groups namely U/13, U/15, U/17 and U/19. Qualification for entrance is done the same as the NOOM tournaments and according to the respective age group.

CGGU Qualifiers (via home club or school)

There are currently three different CGGU Qualifiers on the Fixture list. Winners of the CGGU Qualifiers go on to participate in the National Finals.

- Ernie Els Primary Schools Championships CGGU Qualifier. This is open to any primary school that falls within the boundaries of CGGU. Teams of four and players must enter through their school.
- SA High Schools Championships CGGU Qualifier. This is open to any high school that falls within the boundaries of CGGU. Teams of four and players must enter through their school.

SA Junior IPT (by invitation only)

This is the highlight of the CGGU Junior Calendar. The SA Junior IPT is a full Inter Provincial Tournament and is run on the same basis as all other SAGA IPTs. To qualify to represent CGGU in this event is done by the "Selection Criteria Junior IPT" document which can be found under the "JUNIORS" tab on the website. This is the only tournament where juniors are awarded colours as it is the highest honour in junior golf.

If you require any clarity or find a tournament which is not listed above, please feel free to contact Andy Truluck at the CGGU offices.

Q: How do I get invited to tournaments and how does the CGGU Junior Order of Merit work?

A: To be invited to participate in tournaments outside of CGGU, selection is done by the CGGU Junior Order of Merit. To start your "Junior Journey" on the CGGU Junior Order of Merit you must play in the CGGU Junior Tournaments and any Glacier event which takes place in CGGU. Every time you play your score get recorded on the CGGU Junior Order of Merit, which works on a Stroke Average basis. Once you have 10 scores on the system you will be officially ranked. A player's top 10 scores will always be considered, so the more tournaments you play in the more you improve your chances of climbing up the order or merit. These are the rankings which we take into account when we do our selections for any of the teams or national events.

Q. Am I old enough to play?

A. Any affiliated junior golfer is eligible in our events. But as all CGGU Junior Tournaments are played off the Men's Tees and we encourage only those players who are able to play off these markers or who are currently handicapped off those markers. If you feel you are not ready to play, don't worry as here is a great organisation which caters for younger golfers and they set the course up according to their various age groups:



SA Kids Golf – Contact them on info@sakidsgolf.co.za or visit their website www.sakidsgolf.co.za