



Welcome to the 2024 SDGA Junior Tour presented by Sanford International.

**YOUR ACCOUNT**

You are in complete control of your tournament schedule. Log into the [SDGA JUNIOR TOUR](#) and use the following menu options. If not visible, click the arrow on the right side of the menu bar to reveal additional options.

Sign In/Register

If you already have an account, sign in with your email and password.  
If you don't have a Golf Genius account, choose Register at the bottom of the page. If you DO NOT have a GHIN number, choose Register Without GHIN Number at the bottom of the second page.

- JOIN - Pay the \$69 membership fee
- EVENTS - Once the membership fee is paid, enter events
- Account - View all of your registrations
- Season Points - View the season point standings
- Sanford Golf Series - Link to the SDGA | Sanford Golf Series for more experienced players
- Past Results - Results from past years

**REGISTRATION**

**Register for SDGA Junior Tour Events (Beginning February 1st)**

- Membership Fee:** \$69.00
- Registration Fee:** \$20.00 per event
- Late Fee:** \$10.00 per event
- Event Deadlines:** 5 days prior to event
- Refunds:** \$20.00 (5 days prior to event) / \$0.00 (inside of 5 days)

**REFUND POLICY**

Withdrawals before the registration deadline (FIVE DAYS prior to event,) must be made on-line and 100% of the entry fee will be refunded. Withdrawals after the registration deadline (FIVE DAYS prior to event,) must be made through the **SDGA TEXT ONLY NUMBER (605-546-7775)** however, the entry fee will not be refunded.

**EMAIL AND TEXT MESSAGING**

We will communicate using both email and text messaging with the contact information that you provided in your player profile. The best way to communicate with the SDGA staff is to use the **SDGA TEXT ONLY NUMBER (605-546-7775)**. Please add this number to your phone contacts. Every staff member has access to this number and it is the most effective way to get a timely response.

**NO SHOWS**

If you are registered for an event, you are expected to show up on time and be ready to play. In the event that you are unable to participate, you are **REQUIRED** to use the **SDGA TEXT ONLY NUMBER**

(605-546-7775) to let us know. Those who do not contact us to withdraw will be counted as a No-Show. Multiple No-Shows may result in suspension from future events.

### **PRE-EVENT COMMUNICATION**

FIVE days before each event, participants will receive a text and email reminding them of their registration. THREE days before each event, participants will receive a text and email with tee times, news of the event, and/or potential weather cancellations. Any change in tee times will be communicated through text, email, and social media.

### **RULES**

We want all our competitors to develop the confidence to be able to handle the most common rules situations while they play. All Junior Tour members will get the Player's Edition of the Rules of Golf. Players are encouraged to take the USGA Basic Rules of Golf 101 [Click Here](#) to register.

### **PACE OF PLAY**

Members of the SDGA Junior Tour are expected to navigate their own way around the course with the proper pace of play. Recognize when your group is out of position and take measures to recover. Events can be played only as fast as the slowest group on the course. If you are not directly behind the group ahead of you, every group behind you will be affected.

### **SCORING**

All players should have the **Golf Genius** mobile app downloaded onto their phone. One player in each group will be responsible for entering scores into Golf Genius for live scoring and verification. Each player will also have a scorecard and will mark their score and the score as they compete. Following the event the players will proceed to the scoring area, agree on the scores and sign both scorecards.

### **10 SHOT RULE**

A player shall take no more than 10 strokes on a hole. After 8 strokes (penalties included), the player must pick up their ball and place it 3 feet from the hole and hole out.

### **POSTED RESULTS**

Each event will have a GGID (Golf Genius ID) that you can access through the Golf Genius app or at [www.golfgenius.com](http://www.golfgenius.com). You can view results from all events at [www.sdga.org](http://www.sdga.org).

### **SDGA JUNIOR TOUR CUP / SEASON POINTS**

Each individual region will have a Season Points leader for all age divisions (except 9 and under.) Points will be awarded to the top finishers for every regional event and the overall points leader will be invited to the SDGA Junior Tour Cup on Monday, August 5 at Hillsview Golf Course in Pierre. The Season Points leaderboard can be accessed on any of the event pages.

Winners of each age division and gender at the Junior Tour Cup will receive an invitation to the final round of The Sanford International. They will have lunch with US Open Champion Andy North and LPGA legend Cindy Rarick, and have the opportunity to meet and get a picture with the Champion at the end of the tournament.

### **PLAYING UP**

An individual may elect to play in an older age division if they choose. Please communicate this intention well in advance that you intend to play up.

### **GHIN HANDICAP**

Members of the SDGA Junior Tour receive a GHIN handicap. This will allow the junior member to post scores and learn to play games with friends and family using the GHIN handicap. Download the **GHIN** mobile app or go to [ghin.com](http://ghin.com). If you need help accessing your GHIN account, please use the **SDGA TEXT ONLY NUMBER (605-546-7775)**.

### **SANFORD INTERNATIONAL**

As the presenting sponsor, Sanford International is excited to provide a complementary Sanford Power Golf Academy Youth Pass to registered participants. Additional passes may be purchased to experience a world class, professional golf event. More information to follow...

### **SDGA Open Junior Events (Not associated with Junior Tour)**

- **Adult/Junior - July 28 - The Bluffs GC**
- **Junior Championship - July 29-31 - The Bluffs GC**
- **Notah Begay Junior Golf National Championship - Local Qualifier - June 25 - Elkhorn Ridge**

Thanks again for joining us “on Tour” this year! Please use the **SDGA TEXT ONLY NUMBER (605-546-7775)**, email us at [sdgainfo@sdga.org](mailto:sdgainfo@sdga.org), or call 605-740-7085 if you need anything.

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