

THE OPTIMIST 
International Junior Golf Championships

Official Registration Materials

July 21-26, 2011

Boys 10-11, 12-13, 14-15 &
Girls 10-12, 13-14

July 26-31, 2011

Boys 16-18 & Girls 15-18

PGA National Resort & Spa
Palm Beach Gardens,
Florida, USA



2010 Optimist champions of the 16-18 division, Manuela Carbajo Re (Argentina) and A.J. Crouch (Jacksonville, Florida)

2010 Optimist Champions

Boys 16-18 • A.J. Crouch
Jacksonville, Florida



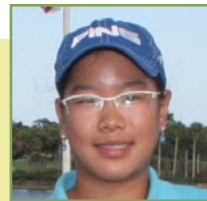
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Pretoria, South Africa



Girls 16-18 • Manuela Carbajo Re
Necochea, Argentina



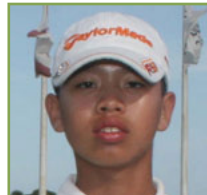
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Bangkok, Thailand



Boys 14-15 • Jake McBride
Hartville, Ohio



Boys 10-11 • Tian Lang Guan
Guangzhou, China



Girls 14-15 • Andrea Unson
Manila, Philippines



Girls 10-11 • Clare Amelia Legaspi
Quezon City, Philippines



Welcome Golfers

Optimist International is the world's largest community service organization focused on youth. 100,000 Optimists in 3,000 Clubs around the world are dedicated to Bringing Out the Best in Kids. Optimists have been involved in the sport of junior golf for more than 25 years by sponsoring local, regional and international events. More than 5,000 golfers compete in official Optimist District qualifying tournaments. The best of these golfers, along with international golfers from around the globe, advance to the annual Optimist International Junior Golf Championships. Past champions and top finishers of THE OPTIMIST include Jonathan Byrd, Jason Day, Bill Haas, Brittany Lincicome, Jeff Overton, Stacy Prammanasudh and Jennifer Rosales. We are pleased to offer you the opportunity to play in THE OPTIMIST at PGA National Resort & Spa in our 17th annual championship event.



About PGA National Resort and Spa

Home of the PGA TOUR's Honda Classic, PGA National Resort and Spa is the legendary site of premier golf events that have showcased the skills of some of the biggest names in golf during its 25-year history. Located on the same property as the PGA of America, the resort has been host to over 19 major PGA championship events, including the 1987 PGA Championship, the 1983 Ryder Cup matches and close to two decades of the PGA Seniors Tournament. The resort boasts five 18-hole master-designed golf courses and work is complete on a multimillion dollar renovation of the public areas, restaurants, pool and private Member Clubhouse.



2011 Optimist Junior Golf Committee

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Optimist International Staff

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Bob Patterson, Tournament Director (Miami, Florida)



Tournament Information

Boys 10-11, 12-13, 14-15 and Girls 10-12, 13-14 • July 21-26, 2011

Practice Rounds

Players are entitled to one practice round at no additional cost on Friday, July 22. To arrange a practice round tee time, contact PGA National at (561) 627-1804, option #3, or e-mail teetimes@pgaresort.com. Carts, which may be rented in the pro shop, are allowed during practice rounds only. Parents and other guests may serve as caddies during practice rounds only. Additional practice rounds are available for \$66 per person (includes mandatory cart). This rate is valid two days prior to the start of the tournament.

Pairings

Pairings for round 1 will be posted at PGA National and on www.optimist.org/golf by Friday, July 22. Tee times will be posted on Saturday and Sunday evening for the next day of tournament play.

Courses

Saturday, Sunday & Monday (54 holes)

Boys 10-11: Haig course (5,645 yards)

Boys 12-13: Palmer course* (6,000 yards)

Boys 14-15: Champion course (6,500 yards)

Girls 10-12: Squire course (4,975 yards)

Girls 13-14: Haig course (5,500 yards)

*Players will have a shotgun start each day

Code of Conduct

Players are required to adhere to the Optimist Junior Golf Code of Conduct, which may be viewed in its entirety at www.optimist.org/golf.

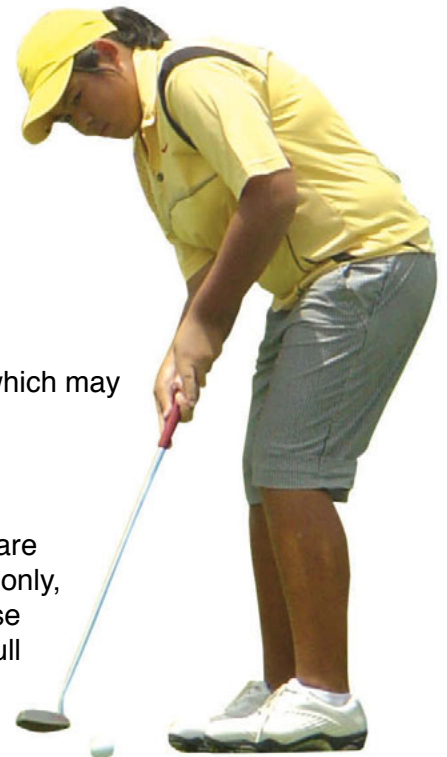
Electric Carts, Caddies and Pull Carts

Electric carts and caddies are prohibited for all tournament rounds. Pull carts are allowed for the Boys 10-11, Boys 12-13, Girls 10-12 and Girls 13-14 divisions only, however golfers who choose to use a pull cart at the championships MUST use a pull cart provided by Optimist International. Optimist International will rent pull carts for \$25 US for the week of the championships. To view the pull cart that will be provided and more information, please visit www.optimist.org/golf.

Please reserve a pull cart during the online registration process or on page 4 of the registration form. Golfers may not use their own pull carts. No exceptions.

Distance Measuring Devices

Distance Measuring Devices are allowed for all age divisions at the Optimist International Junior Golf Championships.



Age Verification

A copy of the golfer's age-verification document must be on file in order to participate in THE OPTIMIST. Please send a copy of your birth certificate, passport or baptismal record to Optimist International before July 10, 2011. If we do not receive age-verification documentation by this date, your registration is subject to cancellation.

Send to: Optimist Junior Golf
4494 Lindell Blvd.
St. Louis, MO 63108
FAX: 314.735.4109
golf@optimist.org

Adult Tournament

A two-person best-ball tournament for parents, volunteers, siblings and other guests will take place on the Squire course on Friday, July 22. Tee times will start at 10:30 a.m. Registration fee is \$55 (includes greens fee, cart, range balls and awards). Sign up to play during the onsite registration on July 21. Fee is payable in the PGA National pro shop at check-in. Entry deadline is July 21 at 7 p.m.

Spectators

Spectator rules will be in effect at PGA National for all non-participants. **CARTS ARE NOT AVAILABLE TO SPECTATORS FOR ALL TOURNAMENT ROUNDS (NO EXCEPTIONS)**. When on the course, spectators must turn off cell phones or turn ringers to the silent or vibrate mode. Please refer to the entire Spectator Code of Conduct at www.optimist.org/golf.



Schedule of Events

Boys 10-11, 12-13, 14-15 and Girls 10-12, 13-14

Thursday, July 21, 2011

- Arrivals and hotel check-in
- NEW! Optimist Golf Parent-Child Classic (8:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.)
- Tournament Registration (10 a.m.-7 p.m.)
- Optional Dinner (6-8 p.m.)*

Friday, July 22, 2011

- Breakfast Buffet (6:15-9:30 a.m.)
- Tournament Registration (7 a.m.-5 p.m.)
- Official Practice Rounds
- Palmer Golf Long-Drive Contest prelims
- Adult Tournament (10:30 a.m.)
- Lunch (11:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.)
- Buffet Dinner (6-8 p.m.)
- Opening Ceremony & Player Orientation (8-8:45 p.m.)

Saturday, July 23, 2011

- Breakfast Buffet (6:15-9:30 a.m.)
- Tournament Round 1
- Lunch (11:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.)
- Buffet Dinner (6-8 p.m.)
- District Winner Banquet (6:30-7:30 p.m.)
- Dive-in Movie (8:30-10:30 p.m.)

Sunday, July 24, 2011

- Breakfast Buffet (6:15-9:30 a.m.)
- Tournament Round 2
- Lunch (11:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.)
- Buffet Dinner (6-8 p.m.)
- Palmer Golf Long-Drive finals (7-8 p.m.)
- Glow Ball Putting Contest, ages 14-15 (8-10 p.m.)

Monday, July 25, 2011

- Breakfast Buffet (6:15-9:30 a.m.)
- Tournament Round 3
- Lunch (11:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.)
- Awards Ceremony (after play)
- Buffet Dinner (6-8 p.m.)
- Glow Ball Putting Contest, ages 10-13 (8-10 p.m.)

Tuesday, July 26, 2011

- Breakfast Buffet (6:15-9:30 a.m.)
- Departures

*This meal is not included in the registration package.



Tournament Information

Boys 16-18 and Girls 15-18 • July 26-31, 2011

Practice Rounds

Players are entitled to one practice round at no additional cost on Wednesday, July 27. To arrange a practice round tee time, contact PGA National at (561) 627-1804, option #3, or e-mail teetimes@pgaresort.com. Carts, which may be rented in the pro shop, are allowed during practice rounds only. Parents and other guests may serve as caddies during practice rounds only. Additional practice rounds are available for \$66 per person (includes mandatory cart). This rate is valid two days prior to the start of the tournament.

Pairings

Pairings for round 1 will be posted at PGA National and on www.optimist.org/golf by Wednesday, July 27. Tee times will be posted on Thursday, Friday and Saturday evening for the next day of tournament play. Boys will play one round on the Palmer course and two rounds on the Champion course. The top 50 boys (and ties) advance to the final round on the Champion course. Girls will play one round on the Squire course and two rounds on the Haig course. The top 35 girls (and ties) advance to the final round on the Haig course. Girls 15-18 may play only the Haig course pending final number of entries.

Courses

Thursday, Friday & Saturday (cut); Sunday (final round)

Boys 16-18: Champion course (6,800 yards); Palmer course* (6,800 yards)

Girls 15-18: Haig course (6,000 yards); Squire course** (6,000 yards)

*A shotgun start will be utilized on the Palmer course if necessary.

**Girls 15-18 may play only on the Haig pending final number of entries.

Code of Conduct

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Electric Carts, Caddies and Pull Carts

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Distance Measuring Devices

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Adult Tournament

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Spectators

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Sunday Tournament

This optional 2-player scramble tournament on Sunday, July 31, is open to all male and female golfers not making the cut for the final round. There will be an 8:30 a.m. shotgun start on the Palmer course. Sign up in the Pro Shop by July 30 at 6 p.m. Greens fees are included and awards will be provided.



Schedule of Events

Boys 16-18 and Girls 15-18

Tuesday, July 26, 2011

- Arrivals and hotel check-in
- Tournament Registration (10 a.m.-7 p.m.)
- Optional Dinner (6-8 p.m.)*

Wednesday, July 27, 2011

- Breakfast Buffet (6:15-9:30 a.m.)
- Tournament Registration (7 a.m.-5 p.m.)
- Official Practice Rounds
- Palmer Golf Long-Drive Contest prelims
- Adult Tournament (8 a.m.)
- Lunch (11:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.)
- Buffet Dinner (6-8 p.m.)
- Opening Ceremony & Player Orientation (8-8:45 p.m.)

Thursday, July 28, 2011

- Breakfast Buffet (6:15-9:30 a.m.)
- Tournament Round 1
- Lunch (11:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.)
- Buffet Dinner (6-8 p.m.)
- District Winner Banquet (6:30-7:30 p.m.)

Friday, July 29, 2011

- Breakfast Buffet (6:15-9:30 a.m.)
- Tournament Round 2
- Lunch (11:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.)
- Buffet Dinner (6-8 p.m.)
- Palmer Golf Long-Drive Contest finals
- Glow Ball Putting Contest (8-10 p.m.)

Saturday, July 30, 2011

- Breakfast Buffet (6:15-9:30 a.m.)
- Tournament Round 3
- Lunch (11:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.)
- Buffet Dinner (6-8 p.m.)
- Educational Seminar (7:30-8:30 p.m.)
- Dive-in Movie (8:30-10:30 p.m.)

Sunday, July 31, 2011

- Breakfast Buffet (6:15-9:30 a.m.)
- Final Tournament Round (top 50 boys; top 35 girls)
- Sunday Consolation Tournament (8:30 a.m. shotgun)
- Lunch (11:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.)
- Awards Ceremony (after play)
- Departures (after 4 p.m.)**

*This meal is not included in the registration package.

**The final round is scheduled to be complete by 2 p.m.; however, play will extend to 4 p.m. if necessary due to weather delays or unforeseen circumstance. Please plan your departures accordingly.



All-Inclusive Registration Packages

The registration packages for THE OPTIMIST are inclusive of one practice round, official tournament rounds, access to practice facilities, hotel or cottage accommodations for five nights (for golfer and all registered guests), an Optimist gift package (cap, bag tag and special gift), meal badge(s) valid for five breakfasts and four dinners (for golfer and all registered guests) and access to all Optimist functions and special events. All tournament meals, golf and recreational functions will take place on property at PGA National.

Lunches

Lunches are not included in the registration package. However, lunch vouchers will be sold for the convenience of all participants. Cost is \$49 for a book of four. Lunch vouchers are valid in the Optimist Lunch Room from 11:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m., at all golf course concession outlets, and in the 19th Hole Grill (after 2:30 p.m. only). Lunch vouchers may be purchased during the registration process (preferred) or onsite in the tournament office.

Hotel Accommodations

PGA National Resort & Spa in Palm Beach County, Florida, is the host golf and hotel site of the 2011 Optimist International Junior Golf Championships. Once registrations are received, players and guests will be assigned to a hotel room(s) or cottage. Room assignments will be available only upon arrival at PGA National. Please do not call PGA National with questions regarding accommodations. Optimist chaperones, along with paid security staff, will be on hand at all times to supervise tournament participants.

Housing Policy

Golfers traveling alone will be housed in the main hotel at PGA National and will be paired with a roommate. Roommates are responsible for dividing and paying all personal room charges before their departure. Roommate changes are not permitted. Participants traveling with guests will be housed at either the main hotel or in a club cottage. Optimist Junior Golf reserves the right to house players and their guests at an offsite property should a need arise. Each family is limited to two hotel rooms in the resort or one club cottage, no exceptions. To read the entire housing policy, go to www.optimist.org/golf or contact the Optimist Junior Golf office.



Traveling to The Optimist

PGA National Resort & Spa is easily accessible from many Florida airports. Here are the approximate distances from four international airports:

- Palm Beach International (West Palm Beach) – 15 miles**
- Ft. Lauderdale Hollywood International – 60 miles**
- Miami International – 80 miles**
- Orlando International – 160 miles**

Driving Directions

PGA National Resort & Spa is located west of I-95 off PGA Boulevard at 1000 Avenue of the Champions, Palm Beach Gardens, Florida 33410.

Shuttle Service



Yellow Brick Roads is the official transportation service of THE OPTIMIST for participants and guests arriving/departing Palm Beach International airport. Transfer fares to/from Palm Beach International airport:

\$32 per person, prepaid in US dollars, all ages for round-trip transportation provided on July 21, July 26 & July 31 before 9:30 p.m.

\$41 per person, prepaid in US dollars, all ages for round-trip transportation on any other day or after 9:30 p.m. on July 21, July 26 & July 31. Minimum two people and based on availability.

\$22 per person, prepaid in US dollars, all ages for one-way transportation on July 21, July 26 & July 31 before 9 p.m. Minimum two people and based on availability.

Yellow Brick Roads also offers transfers to/from Ft. Lauderdale and Miami international airports. Please call Yellow Brick Roads for prices.

Contact Yellow Brick Roads at the number or e-mail listed below for reservations. Fees may be paid with Visa or MasterCard (cash only onsite). Please make sure you identify yourself as participants of THE OPTIMIST. In order to guarantee a spot, reservations must be made at least 24 hours in advance. Onsite transportation will be available only on a limited basis.

When making your reservation, please be prepared to give the following information: your name and the names of all guests traveling with you, phone number, address, airline, flight numbers, arrival/departure times and credit card information. Upon arrival at the airport, proceed to the baggage claim area on the lower level where you will see Yellow Brick Roads representatives with the Optimist Golf logo. Check in to receive your transportation voucher prior to claiming your luggage. Please contact Yellow Brick Roads with any questions.

Yellow Brick Roads Inc.
Phone: (954) 523-5583
Fax: (954) 523-1165
E-mail: info@yellowbrickroads.com

Rental Cars



Enterprise Rent-A-Car is the official rental car company of the 2011 Optimist International Junior Golf Championships. A discounted rate structure has been set for all participants. To take advantage of the discount, book online at www.enterprise.com and enter VIP code #41S1799. The three-letter password is OPT. Or, call toll free 1-800-VIP-ERAC.

Player Questionnaire

A brief questionnaire will be sent to all junior golfers along with your confirmation e-mail. Please make sure to include information about yourself that can be shared with media interested in highlighting your play. Feel free to notify media outlets in your hometown about your participation and direct them to the “Newsroom” of www.optimist.org.

Website

Parents, friends and fans of THE OPTIMIST will be able to track the success of their favorite junior golfers on the internet at www.optimist.org/golf. Daily stories, photos, scores and more will be posted each evening of tournament play.

Photography



Chip Shots Photography will be onsite to photograph junior golfers participating in THE OPTIMIST. Chip Shots Photography provides unparalleled photography service to over one thousand golf tournaments across the United States. All participants will have the opportunity to purchase an attractive photo folder onsite at THE

OPTIMIST or may order online after the championships at www.ChipShotsPhoto.com. Onsite cost is \$25. Additional reprinted folders may be ordered for \$20.

Optimist Golf Shirts and Umbrellas



Optimist International will sell merchandise during the registration process and onsite.

To ensure correct quantities and sizes are available, participants are encouraged to pre-order merchandise at the time of registration. The official Optimist Golf championships shirt is the Adidas ClimaLite Jersey Stripe polo (men's), the Adidas ClimaCool Textured polo (ladies) and the Adidas ClimaLite 3-Stripe polo (junior boys). Shirt includes the Optimist Golf logo embroidered on the left chest. Colors are Navy Blue stripe (men's), Bling Coral (ladies) and Navy Blue solid (junior boys). Shirts are available for the pre-sale price of \$49 each (men's and ladies) and \$39 each (junior boys).

Optimist International is also pre-selling an official Optimist Golf umbrella. This quality navy & white double-canopy, wind-tamer umbrella with “OPTIMIST GOLF” printed on every-other panel is available for the pre-sale price of \$25 each. Limited quantities of shirts and umbrellas will be sold on-site during the championships.

Palmer Golf Long-Drive Contest



GOLF MANAGEMENT

Showing its support of aspiring young golfers, Arnold Palmer Golf Management has signed on as the exclusive sponsor of the Long-Drive Contest at this summer's Optimist International Junior Golf Championships at PGA National Resort and Spa in Palm Beach Gardens, Florida. Junior golfers will attempt to qualify for the finals on selected holes during their practice rounds on July 22 or July 27.

The Palmer Golf Long-Drive Contest finals will take place on July 24 (Boys 10-11, 12-13, 14-15 & Girls 10-12, 13-14) and July 29 (Boys 16-18 & Girls 15-18).



2nd Annual Optimist Golf World Cup

Presented by Seminole Hard Rock Entertainment

July 26, 2011
PGA National Resort & Spa
(Champion course)

The Optimist Golf World Cup presented by Seminole Hard Rock Entertainment will be a one day, 18-hole, team competition featuring two-player teams representing their nations. Make sure to tune into www.optimist.org/golf for event results and recap.



Inaugural Optimist Golf Parent-Child Classic

July 21, 2011



The Optimist Junior Golf Program announces a new event that will be held in conjunction with the 2011 Optimist International Junior Golf Championships. The Optimist Golf Parent-Child Classic will be a one-day, 18-hole, team

competition featuring a junior golfer and his/her parent, grandparent, uncle or aunt. Golfers will have the opportunity to register for this event during the online registration process. More information is available at www.optimist.org/golf.

7th Annual Optimist International Tournament of Champions

November 12-13, 2011
International Course at
ChampionsGate Golf
Club (ChampionsGate,
Florida)



An invitational event for top finishers of the Optimist International Junior Golf Championships and other top-ranked golfers ages 14-18. Event is ranked by *Golfweek* and the *Junior Golf Scoreboard* and is included in the AJGA Performance Based Entry process. For more information, go to www.optimist.org/golf.

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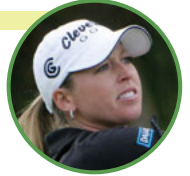

Jonathan Byrd, 1996 Optimist Champion

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Beth Bauer, 1996 Optimist Champion

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Bubba Dickerson, 1997 Optimist Champion

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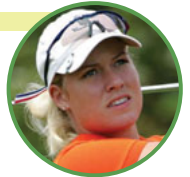
Jennifer Rosales, 1997 Optimist Champion

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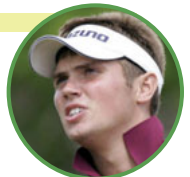
Brittany Lincicome, 2000 Optimist Champion

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Jeff Overton, 2001 Optimist Champion

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