



Date: April 2011
To: All Volunteers – 2011 Optimist International Junior Golf Championships
From: Bob Patterson, Optimist Golf Tournament Director
Re: 2011 Tournament Information

Hello Everyone!

I hope this letter finds you and your families doing well. We are moving closer and closer to this year's championships. We hope all of you and some friends can make it to the event this year.

We are returning to PGA National Resort & Spa in Palm Beach Gardens, Florida for our 17th annual championships. The Boys 10-11, 12-13, 14-15 and Girls 10-12, 13-14 year old groups will be arriving on July 21 and will depart on July 26. The Boys 16-18 and Girls 15-18 year old groups will arrive on July 26 and wrap up the championships on July 31.

We have some of the best players in the world qualifying through our Districts and competing at the OIJGC. This has happened because of the tremendous efforts put forth by our Districts. Congratulations! Please keep up the good work you are doing to make sure every player who wants to compete has the opportunity to participate in our program.

I have enclosed a list of Volunteer Opportunities along with a Volunteer Application Form (**please make copies for anyone I may have missed in this mailing**). Please take the time to read about all of the opportunities available to you at the championships. The players and their families really appreciate your time and efforts.

Please complete the Application Form and return it to me no later than June 8. Please make sure to get them to me by the cutoff date as schedules will be completed immediately. Any applications received after the cutoff will be used to fill gaps in the schedule and I cannot guarantee that your request will be met. Take the time to fill it out now and return it to me. This will allow enough time to complete schedules and get them back to you by the beginning of July. You can also reach me via fax or e-mail--this information is at the bottom of the Application Form.

PLEASE NOTE: the volunteer application may now be completed online. Just go to www.optimist.org/GolfVolunteers to submit your application. Online applications are strongly encouraged for all volunteers.

When the schedules are complete I will be sending them out via e-mail along with some additional information.

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Also enclosed is the **2011 Volunteer Housing, Meals and Additional Options Registration Form**. This form is to be used to book a room or cottage at PGA National during the championships and to purchase optional meals and merchandise. PLEASE NOTE—this form is to be returned to **ANDY HUDSON** at Optimist International (return information is listed on the form) no later than **June 30**. This form may also be submitted online at www.optimist.org/GolfVolunteers.

During the championships, there will be two **adult tournaments**. These 2-player best ball events are for parents, volunteers, siblings and other guests. Dates/times are **Friday, July 22** (tee times begin at 10:30 a.m.) and **Wednesday, July 27** (tee times begin at 8:00 a.m.) on the **Squire course**. Please note the earlier starting time for the adult tournament held during “phase 2” on July 27. The cost is \$55 (includes greens fee, cart, range balls and awards). Fee is payable in the PGA National pro shop at check-in. Entry deadline is 5 p.m. one day prior. Please visit the Optimist Tournament Office at PGA National on registration days to sign up for either one of the Adult Tournaments.

NEW IN 2011—the inaugural **Optimist Golf Parent-Child Classic** will be held on the arrival day for phase 1 (July 21). This 18-hole team event will feature a junior golfer and his/her parent, grandparent, aunt or uncle will be held on the Champion course. We may need one or two volunteers to assist with this new event.

The second annual **Optimist Golf World Cup** is a team event featuring two-player teams representing their nations. This 18-hole event will be held on the Champion course on Tuesday, July 26 (transition day between phase 1 and phase 2 of the championships). Marshals, scoring control and spotters will also be needed on this day.

Thank you again for all you have done and continue to do for the program. We will continue to make this a great experience for the players and their families with your input and support!

Best Regards,

Bob Patterson

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2011 VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

MARSHALS

Roving all day on assigned courses to monitor pace of play and handle special needs of players and spectators. Tournament play days only (July 23, 24, 25 and July 28, 29, 30, 31). 7:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

SCORING CONTROL

People needed to collect and total scorecards for all age groups. You will be positioned inside with a partial outside view of the courses. Tournament play days only (July 23, 24, 25 and July 28, 29, 30, 31). 11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

PLAYER SHUTTLES

Responsible for transporting players in carts on holes that have a distance from greens to tees that will slow play. Volunteers also needed to shuttle the clubhouse/range areas. Tournament play days only (July 23, 24, 25 and July 28, 29, 30, 31). 7:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

REGISTRATION DESK

Volunteers needed to register players as they arrive. Will be distributing packets and answering general questions. Thursday, July 21 and Tuesday, July 26. 10:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

HOTEL CHAPERONES

Volunteers to be “on the floor” during the hours of 10:00 p.m. until 11:15 p.m. to help ensure that all players are following the “Code of Conduct”. (July 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30).

ON-COURSE SPOTTERS

Volunteers needed to be positioned on specific holes where players may require assistance in determining whether or not their golf ball entered the hazard. This process allows for faster play by assisting the players. Tournament play days only (July 23, 24, 25 and July 28, 29, 30, 31). 7:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

**2011 Volunteer Application
Optimist International Junior Golf Championships
July 21-31, 2011**

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE/PROVINCE: _____ ZIP: _____

HOME PHONE: _____ CELL/WORK PHONE: _____

E-MAIL: _____

SHIRT SIZE: SMALL ___ MED ___ LARGE ___ X-LARGE ___ XX-LARGE ___

COMMITTEE CHOICE (Please indicate your top three preferences by ranking 1, 2, 3)

_____ Marshals	_____ On-Course Spotters	_____ Hotel Chaperone
_____ Player Shuttles	_____ Registration Desk	_____ Scoring Control

Please CIRCLE the days you can work. Times listed on the Volunteer Opportunities sheet are subject to change based on the field size and pace of play.

THURSDAY, JULY 21

TUESDAY, JULY 26

SATURDAY, JULY 23

THURSDAY, JULY 28

SUNDAY, JULY 24

FRIDAY, JULY 29

MONDAY, JULY 25

SATURDAY, JULY 30

SUNDAY, JULY 31

All further communication/information will be sent by e-mail. Check here if you wish to receive the schedules and further information by regular mail _____

PLEASE COMPLETE AND RETURN THIS FORM BY JUNE 8, 2011

Mail, Fax or E-mail to:

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**You may now complete this application
online at**

www.optimist.org/GolfVolunteers