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Local Junior Golfers to Compete in Optimist International Junior Golf Championship

MIAMI, Fla. – 700 top young golfers are competing in the Optimist International Junior Golf Championship at Trump National Doral in Miami, Fla. The tournament will bring together some of the world’s most talented young competitors, many of whom have the potential to become leading collegiate and professional golfers in the future.

_____ from _____ in the _____ age division will compete in the championship on _____. To view the golfers’ age divisions and hometowns, [click here](#).

Junior golfers ages 10 to 18 from around the world play in the annual tournament.

July 16-21, 2019 -- Boys 10-11, 12-13 and Girls 10-12

July 21-26, 2019 -- Boys 14-15 and Girls 13-14

July 26-31, 2019 -- Boys 16-18 and Girls 15-18

The Optimist prides itself as an international event, with players representing 43 states, 6 Canadian provinces and 28 total nations. Former champions and top finishers of the Optimist International Junior Golf Championship include PGA TOUR members Jonathan Byrd, Jason Day, Bill Haas, and Jeff Overton in addition to LPGA members Stacy Lewis, Brooke Pancake, Brittany Lincicome and Lexi Thompson. A number of other well-known professional golfers have participated in Optimist-sponsored championship, including Ernie Els, Nancy Lopez, Davis Love III, Michelle McGann, Phil Mickelson and Tiger Woods.

In an effort to expand the tournament, Optimist International moved the event to South Florida’s Doral Country Club in 1995 and renamed the event the Optimist International Junior Golf Championship. The next year the event moved to PGA National Resort & Spa from 1996-2018. Now in its 23 year, the tournament moved back to Trump National Doral, Miami for the 2019 and 2020 years.

This golf resort is home to four uniquely designed golf courses, including one of golf’s most famous - **The Blue Monster**. With the most recent course transformations of the **Red Tiger**, **Golden Palm** and **Silver Fox**, Trump National Doral sets itself apart from all others by offering distinct and exciting Doral golf experiences all at one location.

Optimist International is one of the world’s largest service club organizations with more than 2,900 Optimist Clubs around the world dedicated to “Bringing Out the Best in Kids,” Optimists conduct positive service projects that reach more than 6 million young people each year. The Optimist Junior Golf program is one of the organization’s most prominent programs.

Scores, photos, news stories and tee times will be updated throughout the Optimist International Junior Golf Championship. Results will be available under the tournament’s information at www.optimist.org/golf. News items will also be included on the Optimist Junior Golf Facebook page at www.facebook.com/optimist.golf and Twitter feed @OptimistGolf.

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