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Michigan PGA – Growth of the Game Report Spring 2022

Grant Programs

I would like to announce to the board and our members congratulations to Raquel Bryant from Thousand Oaks Golf Club in Grand Rapids, our 2021 Junior Player Development Grant Program of the Year recipient. And Joe Simpson from IMA Brookwood in the Flint area, our 2021 Adult Player Development Program of the Year recipient. Both conducted excellent programs and are very deserving of being eligible for additional grant funds in 2022. Congratulations to Raquel & Joe for your inspiration in growing the game!

The 2022 Grant Applications for Youth and Adult are now open. Youth and Adult Grant applications will close on March 31. This allows our committee to review grant applications in early April so funds can be begin processing in mid-April so funds can be available to members by early May. We will again adjust the timeline for the Golf in Schools Grant. Applications will be accepted until September 30, 2022 so members have a chance to plan programs in schools during the winter of 22/23 if possible.

We awarded a total of 19 Adult Grants at \$15,600 and 41 Junior Grants at \$33,150 in 2021. This was the first year with our new tiered system and overall it worked very well and we will continue this process of awarding \$450, \$750, \$1000 and \$1500 grants based on the merits of programs. A reminder of qualification requirements is spelled out on our section website. The breakdown for adult grants awarded in 2021..... 3-\$450, 9-\$750, 6-\$1000, 1-\$1500. Junior grants 7-\$450, 18-\$750, 15-\$1000, 1-\$1500.

Additional important communication to the membership about grant process for 2022:

Receiving Your Funds- Workday

You **MUST** have a workday account for the method you would like to receive funding. Please provide on your grant application (final question) the name of the facility/member business that is displayed on your W9 so we know where to send the funds.

We recommend setting up the account prior to the grant application deadline. This is the **ONLY** method we will use for payment, every individual, facility or member business must have a Workday account to receive funding. For [help signing up click here](#).

For example if you would like the funds to be sent to the facility- Bay Meadows- Bay Meadows must have a supplier account in Workday. If you would like the funds to be sent to the golf shop you own, your golf shop must have a supplier account. If you want the funds to be sent to you personally, you will need a PGA Member account.

Drive, Chip, and Putt

We have 18 local qualifying sites set for this year. Thank you so much to all members for taking on the task of hosting a local qualifying site. We have a much better representation throughout our state this year with more options available for families in the Metro-Detroit and Lansing areas. We are still a little light in the Grand Rapids market but we have a couple additions which will improve our offerings compared to 2021.

Sub-Regional qualifiers will be held at the Mines Golf Course in Grand Rapids and The Orchards Golf Club in Washington followed by Sectional Qualifying at Scioto CC in Columbus, OH to get to Augusta in the spring of 2023.



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PGA Junior League

We had total of is 488 13U and 84 17U teams in 2021. We are expecting around the same amount in 2022, maybe a few more this year, we do have some new facilities that have signed up. Overall, PGA Jr League is still a driving force in player development throughout our state and nationally. Congratulations to our 17U and 13U state championship teams! 17U – IMA Brookwood captained by Joe Simpson and 13U – Tee-rific captained by Jeff Stalcup who made a great run for nationals, coming up just short in the regional final. Thanks to Jeff and team Tee-fific for representing Michigan so well.

PGA HOPE

We are still hoping to increase programs throughout the state but we are seeing an increase in planned programs for 2022. The following are great examples of members and support staff of PGA Hope programs, if any you are looking to develop new programs please reach out to the section office or the following.

Battle Creek at the VA Medical Center in Battle Creek with Bob Bales, Dean Kolstad and Dean Marks.

Metro Detroit located at Fox Hills Learning Center with Buddy Whitten and Mark Runchey.

Benton Harbor located at Harbor Shores Golf Club with Josh Doxtator and Jackson Davison.

Midland located at Currie Municipal Golf Course with Doug Temple.

Also we would like to do our best to promote Patriot Golf Days. This year all money raised between May 27-30 will stay in Michigan and the funds will be put towards Michigan PGA HOPE Programs or Folds of Honor Scholarships. Any member facilities interested will be sent a Patriot Golf Days Packet which will give them ideas on how to promote the fundraiser. Professionals can sign their facilities up by going to patriotgolfdays.com or by visiting the section website.

Thank You,

Scott Wilson, Growth of the Game Committee