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Michigan PGA Growth of Game Report – Fall 2022

I would first like to acknowledge Madison on a great first season. She has been awesome to work with on all aspects of the Growth of the Game. She had huge shoes to fill with the departure of Chelsea and she has stepped up big time and made this transition easy. Very impressed by her skills to organize all our programs. We are in good hands going forward and encourage all our members to reach out at any time for help with any GOG programs.

Overall, we had a great year with all of our programs, please see a snapshot below with participation numbers this season. Everything for the most part is up from 2021 and we have identified certain areas that we will work to improve for 2023.

DCP- we are a pilot once again and will be continuing this program. We hosted 18 local qualifiers, 2 more than in 2021. We had 1,357 kids compete in local qualifiers, which is more than a 19% increase in participation from last year. Of the 18 local qualifiers, 6 were held in the greater Metro Detroit area and 2 were held in the greater Grand Rapids area. Our two sub regionals were also hosted in these areas. We would like to see an increase in competitor participation in both the northern and western portion of the state. Applications for 2023 host sites are currently available through the QR code on the table.

PGA Jr. League- 79 Coaches- 67 for 13u and 12 for 17u. We had 2,117 (13.6% increase from 2021) players total between the two divisions this year. The average team fee in Michigan was \$257.05, and the National average was \$233.49- we are above average here, which is great! The net promoter score for both consumer and coach are not yet available. Jeff Stalcup's team from The Orchards won the State Championship in dramatic tie-breaker fashion and made it to the Regional, but placed fifth on the first day, which took them out of the running for the National Finals.

2022 Grant Programs- continued with the tiered system for grant money. 41 junior grants totaling \$32,050. 4- \$450, 29- \$750, 7- \$1,000, 1- \$1,500 for program of the year participant, Raquel Bryant. 20 adult grants totaling \$16,200. 1- \$450, 15- \$750, 3- \$1,000, 1- \$1,500 for program of the year recipient, Joe Simpson. If you received a grant in 2022, please submit the summary report before December 4th. New grant applications will open in early 2023.

PGA HOPE- We hosted 3 PGA HOPE programs in 2022. This includes our two lasting programs (Metro Detroit and Battle Creek), as well as our new Midland program. Training- if you would like to host a HOPE program, contact Madison at the Section office. You will need to become HOPE certified and go through the application process.

Junior PGA Championship- 91 boys and 43 girls, 134 total- another record participation! Evan McDermott, Caleb Bond, Megha Vallabhaneni and Sophie Stevens advanced through the Michigan PGA Junior PGA Championship to compete at Nationals.

Looking ahead, now that covid restrictions are starting to loosen in schools around the state we will be looking to get in school programs in elementary gym classes once again. This is something that had a lot of momentum prior to covid so we will be starting up the communication on this once again. We have a good supply of SNAG equipment available throughout the state to equip gym teachers with the help of PGA members to once again introduce golf into school systems and promote programs at local facilities. We will once again make this a priority of the committee.

Respectively Submitted,

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