



**THUNDERBIRD
INTERNATIONAL JUNIOR
GRAYHAWK GOLF CLUB**

Raptor Course
Scottsdale, Arizona
May 24-27, 2019

TOURNAMENT OVERVIEW

The American Junior Golf Association (AJGA) conducted the inaugural Thunderbird International Junior in 2000. The concept of this event was conceived by 2010 Digger Smith Award winners Mike Kennedy and Del Cochran. Their vision was to provide a world-class competition with unparalleled hospitality, thus creating the ultimate “players” event. To enhance the international experience, players who take advantage of the complimentary accommodations are assigned a roommate from another part of the world. At Grayhawk Golf Club, players have their own hospitality area and game room where they can relax and have fun after the round. All of the social events at night are one-of-a-kind and provide a unique way for players to bond and make new friendships. Players who are invited are highly encouraged to participate in every aspect of this event as they will come away with many lifelong memories.

CHARITABLE GIVING

Since 2004, participants in the Thunderbird International Junior have given over \$449,000 back to local charities of their choice. The heart of The Thunderbirds and the American Junior Golf Association is built solidly around both the concept of giving back to others and bettering their respective communities. In order to further their purpose and teach the importance of giving back to the next generation, **The Thunderbirds have agreed to donate \$1,000 in the name of every player who designates a local charity. Players will be asked to designate a local charity at Tournament Registration on Friday, May 24 from 10 a.m. – 1 p.m. or they may e-mail Tournament Director Nathan Nottrott at nnottrott@ajga.org.** Players are encouraged to contemplate and decide on a charity prior to their arrival at Grayhawk Golf Club. Please keep in mind the requirements outlined below and come with the following information prepared. If you are having a difficult time identifying a charity to donate to please contact any AJGA or Grayhawk Golf Club staff member for additional information.

Requirements

The benefitting charity must be based in the United States and must be a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. If you are unsure if the organization you are wishing to donate to meets these requirements please contact Tournament Director Nathan Nottrott at nnottrott@ajga.org or (618) 402-7399.

Required Information

Please come prepared with the information outlined below to ensure your donation is made in a timely manner and is received by the correct organization.

- *Thunderbird International Junior Participant Name*
- *Benefitting Charity Name*
- *Contact Person at Charity*
- *Website*
- *Address*
- *Phone Number*

PLAYER ACCOMMODATIONS

Player Accommodations: All tournament participants are offered complimentary accommodations at the Scottsdale Marriott at McDowell Mountains. Complimentary accommodations will be offered from a check-in date of Thursday, May 23 through a check-out date of Monday, May 27. Any arrivals prior to Thursday, May 23 or departures later than Monday, May 27 will be at the tournament participants expense. For participants who wish to stay with their parents or guardians, accommodations will be at the participants expense. **It is imperative to notify Tournament Director Nathan Nottrott at (618) 402-7399 or nnottrott@ajga.org of your lodging preferences.**

AJGA Host Hotel: Scottsdale Marriott at McDowell Mountains

Hotel Address: 16770 North Perimeter Drive, Scottsdale, Arizona 85260

Player Welfare Committee: The Player Welfare Committee is comprised of AJGA Staff and parents to ensure the safety and health of all tournament participants. We have had tremendous support from our parents in years past. As a member of this Committee we visit each player's room each evening to ensure everyone is healthy and safe. For parents interested, or for more details, please contact Tournament Director Nathan Nottrott at (618) 402-7399 or at nnottrott@ajga.org.

PARENT & GUEST ACCOMMODATIONS

AJGA Host Hotel: Scottsdale Marriott at McDowell Mountains
Hotel Address: 16770 North Perimeter Drive, Scottsdale, Arizona 85260

AJGA Special Rate: \$155 (Regular Room Rate \$179)

Rate Includes: Plan a memorable visit to Arizona when you stay at Scottsdale Marriott at McDowell Mountains. Our hotel delivers stylish comfort and exceptional customer service in an ideal location near the area's most popular attractions. Enjoy easy access to TPC Scottsdale, a premier golf club, as well as WestWorld events center, the Kierland Commons outdoor shopping plaza and more. Feel right at home in our spacious, pet-friendly suites offering luxury bedding, flat-screen TVs, mini-refrigerators, ergonomic workstations, elegant marble bathrooms and separate spaces to slumber and entertain. Never miss your workout routine thanks to our fitness center and outdoor pool. Take advantage of dining at AGAVE Southwest Bar & Grill, serving Southwestern cuisine in a casual sports bar environment. If you'll be hosting a business or social event during your trip, reserve one of our indoor or outdoor meeting spaces with custom catering options. Treat yourself to a relaxing getaway at Scottsdale Marriott at McDowell Mountains.

Reservation Method: Reservations can be made by calling (480) 502-3836.

Booking link: Coming Soon!

Cutoff Date: Friday, May 3

Check in Time: 4 p.m.

Check out Time: 12 p.m.

PLAYER TRAVEL & BIO INFORMATION

Player Travel Information: Upon acceptance into the tournament please take a few moments to complete the Player Travel Information. This is located online in the AJGA Player Center and will be available once you log-in with your member number and password. It is MANDATORY that you complete this document to ensure lodging accommodations, shuttle arrangements and proper sizing. If you have any questions or issues, please e-mail Tournament Director Nathan Nottrott at nnottrott@ajga.org.

TRANSPORTATION

Airport: Phoenix Sky Harbor International Airport

SuperShuttle: Participants will be provided complimentary transportation upon their arrival from Phoenix Sky Harbor International Airport to Grayhawk Golf Club or Scottsdale Marriott at McDowell Mountains. Prior to their departure participants will be provided complimentary transportation from Grayhawk Golf Club (Monday departures) or Scottsdale Marriott at McDowell Mountains (Tuesday departures). Prior to the event you will be e-mailed detailed instructions and a confirmation number for your prepaid reservation. The prepaid reservation includes shuttle fee and gratuity. If you completed the Player Travel and Bio Information and state you needed transportation, the AJGA has made a reservation for you.

Cost: Complimentary for players.

Distance to Host Hotel: 30 minutes (23 miles)

Distance to Golf Course: 30 minutes (25 miles)

AJGA Preferred Rentals: Budget logo Avis Logo

TRAVEL STIPEND

Players may find the travel stipend on the bottom of the main page of the tournament microsite. Additionally, you may e-mail Tournament Director Nathan Nottrott at nnottrott@ajga.org requesting the document. Any players who submit their travel stipend prior to Wednesday, May 15 at 11 a.m. Eastern, will have their stipend check available to them at Tournament Registration. Based on your travel, players are eligible for the following amounts of reimbursement.

West of the Mississippi: \$250

East of the Mississippi & Hawaii: \$500

International: \$750

PRACTICE ROUND

Date: Friday, May 24

Time: 11:15 a.m. – 12:45 p.m. off Nos. 1 and 10 tees

Golf Course: Grayhawk Golf Club – Raptor Course

Signup: AJGA Player Center

Cutoff: Thursday, May 23

An AJGA Staff member will be located on the starting tees with hole locations and a sand bottle. All players are required to carry their own bag or use a push cart.

Additional Practice Rounds Information

Additional practice rounds are available from Monday, May 20 through Thursday, May 23 after 1 p.m. based on golf course availability. The cost for additional practice rounds will be \$85 + taxes per player and must be arranged through Tracy Hail at (480) 502-3116. Players are welcome to arrange additional practice rounds outside the timeframe outlined above but will be subject to regular greens fees as published by Grayhawk Golf Club.

PRACTICE FACILITIES

Dates: Wednesday, May 22 – Monday, May 27

Times: Wednesday, May 22 & Thursday, May 23: 6:30 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.
Friday, May 24 – Sunday, May 26: 6 a.m. – 6 p.m.
Monday, May 27: 6 – 9:15 a.m. (Practice facilities will open in case of a playoff)

Balls: Complimentary on behalf of TaylorMade & Grayhawk Golf Club

TOURNAMENT REGISTRATION

Function: Tournament Registration

Date: Friday, May 24

Time: 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Location: Grayhawk Golf Club

Room: Clubhouse – Main Foyer

Players unable to register at this time MUST notify Tournament Director Nathan Nottrott prior to May 24 at (618) 402-7399 or nnottrott@ajga.org. Tournament Registration is mandatory. Players who fail to attend Tournament Registration without prior approval from the tournament director may forfeit their tournament gifts. Approval to miss Tournament Registration will be granted only in extreme circumstances. An individual who fails to register because they are not staying at the host hotel, are staying in private housing for the week, or have a long commute do not constitute acceptable circumstances.

TOURNAMENT TEE TIMES/PAIRINGS

Tee Times: First Round: 7:15 – 9:15 a.m. off Nos. 1 and 10 tees (Raptor Course)
Second Round: 7:15 – 9:15 a.m. off Nos. 1 and 10 tees (Raptor Course)
Final Round: 7:15 – 9:15 a.m. off Nos. 1 and 10 tees (Raptor Course)

Official Pairings Available: First Round – Wednesday, May 22 (7:15 a.m.)
Second Round – Saturday, May 25 (5 p.m.)
Final Round – Sunday, May 26 (5 p.m.)

Location: www.ajga.org or Grayhawk Golf Club

Note: Players assume the entire risk if they call any other number or individual and receive an incorrect starting time.

A tie for the championship will be decided by a sudden-death playoff immediately following the conclusion of play. As inclement weather may delay play, please make your departing flight as late as possible. The AJGA will play until dark if necessary, to complete the tournament.

TOURNAMENT MEALS & SOCIAL ACTIVITIES (12)

Dress Code: Dress for all functions at Grayhawk Golf Club and The Scottsdale Marriott at McDowell Mountains is country club casual. No jackets or ties are required for any function. T-shirts may NOT be worn at any time while at Grayhawk Golf Club.

Thursday, May 23

Function: Tournament Welcome Cookout

Location: Scottsdale Marriott at McDowell Mountains – Splash Patio

Time: 6 – 9 p.m.

Attendance & Cost: The Tournament Welcome Cookout is complimentary for both players and guests.

Friday, May 24

Function: Player Lunch

Location: Grayhawk Golf Club – Tom’s Thumb
Time: 10:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Attendance & Cost: Player Lunch is complimentary for players only.

Function: Welcome Dinner
Location: Grayhawk Golf Club – Fairway House
Time: 6:30 – 8 p.m.
Attendance & Cost: The Welcome Dinner is complimentary for both players and guests.

Saturday, May 25

Function: Player Breakfast
Location: Grayhawk Golf Club – Fairway House
Time: 6 – 9 a.m.
Attendance & Cost: Player Breakfast is complimentary for players only.

Function: Player Lunch
Location: Grayhawk Golf Club – Fairway House
Time: 11:30 a.m. – 3 p.m.
Attendance & Cost: Player Lunch is complimentary for players only.

Function: Cornhole Tournament
Location: Grayhawk Golf Club – Fairway House Lawn
Time: 5 – 7 p.m.
Attendance: All Tournament Participants are encouraged to attend the Social Activity.

Function: Family Barbeque
Location: Grayhawk Golf Club – Fairway House
Time: 6 – 7:30 p.m.
Attendance & Cost: The Family Barbeque is complimentary for both players and guests.

Sunday, May 26

Function: Player Breakfast
Location: Grayhawk Golf Club – Fairway House
Time: 6 – 9 a.m.
Attendance & Cost: Player Breakfast is complimentary for players only.

Function: Player Lunch
Location: Grayhawk Golf Club – Fairway House
Time: 11:30 a.m. – 3 p.m.
Attendance & Cost: Player Lunch is complimentary for players only.

Function: Players Party
Location: Grayhawk Golf Club – Fairway House
Time: 7 – 8:30 p.m.
Attendance & Cost: The Players Party is complimentary for players only.

Function: Dry Heave
Location: Grayhawk Golf Club – No. 10 tee
Time: 7:30 p.m.
Attendance: All Tournament Participants are encouraged to attend the Dry Heave.

Monday, May 27

Function: Player Breakfast
Location: Grayhawk Golf Club – Fairway House
Time: 6 – 9 a.m.
Attendance & Cost: Player Breakfast is complimentary for players only.

Function: Awards Luncheon
Location: Grayhawk Golf Club – Fairway House
Time: 11:30 a.m. – 3 p.m.
Attendance & Cost: The Awards Luncheon is complimentary for all participants and guests.

Additional Dining Options for Parents & Media at Grayhawk Golf Club:

The Morning Joint (MOJO)

Hours of Operation: 6 a.m. – 1 p.m.

About Mojo: Located in the clubhouse at Grayhawk Golf Club, The Morning Joint (Mojo) offers comfortable indoor and outdoor space to fuel up with a coffee drink and breakfast or relax and socialize with family and friends. Mojo’s menu features a variety of coffees both hot and iced, espresso drinks with a host of flavors, drip coffee, teas (black and herbal), frappes, hot chocolate and soft drinks. The health-conscious crowd will be tempted to “get fresh” with Moju – Mojo’s produce-packing cousin that serves up a variety of juices, smoothies and much more, all prepared from fresh fruits, vegetables and other healthy things.

Tom's Thumb

Hours of Operation: 6 a.m. – 2 p.m.

About Tom's Thumb: Tom's Thumb is a "snack bar" to grab a bite to eat at the turn or before play. Tom's Thumb is located in the main clubhouse near the cart staging area on the way to No. 10 from the 9th hole. Tom's Thumb offers burgers, sandwiches, wraps, brats and a variety of snacks and drinks.

Phil's Grill

Hours of Operation: 11 a.m. – 9:30 p.m.

About Phil's Grill: Named after Phil Mickelson, Phil's Grill is a comfortable eating and drinking establishment with a warm sports pub ambiance. An exclusive collection of Mickelson's memorabilia adorns the place: gear he used during his many Ryder Cup appearances; an old persimmon driver he swung as a Sun Devil; signed Masters pin flags; and a Talon course record scorecard, 61, with a bunch of circles. Plus, as a true sports pub, several large televisions are eternally tuned in to the day's events.

Quail Creek

Hours of Operation: 11 a.m. – 9:30 p.m.

About Quail Creek: Quail Creek Café offers an eclectic selection of American favorites with a Southwestern flare. The dining room opens to an expansive outdoor patio featuring stunning views of the 18th hole of Raptor and Scottsdale's iconic McDowell Mountains. Plus, the large outdoor fireplace warms the cool, crisp desert air.

CONTACT INFORMATION

HQ Location: Grayhawk Golf Club – Championship Room
Tournament Director: Nathan Nottrott
Phone Number: (618) 402-7399
Email: nnottrott@ajga.org

AJGA INFORMATION

TAYLORMADE-ADIDAS GOLF LIVE SCORING: Visit ajga.org on your computer or mobile device for TaylorMade-adidas Golf Live Scoring.

AJGA CARES FOR THE COURSE: At all events players will receive a small sand bottle prior to the round to use throughout the day to fill divots on the course. Sand-filling stations will be set up around the course for players to use during their round. The driving range will be set up with sand for players to use following their practice session before and after the round.

JUNIOR PLUS MEMBER SWING VIDEOS: All Junior Plus Members will have the opportunity to have their swings taped on the driving range for the College Coaches website at any time during the event. Players must see the Tournament Director to schedule a time to film their swing video. If you are unsure of your membership status, a list is available in tournament headquarters.

CODE OF CONDUCT: All AJGA participants are expected to abide by the AJGA Code of Conduct. Violations of the Code of Conduct will be dealt with based on the severity of the misconduct. Proper attire is always required and failure to comply may result in disqualification. Click here <https://www.ajga.org/tourninfo/conduct.asp> to view the AJGA's Code of Conduct.

PACE OF PLAY: All AJGA participants are expected to abide by the AJGA Pace of Play policy. Pace of play will be reviewed with all players during the Players Meeting, the Practice Round and on the starting tees before each round. Click here <https://www.ajga.org/tourninfo/pace.asp> to review the AJGA Pace of Play Policy.

OTHER INFORMATION:

The condition of competition requiring a player's clubs conform to the groove and punch mark specifications as detailed in the Rules of Golf Effective January 2019 is IN effect for AJGA competitions. To determine if a club or set of clubs conforms to the new specifications, players should first search the Informational Club Database (Grooves) which is available at <http://www.usga.org/InfoClubsDB/index.asp>.

- Golf carts and spectator carts are not allowed without a Government issued Blue Permanent Handicap placard. Please see the Tournament Director on-site to receive an approved cart.
- Caddies are not permitted in AJGA tournament play.
- Push carts (non-motorized) are approved for use by all players as permitted by the host facility. Players are responsible for providing their own push carts.

NO SHOW POLICY: If you find that you cannot compete in this event, you must withdraw from the event online through the Player Center. If the online withdrawal option is not available, you must speak directly with the tournament director. Complete withdrawal procedures prior to the start of an event are available at ajga.org. This allows the AJGA to replace you with an alternate. If you cannot compete and do not withdraw properly, you are considered a "no show," and the following action may be taken:

1. If you have already been accepted for another event, you may be notified of your disqualification from that event.
2. If you have not been accepted in another event at this time, your next application may not be considered.
3. If this offense is repeated, you may not be allowed to play in any more events for the remainder of the year.