# 2016





**PROGRAM** 

# INTRODUCTION.



Introducing young people to golf and assisting in the development of their skills underpins the long-term future of our great game.

The Brisbane Golf Club is committed to the development of junior players (under 18 years of age) with the introduction of our Junior Academy including a Junior Golf Development Program.

Key objectives of the program consist of:

- Encouraging boys and girls to play golf in an enjoyable and safe environment;
- Teach golf techniques, etiquette and skills;
- Provide access to practice facilities and on course play;
- Provide opportunities as a Member of The Brisbane Golf Club (home of the Queensland Open 2016-2018);
- Identify talent, provide and assist with further development opportunities;

The Brisbane Golf Club Junior Academy is primarily structured around Club membership & golf instruction. Saturday clinics & play is supported by clinics on Tuesdays and Thursdays throughout the school terms and school holiday junior golf camps. The aim is for junior golfers to progress through five golfing levels, enabling them to achieve a Golf Australia Handicap and take advantage of opportunities & benefits of being a Member of The Brisbane Golf Club.

The first step to become involved in The Brisbane Golf Club Junior development program is to become a Junior Member of the Club. Junior membership has three categories based on age and are designed to provide a transition for junior Members to progress through their individual development in attitude and behaviour, skill acquisition and other life skills.

The Brisbane Golf Club Junior Membership structure			
Junior Member Category	Ages	Details	Annual subscription
PeeWee	6-9 years	<ul> <li>No entrance fee</li> <li>Spare hole access provided accompanied by a Full BGC Member</li> <li>Access to participate in BGC Junior Development program (fees apply)</li> <li>Range ball allowance</li> </ul>	\$127.50
Cadet	10-13 years	<ul> <li>No entrance fee</li> <li>Course access accompanied by an adult BGC Member</li> <li>GA handicap         <ul> <li>Competition play upon approval from Director of Golf</li> </ul> </li> <li>Access to participate in BGC Junior Development program (fees apply)</li> <li>Range ball allowance</li> </ul>	\$177.50
Junior	14-17 years	<ul> <li>No entrance fee</li> <li>Course access upon approval from Director of Golf</li> <li>GA handicap</li> <li>Competition play once GA handicap achieved</li> <li>Access to participate in BGC Junior Development program (fees apply)</li> <li>Range ball allowance</li> </ul>	\$287.50

# DEVELOPMENT **PATHWAY.**

The Brisbane Golf Club has created a Five Level Junior Development Pathway so that it is easier for the junior golfer and their parents to measure their golfing progress. These levels are not aged based, rather skill based, so there is no impediment for junior golfers to participate regardless of their age.

Based around the school year, it is estimated that it will take a full term (8 weeks) for the junior golfer to advance to the next level. A golfing skills test will be held regularly so that it will be possible for the junior golfer to advance to the next level.

We understand that certain children may progress in their learning more quickly than other participants in each program. It is at the sole discretion of the Professional to assess each junior to determine if they are ready to progress to the next level.

At the completion of each level a presentation will be made to the juniors who have completed the level, to be held at the end of the last playing lesson of the term. Parents/Guardians will be notified when their child has graduated to the next level and all parents/guardians are encouraged to attend where possible.

2016 Presentation Days		
Term 2	Saturday June 18	
Term 3	Saturday September 10	
Term 4	Saturday December 3	

Saturday's throughout the school term will be the key focus for the Junior Development Program. Activities will include coaching for each level, followed by course play (3, 6 or 9 holes depending on the junior's level) on the spare holes & main course.

Saturday coaching clinics			
Level	Clinic time	Course	Course access from:
Rookie	1-1:30pm	Spare holes	1:30pm
Bronze	1:30-2pm	Spare holes	2:00pm
Silver	2-2:30pm	Spare holes	2:30pm
Gold	3-3:30pm	Main course	3:30pm
Graduate	2:30-3pm	Main course	3:00pm

Bookings are required for all sessions through the Golf Shop or via the online booking system as there will only be a maximum of 8 students in each group per coach.



The Brisbane Golf Club is fortunate to have some dedicated Members at the club (all Blue Card accredited) who volunteer their time each Saturday to assist all juniors new to the game. Parents / Guardians are encouraged to come along each Saturday and be part of the sessions.

The Saturday development clinics will be supported by clinics to be held Tuesdays (Bronze / Silver level) and Thursdays (for Gold / Graduate level) during the school term. To facilitate a consolidation of the skills acquired through each level, complimentary range balls will be available for participants in the Junior Academy Program.

Complimentary range ball allowances per day		
Rookie	Small basket	
Bronze	Small basket	
Silver	Small basket	
Gold	Medium basket	
Graduate	Medium basket	

# THE BRISBANE GOLF CLUB JUNIOR ACADEMY PATHWAY.

## Rookie Level (Introductory & Assessment)

This level provides the perfect introduction to golf for children with little or no golf experience with a minimum age of 6 years. The key to these lessons is for the child to learn the basics of golf and to have FUN doing it.

Upon enrolling in the Rookie level the junior golfer is able to access to the course and clubhouse of The Brisbane Golf Club for the length of the program. This is to help encourage our juniors to play and practice as much as possible.

## Juniors will learn and be provided with:

- The basic fundamentals (grip, stance, posture);
- Putting, chipping, pitching, and basic swing movements;
- Golf Clubs and their various uses;
- Golf etiquette and safety on the three practice holes at BGC;
- Skin protection; and
- Skills tests, fun games and giveaways.

Rookie level clinics will be conducted on Saturday afternoons throughout the school term whilst school holiday camps are also offered. All golf clubs, balls are supplied complimentary for those children who do not have equipment.

#### Requirements to reach Bronze level

- Basic understanding of putting with an ability to achieve 27 putts or less around a 9 hole course on the practice putting green
- Basic chipping with the ability to hit 2 out of 5 chip shots onto the green from 10 metres;
- Basic pitching with the ability to hit 1 shots out of 5 over a bunker onto the green; and
- Play 6 holes (two rotations of the three spare holes) in a score of 42 or better.

#### **Bronze Level**

The Bronze level is where the junior golfer will begin to play regularly on the spare holes & increase their general skill level.

Upon enrolling in the Bronze level the junior golfer will be able to access the course and clubhouse of The Brisbane Golf Club for the length of the program. This is to help encourage our juniors to play and practice as much as possible.

#### Juniors will learn and be provided with:

- Short Game Coaching;
- Golf terminology;
- Basic Golf Rules;
- Golf etiquette;
- On Course play and instruction; and
- Skills tests and regular involvement in the limited hole Saturday afternoon junior competition.

Bronze level clinics are generally conducted on Saturday & Tuesday afternoons throughout the school term whilst school holiday camps are also offered.

#### Requirements to reach Silver Level

- Intermediate understanding of putting with an ability to achieve 24 putts or less around a 9 hole course on the practice putting green;
- Intermediate chipping with the ability to hit 3 out of 5 chip shots on the green from 15 metres;
- Intermediate pitching with the ability to hit 2 shots out of 5 over a bunker onto the green; and
- Play 6 holes (two rotations of the three spare holes) in a score of 36 or better.

#### Silver Level

The Silver level is where the junior golfer will gain a good understanding of, and be able to routinely play the seven key golf shots:

 Driver, Hybrid, Irons, Pitching, Chipping, Bunker Shots and Putting

Focus will also be on golf rules and etiquette and will involve skills tests and regular play on the spare holes & occasionally on the main course.

Silver level clinics are generally conducted on Saturday & Tuesday afternoons throughout the school term whilst school holiday camps are also offered.

Upon enrolling in the Silver level the junior golfer will be able to access the course and clubhouse of The Brisbane Golf Club for the length of the program. This is to help encourage our juniors to play and practice as much as possible.

#### Requirements to reach Gold Level

- Advanced understanding of putting with an ability to achieve 21 putts or less around a 9 hole course on the practice putting green
- Advanced chipping with the ability to hit 4
   out of 5 chip shots on the green from 20 metres;
- Advanced pitching with the ability to hit 3 shots out of 5 over a bunker onto the green.
- Advanced bunker play with the ability to hit 2 shots out of 5 out of a bunker onto the green.
- Play 9 holes (three rotations of the three spare holes) in a score of 48 or better.

### **Gold Level Junior Golfer**

The Gold level is where the junior golfer has a comprehensive understanding of the basics of golf and they have a full understanding of all 7 key Golf Shots. They play regularly and they are working hard to achieve a golf handicap of 36.

- Juniors will learn and focus on the 7 main shots in golf: Driver, Hybrid Irons, Pitching, Chipping, Bunker Shots and Putting,
- 7 Key Golf Rules
- Skills tests and regular involvement in the limited hole Saturday afternoon junior competition.

Gold level clinics are generally conducted on Saturday & Thursday afternoons throughout the school term whilst school holiday camps are also offered.

Upon enrolling in the Gold level the junior golfer will be able to access the course and clubhouse of The Brisbane Golf Club for the length of the program. This is to help encourage our juniors to play and practice as much as possible.

### Requirements to reach the Graduate Level

- Advanced putting with an ability to achieve
   18 putts or less around a 9 hole course on the practice putting green
- Advanced chipping with the ability to hit 4 out of 5 chip shots on the green from 20 metres within 4 meters of the hole
- Advanced pitching with the ability to hit 3 shots out of 5 over a bunker onto the green
- Advanced bunker play with the ability to hit 3 shots out of 5 out of a bunker onto the green within 5 metres of the hole.
- Play 9 holes on the main course in a score of 56 or better.

#### **Graduate Level**

The Graduate level focuses on preparing the junior golfer to be able to participate in regular Club competitions. The Graduate level junior golfer has successfully completed the Gold level testing by way of skills tests and playing ability, developed a sound knowledge of the game, demonstrated positive behaviour and displayed proper golfing etiquette.

Graduate level clinics are generally conducted on Saturday & Thursday afternoons throughout the school term whilst school holiday camps are also offered. Upon enrolling in the Graduate level the junior golfer will be able to access the course and clubhouse of The Brisbane Golf Club for the length of the program. This is to help encourage our juniors to play and practice as much as possible.

#### Requirements to complete the Graduate Level

- Advanced putting with an ability to achieve 18 putts or less around 9 holes on the main course
- Advanced chipping with the ability to hit 4 out of 5 chip shots on the green from 20 metres within 3 meters of the hole
- Advanced pitching with the ability to hit 3 shots out of 5 over a bunker onto the green within 4 metres of the hole
- Advanced bunker play with the ability to hit 4 shots out of 5 out of a bunker onto the green within 5 metres of the hole.
- Play 9 holes on the main course in a score of 54 or better.

Once the junior golfer has completed all of the criteria further opportunities will be available for them to progress their skills, including;

- Playing rights at The Brisbane Golf Club (all competitions);
- Weekly training sessions held through each school term;
- Represent the club in Pennants, regional, state and national junior tournaments;
- Assistance with entry fees for tournaments on a case by case basis; and
- Career guidance and advice for those juniors who would like to make golf their career.



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	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4
Tuesdays	April 19, 26 May 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 June 7, 14	July 19, 26 August 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 September 6	October 11, 18, 25 November 1, 8, 15, 22, 29
Thursdays	April 21, 28 May 5, 12, 19, 26 June 2, 9, 16	July 21, 28 August 4, 11, 18, 25 September 1, 8	October 13, 20, 27 November 3, 10, 17, 24 December 1
Saturdays	April 16, 23, 30 May 7, 14, 21, 28 June 4, 11	July 23, 30 August 6, 13, 20, 27 September 3, 10	October 15, 22, 29 November 5, 12, 19, 26 December 3

Coaching clinic times - Tuesdays		
Level	Clinic time	
Rookie	N/A	
Bronze	4-4:30pm	
Silver	4:30-5pm	

Coaching clinic times - Thursdays		
Level	Clinic time	
Gold	4-4:30pm	
Graduate	4:30-5pm	

Program fees structure
BGC Junior Member
\$120 per term