



Dear NC East Optimist Sponsor,

I have been asked to coordinate the 2011 NC East qualifying tournaments for the Optimist International Junior Golf Championships and am happy to do so. The dates and locations for the District qualifiers are set and are included below.

Saturday & Sunday, April 30 & May 1, 2011 Keith Hill Country Club (Buies Creek, NC)
Age Groups are: Boys 10-11, 12-13, 14-15, 16-18 & Girls 10-12, 13-14, 15-18

The qualifying tournament will be 2 day (36-hole) tournament used to determine who advances to the Annual Optimist International Junior Golf Championships (July 21-26 and July 26-31 at PGA National Resort & Spa in Palm Beach Gardens, Florida).

There are ample opportunities for the junior golfer during the summer, but I am confident that the **OIJGC** will be one of the year's golfing highlights. This tournament offers an excellent opportunity for you to meet and play golf with some of the best junior golfers in the world. Many highly acclaimed golfers have participated in this program on their way to the professional ranks including Tiger Woods, Ernie Els, Craig Stadler, Corey Pavin, Phil Mickelson, Davis Love III, Justin Leonard, Nancy Lopez, Michelle McGann and Amy Alcott, to name but a few. Possibly, I hope to see your name added to this list in the coming years. Should you or your parents have any questions concerning this event, please do not hesitate to contact me. As a volunteer Optimist Member for the past four years, I'm proud of the opportunities that Optimist International brings to the sport of golf and of the many North Carolina junior golfers who have competed in our international tournaments

Host hotels will be in Dunn, NC. We are expecting about 60 golfers & their parents or sponsors. For more information and to download the tournament entry forms, please log-on to <http://www.nceast-optimist.org/>.

How You Can Help

There are several ways that you or your Club can help make this District program a success.

(1) Sponsor the District Qualifier - Please see the enclosed Sponsorship Opportunities form. A variety of sponsorship options are available for as little as \$50. The proceeds will be used to provide financial assistance to the golfers who advance to the international championships.

(2) Sponsor a Junior Golfer -- Your Club may select one or several of the best young golfers in your community and sponsor them to attend the District tournament. Per USGA rules, financial assistance can be provided to junior golfers to cover normal tournament expenses. This includes entry fee, travel expenses and meals. You can write a check payable to the "NC East Optimist District" and give to the junior golfer or parent to mail with their entry form (preferred). Or, you can reimburse the family directly.

(3) Volunteer at the District Qualifier- We will need several volunteers on the days of the events to serve as registration helpers, course marshals, scoring, etc. Please contact me if you are interested and I will send you more information as we get closer to the tournament dates.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact me by phone at 910-763-9372 (home). Thank you, in advance, for your support.

Sincerely,

Allan Ludlum
NC East District Chair



NC East District Qualifier

April 30 & May 1, 2011 - Keith Hills CC
Buies Creek, NC

2011 SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

We invite Optimist Clubs, members, businesses and other individuals/organizations to support the 2011 NC East District by becoming a sponsor of the 2011 NC East District Optimist Golf qualifier. Your contribution will allow the District to provide financial assistance to the golfers who attend the 2011 Optimist International Junior Golf Championships at PGA National Resort & Spa in Palm Beach Gardens, Florida. Thank you for your contribution!

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Name of Club, Business, Etc: _____ Contact Name: _____

Address: _____ City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____ Email: _____

Platinum Sponsor - \$500

- Club/Business name or logo on large banner at registration desk during qualifier.
- Club/Business name or logo on signage placed next to putting green during qualifier.
- Club/Business name or logo on signage placed on one of the tee boxes during qualifier.
- Club/Business name or logo printed on player packets, tee sheet and scoreboard area.

Gold Sponsor - \$250

- Club/Business name or logo on signage placed next to putting green during qualifier.
- Club/Business name or logo on signage placed on one of the tee boxes during qualifier.
- Club/Business name or logo printed on player packets, tee sheet and scoreboard area.

Silver Sponsor - \$100 per qualifier

- Club/Business name or logo on signage placed on one of the tee boxes during the qualifier.
- Club/Business name printed on player packets, tee sheet and scoreboard area.

Bronze Sponsor -\$50

- Club/Business name printed on player packets, tee sheet and scoreboard area.

RETURN INFORMATION

please complete this form, enclose a check (payable to "NC East Optimist District") and mail to:

NC East Optimist Golf
2720 Columbia Ave
Wilmington, NC 28403

Questions? Contact Allan Ludlum at
<mailto:ALudlum@ec.rr.com> or (910) 763-9372