



## 2019 OBEE Junior Open Tumwater Valley Golf Club

Welcome to the 4th Annual O Bee Junior Open Golf Tournament. Special thanks to our fantastic sponsors: O Bee Credit Union, Titleist, The First Tee of South Puget Sound, Valley Golf Academy and City of Tumwater.

**Rules/Format:** All divisions play Winter Rules. Individual stroke play governed by the USGA rules of golf and the local rules posted on the Tumwater Valley GC scorecard. City Junior/Home Course Team Championship will be comprised of the top 3 scores per home course team. If there is any question as to a ruling, play a second ball and record both scores and be sure and discuss immediately following the round at the scorer's table before signing your card.

### **Tees:**

- 3 Hole Blue Division will use the PGA Family Blue Tees ranging from 100 - 200 yards per hole.
- 9 Hole Black Division will play the back 9 holes from the modified black tees ranging from 100 to 300 yards.
- 9 Hole Red Division, all 18 hole female players & 18 hole male players ages 8-11 will all play forward red tees.
- All 18 hole male players ages 12-18 will play from the middle white tees.

**Pace of Play:** Pace of play rules will be enforced for all divisions of play. 3 Hole Blue and 9 Hole Black Divisions will have a maximum of 8 strokes per hole. Once you score an 8 on any given hole, please pick up and score an 8 for that hole. "Whiffs" will count as strokes. 9 hole Red Division players unable to keep pace will be requested to move forward and play the black tees.

**Lost embedded ball rule & Ground Under Repair:** If a ball is lost in play due to "plugging" and the playing group is in agreement that the ball was definitely in play and lost due to plugging, then player may take a free drop at the nearest point the group determines the ball plugged. No penalty strokes will be awarded in this situation. Ground Under Repair: If the group agrees that a ball is in an area that should be marked as GUR, then a free drop will be allowed, no closer to the hole.

**Play a second ball:** When in doubt on any ruling, announce to your group your intention of playing a second ball from that point forward on that specific hole. Keep track of both scores for that hole and make sure to address the situation at the scorer's table immediately following your round. Official Tournament Staff will make all final rulings.

**Caddies:** Each player may have one caddy 14 years or older. Caddies must place the #1 priority on the players having a fun & positive experience. Your duties as a caddy should not extend beyond carrying clubs, assisting with yardages, and raking bunkers. Once your player is on the green, your job is done for that hole. Reading putts or aligning shots are beyond the scope of what your role is for this tournament.

**Spectators:** TVGC is home to The First Tee, Valley Golf Academy, as well as local high school teams. We pride ourselves in supporting junior golf and hold spectators accountable to conduct themselves properly by demonstrating a strong example of sportsmanship throughout your stay. Spectators are asked to remain on cart paths for safety purposes. Power carts may be rented in the pro shop. Please keep up with your group and refrain from coaching/advising.

**Rulings & Awards:** Official Tournament Staff will have final determination on all scoring and rulings. Awards will be presented immediately following conclusion of play for each division so please gather around the scoring area following completion of play for your particular division. Ties will be broken via scorecard handicap system unless otherwise determined by staff.

**Prizes:** Awarded based upon lowest gross score by division/age/gender. Decisions of the Official Tournament Staff will be final.