JUNIOR GOLF

2024 District Qualifying Tournament



Dear Optimist Club Officers,

The Hartford Area Optimist Club (HAOC) has secured the DMM District Qualifying Golf Tournament for the 2024 Optimist International Junior Golf Championship for the 4th year. The DMM Junior Golf Tournament will be held on Saturday, June 15, 2024, at the Central Valley Golf Club in Hartford, SD located approximately 10 miles west of Sioux Falls on I-90.

Up to 60 golfers, ages 10-18, will play in the one-day 18-hole tournament attracting Junior Golfers from South Dakota, North Dakota, Minnesota, and Manitoba. All 7 Divisions promoted by Optimist International will be included in the District Qualifying Tournament. The Divisions are Boys aged 10-11, 12-13, 14-15 and 16-18, and Girls aged 10-12, 13-14 and 15-18.

The Optimist International Junior Golf Championship (OIJGC) is one of the top-rated Junior Golf tournaments in the world. OI has granted 14 qualifying spots to the DMM for the OIJGC. Golfers must shoot a minimum score to advance to the International Championship scheduled to be played in Miami in July. 13 golfers in 2021, 11 golfers in 2022, and 14 golfers in 2023 played in the OIJGC from the DMM Qualifying Tournament. There is no minimum score required to play in the DMM Tournament.

Optimist Clubs in the DMM are invited to get involved in the 2024 DMM Qualifying Tournament in the following ways:

- Contact and request Golf Coaches at local schools, Golf Pros at local golf courses, and Junior Golf Leagues to inform junior golfers about the Qualifying Tournament.
- Sponsor one or more junior golfers from your community by paying their \$75 registration fee.
- Volunteer your time on the day of the tournament.
- Consider being a Tournament Sponsor in one of the following levels. All sponsors will be acknowledged with a Sponsor's Sign on the Golf Course.
 - **▶** \$100 Birdie Sponsor for holes 2-9 and 11-16.
 - ▶ \$200 Eagle Sponsor for holes 1, 10, 17 and 18.
 - > \$300 Double Eagle Sponsor for the Driving Range, Putting Green, and Scoreboard.

In 2023, 13 DMM clubs were Tournament Sponsors, 3 DMM clubs provided volunteers, and the St Cloud and New Ulm clubs paid for golfer registrations. Please mail your check to HAOC, PO Box 8, Hartford, SD 57033.

The Registration Form located at sites.google.com/site/dmmusoptimistgolf/registration-details may be completed online. Pay by credit card using the information on the registration site.

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