

S.W. Missouri's Tournament Location—Fremont Hills Golf Club—

The 18-hole "Fremont Hills" course at the Fremont Hills Country Club facility in Nixa, Missouri features 6,296 yards of golf from the longest tees for a par of 71 . The course rating is 71.3 and it has a slope rating of 128. Designed by J. Press Maxwell, AS-GCA, the Fremont Hills golf course opened in 1971. Dan Schumacher manages the course as the General Manager.



Join and become a "Friend of Youth" —

The Optimist International Junior Golf Championships is a great way to volunteer to support the youth and the community. Our regional qualifying tournaments need volunteers to help present a good day of golf for young people. If you would be willing to give some time to one of our local tournaments please give them a call. Or better yet join your local optimist club and give some time to help a young neighbor.



Become a Sponsor —

The Christian County Optimist Club has a number of ways individuals and businesses can sponsor this tournament. Please contact the tournament director for information. Help support the Junior Golf Championships and the many other youth orientated activities sponsored by the Optimist Club.

Optimist International's mission is to foster an optimistic way of life, through a network of optimists, dedicated to the full development of their potential in order to provide ever-expanding service to youth, the community and the world.



Christian County Optimist Club Presents The Seventh Annual Junior Golf Tournament

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Monday June 20, 2011 • Fremont Hills Golf Club



Optimist International Junior Golf Championships

Optimist International Junior Golf Championships is just one of the many programs the Optimist International provides for youth. The Optimist organization boasts over 150,000 volunteers in 4,200 clubs around the world serving over 6 million youth. Little wonder the Optimists are called “Friend of Youth.” Each year, over 5, 000 boy and girls compete in more than 170 qualifying tournaments. Winners and approximately 8% of the top junior golfers advance to the district and then to the OIJGC, International competition at the PGA National in Palm Beach Gardens, Florida. It is a fantastic experience for competing juniors.

West MO District – Qualifying Criteria

Regional Tournaments —

The West MO District of Optimist International sponsors qualifying tournaments in four regions. Junior golfers may play in any of these tournaments, regardless of residence, in an attempt to meet eligibility criteria for international competition. Qualifying criteria for international competition are set at 8% of the field of each age division of each region’s tournament, in compliance with the following:

International Qualifying Criteria —

Boys 16-18 Winner and top 8% of field (78 or better)
Girls 16-18 Winner and top 8% of field (85 or better)
Boys 14-15 Winner and top 8% of field (83 or better)
Girls 14-15 Winner and top 8% of field (90 or better)
Boys 12-13 Winner and top 10% of field (90 or better)
Girls 12-13 Winner and any girl scoring 95 or better
Boys 10-11 Winner and top 15% of field (96 or better)
Girls 10-11 Winner and any girl scoring 96 or better

Others may advance to the district playoff with the permission of the tournament director.

Juniors may enter any or all of the qualifying tournaments in West MO District to try to qualify in the 8% criteria. A registration and entry fee must be submitted for each regional tournament. All who qualify may advance to the district if they wish to compete for the free expenses paid trip. Only winners of each age division at the district level will be awarded expenses. Only MO residents may receive expenses paid by West MO District Optimist.

District Tournament — (Playoff)

Juniors must play in a regional qualifying tournament to compete in the district-qualifying tournament. There is no charge for participating in the district tournament. The purposes of the district qualifying tournament are: 1) Choose the winners and therefore which players will have their expenses paid to Florida, 2) Attempt to improve one’s score to assure a position within the 8% to field, 3) Gain tournament play experience.

How to participate — (Southwest Missouri Regional Tournament)

Applications to compete in the qualifying tournaments may be obtained from the Southwest Missouri Regional Tournament Director and when completed returned to the tournament director. Registration fee is \$45.00. Flyers and applications are mailed to area coaches and golf courses. This tournament is a “fun” event and all players are welcome regardless of experience. It is a great opportunity to gain tournament experience. You will need to apply early; see below on how this process is completed. Send application to:

Bert Brower—Tournament Director
P.O. Box 1080
Nixa, MO 65714
417 725-4141
(email) hbrower@watertechozk.com

Applications can also be downloaded from the Christian County Optimist Club web site: www.ccoptimist.org For information on the Optimist International Tournament: www.optimist.org

At-Large Applications —

OIJGC accepts direct applications from junior golfers whose age divisions are not included in district or regional tournaments. Junior golfers who wish to participate in the International competition must request an **at large application** and submit required documentation of scores. To obtain an application for an at-large application please contact:

Sports Programs Department
Optimist International
4494 Lindell Blvd.
St. Louis, MO 63108
1-800-500-8130 ext 209
Fax (314) 371-4057
(e-mail) ojjgc@optimist.org
www.optimist.org

Winners and Funds —

Registration fees for OIJGC tournament PGA National will be \$695 per junior golfer. The fee includes 5 nights lodging, one practice round and all tournament rounds, meal tickets for 5 breakfasts and 5 dinners. The Optimist District pays the registration fee for the winners of each of the age divisions of the district tournament. The district must also send a chaperon(s) to OIJGC as well as the district chairperson. The OIJGC covers two weeks; the first week is for 15 years and younger age divisions, and the second week is for 16-18-age division. To obtain further information go to www.optimist.org and click on the Junior golf link.

The International Optimist does not provide any funds to the district for this program. All funds must be raised at the local and district level.

This would be a great way to show your support for this program. Contact your local Optimist International Club or contact your district chairperson.