

Glen Meadows Golf & Country Club
2011 Junior Golf Report
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Our junior program took a dip as we lost eight members; we are now down to 17. This seems to be a common trend in Victoria with fewer and fewer younger golfers coming up the ranks.

On June 12th, Glen Meadows hosted its annual junior golf tournament - the Jot Home/Evening Optimist Junior Open. 17 golfers participated which is down from 34 last year. Despite the low attendance, two players were tied with 76. After a sudden death playoff, Sean Hay from Royal Colwood took home the winning trophy. Jot Home and the Evening Optimist Club were very supportive with their generous prizes. I'm disheartened, however, that course conditions were a main reason why more kids didn't participate this year.

Our junior club championship coincided on the same weekend as the men's club championship. Three juniors showed very well as they also participated in the men's division. In the end Andrew Funk took home the championship with a combined score of 146 while his older brother, Aron, shot 147. Despite coming second, Aron won the low net score. Meanwhile Andrew shot a great first round that put him in the final round of the men's division leaders. You can't argue with experience as Greg Hardin took home the men's club championship.

We ran a 9 hole best ball event at the end of the school year. We ended off the day with a few prizes and a feed of nachos. It was a good way to kick off the summer!

The Vikes Junior Golf Tour is alive and well for junior golfers in the Victoria area. Glen Meadows was one of ten tour stops taking place between April and June. Two of our juniors participated on the tour and represented Glen quite well. Each tournament is run as an official BCGA event with order of merit points awarded each time.

Golf is not a main stream sport for kids these days so we need to be creative in drawing them in. I will also continue my efforts with Robin to develop clinic days and junior events.

I'm happy to serve as the junior coordinator with the support of this membership and always open to new ideas.

This concludes the 2011 Glen Meadows junior golf report.

Thank you,

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