

GATEWAY PGA COMMITTEE REPORTS 2024 SPRING MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Golf Sale

Thanks to all who participated in the Golf Sale in November, in particular the Gateway PGA staff who take care of all of the logistics. We've been fortunate to be able to utilize Chesterfield Mall over the past few years, but it looks like they will be tearing it down in the next few months. We will still have the sale in November but will most likely be looking for a new location. If you have any suggestions, please contact Joe Schwent.

-Joe Schwent, Chairperson

Rules of Golf

Committee Members: Jesse Barge, Michael Brown, Mark Morfey, Matt Gindler, and Marvin Herrod

Committee Chairman Jesse Barge will conduct a rules seminar for section professionals on Tuesday April 2nd. The seminar will be at the section office from 9:00 AM to 12:30 PM.

The committee will officiate at 9 Gateway Section professional events, 5 Gateway Junior tournaments, 2 Korn Ferry Tour qualifiers, and 2 Ascension Charity Classic qualifiers.

If section members have any questions regarding the Rules of Golf, they can contact Jesse Barge at 618-889-3940.

- Jesse Barge, Chairperson

Professional Development Committee

Committee Members

- Aaron Gleason, PGA
- Emily Van Rie
- Kevin Schaeffer, PGA
- Larry Salsman, PGA
- Paul Leahy, PGA
- Paul Resner, PGA
- Steve Houg, PGA
- Maybe an 8th?

Committee Structure

- 4 Platforms and 1 Gateway Golf Summit
- Group of 2 Professional will handle 1 Platform.

Timeline for Scheduling

- 2 Spring

- 1 Summer
- 2 Winter
- Gateway Golf Summit – February 2025

Professional Development Seminars

- Associate Development
- Resume Building and Presentation
- Agronomy
 - Mississippi Valley Golf Course Superintendents Association
 - Renovations & Restorations – Golf Course Architect (Kai Golby)
 - Tree Removal, Draining, Marking a Golf Course, etc
- Staffing and Mentoring
- Relationships with Golf Management Programs
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Being a Mentor Signups and Distribution of the List – Ali and Jeffrey are coordinating on this!

Gateway Golf Summit – Tuesday, February 25, 2025 – Theme??

- AGM Support
- Tracey Moffatt – Interim ED of AGM and Adjunct Professor at Florida Gulf Coast University – Open to Buy Plans for your Golf Shop and Merchandising in General
- Tony Pancake – Golf Professional of the Year
- Michale Wellington – Mental Health Wellness and Caddying on Tour
- Dr. David Cook – 7 Days in Utopia
 - Sports and Performance Psychologist
- Suggestion from 2023 Attendee:
 - Crime: Internet, Theft, Vandalism, Fraud (Internal & External), Prevention

- Jeffrey Field, Chairperson

Tournament Committee

Thanks to our current Tournament Committee Members for all their contributions this year!

- Michael Tucker Chair
- Jimmy Bals
- Kyle Williams
- David Levine
- Jeffrey Schulte
- Emily Van Rie
- Matt Gindler
- Doug Castellari
- Mike Kegin
- Blake Sharamitaro

- Ali Wells
- Michael Brown

We had a great 2023 season with great growth in our events and have a very full schedule for 2024. (see separate calendar printout.) We also have a couple of new events for 2024 and are hoping to continue adding more new players.

- Pro Pro - Shamble - April 8th Whitmore CC
- CK Brands Pro Pro Scramble- April 22nd, Franklin County CC

We have some great venues for our Majors and again hope this will attract some more players.

Majors for 2024

- Match Play May 13th 14th and 15th – St. Clair CC
- PGA Professional Championship – August 5th and 6th Dalhousie Golf Club
- Senior PGA Professional Championship August 12th and 13th St Albans CC
- Assistant PGA Professional Championship – August 19th, Meadowbrook CC

We have retained and secured new sponsors for the 2024 season which help drive the purses and enhance the level of our events.

Retained:

- Imperial, Fairways to Heaven, Taylor Made, Stracka Line, Sterling Cut Glass, Jay Delsing, Foot Joy, Evolve Golf, TNT Golf Car, PGA Hole in One USA, Maui Jim, and Under Armour

New:

- Strike Visual, CK Golf Brands, Calaway Golf Assistants Association

- *Michael Brown, Staff Liaison*