



The Independent Insurance Agents of
Massachusetts
Presents the
41st Annual Trusted Choice Big "I" Junior Classic

June 24, 2009
Thorny Lea Golf Club
\$25

Tee Times will be available from the Pro Shop or the Tournament Director on or after **June 22, 2009**.

PLAYER ELIGIBILITY: The Big "I" Junior Classic is open to any junior whose 19th birthday does not occur prior to the end of the national Big "I" tournament and **who has not started college**. The 2009 finals end on July 30th therefore players turning 19 on or before July 30th are ineligible. A player turning 19 on July 31st or later would be eligible. See reverse side for residency requirements and state/national tournament information.

No entries will be accepted without entry fee. Entry form must be received by **June 19, 2009**.

Return entry form with check or money order to: **MAIA**

Mail to:

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Phone **(508)-586-2186**

APPLICANT INFORMATION

Age on or before July 31, 2009: _____

Player's Name _____ Nickname _____ Date of Birth _____

Parent/Guardian's Name & Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Phone () _____

Handicap/Average Score _____ Name of Home Course _____

AMATEUR STATUS: I am familiar with the USGA Rules of Amateur Status, and I have conformed with these rules in every respect. I understand the Championship regulations and agree that this entry is subject to the approval or rejection at any time by the Big "I" Junior Classic Offices at their discretion. I understand that the use of alcohol, drugs, or offensive or abusive language will disqualify me.

Signature of Applicant _____ Date _____

APPROVAL AND CONSENT OF PARENT OR GUARDIAN: As a parent or guardian of the applicant, I hereby certify the facts as stated in this entry form and attest that I am familiar with his/her plans to participate and that he/she does so with my approval. I further certify in the event that emergency medical care needs to be administered to the above named applicant, and the below mention person cannot be contacted, the required parental consent may be given by an authorized member of the Tournament Committee.

Signature of Parent/Guardian _____ Date _____

In the event of an emergency contact:

Name _____ Phone () _____

RESIDENCY REQUIREMENTS:

In any year, contestants may participate in only one state's Big "I" Junior Classic tournament, which should be in their state of permanent residence if that state conducts an Big "I" Junior tournament. If the contestant lives in a state not conducting a Big "I" tournament, he or she may apply to a neighboring state. **If a non-resident player wins the state qualifier then the player gets a spot in the national event and the state retains their original allotments. Please note that a player from a neighboring state must win the state tournament to advance to the National Big "I" Junior Classic.** Should he or she qualify for the national Big "I" Junior Classic in a neighboring state, he or she will be responsible for all expenses unless the two states involved wish to make other arrangements. Permanent residence is defined as the state in which you attend school.

STATE/NATIONAL TOURNAMENTS:

Up to sixty juniors will advance to the State Finals at the Crumpin Fox Club in Bernardston, MA on July 8-9, 2009. The top three Massachusetts boys and one Massachusetts girl will advance to the National Big I Tournament on July 26 – 30, 2009 at the Dornick Hills Country Club of Ardmore, Oklahoma. You are responsible for entry fees for the local qualifier and state tournaments. The Massachusetts Association of Insurance Agents (MAIA) assumes the cost of transportation and entry fees for the National Big "I" Junior Classic Tournament. Housing will be provided in private homes on or near the course that are screened by the National Big "I" Junior Classic Host Committee. MAIA provides a chaperone who will travel with the juniors and be on location throughout the National Big "I" Junior Classic Tournament.

TOURNAMENT RULES:

1. No parents, guardians, friends, etc. are allowed to follow players on the course during the tournament. Observers will be permitted at vantage points designated by the Tournament Committee.
2. Practice rounds are optional and fees are not included in the entry fee. Players are responsible for calling the host facility to schedule a practice round.
3. Range balls are complimentary at the **state tournament** prior to tournament rounds. The range will be open at least 45 minutes prior to the start of play. After the completion of your tournament round, the golf course may charge a nominal fee for range.
4. The Rules of Golf require that a player shall at all times play without undue delay. Big "I" Junior Classic Officials will use discretion concerning the pace of play with early groups. It is the player's responsibility as well as the group's to stay in position and on time. If a group falls out of position, it will immediately be put on the clock and monitored. If the group cannot make up the time or regain its position, penalties will be handed out accordingly. Slow play will not be tolerated. All groups will be expected to play at a reasonably fast pace, 14 minutes per hole (4 hours 20 minutes).
5. At the conclusion of your eighteenth hole, competitors must go directly to the scoring area to check scores and return your signed scorecard. You are responsible for the correct hole-by-hole scores and two signatures. Your round is not complete until you have left the scoring area.
6. A suspension for a dangerous situation (i.e.: lightning or tornado) shall be signaled by three short siren or horn blasts. Players shall discontinue play immediately and seek shelter. All practice areas shall be closed during suspension for a dangerous situation until the committee has declared them open for use. One long horn or siren blast will notify players when it is safe to resume play
7. All ties for first through third place for boys and first place for girls will be broken with a sudden death play-off.
8. The Rules of Golf, it's Decisions and the Local Rules provided by the Big "I" Junior Classic will govern all play at the Big "I" Junior Classic Events. It is the responsibility of the player to know and understand the rules of golf. During competition, if a player has a question on a ruling or relief procedure and a rules official is not around, the player should apply Rule 3-3 and report the facts to a rules official.
9. No carts, caddies or pull carts are permitted.
10. No cellular phones or beepers are permitted on the golf course during tournament rounds.