

# JAGA NEW DIRECTOR ORIENTATION DOCUMENT

#### <u>Overview</u>

JAGA was established in 1954 as an umbrella organization to promote golf and golfrelated activities at clubs throughout North Florida. JAGA is to local golf what the Florida State Golf Association is to golf in Florida and the United States Golf Association is to golf in the U.S.

JAGA is a volunteer organization whose membership is comprised of golf clubs and courses. It has approximately 40 member clubs. Each club is represented by up to four directors who are identified by the club or current directors or individuals who express interest in becoming one. There are more than 100 names on the JAGA directors' list. JAGA directors meet a minimum of six times per year to conduct business and further the JAGA mission.

JAGA's mission is:

- 1. To promote interest and participation in the game of golf.
- 2. To arrange competitive tournaments, and to act as a coordinator for tournament schedules in the area.
- 3. To promote unity among member clubs in accordance with U.S.G.A. standards and recommendations.
- 4. To encourage and promote junior golf.
- 5. To process the nomination and selection of candidates for scholarship awards and to ensure the recipients maintain proper academic and moral standards during their term of study.

JAGA's website is: <u>www.jaxareagolf.org</u>.

JAGA's mailing address is: 830-13 A1A North, Box 158, Ponte Vedra Beach, FL 32082

### Primary Functions of the Organization

- Conducts and/or supports up to 12 area amateur championships throughout the year, including male and female events for men, women, seniors, and juniors.
- Manages a college scholarship program (JAGA Charitable Trust) that can maintain financial aid for up to 28 deserving students every year (\$1,000 per semester per student). Since 1974, the Trust has generated \$1.8 million for approximately 375 students.
- Assists member clubs in disseminating information and news.
- Interfaces and coordinates with other area golf organizations the Northern Chapter of the North Florida PGA, North Florida Junior Golf Foundation, First Coast Women's Amateur, North Florida Superintendents Association, Jacksonville Women's Golf Association, Ladies Amateur Golf Association, The First Tee of North Florida, and Moore-Myers Children's Fund.
- Co-sponsors the annual "Celebration of Golf" banquet with the Northern Chapter of the North Florida PGA, historically held in February.
- Maintains a shared schedule of tournaments with clubs and other golf associations.

### 2021 Officers

President - Jeff Adams (TPCS Sawgrass) Vice President/Administration - John Tancredi (Marsh Landing CC) Vice President/Tournaments - Cary Helton (San Jose CC) Secretary - Larry Stark (Jax Beach GC) Treasurer - Billy Walker (Cimarrone GC)



Adams, Walker, Tancredi, Helton, Stark

Other Key Non-Elected Positions

Immediate Past President - Randy Nader (Sawgrass CC) Assistant Secretary - Tom Tomlin (Sawgrass CC) Assistant Treasurer/Meetings - Jack Morehead (NAS Jax) Assistant Treasurer/Dues - Vince Celestino (Marsh Creek CC) Assistant Vice President/Tournaments - John Milton (Jax Beach GC) BlueGolf Administrator - Jennifer Borocz (Northern Chapter, PGA) Chairman/Charitable Trust - Wayne St. Clair (Jacksonville G&CC) Executive Secretary & Historian - Barney Poston (Hidden Hills GC) Webmaster - Arch Copeland (Deercreek CC)

### Website / www.jaxareagolf.org

The JAGA website features seven tabs at the top of the home page (see image below). The following are a few areas you are encouraged to get familiar with (applicable tab in parentheses).

- Archives/Past Results ("Tournaments")
- Archives/Releases & "News" ("News")
- Directors Duties ("Documents")
- Directors List ("Directories")
- JAGA Constitution & By-Laws ("Documents" > "Legal Documents")
- JAGA History ("About Us" > "The JAGA Story")
- Scholarship Fund History ("Scholarships")
- Tournament Information & Sign-Up ("Tournaments")

To sign up for JAGA meetings, go to "Meetings" in the green "JAGA Links" box (see below).

To access the "Meetings" page, type password "billblack" (all lower case) when prompted.





JAGA First Coast Amateur

**TREVOR HULBERT** OF EAST TENNESSEE STATE CAPTURES 5th JAGA FIRST COAST AMATEUR IN PLAYOFF

-Son of former PGA TOUR winner defeats Logan Sowell of College of Charleston with par on first extra hole-



#### 2020 JAGA AWARD WINNERS

WINNERS left to right

Pro of the Year: **Tim Cooper**, Deerwood CC JAGA Director of the Year: **Randy Nader**, Sawgrass CC

Earl and Eleanor Kelly Lifetime Achievement Award: **George Halvorsen**, Marsh Landing



#### **Meetings**

- Jan, Feb. March, April, May, June, Sept, Oct, Nov. Dec. (2021, proposed schedule)
- Rotate around North Florida to Member Clubs
- Meeting, Lunch and/or Golf
- Meeting/Lunch/Golf = \$65; Meeting/Lunch only = \$20; Meeting only = \$0
- Starting time, 10 a.m. (unless otherwise announced)
- Sign up on the JAGA homepage under "JAGA Links" ("Meetings" in green box)
- Meeting attendance is not mandatory but strongly encouraged.

#### New Director - Things To Do To Get Started

- Get familiar with the JAGA website...www.jaxareagolf.org....password: billblack
- Sign up for JAGA emails (Go to: Homepage > Subscribe to JAGA Email (in blue box)
- Submit contact information (name, club, cell phone, email) and photo to Arch Copeland for JAGA Directors list.

#### JAGA DIRECTORS LIST

Name	≑ Email	Phone	\$ Club	Photo +
Adams, Jeff	jeffreytadams71@gmail.com	904-607-6142	TPC Sawgrass	Pic
Andrews, Jim PP	jamesrandrews@bellsouth.net	904-607-7105	Ponte Vedra I&C	Pic
Arms, J.D.	j <u>armsg773@att.net</u>	904-287-4101	Julington Creek	Pic
Batchelder, Drake	drakebatchelder@icloud.com	904-806-4544	Marsh Creek	Pic

- Contact Arch Copeland to secure your JAGA name badge for meetings and events.
- Contact Ron Jerin about purchasing a JAGA shirt or hat.

## Scholarships / JAGA Charitable Trust

JAGA manages a scholarship program which can maintain financial aid for up to 28 deserving college students every year. Since 1974, the program has generated approximately \$1.8 million in financial aid to approximately 375 students. Each year between five and eight new scholarships are awarded for \$1,000 per semester. Complete program details are available under the "Scholarships" tab on the JAGA website.

### Trust Officers:

Chairman - Wayne St. Clair (Jacksonville G&CC) Vice Chairman - Michael McKenny (Timuquana CC) Treasurer - Allen Witham (Hidden Hills GC) Secretary - Steve Booma (The Plantation) Scholarship Chairman - Ken Hicks (Deerwood CC) Member - Joe Grippi (Deerwood CC) Member - John Tancredi (Marsh Landing CC)



June 2021 Scholarship Award Winners

**Director Expectations** 

JAGA Director duties are:

- 1) Be a liaison/promoter for JAGA, its tournaments and other activities to key club personnel and golfers at their member club.
- 2) Attend as many Director meetings and be as active as possible.
- 3) Volunteer for tournaments and other activities.
- 4) Help the Scholarship committee recruit scholar candidates from their member club.
- 5) Coordinate or participate in at least one fund raiser annually at your member club to raise funds for the Charitable Trust.
- 6) Be willing to serve on committees or as an officer of JAGA, if approached to do so.

JAGA currently does not have mandatory Director requirements, but consideration is being given to adopting a set of minimum requirements for directors to maintain their director status.

#### "Areas of Focus"

"Areas of Focus" is a new JAGA initiative in 2021. These are areas of need where we will have designated "go-to directors" who commit to oversee and stay on top of a specific focus area on an ongoing basis. These functions will increase the number of directors involved in JAGA's day-to-day matters and should reduce things that fall through the cracks, which is often the case with limited non-officer involvement. Up to 15 areas have been identified such as dues collection, parliamentary matters, rules seminars, fundraising, speakers for meetings, club member and new director recruitment, new director orientation, ongoing website maintenance of all sections, and many more. A working chart of these assignments is available.

### <u>Miscellaneous</u>

Director Email Blasts

- JAGA directors receive regular email blasts via MailChimp. These emails promote upcoming meetings, important announcements, tournament results and more.
- JAGA produces and distributes early each month "Northeast Florida Golf News", an email blast to approximately 1,300 JAGA constituents. Fred Seely (Timuquana CC) edits "News". Directors are encourages/expected to submit relevant news items from their clubs.
- Be sure to sign up on the home page to begin receiving all of the above items.

# SAMPLE "NORTHEAST FLORIDA GOLF NEWS"



**BlueGolf Tournament Platform** 

 JAGA uses the BlueGolf tournament platform to promote and organize its tournaments. Individual JAGA tournament websites may be found by selecting a tournament on the JAGA homepage ("Tournaments" tab, then "2021 Tournament Schedule"). Each BlueGolf tournament homepage contains basic tournament information, registration and leaderboard access, and much more. Jennifer Borocz is our BlueGolf Administrator. She assists tournament chairs and other JAGA directors with BlueGolf needs and issues.

#### SAMPLE BLUEGOLF TOURNAMENT HOME PAGE (PORTION)



# THANK YOU AND WELCOME TO JAGA!

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