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JAGA RELEASES 2022 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

JACKSONVILLE, FL - The **Jacksonville Area Golf Association** (JAGA) today announced its schedule of events for 2022. The '22 lineup includes a variety of tournaments, 12 in all, involving men, women and junior golfers of all ages played at stroke play, match play and/or in team formats.

Overseeing JAGA tournaments in 2022 will be the recently elected Vice Presidents/ Tournaments duo of **Gregg Deiboldt** and **Jeff Johnstone** from Sawgrass Country Club.

Details have been finalized for all but one (JAGA Fall Four-Ball) of the 12 events:

DATE(S)	TOURNAMENT	HOST VENUE	JAGA CHAIRPERSON(S)/ SUPPORT
Jan. 15-17	JAGA First Coast Amateur	The Conservatory at Hammock Beach Golf Resort and Spa	Jeff Adams/John Milton
Jan. 17-18	31st Underwood Cup *	San Jose CC	Cary Helton/NFPGA
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March 14	JAGA Spring Four-Ball	Palatka GC	Ron Jerin/Jeff Elledge
April 24 April 29 - May 1	12 th JAGA Match Play Championship / Round of 64 12 th JAGA Match Play Championship / Matches	Jax Beach GC Jax Beach GC	Jeff Johnstone/Gregg Deiboldt Cary Helton
May 15-17	65 th JAGA Senior Amateur Championship	Deercreek CC	Jeff Johnstone/Lee Fields
June 22-23	First Coast Women's Amateur **	World Golf Village- King & Bear	Susie Fonde/Phil Stambaugh
July 11-12	Greater Jacksonville Junior Championship ***	Eagle Harbor GC	Ray Wensell
July 21-23	61st JAGA Jacksonville Amateur Championship	Deerwood CC	Jeff Adams/John Milton
TBD	JAGA Fall Four-Ball	TBD	Lee Fields
Nov. 7	25 th JAGA/NFPGA Club Team Championship ****	World Golf Village- King & Bear	Jeff Johnstone/NFPGA

Nov. 14	19 th JAGA Scholarship Trust Classic	Deerwood CC	Michael McKenny
Dec. 17	JAGA Family Championship	Jax Beach GC	Duke Butler III & Family

^{*}Conducted by Northern Chapter of the North Florida PGA, with the support of JAGA

The 2022 season gets off to a strong start January 15-17 with the highly successful JAGA First Coast Amateur. It will be played for the third time at The Conservatory at Hammock Beach Golf Resort and Spa in Palm Coast. Each year the event's World Golf Amateur Ranking has gotten stronger. The 96 spots for the 2022 field were filled within three weeks. The waiting list grew to 81.

That same Martin Luther King holiday weekend will be a busy one for JAGA as the organization will simultaneously be supporting the **31**st **Underwood Cup** (Jan. 17-18) in which Northeast Florida's top amateurs and club professionals will compete at San Jose Country Club for the first time.

The **Spring Four-Ball** heads to an area favorite, the Donald Ross-designed Palatka Golf Club, on March 14th.

The **JAGA Match Play Championship** moves to Jax Beach Golf Club with all tournament play being held at the popular public facility.

JAGA's two oldest events, the **Senior Amateur Championship** and the **Jacksonville Amateur Championship**, will be played in close proximity, with Deercreek Country Club (May 15-17) and Deerwood Country Club (July 21-23), respectively, hosting. The Senior Amateur "officially" becomes of senior age this year as it turns 65. Its younger "sibling", the Jax Am, will be played for the 61st time.

The **First Coast Women's Amateur** will be played at the World Golf Village's King and Bear June 22-23, while JAGA happily continues to support the North Florida Junior Golf Foundation and its **Greater Jacksonville Junior Championship** July 11-12 at Eagle Harbor Golf Club.

Discussions on a site and date for the Fall Four-Ball are in the works.

The **25**th **Club Team Championship**, co-sponsored by JAGA and the Northern Chapter of the North Florida PGA, moves over to the King & Bear at World Golf Village on Nov. 7th.

The **JAGA Scholarship Trust Classic** returns to its familiar fall date and will be played Nov. 14th at Deerwood Country Club. Last played in February of this year at Ponte Vedra Inn and Club, the Classic raised almost \$20,500.

The season-ending **JAGA Family Championship** at Jax Beach Golf Club stays in its highly successful pre-Christmas date - Dec. 17th in '22. A record 152 players competed in two waves last month.

^{**} Run by First Coast Women's Amateur Tournament Committee, with the support of JAGA.

^{***} Run by North Florida Junior Golf Foundation, with the support of JAGA.

^{****}Co-sponsored by JAGA in conjunction with the Northern Chapter of the North Florida PGA

Unfortunately, the Celebration of Golf Banquet will not be held again due to ongoing concerns about hosting high occupancy indoor events. The goal is for it to return in early 2023.

Players interested in entering JAGA events in 2022 may do so during the year by going to www.jaxareagolf.org and clicking on the "Calendar of Events" tab on the home page.

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ABOUT JAGA

Established in 1954, JAGA celebrates its 69th year in 2022. It is a not-for-profit corporation comprised of approximately 40-member golf clubs located in Northeast Florida. JAGA's mission is to promote golf and goodwill through tournaments and related events and activities. It conducts 12 tournaments, including six championship events and six others that feature team formats. JAGA also manages a college scholarship program that maintains financial aid for as many as 35 deserving students per 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.

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