

Monthly Divot

October



Leydon Finishes Top 10 in State Tournament

Our chapter had ten boys represented high schools throughout Denver, Commerce City, and Thornton this fall in CHSAA golf. Of those ten boys, Kyle Leydon qualified for the 5A state tournament at City Park Golf Course in Denver. Where he finished T8! Good job Kyle, we are very proud of your perseverance this season!

We are proud of every player who participated this season! We look forward to seeing our girls participate next spring!



Leydon Qualifies for Notah Begay III Junior National Championship

Kyle Leydon earned his way into the Notah Begay III National Junior Championship November 7-9 at Koasati Pines Golf Club in Kinder, Louisiana. Playing in the boys 16-18 age division, he secured his spot at Mission Inn Resort and Golf Club in Howey-In-The-Hills, Florida. Finishing T2, +4 for the tournament, did not secure his spot in the championship, Kyle needed a playoff to earn his bid into the championship.

Kyle had the chance to meet golf loyalty after his playoff, receiving a congratulatory compliment and pat on the back from the 15-time major champion Tiger Woods who happened to be caddying for his son Charlie in the boys 12-13 age group.

You can cheer on Kyle from home as the National Championship will air on Golf Channel! Good luck Kyle, we are all rooting for you!



First Tee - GVR Alumni College Golf Update

We have a number of First Tee - GVR alumni continuing their competitive golf careers onto college! Here are some updates involving our college athletes!

Davis Bryant- Colorado State University

Davis is continuing his career at CSU as a Graduate Student. This is his 5th season with Rams, he has played in two events so far, with an average score of 68.17, his low round of the year being a 67 at the Gene Miranda Falcon Invitational. Davis finished T2, and both times helping lead the team to a victory at the Ram Masters Invitational in Fort Collins and the Gene Miranda Falcon Invitational in Colorado Springs.



Emma Bryant- University of Denver

Emma is now a Sophomore at DU, has played in two events so far, with an average score of 76.67. Her low round so far being a 73 at the Mason Rudolph Championship in Nashville.



Hunter Swanson- University of Colorado

Hunter enters his Freshman year at CU, he has played in three events with an average score of 71.89. His lowest score of 67 at the UND Fighting Irish Classic in South Bend.



Kaylee Jacobs- Converse University

Kaylee is entering her Senior year with the Valkyries after transferring from Johnson and Wales University. She has yet to play in an event this year. We do not doubt that she will be featured on her team this season.



Austin Murphy- Livingstone College

Austin is entering his Junior year at Livingstone College. During the early part of the 2023 season Austin has not played in an event. He looks to change that this season!



Thank You for Your Donations!

Thank you to our Coach Tom White and his colleagues at Iron Woman Construction and Environmental Services and Grays on Trays for their donations to our program! Both organizations earned over \$1,100 in donations to our program! Thank you so much for your continued support of our program!



Service Opportunity 10/22

We are hosting an Adopt a Spot on Saturday 10/22 from 9am-11am. This is a great opportunity for your child to give back to the community and help us clean up our area around the par 3 course and our learning center. This is great for kids who need community service hours towards graduating or National Honor Society. If you would like to sign your child up, please RSVP with our Program Coordinator Aaron at apinkerton@coloradoopen.com. Please put in the email heading "ADOPT A SPOT". We will meet at our learning center building 20309 E 48th Pl, Denver, CO 80249. We look forward to seeing you out here on 10/22 from 9am-11am.