



**PGA**  
Southern California



In 2022, the Tee Divas & Tee Dudes (TDTD) Junior club, partnered with the Inland Golf Academy (IGA) to start a neighborhood PGA Junior League, with the support of **PGA Coach Angel Martinez** (Ted Oh - Epic Studios). Together, the TDTD and IGA had **(44) junior golfers** participate in our PGA Junior League from the ages of 4 to 17 years old. PGA Junior League allows young golfers to play competitive golf, but as a 2-person team. During practice sessions, the juniors golfers were encouraged to learn USGA golf rules, Pace of Play, and work on their golf etiquette. Each junior receives (2) polos shirts with their Last Name printed on the back. It was amazing to witness, one of our parents almost cry when his 6-year old daughter had an opportunity to proudly wear her polo shirt.

Our 17 and under team (6 players) competed at the All-Star Qualifier (Alhambra golf course) and won their first match. We then headed to Temecula Creek golf course for the Regional Tournament and as **IGA Coach Greg Prator** predicted – Our team won.

With the financial support of TDTD, IGA, friends, family and the SCPGA Junior Foundation, **our junior team (Michael, Luke, Judah Johnson, Alysa Davis and Ariaahana Esparza)**, along with parents, family and **Coaches Angel Martinez, Greg Prator, Marie Lures, Deana Prator and Jenny Bethune** traveled to Maui, Hawaii for the final leg of our **PGA Junior League Championship at the Wailea Gold golf course**. Even though we just barely missed moving forward, our Junior golfers had an experience that they will never forget.

To finish the season, the **IGA staff hosted a PGA Junior League Tournament, for all the juniors at Green River golf course**. The day started with the **Tiny Tots Tournament** and our young golfers playing a modified practice hole - 3 times. They were thrilled to have family and friends cheering, as they played. **The older juniors were challenged by playing (9) or (18) regulation golf holes** and also received trophies and ribbons for their great golf skills.

**The TDTD / IGA 2023 team will be ready for the challenge!** We will work hard to make it to the National Championship with our under 13 team. Stay Tuned.....

