

Golf Wellington Incorporated

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2021 Talent Development Programme (TDP) Coaches and Groups Announced

Golf Wellington are pleased to announce their Talent Development Programme (TDP) Coaches and Groups for 2021. With the key funding and resource support of Pelorus Trust, Golf Wellington is able to continue its successful programme (formerly named Junior Academy).

Tier 1, for up to 12 players in 2021, is aligned strongly with Golf New Zealand's High Performance Player Development Plan with a focus on course management, game craft, course mapping and tournament preparation, allied with mental skills, physiotherapy, strength and conditioning, injury prevention and treatment protocols, and nutrition modules. This group will attend two 5 day camps, the second based around the GNZ Age Grade Championships.

The Tier 2 Group, for up to 12 players, are those who are developing strongly, but still relatively new to competitive golf at interclub and representative level. These players will be developing their skills, putting, short game and course management, along with introductions to strength and conditioning, nutrition and event preparation. Members of this group will have the opportunity to press their case for inclusion into Tier 1 as the year progresses.

The Tier 3 group, again for up to 12 players, sees those who are beginning to practice and take lessons to bed in their core fundamentals, and are starting to compete in age grade events. These players will also be developing their skills, putting, short game and course management, along with introductions to strength and conditioning, nutrition and event preparation

In all groups not all the positions have been filled, offering the opportunity for players who have just missed this selection, to earn inclusion through their results in the coming months.

The coaches who were appointed for the subsequently cancelled 2020 TDP, Alastair Sidford, Matthew Lane and Joel Macklin, have been re-appointed for the 2021 programme.

Alastair and Matthew, with their extensive pro tour and elite amateur playing experience and knowledge, will be primarily focused around the Tier 1 group. Joel with support from Matthew and Alastair will lead the modules for the Tier 2 and 3 groups.



2021 TDP Tier 1

Harry Ward, Dominic Hazeldine, Alec Prentice, Jamie Frew, Lane Jiang Victoria Li, Charlotte Gillespie, Yewoo Hyun, Dakota Asi

2021 TDP Tier 2

Teisa Mania- Vaka, Victoria Faafia, Amy Li, Lonise Tago, Peta Time, Toaiva Faafia Caleb Taitua, Ian Ku, John Son, Tane Falconer

2021 TDP Tier 3

Jahrome Orupe, Layton Prince, Sam Jiang, Hugo Sidford, Apirana Ngarimu, Amish Kumar, Tuakeu Tago, Christian Wala Lonasei Lolo, Elise Barber, Amelia Trask