

BRJGT Press Report—The William L. Woodford Junior Classic  
Site: Wytheville Golf Club in Wytheville, VA  
Monday June 24, 2019

Beautiful weather and course conditions greeted 76 junior golfers on Monday June 24 at the William L. Woodford Junior Classic. The Classic was played as part of the Blue Ridge Junior Golf Tour. Many enthusiastic volunteers were on site to assist the young players creating a professional feel to the event. The tournament name derives from the generous support to junior golf from the William L. Woodford foundation. Mr. Woodford loved to see young people playing the game of golf and left a charitable amount of money for the development of junior golf in the area. “We’re very appreciative to the William L. Woodford Foundation and the Wytheville Golf Club for their continued support to the Blue Ridge Junior Golf Tour. The Foundation supports the Tour each year and the Wytheville Golf Club is an excellent site for a junior tournament. It is always in great shape and convenient to walk.” (comments from Dewayne Belcher, BRJGT Director of Tour Operations)

Here are a summary of the results.

#### 16-18 Age Group Par 70 6051 Yards

Daniel Goode of Wytheville, VA won the age group with a score of 4 over par 74. Goode recorded 3 birdies and an eagle on the round that also included a double and triple bogey. The eagle came on hole 18 when he made the shot from 32 yards away. Goode said, “After the triple on #4, I just focused on hitting the shot rather than the outcome of the shot. Golf is a game where you get good breaks and bad breaks. I just had to focus on what I could control and that was the execution of each shot. I just played golf like it is meant to be played.” It was certainly good strategy as he played the rest of the round in 3 under par to gain a six shot advantage over Noah Barr of Chilhowie, VA and Jason Hall of Dublin, VA. The pair tied for 2<sup>nd</sup> with scores of 80.

#### 14-15 Age Group Par 70 5691 Yards

Jake Albert of Christiansburg, VA shot 82 and won the age group. Albert made 2 birdies and recorded 5 pars en route to his two shot victory over McKenzie Weddle of Floyd, VA. Benson Blevins of Wytheville, VA shot 85 and finished 3<sup>rd</sup>.

#### 12-13 Age Group Par 70 4990 Yards

Talan Gentry of Hillsville, VA won the age group for the second consecutive week with a score of 92. Grayson Sheets of Marion, VA was 2<sup>nd</sup> one shot back at 93. Grayden Laird of Galax, VA was 3<sup>rd</sup> with a score of 96.

#### 10-12 Age Group Par 34 2011 Yards

Grant McCall of Richlands, VA shot 40 to win the age group by one shot. Major Ewing of Blacksburg, VA and Jack Skinner also of Blacksburg, VA shot 41 to finish tied for 2<sup>nd</sup>. David Goode of Wytheville, VA was solo 4<sup>th</sup> with a score of 42. “All four players had a stellar round making for a very competitive age group. In the spirit of sportsmanship they genuinely root for each other. It is inspiring to see.” (comment from Dewayne Belcher)

#### 9 and Under Age Group Par 34 2520 Yards

Hudson Hurt of Radford, VA won the age group with a score of 38. Campbell Sayers of Marion, VA was second with a score of 45. Nolan Hurt of Radford, VA was third with a score of 58.

The Tour resumes on Thursday June 27 at the Greenbrier Resort.