

Rain Does Not Dampen Wire-To-Wire Victories

Schulze and Kahn capture titles at Junior Challenge

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Oceanside, California – 2010-2011 Player of the Year, Jacob Schulze from Huntington Beach, Calif. and Amanda Kahn from Carlsbad, Calif., took control early in the tournament at the Oceanside Junior Challenge with wire-to-wire victories despite pouring rain during round one and a very very wet course for round two.

Conducted by the JAGS Tour, this was the third tournament of the 2011-2012 season held at the extremely challenging Arrowood Golf Course in Oceanside, California.

Schulze was extremely proud of his success this time because his last JAGS Tour event at Arrowood Golf Course in June, 2011 was not to his liking. Schulze said, "The last three holes on this course can make or break a player's round. This time, I made sure it did not take me down." Coming off a victory in the Long Beach Junior Championship in September and a T5th place finish at the wind driven Inland Empire Junior Championship in October, Schulze was determined more than ever to not let the elements or the course difficulties manage his game. Schulze posted the only under-par rounds of the tournament scoring (70-69-139) to secure his second victory of the season winning by 13 strokes over the tournament field. Schulze added, "Scoring par-par-birdie on the final holes today has proven to me that when I focus on each shot despite past over-par scores on the same holes in earlier rounds get into my head, I can accomplish my goals."

Rounding off the top finishers in the Boys Division were 2nd place went to Andrius Trijonis of Solana Beach, Calif., (76-76-152), and 3rd place was captured by Dane Walton of Thousand Oaks, Calif., (77-77-154). Final day low round iTunes honors went to Schulze, and the most improved movie ticket was awarded to Jeremy Tuggy posting a 15 shot improvement.

The last group in the Girl's Division arrived to the 13th tee box when the rain began to fall. By the time the entire field completed round one, they were playing in pouring rain with no relief in sight. Dripping wet with the toughest holes left to play, Kahn stuck to her game plan hitting fairways and greens scoring par-bogey-par. Kahn stayed consistent during round two despite the soggy course conditions posting birdies on holes 2, 14 and 15 and finished with bogey-par-par to capture her victory. Kahn said, "This is a very challenging course especially the last three holes and the wet conditions made it even more difficult. I worked so hard today and I am so proud to earn my first JAGS Tour win."

Trophies were awarded to champion Kahn (77-77-154), 2nd place went to University of Nevada-Reno bound Carly Simpson of Diamond Bar, Calif., (80-79-159) with 3rd place going to Natalie Mu from Rancho Palos Verdes, Calif., (83-77-160). Final day low round iTunes was awarded to Mu in a card-off over Kahn, and the most improved movie ticket was awarded to Gabrielle Gibson from Temecula, Calif., who posted a 7 shot improvement. Mariah Fuller from Rancho Santa Margarita, Calif., was also awarded a movie ticket for her chip-in "Eagle-2" on the 257 yard, par-4 sixth hole during Sunday's final round.

A rained soaked 10-year old Ryan Kelly from Irvine, California was all smiles when he was awarded his first JAGS Tour Intermediate Division trophy scoring (65-54-119) walking and carrying his clubs for the entire 18 holes at 5,253 yards, par 71.

Congratulations champions, Schulze, Kahn and Kelly on your Oceanside Junior Challenge victories!

The JAGS Tour's next tournament will be the 12th Annual Rose Bowl Junior Championship on December 3-4, 2011 (Sat. & Sun) at Brookside Golf Courses #1 & #2 in Pasadena, California. Like all JAGS Tour events, this is nationally ranked by JGS and TRC with AJGA PBE status if all requirements are met. Registration is now open. Non-members are always welcomed to play on the JAGS Tour.

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