



FIRST EVENT: Kettle Creek on **Thursday September 26th 2024**
SECOND EVENT: Kettle Creek and Cardinal West **Tuesday October 1st 2024**

1. **Convenors:** DAVID ALMEIDA - ST. MAXIMILIAN KOLBE CHS - YCDSB
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NOTE: All communications will be by Email.

2. **Constitution:**

- Please refer to the YRAA to ensure all guidelines are being followed.
www.yraa.com

3. **Eligibility:**

- Enrolled in no more than their fifth consecutive year from the initial date of entry to secondary school and born no more than 19 years prior to the start of the school year in which the competition is held.
- School/Team Registration and Eligibility available on the Sports Administration at www.yraa.com.

School/Team Registration and Eligibility Deadline: **Friday, September 20th, 2024**

Important Note: Schools are allowed to register six (6) athletes but only five (5) are eligible to play in the tournament with one (1) being the alternate. If you register more than five (5) players, please email the convenors by **MONDAY September 24th 2024 4pm** at david.almeida@ycdsb.ca or William.Macneil@yrdsb.ca and indicate which five (5) athletes will be participating in the tournament. You must also indicate if the player is in the OPEN category (refer to Playing regulations/teams). Please note that when emailing me you roster. If you do not indicate OPEN, then it is assumed that all golfers are in the highschool category.

4. **Transfer Eligibility:**

- Any student/athletes who have transferred to a school in the previous 12 months is ineligible to participate in the YRAA inter school events or OFSAA

sanctioned tournaments until he/she is deemed eligible by the YRAA Transfer Eligibility Committee.

- If a player is listed as ineligible on the YRAA site please contact Mark Arsenault at the YRAA. mark.arsenault@yraa.com

5. Playing Regulations:

- Playing Regulations available at www.yraa.com
- Teams
 - Teams consist of maximum of six (6) players
 - **Any five (5) may play in the qualifying round.** Golfers must compete in a qualifier in order to compete in the championship. No substitutes allowed.
 - Top four (4) scores count for team championship. Teams of four (4) can compete. This includes **open and highschool** division golfers.
 - Teams of less than four (4) are eligible for individual title only
 - **A student-athlete who has competed in a championship governed by a provincial, state or national body within the past twelve (12) months outside of the high school program, shall be classified as an “open” participant within the individual division.**
- Playoffs
 - All teams/individuals participate and qualify to play in two (2) tournaments.
 - The qualifying tournament will rank teams to determine which teams/individuals play in the Championship Tournament and the Consolation Tournament.
 - Teams/individuals must participate in the qualifying tournament to be eligible for the YRAA Championships.
 - A minimum of three (3) teams will qualify for the Championship tournament. Additional teams will be determined based on entries and qualifying round scores.
 - The top four (4) individuals (not already qualified by a team) will advance to the championships. Additional individuals may be considered based on the qualifying round scores.
 - Individual scores count towards individual low gross championships.
- Tie Breaking Procedure – see Playing Regulations

6. Tournament Dates and Location:

Location: **Cardinal Golf Club**
2740 Davis Drive West, Newmarket, Ontario
Kettle Creek – Enter off Jane Street.
Phone: (905) 841- 7378
cardinalgolfclub.com
<https://goo.gl/maps/G2WhXvWN45LKrNDy6>

- ✓ Qualifying Round: **Thursday September 26th 2024** – 9 am - 3pm
Everyone - Kettle creek
- ✓ Championship Round: **Tuesday October 1st 2024** – 9 am - 4 pm
Cardinal West - Players that qualified for this event from September 26th. Medals given to individuals and a YRAA banner for the top team. Trophy ceremony.
- ✓ Consolation Round: **Tuesday October 1st 2024** – 10 am - 2:30 pm
Kettle Creek - Players that **DID NOT** qualify from September 26th will play this event. Medals given to individuals only.
 - ✓ Dress Code – will be forwarded in a separate email
 - ✓ Caddies, spectators and other walkers are not allowed on the course.
 - ✓ Players are not allowed to use power carts.
 - ✓ A double par + 2 maximum rule will be in effect for the qualifiers and consolation round.
 - ✓ Qualifiers and consolation rounds will start from the forward tees (red).
 - ✓ Championship round will start from the FIRST tee box (red) using a no cap stroke play (every stroke counts) scoring system.

7. Registration and Meeting for tournaments:

- Registration on **Thursday September 26th 2024** will begin at 8:30 a.m. Registration for **Tuesday October 1st 2024** will begin at 8:30 a.m. for both **championship** and **consolation rounds**. Players and coaches must be present for registration on both days, regardless of tee off time.

8. Tournament Costs:

- \$22 for Kettle Creek
- \$40 for Cardinal west
- **\$62** if athlete qualifies for the Championship (22 + 40 = \$62)
- **\$44** if the athlete is in the consolation rounds (22 + 22 = \$44).
- **Make sure at the end of the season, you have money in your account. How you collect \$62 or \$44 for competition in the tournaments is up to you.**
- If coaches declare that a player will be competing and they do not show on the day of the competition, schools will be charged. There will be no refunds if a player does not compete on the tournament days. ALL GOLFERS WILL PLAY BOTH DAYS – DEPENDING ON HOW THEY PLACE ON THE FIRST EVENT WILL DETERMINE IF THEY PLAY IN THE CONSOLATION OR CHAMPIONSHIP TOURNAMENT.
- **Meals are not included** - Kettle Creek Facility has limited food. They will have light snacks and beverages. Athletes will be able to choose what they want to eat and when they would like to eat. **PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN FOOD.**

- Payment – the **YRAA will bill each school directly for payment** once costs have been determined upon completion of the tournaments. Payment is based on the number of athletes each school registers. It is the responsibility of the coaches to have money on the school account to cover the costs – I will inform you of how much you owe. Please see your Athletic Designate and/or Budget Secretary for your school's policy.

9. OFSAA

- <https://www.ofsaa.on.ca/championship/golf-festival-girls/>
- Event is in **Tecumseh, ON (Windsor). October 16 - 17th 2024**
- registration for OFSAA is TBA
- Athletes that rank well from YRAA Championships will be invited to participate in the OFSAA girls golf Festival. More info will be given on our last event.

10. Volunteers and Coaches' Responsibilities:

- all coaches will be assigned duties on both days
- If you have another coach/volunteer helping, please let us know.

Things to note for first event:

Coaches designated to a group will be in charge of handing out score cards. Athletes are responsible for their own score.

Athletes tell the hole moderator their stroke count at the end of the hole. Note: STROKE CAP

No free power carts are available for able bodied coaches/moderators.

YRAA will bill your school directly. No cheques or money issues (hooray)

I'll address schools with double coaches in another email.

You and your athlete(s) must register at the registration desk.

SO, please make sure you and your athlete know their tee time. They can be forced to a later tee time or even forfeit.

Coaches duties are relatively close to their athlete(s) start time. After the athlete has completed their round they will **sign the MASTER scorecard.**

The team/athlete is free to leave the premises with coaches permission. Scoring will be tabulated after wards and results will be emailed to coaches and then posted at the YRAA site. There will be no ceremony or announcements at the end of the qualifier tournament.

STROKE CAP:

We are implementing a **double par + 2 MAX** for the qualifier tournament. This should help with pace of play.

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PAR 3 = MAX 8

PAR 4 = MAX 10

PAR 5 = MAX 12

If an athlete reaches this mark, kindly ask the athlete to pick up the ball (if it can be found) and proceed to the next tee to try again.

So, if an athlete is on a PAR 5 and has stroked/attempted her 11 shot and it does not go in, please tell her to pick up the ball.

FOOD:

Please bring your own (recommendation). The facility has light snacks and beverages.

RANGE WILL BE OPEN

Athletes will be required to purchase balls from the range area at the main Cardinal site (east west course, not kettle creek). This is a separate cost typically, but Cardinal might give us some vouchers.

CHIPPING AND PUTTING WARM UP

There is a dedicated area. Athletes can chip and putt before they tee off. First come basis.

PHONES/MOBILE DEVICES

Athletes can not use their phone or other electronic devices (sorry, that's watches too). Only optical rangefinders are acceptable.

Phones should be hidden and silent while in play.

DRESS

Please remind athletes to dress according to the weather. Please check the weather forecast beforehand.

RED FORWARD TEES

For qualifier and championship tournaments, use the RED forward tee boxes.

COURSE MARSHAL

Will be available for rules if there is a dispute.