

NEWPORT NATIONAL Golf Club

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"Rhode Island's Best Golf Course"



"#1 Public Access Course in Rhode Island"













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# A Brief History

Newport National was established in 2002 as a premier golf club offering its members unparalleled amenities and services. The Club offers its distinguished members the environment and services that satisfy their sports, social, and business needs.

Newport National Golf Club is a 7,200 yard, par 72 modern links style championship golf course that was opened in 2002, designed by Mr. Arthur Hills. It was built to challenge golfers at every skill level from beginners to the best in the world. This links style golf course will take your breath away with its beautiful vistas of the Atlantic Ocean and the Sakonnet Passage. The fescue-lined bentgrass fairways, tees, and greens will remind you of the great courses of Ireland. Golf course architect Arthur Hills used this former nursery farm and orchard as their canvas to design this beautiful masterpiece.

In early 2016 Newport National underwent a change in ownership with expansion in mind. With new ownership, Newport National will be fully developed. Newport National has always been one of the top semi-private golf clubs in New England. Newport National plans to continue its reign as the top public access golf course in New England.



Course Facts:

Design: Modern links Year Opened: 2002 Course Architect: Arthur Hills

Yardage:

Black Tees: 7,244 yards Gold Tees: 6,553 yards White Tees: 6,017 yards Red Tees: 5,127 yards

Course Rating & Slope:

Black Tees: 74.1/139 Gold Tees: 71.6/132 White Tees: 68.3/127 Red Tees: 69.5/123



- Awarded "Rhode Island's Best Golf Course" by World Golf Awards, 2018
- "#1 Rated Public Access Course in Rhode Island" by Golf Digest and Golfweek Magazines, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016
- "#1 Rated Public Course in New England" by New England Golf Monthly, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016
- Nominated "Best New Course" by Golf Digest, 2005
- "Best Course You Can Play" and "Best in State" by Golf Digest
- "Best Conditioned Course" by Northeast Golf Magazine
- #1 Slope and Rated Course in Rhode Island
- Audubon International Recognizes Newport National for Environmental Excellence
  in Wildlife and Habitat Management



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Hours of Operation

The Pro Shop is Open Year Round

#### **Golf Course Hours**

Summer Hours 7:00 am - 7:00 pm\* Spring/Fall Hours 8:00 am - 6:00 pm\* Winter Hours 9:00 am - 4:00 pm\*

\*Hours may vary due to weather

Food & Beverage on the Deck

Summer Hours Spring/Fall Hours Winter Hours

7:00 am - 7:00 pm\* 8:00 am - 6:00 pm\* **BAR IS CLOSED** 

\*Hours may vary due to weather



# General Club Information

## **Dress Code**

Appropriate casual attire is acceptable in the Pro Shop and on the Course.

## **Golf Course**

Members and guests are required to wear appropriate and proper golfing attire. Golf clothing of the type displayed in the golf Pro Shop is a good guideline. No denim, running or jogging shorts, swimwear, tank tops, or t-shirts are allowed on the course or practice facilities. NNGC requires non-spike golf shoes – no metal spikes are allowed.

## **Course Closures/Cart Restrictions**

During inclimate weather the course Superintendent may restrict carts to cart path only. Pro Shop staff will inform members of any restrictions upon arrival for their tee time. The golf course Superintendent, General Manager, or Head Golf Professional will make the final decision as to whether the golf course or any portion of the course will be closed or limited to foot traffic.

## **Food Service**

During the season daily food service will be provided by The Orchard Bar and Grill. There are no food minimums at Newport National Golf Club.

## **Beverage Services**

Beverage services will be provided on course either at our bar or on course with our beverage cart. Members are not allowed to bring outside alcoholic beverages on Newport National property.

Members are encouraged to be responsible while consuming alcoholic beverages at Newport National. If a member becomes impaired to where they cannot drive Newport National will assist the member with getting a ride, whether by another member or car service.



# Members Only Events

## SERIES AND LEAGUE SCHEDULE



## Newport National Orchard Cup Series Apr 21st - Oct 27th, Sundays Member/Member Guest Event

This is our signature tournament series event which is played throughout the golf season. The Orchard Cup will be played weekly on Sunday mornings and will feature different weekly formats. Members will receive weekly emails with a link for sign-ups as well as an email for starting times. Members will have the option to sign up individually, or with guests. Each week provides a fun opportunity for the members to compete on an equal playing field. Pro Shop credits will be awarded to the top finishers both weekly and overall at the end of the season. Said credits will be entered into member accounts on a weekly basis.

## **Players Cup Series**

## June 1st - Sept 30th, Individual Match Play Members Only Event

This individual match play event will be a single elimination with the winners continuing on each month until they lose. Matches can be played at any time during the week. Players must notify the golf professionals so that a scorecard can be prepared for each match. Players will receive 100% of their handicap and all matches will stroke off the low handicap player in the match. All matches will be played at member's current handicap at the time the round is contested. The first match will run June 1st – 30th; second match runs July 1st – 31st; semi-finals run August 1st – 31st and the finals will be completed by the end of September. Be sure to sign up early to guarantee a spot in this brand new, fun-filled, friendly competition.



## Island Cup Series June 1st - Aug 31st, Team Match Play Members Only Event

This 2 player team, match play event will be a single elimination with the winners continuing on each month until they lose. Matches can be played at any time during the week. Please notify the golf professionals so that a scorecard can be prepared for each match. Each match player will receive 100% of their handicap and all matches will stroke off the low player in the match

. All matches will be played at member's current handicap at the time the round is contested. The first match will run June 1st – 30th; second match runs July 1st – 31st and the finals will be completed by the end of August. Sign up early to guarantee your team's spot in yet another brand new, fun-filled, friendly competition.





## Tournament Schedule



## Masters Saturday Member/Member

### Apr 13th, 9am Shotgun Start - Net Only event

Masters week at Augusta National, is every golfer's favorite time of the year. Newport National invites members to sign up for our very own Masters Saturday Member/Member Event. In the spirit of the Masters, this golf event will be a casual stroke play where members will be paired by a random drawing and play their own ball throughout the round. The format for the day will be "The Baker's Dozen." After the completion of play, the golf professionals will take off the players' worst FIVE holes for the day and come up with gross scores. This will be a net only event and all players will be using a 70% handicap for a net total score. This format allows the members to have a few bad holes and still be able to compete for the top prize. Masters Saturday is a great opportunity for interaction between members, new and old. After your round, there will be a small reception where players are invited to enjoy food and drinks.

## Member Opening Day ABCD

### May 18th, 9am Shotgun Start

The Member ABCD Outing, also known as "Opening Day," is a favorite of both the staff and membership. Not only does this event represent the arrival of a new season, but it also gives NNGC staff the opportunity to put our first class golf course and service on display for our new members as well as our returning members. The tournament features a shamble format, where the best drive of the 4 team members is selected, and each player plays their own ball into the hole from that spot. Players receive 80% of their handicap. Teams are comprised of an A, B, C and D player all based off their handicap index. This event is extremely popular as it gives all members a chance to interact with people that they may not typically have the opportunity to meet. A great day on the course followed by food and drinks on the deck is an excellent way to welcome in the new season!



## Summer Classic

## July 27th - 28th Member/Member Guest Event

The Summer Classic is the feature Member/Member Guest event here at the club. It is played during peak season when the golf course is in elite condition and the golf facility is in full swing. This event gives membership the opportunity to invite one guest and show off NNGC's services and golf club. The format for Saturday will be a shamble with a start time of 1:00pm. The format for Sunday is a better ball with a start time of 9:00am. Each player will be awarded 80% of their handicap on Saturday and 90% for Sunday's format. Teams are separated into two flights based on combined indexes. The low net score from each flight advances to a one-hole aggregate team net score playoff. The playoff will take place on our picturesque 1st hole. Tournament participants armed with cocktails gather along the fairway to watch the entertaining playoff and see who will be the year's Summer Classic Champion! The competition is as entertaining as it is intense with a great time had by all.

New for 2019 will be a Pot O' Gold shootout taking place on our signature 13th hole. The top 8 closest to the pins will qualify to compete in a one shot closest to the pin winner take all. The hole will be determined by the golf professional, the day of the competition. The player closest to the pin will be victorious and take home the Pot O' Gold. A great day on the course will be followed by food and drinks on the deck.

## Newport National Club Championship

Qualifying: Aug 3rd or Aug 4th Matches: Aug 10th - 11th, 18th Ladies Medal Play: Aug 17th-18th

After a summer full of memorable NNGC golf, fine-tuning their games, members tackle the NNGC Club Championship in both Gross and Net Divisions. The "Gross" or "Championship" flight is where the official Newport National Club Champion is crowned. This event is played from the Black tee markers, totaling over 7,200 yards. The most skilled of the NNGC membership try to qualify for the 8 coveted spots in match play with a one round stroke play qualifying round. Those who make match play look for 3 consecutive wins to be crowned the Newport National Club Champion. For those looking for a more casual Club Championship experience, NNGC offers a "Net" division where players are awarded 100% of their handicap, and also try to qualify for the 8 spots in match play with hopes of winning the Net Club Championship. The ladies division at Newport National will consist of a two day 36-hole stroke play total. There will be a Gross & Net Champion. The overall 2019 Ladies Club Champion will consist of the lowest two-day gross score. An extremely casual and relaxing competition has always been a great experience for all of our NNGC lady members of all golfing abilities.

## **The National Cup**

## Aug 25th, 27-Hole Event, 7:30am Modified Start

The National Cup will have some changes for the 2019 season. This is a member-only Ryder Cup style event, where our golf professionals draft their teams strategically, ensuring their team takes home the National Cup Trophy. There is no limit to the amount of players that will fill this event as long as we have even numbered players to complete all matches. The Orchard Team will be captained by Head Professional, Christopher Hulme. The Vineyard Team will be captained by Dave Johnson, NNGC's First Assistant Professional. Both professionals will play in this event so competitive banter will start early in the year. This event will now consist of three 9-hole matches. Yes, 27 holes of fun all in one day! The front nine consists of a better ball, back nine will be an alternate shot. Handicaps will be adjusted according to the format being played during that match. Teams will break for lunch while the Captains pair their players against each other for the final 9-hole match of the day. The final format will be an individual match play. This will determine which team will raise up the 2019 National Cup. Good luck to all!

## Newport National Open Four-Ball Championship

## Sept 8th, 1pm Shotgun Start

The Newport National Four-Ball is our summer-ending event where the staff will roll out the red carpet for all tournament participants. This event is open to any amateur golfer with an official USGA handicap. Members and guests alike will look to pick the right partner, as the best two-player team of the day will be crowned the Newport National Four-Ball Champion. The tournament will have a Gross and Net division, which the teams must select on their application.

Superintendent, Scott Roche, and his team, work tirelessly all summer to ensure that they deliver the golf course in pristine condition for this showcase event. Along with the exquisite golf course, NNGC staff provides first-class service on this exciting day. We hope to have strong participation from our membership as we would like to keep the trophy in the hands of one of our valued members!

## Harvest Open

## Oct 12th, 12:30pm Member/Member Guest Event

With this event, a member can invite three guests to create a foursome or two members can invite one guest each to complete a foursome as well. The Golf Shop will help you pair up with another twosome to complete a foursome if necessary. The format for each team will be two best balls of the foursome using a 90% handicap for each player. Gross and net prizes will be awarded along with a few nearest to the pin. Lunch will be provided before the start of play followed by a dinner buffet and awards. This is a great way to showcase the golf course to your friends, family or clients.



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