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# *New Members*

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Welcome to a new golf season here at Newport National Golf Club. Our goal is to provide you with a fun, rewarding and memorable golf experience. The NNGC management and staff will do their best to deliver:

- A course that is fair to play and in great shape – consistently.
- Access to instructors and programs to help you learn or improve your game.
- Member and Member Guest tournaments and events.
- Opportunities to meet new people via golf and social events.
- A friendly and professional staff.
- A Pro Shop stocked with the latest and greatest in apparel and equipment.

Sincerely,  
Newport National Ownership and Staff





## *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:*

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

## *Yardage:*

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

## *Course Rating & Slope:*

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





## Newport National Facts

- Awarded "Rhode Island's Best Golf Course" by World Golf Awards, 2018, 2019, 2020

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- "#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, 2017, 2018, 2019

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- "#1 Rated Public Course in New England" by New England Golf Monthly 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016

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- Nominated "Best New Course" by Golf Digest, 2005

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- "Best Course You Can Play" and "Best in State" by Golf Digest

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- "Best Conditioned Course" and "#1 Rated Public Access Course in Rhode Island in 2018 and 2019" by Northeast Golf Magazine

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- #1 Slope and Rated Course in Rhode Island

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- Audubon International Recognizes Newport National for Environmental Excellence in Wildlife and Habitat Management



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## Hours of Operation

### Golf Course Hours

Mar, Apr, & Oct      9:00 am - Dusk\*  
May - Sept            7:00 am - Dusk\*  
Nov - Mar             9:30 am - Dusk\*

### Pro Shop Hours

Mar, Apr, & Oct      8:30 am - Dusk\*  
May - Sept            6:30 am - Dusk\*  
Nov - Mar             9:00 am - 4:00pm\*

\*Weather restrictions may apply. Golf carts must be returned to the Player Service area 30 minutes before sunset, daily. Golfers who prefer to walk must be off the course 30 minutes before sunset, as well.

## Food & Beverage on the Deck

Mar, Apr, & Oct      10:00 am - 4:00 pm\*  
May - Sept            8:00 am - 6:00 pm\*  
Nov - Mar             BAR IS CLOSED\*\*

\*Weather restrictions may apply.

\*\*Snacks & Beverages can be purchased in the Pro Shop during this time.



## *General Club Information*

### **Accidents, Injuries & Emergencies**

Many of our staff members at the Club have been trained in basic first aid, CPR and AED. If an accident, injury or emergency occurs, please contact the Pro Shop and we will attend to the situation promptly and contact local emergency services.

### **Alcohol**

The Club will comply with all federal, state, and local laws pertaining to the sale and service of alcoholic beverages. Alcoholic beverages will not be sold for consumption off the Club's premises. All alcoholic beverages consumed on the Club facilities must be purchased at the Club.

### **Attire**

All members, guests and public players shall observe proper golf attire while playing at the Club. Men are required to wear shirts with collars and sleeves (turtleneck or mock turtleneck shirts are permitted). Pants or mid length shorts must be worn no shorter than two inches above the knee. Shirts must be tucked in and hats worn forward facing. Women are permitted to wear dresses, skirts, slacks, mid length shorts, and blouses.

Newport National Golf Club **DOES NOT ALLOW:** Jeans, tee shirts, tank tops, swimwear, cutoffs, warm up suits, or sweat pants. Additionally, cargo shorts/pants are not permitted. Cargo shorts/pants are defined as having an exterior, sewn pocket on the leg.

### **Complaints**

All complaints against the Club, its management and/or employees are to be made in writing to the General Manager and signed by the complainant. Complaints against other members of the Club are, also, to be in writing to the General Manager for further review.





## *General Club Information*

### Conduct

Abusive Language: The use of profanity, or loud and abusive language, under circumstances that may be disturbing to other members and guests will not be tolerated.

Behavior: Anyone on the Club premises acting in a disorderly, disruptive or offensive manner will be asked to leave the Club property. Members creating or participating in any conduct prejudicial to the good order or welfare of the Club or other members or to staff, or in violation of the Club rules, regulations or policies may be subject to disciplinary action up to and including suspension or termination of some or all of a member's Club privileges.

Music: Music, while golfing, is permitted on the course. To respect all golfers, the volume must stay at a level which can only be heard within one's immediate group.

### Loss of Membership Privileges

1. Membership privileges may be suspended or terminated by the Club under the following circumstances:
  - a) Unsatisfactory behavior or appearance or acts in any other manner determined to not be in the best interest of Newport National Golf Club;
  - b) Failure to pay membership dues, monthly statements or any other amount owed the Club in a proper and timely manner;
  - c) Conviction of a felony or other crime involving moral turpitude;
  - d) Treatment of the personnel or employees of the Club in an unreasonable or abusive manner;
  - e) Engagement in conduct that is improper or likely to endanger the welfare, safety, harmony or reputation of Newport National Golf Club;
  - f) Failure to abide by all Rules and Regulations.
2. The member will be notified of any proposed disciplinary action and will be given an opportunity to be heard by the General Manager.





## *General Club Information*

### **Holidays**

The Club shall recognize the following holidays: Memorial Day, July 4th, Labor Day, Columbus Day, Veteran's Day, Thanksgiving and Christmas Day. Any holidays observed on weekdays are regarded in the same manner as weekend for green fees. The course will be closed on Thanksgiving and Christmas.

### **Liability**

The Club, employees and ownership shall not be liable for any injuries to persons or damage to, or loss of property involving members, guests, or other persons on the Club premises. Each member agrees to indemnify and hold the Club, ownership, and employees harmless from and against any and all claims made by them and their guests or invitees, occurring on the Club premises for personal injury, damage to, or loss of property not proximately caused by the gross negligence or willful or wanton conduct of Club employees.

### **Membership Accounts**

The opportunity to charge to a member's personal Club account is extended as a privilege of membership and is subject to review and approval by the Club. Please sign a charge slip or tab each time you place a transaction on your account.

### **Delinquent Accounts**

Accounts are considered delinquent if they are 31 days past due. The Club may take whatever action deemed necessary to effect collection of delinquent accounts, including legal action. Membership privileges will be suspended if accounts become delinquent.

### **Parking**

The parking lot is locked every night when the last employee leaves. Please notify a NNGC employee if you or your guest, plan on leaving a car overnight. We do encourage you to take all vehicles off property but do understand extenuating circumstances may occur.





## *General Golf Rules*

### Property Damage

Any member(s) who cause damage to NNGC property, including but not limited to the golf course, golf carts and/or golf facilities, shall pay, to the Club, all costs incurred to restore said property to said condition prior to damage. Members will be responsible for damage caused by their guests (accompanied or unaccompanied).

### Publicity

No member or Club employee shall make available to any newspaper, periodical, or other publication any internal communication or one that is directed solely to the member(s) or employee(s).

### Tee Times

The Pro Shop requires all members to make a tee time prior to arrival. Making a tee time will help the check-in/ starter with the efficiency of running the first tee on time. Members can book using the online tee time service or by calling the Pro Shop at (401) 848-9690.

Note: For golfers wishing to play only 9 holes (or less), tee times can be made starting at 3:00PM daily. Single players must be paired up, please contact the Pro Shop to get a starting time.

### Check-In

All members (with or without guests) must check-in with the Pro Shop before teeing off. Please notify one of our Staff Members if changes are necessary to your upcoming reservation.

### Daily Cancellation Policy

For general tee times, there is a 48-hour period (without penalty).





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### **Tournament Cancellation Policy**

The Golf Professionals need enough time to rearrange the teams when players decide to withdraw from the events. The following cancellation periods must be adhered to during the golf season.

1. Orchard Cup - 24-hour period;
2. Tournament play (which includes food) – 48-hour period (without penalty);
3. Member(s) will be charged for Tournament play and cost of food if the cancellation period is less than 48 hours of the event.
4. Member(s) will be responsible for member guest(s) fees, if the cancellation period is less than 48 hours of the event.

### **Pace of Play**

All golfers are to maintain a 4 hour and 15-minute maximum pace of play. All golfers must play consecutive holes. Jumping ahead is not permitted, at any time.

### **Golf Carts & Walkers**

All golfers (walking or riding) must be off the course 30 minutes before sunset, daily.

### **Practice**

All practice must be conducted on Short Game area. Practice on the golf course is not permitted without permission from the Golf Professional(s).

### **Tournament Play & Registration**

Members must have an up-to-date GHIN Handicap to participate in all Club tournaments. A member must be in good standing with the Club in order to participate in any event held by the Club. Golf Carts are mandatory for member and member guest tournaments.





## *General Golf Rules*

### Gift Certificates

All certificates won in any events must be used on Pro Shop merchandise only. They cannot be used toward account balances.

### Handicapping

Golf season in our area begins on April 1 and ends on October 31. You are required to post all scores during this period when you play your own ball. Members who do not have a GHIN handicap and want to establish one may contact the golf professionals. A USGA handicap will be set up for you.

### Junior Golf

Children 12 and older are permitted to play weekdays and Friday through Sunday after 2PM, accompanied by an adult. Due to insurance guidelines, children under 12 years of age are not allowed on the golf course.

### Spectators

Due to Insurance Guidelines, no spectators or riders will be allowed on the course.





## *Members Only Events*

### SERIES AND LEAGUE SCHEDULE

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#### **Newport National Orchard Cup Series**

***May 5th - Oct 31st, 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 for weekly, first half and overall finishers at the end of the season. Said credits will be entered into member accounts on a weekly basis.

#### **Member Opening Day ABCD**

***May 15th, 8:30am Shotgun Start***

The Member ABCD Outing, or 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 also gives NNGC staff the opportunity to put our first class golf course and services on display for our new members as well as our returning members. This tournament features a "shamble" format, where the best drive of the four 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.





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### TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

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#### **Summer Classic**

**July 25th, 9am Shotgun Start**

**Member/Member or Member/Guest Event**

The Summer Classic is the feature member- member or 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 will be a better ball of the twosome. Each member will be awarded 80% of their current handicap and each guest will play at 90% handicap. Teams will be separated into two divisions based on combined indexes. The low net score from each division advances to a sudden death aggregate team net score playoff. The playoff hole will be determined by the Club professional. 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. The popular Pot "0" Gold shootout qualifier will take place on our signature 13th hole. The top 8 closest to the pins will qualify and compete in a one shot closest to the pin winner take all. The hole will be determined by the Club professional, the day of the competition. The player closest to the pin will be victorious and take home the Pot "0" Gold. A great day on the course will be followed by food and drinks on the deck.

#### **Newport National Club Championship**

**Men's Qualifying: July 10th - Aug 1st**

**1st match played by Aug 15th; Semifinals by Aug 21st; Final by Aug 22nd**

**Ladies Club Championship will be contested on Aug 21st and Aug 22nd**

After a summer full of memorable NNGC golf and 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 7200 yards. The





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elite best of the best in the NNGC membership try to qualify for the 7 coveted spots in match play with a one round stroke play qualifying round. The defending overall Club Champion is exempt from qualifying. 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 2021 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 29th, 7:30am Shotgun Start**

**18-Hole Event**

This is a member-only Ryder Cup style event. 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 friendly, competitive banter starts early. This will be an 18-hole event, consisting of 2-nine hole matches and an overall match, for a total of 3 points. One point will be awarded to the team who wins, either, the front nine, back nine or overall match. Each team match will play a better ball of the twosome and all handicaps will be stroked off the lowest handicapped player in the group at 90%. This will be a fun-filled day with a touch of comradery, laughter and competition between opponents.



## **Fall Tournament**

***Oct 10th, 8:30am Shotgun Start***

***Member Only Individual Event***

This will be our end of the year tournament for the members called "The Nassau Tournament." Each member will have an opportunity to win either the front side, back side or the overall event. Three prizes will be awarded for the day's best low net score on the front 9, best low net on the back 9 or the lowest overall score for the day. Players will receive 100% handicap and will play their own golf ball for the complete 18 holes. The advantage is that a player making a poor start, or tiring at the finish, may still have a chance to win a prize on the other side. A player may only win one of the 3 prizes. This will be a great way to finish the golf season by seeing all your friends before the snow arrives. Sign up individually and the golf shop will make the pairings.



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