



Japeri Golfe News

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Junior Environmental Agents return



In May, we started the fourth Junior Environmentalist Agents course with 18 new students. The project trains children and adolescents to be environmental multipliers. The idea is to create a consciousness and teach how to act environmentally friendly every day at all times.

The course will last for 4 months with one 2 hour lesson per week. Jorge Antonio de Souza, an environmental specialist, will show the importance of recycling and reusing for the future of our planet, using examples like how accumulated rubbish caused the backups and consequent flooding in the recent rains. The course also shows the importance of planting vegetables, which at the end will be divided amongst the students.

Good results in State Tournaments

Our young golfers also did quite well in the state ranking tournaments. Cristian finished in 2nd amongst the Rio players and 7th overall in the Gavea Open, which gave him good points for national as well as state rankings.

The Rio de Janeiro State Open was held in Buzios at the end of June where Cristian finished in 9th in scratch and 2nd amongst the Rio players while Breno finished 11th overall and 3rd amongst the Rio team. The girls also played well with good results: Thuane finished in 6th place overall and with this result will start climbing in the national rankings. Vitoria came in 9th place overall.



Welcome Donations

We would like to thank the members of Gavea Cristina and Mauricio Caetano as well as José Gustavo Souza Costa for the very generous spontaneous donation given to Japeri Golfe. The donations will be put to very good use funding more kids for the away tournaments.

From Brasilia to Porto Alegre



Our better young golfers were able to take part in 2 other national championships during this trimester. Anderson played well at the Brasilia Open, ending up in 11th place, which helped him in the national ranking. In May, he also played in the Faldo Series South America Final along with his club mates Breno, Thuane and Vitória, where they were able to play with some of the better junior golfers from this continent.

Excellent Results at National Tournaments

The Sul Brasileiro Championship, valid for national as well as world rankings, started this season in early May with many of the best amateur golfers of Brazil as well as other South American countries. Anderson Nunes and Cristian Barcelos were invited by the Brazilian Golf Confederation (CBG) and Breno Domingos by the Rio Federation (FGERJ). All 3 played with the uniform of the "future of Golf" squad, of the FGERJ. They came back with good results: Anderson finished in 15th, Breno in 17th and Cristian in 23rd place. Due to the weather conditions, there was a cut before the last round to the best 24 players. All 3 passed the cut and played on Sunday.



English lessons starting



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Japeri Golfe was offered two full and several part scholarships by the newly opened English language school Fisk. Two of our better golfers and students, Breno Domingos and Vitória Araujo, have already started their twice weekly classes. The tuition is free and Japeri Golfe paid for their books. We are now setting up our next group of 16 who will receive 50% off all costs at Fisk, giving preference to those who take their golf as well as their academic studies seriously. The minimum grade to be able to continue with the scholarship is 9 out of 10.

Always Economizing: Japeri Golfe is always wary of any type of excessive spending, so with that in mind we dug an artesian well on our property. This investment has already nearly paid for itself with the consequent 75% reduction in water bills.

Our first student signed up for the University Entrance exams



Breno Domingos, 17 years old and one of our best golfers, has been progressively getting better with his golf as well as academic studies. Besides being 1st in state junior ranking and 3rd in state adult ranking he is chasing a further dream, off the golf course this time.

We very proudly announce that we helped Breno to register himself for the Brazilian University entrance exams later on this year, with the idea of studying civil engineering at the Estacio de Sá University in 2015. Breno will be the first of our young golfers to go to university. We thank all of our sponsors and supporters for the constant help, including Paula Caleffi who has given Breno a new laptop to help with his studies.

Japeri dominates Rio state rankings

Japeri Golfers are dominating the Rio state rankings, which shows that our junior golfers are getting better and better. In the junior category, we have 1st and 2nd places with Breno Domingos and Anderson Nunes, while in the adult category we are in 2nd, 3rd and 4th places with Cristian Barcelos, Breno and Anderson respectively. The girls are also doing well with Thuane Oliveira in 3rd place and Vitoria Monteiro in 6th.



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