



NEWPORT  
NATIONAL  
*Golf Club*

# *New Members*

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**Golf Monthly**



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## *A Brief History*

Newport National was established in 2002 as a premiere 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 and Mr. Drew Rogers. 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 architects Arthur Hills and Drew Rogers 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 Architects: Arthur Hills & Drew Rogers

## *Yardage:*

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Championship Tees: 7,244 yards  
Middle Tees: 6,553 yards  
Forward Tees: 6,017 yards  
Ladies Tees: 5,127 yards

## *Course Rating & Slope:*

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Championship Tees: 74.1/139  
Middle Tees: 71.6/132  
Forward Tees: 68.3/127  
Ladies Tees: 69.5/123



## *Newport National Facts:*

- "#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

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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" 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:*

The Pro Shop is Open Year Round

### Golf Course:

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\*

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## *Food & Beverage on the Deck*

Summer Hours	7:00 am - 7:00 pm
Spring/Fall Hours	8:00 am - 6:00 pm
Winter Hours	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.

### **Gold 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 spike less golf shoes – no metal spikes are allowed.

### **Course Closures/Cart Restrictions**

During in climate weather the course Superintendent may restrict carts to cart path only. Pro shop Staff will inform members of any restrictions upon arrival for 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:*

### **Members Thursday Night National League**

The Thursday night golf league for members is a weekly competition with an emphasis on relaxation. Members convene for a 4pm start to enjoy a casual 9 hole competition that is followed by post-round hors d'oeuvres. Points are awarded weekly and participants with the highest point totals at seasons end are awarded the National League champions. Members are welcome to sign up individually and invite guests as well. There is no commitment or minimum sign ups required, sign up whenever you are available!

### **The Commissioner's Cup**

The Commissioner's Cup is perhaps the most popular member associated event series at the club. It is a weekly competition where members and their guests gather on Sunday mornings and take part in daily events, but also participate in an overall event where players can earn points on a weekly basis that are totaled to determine overall yearly winners. Regular participants are rewarded with more opportunities to earn points for the overall championship, but those with hectic schedules should not be discouraged to play, as weekly prizes are available as well! NNGC sends out weekly reminder emails and members can sign up quickly and easily with just the click of a button to send a return email. The competitions officially run from the first Sunday in May until the first Sunday in November, but weather permitting; daily Sunday competitions are typically available outside of those dates as well. So leave your Sunday mornings open on the calendar, this event is a winner for all participants!

### **Masters Saturday Member-Member**

*Saturday, April 8th, 9am*

It's every golfer's favorite time of year, Masters week at Augusta National. Masters week serves as the unofficial "kick off" date for golf excitement in New England, and that is certainly the theme at Newport National Golf Club. We invite members to sign up for our Masters Saturday member-member, which is set up to conclude right as the leading groups begin to tee off for "Moving Day" at Augusta. In the spirit of the Masters, the golf event at Newport National will be a casual stroke play event where members will be paired by random drawing and play their own ball throughout the round. The twist, however, is that a Callaway scoring system will be used rather than GHIN handicaps. With it being early in the season, some players may not have had the opportunity to establish a GHIN handicap, but that will not be a problem! The Callaway Scoring system will be used to determine each player's handicap for the day, and the partners net scores will be added together for the team score. This format truly opens the door for anyone to win! The event is a great opportunity for interaction between members new and old, and also to get in the competitive spirit for a great upcoming member tournament schedule. There will be a small reception at Newport National's Orchard Grill after the round where players are invited to enjoy food and drink and the start of another exciting Saturday at Augusta.

## **Member ABCD Outing**

*Saturday, May 20th, 12pm*

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 service on display for our new members and also 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 90% of their handicap strokes, and teams are comprised of an A, B, C and D player all based off handicap ranking. This event is extremely popular because 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 is followed by dinner and drink on the deck, an excellent way to welcome in the new season!

## **Superintendent/ Head Pro Revenge**

*Saturday, June 10th, 12pm*

Head Professional, Andy Farrea, and Superintendent, Scott Roche, challenge you to take on the toughest course set up they can muster. This is a team event in which members may invite guests or sign up with a fellow member to take on one of New England's toughest golf courses in a best ball format. Post round participants will gather for dinner and drinks to share stories of the challenging hole placements and challenging course set up. In what is always a fun and amusing time for players, come take on the best that our professional staff has to offer!

## **Summer National**

*Saturday, July 15th, 12pm*

The Summer National is the feature member-guest event 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 1-3 guests and show off NNGC's elite service and golf club. The format for the day is best ball gross and net of each team, with each player being awarded 90% of the handicap for the net division. Teams are separated into flights, and the low score from each flight advances to a one hole alternate shot playoff on the picturesque 18th hole. Tournament participants armed with cocktails gather along the fairway to watch the entertaining playoff and see who will be the year's Summer National champion! The competition is as entertaining as it is intense, and great times are had by all. Let us not forget our famous "Beat the Pro" competitions, where participants who "beat the pro" on our signature 13th hole will have a chance to chip off from our NNGC deck to the putting green to determine the prize winner. The popular wedge off from the deck in front of a boisterous crowd is where NNGC legends are made!

## **Newport National Club Championship**

*Qualifying July 26th-30th, First Round July 31st-August 5th, Semi Finals August 6th, Finals August 13th, Ladies August 12th-13th*

After a summer full of memorable NNGC golf fine tuning their games, members tackle the NNGC club championship in both Gross and Net flights. The "gross" or "Championship" flight is where the official Newport National Club Champion is crowned. The event is played from the Black tee markers, totaling over 7,200 yards. The elite best of the best in 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 strokes, and also try to qualify for the 8 spots in match play with hopes of winning the Net Club Championship.

For our lovely ladies at Newport National, a two day stroke play event (both gross and net) determines who our ladies club champions will be. An extremely casual and relaxing competition has always been a great experience for all of our NNGC lady members of all golfing abilities.

## **Harvest Open**

*Saturday, September 23rd, 12pm*

The Harvest Open, dubbed "glory's last shot," is NNGC's final member-guest experience for the membership before our seasonal members start to head south for the winter. Always played on the final Saturday in September before course aeration, this event gives members the opportunity to experience a first class event and golf course one last time before we start to anticipate the end of the golfing season. The format is typically split between the 9's, with the outward 9 being a handicapped best ball format, and the inward 9 being a handicapped "selected drive alternate shot format." One of our more entertaining formats for members, this casual golfing experience is a great way to enjoy the golf course as the beautiful New England foliage begins to set in. Participants will enjoy a fantastic meal and drinks post-round for the award ceremony, and also one more entertaining beat the pro "wedge off" from the deck to award another fantastic prize!

## **The National Cup**

*Sunday, October 1st, 7:30am*

The National Cup is one of the newer NNGC events that may be one of the most popular. This is a member-only Ryder Cup style event, where those members who claim Aquidneck Island as their primary residence, face off against those members who are Mainland residents. Each team has up to 12 players (based on participation) and are filled by those who are first to sign up. Members who participate in the other major NNGC member outings are given priority when signing up (based on how many tournaments participated in). The "resident" team is captained by Head Professional, Andrew Farrea, and the "mainland" team is captained by Patrick Donnelly, NNGC's first assistant professional. Three separate matches (6 holes partners alternate shot, 6 holes partners better ball, and 6 holes individual match play), determine which team gets to claim the National Cup for the year. This event is extremely popular with the membership for its lively atmosphere and competitively fun nature, a fantastic way to end a great golfing season at New England's premier semi-private facility.

## The Turkey Shoot

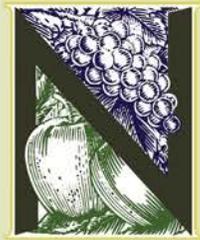
*Saturday, November 11th, 10:30am*

The final event of the member tournament schedule is the Turkey Shoot; designed for those members who are still in the area with a drive to keep the golf season alive. The weather can be unpredictable, but those who choose to brave the elements and/or take advantage of a beautiful fall day in New England are rewarded with a fun and challenging event. Members are asked to sign up with a partner and take on the format of selected drive alternate shot, where the best drive is selected of the partners and then alternate shot is played in from there. After the round, members and guests will gather on the deck for an awards ceremony and prize presentation while enjoying a seasonable meal and drinks. With the winter months fast approaching, there is no better way to say farewell to a spectacular golf season at New England's finest golf facility, than to take place in the Turkey Shoot and take one more shot at a Member event championship!



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