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NATIONAL  
*Golf Club*

# New Members

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"Rhode Island's  
Best Golf Course"



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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 comprised of two golf courses. The Orchard Course 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.

The Vineyard Course at Newport National is a wonderful complement to the existing Orchard Course. Set on a gently rolling terrain, each hole is carefully crafted so they blend seamlessly with their natural surroundings and preserve the historic stone walls and specimen oak trees. Much like the Orchard Course, the Vineyard Course has a charming New England feel that is reminiscent of many classic old golf courses found in the Northeast. Along with a beautiful new clubhouse, the Vineyard Course also provide a new state-of-the-art practice facility, which includes a double-ended driving range with over 70,000 square feet of practice tee and multiple target greens. It also includes a one acre short game area with multiple bunkers and ample fairway surrounds so players can practice virtually any short shot they can imagine.

In early 2016 Newport National underwent a change in ownership with expansion in mind. With new ownership, Newport National will be fully developed in 2026. 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.



## The Orchard *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



## The Vineyard *Course Facts:*

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Design: Modern links

Year Opened: 2026

Course Architect:

Hills Forest Smith

### *Yardage:*

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Black Tees: 3,565 yards

Gold Tees: 3,245 yards

White Tees: 2,980 yards

Red Tees: 2,495 yards

Blue Tees: 2,094 yards

### *Course Rating & Slope:*

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Black Tees: TBD

Gold Tees: TBD

White Tees: TBD

Red Tees: TBD

Blue Tees: TBD

## Newport National Facts

- Awarded "Rhode Island's Best Golf Course" by World Golf Awards
- "#1 Rated Public Access Course in Rhode Island" by Golf Digest and Golfweek Magazines
- "#1 Rated Public Course in New England" by New England Golf Monthly
- Nominated "Best New Course" by Golf Digest
- "Best Course You Can Play" and "Best in State" by Golf Digest
- "Best Conditioned Course" and "#1 Rated Public Access Course in Rhode Island" 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
- Green Golf Course Certified by the Rhode Island Department of Environmental 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*

## Food & Beverage

Mar, Apr, & Oct	10:00 am - 4:00 pm*
May - Sept	7:00 am - 9:00 pm*
Nov - Mar	BAR IS CLOSED**

\* Weather restrictions may apply.

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

\* 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.



## *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 72-hour period (without penalty).



## *General Golf Rules*

### **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

### ANNUAL TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

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#### All Member Opening Day ABCD (Sunday May 17th)

*Member Event Only (Shotgun start time 12:00 pm)*

Open to all member classifications. 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 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.

#### Newport National Club Championship

*(Men's Qualifying starts 6/27 thru 7/26) 1st match played by 8/9 – Semi- finals by 8/23 – Finals 9/13  
(Ladies Club Championship will be held on 8/23(18 hole Championship) tee times start 12:00*

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 7200 yards. The 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 one day total 18-hole stroke play.

There will be a Gross & Net Champion. The overall 2024 Ladies Club Champion will consist of the lowest one 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.



## Members Only Events

### Summer Classic 6/6/6 (Sunday August 9th)

*(Member Event Only – (Shotgun start time 8:00 AM)*

This will be our end of the year tournament for the members called "6/6/6". This will now be a team event. Each member will have an opportunity to choose their own partner. If you can't find a partner let the golf shop know and we will do our best to pair you up with a member who is looking for one as well. The format consists of 6 holes alternate shot, 6 holes better ball and 6 holes scramble. Each team will have a percentage handicap based on their combined handicap. That handicap will be deducted off your team's gross score for a net score total. This is a net only event. This will be a great way to finish the golf season by seeing all your friends before the snow arrives.

### The National Cup (Sunday September 13th)

*Member Event Only (18 - Hole Event - Shotgun start time 8:00 AM)*

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 trash talking will start early. This will be an 18 hole event, consisting of 2-nine hole matches with each match is worth a 3 point total. There will be one point awarded to the team who either wins 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 Camaraderie, laughter and some trash talking between opponents



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