



# INTERNATIONAL JUNIOR GOLF ACADEMY

## MEET THE COACHES



### JONATHAN YARWOOD DIRECTOR OF GOLF

Jonathan Yarwood, a British PGA Master Professional and 25-year tour coach, has a long-standing career that speaks for itself. He has trained a U.S. Open winner, two U.S. Amateur winners, two U.S. Girls' Winners, three AJGA Players of the Year, four #1 juniors, a collegiate #1 and winners on the PGA, LPGA, European, Challenge, Asian and Australasian tours. He has been recognized for his contribution to the game by being the youngest person to be made a U.K. PGA Master Professional in 2011. He was also voted a "Top 20 Teacher under 40" by Golf Digest as well as voted in the "Best Teachers in State Rankings" for over a decade. He has taken kids of 11 years of age to the tour and knows the pathways and processes involved to create success. He is proud to be a part of the world-class team at IJGA and to bring his experience to a new generation of junior players.



### STEVEN CHALMERS | GOLF COACH

Steven grew up in Scotland and is a U.K. AA Advanced PGA Member. Steven attended University Birmingham, where he obtained a PGA Foundation degree, an Advanced Certificate in Golf Coaching and the Level 3 PGA Coaching award, the focus being on learning holistic approaches to golf coaching and performance coaching.

Steven spent ten years at Banchory Golf Club as a teaching professional and in 2012 was appointed by the Scottish Golf Union to become a development coach where he was responsible for developing the national team. Steven has developed a passion for 3D analysis and has been mentored by Biomechanics expert Dr. Rob Neal.



### DWIGHT NEVIL | GOLF COACH

Dwight attended the University of North Texas on a full golf scholarship. While serving the United States in the Air Force, Dwight won the All Air Force Golf Championship in 1968. After qualifying for the PGA Tour in 1970, Dwight spent the next eight years on the PGA Tour where he won the Magnolia Classic in 1973 and again in 1974. Dwight was in the top 60

money winners for two years, which gave him exempt status on the tour. Dwight has been a PGA of America Member since 1976 and is a Life Member. Dwight came to the IJGA from Hank Haney's Ranch in Dallas in 2012 where he was teaching and fitting putters as well as clubs.



### DAN JACKSON | GOLF COACH

Dan turned professional at the age of 20. He taught county junior golf within the Nottinghamshire County in England. He has worked with Master Professionals and National Team coaches. He has worked for David Leadbetter at David's Academies in Austria and Florida. He also coached at IMG Academy. Dan has trained multiple international teams, Tour players and elite collegiate players. A member of the English PGA, he is constantly developing through the implementation of the latest in scientific research that supports player development and he is currently completing his MSc in Sports Coaching at The University of Birmingham (UK).



### SHAWN MEHRING | DIRECTOR OF PERFORMANCE TRAINING

Shawn played numerous sports growing up, but his main focus was baseball. He went to Lipscombe University in Nashville, Tennessee where he played Division I baseball as an outfielder. He majored in K-12 Health and Physical Education. Along with his teaching certification, Shawn is also TPI Fitness Level 2 and Medical Level 2 certified. Over the next year, he plans to be TPT Fitness Level 3 and earn the designation as a National Strength and Conditioning Association Certified Strength and Conditioning Specialist (NSCA-CSCS).



### SKYLAR JEWELL | DIRECTOR OF MENTAL PERFORMANCE

Skylar graduating Magna Cum Laude from West Virginia University and received a Master's in Kinesiology with an emphasis in Sport Psychology at Georgia Southern University. Skylar's first internship was with IJGA. After graduating, he moved to Florida, serving as Director of Mental Performance Training at Gary Gilchrist Golf Academy. Skylar brings the knowledge he has gathered in working with students from various tours, different levels, and roughly 15 different countries to IJGA. He is a member of (AASP) Association for Applied Sport and Exercise Psychology and is in process to achieve his AASP certification, a benchmark in the field of Sport and Exercise Psychology.