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# IJGA Debuts the Swing Catalyst 3D Motion Plate & Studio

Summer Campers Give Us the Low-Down

Website Makeover — Check Us Out!

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Experience the Swing Catalyst Studio!

# IJGA Announces the Installation of Swing Catalyst 3D Motion Plate & Studio

One of the Two Junior Golf Academies in the World to Debut Swing Analysis System



It's all about creating speed and power. It's why the tour pros like Rory McIlroy, Dustin Johnson and Justin Thomas are able to drive the ball so much further than the average player. With today's science and technology of golf's newest training equipment, players are able to measure and analyze their balance, torque and ground force reaction and parlay that knowledge into achieving greater distance. By pinpointing exactly where in their swing they need to make adjustments, golfers are able to make changes in their balance pressure, producing the greatest results.



IJGA recently installed one of golf's industry's newest and most advanced swing analysis measuring devices, the Swing Catalyst 3D Motion Plate. IJGA is one of two junior golf academies in the world to install this world-class swing analysis system.

This state-of-the-art equipment is a unique combination of pressure plate technology (Balance

Plate) and a highly advanced force plate to measure torque and ground force generated during a golf swing. The synchronization of the 3D Motion Plate with high speed video images result in data used by players to analyze foot pressure, center of pressure (CoP), vertical and horizontal forces, ground reaction and rotational force.

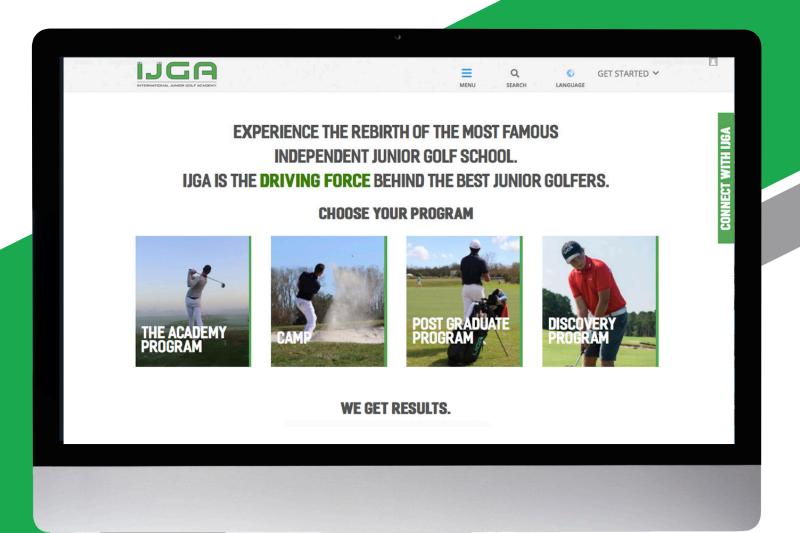
"Modern coaching is using fact, not guesswork or opinion, to influence performance," said Jonathan Yarwood, IJGA Director of Golf. "The Swing Catalyst 3D Motion Plate Studio combined with our launch monitor technology takes all the guesswork out of it. It shows the coach what the naked eye could never see. It allows informed decisions to be made in order to use physics, which will create a new generation of golf athletes who can control and propel the ball to their maximum capabilities. It's not a step forward in coaching, it's a leap and a bound. I'm grateful to be exposed to it."

By creating a strong foundation, sound principals and high-tech analytics, players are getting the most out of their game with the assistance of today's technology, tools and resources such as the Swing Catalyst 3D Motion Plate.

The IJGA Swing Catalyst 3D Motion Plate Studio is part of the \$2 million recently renovated IJGA 20,000 square-foot Performance Training Center on IJGA's gated campus. The Studio houses the Motion Plate, hitting bay, large-screen monitor, video projector and will be available to all Academy students to improve their performance under the direction of Academy coaches.

## **IJGA** has a new website!

Welcome to our new home on the World Wide Web! www.ijga.com



Whether you joined the IJGA family in 1995 or plan to attend in 2019, there is one simple fact that's undeniable... we are all connected through common love of a very special place where your friends are your heroes, and your heroes are your friends.

What brings us together is that we have marveled at each other's success, felt the thrill of competition after intense training and preparation, and enjoyed the warmth of our IJGA home surrounded by friends.

We're so excited to welcome you to our new "Home on the Web." Please enjoy looking around and be sure to watch the new student-athletes videos called What Drives You to find out why IJGA is the driving force behind the best junior golfers...we're very proud of everything you'll find.

We'll be keeping the site fresh each week with news, student success, facility updates, What Drives You video series, and so much more. Cour cour

Summer Camp at IJGA is in full swing!

Campers from around the world are descending upon the IJGA campus to work on improving their golf skills over the summer. Academy, Core and Elite campers are working closely with our world-class coaches on their swing mechanics, technical skills, mental strategy around the course, performance training and having

fun — on and off the course! The week concludes with an 18-hole tournament at one of the area courses. Extra curricular activities include a trip to the beach, bowling, movies, shopping, ice cream outings and more!





**Friendly:** "My experience with IJGA has been very pleasant. Friendly coaches and people, and a truly phenomenal program that covers the full aspect of a golfer."

- Wen Xie

Success: "Summer camp at IJGA has been a great experience as it has taught me the hard work and dedication needed to succeed in a career in golf. The coaches are great as well as showing the fitness needed to be successful and perform at the top level."

- Jonty Kotzen





**Life Lessons:** "IJGA has taught me to be comfortable being uncomfortable. It has taught me many things that I can not only use in golf, but also in life."

- Caroline Luck



Memorable: "My experience at IJGA summer camp has been extremely memorable. Not only has my game game greatly improved, but I've met many amazing people and learned skills I'll continue to use forever."

- Lilly Moreau

#### Campers are making friends from around the world!

Did you know that we have students from 10 different countries through the first three weeks of camp! South Korea, Japan, India, South Africa, USA, Pakistan, China, Thailand, Malaysia and Kazakstan.

### **Alumni Making News**

#### **Ben Dietrich**

We're thrilled at the news that IJGA alumni Ben Dietrich (Class of 2013) was recently named the Assistant Men's Golf Coach at the University of South Carolina. A Bluffton, SC native, Ben will be coaching for his alma mater, USC.

"It's impossible to put into words how excited I am for this opportunity to begin my coaching career at the University of South Carolina," Dietrich said. "I'd like to thank coach McDonald not only for this amazing opportunity but also for being a great mentor during my time as a student-athlete in Columbia. He has always had the players best interests at heart and helps each and every one of them grow not only as a golfer, but also as a person - a trend I look forward to helping continue. I tell people all the time that they won't find anyone who loves Gamecock golf more than I do, so needless to say, I am thrilled to be a part of this program moving forward. I can't wait to help our players attain their goals and reach their dreams."



Not only was Dietrich a standout-player assisting the Gamecock's to finishing in seventh-place at the 2018 NCAA Bryan Regional, but was also a scholar and philanthropist.

For the fourth year, he was named to the Southeastern Conference Community Service Team and was a 2017 Srixon/Cleveland Golf All-American Scholar. He graduated in May with a degree in hospitality management from USC.



#### Richy Werenski

IJGA alumni Richy Werenski (Class of 2010), finished tied for 4th-place at the FedEx St. Jude Classic in Memphis, TN, June 7 - 10.

View Richy's interview following his second round.

Werenski recent top finishes include: tied for second-place in the Barracuda Championship in 2017, won the BMW Charity Pro-Am on the Web.com Tour in 2016 and won the Golf Channel's *Big Break The Palm Beaches, FL* to earn an exemption into the PGA Tour's 2015 Barbasol Championship.

# Congrats to IJGA Alumni Angel Wang (Class of 2017)

on her current success back home in Myanmar!



