

Mohawk Valley Junior Golf Tour Power Rankings

After Event #9: Tour Championship at Rome CC

Minimum of 2 events to be in power rankings

Boys 16-18

1. Eamon Dempsey (No Change)

Dempsey ends a season of runner-up finishes with back-to-back victories at the biggest events of the year, Seven Oaks and the Tour Championship. His 77 at the Tour Championship was his lowest round on Tour this year.

2. Nick de Jong (No Change)

De Jong finished second at the Tour Championship, just one stroke behind Dempsey. He ends the season with only one victory, but also 4 runner-up finishes, and not to mention the Points title. Not a bad season for the 16 year old in his first season competing from the back tees.

3. Bradee Holtslag (No change)

Numbers 1, 2, and 3 in the Power Rankings finished 1, 2, and 3 at the Tour Championship. Holtslag ended the year with the lowest stroke average in the division with 80.2.

4. Keith Smith (No change)

Smith did not compete at the Tour Championship, but ended the year with two victories, tied for the most in the division on the year.

5. Cody Homer (No change)

Homer got off to a great start this year, but faded a little in the second half of the season. He was able to compete at the Tour Championship for the first time in his career, and managed a fifth place finish at this event. At age 16, Homer only looks be getting better in the coming years.

Others in consideration: Ken Quackenbush, Dan Reese

Boys 13-15

1. Joel Jakubowicz (No Change)

Jakubowicz took home the Tour Championship with a blistering 73, edging Garrett Drejza by one stroke. This win was his third of the year, the only player able to do so in this division. The 73 also gave him the lowest average in the division, ending at 77.14.

2. Aaron Macchia (Up from #3)

Macchia ended the season with a tie for third place finish at Rome with an 80. In a head-to-head format against Seth Adams, Macchia went 5-3-1 on the year, and so gets the number 2 spot in the final rankings, though, as always, it was pretty much a toss-up.

3. Seth Adams (Down from #2)
Adams held the number one spot down for several events, but struggled coming home this season, failing to break 80 in any of the final 3 events. Still, his total of 6 rounds in the 70s was tied for the most this season with Jakubowicz.
4. Garrett Drejza (Up from #5)
Following a win at Skenandoa, Drejza's runner-up 74 will move him up to fourth in the Power Rankings this week. He ended the year with 4 of 6 rounds below 80.
5. Mike Kalil (Down from #4)
Kalil finished the year with a tie for third at the Tour Championship. The first half of the year went much smoother than the second half for Kalil, but he was a solid in-the-points finisher throughout the year.

Others in consideration: Alex Malta

Boys 12+Under

1. Alec Bard (Previously unranked)
Bard only played twice this year, but managed to win both times. He dominated the field at Stonebridge, but found himself in a playoff at the Tour Championship. His birdie on the first playoff hole sealed the deal.
2. Tommy Mandel (Down from #1)
Mandel dominated the regular Tour competition week in and week out, and almost was able to pull off the unthinkable and beat Alec Bard at the Tour Championship, coming up just one shot short on the tenth hole. He ended the season with 5 victories/co-victories, and was beaten on only 3 occasions.
3. Ben Kallet (Down from #2)
Kallet finished the year at the Tour Championship with a 44, finishing in the middle of the tightly packed field, tied for 5th. Kallet was still the only regular Tour member who was able to compete with Mandel, beating him once and tying him twice this season.
4. Reiss Brand (Down from #3)
Brand shot a 44, tying for fifth place at the Tour Championship. Brand never finished outside of the top 5 this season, broke 50 all but one time, and ended with the third best stroke average in the division.
5. Jared Smaldon (Down from #4)
Smaldon was close to being in that playoff at the Tour Championship rather than caddying for it, but closed out with a 43, his second best score of the year, which was good enough for fourth place.

Others in consideration: Matt Dreimiller, Justin Rockwell, Cameron Soja

Girls 16-18

1. Kelley Citrin (No change)

Citrin won the Tour Championship with a 96. She was the only player in the division able to break 100 at all this year, and did so every time she played 18 holes.

2. Katie Daskiewich (No change)

While Daskiewich did not compete at the Tour Championship, she ended with the second lowest stroke average in the division.

Girls 13-15

1. MaryAnn Bulawa (No change)

Bulawa remained unblemished this season, capping off a perfect season with a win at the Tour Championship. She ended the year with a stroke average 4 shots lower than next best, and was the only female competitor considered for the Player of the Year award.

2. Rachel Halwig (No change)

Halwig did not finish in second place for the first time this year at the Tour Championship, instead dropping to third place. However, she was the only player other than Bulawa to have an average below 50, and did not shoot in the 50s in any event this season.

3. Nicolette Darois (No change)

Bounced back from a couple of poor finishes to come in second place at Rome with a 47, just one shot away from tying Bulawa. Her stroke average this year was just above 50, good enough to be third best.

Others in consideration: Amanda Snizek

Girls 12+Under

1. Sydney Bard (No change)

Bard picked up her sixth win this season, which was the most on Tour. She shot a 49 at Rome, good enough to beat Lilly Bulawa by 6 strokes. Bard broke 50 all but one time this year.

2. Lilly Bulawa (No change)

Bulawa finished runner-up to Bard for the sixth time this year. She ended the year with an average of exactly 50.