

Mohawk Valley Junior Golf Tour Power Rankings

Through Event 3: Oneida

Boys 16-18

1. Bradee Holtslag
With two victories in three starts and the second best stroke average in the 16-18 division, this was a pretty easy pick. Dominated a difficult course at Oneida to take an 8 shot victory with 75.
2. Cody Homer
In two starts, Homer has one win and one third place finish, and also has the lowest stroke average in the division. After taking Monday off, he looks to do well on Friday, playing on his home course at Cedar Lake.
3. Eamon Dempsey
Two runner-ups in his last two starts, Dempsey has come back into his game and is playing at as high a level as anyone in the division.
4. Nick de Jong
Despite struggling at Oneida, he managed to stay in the points with a T-7 finish, adding to his T-4 at Teugega and win at Valley View. Seems likely to put this round behind him and bounce back at Cedar Lake.
5. Ken Quackenbush
Consistency is the key to golf, and no one has been more consistent than Quackenbush this season. Kenny Q has come in sixth in all three events, and has the sixth best stroke average in the division (but we give him the nod for 5th in the power rankings).

Boys 13-15

1. Seth Adams
Earned a second straight victory by being the only player able to break 80 in the division at Oneida. His scores have been a model of consistency (76, 75, 77), and have earned him the lowest stroke average on tour.
2. Mike Kalil
With two runner-ups and a fourth place finish so far this year, the only thing still missing is a win. That seems likely to happen soon, as he is playing great golf with a stroke average of 78.3.
3. Joel Jakubowicz
Has been solid so far this season, with a runner-up and a fifth place finish in his first two events. He, too, will be looking to break through for a victory in the near future.

4. Aaron Macchia
Has managed to be in the points in all three events this season, though his last two have been seventh place finishes. Still, is the only player so far this year to win besides Seth Adams, and did so with a score under par at Teugega.
5. Garrett Drejza
Began the season with two in-the-points finishes, including a runner-up at Valley View. Failed to earn anything at Oneida, but finished a mere one shot out in 8th place, and holds the fifth best stroke average in the division.

Boys 12+Under

1. Tommy Mandel
Mandel hasn't been beaten yet this season. After two co-victories, he blasted away the field by ten strokes at Oneida. Shooting 38, all agree it was well deserved.
2. Reiss Brand
Brand is the only player other than Mandel to finish in the points in all three events this season, and has gotten better each time, from fifth at Teugega, to third at Valley View, to a runner-up finish at Oneida.
3. Jared Smaldon
Has two in-the-points finishes, including an impressive co-victory with 40 at Valley View. He was right in the thick of things again until the last hole at Oneida, and should bounce right back into contention in the coming events.
4. Brian Birnie
Two in-the-points finishes in two starts this season (including a runner-up at Oneida) and the fourth best stroke average in the division have earned him this spot in the power rankings.
5. Ben Kallet
While he struggled at Oneida, still claims a victory at Teugega and a fourth place finish at Valley View. No indication that this round at Oneida was anything to be concerned about, and should be right back into contention at Cedar Lake.

Girls 16-18

1. Kelley Citrin
Posted two good scores so far this year. Hasn't had the pleasure of playing against anyone in her division yet, but when she does, she will be tough to beat.

2. Katie Daskiewich
52 at Oneida on a very tough day is nothing to be ashamed of. Should contend well with Citrin when they finally play an event together.

Girls 13-15

1. MaryAnn Bulawa
Posted two victories in two starts this season by a combined total of 15 shots. She looks very good and will be tough to beat this season.
2. Nicolette Darois
Claims a runner-up and a third place finish in the first two events of the year, and then wins in Bulawa's absence at Oneida. Very consistent with scores of 50, 49, and 50.
3. Lauren Felice
Has posted a fourth and a second place finish in her two starts this season, and seems likely to keep up the good play in the coming events.

Girls 12+Under

1. Sydney Bard
Bard has taken two of three on Lilly Bulawa to get the nod to first place in these rankings. Not to mention, the nine-year-old's scores would have earned her fifteen total points in the boys division.
2. Lilly Bulawa
Has stayed neck-and-neck with Bard through the first three events. Bard has edged her by a combined total of only five shots. Also, Lilly's scores would have earned her points in all three events in the boys division as well.
3. Adia Bulawa
Plays some good golf for a nine-year-old. Her scores this year all would have earned her points in the older girls' division.