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Jekyll Island Golf Club, Jekyll Island, Georgia
US Kids Regional Qualifier Golf Tournament

February 15-16, 2009

THE Golf Academy's Full-Time students invade Georgia

Four of THE Golf Academy's Full-Time students have returned from a National Junior Golf Tournament with great success. The US Kids Regional Qualifier hosted at the Golf Club at Jekyll Island saw 400 participants from 41 states and 12 countries.

Ella Woods, age 10, fired a 40-41 over 2 days and finished 5th. She played superbly both days and improved her finish by over 20 positions from last year. **Ray Moore**, age 9, shot a 93-93 in his very first major junior event and was excited about how he finished both days. **Hayden Zitzewitz**, age 7, shot 41-42, and displayed a great short game and didn't miss a fairway in 2 days. **Brandon Mancheno**, age 9, shot 77-81, and hit numerous quality irons and woods but had a tough time on the quick greens.

All the payers had fun, and are eager to get back to work on their games. THE Golf Academy Founder, Dale Claussen, who caddied for Ella Woods both days, stated, "I was very proud of all the players and was pleased to see how they focused under a lot of pressure, even when some shots didn't go as planned, they stayed the course and finished strong." "I hope they had a great experience up there, said Coach Dale, "My mother and I served a home-cooked meal to the players and parents after the first round, we played football on the beach, and they all played very well. What a great weekend!

To see some pictures of the event please click on the link.....

About THE Golf Academy

THE Golf Academy of Florida, Three locations: The Golf Club at South Hampton, The Golf Club at Fleming Island and in South Florida: Boca Raton Resort
North Florida's #1 Junior Golf Academy.

Academy Director: Dale Claussen

Dale has been recognized by Golf World Magazine as “one of the top 40 golf instructors in the USA under the age of 40.” He was also named “one of the top 50 junior golf instructors in the USA for 2005, 2006 and 2007,” by US Kids Golf.

Head Teaching Professional: Elliott LaVercombe, former Executive Director of The First Tee of St. Johns County from 2001-2007.

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