

2017 Recipients Announced for the 3rd Annual



Only five recipients. One ARIZONA golfer, male or female for the following categories.

*Junior *Community College *University *Amateur *Professional

As Arizona's #1 Golf Network, JOX Sports has been devoted to promoting Arizona golf and golfers at all levels, since 2011. Beginning December 30, 2015 JOX will recognize the individual performances by Arizona's talented golfers with these *Player of the Year* honors.

Winners are chosen for their tournament accomplishments during the current year, and will be named annually on December 30th. To keep the awards exclusive there will only be five JOX Award recipients, comprising of either a male or female from the 5 categories listed below:

- **Junior** - Ages 18 and under (includes High School)
- **Community College** - Competing for ACCAC Colleges (AZ Community College Athletic Conference)
- **University** - Competing for any Arizona 4-year University
- **Amateur** - Competing in Arizona's most competitive amateur tournaments
- **Professional** - May include professional tours but primarily AZ members of the Southwest PGA

CONGRATULATION TO THE 2017 JOX AWARD RECIPIENTS

Junior - Ashley Menne, Xavier Prep

Community College - Dean Harpe, Mesa CC

University - Monica Vaughn, ASU

Amateur - Ken Tanigawa

Professional - Jon Rahm, ASU Grad.

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2017 Recipient Bios

Ashley Menne - Junior Section Recipient

No other player dominated Arizona's junior circuit like Ashley! As a sophomore at Xavier Prep, she followed her 12 JGAA wins in 2016 with 13 in 2017, placing top 3 in all 19 tournaments she entered. She also won her 2nd D1 individual title in a row while leading Xavier Prep to their 36th Arizona team title. This is her 2nd JOX Award.

Other Honors and accomplishments both locally & nationally:

- Reached round of 32 at US Jr Girls Amateur
- Led Team AZ to a 7th place finish at the USGA Women's State Team while placing 3rd individually.
- 1st Team All-Arizona
- Rolex AJGA Junior All-American



Dean Harpe - Community College Section Recipient

Dean won 2 ACCAC tournaments in 2017. On a national level Dean placed 5th individually while leading **Mesa Community College** to their 1st National NJCAA Team Championship!

Other Honors:

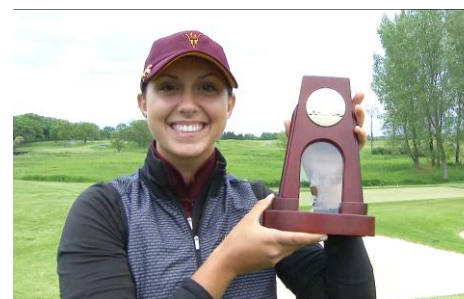
- 1st Team All-ACCAC
- 1st Team NJCAA All-American



Monica Vaughn, ASU - University Section Recipient

What an awesome 2017 for Monica!

- Pac 12 1st Team All-Conference
- Pac 12 Golfer of the Year
- Pac 12 Tom Hanson Medal of Honor
- Honda Award Recipient (Top female collegiate golfer)
- Led ASU to 8th NCAA National Championship
- Individual D1 NCAA National Champion





Ken Tanigawa - Amateur Section Recipient

Ken has been the best & most consistent AZ amateur for over 3 years. This is also his 3rd JOX Award in a row but may be his last (*as an amateur.*)

- 2017 Arizona Amateur Champion (his 2nd in 3 yrs.)
- Placed 4th at PGA TOUR Champions Q-School earning his tour card for the 2018 season & will be turning pro in early 2018.



Jon Rahm - Professional Section Recipient

Not since Tiger Woods has a player come out of college and taken professional golf by storm like Jon with 3 wins in his 1st full year. The 2-time JOX Award *University Section* winner was an undeniable Choice for his 3rd JOX Award & 1st recipient in 2 separate sections!



2017 Accomplishments & Wins

- Farmers Insurance Open Champion (PGA)
- Dubai Duty Free Irish Open Champion (ET)
- DP World Tour Champion (ET)
- Currently 4th in Official World Golf Rankings

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