

**New Jersey Section of the PGA of America Announces Hiring of Gavin Rau as New Director; Junior Golf and Player Engagement**



**Bedminster, NJ - February 18, 2025** - The New Jersey Section of the PGA of America is pleased to announce the hiring of Gavin Rau as the new Director; Junior Golf and Player Engagement. Rau, who brings a wealth of experience and a strong personal connection to the junior golf community, will play an important role in supporting the growth and success of the NJPGA Tour and junior golf as a whole in the New Jersey Section.

Rau's passion for golf began early, as he competed on the NJPGA Junior Tour from ages 11 to 18 and participated in the U.S. Kids Golf Local Tour. He also advanced to the regionals in the prestigious Drive, Chip, and Putt competition.

A graduate of Seton Hall University, Rau earned a degree in Sport Management. He has gained valuable industry experience working at municipal green grass facilities over the last four years, followed most recently by a ten-month stint at TPC Jasna Polana. Currently, Rau is enrolled in the PGA PGM 3.1 Associate Program, furthering his education and dedication to the profession.

"I am excited for the opportunity to contribute to the continued success of the NJPGA Junior Tour while giving back to the same community that shaped me not only as a golfer, but as a person," said Rau.

The New Jersey Section of the PGA is confident that under Rau's leadership, the NJPGA Junior Tour will continue to grow and provide exceptional opportunities for junior golfers across the state.

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Since its founding in 1916, The PGA of America has maintained a twofold mission: to establish and elevate the standards of the profession and to grow interest and participation in the game of golf. The NJPGA is one of forty-one (41) geographic sections throughout the country and has been in operation since 1925. In 2012 and 2015, the NJPGA was the recipient of the Herb Graffis Award, presented annually to a PGA Section that shows extraordinary or exemplary contributions in player development and growth of the game programming. For more information on the NJPGA please visit <http://newjersey.pga.com/> or follow us on social media: [Instagram](#), [Facebook](#), & [Flickr](#).