



Dogwood Invitational Facts

The Dogwood seeks to perpetuate the tradition of competition, celebrate the game of golf and encourage participation among amateur golfers, volunteers, club membership and sponsors.

- The first Dogwood Invitational was held in April 1941 and the first Dogwood champion was Tommy Barnes, one of the greatest amateur golfers in Georgia and member of the Georgia Golf Hall of Fame.
- The Dogwood Invitational at Druid Hills Golf Club has been ranked as the 13th amateur golf tournament in the nation, and the 25th in the world. The listing, compiled annually by the highly-regarded Scratch Players World Amateur Rankings organization, surveys more than 300 worldwide tournaments in its quest to name the top tournaments.
- The 2007 Champion, Wake Forest's Webb Simpson, also set the standing course record of 60.
- Over half of the players are welcomed into the homes of Druid Hills members for their stay in Atlanta.
- Dogwood Champion receives exemptions into the Canadian Amateur and Masters of the Amateurs in Australia.
- Nine Dogwood Invitational Champions have gone on to be a part of the Walker Cup Team including Harvie Ward, Jr. (1952 & 1953), Charles "Chuck" Kocsis (1960), Marvin "Vinny" Giles (1965), Allen Doyle (1994), Lee Williams (2003), Chris Nallen (2004), Webb Simpson (2007) and Brain Harman (2009).
- Beneficiaries of the monies raised during the Dogwood include Atlanta Junior Golf, www.atlantajuniorgolf.org and the Wayne Reynolds Scholarship Foundation, www.reynoldscholarship.org
- The Reynolds Foundation was established in 1996 by Druid Hills Golf Club member Wayne Reynolds. The Foundation awards yearly grants of \$3,000 for four years to deserving junior golfers in the state of Georgia attending accredited colleges or universities.

- Since 1996, 24 junior golfers from the state of Georgia have been awarded the Wayne Reynolds Scholarship.
- Druid Hills Golf Club's golf course was originally designed in 1909 by Englishman H.H. Barker. In 2003, the 18-hole, Par 72 course was renovated by renowned golf architect Bob Cupp, bringing back its "golden-era" design.
- The golf course is 6,860 yards from the Dogwood Tees with a Slope of 139 and 73.5 rating.