



Young golfers compete.

Junior trio tee up a shot at kids tour

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BANKSTOWN Golf Club will host more than 40 juniors as part of a junior golf tournament on Sunday.

Bankstown players Adam Derbas, 9, Rhys Veller, 12, and Harry Gourlay, 7, will test their skills on the day as they take part in the fifth tournament of the US Kids Golf Summer Tour.

The tour consists of eight tournaments, which are played at different golf courses across Sydney.

The final tournament will be held at Long Reef Golf Course in Collaroy on May 28. The three players could potentially qualify for the US Kids Golf World Championships held at Pinehurst Golf Club in North Carolina in August. There has been a recent surge in interest in golf among Australian children.

In a statement, US Kids Golf Australia said there were previously limited opportunities for junior players, but this was changing.

"In the past kids have had limited opportunity to put the skills they may learn at the driving range, or on the practice green, into play in a competitive environment against kids their own age.

"Each tournament culminates in a prize giving and the top four placegetters in each age group (boys and girls are separate) receive medals."

The tournament will be held at Bankstown Golf Club on Sunday.