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By **EDDIE CAIAZZO** for *Tony Leodora Presented by Yuengling Brewery*

Featured on June Episode of the Traveling Golfer

PHILADELPHIA, Pa. - Historic Pocono Manor has been a welcome mountain respite from the heat and hustle of the big cities along the East Coast since the very beginning of the 20th Century. Modern renovations to the property have brought 21st century conveniences.

There has been a renaissance at the resort that is attracting couples, families, golfers and large group business. The pride is evident everywhere ... and that is the main focus of the June episode of the award-winning Traveling Golfer television show.

"I have made many visits to Pocono Manor over the last 30 years," says Tony Leodora, host of The Traveling Golfer. "It was always a pleasant stop. But new ownership has brought a new energy to the entire property. Both the hotel and the golf course have gotten a facelift. It is now the perfect blend of old and new."

The hotel at Pocono Manor dates back to 1902 and contains 240 well-appointed and spacious guest rooms. All have spectacular views of the surrounding Pocono Mountains.

There is a large, traditional dining hall and the elegant Exchange, an upscale American dining experience. Adding a modern touch is the Lamplighter Lounge and sports bar, plus the adjacent Little Pocono Pizzeria.

Golf has been a big part of the Pocono Manor story since 1912. Renowned architect Donald Ross built the first nine holes and William Flynn completed the remaining nine holes. The course is a quirky, fun-filled experience that is extremely memorable.

"There is always plenty to talk about at Pocono Manor," says Greg Wall, head professional at the resort since 1984. "A new maintenance program has really improved conditions and currently the course is in the best condition since I have been here. The best way to describe it is that people really seem to enjoy playing here."

Other segments of the show will take viewers through the extensive winter sports activities on the property, plus a look at other summer attractions such as skeet shooting, fishing and hiking.

The episode from Pocono Manor Resort & Spa - with an in-depth look



The Delaware Water Gap from the roof of the Pocono Manor.

at all there is to do on the 4,000-acre property -- begins airing June 1 and runs throughout the month on the Traveling Golfer network of websites ... including The Golf Director Network (see full list of sites on travelinggolfervideo.com). The Traveling Golfer also airs as a scheduled weekly feature show on Comcast SportsNet and The Comcast Network throughout the Northeast and Mid-Atlantic regions. Comcast SportsNet airings are 10:30 a.m. Sundays and 4:30 p.m. Thursdays. The Comcast Network airs the show at 6 p.m. Mondays and Fridays.

As part of every Traveling Golfer show there is the additional feature, "Tech Talk", hosted by Tour Edge Golf experts, such as President Dave Glod. With years of experience as a club maker, Glod presents an inside look at the research and development of high-quality golf equipment.

Responding to golfers' never-ending demands to learn more about interesting golf courses and golf resorts across the country and around the world, well-traveled host Tony Leodora created the Traveling Golfer so he could take viewers on video trips to some of the most exciting golf locations. The show repeated for the second straight year as the No. 1 Golf Television Show in America in the prestigious International Network of Golf Awards, presented at the PGA Merchandise Show in January.

The Traveling Golfer is a series of monthly shows hosted by Leodora, who has 16 years of experience in televised golf. The featured destination stays on the website for one month, before being replaced by a new show. The old shows are archived for continued viewing on home website, www.travelinggolfervideo.com.

Retraction to Story in June Issue of "Golf PA/Golf Northeast"

There was an error in the story of Pocono Golf Courses designed by world renowned architects in our June issue. The Kalahari Corporation did not purchase the Pocono Manor Inn or the East Golf Course. They only purchased the West Golf Course property to build a water park. We apologize for the mis-information in that story. The Kalahari Corporation does not own the Pocono Manor Inn or the East Golf Course.



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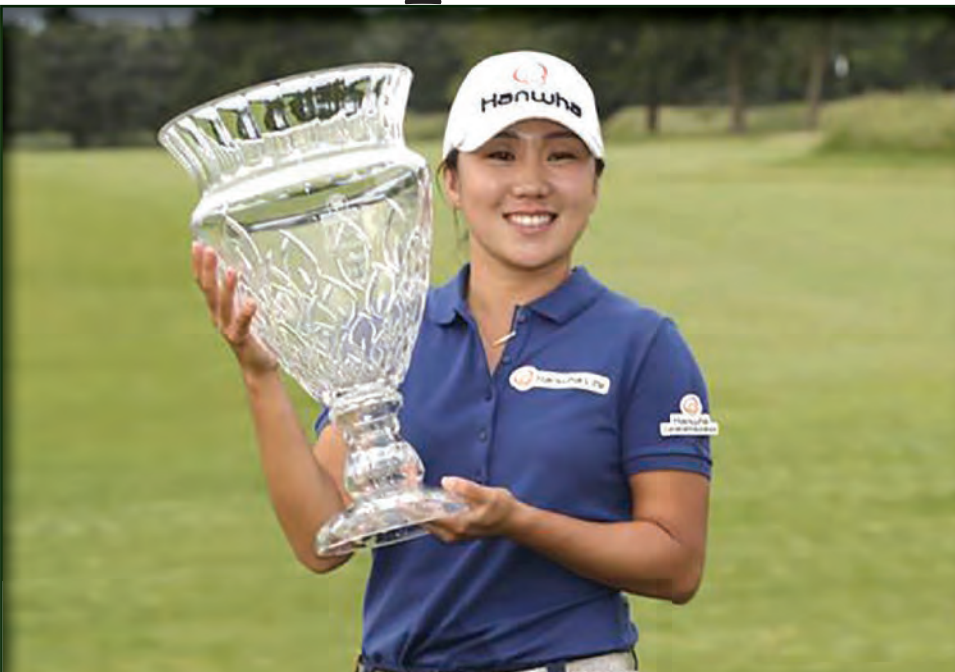
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In-Kyung Kim Takes LPGA ShopRite Classic At Seaview



Korea's In-Kyung Kim takes the ShopRite LPGA Classic golf tournament
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By **MIKE KERN**

Galloway, N.J. -- For the first time in three years, the LPGA ShopRite Classic has a new champion.

This time it was Korea's In-Kyung Kim who left with the trophy on June 4 at Stockton Seaview Hotel & Golf Club, after beating Anna Nordqvist by two shots on the Bay Course. Nordqvist was trying to become the first to three-peat at this tournament, and also the third to win it three times. The others are Hall of Famers Annika Sorenstam, a fellow Swede, and the Lehigh Valley's Betsy King. Nordqvist was the first to repeat.

But it wasn't to be, even though Nordqvist led after the opening round by shooting a 7-under par 64, which would be the low round of the week. She followed with a 71 and a 69, which wasn't quite enough.

Kim, who started the final day tied for the lead with Paula Creamer, closed with a 69 in windy conditions for a 54-hole total of 202. She putted just 79 times overall.

She missed a lot of time at the end of last season and beginning of this one after falling down some stairs. This was her seventh start in 2017. And her first win in a year.

"I really didn't expect to win right away," she said. "My trainer and my coach had to change so many things for me because so many things happened last winter. But I just felt so good.



Kim Drives at Sweaview Golf Resort Bay Course Hole #2
Getty Images photo by Hunter Martin

When asked how she was going to celebrate she smiled and responded: "Order room service and dance."

Fair enough. Nordqvist certainly knows the feeling. She was trying to become the first two-time winner on the LPGA Tour this year.

"It was just an honor to back-to-back defend," she said. "I really appreciated everyone's support this week. There was a little bit of pressure coming in. But it's just been fun. I've been trying to embrace it. I just love the golf course.

In her last eight ShopRite's she hasn't finished worse than 13th. In six of those trips she was no lower than fifth. It's almost like a retirement fund.

Creamer ended with a disappointing 74. She was trying to win for the first time in three years. Needless to say she appeared to be very emotional when it was over.

Michelle Wie came home in 65 to get into a tie for third with Jenny Shin, Jeong Eun Lee and Jacqui Concolino. They were four back. It was the 2014 U.S. Open champion's highest showing in three years.

On Saturday, Kim said she loved coming to this event because of her relationships with Special Olympics New Jersey. She'll obviously love returning even more.

Ariya Jutanugarn, who didn't play in the tourney (her sister Moriya did, finishing tied for seventh), moved up to No. 1 in the world rankings, ending Lydia Ko's 84-week run at the top. Ko also wasn't in the field.



Anna Nordqvist hits a tee shot at 3rd Hole of Final round of the ShopRite LPGA Classic golf tournament. Getty Images photo by Hunter Martin

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McNabb Loses Playoff to Omar Uresti

Uresti and force a playoff.

Uresti is the second Southern Texas PGA Member to win the Championship and first since Tim Thelen (2000, '03).

For McNabb, the final hour of regulation play was a rollercoaster and a near-miss. He made a 12-foot birdie putt at No. 15 to reach 5-under-par and hold the lead alone. But a bogey at 17 ended his charge.

"I'm proud of the way I played; I have no regrets," said McNabb, the PGA Head Professional at Applebrook Golf Club in Malvern, Pennsylvania. "It was a great championship test. I hit the shots I needed to and my caddie did a great job of helping me around. I got great support here and from all my friends and members back home."

The low 20 scorers earned exemptions into the 99th PGA Championship, Aug. 10-13, at Quail Hollow Club in Charlotte, North Carolina.

SUNRIVER, OR - June 20: Dave McNabb and Omar Uresti shake hands during a Playoff for the 50th PGA Professional Championship (Photo by Montana Pritchard/PGA of America)

PGA National Championship	R1	R2	R3	R4	Total
Omar Uresti	73	69	72	69	283
Dave McNabb	74	67	73	69	283
Paul Claxton	70	70	74	71	285
Mike Small	71	71	70	73	285
Rich Berberian, Jr.	67	70	78	71	286
Adam Rainaud	73	71	69	73	286
Jamie Broce	70	67	75	74	286
Rod Perry	68	70	70	79	287
Jaysen Hansen	74	72	73	69	288
Alex Beach	75	70	72	71	288

SUNRIVER, ORE. – Omar Uresti awakened Wednesday morning with a number in mind. If he could reach that, he thought, he stood a chance to impact the 50th PGA Professional Championship presented by Club Car, Mercedes-Benz and OMEGA.

The 48-year-old PGA Life Member from Austin, Texas, posted a 3-under-par 69, good enough to share the clubhouse lead and with that closing total he envisioned – 4-under-par 283 in the largest all-professional national championship. Just over a half-hour earlier, Dave McNabb of Newark, Delaware, had posted a 69 to match



Saucon Valley to Host 2022 USGA Senior Open

FAR HILLS, N.J. (June 26, 2017) – The United States Golf Association (USGA) today announced Omaha (Neb.) Country Club and Saucon Valley Country Club, in Bethlehem, Pa., as the host sites for the 2021 and 2022 U.S. Senior Open Championships, respectively. The 2021 Senior Open, to be contested July 8-11, will be the second Senior Open and second USGA championship held at Omaha Country Club. Saucon Valley Country Club will host its third Senior Open and eighth USGA championship from June 23-26, 2022.

"The USGA is pleased to return to both Omaha Country Club and Saucon Valley Country Club to conduct the most prestigious championship in senior golf," said Stuart Francis, USGA Championship Committee chairman. "Both regions and communities have enthusiastically supported the U.S. Senior Open in the past and fans have attended in great numbers to watch an international field compete for the Francis D. Ouimet Trophy."

Saucon Valley will become the first course to host three U.S. Senior Opens, having been the site of the championship in 1992 and 2000.

"On behalf of our board of governors and the entire membership of Saucon Valley Country Club, it is an honor to serve as the host club for the 2022 U.S. Senior Open Championship," said David B. Kennedy, club president. "We are excited that 2022 will also mark the 100th anniversary of the opening of our Old Course. This championship will provide a positive economic impact to our greater Lehigh Valley community."

Saucon Valley Country Club's Old Course was designed by Herbert Strong and opened in 1922. Revisions were completed by William Gordon, Perry Maxwell and most recently Tom Marzolf from the Fazio Group in 2008. Saucon Valley's historic 850-acre facility also features the Weyhill Course, Grace Course and a six-hole course for juniors and novice golfers. The club is a Certified Audubon Cooperative Sanctuary.

In the 1992 U.S. Senior Open, Larry Laoretti finished with rounds of 67 and 68 at Saucon Valley to post a four-stroke victory over Jim Colbert. Laoretti, who spent most of his career as a club professional, shot a 72-hole score of 9-under 275. He started the final round with 11 consecutive pars and capped his win by holing a 20-footer from the fringe on the par-4 18th.

Irwin won his second U.S. Senior Open and fifth USGA championship in record-setting style at Saucon Valley in 2000. Irwin established the 72-hole record of 17-under-par 267 –



Saucon Valley Country Club Old Course Hole # 18

since matched only by Perry in 2013 – to defeat Bruce Fleisher by three strokes. Irwin posted a 65-65 finish by making 15 of his championship-best 23 birdies over the final 36 holes.

The 2014 U.S. Mid-Amateur was the most recent USGA championship held at the club. Scott Harvey defeated fellow stroke-play medalist Brad Nurski, 6 and 5, in the 36-hole final. In 2009, Eun-Hee Ji sank a 20-foot birdie putt on the 72nd hole to win the U.S. Women's Open, edging Candie Kung by one stroke.

Saucon Valley has been the site of three other USGA championships. Billy Maxwell defeated Joseph F. Gagliardi, 4 and 3, to win the 1951 U.S. Amateur Championship. The club also hosted the 1983 U.S. Junior Amateur (won by Tim Straub) and the 1987 U.S. Senior Amateur (won by John Richardson).

Additionally, the club hosted the 2008 and 2013 Pennsylvania State Amateur, conducted by the Pennsylvania Golf Association, and several Golf Association of Philadelphia championships, including the 1977 Philadelphia Open and 2010 Philadelphia Amateur.

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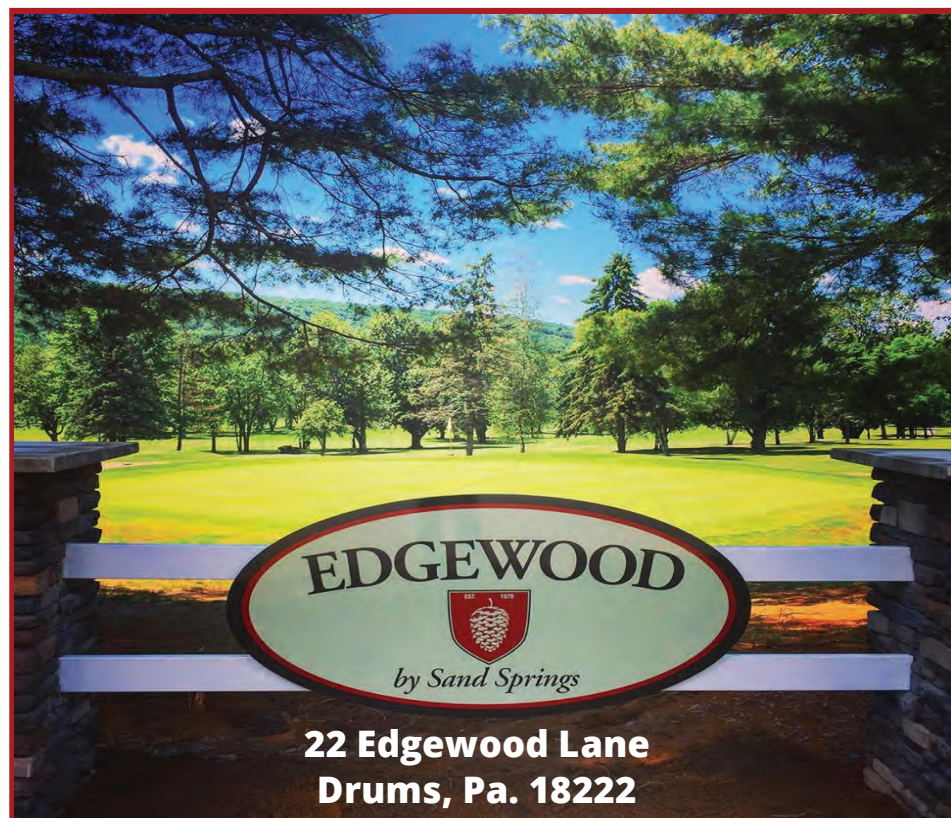
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TGA Premier Golf, Challenging Conventional Methods



A new grassroots model, TGA Premier Golf, is challenging the conventional methods to fund and grow junior golf.

By **MIKE KERN**

How can the game of golf grow? How can it attract new younger players? How many times have you heard those questions being posed in the last however many years, as people try to figure out a way to correct all those disheartening numbers that suggest the sport isn't headed in the right direction any more?

Well, now there's a program that thinks it might just have some answers.

When the First Tee was launched soon after Tiger Woods won his first major at the 1997 Masters, it created an influx of juniors. What it didn't do was necessarily offer a sustainable solution.

According to the National Golf Foundation, junior participation increased by almost a million, from 2.8 to 3.8, in the decade starting in 1995. But since then, it's dropped 20 percent, back to 3 million. At the same time, overall participation by adults has also dropped 18 percent, to 24.7 million. We've heard all the reasons before: it's too hard, costs too much, takes up too much time and isn't always accessible. Other than that ...

When I was learning to play some 40 years ago, we could go to any one of maybe 10 decent public courses in the Philadelphia area on a weekend, get a morning tee time, not have to use a cart and maybe even get to play more than 18 holes. All for roughly 10 bucks. I understand inflation, but still, in most cases that's unreasonable these days. Not even close, really. You can possibly play at some not-as-nice municipal facilities, but it might not be when you want and you might not be able to walk or take a pull cart. And while I get that owners have to make their money, how many young players — or their middle-class parents — can afford to spend like \$75 to go out on a Saturday. Or have the six free hours it's going to take.

It's just gotten harder, like a lot of things in life. I know, I sound more and more like my dad every day.



**TGA CEO
Joshua Jacobs**

A new grassroots model, TGA Premier Golf, is challenging the conventional methods to fund and grow junior golf. And it seems to be working. Much of this approach involves taking the game directly onto school campuses as part of after-school enrichment activities developed through an innovated youth sports franchise. It's unique, and it could become something others want to follow. Or join.

It's been around since 2003, a concept of entrepreneur and current CEO Joshua Jacobs. He saw the need. TGA (Teach, Grow, Achieve) has already brought 500,000 new golfers into the fold, while making the game available to more than 1.5 families nationwide. The state of New Jersey has had several successful franchises running for some time. And those owner-operators see nothing but positives coming from this initiative. If done the right way.

Kevin Rooney got into it when he was 23, because he didn't know what he wanted to do but he wanted it to be in sports. He runs the program in Bergen County as well as part of the one in West Chester, N.Y.

"I started it from scratch," he recalled. "Each year, we probably have seven to eight thousand kids coming through. We even started doing tennis too, in 2012. And we recently went into team sports. It's about giving them an opportunity. Instead of playing video games or watching TV, we get them out. We have kids as young as three up to teen-agers. And we have them for like 30 minutes at a time. We supply everything. We provide a curriculum. I have kids who've been with us who are now playing in high school and county tournaments. They send me pictures and updates. I want to know.

"I'm all about being inclusive. There's nothing kids shouldn't do when it comes to golf. If not with us, just do it. They thank me for giving them their initial introduction. That's the awesome part for me. Again, I have to make a living. But that's the extra part. You can't really put a value on that.

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L-2 Putter



By Mike Kern

One of the best things about the International Network of Golf Spring Conference -- which this year celebrated its 27th birthday and was held at the World Golf Hall of Fame Village in St. Augustine, Fla. -- is going to the One-On-Appointment shows and getting to see and learn about all the many products on display. While they're not all created equal, I never cease to get excited about all the great stuff that will soon be coming onto the marketplace, or a wonderful new travel opportunity, or maybe just an idea whose time has finally come.

It's a large part of the reason why I and so many others go every year. Because you never know what you might find. You just know that something's going to grab your attention. And usually it's much more than just one something. So in no particular order, here's a few of the offerings that helped make my experience a little more memorable this time around.

Let's start with **High Heat**, which has won several ING awards for its innovative golf clubs. First with the driver, then the fairway woods. Now it's done so again with their much-anticipated hybrids, which are easy to hit and as you'd expect come up big in terms of performance. At Demo Day, they are always getting the most visits. Because once you put out stuff that works, your reputation tends to precede you. Dean Knuth, the man behind the concept, worked for the United States Golf Association and invented the SLOPE rating system, has created clubs that is getting it done without the advantages the name manufacturers enjoy.

High Heat mostly spreads by word of mouth. I haven't met many people who didn't swear by it, once they get one in their hands. Me included. It has a deep and low center of gravity, which raises the moment of inertia. It makes it more forgiving, and is really good for folks who have issues getting the ball up in the air. I also notice that it seems to get more roll once it does touch down. Either way, you get more distance. And you'll probably hit more fairways. There isn't much downside, to be honest. At least I haven't found much, other

than maybe it does have a little different sound coming off the face. When I see where the ball ends up, I can gladly deal with that. Judging by the response, which continues to grow, I'm hardly alone. You might want to give them a try. You might end up having a whole set in your bag.

This year, the product that actually tied High Heat for top honors in a vote was the **Oaska Pulse**, which delivers relief from pain and promotes joint and muscle recovery without the use of drugs via a series of eTec electromagnetic pulses. I know it sounds like a little much, and I was somewhat skeptical at first, but I'm here to tell you that I think they might have something here. It obviously caught the eye of enough of the attendees. It's easy to use. You just wrap it around the area you want to treat and that's about it. It's not cumbersome in any way. In fact, you can wear it under clothing if need be. It won't get in the way. And you can actually see some results fairly quickly. I'm not saying it's going to totally get rid of everything that ails you, but I think you can feel a difference. They've done studies, which apparently backs that up. People have treated tennis elbow and shoulder impingement syndrome. But you can use it anywhere on your body. And it comes with a 90-day money-back guarantee. How many products do that? I think this one might really take off. I can't wait to see how it actually helps over a longer period of time. But count me in. Then they can add me to the list of testimonials.

The **L2 putter**, at first glance, was another offering I wasn't much attracted to at first. Because I'm a simple guy. I used a bulls-eye putter for years, and now have a Wilson 8802 blade. So anything that looks too big, I'm usually not interested. But this putter, which has a patented head and grip designs and "stand alone" ability, might change my mind. It does take some getting used to. And much their business up to this point is through referrals. That's how it often is with a smaller business, when you're trying to break through. It's not easy. For me, this putter is on the heavy side. But the stability is amazing. And the biggest thing it does is help get your alignment right. Because you can leave the putter behind the ball while you go behind the ball to look at what

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“At the end of the day, they just want to swing and learn,”

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Another thing I’ve found is that it gives some kids who might not be as social or aren’t good with team sports a different outlet. They may not fit with soccer or baseball, but we can help them learn to love some sport.

“Kids can learn the game anywhere. I have no plans on slowing down. I see golf courses closing. I want to have an impact, open eyes to what can be done. We have to overcome the roadblocks, and this is a start. Kids want to have fun, in a convenient, organized manner. That’s what we give them. I think we have to be much more forward thinking. What they learn here they can take with them the rest of their lives.

The cost usually ranges from \$13-18 an hour, with group ratios of about 6 or 7-1 per student-instructor.

“At the end of the day, they just want to swing and learn,” Rooney said. “It can be as simple as making solid contact, in the gym or putting it in the hole on putting mats. The small victories is what gets them excited. It’s great seeing that look on their face.

“We’re the introductory part of it, the recreational part of it. It gets to a certain level, they need to take the next step. I can work with them, try to push them to whatever that is. It’s a win-win all-around. Everyone just has to see the benefits in it. If they don’t, then they’re being shortsighted. And that can only hurt. All we need is more people to see the light. Then we can do something together.”

Winnie Woody works with her husband Stuard in Mercer County. They started four years ago. She says it can be tough sell sometimes convincing the skeptics. For whatever the reasons. Mainstream sports have a built-in advantage. TGA has now incorporated an educational component, which includes character and life-development skills as well as health and physical fitness into each class. It’s also introduced STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics) core subjects into its curriculum, becoming the first youth sports program to do so.

“There was a huge void in our area for golf,” Woody explained. “We were looking for a program for our son and there was none. It was like you could go



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to a club and join for \$20,000 a year or go to a camp for two Sundays and pay \$300 and it’s over. I thought, ‘Why is the first time a lot of people touch golf clubs when they’re 19?’ With this, we could teach 50 pre-school kids a week. If your annual income isn’t multiple six figures or your parents don’t play, you’re not going to get exposed. Everyone should be exposed, within reason. This is doable.

“I would say 8 out of 10 of our kids never touched a club (before). We basically run a traveling road show. It’s like a big puzzle. People can’t picture it if they don’t golf. We just wheel in two big bags and set up tees and set up nets. And the places we go to make money off us.

“Our kids are sitting still too much. They don’t need more sitting-still things. They need more moving things. I tell parents put them on the basketball court, dance, I don’t care what it is. We off a low commitment, and it’s at school. If you sign up for Taekwondo or something you’re in it for a year, or 18 months. Whether you like it or not. We’re six weeks. Hey, you can do anything for six weeks. And you don’t have to drive anywhere. You’re already there.”

But the hope is it’s not just for six weeks. At least for many.

“We’re trying to give them a sport for life,” she continued. “Not just, ‘I was on the lacrosse team for four years in high school and never did it again. I went to college and got a big belly.’ We want them playing from 9 to 90, at whatever level that’s going to be. That’s really the goal. We do add more depth and breath than most rec-type programs. We do show them etiquette. There’s more subtle stuff as the kids get advanced. Our curriculum book’s pretty meaty, like 60 pages. There’s a lot to it, more than just hitting balls. You know how kids are. Some days you’re just lucky nobody’s on fire with some groups. Then another group wants to hear everything. I have one class three days a week where they don’t speak English. But they’re engaged. They know to change stations when the music stops. Tick tock, like a clock. And they know all the phrases ... We have to be the ambassadors.”

And as she put it, it’s one-stop shopping. Nothing happens just like that, but the word is spreading. That’s a start. Somehow, someway.

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Shoe Tips

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you're aiming at. Seriously. And it has an expanded sweet spot that allows you to mishit it a bit and still have a chance. All I know is the ball rolled true, even though it took me awhile to get the distance right. But once I figured out how hard to hit it, it rolled true. I'm willing to give it a shot and see where it takes me. Once you make enough putts, you can overlook the, well, look. If you're having trouble on the greens, this is definitely worth at least exploring. What do you have to lose but a few strokes off your score.

The folks behind **Zero Friction** have a golf glove that offers pretty much one size fits all. Hard to believe at first, but true. And not only do they look good, and come in just about any color you'd ever want, they're durable and technologically advanced. So much so that Johnny Miller took a stake in the company when he was first introduced to it two years ago.

Now they've even come up with a model named after him. They basically taking the guesswork out of choosing a glove, which holds its shape longer than any on the market.

They've also come up with a model that has a GPS attached to it. Powered by Bluetooth, it won an ING Industry Honors award at January's PGA Show in Orlando. The word is quickly spreading on this one. Whether you just want a different kind of glove or a really different kind of glove, they have something for you. In addition to gloves they also have innovative tees, balls and grips. But I'm trying out one of their gloves and I'm a satisfied customer. I think you will be too.

Shoe Tips probably isn't something you'd immediately think of when it comes to game improvement. But maybe we should re-think our approach. What a simple concept. Sometimes it's all about the mental game, creating a reminder. That's where this comes in. It enables you to attach two tabs to the top of your shoes, one on each side. And there's any number of words you can use, or you can even come up with some of your own. Head Down. Straight Back. Exhale. Whatever works for you. And the theory is that's the last thing you're going to see before you take the club back.

How many of us get out on the course with good thoughts running through our heads and then by the third or fourth hole we've forgotten them all. Maybe not any more. Or you can even just hang them from your golf bag, so you can get some reinforcement while you're picking out a club. Again, it's pretty much up to you. Comparatively speaking it's a reasonable investment. Nothing ever wrong with that. Neither is staying focused, through whatever means necessary. You know what can happen when your mind wanders, and it's usually not good.

I've got to admit I'm not the biggest fan of nutritional bars. Sue me. I'm a diabetic, and sometimes they have too much sugar. Or I just don't like the taste. Or they just don't fill me up the way I think they should. **The 1st Tee Plus bars, from SCNS Sports Foods**, could change all that. I brought some home for my wife to try, and she loved them. So who am I to argue? They come in seven great flavors, including dark chocolate, cranberry and peanut caramel. And they're all good.

Coming from me, that's saying a mouthful. I found myself carrying them around on the course and actually substituting them for, say, a hot dog. Hey, I'm trying. And the best part is, as a gold partner to The First Tee, 15 cents of every sale is donated to the organization. Never a bad thing. Eat better and so some good. Win-win. So hold the junk food. I'm becoming a convert. The world may never be the same.

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World Golf Hall of Fame

By Mike Kern

If you're a golfer, or maybe even if you're not, and you haven't been to the World Golf Village/Hall of Fame in St. Augustine, Fla., there's only one question you should really be asking yourself: What's taken you so long?

I've been to the Pro Football Hall of Fame in Canton (Ohio), and the Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall in Springfield (Mass.). One day I hope to add Cooperstown and maybe even the NHL Hall in Toronto to my done-deal list. So far that's been my loss. But the Golf Hall, at least for this golfer, is something a little different. Yet in no way any less special. In fact, for me it might have even been more so. Because I've always been a big fan of the history of the sport. And there's no shortage of that on display there. Which means you're bound to find something that's truly going to stoke your emotions. And hopefully a whole lot more. It's a learning experience, to be taken in at your own pace. I liked it so much I actually went through twice in three days. And the second time was just as entertaining as the first.

We got rained out one afternoon. Did I mention they have two golf courses there too? More on that later. Anyway, it happens. Fortunately for our group, which was the annual International Network of Golf Spring Conference, we had the privilege of taking the tour with none other than Dr. Tony Parker. He's their chief historian, and if he doesn't know it probably nobody does. The man has lived in St. Andrews for a quarter-century, so he's got that covered. And just about everything else that has to do with hitting that little white thing around. Being in his presence for 90 minutes or so was like tapping into a human computer. With a personality and panache to go with it. He has stories upon stories, and all of them are interesting. Some go all the way to fascinating. But that's his job, and he does it like no other. I felt like I was being schooled by royalty.

The tour takes you through the origins of the game to its transition to America to the majors to the all-time greats to the Tournament Players Championship to a wing detailing the contributions of minorities to the contributions of women to the lockers of each member. It can be quite a lot to take in at first. I would advise anyone to take their time. Read everything there is to read and digest every picture and every detail. You can try a putt with a putter and ball from over a century ago. You can go on a scavenger hunt. You can try the putt that Fred Couples made to get the United States a Presidents Cup victory. It's about a 25-footer that breaks right to left. Trust me I tried it three times and at least came close once. Nobody else in my group made it either. Most missed to the left. Don't say you weren't warned. And no, Tony can't help you with that. He can only sit there with a knowing grin as putt after putt goes wide, long or comes up short. I don't think he's anticipating too many makes. Imag-

Golf Hall of Fame King and Bear Course Hole #18

ine that. But Freddie did when it counted, and that's all that matters. And all anyone will remember.

There's a room dedicated to the 17th at the TPC at Sawgrass, one of the most famous holes anywhere. And it shows you how a seemingly easy shot of 137 yards can become the most treacherous wedge or 9-iron in the game, from the player's perspective. Amazing when you see the before (with grass) and after (over water). And yes, they do have footage of poor Sean O'Hair in 2007 knocking not one but two shots into the wet stuff to cost himself a whole lot of money. That happens too. He was an example of the agony part, by the way, in case you hadn't already figured that out. But at least he's made it into the overall experience, although I'm sure he'd have rather been included for different reasons.

One of the best parts about the WGHOFF is that it's constantly evolving. When we were there a Bob Hope section was prominently displayed. And it was actually one of my highlights. They're even taking a version of it on the road. But at some point that will be replaced by something else. And you never know what the new exhibition might be. Probably only adds to the charm. The Class of 2017, in case you haven't heard, is Davis Love, Meg Mallon, Lorena Ochoa, Ian Woosnam and writer extraordinaire Henry Longhurst. Pretty good company. They'll be inducted on Sept. 26. Which makes me wonder how long it's going to take the powers that be to get Jan Stephenson in. Because it's way past overdue. Not only was she a great golfer, but she helped put women's golf on the map in another era. Yes, she had sex appeal. Like that's a bad thing. And it is called a Hall of Fame for a reason. How many players of her time, or even any time, were more famous. People today might not remember, but they should. Her many achievements should be properly recognized, and sooner rather than more waiting. There really is no debating it. So we'll see.

The stated mission of the WGHOFF is to preserve and honor ... legacies. And that's exactly what it does. And it is global in scope. You go from the roots to the present, seamlessly. Nothing feels forced or overstated. It's simply presented in such a way for you to make your own judgments and discoveries. And you will.

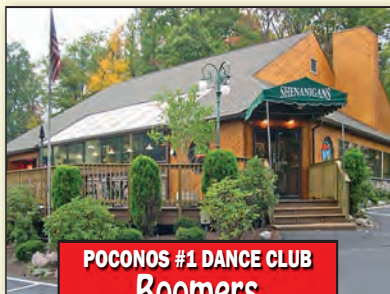
Maybe the best part about the Hall is the adjacent Renaissance Hotel, which is literally a 5-minute walk away. Ditto the clubhouse for the Slammer & Squire Course, which of course is named after Sam Snead and Gene Sarazen and designed by Bobby Weed. It's a very pleasant, playable layout that emphasizes the need for fitness and a short game. I know we thoroughly enjoyed it, even though we didn't quite get to finish because of the impending thunderstorms. I had played it once before, about a

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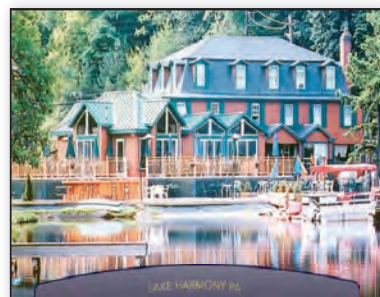
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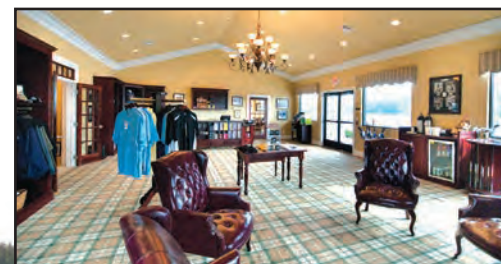
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Bradenton Country Club Hole # 8

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decade earlier, and everything I remembered played out once again. It's the kind of course you could play two or three times a week and not get tired of. There's also the King & Bear track, just down the road, which is supposedly the better of the two. But some in our group who were more familiar with both weren't so sure about that. My feeling is it makes for a great 36-hole day wrapped around a wonderful lunch at either the grill room or the hotel. Anyhow, as I'm sure you knew this course is named for Arnie and Jack. It was the only collaboration between two legends, which is enough reason in itself to want to tackle it. This one is set more around lakes, pines and oaks. And there's also a PGA Tour Academy for multi-day schools, private lessons or whatever. They specialize in putting together corporate and social events. So they can probably satisfy just about any need you might have.

The hotel was a keeper, from accommodations to layout to whatever. And there's a complimentary shuttle for guests to historic downtown St. Augustine, which can be a wonderful reason to visit all by itself. Lots to see and do, in a piece of Florida that's a little different. Or you could just hit the spa. Whatever works. Some people visit on their way through to other parts of the state, while others make this their singular destination. Either way you can't go wrong. It's one of those items you have to check off at some point. It's part of a golfer's DNA.

And there's other things to see and do, golf wise. The TPC isn't far away, and that too is a must-do if only to play the 17th, even though I think the 18th is actually the harder hole. I've played the island green twice and been on each time, once after the other three guys in my group had all found the water. Talk about pressure. And there's two courses there. I've been told the other one is obviously more user friendly (what isn't?) but is also worth the effort. So by all means explore. In St. Augustine you can even visit Pat Croce's Pirate Museum, which has relocated from Key West. I've done that, with Pat as my guide, and it does leave an impression. If you're into that sort of thing. Hey, who doesn't love a good treasure tale? Just wonder if Captain Kidd ever swung a niblick in anger?

Since I have a good friend who just brought a home in Anna Marie Island on the Gulf Coast, I got to spend an extra three days following all that hard work traveling through the state in search of some big-time golf stops. Our itinerary took us to Hammock Dunes, which is about an hour or so from the WGHOE. This was one of Tom Fazio's early top 100 courses, and it's still among his best. The flow/routing here is awesome. And the scenery spectacular. He has a lot of holes that go uphill to the green, so it feels like you're hitting it into the sky. And it makes the course play much longer

than the card says. All good. While you didn't feel like you were getting beat up too badly, in places you actually were. The greens were awesome, and had subtle nuances that could drive you a bit stir crazy. But I've always been a big fan of Tom's work, and this was no exception. Like any private facility, you have to know someone to get on. But as many people take advantage of, there are reciprocal considerations. So check before you go. You might be glad you did. The worst anyone can ever say is no.

The same goes for the other two courses I had the distinct pleasure of sampling: Golden Ocala and Bradenton Country Club. Ocala is about another 90 minutes from Hammock Dunes, and unlike Hammock Dunes it's inland. Golden Ocala is the work of Ron Garl, a Florida Gator who's done a lot of great stuff both in this country and in many countries around the world. Including his newest venture in Vietnam. Ron has been involved with some two dozen courses in the state, either originally or as a renovation. At Golden Ocala he offered what is believed to be the first set of replica holes, which of course have since become fashionable. But his here are remarkable in how much they resemble the actual holes, such as Amen Corner at Augusta National and both the first and Road Holes at St. Andrews. And that's not easy to do. I'm happy to report that I parred both of the par 3s on Augusta's back nine. Not easy to do either. And the entire setting (the clubhouse is nothing less than magnificent) is unlike almost anything you'll likely ever walk through. It's got a high wow factor.

Then it was on to Bradenton C.C., which was another couple hours by car away. It's a Donald Ross masterpiece that's approaching its 100th anniversary. I've played a lot of Ross courses. In fact I have one literally right across the street from my house that's an absolute fave. But this one had to be right up there as well. As I told Ron, with all due sincerity, he did a monumental job of only improving what was already there. Particularly with the drainage. The conditions were outstanding, in a compact space (just over 100 acres) where water issues can come into the equation. Hence all the added lakes, which make you have to think your way around. Deal with it. This too played much longer than the yardage said, as you had to hit up to many of the greens. And once you got on the greens, well that's where all the fun really got going. They were pristine. It's not Pinehurst No. 2, but it doesn't have to be. I've always said Pine Needles is more of a Ross than that, because the things that get you aren't as obvious. Same with Bradenton. There were breaks you couldn't see, humps you couldn't navigate, downhill where you couldn't get the ball to stop rolling. You will three-putt. And that's OK. That's the beauty of Ross. It doesn't always look that hard, until you have to navigate it. And there were many holes that weren't that difficult. And yet I still made bogey on enough of them. Welcome to my world.



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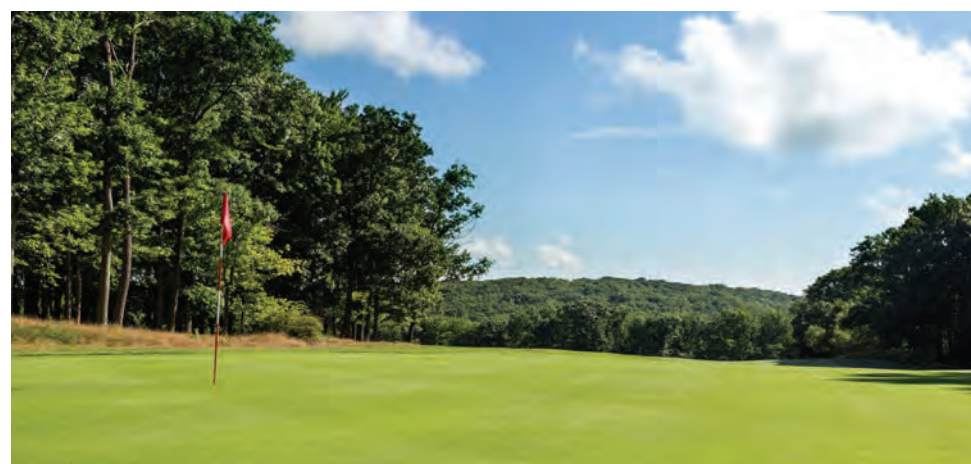
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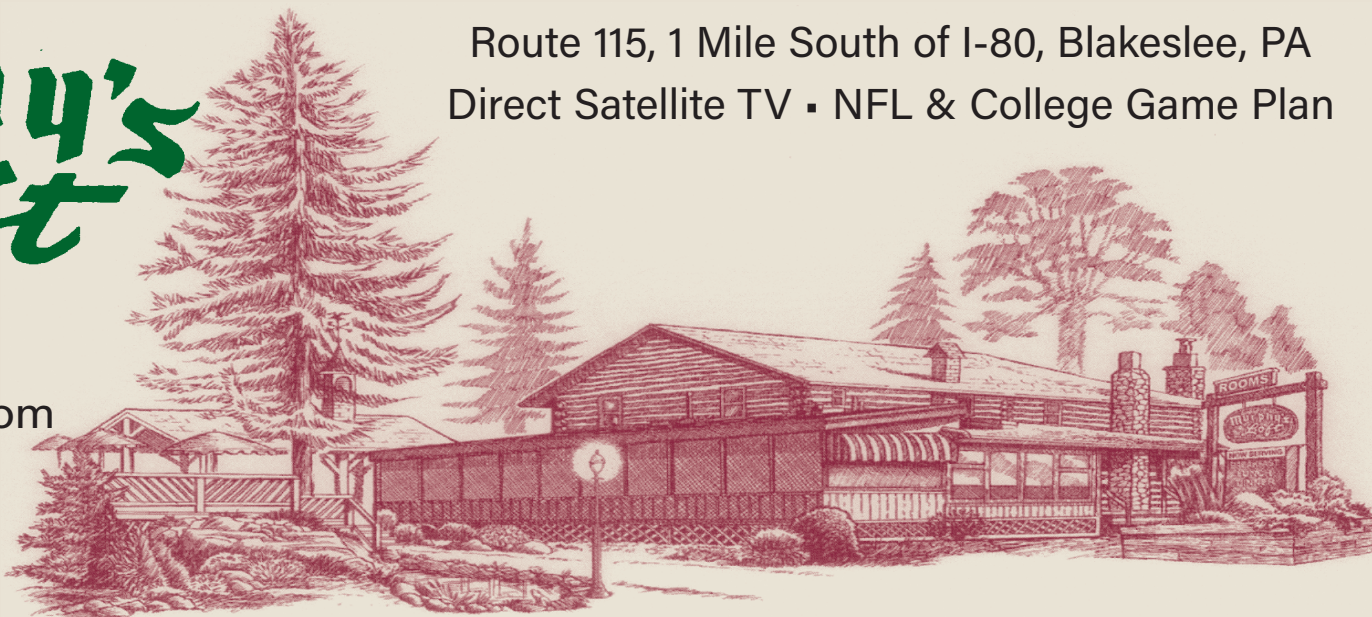
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George Frake Little Mill	E 72
Steve Swartz Regents' Glen CC	+1 73
Ryan Lagergren Stonewall	+1 73
Ryan Shaughnessy Woodstone CC	+1 73
Jaime Gylan Royal Manchester GL	+1 73
Dave Fields Brookside CC	+2 74
George Forster Radnor Valley CC	+2 74
Dave Pagett Whitemarsh Valley CC	+2 74
Michael Ferguson Philadelphia Cricket Club	+3 75
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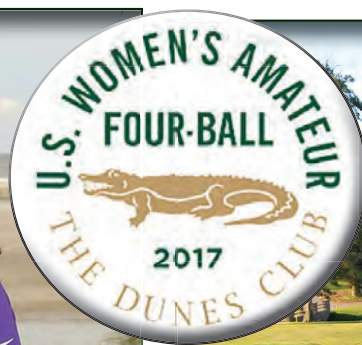


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New Jersey Duo Win 3rd U.S. Women's Amateur Four-Ball Championship



Former Furman Teammates Alice Chen and Taylor Totland
Win 3rd U.S. Women's Amateur Four-Ball



Dunes Golf & Beach Club Hole #18 Green

By Joey Flyntz USGA

The Dunes Golf & Beach Club, Myrtle Beach, S.C. (thedunesclub.net)

MYRTLE BEACH, S.C. - Alice Chen and Taylor Totland, former teammates at Furman University in nearby Greenville, S.C., won a pair of matches on Wednesday at the par-72, 6,298-yard Dunes Golf & Beach Club to win the 3rd U.S. Women's Amateur Four-Ball Championship.

Totland, 22, of Tinton Falls, N.J., just finished her senior year at Furman, while Chen, 21, of Princeton, N.J., has one year left. The longtime friends from New Jersey defeated Jennifer Chang, 17, of Cary, N.C., and Gina Kim, 17, of Chapel Hill, N.C., in the morning's semifinal match, 3 and 2. They followed suit with a resounding 4-and-3 triumph in the afternoon's 18-hole final against Sammi Lee, 22, of Athens, Ga., and Mary Ellen Shuman, 22, of St. Simons Island, Ga., both of whom just finished their senior years at the University of Georgia.

A theme all week, Chen and Totland dominated the first three holes of The Dunes Club in match play. The duo went 8-0 combined on those holes in five matches, and won all three in the championship match against Lee and Shuman.

Chen in particular got the Furman duo off to a hot start in the final. She hit her approach on No. 1 to 3 feet and squeezed the ball into the left edge of the hole after Lee missed a similarly tricky short, breaking putt. Chen followed on the second hole with a crushed drive right down the middle, leading to a 13-foot birdie putt to go 2 up. Chen earned a third straight win on No. 3, getting up and down from a bunker for par.

"She was the glue," said Totland, who plans to turn professional in the coming weeks.

Chen, who credited Totland with the team's strong performances all week, again deflected praise of her early dominance.

"Tot has been playing amazing all week. I just keep on telling her it's a team event, and just did it together the whole week," she said. "To be able to cover each other when the other one wasn't doing so hot, that's why it's called four-ball. It's been such a blast."

The teams alternated the next three holes, with Shuman getting one back on the par-5 fourth hole with an 8-foot birdie putt. Chen got it right back on No. 5, perfectly carrying the left bunker on her approach to set up a 4-foot birdie putt.

Shuman cut the deficit to 2 down with a 7-foot birdie on No. 7, but Chen and Totland always had an answer, as a Totland 4-footer on the par-5 eighth increased the lead back to 3 up.

The inward nine started in promising fashion for Lee and Shuman, with Lee converting a tricky 15-foot birdie after Chen missed her birdie look. Then the match seemed to be teetering in the Georgia pairing's direction.

Lee hit her approach to about 6 feet on 11 and Chen was laying 3 from the fringe after her chip from the right-rear greenside bunker rolled off the green. With Totland in trouble in the front greenside bunker, it appeared Lee would have a good chance to cut the deficit to 1 down. But Totland pulled off the kind of shot that many a USGA champion has needed to

win a title. From well below the green, Totland landed the ball on the perfect line and gave it the perfect amount of pace to find the bottom of the hole for a birdie from about 30 feet away.

Totland had a good feeling right after her club made contact with the ball.

"I hit it, and I was like, that sounds pretty good," she said. "Normally, I don't really look at my shots, especially in a bunker, but I peeked up."

"It was right at my eye level, too, because I hit it into the hazard and I was about to chip out," added Chen. "It was up at my eye level, and I was like, oh my God, it's looking good, and it hits the flagstick and comes back down into the hole, and I was like, yeah!"

Lee then missed her birdie to halve the hole and just like that a potential one-hole deficit turned to three holes.

"We could never get any momentum," said Shuman. "We thought we had a little on the back when we won 10 and then Taylor knocks it in from the bunker on 11 and I was like, OK."

Added Lee: "Every time we thought we were making progress, they put another one on top of us, so hats off to them. They played lights out."

If there was any doubt as to the outcome, Chen all but sealed it on the ensuing hole, the par-3 12th. She landed her shot 18 feet right of the flag and buried it for a birdie. Lee missed her attempt to answer and now Lee and Shuman were 4 down and running out of holes.

The next three holes were halved, with the championship-clinching shot coming via a 6-foot uphill putt from Chen on the par-5 15th after Totland missed a downhill 6-footer that would have won the match.

Chen and Totland joined the likes of Betsy King (1989 and 1990 U.S. Women's Open), Beth Daniel (1975 and 1977 U.S. Women's Amateur) and Todd White (2015 U.S. Amateur Four-Ball) as USGA champions from Furman.

"I'm just sitting here thinking about all the little details. ... We get to represent Furman together in the home state," said Chen. "So I don't think you could have written up a better story. And to be co-medalists and then fight it out to win, that's pretty much as good as it gets. It's definitely not by my own doing, so I'm kind of mind blown."

Chen and Totland also started strongly in their semifinal win against Chang and Kim, winning the first two holes and never relinquishing the lead. Chen and Totland only trailed for two holes in five matches, in the quarterfinals against Maria Torres and Samantha Wagner.

Both competing in their first USGA championships, Lee and Shuman also went wire to wire in their semifinal victory over Kathleen Gallagher, 20, of Greenwood, Miss., and Kendall Griffin, 18, of Sebring, Fla.

The U.S. Women's Amateur Four-Ball is one of 13 annual national championships conducted by the United States Golf Association, 10 of which are strictly for amateurs. The championship is open to sides of female amateur golfers, each of whom has a Handicap Index® not exceeding 14.4. It consists of two 18-hole rounds of stroke play, after which the field is cut to the low 32 sides for match play.

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Alex Knoll (Bethlehem)	73
Dustin McCormick (Glen Brook)	74
Brian Bergstol (Shawnee)	74

LOW SENIOR PRO

Joe Ambrose (Philly PGA)	81
Greg Wall (Pocono Manor)	82

LOW AMATEUR

Ryan O'Malley	74
Mike Ushko	75

LOW SENIOR AMATEUR

Al McCormick	78
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TEAM LOW GROSS

Jeff Fick (Chapel Hill)	65
Greg Wall (Pocono Manor)	66
Alex Knoll (Bethlehem)	66

TEAM LOW NET

Brad Paukovits (Whitetail)	60
Dustin McCormick (Glen Brook)	60

Great Bear Pro-Am Great Bear Golf Club Par 72

LOW PRO

Brian Bergstol (Shawnee)	67
Mike Grabosky (Heidelberg CC)	69
John Pillar (CC of Woodloch Springs)	70
Terry Hatch (Hidden Valley)	70

LOW SENIOR PRO

Bob Fritz, Manufactures Golf and CC	71
Harvey Williams (Glen Oak)	77
Brian Boyle (Skytop)	78
Jim Booros (Philadelphia PGA)	78

LOW AMATEUR

Bruce Berry	74
Austin Renz	75
Jimmy Hoover	75

TEAM LOW GROSS

Brian Bergstol (Shawnee Inn)	60
Joe Ambrose (Philly PGA)	64
Adam Jeffery (Tee to Green)	64
Alex Knoll (Bethlehem)	64

TEAM LOW NET

Mike Grabosky (Heidelberg CC)	56
John Roche (CC of Woodloch Springs)	58
Joe Manley (Great Bear/Shawnee)	59
Kyle Monahan (Pocono Farms)	60

Skytop Lodge Pro-Am Skytop Lodge Golf Course Par 72

LOW PRO

Terry Hatch (Hidden Valley)	72
Sean Szerencsits (Southmoore G.C.)	74
John Pillar (CC of Woodloch Springs)	76
Alex Knoll (Bethlehem G.C.)	78
Brad Paukovits (Whitetail)	79

LOW SENIOR PRO

Joe Ambrose (PGA)	81
Tom O'Malley (Buck Hill)	82
Bill Lee (Wolf Hollow)	82
Greg Wall (Pocono Manor)	83

LOW AMATEUR

John Bodin	76
Grant Schumaker	77
Ryan Orcutt	79

TEAM LOW GROSS

Alex Knoll (Bethlehem G.C.)	139
John Pillar (CC of Woodloch Springs)	149
Sean Szerencsits (Southmoore G.C.)	151

TEAM LOW NET

Terry Hatch (Hidden Valley)	134
Howie Van Buskirk (Mountain Laurel)	140
Dustin McCormick (Glen Brook)	142

Wyoming Valley Pro-Am Wyoming Valley Country Club Par 72

LOW PRO

Wayne Phillips (Lehigh)	64
Brian Bergstol (Shawnee)	66
Brad Paukovits (Whitetail)	72
Dan Richie (Willow Brook)	73
Terry Hatch (Hidden Valley)	74

LOW SENIOR PRO

Jim Muschlitz (Southmoore)	74
Ray Silnik (Blue Shamrock)	74
Joe Ambrose (Paupack)	74
Mark Monahan (PGA)	76

LOW AMATEUR

Ryan Laudeman (Schuylkill)	69
Eric Williams (Honesdale)	70
Art Brunn Jr. (WVCC)	71

TEAM LOW GROSS

Borden(Schuylkill)	59
Phillips (Lehigh)	62
Richie (Willow Brook)	62
Bergstol (Shawnee)	64

TEAM LOW NET

Edwards (Olde Homestead)	58
Hatch (Hidden Valley)	58
Korba (WVCC)	58
Acla (Hideout)	59

Henry & Williams Take McCarthy Championship



Scott Henry(L) & Eric Williams(R) Take The Trophy at Wyoming Valley C.C.

By John Zimich

Wilkes Barre, PA—John Olszewski and Eric Williams have been friends and six-time winners of the McCarthy, Wyoming Valley Country Club's premier golf tournament.

But the top amateur golf partners in Northeastern Pennsylvania have played in 2016 and 2017 with different partners in the better ball of partners event. Olszewski performed with his high school son, A.J. Olszewski, while Williams with Scott Henry.

And on a cold rainy afternoon in The 2017 McCarthy finals, Olszewski and Williams squared off for the championship with their "new" partners. The foursome teed off in the championship round at 2:40 p.m. and the title wasn't decided until just before 9 o'clock at night in almost total darkness.

It took one extra hole and it was won by Henry and Williams on the par-5 first hole. Williams, who hails from Honesdale and a long accurate driver, got home on his second shot with a four iron and two-putted for a birdie from some 20-feet.

Prior to the winning putt of Williams, John Olszewski missed his approximate 15-foot birdie putt after blasting out from the front trap.

The championship match was close the entire afternoon and evening. The twosomes played lift, clean and place on their own fairways and continuously had to keep drying their clubs.

Henry sank a long birdie putt on the par-5 12th hole only to be matched by a tricky downhill 10-footer or so by A.J. Olszewski, who graduated from Emmaus High School in June before heading to the University of Scranton. Henry and Williams were one-up at the time.

Young Olszewski, in both his morning and afternoon rounds on Sunday, canned spectacular birdie chips on the daunting and undulating eighth green at Wyoming Valley Country Club to win the holes for his team.

Henry of Martz Trailways, the veteran in the group, said the rainy, cold and windy conditions were a little much but was happy the McCarthy Committee decided to allow the championship match to be played that day.

In that semi-final round, the Olszewskis defeated defending champs Rick Berry and Art Brunn, Jr. in another close match while the Henry-Williams duo knocked off former McCarthy winners Marty Behm and Todd Vonderheid.

In the quarter finals, Dr. Jeff Lewis and Hanover Area High School baseball coach Mike Zapotoski dropped their championship flight match to Henry and Williams on the 20th hole when Henry sank a 20-foot birdie putt.

McCarthy notes: Sponsored by the McCarthy Family, John McCarthy of McCarthy Tire became the first member of his family to win a McCarthy flight with relative Tim Lambert.

John's father, the late Jack McCarthy, also played in the event for many years and scored one of the tourney's three holes-in-one in 1977 along with Dr. Wayne Dombroski and Jack Yourishen.

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Carroll, Mitchell Win 71st John A. Allan Title at Fox Hill C.C.



Carroll & Mitchell Capture 71st John A. Allan Title

By John Zimich

Exeter, PA—On the PGA Tour Saturdays are considered "moving days" when the pros shoot low scores to move up the leader board and get into contention.

In the 2017 John A. Allan at the Fox Hill Country that's exactly what happened to the winners of the club's prestigious better ball of partners golf tournament.

Joe Carroll and guest Pat Mitchell, who were capturing their first Allan championship, fired the low round of the 2017 event on Saturday, carding a six-under par 65 to vault into the lead after an opening round of 70 on qualifying day.

Going into the second day of play the Carroll-Mitchell twosome trailed the leaders by four strokes but the 65 score on Saturday gave them a one-stroke lead going into the final day of play.

Conditions saw the par-71 Exeter golf course playing tough since only six of the teams in the championship flight were able to break par Saturday. The Carroll-Mitchell duo scorched Fox Hill's back nine with a five-under par 31.

The 2017 winners made birds on four of the first five holes on that back nine and the round of 65 catapulted them to the top of the leader board, leading by one stroke over former Allan winners Dr. Tom Biscotti and John Mikiewicz.

Two strokes back were Paul Keating and Connor McNichols, Rick Laneski and Eric Plisko and veteran and former winner Ed Hennigan and Corey Palma. The Laneski-Plisko team won medalist honors on Friday with a five-under par 66, besting Hennigan and Palma on a match of scorecards.

Three back going into the decisive final day's play were the teams of Brendan Carroll and Mariano Medico and Michael Answini and Shamus Gartley.

On Sunday morning, Carroll and Mitchell fired a three-under par 68 before pulling away with a four-under par 32 to win by four strokes over runners-up Bill Burke and Christian Davis. The latter duo closed strongly with four-under par 67 Sunday morning and final nine of 34 for a 240 total.

Laneski and Plisko also finished with a 240 score with Brendan Carroll and Mariano Duncan producing a 71 and 32 for 241.

Dr. Biscotti and Mikiewicz finished at 244 as did Hennigan and Palma followed by Michael Answini and Gartley at 245.

Rounding out that championship flight and scores were the father-son team of John and Zach Mulhern, 247; Keating and McNichols and Jamie Anzalone and Bill Musto with scores of 248 each.

Carroll and Mitchell have been great friends since high school and came close a few years back in winning the Allan. But they wouldn't be denied in 2017 and were only two teams to finish under par in each of their rounds.

FOX HILL C.C. Par 71	R1	R2	R3	F-9	Total
Joe Carroll-Pat Mitchell	70	65	68	32	235
Rick Laneski-Eric Plisko	66	71	71	32	240
Bill Burke-Christian Davis	69	70	67	34	240
Brendan Carroll-Mariano Medico	71	67	71	32	241
Ed Hennigan-Corey Palma	66	71	74	33	244
John Mikiewicz-Tom Biscotti	68	68	72	36	244
Michael Answini-Shamus Gartley	67	75	70	33	245
Robert Santarelli-Steve Hudacek	68	72	71	34	245
John Mulhern-Zach Mulhern	72	70	70	35	247
Paul Keating-Connor McNicholas	68	69	74	37	248
Jamie Anzalone-William Musto	72	71	69	36	248



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Shawnee's Brian Bergstol Wins 32nd Burlington Classic Pro-Am

Westampton, N.J. – The second and final round of the 32nd Burlington Classic Pro-Am was played on Monday, June 5 at Burlington Country Club. After the opening round Pro-Am, all PGA Professionals, and the top three amateur participants returned to complete their 36-hole stroke play tournament.

“The Burlington Classic is a great celebration of the club, its membership and the PGA Professionals of the Philadelphia Section”, said John Hanuscin, Burlington Classic Tournament Chairman.

With inclement weather in the forecast, tee times for the second round were shifted to an 8:00 am shotgun to avoid the storms scheduled for the afternoon. Even though all players were on the course at the same time the tournament leaders were paired together to help make for an exciting finish with a dozen players within five shots of the lead.

After a very impressive opening round of 9-under par (61) Trevor Bensel (Huntingdon Valley Country Club) hoped to re-capture the magic of his opening round. However, Bensel managed only one birdie on his outward nine and didn't fare much better on the back nine finding some trouble which ultimately dropped him from contention. Despite not finishing in the top spot Bensel did manage to secure a top 10 finish in his first tournament of the 2017 season with a tournament total of 3-under (137).

Making an early charge at the top spot was Indian Spring Golf Club Professional Curtis Kirkpatrick. After posting a 4-under (66) in Sunday's round, Kirkpatrick quickly made waves in the second round. He carded five birdies through eight holes to take a share of the lead. Unfortunately, his second nine was not as successful and when his round was finished Kirkpatrick had dropped from the top spot but did secure his second top ten finish on the year with a two day total of 2-under (138).

Playing in the tournament's final pairing Brian Bergstol (Shawnee Inn & Golf Resort) was able to keep an eye on exactly what was needed to secure a win at the 32nd Burlington Classic. Bergstol who was two shots back of the leader after a first round 7-under (63) got off to a near-perfect start with birdies on three of his first four holes. After a pair of bogeys, Bergstol closed his outward nine with a fourth birdie to make the turn at 9-under with nine holes to play. While most players found trouble on Burlington's back nine, Bergstol was able to keep his game in check playing his final nine holes at even par to finish the two-day event at 9-under (131) giving Bergstol a three-shot win over the field and his first Philadelphia PGA tournament win.

In the senior division, Stu Ingraham (M Golf Range) made a late surge with five birdies over his final six holes to finish with a 36-hole total of 6-under (134) to take home his third senior points win of the 2017 and a tie for second in the regular



Brian Bergstol (Center) Receives Check for Burlington Classic Win

division.

Congratulations to amateur Travis Mazurek who was awarded the Marotto Medal as the tournament's low amateur after a posting a two-day total of 18-over (158). The Marotto Medal is named in memory of longtime Burlington Country Club member Ron Marotto, who was instrumental in starting the Burlington Classic Pro-Am.

The Section would like to thank the membership and staff of Burlington Country Club as well as tournament sponsor Adidas golf. The next event on the Philadelphia PGA tournament calendar is the National Car Rental AC Team Stableford Championship at Hidden Creek on Thursday, June 8.

32nd Burlington Classic Pro-Am Burlington C.C. - Westampton, NJ Par 70

	R1	R2	Total
Brian Bergstol Shawnee Inn and GR	63	68	131
Brett Melton Radley Run CC	66	68	134
Stu Ingraham M Golf Range	68	66	134
Terry Hertzog CC of York	62	73	135
Jordan Gibbs Gulph Mills GC	65	71	136
Billy Stewart ACE Club	67	69	136
Trevor Bensel Huntingdon Valley CC	61	76	137
Chris Krueger Kings Creek CC	68	69	137
Dave Pagett Whitmarsh Valley CC	66	72	138
Dave Quinn Philmont CC	67	71	138
Curtis Kirkpatrick Indian Springs GC	66	72	138
Bob Hennefer Indian Springs GC	71	67	138
Brendon Post University of Delaware	66	73	139
Rich Steinmetz Spring Ford CC	68	71	139
George Forster Radnor Valley CC	70	69	139
Greg Farrow Deerwood CC	66	74	140
Kevin Kraft Bumble Bee Hollow	66	75	141
Mark Sheftic Merion GC	70	71	141
Jeff Bonicky Sea Oaks GC	71	70	141
Jeff Fick Chapel Hill GC	70	71	141
Michael Ferguson Philadelphia Cricket Club	68	74	142
John Allen Huntingdon Valley CC	70	72	142

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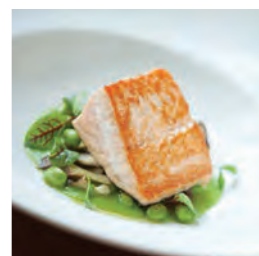
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Alejandra Llaneza Wins Pennsylvania Women's Open



Alejandra Llaneza, sank 2 long birdie putts to win the 2017 Pennsylvania Women's Open at Valley Country Club.

Mexican Olympian sinks two long birdie putts to win on second playoff hole.

SUGARLOAF, Pa. – Alejandra Llaneza, a 2016 Mexican Olympian, sank long birdie putts on two sudden death playoff holes with American Clariss Guce – the last a 15-footer on number 10 to win the 2017 Pennsylvania Women's Open at Valley Country Club.

Llaneza shot a final round one-under-par 70 for a 36-hole total of one-over 143, but missed a short par putt on 18 that would have won the tournament in regulation. But after Guce made a tap-in birdie on 18 in the first playoff hole, Llaneza sank a 20-footer to send it to a second playoff hole. She made her winning putt after Guce missed her own long birdie putt.

"I had been struggling with my putting until after last week. Actually, a good friend of mine gave me a good tip," Llaneza said. "On 18 [in the playoff], I had nothing to lose, she [Guce] had already birdied. And I just had this excitement like, 'Let's see if I can make this.' And the same here on 10; I just gave it a good stroke and it went it."

Llaneza became the first Pennsylvania Women's Open champion in 22 years since the tournament was last played in 1995. In doing so, she won both Carol's Cup – named for World Golf Hall of Famer Carol Semple Thompson, who won the first three Pennsylvania Women's Opens – and a check for \$20,000, part of a record \$100,000 purse.

Guce posted the low round Saturday with a three-under 68 to get into the playoff.

First-round leader Kristy McPherson, an LPGA player from Conway, S.C., shot two-over-par 73 in the final round, but birdied 18 to finish third – just one shot back (+2, 144).

Jean Reynolds, Jenny Suh and Nannette Hill all finished in a three-way tie for fourth, two shots behind (+3, 145).

Kate Scarpetta, the Symetra Tour player and tournament director from



Valley Country Club

nearby Clear Lake who led the effort to restore the tournament, finished tied for 16th at seven-over 149, but considered the event a victory for everyone.

"I think it was a tremendous success. I couldn't have asked for anything more as tournament director and a participant," Scarpetta said. "It's a beautiful golf course, it's a great cause, it's good money, and the field showed up and showed how and I think everyone who came out to watch today had a great time." Computer Aid, an IT services company, was the tournament's title sponsor. Geisinger's Autism and Developmental Medicine Institute (ADMI) was its beneficiary.

VALLEY COUNTRY CLUB Par 71	R1	R2	Total
Alejandra Llaneza, Mexico City, Mexico	73	70	143
Clariss Guce, Artesia, CA	75	68	143
Kristy McPherson, Conway, SC	71	73	144
Jean Reynolds, Newnan, GA	72	73	145
Jenny Suh, Fairfax, VA	72	73	145
Nannette Hill, Pelham Manor, NY	74	71	145
Christine Song, Fullerton, CA	72	74	146
Michelle Piyapattra, Eastvale, CA	75	71	146
Cindy Lacrosse, Tampa, FL	77	71	148
Sue Kim, Langley, BC, Canada	75	73	148
Emily Gimpel, Lafayette Hill, PA	75	73	148
Jennifer Hahn, Henderson, NV	73	75	148
Princess Superal, Manilla, Phillipines	75	73	148
Sarah Schmelzel, Pheonix, AZ	77	71	148
Whitney Hillier, Perth, Australia	79	69	148
Kate Scarpetta, Crystal Lake, PA	75	74	149
Amira Alexander, Alpharetta, GA	74	75	149
Alessandra Liu, Bala Cynwyd, PA	72	78	150
Catherine O'Donnell, Ponte Vedre, FL	73	77	150

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Antigua Announces Four New Ladies Sleeveless Styles for 2017



S/L Jewel:



Trust:



Mischief



Avail:

Peoria, AZ - The Antigua Group, Inc. - one of the nation's leading designers and marketers of lifestyle and golf apparel under the distinguished Antigua brand has announced its 2017 perfect fitting women's sleeveless styles.

After more than 30 years designing golf apparel, Antigua's designers know that fit is the key to keeping customers returning again and again to their product. As the weather heats up and golf season starts around the Country, the sleeveless shirt is a staple in the closet of female golfers.

Key factors in developing the perfect fitting sleeveless style include establishing an appropriate across chest measurement and armhole depth. From the top of the shoulder down to the bottom of the armhole, the shape of the armhole must follow the natural shape of a women's body, curving in just enough in the right places so as not to interfere with arm movement or even worse, curving in too much and therefore showing the sides of a bra.

Armhole depth must follow the "Goldilocks Rule"- a term senior designer Danielle Dellios uses when describing Antigua's fit policy. "The armhole opening cannot be too deep, nor too shallow, it must be just right," says Dellios. She uses a myriad of fit models to ensure women of all body types can feel comfortable when wearing Antigua.

Antigua offers four new sleeveless styles for 2017:

S/L Jewel:

The ladies sleeveless Jewel style features Antigua's one-of-a-kind geometric jacquard Jewel

Desert Dry moisture wicking knit fabric. The textured face and flat-back fabrication is smooth against the body and allows for optimal wicking performance at the face. The sleeveless Jewel is one of Antigua's best-selling pieces because the fabric has a unique drape that women of any age find flattering. The hidden ribbon and snaps at the top shoulder seam are great for holding a bra strap in place for a worry-free swing.

Trust:

The ladies stretch woven style "Trust" combines the function of Antigua's Desert Dry Xtra Lite fabrication with modern styling. The lightweight poly/spandex woven fabric offers a more sophisticated look along with several styling details such as pin-tucks at the top shoulder, a covered button placket and rounded hi-low hemline. The main task in developing a woven polo is in the fit of the garment. The Antigua design team spent many hours fitting multiple body types to ensure the wearer has enough room to feel comfortable while golfing. On the other hand, to keep the style from looking sloppy and oversized, several steps were taken in tweaking the pattern to provide a more tailored look. Darts at the bust allow for a proper fit at the armhole and chest and curved side slits offer minimal pull lines at the hips.

Mischief:

Prints are hot right now in the women's market and

ladies sleeveless style "Mischief" focus'

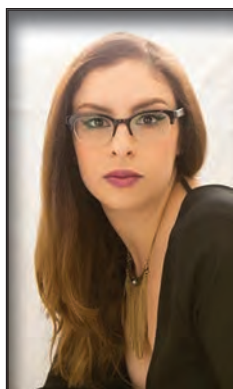
on the idea of mixed media. The asymmetrical cut and sew front panel features a three color geometric printed top panel and the lower half of the body uses a solid color lightweight closed mesh fabric. Both fabrics provide ease of movement with four-way stretch and the fit of the garment follows Antigua's traditional sizing.

Avail:

Women's sleeveless style "Avail" plays with fabric direction and texture. The tonal striped poly/spandex fabric is ultra-soft and slightly slinky. Cut and sew princess seams use the main body fabric run at a 45 degree downward angle to give the illusion of a more defined waistline and smaller silhouette. An open V-neck placket gives the style a more casual off-course look, while the traditional self-fabric collar meets all club regulations. Overall this style can be described as flirty and feminine.

About Antigua

Headquartered in Peoria, Arizona, The Antigua Group, through its license sports division, holds license agreements with National Football League (NFL), Major League Baseball (MLB), Minor League Baseball (MiLB), Major League Soccer (MLS), National Hockey League (NHL) and the National Basketball Association (NBA), along with numerous American universities and colleges for men's, women's and children's apparel, headwear and luggage. Antigua additionally designs, produces and supplies product for corporate America and specialty retail managed under its corporate division. Its golf division also holds license agreements with the PGA TOUR, LPGA and the PGA of America



Danielle Dellios

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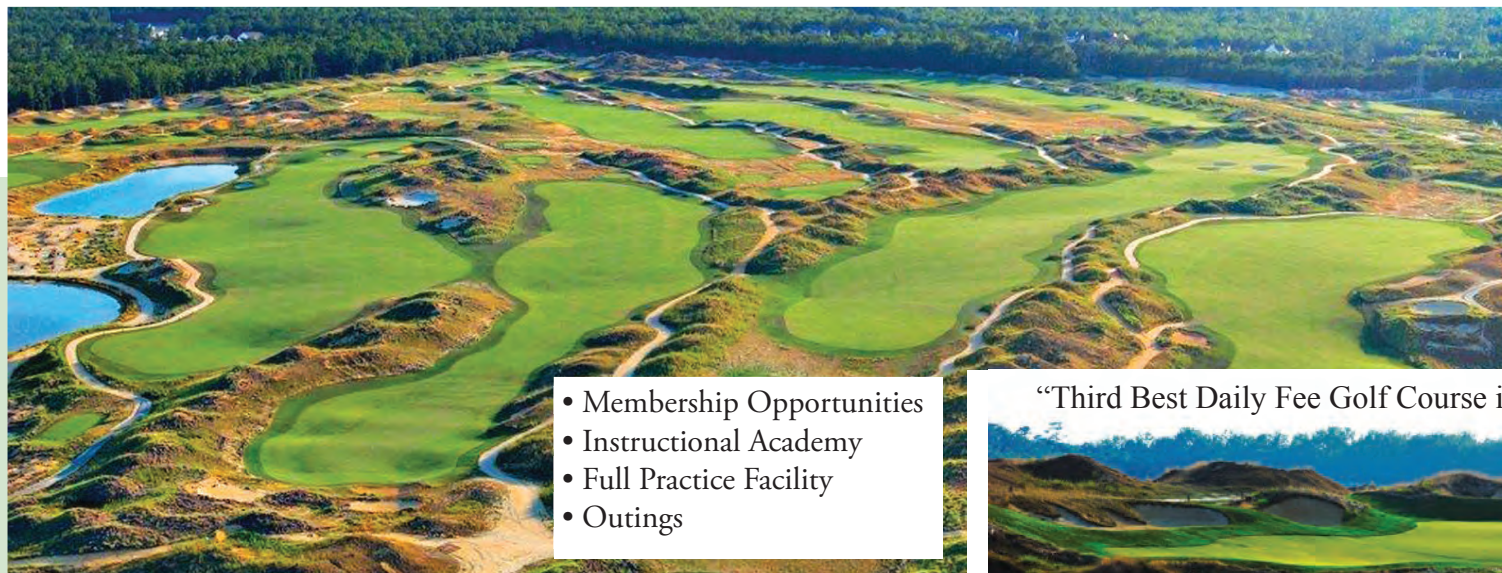
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Dave Pelz Demonstrates Hitting Downhill Lie

By **ERIK OAKLEY**
TL Golf Services Intern

I have never been one to trust training aids and gadgets when working on my game. And many other amateurs are of the same mindset.

We've been preached to in every sport to practice like we play, so why would I use something that I can't use out on the actual golf course? I've even been hesitant to throw down alignment sticks on the range for the fear of looking like a try-hard.

Why is there a stigma around amateur golfers and certain training methods? Why are tools that will help you lower scores and improve your game seen as bad?

Go to a PGA Tour event and spend 15 minutes at the range ... or even watch the Golf Channel's television coverage as it eavesdrops at a tournament. You will see every professional player using, at the very least, an alignment stick. Are we better than professionals?

There is a fear around amateur golf of training aids and gadgets. Now don't get me wrong, some of these aids are ridiculous and I wouldn't be caught dead with most of them. We've all seen Tin Cup, but how do you know if you're hitting the ball square every time with every club? How do you know if your aligned properly for that cut you want to hit?

That's where the Dave Pelz Scoring Game School changed my view about certain training aids. And, hopefully, changed my average score for the better.

The Dave Pelz Scoring Game Schools are conducted at sites across America. They are based on the teachings of Pelz, the premier short game guru in America. I attended a one-day school during a week-long schedule at Hartefeld National Golf Club in Kennett Square, Pennsylvania.

It turned out to be an incredibly concentrated day of instruction on short game and putting techniques.

My conversion began while using a training aid that mounted on the putter face to see if I made contact in the sweet spot. I realized after about five strokes that I am all over the place. With a putter! I don't even want to know where I am making contact with an iron.

Were we ever taught how to make proper contact with every putt? Sure when we first went mini golfing, someone said, "Make sure you hit it on the sweet spot."

But how can we tell? Some people to through their entire golf career making off-center contact with the putter.

The Pelz School also caused an epiphany when it comes to the proper way to practice.

What do most amateur golfers do? They go to the range and aimlessly hit clubs -- wedges through their irons -- then eventually swing the driver as hard as they can.

Once sufficiently tired, they walk by the short game area or practice green without as much as looking at it.

The Dave Pelz Golf instructors are true preachers of practicing short game and will answer your prayers of learning how to hit effortless chips, pitches, and bunker shots.

A one-day clinic of short game that lasts from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. sounds awfully boring and long. I don't know about you, but I've never spent that much time on a golf course without taking a full swing. In reality, it is exactly what the amateur player needs and I walked away wishing there was more time.

A golf stat that intrigues me in professional golf is strokes gained from tee to green. Look up the leaderboard and you will find some of the longest hitters in the game. It's cool, it's sexy, and it's what the fans want to see. But it is excellence in the short game that converts into the most important PGA Tour stat -- earnings.

The most immediate change after one day at the Dave Pelz Scoring Game School might be with regard to the pitch shot. The Pelz Clinic makes pitching the golf ball so simple and effortless. In my 'old' way of pitching, it was what I called unorthodox. An open club face, a swing path that was from outside to in, and a back shoulder that dipped to attempt to get the ball to land softly. I looked foolish. The Pelz method feels awkward and funny, but now I actually look like one of the guys I watch on Sundays pitching the golf ball.

The Pelz Clinic opened my eyes to my poor alignment on chips and pitches. If I'm ever in a slump with alignment on full swings, I might throw some alignment sticks down on the range and sort it out. I have never thought my alignment was so bad on chips and pitches. Use an alignment stick once in the short game area and you'll realize just how off you are on your aim.

Sixty percent of an amateur's strokes are from 100-yards and in. Why not spend, at least, 60 percent of your practice time on shots 100-yards and in? The old saying goes, "Drive for show. Putt for dough." Well let's expand that saying to, "Chip, pitch, and putt for dough."

The Pelz methods of swing fundamentals, putting form, and practice are all sure to take strokes off your game within three rounds of your first session. You'll walk away hitting the golf ball closer on every chip, pitch, bunker shot, and putt, while having a better understanding of stroking the golf ball around the greens.

The practice facility at Hartefeld National, a Tom Fazio-designed gem in Pennsylvania's southern Chester County, was perfect for the Scoring Game School. The large driving range has a separate area for short game practice -- far from the distractions of the clubhouse.

Bottom line, the entire one-day experience was exceptional ... and the results could last a lifetime. For more information about the Dave Pelz Scoring Game Schools, go to www.pelz-golf.com. For more information about Hartefeld National, go to www.hartefeld.com.



Eric Williams and Robin Bonda Capture 2017 Spring Stroke Play Titles



Eric Williams (Left) of Honesdale Golf Club captured the 2017 Spring Stroke Play Title at Glenmaura National Golf Club



Robin Bonda (Right) of Scranton Muni. Golf Club prevailed as Senior division champion

Moosic, PA – Eric Williams of Honesdale Golf Club captured the 2017 Spring Stroke Play at Glenmaura National Golf Club with a great round of 3 under-par 69. Finishing in second was Elmhurst Country Club's Doug Nardella who carded a round of 73 on the day.

For the second year in a row extra holes were needed to crown a senior division champion after Scranton Muni. Golf Club's Robin Bonda and the Country Club of Scranton's Mike Vassil each carded rounds of 2 over-par 73 in regulation. Bonda prevailed on the first playoff hole with a par on the 18th hole to win the title.

The shot of the day came on the par 3 #15 as Chris Hoban nearly made an ace, which he converted for birdie and the only good skin.

The Anthracite Golf Association would like to thank host Glenmaura National Golf Club.

Open Division Results

Eric Williams, Honesdale GC - 34-35--69
 Doug Nardella, Elmhurst CC - 34-39--73
 Jim Gardas, Honesdale GC - 39-35--74
 Eric Plisko, Wyoming Valley CC - 38-36--74
 David Mecca, Emanon CC - 36-38--74
 Joe Weiscarger, Wyoming Valley CC - 36-38--74
 Bryan Marzolino, Elmhurst CC - 37-39--76
 Jonathan Wilson, Irem CC - 37-39--76
 Chris Hoban, Elmhurst CC - 40-38--78
 Mike Bonavoglia, Elmhurst CC - 39-39--78
 Gus Steiger, Glenmaura National GC - 39-39--78
 Brad Flickinger, CC of Scranton - 39-39--78
 Christian Davis, Glenmaura National GC - 39-39--78

Sean Shanley, Glenmaura National GC - 36-43--79
 Curtis Haley, Elkview CC - 38-41--79
 John Horutz, CC of Scranton - 41-39--80
 Mike Domanish, Elmhurst CC - 39-41--80
 Justin Masters, Pocono Farms CC - 41-39--80
 Bill Mecca, Emanon CC - 37-43--80
 Albert McFadden, Valley CC - 42-40--82
 Frank Kacvinsky, Elmhurst CC - 41-42--83
 John Pash, Elkview CC - 40-44--84

Senior Division Results

Robin Bonda, Scranton Muni. GC - 35-38--73
 Mike Vassil, CC of Scranton - 36-37--73
 Vince Scarpetta Jr., Scranton Muni. GC. - 38-37--75
 Art Brunn Jr., Wyoming Valley CC - 35-40--75
 Brian Corbett, CC of Scranton - 35-40--75
 Matt Swanson, Mill Race GC - 35-41--76
 Mark Bartkowski, Scranton Muni. GC - 39-37--76
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 Ken Nestor, Elkview CC - 39-39--78
 Mike Heck, Elkview CC - 38-41--79
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