

Richard E. Hanscom
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Richard E. Hanscom's first club professional job came as head professional at Charles River Country Club, where he served for seven years before landing at Braintree Golf Club and then Leo J. Martin Golf Club as a teaching professional. During his stint at Charles River, he won back-to-back Mass. Opens, in 1974 at Woodland Golf Club and in 1975 at Charles River. In 1974, Hanscom became the first Mass. Open champion to come out of the statewide medal play qualifying round. Hanscom, who began his long career in golf by playing the PGA TOUR, won the Pro-Pro Stroke Play Championship in 1976, paired with Hall of Fame member Jim Browning. Hanscom was always near the top in the New England PGA Player of the Year standings and on several occasions, led the Section in qualifying at the PGA Club Pro Championship.

During his career as a club professional, which also included stints at Braintree Golf Club and Leo J. Martin Golf Club, Hanscom was always very active in junior golf. His reputation as one of the best teachers in New England earned him the NEPGA Teacher of the Year Award in 1987. He also gave many years of tireless, devoted service to the New England Section, serving as president of the NEPGA from 1976 to 1979 and as secretary-treasurer and a long-serving member of the NEPGA Executive Committee.