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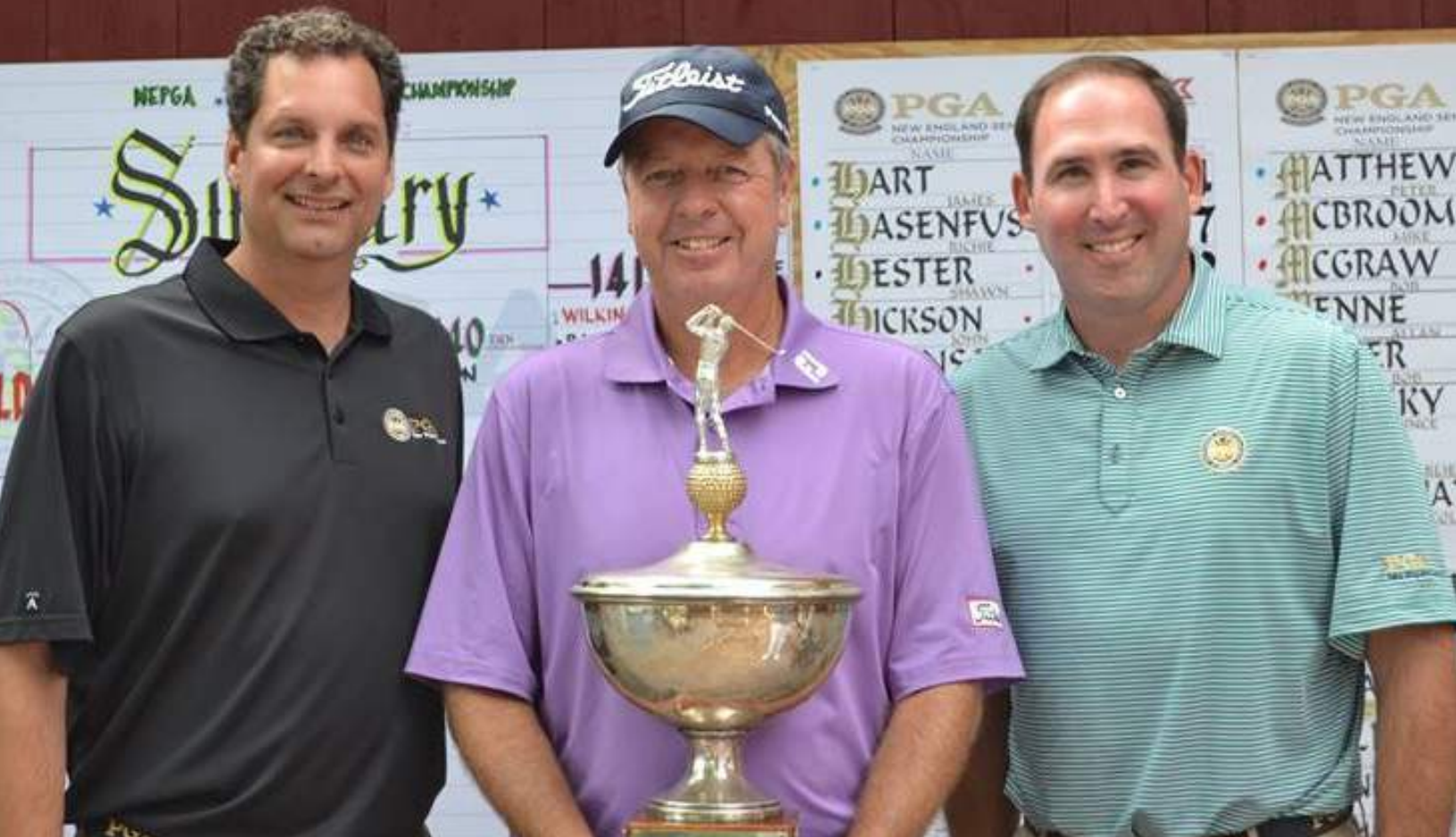
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Congratulations to...

2015 NEPGA Senior Champion

Kirk Hanefeld, PGA

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New England

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NEPGA President Larry Kelley, PGA and NEPGA Executive Director Michael Higgins flank this year's NEPGA Senior Champion Kirk Hanefeld, PGA at the recent Championship held at Woodstock Country Club on August 5-6.

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE: Larry Kelley, PGA



It's Championship Month at the New England PGA! Soon, we will be crowning three new Section Champions in the Seniors Championship,

Section Championship, and Assistant Championship events played in two different Chapters. It is always my pleasure to welcome The Senior's Championship back to my home state in Woodstock, Vermont. The Senior Professional who can hit it straight and choose the correct stick will be victorious. Woodstock can be very difficult if you are a little off, as you must navigate the Kedron Valley Brook about 12 times in the first 15 holes. Club selection will be key. Dan Wilkins, PGA from Laconia, NH is our current champion and has been a great representative for our Section over the last year.

We are also very fortunate to be holding our Section Championship at two great courses in Concord Country Club and Nashawtuc Country Club. These two courses are spectacular and both very different from each another. Concord with its rolling terrain will offer a sharp contrast to the much flatter Nashawtuc. This should be a lot of fun and offer a great test to our next champion. Rich Berberian, Jr. from Windam Country Club in NH has been a great champion for our Section and it has been a pleasure to watch him compete in New England over the last year and most recently the US Open Championship in June. We have the second most entries out of all 41 PGA Sections, so our NEPGA Champion will have to golf that ball to be recognized as our best!

Our Assistant Championship will be played a little farther south at Framingham Country Club. This course is considered a classic old style course. It has an old feel with names like Ross, Mitchell, and Cornish all leaving their mark on the design. Our last two Section Champions are both playing in this event so I will go out on

a limb and predict a Champion who works in a northern tier Chapter, but it is really hard to predict because we have so many talented Assistant Professionals in our Section. Matt Baron, PGA is the defending 2014 champion but due to work commitments is unable to defend the title. I want to thank you for representing our Section as its Champion.

The New England Section just finished up our first ever audit by an outside accounting firm this past month. Your board and officers felt that it was important to make sure we protect what we all have worked so hard for and to make sure that as time goes on we have policies, procedures, and guidelines to make sure the current staff, officers, and BOD are all protected. Additionally, it is always the New England PGA Member who we are all looking out for. This audit points to the fact that the current board feels strongly about that protection. The results were very encouraging and the full report was very positive. Our staff should be commended for all the effort they put forth to keep our finances in great shape.

Last week some of our current BOD and your Officers attended the Past Presidents Dinner and Golf Outing held at Dedham Polo & Golf Club. It is my belief that we can learn a lot from our past leaders. It helps us understand what the issues and problems were that they faced. Some are the same, but many are different. They had many positive words about where we are as a Section compared to what they had faced as President. The one common bond for all the Past Presidents is that they love being a PGA Member and they love the NEPGA. I also want to thank Jimmy Noris, PGA for being our gracious host. With his leadership and professional attitude I know we are in a much better place.

Get Out & Play!

Larry Kelley, PGA
President
New England PGA

Important Dates

AUGUST 3

NEPGA Stroke Play #3
Montcalm GC

AUGUST 4

NEPGA DCP Sub-Regional Qualifier
Framingham Country Club

AUGUST 5 & 6

NEPGA Senior Championship
Woodstock Resort & CC

AUGUST 10 & 11

NH Chapter Championship
North Conway CC

AUGUST 10 & 11

New England Women's Open
Stowe Mountain Resort

AUGUST 11 & 12

State of Maine Championship
Sugarloaf GC

AUGUST 12

NEPGA DCP Sub-Regional Qualifier
Pinehills Golf Club

AUGUST 13 & 16

PGA Championship
Whistling Straits, Kohler, WI

AUGUST 17 & 19

NEPGA Section Championship
Concord CC and Nashawtuc CC

AUGUST 24

NEPGA Stroke Play #4
Marlborough CC

AUGUST 26 & 27

NEPGA Assistant Championship
Framingham CC

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE: Michael Higgins



Two weeks ago I answered the office phone at 5:10 PM. Knowing that I need to be on the road by 5:20 PM in order to make it to day care before it closes, I was hoping this would be a quick call. A mom was calling after hours because she forgot to register her three children for a few upcoming junior events and was in full panic mode. After we resolved her situation I was on

my way to day care as fast as I could. (Observing posted speed limits of course.)

Coming into the parking lot on two wheels I join other scrambling parents trying to pick up their children before the facility closed for the weekend. As I turned into a parking spot I heard a loud pop and instantly knew I had blown a tire. Standing in the parking with a 3 year old, a flat tire and watching car after car full of parents and their children leave to start their weekend, I quickly realized I was in for a fun evening tire change.

In order to retrieve my spare tire I had to empty the back of my car. Soon my golf clubs, shoes, my daughter's clubs, a printer, Drive, Chip & Putt towels, and a few NEPGA banners were the only thing in the parking lot with the exception of one pickup truck. A father of three walked over to me with his children and offered me some assistance. Not taking no for an answer he rolled up his sleeves and helped me jack up the car and changed the tire. Don't worry, there is a point to my story.

While we were changing the tire and trying to keep four kids from running into the street, he brought up the PGA logo on my shirt and the scattered golf equipment everywhere and asked if I played golf. After a few minutes I learned that he is very passionate about the game, plays every chance he gets, and was very excited to tell me he was playing on Sunday in his weekly game. We finished changing the tire and he reluctantly accepted a dozen balls for helping me out and we were both on our way.

As I drove home I realized that golfers are different people. We respect a game that teaches us about integrity, honor and tradition. I would like to think that it was the game of golf that had something to do with a

perfect stranger coming over to help when he could have very easily just drove off like everyone else in the parking lot.

Golf brings families and friends close together. It teaches lessons and values that are transferrable to everyday life. It allows us to enjoy nature, breathe in fresh air and be outdoors far away from electronics and technology. I have seen it used as a rehabilitation tool for our service men and women and as PGA Professional, Bob Beach says, to help people with different abilities. I am passionate about the game of golf, all that it teaches and

the opportunities it has provided for me and everyone in our industry. I am passionate about the values and strength of our PGA Professionals and their ability to make a difference and improve the lives of others. Whether you realize it or not the game of golf and certainly New England PGA Professionals make a difference.

I would love to hear stories of how golf has made a

difference for you and share them in our next newsletter. Please send them to mhiggins@pgahq.com.

August is major championship month in the New England PGA and I look forward to seeing many of our PGA Professionals over the next few weeks!

Respectfully,

Michael Higgins
Executive Director
New England PGA

“Golf brings families and friends close together. It teaches lessons and values that are transferrable to everyday life.”

Point Races Update

As of August, 2015

OMEGA "Skip" Wogan Player of the Year

<u>Player (Club)</u>	<u>Points</u>
1. Jeff Martin (Norton CC)	6750.00
2. Kirk Hanefeld (Stowe Acres)	5144.09
3. Boomer Erick (Boston GC)	3475.00
4. Shawn Warren (Falmouth CC)	3469.09
5. Rich Berberian Jr. (Windham CC)	3425.00

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Avidia Bank Cup

<u>Player (Club)</u>	<u>Points</u>
1. Boomer Erick (Boston GC)	698
2. Jeff Martin (Norton CC)	675.16
3. Shawn Warren (Falmouth CC)	428
T4. Rich Berberian (Windham CC)	270
T4. Daniel Joseph (The Country Club)	270

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GREENSIDE: *RON GREEN, PGA*



August is the month of Championships on the NEPGA schedule. By the end of this month we will have crowned our Senior, Section and Assistant Champions for 2015.

You have been reminded to register to play in these events for the last few months through this column, via email and on our website. Hopefully I will be seeing many of you at one, two or maybe even all three.

Before we get to our NEPGA "major" Championships and other upcoming tournaments, I need to recognize a couple of rare and very significant accomplishments by two of our very own NEPGA members.

As a PGA Club Professional playing in a major Championship, the U.S. Open or PGA Championship, is something you dream about, but for Rich Berberian, PGA and Dan Venezio, PGA it has become a reality in 2015.

Rich made it through local and sectional qualifying to advance to the U.S. Open at Chambers Bay in June and Dan battled his way through four rounds (and a couple of hours of waiting to see if the effort had been enough) at the PGA Professional Championship in Philadelphia, earning one of the twenty spots available to PGA Professionals for the 97th PGA Championship at Whistling Straits this August.

Congratulations to both of you, we are proud to have you represent the New England Section in two of golf's iconic events.

As you can see, August is going to be busy, but there is still more to come in September and October. Keep an eye on the weekly "Top News You Need to Know" emails and the NEPGA website for updates and more information on all things tournaments and we'll be back with more Tournament News next month.

~ Greenie

NEPGA Professional Championship

Concord CC and Nashawtuc CC | August 17-19



The New England Section Professional Championship will be contested this year at Concord Country Club and Nashawtuc Country Club, August 17-19, with Rich Berberian, PGA returning to defend his title.

I have made my initial visits to both courses and can vouch for their readiness to host our premier event. We could go to both venues today and play the Championship without any additional preparation by the greens staff. Superintendents, Peter Rappoccio at Concord and Greg Cormier at Nashawtuc, have their courses in Championship condition at all times.

Once again the New England Section was near the top of all 41 Sections of the PGA of America for number of entries filed assuring us of great representation at the 49th PGA Professional Championship at Turning Stone Resort, June 26-29, 2016. The top twelve (12) scorers not otherwise exempt will move on to represent the New England Section.

A huge Thank You is in order to the memberships of the host facilities for allowing us the use of their great venues as well as our host PGA Professionals Dave Poplyk and Chris Carpenter.

Joey Coakley Memorial Pro Am

Woodland GC and Charles River CC | August 10

The New England PGA also continues their long involvement with the Joey Coakley Memorial Pro-Am. This event played on Monday, August 10, features Pro-Ams played concurrently at both Woodland Golf Club and Charles River Country Club. The proceeds go to support a great cause, finding the cure for cystic fibrosis. **Registration is closed.**



NEPGA Stroke Play Series #4

Marlborough CC | August 24



Register on NEPGA.com

Three weeks later on August 24 we visit one of the inaugural Senior Tour venues, from 1981 to 1983 the Marlborough Classic was held at Marlborough Country Club. Bob Goalby, Arnold Palmer and Don January won there, and now it will serve as the venue for the penultimate NEPGA Stroke Play Series event of 2015.

Marlborough also hosts our NEPGA Junior Championship and we owe a great deal of gratitude to the membership for again allowing us the use of their facility. Thanks also to Greg Farland, PGA and Superintendent Ken Crimmings for hosting.

There will be just one more chance to earn points, at Webhannet Golf Club in late September, so don't wait until the last minute. Come out and grab some points and secure a spot in the Avidia Cup Finals that will be held at Weston Golf Club in October.

NEPGA Assistant Championship

Framingham CC | August 26-27



We close out our Championship run at Framingham Country Club, the site of the New England Section National Car Rental PGA Assistant Championship on August 26 & 27.

Matt Baran, PGA is the defending Champion. Competitors will also be vying for six (6) spots in the National Car Rental PGA Assistant Championship that will be held October 29 through November 1, 2015 at PGA Golf Club, Port St. Lucie, FL. We thank our hosts, the Framingham membership as well as PGA Professional Graham Cunningham and Superintendent extraordinaire, Pat Daly. **Registration is closed.**

NEPGA Pro Senior-Junior Championship

Sterling National GC | Sept. 1



Lastly, a quick heads up, things get started early in September and we don't want you to miss out on getting entries filed for the Pro Senior-Junior Championship on Tuesday September 1. If you are under fifty, partner up with one of the NEPGA's "experienced" AKA over fifty professionals and join us at Sterling National Golf Club. Format is Four-Ball Stroke Play, with a one o'clock shotgun start.

[Register on NEPGA.com](http://NEPGA.com)

New England Open

The Quechee Club | Sept. 8-9

Tuesday, Sept. 8 & Wednesday, Sept. 9 are the dates of the New England Open. For 2015 we are proud to return to The Quechee Club in Quechee, VT, the host site for this event from 1980 through 1998. The Highlands course is a great test and it helped to determine New England Open winners who also won events on The PGA Tour, Bob Menne and the Champions Tour, Dana Quigley. *Note: The field is limited to the first 120 players who register.*

[Register on NEPGA.com](http://NEPGA.com)



What's Coming Up *in our September issue...*



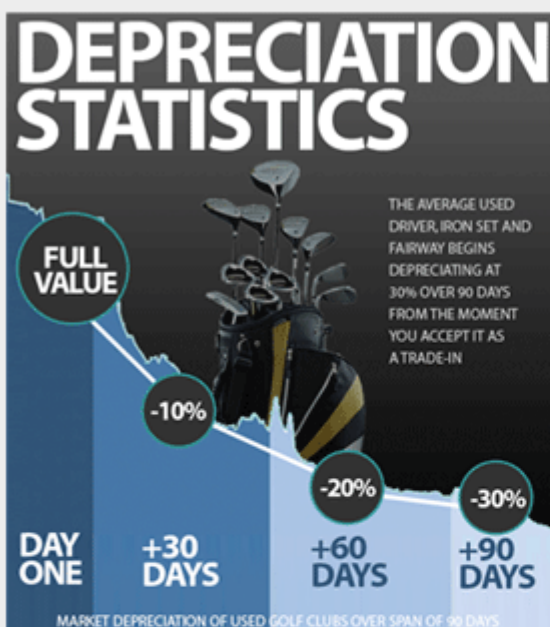
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Head of the Class

Hanefeld captures first NEPGA Senior Championship

Kirk Hanefeld, PGA of Stow Acres CC has had a storied golf career at both the Local and National level. After dominating amateur golf in New Hampshire and New England, he went on to play at the University of Houston before embarking on his Professional career. His trade led him down the path of a club Professional at distinguished clubs such as Salem and The International, simultaneously capturing multiple New England PGA Championships, State Opens and Wogan Player of the Year Awards.

His play was so stellar that in the mid-2000's he embarked on a second career on the 50 and over circuit as a Champions Tour Professional, amassing close to a million dollars in earnings and cementing his legacy as one of the finest players to come out of New England. Continuing his dominance in the PGA Professional ranks, Hanefeld won two National Senior Professional Championships, one of only five PGA Professionals to achieve that feat. In 2013 he was inducted into the New England PGA Hall of Fame, and today he added another notch to a historic career with a victory in his first New England PGA Senior Championship.

Starting the day one behind first round leader Tom Rooney, PGA of LeBaron Hills, and playing alongside John O'Connor, PGA of Far Corner who had an opening 1-under par 69, Hanefeld started a bit slow and was 1-over par through his first five holes. On the par-5 sixth hole something clicked however, and a birdie four sparked his round as he would make three birdies in his next five holes to get to 2-under on his round and 5-under overall. Rooney started out slow but could not manage to right the ship, playing his front nine in 4-over par to drop back to even for the tournament. O'Connor managed to salvage an even-par 35 on the front nine to stay within striking distance. Rooney and O'Connor both fired 1-under par on the back nine, but Hanefeld's experience proved to be too much as he played steady golf

as well and threw in back to back birdies on the 16th and 17th holes to guarantee he would be the one hoisting the trophy.

Hanefeld's biggest charge came from the group in front, as Allan Menne, PGA of Poland Spring CC fired a 3-under par 67, which started off with an eagle three on the first hole. His back nine was just as strong as he made four birdies to push Hanefeld, but ultimately came up five strokes short in a tie for second place with O'Connor. Rooney finished in fourth alone and John Hickson, PGA of Sebasco Harbor finished in fifth with a score of even-par after a 1-under par 69 in Round 2.

Rooney and Hanefeld won the 50-54 and 55-59 age divisions respectively, and three-time winner Jim Sheerin, PGA of Abenaki Country Club won the 60-69 division with a 2-over par 142. Charlie Moore, PGA of Shelter Harbor Golf Club shot his age in Round 1 and backed it up with a 79 in round two to take home top honors in the 70 and up division.

In the Senior PNC Qualifier, Hanefeld and Kirby are exempt due to being a past Champion and making the cut at the Senior PGA Championship respectively. Joining them at Bayonet & Black Horse in California will be Allan Menne, John O'Connor, Tom Rooney, John Hickson, Dan Wilkins, PGA of Laconia CC, Mike Baker, PGA of Walpole CC and Jim Sheerin. Congratulations to our qualifiers!

A special thank you to host PGA Professional Jim Gunnare, PGA and Woodstock Inn & Resort for hosting. Also a special thank you to Terry Frechette and RJ Shepherd, Mercedes, PGA TOUR and Cutter & Buck/Dan Dempsey for sponsoring this years event!

To see more photos, view our [Facebook album](#).

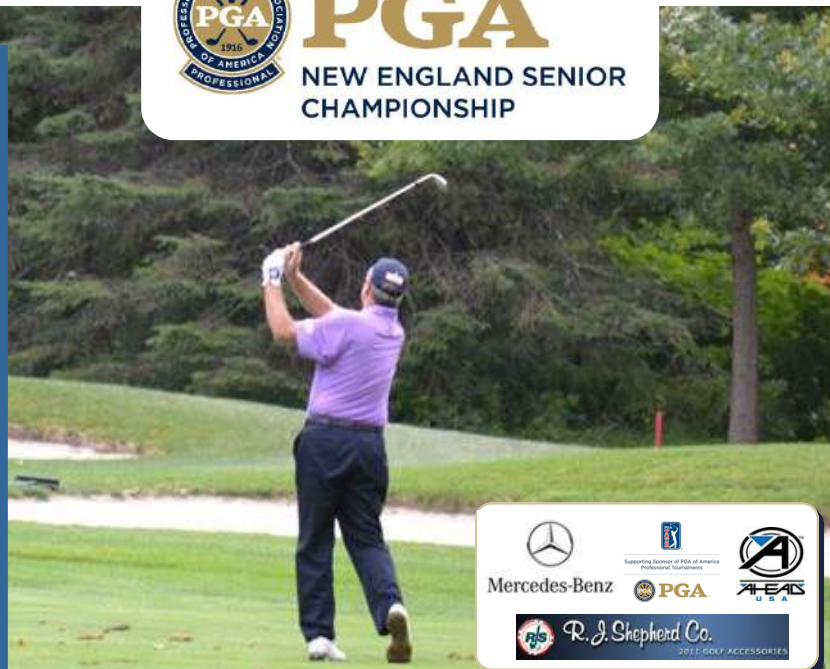
TOURNAMENT RESULTS

1	Kirk Hanefeld	67	66	133
T2	Allan Menne	71	67	138
T2	John O'Connor	69	69	138
4	Thomas Rooney	66	73	139
5	John Hickson	71	69	140
T6	Daniel Wilkins	72	69	141
T6	Michael Baker	71	70	141
8	Jim Sheerin	71	71	142
T9	Mark Aebli	72	71	143
T9	Bill Andrews	72	71	143

For full results, please [click here](#).



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Granite State of Mind

Berberian Tops Again in New Hampshire

Rich Berberian, PGA of Windham Country Club seems pretty comfortable in his home state of New Hampshire. His solid round of 7-under par 65 at Montcalm Golf Club included 9 birdies and a double bogey on 18, and was good for a one-stroke victory over fellow Assistant Professional Greg Pieczynski, PGA of Weston Golf Club in the third Stroke Play Series event of the season. The last time the NEPGA held an individual Stroke Play tournament in New Hampshire, it was Berberian taking home the hardware as the 2014 Section Champion at Golf Club of New England near the New Hampshire seacoast.

As he did last August near Portsmouth, Berberian used a strong start to his advantage, this time making six birdies on his front nine including four in a row on holes three through six. He got hot again on the back nine with three birdies in a row on holes 12 through 14. A closing double bogey on 18 still could not spoil his lowest tournament score of the season. Remarkably, in a Pro-Pro tournament last month at Montcalm, Berberian teamed with Marc Spencer, PGA of Windham CC and the duo made 7 birdies and an eagle, with Rich just about matching the feat by himself this time around.

As solid as Berberian's front nine 6-under par 30 was, Greg Pieczynski's was as if not more exciting. After a bogey on the 3rd hole, Pieczynski made two eagles in three holes, making three on the 4th and 6th holes. For the next nine holes, Pieczynski would birdie every other hole, and a bogey on the par-3 17th left him one shot behind Berberian for low Professional honors. Ron Philo, PGA of Stowe Mountain Club joined the fireworks with a 5-under par 31 on the front, only to cool off on the back with 9 straight pars for a 5-under par 67, good for third place. Jeff Seavey, PGA of Samoset Resort and Jeff Martin, PGA of Norton CC were tied for 4th with 4-under par 68.

In the Senior Division, John Hickson, PGA of Sebasco

Harbor edged Eddie Kirby, PGA of Point Judith by one, as they shot 2-under par 70 and 1-under par 71 respectively. In a warm up for this week's Senior Championship down the road at Woodstock, Kirk Hanefeld, PGA of Stow Acres, defending Champion Dan Wilkins, PGA of Laconia and John Paesani, PGA of The Bay Club tied for third with 1-over par 73.

The Blind Draw Pro-Pro saw two teams tie for first at 10-under par 62. Shawn Warren, PGA of Falmouth CC and Pieczynski tied with John Fields, PGA of Belmont and Philo, who had an impressive 8-under par 28 on the front.

The Stroke Play Series continues later this month on August 24th at Marlborough Country Club. Special thanks to our hosts at Montcalm, Owner Andy Sigler, Host PGA Professional Cory Mansfield and General Manager Liz Clark for their outstanding hospitality. Also thank you to our sponsors Golf Buddy, Ahead, Cutter & Buck, Yamaha, PGA TOUR and Avidia Bank!

TOURNAMENT RESULTS

1	Rich Berberian	65
2	Gregory Pieczynski	66
3	Ron Philo	67
T4	Jeffrey Martin	68
T4	Jeff Seavey	68
T6	Kevin Rhoads	69
T6	Frank Dully	69
T8	Matt Arvanitis	70
T8	Aaron Ungvarsky	70
T8	John Hickson	70

[For full results, please click here.](#)



Fishing for Fun at Indian Pond

Teams from LeBaron Hills CC and Foxborough CC finish Co-Champions in Pro-Junior Championship

WATCH Event Highlights



Ae Cahill, PGA, and his team from LeBaron Hills CC along with Lou Rivers, PGA and his team from Foxborough CC

Professionals from all over Massachusetts held their breaths early Monday morning as a thunderstorm threatened to rain out the NEPGA Pro-Junior Championship. However, the grounds crew at Indian Pond Country Club in Kingston, Mass. wouldn't let Mother Nature rain on what would turn out to be a spectacular day.

The Pro-Junior Championship gave the opportunity for club professionals to showcase some of the young talent at their clubs. Without the rain, the course would be tough by any adult's standards. However, even with faster greens and softer surfaces, the juniors held their own.

The format of play today of one best ball, gross and net, made it a true team effort for the two teams ending as co-champions. Professional Ae Cahill, PGA and his team from LeBaron Hills of Dylan Smith (a), Luke Myers (a), and Jack Prue (a) shot an 8 under

par 64 in the better ball gross category and a 13 under par 59 in the better ball net category. These impressive numbers aided their team's finish atop the leaderboard in both divisions.

Also sharing the top spot was the team from Foxborough Country Club led by professional Lou Rivers, PGA. His team of Brandon Dunase (a), Devan Tierney (a), and Matt Tierney (a) also shot a combined 8 under par 64 gross and 13 under par 59 net.

After the teams had finished their round, the juniors competed in the NEPGA's rendition of the Golf Channel's 'Big Break' contest. This activity included three skill tests. The first had juniors about seven feet away from three elevated pieces of paper and they had to try to shoot the ball through the paper as fast as they could. The second obstacle was a chipping contest where juniors had three chances and unlimited time to try and get the ball through one of four hoops different distances off the ground. The final test was a flop shot contest where the juniors had to hit a shot up and over a ten-foot wall from 14ft, 10ft, and 6ft away.

The big break challenges acted as a fun way to test the golf skills of juniors. Point values were awarded to completing each activity. The overall best score in the contest was a perfect 180, made by Peter Santo (a) from Wellesley CC.

The end of the day came with free ice cream and fond memories of a fun day of golf for all players.

A big thanks goes out to the grounds staff at Indian Pond Country Club for making sure our day went off without a hitch with the morning rain. We also would like to thank Head Professional Brian Langevin, and Indian Pond CC for hosting this fun event. Also, a thank you to our sponsors Titleist and FootJoy for providing tee gifts for our junior players.

To see more photos, view our [Facebook album](#).

TOURNAMENT RESULTS

T1	Cahill/Prue/Smith/Slutz	64
T1	Rivers/Donase/Tierney/Tierney	64
3	Grills/Grills/Cronin/Crowe	67
4	Johnson/Masuret/Marshman/Mason	68
T5	Field/Tyer/McCabe/Moran	69
T5	Gammons/Boyle/Spaziani/Gammons	69
T5	Joseph/Walsh/Walsh/Walsh	69
T5	Nowak/Greenwood/McCabe/McCabe	69
9	Berberian/Nardone/Bassi/Ryan	70
10	Clancy/Regan/Warner/TBA	75
11	Smith/McGillvary/Carney/Sexton	76

For full results, please [click here](#).

Seeing Quadruple

Co-Champions at NEPGA Pro-Lady

Kernwood Country Club was the host of the 2015 NEPGA Pro-Lady Invitational on Thursday. Amongst all 54 teams, there was an air of excitement to spend a beautiful day golfing at one of the most historic country clubs in Massachusetts.

Originally opening its doors more than a century ago in Salem, Mass., Kernwood was founded so that the Jewish community could partake in the sport of golf. In fact, it was just this year that they were celebrating their 100th anniversary, while the PGA of America's centennial is still one year away.

Players at the Pro-Lady were looking to write their own history Thursday by competing well enough to take home the first place spot.

The team from Kernwood CC of Frank Dully, PGA and Lisa Spinale placed tied for first in the best ball gross category and were also sole champions in the best ball net division. The home team used their experience on the course to their advantage, and made five birdies on the day in the net category. Through 18 holes the duo finished with a gross score of 3 over par 73 and a net score of two under par 68.

Not to be outdone by the home team, the pair from Rochester CC of Jon Ellis, PGA and Joan Cyr shared the tied for first place spot with Dully/Spinale in the team gross division. They had a great start to their round, making a birdie on the first hole. After finishing the front with an even score of 35, Ellis and Cyr made a run to finish the back nine strong and added another birdie on the 13th hole. However, a few extra late bogeys kept them down, but still good enough to be tied for first. They finished with a team gross score of 3 over par 73 and a net score of one over 71.

In the team net division, while Dully/Spinale were clear winners, there was a tight race for second place. Amongst the teams scoring one over par 71 were the Rochester CC pair, the team of Matt Arvanitis, PGA and Nancy Lamb from Southern New Hampshire University, and David Dionne, PGA with Lauren O'Brien from Beverly Golf and Tennis.

Thanks to our sponsor Nivo and Sales representative Sue Powers for making this event possible. Also thank you to Kernwood Country Club staff and host professional Frank Dully, PGA for having us!



Joan Cyr and Jon Ellis, PGA



Lisa Spinale and Frank Dully, PGA

TOURNAMENT RESULTS

1	Kernwood CC (Dully/Spinale)	68
T2	Southern New Hampshire Univ.	71
T2	Beverly G&TC	71
T2	Rochester CC	71
T5	Far Corner GC	72
T5	Acushnet River Valley	72
7	Ellinwood CC	73
T8	Belmont CC	74
T8	The Country Club (Gosselin/Gosselin)	74
T8	Blue Hill CC	74

For full results, please [click here](#).

Co-Champions at Carnegie Abbey

Brendon Ray and Ed Kirby lead the way at Pro-Senior

A beautiful location, perfect weather and an immaculate course all would seem to make for a perfect day of golf for any player. However, the play out on the course pushed many to their limits.

The Carnegie Abbey Club hosted the 2015 NEPGA Pro-Senior Invitational on Monday. The 34-foursomes started on the first tee, hopeful to succeed on a course that many of them had never played. The tournament format of Best Ball Gross & Net provided an opportunity for low scoring, however even with an experienced forecaddie by their sides, PGA Professionals and senior players alike struggled to read the greens of this tough course.

Ed Kirby, PGA (Point Judith CC) led the last team to tee off for the afternoon. Even playing into a warmer afternoon with slightly faster greens, they found ways to put their best play forward. The team made a collective 4 Gross birdies, but even more impressive given today's field was that they made an eagle on the 12th hole, giving them a tournament best six under par 65.

Brendon Ray, PGA and his group of course seniors had the home field advantage in today's contest. Having some experience on the tough course made a difference. After making a single birdie through the front nine, the team turned up the heat as the round went on. On the back, they made five birdies, with two sets of back-to-back makes on 11 and 12, then 17 and 18. They finished tied at the top of the leaderboard with a 65 as well.

Throughout the day, many players faced awkward lies and rolling hills, on the greens especially. It showed foremost on some frustrated faces of players. The 444-yard 13th hole proved to force the most mistakes. There were 11 total bogeys and only 1 birdie on the par 4 through the day. Another challenging hole was the 18th. The 280-year par 4 forced players to make their first shot over the Narragansett Bay and then make a tough putt on a hilly green.

This isn't to say that there weren't some shining moments from the field.

The undoubtable best shot of the day came from Ron Margeson (Ould Newbury GC). On the challenging par 5 'Lone Pine' hole #15, Margeson made a two! At first sight, the albatross was as elusive for him to spot as it suggests. After hitting a perfect looking shot towards the hole, he saw the ball travel towards the pin and then lost sight of it. After not finding his ball on the green, he grew frustrated



searching through the rough. However, all was righted when he looked in the cup and spotted his ball.

A big thank you goes out to sponsors Mohegan Sun, Lincoln, Golf Membership Consultants and Sales Representative Bob Marshall, and Imperial Headwear representatives who were present at the event. Also, we thank the Carnegie Abbey Club and Head Professional Jim DiMarino, PGA and Assistant Professional Brendon Ray, PGA for hosting us!

To see more photos, view our [Facebook album](#).

TOURNAMENT RESULTS

T1	Ronald Margeson Jr	70
T1	Ed Kirby	70
3	Thomas Rooney	71
4	Mike McBroom	72
T5	Robert Tramonti	73
T5	John Rainone	73
T5	Scott Hickey	73
8	Louis Rivers	75
T9	James Bruce	76
T9	Joe Potty	76

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Heat at The Haven

Warren-Seavey sizzle amongst the competition



On a scorcher of a day, players were heating up on the course, in more ways than one.

The Haven Country Club in Boylston, Mass. was once again an impeccable site for the Bobby Jones Pro-Pro Stroke Play Championship. With blue skies, lots of sunshine and the temperature hitting 90 degrees, it looked to be a long day of golf. The conditions of the day shaped up to be similar to last year's event. This year however, no one could have predicted the heat that would be brought by the competition.

In the morning round, the top three spots on the leader board fell within three strokes of each other. The power duo of Shawn Warren, PGA (Falmouth CC) and Jeff Seavey, PGA (Samoset Resort) were tied with another strong pairing of Jeff Martin, PGA (Norton CC) and Troy Pare, PGA (The Preserve at Boulder Hills); both shooting nine under par 63's.

Jeff Seavey, a four-time qualifier of the PGA Professional National championship was aligned with Warren who was coming off of a strong showing at the Professional National Championship last week. Not wasting any time, the pair made a birdie on the second hole. Even after a bogey on the sixth hole, they bounced back to

keep their low scores rolling with an eagle on seven. On the back nine, this pair put on a show, making another eagle on 11. After the first 18 rounds, they racked up an impressive six birdies and two eagles—finishing with a score of 63.

But Seavey and Warren weren't finished: On the second go around on the Haven's course they really turned up the heat.

The next 18 holes of golf for this pairing were nothing short of impressive. They made a total ten birdies, notching four in a row, starting on the eleventh hole. All in all, Shawn Warren and Jeff Seavey shot a 62 in the second round, finishing with a complete, two-round score of 19-under par 125.

They weren't the only super-pair making fireworks across the course, either. Jeff Martin and Troy Pare have notched a couple of tournament wins while paired together, and both players were also coming off of strong finishes at the Professional National Championship. Pare/Martin opened their play today from the first tee making five birdies in a row. Their only setback came from a bogey on seven, but it was quickly made up for on the back nine, where they made five more birdies. This first round score of 63 was good enough to leave them tied for first place.

In the second round of 18, Pare/Martin continued their dominant play. They came out swinging from their tenth tee start. They went on a birdie streak, making five in a row starting on hole 12. However, even with their eight birdies in the second round, it would not be enough to unseed the Seavey/Warren pair.

The 19-under 125 set by Jeff Seavey and Sean Warren is a new tournament record for this event.

Dan Wilkins, PGA (Laconia CC) and Bill Andrews, PGA (Portsmouth CC) were also perched near the top of the board at 16-under par 128. They shot a 66 through the first round, making six birdies total. However, the real gem to their play was in how they finished. In their second round, they made four consecutive birdies on holes two to five and added an extra on seven. On the back nine, they made consecutive birdies again, this time it was five in a row on hole 14 through 18.

All told, it was an impressive day to say the least with some great golf played by all. A big thank you goes out to host professional Hal Jacobs, PGA and to The Haven Country Club for once again hosting this event. We'd like to also thank our sponsors Bobby Jones, Kirk and Matz, and Signature Tumblers for sponsoring. An additional thank you goes to Jeff DiBona, our local sales rep for Bobby Jones, for being present at the event and supporting the New England Section and our players in many ways throughout the season.

To see more photos, view our [Facebook album](#).

TOURNAMENT RESULTS

1	Jeff Seavey Samoset Resort Shawn Warren Falmouth CC	125
2	Troy Pare Preserve at Boulder Hills Jeffrey Martin Norton CC	127
3	Daniel Wilkins Laconia Bill Andrews Portsmouth	128
4	John Rainone North Kingstown GC Ed Kirby Point Judith CC	131
5	David Grygiel Tee N' Tee Golfland Greg Sandell Golf Club of New England	132
6	Robert Tramonti Triggs Memorial GC Brian Owens North Kingstown GC	133
T7	John Fields Belmont Frank Dully Kernwood CC	134
T7	George Goich Black Swan CC Marc Spencer Windham CC	134
T9	Hal Jacobs Haven Country Club Matt Stein Haven Country Club	135
T9	David Lane Hopkinton Allan Menne Poland Spring CC	135

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Wedges: Taylormade R-series 52° 56° 62°
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Save the Dates

2015 NEPGA Special Awards Dinner

The 2015 NEPGA Special Awards Dinner will be held on Saturday, November 7th at The Haven Country Club in Boylston, MA, with a cocktail hour and cash bar from 4:30 pm to 5:30 pm and dinner being served at 5:30 pm. It will be a memorable evening celebrating some of our most accomplished PGA Professionals and their achievements including our NEPGA Professional of the Year Allan Belden, PGA along with the induction of Donnie Lyons, PGA and Jim Sheerin, PGA into the NEPGA Hall of Fame. Registration will be available in a few weeks. We hope you will join us in celebrating the achievements of your fellow members!

[Click here](#) to view all of our award winners for this year on NEPGA.com.



2015 NEPGA Fall Meeting Schedule

MEETING	DATE	SITE	TIME
Vermont	Monday, September 28th	Vermont National	2 pm
Maine	Thursday, October 8th	Martindale CC	9 am; Pro Assistant to follow
Seniors' Association	Thursday, October 15th	Pleasant Valley CC	9 am; SR Champ to follow
Cape Cod	Tuesday, October 20th	Sandwich Hollows	TBA
Rhode Island	Wednesday, October 21st	Shelter Harbor	TBA
New Hampshire	Thursday, October 22nd	Laconia C.C.	TBA
NEPGA Section	Monday, October 26th	The Haven CC	8 am registration, 9 am meeting
Massachusetts	TBA	TBA	TBA
Assistants' Association	TBA	TBA	TBA



2015 NEPGA Scholarship Award Winners



Congratulations to the following students who have received Scholarships for the 2015/2016 academic school year. These recipients are the children and grandchildren of NEPGA Professionals. We applaud them for both their academic achievements and community activities!

Pictured left: William Curtin

Tom Murphy Scholarship

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William Curtin

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Recipient

William Curtin

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Wentworth Institute of Technology

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Julia Falco
Ryan Fields
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Abigail Hood
Jacqueline Lajoie
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NEPGA 2015 Award Winner *Spotlight*

HORTON SMITH AWARD

Rob Jarvis, PGA



At what age did you begin to play golf?

RJ) 17

Who taught you the game?

RJ) Brian Enman, PGA

Where did you go to school?

RJ) Bangor High School and University of Maine at Orono

When did you decide to become a PGA Professional & why?

RJ) I was elected to membership in 2007. I was inspired by my mentor for 22 years, PGA Professional Brian Enman. He epitomizes what the PGA Professional stands for and I have strived to emulate him since the age of 17 when I first began to work at Bangor Municipal Golf Course. Working for him hooked me on the game and the business of golf.

Of all the courses you have played, which one is your favorite?

RJ) Sage Valley in Georgia

What other interests do you have besides the game of golf?

RJ) Fly Fishing, Kayaking, Construction

What would you like to leave as your legacy to the game?

RJ) The most important thing to me is to be as good a mentor to young professionals as I have had in my career. Without proper mentoring, our industry will not move forward. I also hope that the golfers I reach over the years will say that I helped make the game more fun for them. That is what it is all about.

Mid-Season Grip Check: Jim Salinetti, PGA



Next time you watch a PGA Tour event do not focus on the players' high swing speeds and long drives, but check out the way they hold the club. While everyone's grip is unique, the best players hold the club with certain characteristics that define an excellent grip. Here are a few things I like to see from my students:

1

Make sure you are holding the club in your fingers. Many golfers hold the club with the palms of their hands. This makes it very difficult to hinge the club properly in the backswing. Your two middle fingers of your right hand should apply the most pressure.

2

Whether you use an overlapping, interlocking or 10-finger grip, one fundamental stays consistent: When you have completed the left hand grip, the "V" formed by the thumb and forefinger should point to your right eye. The "V" formed by the thumb and forefinger of your right hand should be pointing at your chin.

3

Hold the club like you are holding a bird. You would hold a bird in your hands with enough pressure so it does not fly away, but not so tight that you would injure the bird. Find that happy medium when gripping the club where you feel tension-free, while holding the club firmly enough to maintain your position throughout the swing.

Golfers often make compensations in their golf swings based on poor grip fundamentals. Make sure your grip isn't causing issues with your swing. Follow these tips or visit your local PGA Professional to square up your fundamentals. I guarantee it will help square up your clubface and lead to better golf shots!

Jim Salinetti is the PGA Head Golf Professional at Winchester Country Club in Winchester, MA. He is currently the Chairman of the NEPGA Junior Golf Committee. Jim was an AJGA All-American and an NCAA Academic All-American while attending the University of Rhode Island. He competed on professional tours throughout North & South America for several years before becoming a PGA Professional. Feel free to reach out to Jim at jsalinetti@winchestercc.org with any questions pertaining to junior and collegiate golf.

District 1 Director Report: Donnie Lyons, PGA



[Click here](#) to view the PGA of America Highlight Summary for the month of July including news on the rebranding of the PGA Professional National Championship and the PGA Junior League Golf participation record.

More Ambassadors Needed for DBC Pro-Am



We are in need of additional PGA Professionals to volunteer as Ambassadors during the PM shift of the **DBC Pro-Am** that will be

played on **Thursday, September 3rd**. Volunteers will receive a package prior to the Pro Am with an instructional sheet, suggested script, oxford cloth shirt, credentials, and parking pass for the volunteer lot at Norton High School. Please be sure to indicate your shirt size during the registration process. Yardage books are no longer available but please feel free to bring your own distance measuring device.

Your Role as a NEPGA Ambassador ...

You will be assigned a Pro-Am group and your role will be to facilitate pace of play and in doing so assist the amateurs with club selection/yardage, etc. Your primary role as an official host is to insure that the day is enjoyable for the amateurs, while helping the group maintain a 4 hour and 45 minute pace of play. It is hoped that you might meet the amateurs and offer any advice, if so asked. *Please note that cameras/camcorders are not allowed to be used during the round or at the range.*

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SCNS Sports Foods has been a sponsor partner of the NEPGA Section for the past two years. "We greatly appreciate the strong partnership we have with the NEPGA Section," said Bill Stewart, Chief Operating Officer.



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Stay tuned for upcoming information on a new 10th Tee bar for 2016!

For more information on all SCNS Sports Foods products, check out www.golfenergybar.com.





“ What has been your *favorite* part of **PGA Junior League Golf** so far this season? ”



“Personally, seeing my own two children play their first ‘competitive’ golf matches and seeing the excitement on their faces when they play. They continue to ask me ‘When is the next match or practice, Dad?’ Also seeing how much fun the juniors are really having out on the golf course. I love watching the kids pick each other up after one hits a ‘bad’ shot, saying ‘It’s ok, don’t worry about it’. We have seen friendships formed that you hope will last a long time. Kids from other towns that were hesitant, shy and a little scared to play with kids they didn’t know have shined and their confidence has grown tremendously.”

Peter Doherty, PGA
Director of Golf
Atkinson Resort & Country Club



PGA Jr League Team All Stars - North Shore Team

“My favorite part of PGA Junior League has been watching the team camaraderie and sportsmanship. It has been awesome to watch the more experienced players ‘teach and coach’ some of the newer players along and see every player continue to grow and get better.”

Dan Limauro, PGA
Head Golf Professional
The Ledges Golf Club

“The PGA junior league has been one of the greatest initiatives that I’ve been lucky to be involved with. Watching more advanced players support beginner junior golfers demonstrating sportsmanship just reinforces my inner desire to be the best golf professional I can be. Truly one of the greatest things a golf professional can get involved with.”

Justin Lawson, PGA
Head Golf Professional
Nashua Country Club

“The PGA JLG has been tremendous for me and the club. The competition, sportsmanship, and camaraderie has been great to watch. It was great to see the mentoring from older kids to younger kids. Not only has the junior visibility at the club increased but we have also introduced new parents to the club who now find themselves dining at the club once a week. It has been an overall success that I hope will grow each year.”

Michael Rothera, PGA
Director of Instruction
Pinehills Golf Club



2015 New England PGA JLG Teams

Patriot League:

Foxboro Country Club #2
Nashawtuc CC
Weston Golf Club
Framingham CC
Hopkinton CC

Patriot League 95:

Milton Hoosic CC #1
Blue Hill CC
Walpole CC
Foxboro CC #1

Patriot League 128:

Wellesley CC
Milton Hoosic CC #2
Dedham Country & Polo
Wollaston CC

Central MA League #1:

Whitinsville
Highfields #1
The Haven Club #1
Green Hill

Central MA League #2:

Highfields #2
The Haven Club #2
Blackstone National
Maplegate #1

Winchester League:

Winchester #1
Winchester #2
Winchester #3
Winchester #4

New North League:

Quail Ridge
Stow Acres
Groton Country Club
Maynard/Chelmsford

North MA League:

Tewksbury CC
Belmont CC
Patriot Golf Course
Meadow Brook #1

North Shore League:

Ferncroft
Meadow Brook #2
Myopia Hunt
Tedesco
Thomson CC
Turner Hill

Northwest/Central League:

Worcester
Concord
Oak Hill
Cyprian Keyes

Lowell League:

Vesper
Nashua
Nabnasset Lake
Mount Pleasant

Norwood/Braintree League:

Braintree Golf Course
Norwood CC
Maplegate #2
TPC Boston

South Shore #2 League:

Squirrel Run
Village Links
Pinehills
Halifax #3

South Shore League:

Halifax #1
Halifax #2
Lebaron Hills
Bay Club
Kittansett

East Cape League:

Cranberry Valley #1
Cranberry Valley #2
Eastward Ho!
Dennis Highlands
Captains Golf Course
Blue Rock

Cape League:

Hyannis #1
Hyannis #2
Olde Barnstable/Hyannis
Pocasset #1
Pocasset #2
Woods Hole

Mid Cape League:

Oyster Harbors
The Ridge Club
Cummaquid
Hyannisport

Vermont League:

Burlington CC
Vermont National #1
Alburg Golf Links
Stowe Mountain
Links at Lang Farm
Vermont National #2

New Hampshire #1 League:

Bradford #1
Bradford #2
Renaissance
North Andover

Atkinson League:

Atkinson #1
Atkinson #2
Atkinson #3
Atkinson #4

New Hampshire Coast League:

Pease Golf Course
Abenaqui
The Ledges Golf Club
Wentworth by the Sea

Portland Maine League #1:

Valhalla
Portland CC
Purpoodock
The Woodlands

Portland Maine League #2:

Gorham CC
Dunegrass
Nonesuch River
Webhannet

Rhode Island North League:

Kirkbrae CC
Foster CC
Warwick CC
Alpine CC

Rhode Island East League:

North Kingstown
Point Judith
Laurel Lane
Weekapaug

Rhode Island Central League:

Valley CC
Cranston
Quidnessett

New Hampshire League #2:

Ponemah Greens
Candia Woods

Southern Coast League:

Allendale
Acushnet River
Acoaxet

Newton League:

The Country Club
Woodlands
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Brae Burn

NEWS FROM THE JUNIOR TOUR: *Jacy Settles*



NEPGA Junior Tour
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Recently, one of our Junior Tour interns came to me with a scene he observed on the course at a recent tournament. A junior player approached the intern after hitting a tee shot and was concerned his ball may not be found in the woods. The intern suggested the player hit a provisional tee shot in case the ball was lost.

The player quizzically gazed back at the intern before beginning to walk down the fairway. Once again, our intern suggested the player hit a provisional and, again, the player declined.

It's not the first time I've heard a story similar to this one.

Our beloved Rules Official Jim Beane would often say, "I can beat any golfer with a 7-iron and a rulebook." The Rules, as we know, are designed with a purpose to help golfers. And while we have more than 750 members, most of whom express how much fun they have playing golf, some juniors approach the Rules with some combination of trepidation and confusion.

This is where PGA Professionals can play a major role in aiding young golfers, especially those who hope to participate in tournament play. PGA Professionals often provide vital teaching and wisdom to players learning how to physically play golf, and it makes sense that professionals can offer that same role when it comes to the Rules of the game.

I've seen PGA Professionals take time during teaching clinics to further explain the Rules, and I've even heard of young golfers attending quick, informative seminars on the Rules of Golf. This is a tremendous opportunity – especially for younger players – to build a solid foundation of knowledge on Golf Rules and Etiquette. Knowing how to utilize the Rules can only benefit golfers and PGA Professionals can provide incredible value to these players by teaching the Rules.

So the next time a junior player assumes a provisional is some kind of penalty, explain it's only meant to help them. And the next time you see a player haphazardly drop a ball near where they lost it, please stop them and use this as a teaching moment.

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DRIVE CHIP & PUTT

CHAMPIONSHIP

Kids all over New England have joined us this year to take part in the Drive, Chip & Putt qualifiers in hopes of testing their skills in the national competition held at Augusta National during Masters week in 2016. Thank you to everyone who has participated so far! We still have one Sub-Regional qualifier to go on August 12th at Pinehills GC. 2015 event results and all NEPGA DCP information can be found on NEPGA.com/ChipandPutt.



Photos taken at the NEPGA Drive, Chip and Putt qualifier held at the Links at Lang Farm on July 2nd.



Social Media *Takes to the Course!*

Looking back at a few tweets from the previous month...



Andrew Lane, PGA @lane33andy · Jul 2

Hey @PGAjrleaguegolf @pgaofamerica, @McIlroyRory @NEPGA this is the definition of a helper #growthegame #wcc



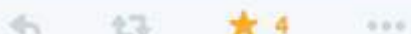
MGGAcademy @MGGAcademy · Jul 4

Jacob Florence shoots 68 to #WIN @
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CAPE COD & RHODE ISLAND CHAPTER NEWS

Submitted by Mickey Herron, PGA, Cape Cod & Rhode Island Chapter Tournament Manager

All Things Junior Golf in Southeastern New England



A Junior League match on the Cape begins properly.

As early August approaches the PGA Junior League PLAYOFFS begin throughout the NEPGA Section featuring 28 leagues comprising of 120 club teams (over 1000 juniors) battling for the chance to represent our section in the national finals.

The Rhode Island Chapter is well represented with 4 leagues looking forward to having their all-star teams contend in the August 2nd SOUTH SUB-REGIONAL opening matches of the playoffs. Kudos to the following clubs and their PGA Head Professionals – Quidnessett/ John DelBonis, Cranston/ Isaac Moniz, Valley/Chad Spencer, Weekapaug/Chris Colucci, Laurel Lane/ Brian Mahone, Point Judith/ Dave Marcotte, Acoaxet/ Brent Amaral, Allendale/ Steve Brown, Acushnet River/ Gary Cardoza, Kirkbrae/ Mike Bradshaw, Foster/ Brian Benson, Warwick/ Matt Walsh who will compete against teams from the Cape Cod Chapter – Squirrel Run & Village Links/ David Moore, Pinehills/ John Tuffin, Halifax I-II-III/ Bob Giusti, The Bay Club/ Greg Yeomans, LeBaron Hills/ Tom Rooney, Kittansett/ Pat Gunning, Eastward Ho!/ Brian Hamilton, Dennis Highlands/ John Boniface, Captains/ Mark O'Brien, Cranberry Valley I, II/ Roman Greer, Blue Rock/ Pat Fannon, Hyannis I-II-III/ Jesse Schechtman & Merry Holway, Pocasset I-II/ Jeff Halunen, Cummaquid/ Steve Spencer, Hyannisport/ Mike Haberl, Oyster Harbors/ Sean Edmonds & The Ridge Club/ Jay Askew. In all cases, A-8 Members and Apprentices at these clubs play an integral part of their teams as do the many volunteers & parents involved in the phenomenal growth of PGA Junior League golf.

The Cape Chapter and PGA Host Roman Greer are proud to announce that the Northeast Regionals will be conducted at Cranberry Valley, Harwich, MA on Sept. 19-20.

Drive, Chip & Putt Local Qualifying Wraps Up!

The NEPGA conducted 10 massive local DCP qualifiers throughout the section this summer (the largest being Granite Links- 225 kids!) , including Rhode Island's Button Hole/ Dan Gaughan, The Bay Club/ Greg Yeomans & LeBaron Hills/ Tom Rooney where nearly 500 kids at the latter three competed for a chance to qualify for the Sub-Regionals at Pinehills on August 12th. Many Section Members' children teed it up at all the local sites – some successfully making it to the next round. And from Pinehills, two kids from each age group advance to The Country Club on Sept. 13th where the top junior golfer from each group will punch their ticket to Augusta next spring!



Over 175 kids competed at LeBaron Hills DCP in late July

MORE THANK YOU's to FELLOW PGA PRO/HOSTS

Amazingly, NEPGA Jacy Settles and his coterie of hard-working interns coordinate nearly 100 junior tournaments each season – featuring 24 events in Rhode Island & on Cape Cod. The players and PGA colleagues all thank the following PGA Hosts: John Rainone, Mark O'Brien, Chad Schofield, John Munroe, Bob Giusti, Dave Moore, Brian Langevin, Larry Demers, John Frizzell, Greg Yeomans, Jesse Schechtman, Merry Holway, Steve Brown, Jay Askew, AJ Petrulak, Tony DiGiorgio (2 events), Tom Rooney (2 events) and Jim Armentrout (3 events). In addition, the Cape Cod Junior Golf Association conducted 20 events this summer featuring a variety of tournaments for the 300 junior members of the association. The CCJGA also began an all-girls tournament schedule this summer in conjunction with the LPGA Teaching Division.



Left: Crystal Lake GC PGA HP Tony DiGiorgio reported last week that his junior partner Will Degnan recorded his first hole-in-one while playing with Tony during a practice round. Congrats, Will!

Right: Chip Johnson, PGA

HP Hatherly CC, daughter Jillian & the winning team of the CCPGA Pro-Junior held in mid-July at Squirrel Run GC hosted by reigning Chapter Professional of the Year David Moore.

CONGRATS TO...

Newly elected PGA Members: Patrick Barnes-PGA/ Nantucket GC & Daniel Trink-PGA/ Wannamoisett CC, and to so many fellow professionals who have run outings/ tournaments this summer honoring our veterans and the Wounded Warrior Project. To the left is a graphic illustration of this – taken at Todd Campbell's Ledgemont CC golf shop during the July 4th holidays.





MAINE CHAPTER NEWS

Submitted by Tom Moffatt, PGA, Maine Chapter Operations Manager

Upcoming Events

August 10: Pro Am at Sugarloaf

August 11 & 12: State of Maine Championship at Sugarloaf

August 24: ProAm at Waterville CC

August 25: Assistants Championship at Falmouth CC

September 1: Pro Senior at the Ledges

Highlights from July

This past month we continued with Chapter Championships beginning with our Pro Lady hosted by PGA Professional Nick Glicos and the Martindale Country Club. We had close to 20 teams that survived the heat and enjoy the day. The local team of Melissa Johnson, Neila Nelke and Kristin Kannegeiser teamed up with Nick to win by a commanding 5 shots over the second place finishers. Thank you to Nick and the rest of the Martindale staff for a great day!

Our next stop was a trip to Augusta Country Club for the Pro Am Championship. Special thanks to PGA

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Professional Jason Hurd for helping secure sponsors for the day. Thank you to the local business of JS McCarthy Printers for their support. Shawn Warren, PGA fired a low round 65 to help carry his team to the Championship. The team from Falmouth CC consisting of Gary Manoogian, Joe Ernst, and Leo Paquette bested the field by 6 shots! Nice playing!

The final Championship of the month of July was the Senior Junior Championship hosted by PGA Professional Ben Morey and Spring Meadows Golf Club. This event was re-scheduled from June and the team of John Hickson and Jeff Seavey successfully defended their title by firing a low round 64. Thank you to Ben Morey and the Staff at Spring Meadows for providing a great day!

We have a great fall lineup for Pro Ams in the Maine Chapter in the month of September. I hope to see you all at one or more events as we go forward. Participation from our Chapter member's makes it more enjoyable for all. Get out and play, entertain your members to some really great tracks this September.



Maine Chapter Pro-Am Champions Shawn Warren, PGA and his team of amateurs.



Maine Chapter Senior-Junior Champions Jeff Seavey, PGA & John Hickson, PGA.

MASSACHUSETTS CHAPTER NEWS

Submitted by Mark Aldrich, PGA, Massachusetts Chapter President

It is Championship season time and we have much to be excited about. Dan Venezio, PGA of Myopia Hunt Club has qualified for the PGA Championship at Whistling Straits, if you have not had a chance to wish him well there is still time, and I am sure he will appreciate all the support he receives.

The growth of the game initiative through the YMCA programs are still in talks, we have had a little difficulty agreeing on logistics, but if it does not come to fruition this summer/fall we will look at other YMCA's in Massachusetts to

start our program next year or this winter indoors.

We have an agreement with Mt. Wachusett to host a long drive competition in conjunction with a WAAF- Greg Hill event, with proceeds going to the Massachusetts Chapter food drive and the Greg Hill Foundation. The date of this event will come out soon and we will need volunteers to help run and coordinate.

Good luck to all participating in the Section Championship as well as the Assistant Championship.



VERMONT CHAPTER NEWS

Submitted by Dave Christy, PGA, Vermont Chapter Tournament Manager

On July 2nd, the VTPGA and their allied associates hosted the National Drive, Chip, and Putt competition at Links at Lang Farm. Host professional, Steve Gonsalves, PGA continued to do his always terrific job of coordinating the volunteers and PGA professionals. We had 145 juniors from all over New England and Canada (nearly half the field) represented in each age group. Many of our local Vermont juniors qualified to move on to Framingham CC in August including children of VTPGA members Paul Politano and Zack Wyman.

Our Junior Tour has seen steady participation over the past month. Our juniors this week are competing in the Match Play Championship with the Stroke Play Championship to follow on August 7th.

Tournament Results

This spring's rainy weather has caused some issues with postponements and shortened pro ams.

On June 29th, our Pro 3 Am Championship was postponed until August 10th.

On July 6th, we held our next major, the Pro Lady at Sugarbush GC hosted by RJ Austin, PGA. We thank our sponsor Chris Sluicer with Advocare and Nike Clothing for their tee gifts. Our winning net team from CC of Barre was led by Roger King, PGA, with a 2 best ball of 4 score of 128. Gross winners were the team from Rutland CC with Greg Nelson, PGA, leading the way with a team score of 139. Low Professional score was Taylor Cowie, Links at Lang Farm with a score of 71 followed by Ron Philo, PGA, Stowe Mountain Club and Paul Politano, PGA, Montague GC both with a 72.



On July 13th, the VT Chapter Pro Am was held at Rutland CC with Greg Nelson, PGA, as our host. This was also our Mohegan Sun qualifier. We had three weather interruptions during play and nine teams were unable to finish due to darkness. We thank our long time sponsor Farrell Distributing for their generous added money to the purse. Also providing a Pro Pro purse was Paul Jones and Club Car. Format was one best ball gross and net. Our team winners were led by Rodney Bicknell, PGA, Neshobe GC with a score of 126. Professional scores included a tie between Rodney Bicknell and Paul Politano, PGA, Montague GC both with a score of 72.



Our Vermont Stroke Play Championship was played July 20-21 at Okemo Valley GC hosted by Jim Remy, PGA, Michael SantaMaria, PGA, and Jim Cruickshank, PGA. Our sponsors included Jim Mayo with Antigua and Bushnell, Farrell Distributing, Matt Cunningham with Tournament Solutions, Avidia Bank, Vermont Golf ValueBook, and the PGA Tour. Ron Philo, PGA, Stowe Mountain Club is our 2014 Vermont Stroke play Champion with a two day score of 141. Next was Chapter President Dave Pfannenstien, PGA, VGA, with 143 followed by Rodney Bicknell, PGA, Neshobe GC and Mark Aebli, PGA, Hermitage GC both at 144. Our Pro Pro winning team was Mark Aebli and Jim Ironside, PGA, Alburg GL with a score of 133. Highlight of the Championship was the last nine holes of play where Ron Philo shot a 32 to win the Championship.



Upcoming Events

NEPGA Seniors Champ. hosted by Woodstock CC, Aug 5-6
Ralph Myhnre GC Junior Tour Championship, August 7
CC of Barre VT Pro 3 Am Championship, August 10



2015 Okemo Stroke Play Championship



Ron Philo, PGA and Dave Pfannenstien, PGA



NEW HAMPSHIRE CHAPTER NEWS

Submitted by Frank Swierz, New Hampshire Chapter Tournament Manager



Newport GC Foursome Capture NHC ProLady Championship

Led by Head Professional Vince Molesky, the foursome from Newport GC was victorious in the ProLady Championship held at Mount Washington Hotel and Resort in Bretton Woods, NH. The group shot a 5-under 67 and tied with Stonebridge CC but prevailed on a match of cards. Members of the winning team

are Tracy Molesky, Paige Gauthier and Elizabeth Licht. Low professional for the day was Dan Wilkins of Laconia CC with a 1-under par round of 71. Thanks to John Pawlak, Mt. Washington Head professional, for his hospitality and to AHEAD and Titleist for their sponsorship.



Phil Davis, Beaver Meadow GC Head Professional, pointing to the beautiful surroundings at Bretton Woods to his amateur partners.



John Pawlak, Mount Washington Head Professional, giving instructions to ProLady participants prior to heading out on to the golf course.

NHC Championship at North Conway CC to Highlight Chapter Season

With returning Chapter Champion Jim Sheerin and runner-up Rich Berberian, Jr. in the fold, the NHC Championship at North Conway CC shapes up as another ding-dong battle of some of the Chapter's finest professional golfers. Also, considered as tournament favorites are current Player of the Year Leader Matt Arvanitis and Bill Andrews, 2014 Senior Division Champion and defending NEPGA Senior Champion Dan Wilkins.

Some 40 professionals will tee it up in the first round of championship play on Monday, August 10 with the final round scheduled for the next day. Once again, Tournament Solutions will be on hand at the conclusion of round two to present a crystal trophy to the winner.



The Chapter is very grateful to our hosts, Larry and Kathy Gallagher of North Conway CC for their hospitality and warm welcome of our participants and their families.



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NHC PLAYER OF THE YEAR (as of July 27th)		
Matt Arvanitis	Southern NH Univ.	105.5
Dan Wilkins	Laconia CC	98.67
Matthew Bradbury	Crotched Mtn GC	83
Jay Pollini	Wentworth GC	81.33
Ray Smith	Nashua CC	81.03
Rich Berberian, Jr.	Windham CC	69.5
Mitch Jefferson	Ridgewood CC	65.5
Bob McGraw	Eagle Mountain	64
Eric Soderman	Hoodcroft CC	61.2
Cory Mansfield	Montcalm GC	59.7

NHC PRO-PRO Championship Results

Montcalm GC | July 20 | PAR 72

Arvanitis/Durocher Victors in NHC Pro-Pro Championship

Matt Arvanitis, Southern NH University and Chris Durocher, Lake Sunapee CC were as hot as the weather at the NHC ProPro Championship held at Montcalm Golf Club in Enfield, NH. With the temperature hovering around ninety degrees, the twosome combined for seven birdies and two eagles for a score of 11 under par 61 over the 6800 yard layout. Finishing in second place was the duo of Rich Berberian, Jr. and Marc Spencer of Windham CC with a fine score of 64. Bill Andrews, Portsmouth CC and Dan Wilkins, Laconia CC were third at 67.

RESULTS

1 st (61)	Matt Arvanitis, Southern NH University Chris Durocher, Lake Sunapee CC
2 nd (64)	Rich Berberian, Jr., Windham CC Marc Spencer, Windham CC
3 rd (67)	Bill Andrews, Portsmouth CC Dan Wilkins, Laconia CC
4 th (68)	Cory Mansfield, Montcalm GC Barry Pearson, Keene CC
5 th (69)	Eric Soderman, Hoodcroft CC Danny Kish, Eastman GC
5 th (69)	Jon Ellis, Rochester, CC Codi Daudelin, Rochester CC

NHC PRO-Senior Championship Results

Pease GC | July 13 | PAR 71

Portsmouth CC Foursome NHC Pro-Senior Champions

Once again, a strong contingent from Portsmouth CC emerged as winners in the NHC ProSenior Championship at Pease GC in Greenland, NH. Led by Pro Bill Andrews, the group shot an 11 under par 60 over the par 71 layout. Andrew's amateur partners were Don Dorow, Steve Cronin and Scott Hatch. Low professional of the day was Rich Berberian, Jr. of Windham CC, fresh from an exhilarating experience in the U.S. Open, who shot a 5-under par round of 66.

RESULTS

LOW GROSS (BB OF FOURSOME)

1 st (60)	Portsmouth CC (Bill Andrews)
2 nd (63)	Laconia CC (Dan Wilkins)
2 nd (63)	Nashua CC (Ray Smith)

LOW NET (BB OF FOURSOME)

1 st (56)	Windham CC (Rich Berberian, Jr.)
2 nd (57)	Nippo Lake (Chris Mowers)
2 nd (57)	Keene CC (Charlie Kamal)

LOW PROFESSIONAL

1 st (66)	Rich Berberian, Jr., Windham CC
2 nd (68)	Dan Wilkins, Laconia CC
2 nd (68)	Ray Smith, Nashua CC
4 th (69)	Matt Arvanitis, Southern NH University
4 th (69)	Rick Gray, Ridgewood CC

SENIORS' ASSOCIATION NEWS

Submitted by Joe Carr, PGA

We have a great schedule for the rest of 2015 and hope to see more of our Senior players out on the course. Watch for the highlights of our Senior Championship in the September issue of this publication and on NEPGA.com. Most of us are headed to beautiful Woodstock Country Club this week for our Senior Championship. Hope to see you there!

Membership Dues are \$25 and the Senior Association is open to any PGA Professional in good standing who will turn 50 years of age in 2015. For more information, please contact Joe Carr, PGA 508.873.7768 or Dennis Selvitella, PGA 508.410.4984.

Remaining Senior Association Events

Aug 19	Halifax-Pro and 3 Ams, 8:30 am tee times
Aug 24	Tatnuck CC-Pro and 3 Ams, 10 am shotgun
Aug 27	Bradford CC-Pro-Pro, 8:30 am tee times
Sept 17	Bass Rocks GC-Pro and 3 Ams
Sept 23	Needham GC-Pro and 3 Ams
Oct 7	Thorny Lea GC-Pro and 3 Ams
Oct 13	Essex County Club Pro-Pro
Oct	Myopia Hunt Club Pro-Pro
Oct 15	Pleasant Valley CC 9:00 Fall Meeting and Sr Association Championship after



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Name	Class	Facility
Codi J Daudelin	B-8	Rochester CC
Scott V. Kane	B-8	Spring Valley CC
Timothy P Leigh	B-8	Carnegie Abbey Club
Sean W Whitelavich	B-8	Country Club of Barre

EMPLOYMENT CHANGES

Name	Class	Start	Facility
Brent A Balderston	B-8	7/28	Rowley Country Club
John F. Sullivan Jr., PGA	B-8	7/27	Wentworth By The Sea CC

NEW QUARTER CENTURY MEMBERS

Name	Class	Award Date
Timothy Bishop, PGA	A-1	7/31
Jim Falco, PGA	LM	7/31

CLASSIFICATION CHANGES

Name	Class	Facility
John F. Sullivan Jr., PGA	B-8	Wentworth By The Sea CC

REMINDER TO MEMBERSHIP

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