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2015 NEPGA Senior Champion

Kirk Hanefeld, PGA

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FRONT COVER:
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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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 other. 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
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 daycare 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 daycare 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

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## OMEGA “Skip” Wogan Player of the Year

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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

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.
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.
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.

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.

What’s Coming Up

in our September issue...

Results of the Section and Assistant Championships
See how Dan Venezio, PGA faired at the PGA Championship
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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 67, 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 Abenaqui 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 Watpole 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.
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!

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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.

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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 par 68.

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!

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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-yard 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.

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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 leaderboard 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 Tumbler 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.

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What’s In The Bag?
A look at our latest NEPGA event winner’s equipment

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2015 Bobby Jones Pro-Pro Stroke Play
Jeff Seavey, PGA and Shawn Warren, PGA
Samoset Harbor & Falmouth CC

In Jeff’s Bag...
Driver: Taylormade R15
Fairway: Taylormade R15 Fairway
Hybrid: Taylormade R15 4,5 Rescue
Irons: Taylormade RSi 2
Wedges: Taylormade Tour Preferred EF
Putter: Agamore Hunt Putter &
Taylormade P2 G2

In Shawn’s Bag....
Driver: Taylormade Sldr 430, 10.5° loft
Fairway: Taylormade Aeroburner 15 3-wood
Irons: Taylormade 3-PW RSi
Wedges: Taylormade R-series 52° 56° 62°
Putter: Taylormade 47in Rossa Monza Spider
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

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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 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 no 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.

View Volunteer Roster

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SCNS Sports Foods is pleased to offer our valued NEPGA Section members a free box of any of our 1st Tee™ and 10th Tee™ golf nutrition bars on your next order. The offer is available to any NEPGA Section member from now until August 15, 2015. Please note the following:

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1. 1st Tee Pre-Round Golf Energy Bars. A pre-round meal bar that provides balanced nutrition via complex carbohydrates, protein and fat. Each bar also contains chamomile, hops and valerian root to help reduce anxiety and calm those first tee jitters. Available in Oatmeal Raisin and Chocolate Peanut flavors.

2. Gluten Free 1st Tee Dark Chocolate Chip Trail Mix bar. Made with six different nuts and seeds, dark chocolate chips, and no artificial ingredients.


4. 10th Tee Back Nine Golf Energy bars for a light meal or snack at the turn. Each bar contains Green Tea Extract and Panax Ginseng Extract to help sustain energy and focus throughout the back nine. The bars look and taste like candy bars, but have twice the protein and half the fat of popular candy bars such as Snickers. Available in Peanut Honey and Chocolate Peanut Caramel flavors.

*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?"

Michael Rothera, PGA Director of Instruction Pinehills Golf Club

"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

"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
- Newton Commonwealth
- Brae Burn
NEPGA Junior Tour presented by

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.
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.
Social Media Takes to the Course!
Looking back at a few tweets from the previous month...

Andrew Lane, PGA @lane33andy · Jul 2
Hey @PGAnational @PGA @PGAmagazine, @McllroyRory @NEPGA this is the
definition of a helper #growththegame #wcc

MGGAcademy @MGGAcademy · Jul 15
Jacob Florence shoots 68 to WIN @GolfforeElites @alexpearce_golf finished 3rd... #AWD

Greg Cormier, CGCS @NCCSupt · Jul 16
Great first night of the Men’s Invitational. Thanks to the @NEPGA for your help!
Shaker Hills C.C. @ShakerHills · Jul 21
Great playing today @NEPGAJRTOUR! We hope you enjoyed your day @ShakerHills #golf #promotejrgolf @NEPGA

@NEPGA #Championship at Presidents GC
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Tournament Solutions @TSolutionsMA · Jul 22
Great day at the 2015 @NEPGA Vermont Chapter Championship!
@TSolutionsMA was once again a proud sponsor!

2015 Vermont Chapter Championship

10:18 AM - 22 Jul 2015 · Details
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!
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 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.

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MASSACHUSETTS CHAPTER NEWS
Submitted by Mark Aldrich, PGA, Massachusetts Chapter President

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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 Pfannenstein, 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
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 Stonebrige 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.

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.
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.

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

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

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

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

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

NHC PRO-PRO Championship Results
Montcalm GC | July 20 | PAR 72

NHC PRO-Senior Championship Results
Pease GC | July 13 | PAR 71

SENIORS’ ASSOCIATION NEWS
Submitted by Joe Carr, PGA

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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
Diamond Level - $25,000 & Up

Platinum Level - $10,000

Gold Level - $5,000

Silver Level - $4,999 & Under
NEW APPRENTICES

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

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