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FRONT COVER:

New England Open winner Braden Shattuck of Aston, PA poses with the New England Open trophy after posting a final round score of 66 (-6). He won the New England Open for the first time with a two-day total of 136 (-8)!

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE: Ron Bibeau, PGA



Dear NEPGA Professionals and Associates,

As the summer solstice has passed and the days are starting to get shorter, it amazes me how quickly our season here in New England goes by. Before you know it, we will be at our Fall Meeting recapping what I hope will have been a highly successful

season for the New England PGA, and hopefully for you both personally and professionally as well.

For those of you that have met your MSR requirements, Congratulations!!! The deadline came and went on June 15th, and I am extremely proud of our NEPGA Education Committee led by Co-Chairs Mike Bradshaw and Graham Cunningham, and the quality education they put forth during this cycle to not only provide MSR opportunities, but tangible learning opportunities for our PGA Professionals in all corners of the Section.

While we made great progress in the last 6 months leading up to the MSR Deadline, there are still some of our PGA Professionals who were unable to meet the requirements. To those of you that have come up short, I encourage you to still try and accomplish the goal of 54 credits. If you did not meet the requirements as of June 15, you will be asked to make up the amount you are short PLUS that same amount during our next cycle before you are moved out of Class F and back into Active status of PGA Membership.

The PGA of America governance continues to be active and your NEPGA Officers are very involved and representing our Members on a national level. With the upcoming PGA of America Secretary election this November in Palm Springs, it is with great pleasure that I announce the New England Section will be supporting John Lindert, PGA for National Secretary.

John is the Director of Golf at Country Club of Lansing, a Member of the Michigan PGA Section, and is the District 5 Director on the PGA Board of Directors. Your Board of Directors and Executive



John Lindert, PGA

Committee went through a rigorous process which included phone conversations with each candidate, conference calls as well as attending the super-regional meetings in Atlanta where the four candidates presented and met with Section leadership.

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After many conversations it was decided at the last board meeting we would support John. John was selected for his experience and passion for the PGA brand, and we felt he was a genuine Professional and has the best interests of the PGA Professional in mind. I can assure you that we have taken this responsibility very seriously and feel John is the right candidate for our Section to continue providing our members a voice at a national level.

In closing I would like to thank all the Staff, Board Members, Committee Chairs and especially my fellow Officers of the NEPGA for their commitment, passion and dedication to making the NEPGA the best section in the country.

Respectfully Submitted

Ron Bibeau PGA

President of the New England Section



EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE: Mike Higgins



Recently I was listening to my son sing while he was cleaning up his Legos. Many of you have probably heard the same song sung in your home.

"Clean up, clean up, everybody do your share." When I came into the room he said "Dad you can help if you want. Did you know teamwork makes dreams work?" I said "I would love to help you," but I also saw this as a bit of a teaching/learning moment for both he and I, so I said "what does that mean?" He said, "If we do it together we can get it done faster and we can accomplish more as a team." I am not sure as a five year old he fully understood what he was saying, or if he was just repeating what he heard in Kindergarten, but either way it certainly made all the sense in the world to me.

When I started thinking about article topics for the July newsletter I thought about how relevant this topic could be for our PGA Professionals. There are several ways to define teamwork, but for some more "couleur," why not think of it as the French do. The French language has an excellent expression to describe it: esprit de corps. I always remembered that from my 601 SAT Prep class from high school!

Everything sounds better in the French language, but it means the same thing no matter what language you speak. Esprit de corps is a sense of unity, of enthusiasm for common interests and responsibilities, as developed among a

group of persons closely associated in a task, cause, enterprise.

Teamwork can be likened to two compounds, almost essential to modern life and certainly essential to the golf operation at a facility. It's the glue that keeps a team together, a bond which promotes strength, unity, reliability and support. Golf is for the most part an individual sport, and even though it's the player who finally hits the ball, playing with a caddy creates a team aspect in the event. The caddy is crucial in the road to victory in a tournament, as he plays an important role measuring distances, reading the greens or simply motivating the player. With the right caddy he can actually elevate the players game with his input.



It can be a team effort to win a golf tournament, but it is also a team effort for a successful golf operation at your facility. Conducting golf events, organizing and training staff, conducting clinics and the many day to day activities are the result of a strong team. So why is teamwork important? It doesn't mean everybody is doing the same thing or everybody is able to do

each other's jobs. It's more a means to a synergistic way of working, where the sum is greater than the parts. Properly managed, teamwork maximizes the strengths of each individual; it brings out the best in each team member. These specific, possibly unique individual strengths are then complimented by the strengths of others, or of the team as a unit. One PGA Professional may enjoy conducting events, another may have a passion for instruction and a third might be excellent with member relations. Together as a unit they are a finely tuned machine!

I was fortunate to interview a few recent New England PGA Golf Professional of the Year recipients. I asked each of them the same question. "What do you attribute to the success of your team?" Communication was the overwhelming response. Knowing every team members role and responsibility was also very important to creating a synergy and a flow that gives the perception that the team is all on the same page. Supporting one another and "having each others back" was also a common discussion. Everyone is headed in the same direction, is in unison and strive for the same common purpose.

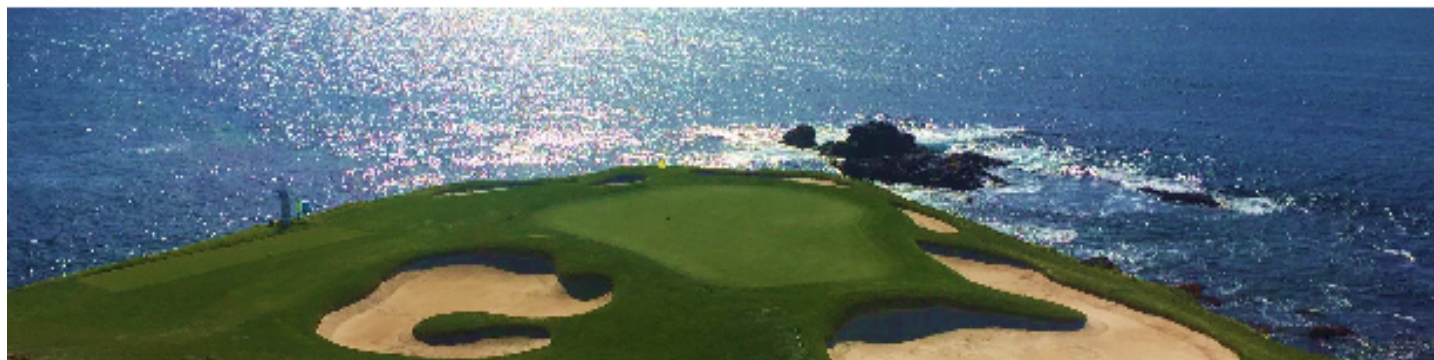
I had some wonderful conversations and really enjoyed the input. I hope this article makes you take a look at your team and the role you each play in your successful operation. The right team can take your operation to the next level. We are very fortunate at the New England PGA to have a very talented team that enjoys serving our PGA Professionals. As always please reach out to any of our team if we can be of assistance to your team.

Have a wonderful summer and I look forward to seeing you soon.

Respectfully,
Mike Higgins

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Bruso Burns Through Blue Hill

Stroke Play Series in Full Swing after event #2

-Canton, MA

Blue Hill Country Club in Canton, MA welcomed the second NEPGA Stroke Play Series event of the season. It was a perfect day for golf, not a cloud in the sky and temperatures reaching high 70s. Designed by Eugene "Skip" Wogan in 1925, this beautiful par-72 track welcomed a PGA Championship in 1956.

Bob Bruso, PGA (Blackstone National) a very familiar name in the New England Section added another big victory to his resume. Carding a -4 (68), Bruso sat on top of the Leaderboard the entire day. Bruso wrapped up both the front and back nine with a pair of birdies.

Following close behind was Allan Menne of Mink Meadows in Tisbury, MA. Menne carded a -3 (69) and had an excellent 33 on the back nine. Placing third with a score of -2 (70) was John Rainone of North Kingstown GC.

Carding under par rounds were: Matt Arvanitis of Hooksett, NH, Kirk Hanefeld of Salem CC, Frank Dully of Kernwood CC, and Rich Karbowski of Berlin, MA.

Back from sunny Seaside, CA was Shawn Warren, PGA (Falmouth CC). Warren made his way down to Blue Hill to pick the clubs back up for the first time since qualifying for the 100th PGA Championship. He carded an even par 72 and is eager for his major debut.

We would like to thank our Host Professional Ian Kelley and the rest of the Blue Hill Country Club staff for the great day. Another huge thank you to our loyal partners at Ahead, Cutter & Buck, Bushnell Golf, Avidia Bank, and SCNS Sports Foods.

For highlights from the day check us out on Facebook ([here](#)), Twitter ([here](#)), and Instagram ([here](#)).



Click Here for the
Recap Video!

RESULTS

1	Robert Bruso	-4	68
2	Allan Menne	-3	69
3	John Rainone	-2	70
T4	Matt Arvanitis	-1	71
T4	Kirk Hanefeld	-1	71
T4	Frank Dully	-1	71
T4	Rick Karbowski	-1	71
T8	Matt Zdon	E	72
T8	David Dionne	E	72
T8	Steven Field	E	72
T8	Shawn Warren	E	72

Seal the Deal

Moskevich, Manchester CC take Pro-Officer Championship

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Recap Video!](#)

-Wellesley, MA

Brian Moskevich, PGA and his officer partner of Kevin Doherty from Manchester Country Club combined for a five-under-par score of 66 (1 BB of 2 Gross) at the Pro-Officer Championship at Wellesley CC on Wednesday. Manchester Country Club pairings made up three spots in the top five.

It was a picture perfect day in Wellesley, with tons of sunshine and warm temperatures. It made for a perfect day for golf for the 142-player field. The Manchester CC team began their day on the fourth hole. The 323 yard par-4 got the duo off to a great birdie start, and set them up for some great play throughout their round.

The pair combined for birdies on the seventh and ninth holes, heading to the back nine of the course. Continuing their run, they made birdie on the tenth hole, but followed up with a bogey on the 11th, the second hardest hole on the course. It didn't get them down, as they made an eagle on the 16th. They'd finish by adding another birdie and bogey, but on the top of the leaderboard at (-5) 66.

"It was fun, we had a fun day out there, we bounced around here and there but he (Doherty) holed out for eagle on I think 16 and that was huge, but we had a great day," said Moskevich.

In the individual professional, Moskevich finished T3 at +1, using his partners' abilities to his advantage on his way to taking 3 of 5 top positions on the leaderboard with Manchester CC teams.

Tim Watroba, PGA (Thorny Lea) finished as the Individual Professional Champion, shooting a 70 (-1) on his own ball. He was the only professional on Wednesday to finish in red numbers.

Thank you to Jeff Philips, PGA and his staff at Wellesley CC for hosting us! Also a big thank you to



partners in this great event Goslings Rum, Tournament Solutions, Adidas, Five Star Golf Cars, Cushman, and EZGO, and Earth Networks, all of whom were present for the event.

RESULTS (Gross)

1	Manchester (Moskevich/Doherty)	-5	66
2	Blue Hill (Kelley/Cammarata)	-4	67
T3	Manchester (Moskevich/Solms)	-3	68
T3	Manchester (Moskevich/Thompson)	-3	68
T3	LeBaron Hills (Rooney/Copeland)	-3	68
T6	Oakley (Johnson/Santini)	-2	69
T6	Franklin (Maki/Cornetta)	-2	69
T6	LeBaron Hills (Rooney/Mollor)	-2	69
T6	Thorny Lea (Watroba/Edelson)	-2	69
T6	The Country Club (Walsh/Trase)	-2	69

Great Gusts

Karbowski and team take down winds to win Pro-Senior

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Recap Video!

Portsmouth, RI

Rick Karbowski, PGA (Auburn Driving Range) and his team of JimRuschioni, Ron Soderman, and Cliff Calvao shot a best ball (gross) score of 64 (-7) to take home the top honors at the Pro-Senior Championship at Carnegie Abbey Country Club in Portsmouth, RI on Monday. They topped a large and talented field of 34 teams by at least one stroke.

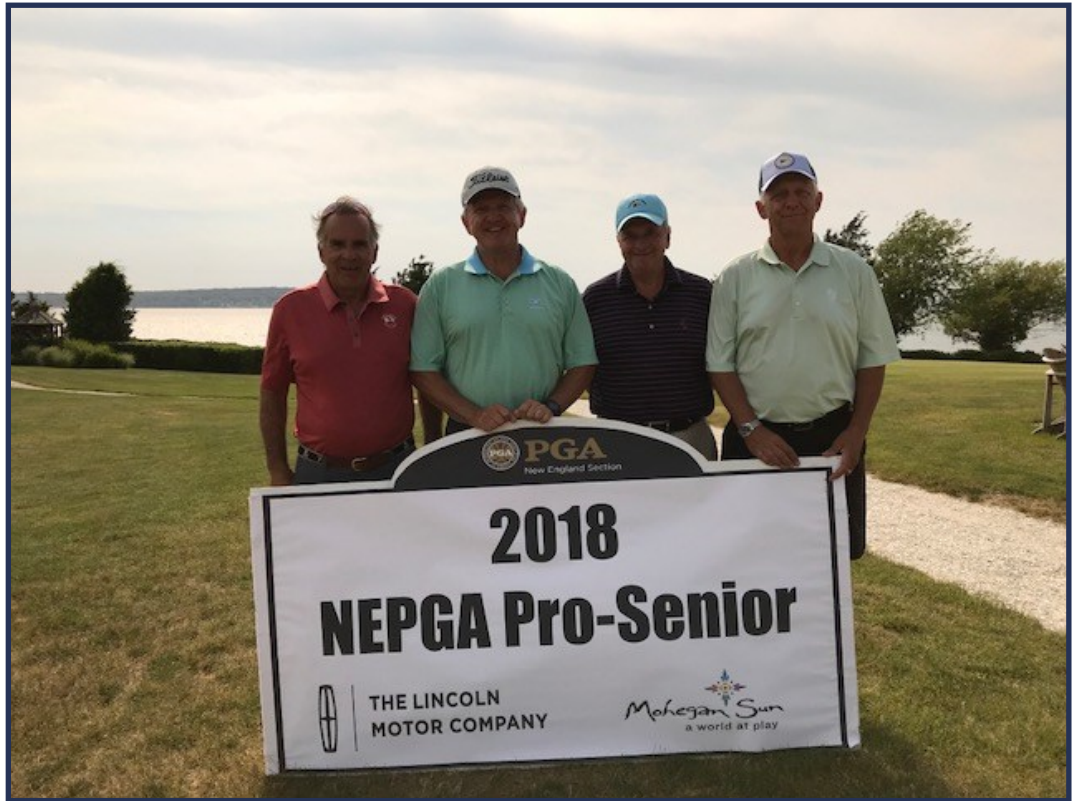
Karbowski and his team came ready to take down the competition, whether it is nature or the other golfers. Wind gusts barreled the course throughout the day, making an already tough golf course even tougher. At times, the gusts were simply described as brutal by many of the golfers on Monday.

On the front, the Auburn Driving range team combined for three birdies: one on the 3rd, 7th, and 9th holes. They made the turn at 32, ready to keep the birdie barrage going through the persistent gusts.

Their clean play was astonishing, as they made no bogeys on the day and added four more birdies on the back nine. They combined for a 64 (-7) which was good enough to win the championship by one stroke.

"We had a really great day just being out here," said Karbowski, "Jim and I had never been here or played the course before, and it's in great shape and was so much fun to play."

The teams of Meadow Brook GC led



by Matthew Buechner, PGA and North Kingstown GC led by Brian Owens, PGA tied for second with 65 (-6). Owens had the best day of all, shooting a 67 (-4) on his own ball to take the top honor in the individual professional category.

to Eddie Kirby, PGA and the Carnegie Abbey Club for hosting us!

Click [Here](#) for full results, and [click here](#) for pictures from Monday

RESULTS (Gross)

1	Auburn Driving Range	-7	64
T2	Meadow Brook GC	-6	65
T2	North Kingstown GC	-6	65
T2	Cyprian Keyes GC	-6	65
T5	Rochester CC	-5	66
T5	Winchester CC	-5	66
T5	Cyprian Keyes GC	-5	66
T8	Lebaron Hills CC	-4	67
T8	Ould Newbury Go	-4	67
T8	Abenauqui CC	-4	67
T11	North Andover CC	-3	68
T11	Meadow Brook GC	-3	68
T11	Triggs Memorial	-3	68
T11	Milton Hoosic	-3	68
T11	Ridgewood CC	-3	68
T11	Nabnasset Lake GC	-3	68

A big thank you to Mohegan Sun and Lincoln for their support in this great event! Although the wind kept any potential holes -in-one away, we have a feeling one of our players will go home with a Lincoln MKZ soon! Also a big thank you

Closing down the New England Open

Shattuck surpasses Hull in Sudden Death

-Quechee, VT

The 2018 New England Open came to an end Wednesday, June 6th. Going into round two, six competitors we all square at 5-under par (67). The Championship was clearly up for the taking. With much improved weather conditions for day 2, today's competitors enjoyed lots of sun and and much less wind and rain.

The Highlands course held all 36 holes of play and the competitors were extremely satisfied with the condition. Tee times began at 8:00 a.m. and the clouds were rolling over the mountains in the distance, the course could not have been more visually appealing. See our Instagram for pictures.

By 12:30 p.m. all the competitors were on the course and battle was on. The six first round leaders did whatever they could to separate themselves from the pack, as 22 other players started round two under par.

Braden Shattuck of Ashton, PA began his second round at 11:20 am and started the day 3 shots behind the leaders firing a 2-under par (70) on day 1. Shattuck had to play some catchup if the top six competitors carried on similar play from round one. Shattuck took the course hole by hole and played near perfect golf, firing the low round of the tournament; a 6 under par 66.

Shattuck entered the clubhouse well before the final groupings, and with a long ride back to PA he considered packing up and starting the long journey home from The Quechee Club. Thankfully he decided to stay and an hour and a half later found himself no longer alone at the top of the leaderboard.

Only one player from the top six rose above the rest, Drake Hull. Hull, an amateur from Rutland, VT and member of the UConn men's golf team followed his round one 67 with a 3-under par 69.

Hull entered the clubhouse and matched Shattuck's 36-hole total of 136 (-8). A sudden death playoff ensued at 5:15 p.m. Both Hull and Shattuck took to the par-5 18th for a chance to claim the title, 2018 New England Open Champion.

Shattuck buried a 15-foot birdie putt to put the pressure on Hull who had a chance to match and extend the playoff. Hull burned the edge and just like that the New England Open concluded. Shattuck couldn't help but smile and pump his fist knowing he just won the 2018 New England Open.



[Click Here for the Recap Video!](#)

Hull made a strong statement here at The Quechee Club, not only finishing a close second, but also claiming the title of Low Amateur.

Coming in at 7-under were Griffin Brown, Chris Wiatr, Bart George, Matt Hutchins, and Jack Wyman who all tied for third place.

Shawn Warren who is a common name in the mix was the low New England PGA Professional carding a 5-under 139.

The New England Open could not have been yet another great success without our hosts and partners. Thank you to Head PGA Professional TJ Anthoine, Superintendent Brett Bailey and the entire Quechee Club membership. A special thank you also to our partners at Turkish Airlines, Mohegan Sun, The Lincoln Motor Company, and PGA of America for the continued support.

RESULTS

Pos	Player	
1	Braden Shattuck , Aston, PA (p)	-8
2	Drake Hull (a), West Rutland, VT	-8
T3	Griffin Brown , Hollis, NH	-7
T3	Chris Wiatr, Woodbury, CT	-7
T3	Bart George, Arnold, MD	-7
T3	Matt Hutchins (a), Naples, FL	-7
T3	Jack Wyman (a), South Freeport, ME	-7
T8	Thomas Stirling, Medford, MA	-6
T8	Evan Harmeling, Burlington, VT	-6

Drive, Chip and Putt

DCP Season Kicks off in New England

The 2018 New England Drive Chip & Putt Local Qualifiers are in full swing! Many great courses throughout New England are welcoming the DCP this season, including The Bay Club at Mattapoisett and LeBaron Hills.

Participants have the chance to attend these local qualifiers for a chance at competing in the Sub-Regionals. The Sub-Regionals take place in mid-August, the two hosts this season are Renaissance Golf Club in Haverhill, MA and Pinehills Golf Club in Plymouth, MA. The Girls and Boys divisions are split into age groups giving each participant equal competition. The age groups are 7-9, 10-11, 12-13, & 14-15.

The ultimate end goal for the participants is to earn a place in the National Finals, at Augusta National Golf Club. The National Finals is broadcasted live by Golf Channel the Sunday before The Masters. Drive, Chip

and Putt is a free nationwide junior golf development competition that focuses on three fundamental golf skills. Participants get the opportunity to travel to beautiful courses, socialize with their peers and learn more about the wonderful game of golf.

At the 2017 National Finals, Zachary Colon of Bolton, MA took home the Boys 12-13 Championship, Brian Glennon of Hingham, MA placed 3rd in the Boys 14-15 age division, and Gabrielle Shieh of Carlisle, MA finished 4th in the Girls 14-15 age division. The National Finals allow participants from across the nation to come together at Augusta National, play on the main stage, and meet lifelong friends.

With this year's season upon us we are extremely excited to see the competition in the New England area.



Since 2013 Drive, Chip and Putt has been bringing the junior golf community together. The New England PGA is proud to be a part of this initiative. We look forward to seeing all participants at the local qualifiers.

Register for a Drive, Chip, & Putt Qualifier Near You!

If you have not yet registered for a Drive, Chip and Putt qualifier please go to www.DriveChipandPutt.com and sign up. It's free! Visit our [NEPGA DCP page](#) for additional info.

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Tues, July 10, 2018	The Bay Club at Mattapoisett (Mattapoisett, MA)
Tues. July 17, 2018	LeBaron Hills CC (Lakeville, MA)
Tuesday, July 24, 2018	Windham CC (Windham, NH)
Wed. July 25, 2018	Granite Links GC (Quincy, MA)
Wed. August 1, 2018	The Kwini Club (Shelburne, VT)
Tues., August 16, 2016	SUBREGIONAL: Renaissance GC (Haverhill, MA)
Thurs. August 16, 2018	SUBREGIONAL: Pinehills GC (Plymouth, MA)



Thank You, Bob!

Retiring Bob Beach, PGA honored by the town of Braintree, MA

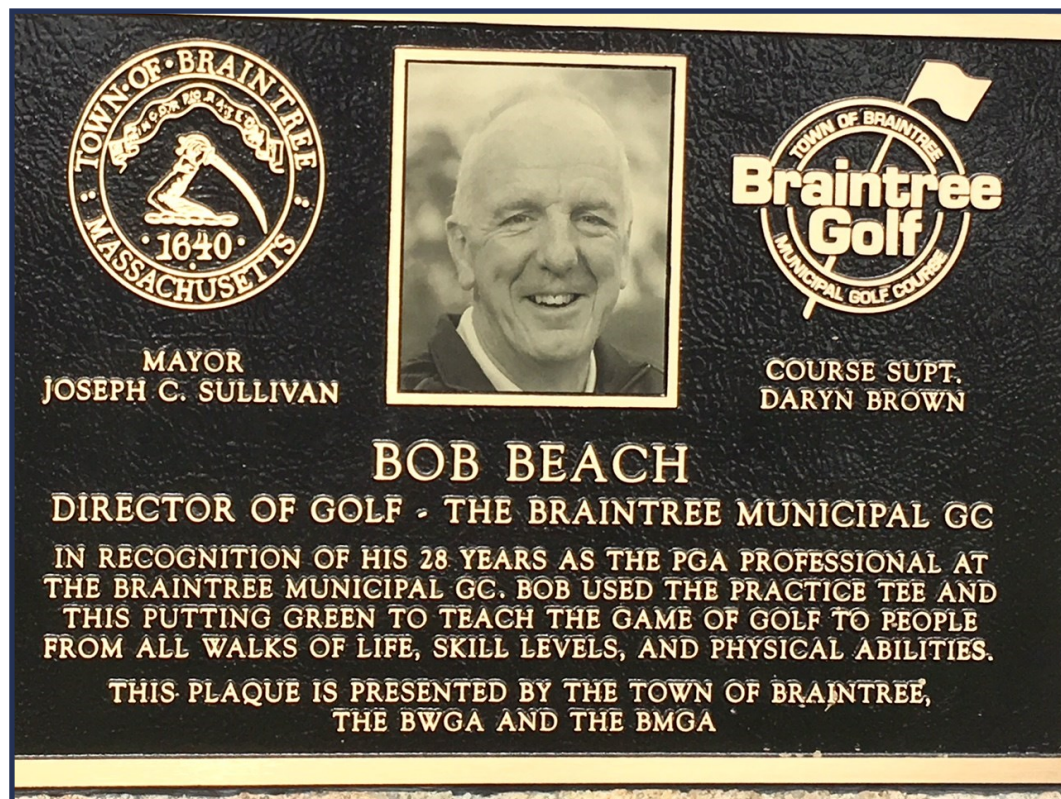
-Braintree, MA

Bob Beach, PGA knew the 2018 golf season would be one of great transition. Not just on the course in his members' golf games, but in his own life. On June 16th, after 27 years as a PGA Professional at Braintree Municipal, Beach will be retiring.

His retirement won't be a quiet stepping away. The mayor of Braintree Joseph Sullivan declared the week of June 3-9th as 'Bob Beach Week', honoring Beach's many accomplishments and successes within the community.

"He has done a lot of positive and wonderful things for our town. He has really lifted the game of golf here in Braintree," Sullivan said in an interview with the Patriot Ledger.

On June 7th, a plaque on the putting green at Braintree Municipal was dedicated in his honor, and on June 9th, Braintree Municipal will host a shotgun golf tournament celebrating Beach. He will also be the Grand Marshal at the



"Braintree Day" parade on June 30.

Beach's dedication to the PGA and New England PGA communities has been nothing less than substantial. In 2013 Beach was awarded the NEPGA Patriot Award in recognition of outstanding

dedication to helping military veterans. In 2014, Beach was elected into the New England PGA Hall of Fame.

He has dedicated his teaching career to helping those with disabilities access the game of golf. He has been heavily involved with both the Special Olympics of Massachusetts and is also on the Board of Directors for Golf For All, a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization

whose mission is to promote, advocate and publicize the free participation of all individuals with disabilities in the game of golf.

The NEPGA is very proud to have Bob as a member, and his dedication to improving lives through the game of golf is something we hope all of our members strive to have.

For more information on programs Beach will be running throughout the summer, check out the graphic on page 26 for volunteer opportunities with Bob at Braintree.

Congratulations to Bob Beach, PGA on a wonderful career!



Foundation Flourishing

Check out the ways the NEPGA Foundation is helping in the community

On the Heal

NEPGA Professionals Give Back through Children's Hospital Boston

Building off a visit to the Boston Children's Hospital in 2017 by Bob Beach, Brian Bain & Ryan Kesten, the reinvigorated NEPGA Growth of the Game Committee in conjunction with the NEPGA Foundation made a visit to the Children's Hospital to provide some fun for children and their families visiting the world-renowned facility in the heart of Boston. Four members of the Committee were in attendance for the two-hour program; PJ Breton, PGA (Framingham CC), Jim Chojnowski, PGA (Framingham CC), Jeff Atkinson, PGA (Belmont CC) & Todd Lytle, PGA (Boothbay Harbor GC) traveled from near and far and volunteered their time to give lessons to more than 10 children and brought a much needed reprieve from the world of poking and prodding, replacing it with swinging and smiling. Patients and families from as close as Bridgewater and as far as Saudi Arabia came through for some instruction with SNAG equipment, and left with some tee gifts courtesy of our Foundation partners Avidia Bank. The NEPGA is excited to make this a monthly program at the Boston location as well as satellite offices in Peabody & Waltham. If you would like to get involved or learn more, reach out to Dave McAdams at dmcadams@pgahq.com.



Wishes Granted

NEPGA Foundation Awards Six Grants for PGA Professional-led Programs

Last fall, NEPGA President Rob Jarvis and the NEPGA Foundation were happy to announce a new grant initiative for PGA Professionals beginning in 2018. Over the winter months the NEPGA Foundation board refined the grant application process and at the spring meeting it was announced that Professionals could now apply for grants to assist with charitable programs taking place at their facilities for the upcoming season. The NEPGA Foundation allocated \$15,000 to fund the approved grants, with those funds being made available through various fundraising programs that have taken place over the past two years.

The NEPGA Foundation is proud to announce the following PGA Professionals & Facilities are recipients of 2018 Grant Funding:



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New England Section Foundation

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Peiter DeVos, PGA - AYS Future Trojans/Kebo Valley Golf Camp

Rick Johnson, PGA - Spaulding Rehab & Adaptive Golf Program

Tim Loch, PGA - Cocheco Country Club First Tee Program

Don Roberts, PGA - Travis Mills Foundation Golf Program

Jim Tobin, PGA - Nourse VA Hospital Adaptive Golf
Rehabilitation Program

Stay tuned throughout the summer and fall as we provide updates for all the great work these worthwhile programs are doing in the communities, using the game of golf to positively impact lives!

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June Tournament News

As the June Tournament Season comes to a close, we're looking ahead to a wonderful tournament season for July! Here's what we have planned:

Section Championships/ PNC Qualifiers

Registration is now open for all of the New England PGA Section Championships and PGA Professional Championship national qualifiers. This year's Section Championship will be held on August 20th-22nd, and features two great seaside golf courses in Rhode Island: Warwick Country Club and Quidnessett Country Club. The Assistants Championship will be held on September 17th-18th at Renaissance, which provided a great test of golf at last year's Section Championship. Finally, the Section Senior Championship will return to Okemo Valley Golf Club, a perennial favorite for participants in the Senior Championship. Please remember that registration is through the PGA national office for these events, as they are qualifiers for National Championships. Please visit pga.org to register.

[Click for More Information](#)

Pro + 1 Am at the Cape Club of Sharon, July 9th

This year, we are happy to be returning to the Cape Club of Sharon (formerly Spring Valley Country Club). The site of a Stroke Play Series in 2017, the Cape Club of Sharon has proven to be a challenging and fun golf course for NEPGA Professionals, and is sure to impress your amateur partners. This tournament's format is four ball stroke play, with each professional inviting one amateur. There will be both gross and net prizes awarded. We appreciate the hospitality of host professional Mike Daron, PGA.



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Stroke Play Series #3- Manchester CC, July 16th

After a successful opening event at Shelter Harbor GC in May, and Blue Hill CC in June, the Stroke Play Series rolls on to Manchester CC in Bedford NH on July 16th. Manchester features a classic Donald Ross layout, and this event will count towards this season's OMEGA Wogan Player of the Year points race, as well as the Avidia Cup points race and 1st/10th Tee Challenge. The event's format is 18 holes of individual stroke play, and has a senior division and blind draw pro-pro on the side. Many thanks to host professional Kevin Bennison PGA, as well as our partners Ahead, Bushnell, Avidia Bank, SCNS Sports Foods, and the PGA Tour.



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Pro-Lady—Kernwood CC, July 19th

The 2018 Pro-Lady Invitational returns to perennial host Kernwood Country Club for another great day with the ladies of your membership. The Pro-Lady is a great opportunity to get out of the shop, and bond with a favorite club member outside of work. Please remember that to be eligible for this event, your amateur must be a dues-paying member of your club. Female family members are also eligible, even if they're not members of the club. This tournament is open to Class A Members, as well as Associates who have passed Level 1. Kernwood is always a big hit amongst the players in this tournament, so be sure not to miss it!



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Pro-Pro Stroke Play— The Haven CC, July 23rd

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Important Dates

July 9

NEPGA Pro+1 Am at the Cape Club of
Sharon

Senior PNC Registration Deadline

July 16

Stroke Play Series #3 Manchester CC

July 19

Pro- Lady at Kernwood CC

July 23

Pro-Pro Stroke Play at the Haven CC

July 30-31

Senior Championship at Okemo GC

August 1

Section Championship Registration
Deadline

August 8

Stroke Play Series #4

Championship Season

Registration is now open for all NEPGA major championships! Learn more about each below!

NEPGA Senior Championship, Okemo Valley GC, July 30-31



Registration Deadline is July 23rd! Senior PNC Deadline is July 9th!

[Click for more information](#)

NEPGA Section Championship, Quidnessett CC and Warwick CC, August 20-22



Registration Deadline is August 1st!

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NEPGA Assistant's Championship, Renaissance GC, September 17-18



Registration Deadline is August 29th!

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Carr Golf Announces Exclusive Anniversary Event at Pebble Beach Resorts

(DUBLIN, Ireland) – Carr Golf – Ireland, England and Scotland’s premier provider of unforgettable golf experiences – announces it will host an exclusive “one-off” father and son tournament at famed Pebble Beach Resorts on May 5 – 8, 2019.

Commemorating the 30th anniversary next year of its annual World Invitational Father & Son Tournament played at Southwest Ireland’s Waterville Golf Links (Aug. 7 – 11, 2019), the prestigious event will showcase the incredible golf offered on the scenic Monterey Peninsula with a round on Pebble Beach as well as nearby Spyglass Hill Golf Course.

Additional highlights include three nights’ accommodation at the five-star Lodge at Pebble Beach, welcome reception, daily breakfast, two days of lunch and dinner, prize ceremony and tournament sponsors’ gift pack. Held five weeks before the best players in the world compete in the 2019 U.S. Open, the venue will be in peak condition.

The exclusive event is limited to 20 teams. More information, including registration forms, may be found [here](#). For further details, please email Tournament Coordinator Alison Duffin at alison.duffin@carrgolf.com.

“We’re excited to celebrate the 30th anniversary of our signature tournament next year with another truly incredible golf experience at Pebble Beach, which will be celebrating its 100th anniversary,” says Marty Carr, executive chairman of Carr Golf. “This once-in-a-lifetime event gives fathers and sons from around the globe the opportunity to come together and compete at a historic, world-famous course while enjoying the stellar customer care for which we are known.”

The sold-out 29th World Invitational Father & Son Tournament will unfold at renowned Waterville Golf Links on Aug. 8 – 12, 2018. Prior to this event, the 11th World Invitational Father & Daughter Golf Tournament will also be contested at Waterville on July 23 – 26, 2018. Places still remain for the much-anticipated father and daughter event. For additional information, click [here](#).

For more information on Carr Golf: www.carrgolf.com, 1.855.617.5701 (U.S. toll free) or +353.1.822 6662.

About Carr Golf Travel

For nearly three decades, Ireland-based Carr Golf Travel has built its impeccable reputation on creating the ultimate golf escapes to exceptional courses in Ireland and Scotland like Ballybunion, Royal County Down, Royal Portrush, Waterville, The Old Course at St. Andrews, and Turnberry. Deeply passionate about the game’s history and traditions, the family-owned company creates, plans and implements customized and unique itineraries that include tee times, luxury accommodations, transportation, sightseeing, fine dining, caddies and anything else needed for stress-free, unforgettable golf vacations and memories.

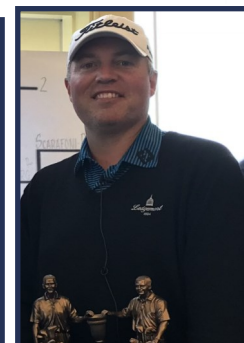
Joe Carr, the company’s late founder, was one of Ireland’s greatest golf heroes with over 40 championship victories including three British Amateur titles. He was the recipient of the Bobby Jones Award (1961), Walter Hagen Award (1967), and played in three Masters Tournaments at Augusta National. In 1991 he was the first Irishman to be honored with Captaincy of the Royal & Ancient and in 2007 he was the first Irishman to be inducted into the World Golf Hall of Fame.

Today, Joe’s son, Marty, operates the business as executive chairman. His brother Roddy is also actively involved. Named winner of Golf Digest’s Editors’ Choice Award for “Best Tour Operator” in 2016, 2017 and 2018, Carr Golf Travel hosts numerous prestigious annual events including the World Invitational Father & Son and World Invitational Father & Daughter tournaments in Southwest Ireland as well as the Donald Ross Invitational in the Scottish Highlands. Moreover, the company is at the forefront of corporate event implementation, as well as developing itineraries built around the Open Championship, Ryder Cup, Solheim Cup, College football and NFL games in London.





51ST PGA PROFESSIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP
BAYONET BLACK HORSE
 Seaside, California
 June 17 - 20, 2018



Congratulations to all of our NEPGA Professionals on a great performance in the Professional National Championship!

Top row (l to r) Eric Barlow, PGA (Winchester CC), Kirk Hanefeld, PGA (Salem CC) John Hickson, PGA (Bath CC), Boomer Erick, PGA (Boston GC), Shawn Warren, PGA (Falmouth CC), Troy Pare, PGA (Ledgemont CC)

Middle row: Rich Berberian Jr., PGA (Vesper CC), Sean McTernan, PGA (Brae Burn CC), Jeff Martin, PGA (Wollaston GC) Matt Doyle, PGA (The Misquamicut Club) Matt Zdon, PGA (Belmont CC), Bob Bruso, PGA (Blackstone Nat'l)

Bottom Row: Liam Friedman, PGA (Nashawtuc CC), Jeff Seavey, PGA (Samoset Resort GC)

Final Round Fight

Berberian, Jr., Warren to compete in the final Major of the season

-Seaside, CA

With the 2018 PGA Professional Championship in the books, we would like to congratulate all 14 NEPGA Professionals that braved the field of 312 PGA Professionals out west. From battling the tough conditions at Bayonet Black Horse to fighting past two cut lines, the past four days were incredibly demanding for our Professionals.

Although only one Champion could be crowned in Seaside, CA, the top 20 PGA Professionals would punch their ticket to the 100th PGA Championship August 9-12, at Bellerive Country Club in St. Louis.

The NEPGA was represented well throughout the Championship, with at least one Professional on or near the top of the leaderboard through all rounds. During round three the top 70 competitors remained, and three NEPGA Professionals managed to hold their own in the top 10 and contend for the Walter Hagen Cup.

The final round started out hopeful for Shawn Warren, PGA (Falmouth CC). He quickly claimed the top spot on the leaderboard with a birdie on hole two. Unfortunately, Warren could not hold on for long, with a tough stretch of bogeys on the front nine. Warren followed his round three score of 68 with a +6 (78) round four. Despite the disappointing final round score, Warren was not done fighting.

Warren joined nine other Professionals in a playoff. The pressure of clinching a spot at the PGA Championship was hanging over each competitor's head. The playoff lasted seven holes, but Warren wanted out early, and a clutch birdie putt on playoff hole number one sent him to St. Louis, officially putting Falmouth Country Club just outside of Portland, ME on the map at the 100th PGA Championship.

Rich Berberian, Jr., PGA (Vesper CC) went into the final round -1 and T7. Things were looking good for the 2016 Champion, as Berberian grinded through his first 10 holes and sat T5, just two strokes behind the leader. With two tough bogeys on the tail end on his round, Berberian Jr. finished +3 on the day and +2 on the Championship. He did not leave empty handed, as his T-12 finish was more than enough to secure his spot on the big stage come August at the PGA Championship for the third consecutive year,



and his fourth major overall.

We look forward to following Rich Berberian, Jr. and Shawn Warren as they compete with the world's best August 9th-12th.

The other two NEPGA Professionals that lasted through the final round Liam Friedman, PGA (Nashawtuc CC) and Matt Doyle, PGA (Misquamicut Club) showed nothing but toughness. The final round did not go as planned for Doyle or Friedman as they both finished T60 and +9 on the Championship. Doyle and Friedman were unable to punch their ticket to the PGA Championship but they managed to play consistently great golf all four rounds and made themselves and their facilities proud as they were among the best at the 51st PGA Professional Championship.



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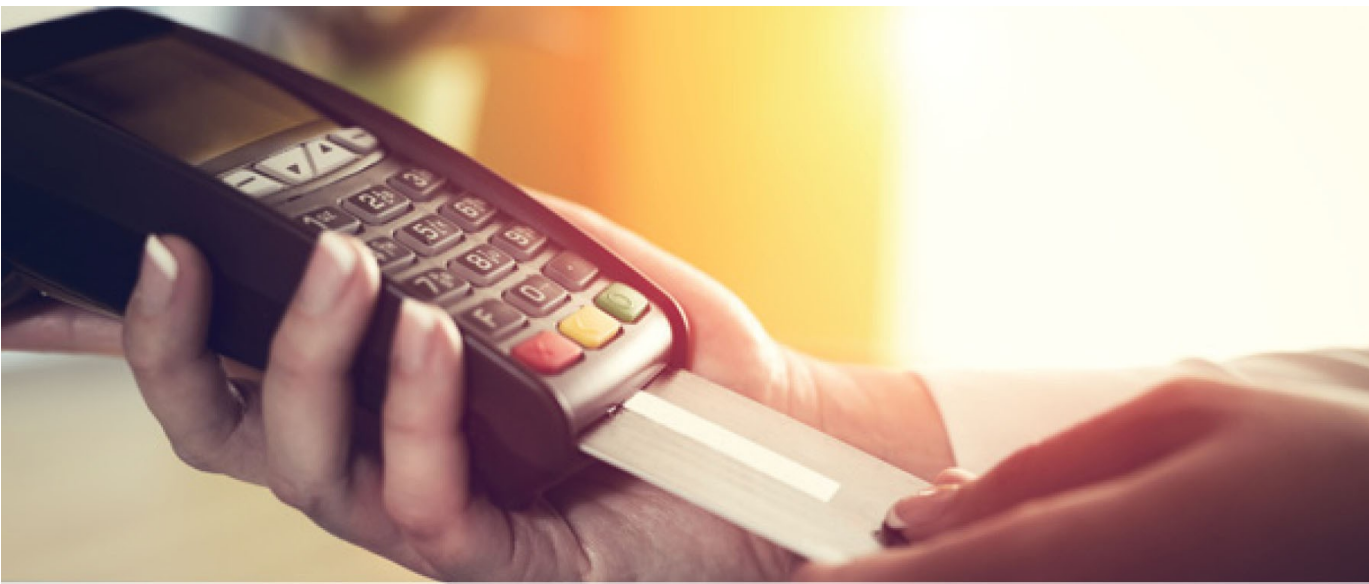
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Dell Technologies: Volunteer!

NEPGA is looking for volunteers to walk with groups at TPC Boston



IT'S THAT TIME OF YEAR AGAIN TO WALK INSIDE THE ROPES WITH THE BEST OF THE BEST PGA TOUR PLAYERS AT THE DELL TECHNOLOGIES CHAMPIONSHIP PRO-AM!

This year has been an exciting year so far on the PGA Tour with Justin Thomas on top of the FEDEXCUP Leaderboard as of May 9th. Right behind Thomas is Jason Day having won the Wells Fargo Championship along with the Farmers' Insurance Open. Thomas and Day along with the other top 100 points leaders in the FedEx Cup Race after the first FedEx Cup Playoff, will be competing at the TPC Boston in Norton to move on to the next Playoff Event.

With the Dell Technologies Championship just about three months away on **Thursday, August 30th**, we are in need of Ambassadors for both the morning and afternoon waves. There is also available the chance to walk both waves if you are interested. The morning wave is from 6:50 am to 8:50 am. The afternoon wave is from 12:00 pm to 2:00 pm.

This is always an enjoyable day to go inside the ropes with PGA Tour Professionals and their amateurs acting as Ambassadors of the PGA of America and assisting the amateur players with course management and pace of play.

As an Ambassador, you will receive a logo'd golf shirt along with credentials and a VIP parking pass to use at the Pro Am on Thursday, August 30th.

You will receive 1 MSR credit for each hour that you are on the course. This is under the "Growth of the Game" category. If you have any questions, please call the NEPGA office at 508.869.0000.

To register, please [click here](#).



JUNE MEMBERSHIP NOTES: *Joan Stuart*

PGA MEMBERSHIP DUES



This fiscal year's invoice includes a \$5 line item charge the new Member Assistance Program (MAP). Resolution 3

which was passed at the November 2017 PGA Annual Meeting, puts into place a Member Assistance Program; much like an Employee Assistance Program which offers access to licensed health professionals, short-term counseling, legal and financial consultation, dependent care referrals and technology-based resources to assist in every aspect of life. The program becomes effective as of July 1, 2018 and the cost was established at \$5 per year with the PGA Member and Associate bearing the cost which is in line with the PGA Bylaw requiring professionals to carry mandatory life and liability insurance at their cost. The FY2019 annual dues invoices will reflect the \$5 charge for this program. The PGA Member Assistance Program (MAP) which becomes effective July 1, 2018 will be managed by SupportLinc.

For those individuals whose employer pays their dues, they should log onto PGA.org to print an invoice, or use the Proxy option below. to submit to their employer for

payment processing. Please encourage anyone who pays by check to have their member/associate number included in the "Note" portion of the check and/or on the check stub.

DUES PROXY OPTION Continuing this year is the ability for members and associates to Assign a Dues Proxy ... giving access to one other individual (such as employer, supervisor or agent) to pay dues on his/her behalf. This process was developed as a one to one relationship so each individual will need to assign their own proxy, if so desired.

ACH ONLINE PAYMENT OPTION In addition, there is also an online ACH Payment (Automated Clearing House) option – an online Bank authorization to issue a payment to the PGA for dues from either a checking or savings account. The Member/Associate will need to input the Name on their Account, Account Number, and the Bank Routing Number. The bank will then generate a transaction.

The due date for this invoice is June 30, 2018 to avoid suspension and late fee assessment.

IMPORTANT - - > Payments by check should be mailed to: PO Box 31089, Palm Beach Gardens, FL 33420-1089. Although payment by check is acceptable, paying by credit/

debit card via PGA.org is the preferred method.

Keep in mind that members and associates are billed based upon your classification and Section affiliation as of May 1, 2018.

MSR UPDATE

The current MSR period ends on June 15, 2018. The New MSR Program begins on June 16, 2018 with an end date of June 15, 2021. Information on the new Program will be available on www.pga.org after the deadline of this current period.

POSTING YOUR OWN MSR HOURS

Have you ever served the Section, Chapter, National PGA or Allied Association by participating in the advancement of the game activities such as radio shows, TV shows, speeches, golf promotional non-playing events, golf clinics and other volunteer activities, such as non-playing tournament official? Have you served as a golf coach or assistant golf coach of a high school/ college golf team in a capacity not considered the member's primary employment?

MEMBERSHIP NEWS, CONT.

Have you ever published PGA-approved news, media, magazine articles or published book?

Have you provided official Golf Get Ready group lessons at your facility?

If you have done any of the above you can post your own MSR's online through the following link: <http://apps.pga.org/professionals/apps/membership/msr/> which will require your login that you have used with www.pgalinks.com. It is easy and you can post these credits any time of the day at your convenience.

ACH PAYMENTS

Even though we are well into the 2018 tournament season, I am still receiving

emails regarding checks that are either lost in the mail or inadvertently thrown away. I would like to remind everyone about the advantages of receiving your purse winnings as a direct deposit either into your checking or savings account.

Why wait to receive your money? With direct deposit, you receive the funds the day after the purse is submitted to PGA National for processing. If you wait to receive a check, it is about seven business days before it reaches your preferred address.

Why risk the possibility that the check may get lost in the mail?

Why wait for the check to be sent or forwarded to a new address?

Why have a stop payment fee deducted from your check when the Section has to stop payment because you never received the check?

The SIMPLE solution is to have the money deposited directly into your account. Please click here for the ACH Payment Form and follow the instructions on the form. If you need any guidance, please call the section office 508.869.0000 or email jstuart@pgahq.com.

PGA NEWS

PGA Facility Operations Scorecard



Through your continued support, we are able to host the PGA Facility Operations Scorecard (formerly known as the PGA Annual Operations Survey) to help provide our PGA Professionals with **key statistics and benchmarking capabilities to support management** of golf and club operations. This email is intended to seek your help in recruiting PGA Professional participation so that we in turn can provide comprehensive facility data that is reflective of the marketplace.

Sporting a **new, streamlined design**, the scorecard is geared towards making data more efficient and relevant to each PGA Professional filling out the scorecard, where questions are **more aligned with revenue and expense topics that are important** to PGA Professionals and their facility.

A soft launch of the scorecard **goes live early tomorrow morning** to those members that have already completed the 2018 PGA Compensation Survey. We ask that you leverage your communications to **encourage PGA Professionals in your Section** to complete this survey **before June 4th**.

New this year, PGA Professionals have the opportunity to **earn up to three (3) MSR credits** depending on the level of detail they wish to provide by completing the scorecard with valid, usable data by the deadline. **MSR credit is automatically applied** upon completion of the scorecard.

The scorecard is **currently available for the highest-ranked PGA Professional** at each facility. Please direct PGA Professionals to the following page at [PGA.org](http://apps.pga.org/professionals/apps/memberinfo/performancectrak/facops.cfm) to participate: <http://apps.pga.org/professionals/apps/memberinfo/performancectrak/facops.cfm>

For review prior to completing the scorecard online, there is a **downloadable version** on the Facility Operations Scorecard landing page. As a reminder, **all survey responses are treated confidentially** with results continuing to be shared in an aggregated format and not by an individual facility.

We truly appreciate your assistance with this and look forward to receiving data from PGA Professionals in your Section.

District 1 Director Report: Noel Gebauer, PGA



[Click here](#) to view the PGA of America Highlight Summary for the month of June featuring information on the PGA Golf Management University Scholarship, the "PGA Journeys" campaign, the PGA's Social Responsibility report and much more!

PGA Junior League Update

From PGA Regional League Manager Brian Bain, PGA

We hope your regular season is off to a great start and your kids are having fun on the golf course! Several of you have asked about how to schedule and score your games on-line. Below is a link which you can utilize to find tutorials on how to schedule and score games on both the desktop and mobile app.

[Click Here for Sport Engine Tutorials](#)



Post-Season on the Horizon!

Now, we are ready to talk Post-Season! New for the 2018 Post-Season is the introduction of Section Qualifiers in addition to Section Championships. The Section Qualifiers will feature a team aggregate score total for 9 holes (The team total will be the 3 out of 4 best 9 hole scores). In New England, all of the All-Star Teams will compete at Atkinson Resort & Country Club in Atkinson, NH on Tuesday, August 7th in the Section Qualifiers. All of the teams will be divided into two separate Qualifiers (front 9 & back 9). The top two teams from each Qualifier will then advance to compete in the Final Four Match Play Section Championship to be held on Wednesday, August 8th at Atkinson. You may click the link below to read the Rules Addendum for the Section Qualifiers and discover the format, tie-breakers, etc.

[Click Here for Section Qualifier Rules Addendum](#)



Rules Additions for 2018

Rules for the Section Championship match play competitions will directly follow the Conditions of Play Handbook. You may click the link below to review the Conditions of Play that will be used for all of the matches.

[Click Here for the Conditions of Play Handbook](#)

Please review all of the information below so you and your teams can be prepared for the Post Season Section Qualifiers and Section Championship.

RULES for ELIGIBILITY

Each All Star Player **MUST** have played in at least 3 regular season matches in order to be able to compete in the post season events. Each All Star Player **MUST** not have turned 14 years of age prior to August 1st in order to be eligible to compete.



TWO FLAG Minimum

New for the 2018 Section Qualifiers and Section Championships – Each player on the team **MUST** play a minimum of 2 flags (6 holes) in each post season round.

PENALTY FOR LESS THAN 10 PLAYERS

Beginning with Section Qualifiers (first stage of post-season), 10 all-star players are required to participate.

A team that arrives with less than 10 players will incur a 2-stroke penalty for every player not present. Penalty strokes will be added to the overall aggregate team score. Beginning with Section Championships, a team that arrives with only nine players will forfeit one point to the opposing side for each overall game score, each session. A team that arrives with eight or less players will forfeit two points to the opposing side for each overall game score, each session. These deductions apply to each round of competition.



DREAM BIG! Mark your calendars!

For those of you aspiring to reach the National Championship, please mark the following dates on your calendar.

- New England Section Qualifiers – August 7th, 2018 – Atkinson Resort & Country Club in Atkinson, NH
- New England Section Championship – August 8th, 2018 – Atkinson Resort & Country Club in Atkinson, NH
- Regional Championship – (Northeast New York, Connecticut and 2 New England Teams) – September 8th & 9th, 2018 – Watertown Golf Club, Watertown, CT
- National Championship – November 16-19, 2018 – Grayhawk Golf Club in Scottsdale, AZ

More Info Coming in July!

More specific information for your Section Qualifiers and Section Championship such as tee times, spectator cart policies, practice round arrangements, etc. will be available in July.

Please let me know if you have any questions or would like any further information. We look forward to celebrating a successful season with you and your teams!





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2018 NEPGA Junior Tour: Grow the Game

Dear NEPGA Professionals,

The Jr. Tour has become one of the top regional junior tours in the country, but we need your help to ensure that the tour continues to grow. If you have junior golf members or customers at your facility, please help us spread the word! Please see the information below or visit www.nepgajuniortour.com to learn more. We encourage you to:

- Send out an email blast to your membership, customers and students (see wording below)
- Showcase the Jr. Tour on your club or personal website that includes a link to the new NEPGA Jr Tour site, <http://www.nepgajuniortour.com/>
- Highlight the Jr. Tour's benefits in your monthly newsletter
- Enthusiastically talk to parents and junior golfers about the Jr. Tour

We also ask that you encourage your more experienced and advanced junior golfers to participate in the NEPGA Elite Tour/2 day events. The tour is designed to provide junior golfers (ages 12-18) in New England top-level competition in a local setting. All of our Elite Tour & two day events are submitted to National Junior Golf Scoreboard. This allows participating junior golfers the chance to accumulate points, earn national recognition and provides them with the resources and experience needed to continue competitive golf beyond the junior years.

The Jr. Tour wouldn't be possible without your support. We thank all those who host an event, volunteer to be a rules official and encourage your junior golfers to play in tournaments. The NEPGA staff has put in countless hours to create a fun and competitive environment for juniors of all ages and abilities. Please help us promote the 2018 season by spreading the word!

Tour Description (feel free to include in newsletters, email blasts & websites):

The New England PGA Junior Tour is the place for fun junior golf competition on a local level. The New England PGA (NEPGA) Junior Tour consists of over 100 tournaments for juniors 9-21 years old. NEPGA Junior Tour competition ranges from the Elite Tour which is geared towards low handicappers looking to play collegiate golf, to the one day events which encompasses nearly all skill levels. Whether you are looking to play in college, make the high school golf team or a youngster looking to make new friends in a tournament setting, the NEPGA Junior tour has it all. The NEPGA Junior Tour provides a place for all juniors and there's always room to play. Membership is \$130 and includes a membership package and access to all events. For more information, visit www.nepgajuniortour.com or call 508-869-0000.

Thank You,

Jacy Settles

NEPGA Director of Junior Golf

Junior Tour Store

NEPGA Junior Tour Items for sale to Benefit Foundation

The New England PGA Junior Tour has begun a new partnership with Ink'd Stores to sell Junior Tour merchandise to those in New England and beyond. Junior Tour logo items will be available on their new web store. All proceeds from the store are donated back to the NEPGA Foundation.

All Junior Tour merchandise will be available online only through Ink'd Stores. Some of the items include a backpack, t-shirts, a beanie cap, and sweatshirts. While only a select amount of items are available now, the Junior Tour will expand the offering in the new future.

Jay Sapovits, president of Ink'd is especially excited about the partnership.

"The NEPGA Jr Tour focuses on the right aspects of junior golf, sportsmanship and integrity. It also is a remarkable display of courage for young competitors. With the effort junior golfers take to grow their games, I believe they will wear this logo proudly among their friends. That is a group of individuals I want to be supportive (of)," said Sapovits.

To locate the Junior Tour online store, go to https://stores.inksoft.com/nepga_jr_tour/shop/home

About Ink'd

Ink'd is a retail store in Mansfield Crossing, straight across from LL Bean. A full-service apparel and promotional company, Ink'd offers eco-friendly screen printing, embroider and direct to garment printing all on-site for guests to



experience. Ink'd has no minimum order size on apparel and offers a see, feel and touch environment, as well as expertise in all aspects of corporate, team and local marketing. Ink'd is open Monday-Saturday 10a-7p and can be reached at 508-339-0126 or online at www.inkdstores.com





Growth of the Game Opportunities

Bob Beach, PGA

Clinics for Veterans and wounded Vets at the Brockton VA
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Clinics for Veterans and their families at Ponkapoag GC
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SMGA Clinics for Veterans at Granite Links GC
Mondays 6:30 pm until 9:00 pm until October 22nd

Short Game Clinics for Veterans and wounded Vets at Cedar Hill
GC in Stoughton, MA 11:00 am until 12 noon beginning July 13th
through August 24th

Helping Hands Field Day Golf Clinic at the Bridge Center
470 Pine Street, Bridgewater, MA 02324
Saturday July 14th from 11:00 am until 4:00 pm

Jimmy Fund Family Picnic at Nobel Greenough School, Dedham,
MA Sunday July 22nd 1200 pm until 5:00 pm
PGA Professionals and assistant professionals are need to give
free golf instruction to young cancer patients and their families

Carroll Center for the Blind Clinic at MGA Links in Norton, MA
Tuesday July 24th from 10:00 am until 1:00 pm

Special Olympics State Golf Tournament
Saturday August 25th from 1:00 pm until 5:00 pm
NEPGA Golf Professionals run the Skills Competition at the State Games



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Continuing Tradition



The Cape Chapter welcomed 64 Pros to the Hyannisport Club for the Callaway Pro-Pro presented by Ahead and Baxter's Boathouse on the Harbor!



(l to r) Dan & Melissa Dempsey, Shane Drury, Peter Guild, Chuck Holmes, Al Vallante, Jeff Wojtusik, caddie, Jeff Flis - all gather for the 2018 edition of the CALLAWAY PRO-PRO presented by Ahead & Signs By The Sea and Baxter's Boathouse contested at Hyannisport Club. 64 of the region's finest golf professionals enjoyed the pure conditions of the Port and equally awesome post round fare at Baxter's Fish & Chips, famous for the best lobster sandwich on the Cape.

CAPE COD CHAPTER NEWS Continued...

Submitted by Cape Chapter Manager Mickey Herron, PGA



(l to r) – Rusty Gunnarson, Chip Johnson, Matt Burgess, Tom Rooney, John Del Bonis, Eri Seguin, John Rainone (winner!), Doug Rutherford, Joe McNulty, Nick Wiseman were some of the players vying for \$1200 first place prize – which was won by Rainone and longtime friend & partner Brian Owens whose -4 par 67 in windy conditions nipped the field by one. Many thanks to our host and Hyannisport's new PGA Head Professional David Wilson paired with local legend David Donnellan (First Tee at Hyannis GC) placing runner-up posting a stellar 68 (-3).



SENIORS' ASSOCIATION NEWS

Submitted by Senior Association President Joe Carr, PGA



Red Tail Golf Club, Devens, MA Site of the Senior Association Pro-3Am!

The Senior Association enjoyed their first Pro-Am of the season on May 14th at Red Tail Golf Club in Devens, MA. Thank you to Host Professional, Chris Kasheta, PGA General Manager for a perfect day!

Results

Individual Pro Gross

1. Ken Bielski, PGA Waverly Oaks GC 70 \$125
- T2. Dan Gillis, PGA Nabnasset Lake CC 73 \$87.50
- T2. Al Santos, PGA Trull Brook GC 73 \$87.50

Individual Pro Net

1. Brad Durrin, PGA Maynard GC 69 \$125
2. Bill Lodge, PGA Life Member 70 \$100
- T3. Jim Pavlik, PGA Red Tail GC 72 \$37.50
- T3. Malcolm Negoshian, Jr., PGA Oak Hill CC 72 \$37.50

Team Gross

1. Jim Pavlik, PGA Red Tail GC w/R. Jobin (a), L. Hall (a), D. Gardner (a) (64) \$440 team
2. Brad Durrin, PGA Maynard GC w/D. Tucker (a), K. Norris (a), C. Disilva (a) (35) \$360 team

Team Net

1. Malcom Negoshian, PGA Oak Hill CC w/J. Perreria (a), B. Gardner (a), D. Sherman (a) (56) \$440 team
- T2.. Dan Gillis, PGA Nabnasset Lake CC w/K. Milton (a), S. Jacques (a), J. Boemeester (a) (58) \$180 team
- T2. Andy Froude, PGA Stone Meadow Golf w/J. McMahan (a), D. Anzer (a), J. Drohen (a) (58) \$180 team

SENIORS' ASSOCIATION NEWS Continued...

Submitted by Senior Association President Joe Carr, PGA



The Senior Association was also at George Wright Golf Club on June 19th, it was a wonderful day! Thank you to Scott Allen, PGA for hosting the Seniors Association! Congratulations to Bill Lindquist, PGA N. Hayes (a) J. Poillucci (a) and N. Fantasias (a) for coming in as the low team (gross). Also, Congratulations to Dan Gillis, PGA for winning the individual low professional!

Coming up on July 11th, is the annual Pro-Am at Gannon Municipal Golf Course. Be sure to reserve a spot with Dennis.

We now have 34 members of the Senior Association. To view the 2018 Directory, please click [here](#).

MA CHAPTER NEWS

Submitted by MA Chapter President, Chris Young, PGA

The Massachusetts Chapter has had a break in its action since spring, but that will change in the upcoming months. The MA Chapter Foundation Pro+3Am has a NEW date and will take place on Monday, July 30 at Foxborough CC (10am shotgun). This event will be a Mohegun Sun Qualifier. Please pencil in the remaining MA Chapter tournament schedule into your calendars so we can have great participation for the events!

Upcoming Events

July 30 - MA Chapter Foundation Pro+3Am – Foxborough CC

Oct 4. Chapter Championship- Indian Ridge CC

Oct 23- The Haven CC - Fall meeting & Pro Pro

Nov 12 – Blue Hill CC – Pro- Pro



MAINE CHAPTER NEWS

Submitted by ME Chapter President Tony Decker, PGA



The Maine Chapter is off to a decent start for the 2018 season. The first four events have been at or better than budgeted. Our first scholarship event this year was held at Prouts Neck CC on Tuesday, May 22nd and \$1,040 was raised for the Chapter scholarship fund.

Our event sponsors so far have been:

Dunegrass Pro-Am --- Bridgestone Golf
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Prouts Neck Pro-Am --- Cleveland / Srixon
Waterville Pro-Am --- Callaway & Yamaha

The following PGA Professionals have assumed new duties as follows:

John Hickson – Bath Golf Club
Jeff Peabody – Sebasco Resort
John King – Poland Spring Resort
Greg Baker – Martindale Country Club
Scott Mann – Toddy Brook Golf Club
Chris Angis – Abenakee Golf Club



On June 2nd, we hosted a Drive, Chip & Putt local qualifier at Val Halla Golf Course. Over 120 kids vied for the three qualifying spots in each skill. Those that were successful move on to the Sub-Regional qualifying on August 12th at Renaissance Golf Club in Haverhill, MA.

The Maine Jr. Golf Tour will kick off the season on June 27th at Belgrade Lakes Golf Club. The Maine Tour is collaboration between the New England PGA and the Maine State Golf Association. Recently established, this collaboration will serve as a vehicle to promote junior golf throughout the state by streamlining the junior golf process, creating competition for junior golfers, and growing the

game of golf. The junior events are for young golfers up to the age of 21. The Maine Jr. Tour is very thankful to Restwend, LLC for their sponsorship through their affiliation with Wendy's restaurants. As of June 13th nearly 80 Juniors have registered as Jr. Tour members and over 120 event registrations have been logged in even though we are still a couple of weeks away from opening day.



NEW HAMPSHIRE CHAPTER NEWS

Submitted by New Hampshire Chapter President Tim Loch, PGA

The foursome from Atkinson CC with head professional Peter Doherty poses for a photo just before teeing off at the NHC ProAm held at Concord CC. There was a tie for low professional between Mark Larrabee of Eastman GL and Mitch Jefferson of Ridgewood CC as both fired one under par rounds of 69. They were closely followed by Matt Arvanitis of Southern NH University at even par 70 and Crotched Mountain head pro Matthew Bradbury at 71. The team competition was won by the group from Laconia CC headed by assistant pro Ryan Dube and his amateur partners Eric Foster, Tom Kelley and Eli Sinyak with a 13 under par score of 127 in the 1Best Ball Gross and 1 BB Net format. Thanks to Larry Kelley of Five Star Golf Cars for his partnership.



Beaver Meadow head professional Phil Davis (r) welcomes Laconia CC assistant pro Allison Mitzel to the NHC ProAm.



Barry Pearson, Keene CC head professional and his amateur partners take a group shot on the first tee of the NHC ProAm at Beaver Meadow GC. Low Professional with a blistering 6-under par round of 66 was Dan Wilkins of Laconia CC. Finishing second with an even par round of 72 was Chris Kelloway of the Ledges GC.

Low gross foursome for the day with an amazing 13-under score of 59 was from Southern NH University and included Matt Arvanitis, Josh Lacasse, Brennan Hughes and Garret Olivar. The low net prize was won by a group from Nashua CC led by assistant pro Steve Schultz and included his amateur partners Aubrey Theall, Paul Mellin and Margaret Brenner. They shot 17-under at 55. Thank you to Don Groft of Yamaha for being our tournament partner.



In the NHC POY Standings, Dan Wilkins (Laconia) sits on top with 56.5 points but is closely followed by Jason Malcolm (Nashua) at 55.8 points. Rounding out the top five are Mitch Jefferson (Ridgewood) 54; Matthew Bradbury (Crotched Mountain) 40.9 and Matt Arvanitis (SNHU) 37.5.

Matt Arvanitis, coach of the Southern New Hampshire University golf team has been selected as the Golf Region Coach of the Year.

RHODE ISLAND CHAPTER NEWS

Submitted by Rhode Island Chapter President, Tony DiGiorgio, PGA



Up next for the Rhode Island Chapter, we head to East Providence where CJ Talbert, PGA and team are hosting The Metacomet Pro-AM. This event is part of the Mohegan Sun Pro-Am Qualifier Series which increases the prize that all players are competing for. Thank you's go out to Dave Moynihan of Titleist for supporting this event with a hole station to meet and greet and hand out giveaways, also, Rob Touchette of Robert Mark Golf for getting in the action to sponsor two closest-to-the-pins.

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In year's past, there has been inclement weather that decreased the size of the field but this year we are off and running with a solid field and fantastic weather. Looking forward to the event and be sure to check the NEPGA website for results and registration for upcoming events!

Other Tournament Happenings...

A round of applause for Jonathan Pannone of East Greenwich, RI placed 12th at the New England Open at The Quechee Club during June 5-6th, 2018.

The New England PGA Section Hosted another great Drive, Chip and Putt local qualifier at Button Hole Golf Club! More than 100 kids participated in the great day! Thank you to head PGA Professional Dan Gaughan, PGA for all of his help!



Upcoming 2018 RI Chapter & NEPGA Tournaments



2018 Schedule:

August 6, 2018 – Pro-3Am @ Quidnessett Country Club

*A great opportunity to play a practice round for the 2018 NEPGA Championship, being held at Quidnessett & Warwick CC later that month!

August 20-22, 2018 – NEPGA Championship, Quidnessett CC & Warwick CC

VERMONT CHAPTER NEWS

Submitted by VT Chapter President Brian Gara, PGA



The PGA Junior League teams are set and coaches are excited to get practices going for the 2018 season. The Vermont PGA Junior Tour kicks off their season at Neshobe Golf Club on June 20th with three more regular season events to follow. We would like to thank the PGA Professionals for hosting Junior Tour events and the Junior League Coaches for giving their time and effort to provide Junior golfers in Vermont playing opportunities for every age group.

The Chapter Board of Directors is organizing a field trip for the Burlington area Boys & Girls Club to a golf course to show them how golf can have a positive impact on their lives and the opportunities the game can create. This event is the follow up from our NEPGA Foundation event from the winter when we gifted a set of SNAG GOLF equipment to the Boys & Girls Club and gave the kids a fun clinic to plant the golf bug.

Williston Golf Club

Williston Golf Club hosted the second Pro-Am and the Vermont National team and the Tater Hill team both posted tournament low scores of 135 (2 best balls 1 gross + 1 net). Roger King took the individual professional pool posting a 77, with Greg Nelson coming in second posting 78. Brian Gara and Greg Nelson won the blind draw pro-pro posting a 74. A special thanks to Paul Jones and Club Car.



Country Club of Vermont

The Vermont National Country Club team led by Brian Gara's 35 points (good enough for a 4th place tie in the individual professional pool) took first place at Country

Club of Vermont Pro-Am on Tuesday posting a very impressive 52 points (stableford format). Their round was bogey free and was highlighted by eight birdies made. The Sugarbush Resort team placed second posting a team score of 47 points. Their round was amplified by the ACE made on the 14th hole by John Parsons. The third place finisher and first place net was taken by the team from Willowbend Country Club posting a team score of 46 points.





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David Bennett (Country Club of Vermont) won the professional pool posting 42 points making four birdies on the day. Danny Caverly (Willowbend Country Club) posted 38 points which was good enough for second place. Roger King rounded out the top posting 37 points and increasing his player of the year points lead to 19.



Burlington Country Club

The golf course was in fantastic condition and we had the largest turnout of the season thus far. The tournament was sponsored by Callaway Golf and Club Car. David Jankowski of Orleans Country Club took the Pro division with a one under par 70 to nip David Bennett of Country Club of Vermont by one shot. The team division was one by the host club lead by Steve Hosack with a score of -13.



Upcoming Events:

June 18th- Pro-Lady at Stowe Mountain Club on

June 25th- The Quechee Club Pro-Am

July 2nd- Pro-Senior at Woodstock Country Club

ASSISTANTS' ASSOCIATION NEWS

Submitted by Assistants' Association President Brendon Ray, PGA

The New England Assistant's Association finished the 2018 spring campaign on May 31st at Valley Country Club in West Warwick, RI for their Spring Championship. A big thank you to Chad Spencer, PGA Head Professional and President of Valley, Jeff Chase (father of PGA Apprentice Michael Chase) for being such gracious hosts. The course proved to be a tough test for all the players and after the dust settled Brendon Ray, PGA Assistant Professional at Point Judith Country Club came away with the victory with a winning score of 71 (-1). His round was also highlighted by a Hole-In-One on the par 3 sixth hole. After birding the par 5 - 5th, Ray used a pitching wedge from 136 to record his ace. Congratulations!!



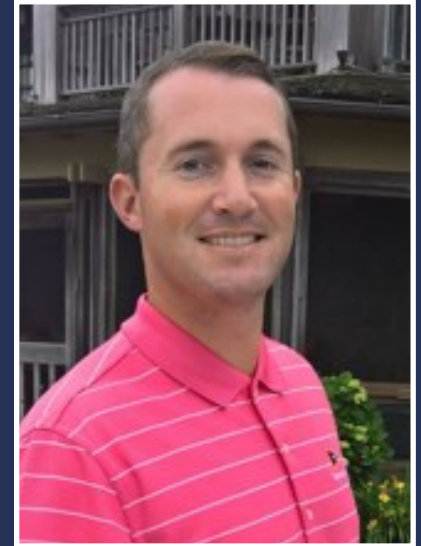
Valley CC

The Board continues to work hard on a 2018 Fall Schedule and will release the schedule sometime this summer. Keep an eye out for the schedule and plan accordingly as we will have some exciting events at some of the area's best courses.

Thank you to all players and all sponsors to date for a great start to the 2018 season!

Respectfully Submitted,

NEAA Board



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Match Play Championship is well under way. The deadline for 1st round matches was June 15th. Timing and scheduling can be difficult so we ask that each player reaches out to the other well in advance of their deadline date to make sure we move along in a timely manner. This is a yearlong event where each match is played at a site agreed upon by both players before certain deadlines. We want to thank Sentio Putters for being the sole sponsors for this event this year and we look forward to a new relationship with this fantastic company.



MEMBERSHIP UPDATES

Changes reported between May—June 2018

New Associates

Name	Facility	Classification
Andrew T. Abbott	Granite Links Golf Club At Quarry Hills	B-8
Peter F. Ruymann	Sunday River Golf Club	B-1

New Members

Name	Facility	Classification
Timothy J. Boush, PGA	Sankaty Head Golf Club	A-8
Ronald J. Coiro Jr., PGA	Salem Country Club	A-8
Jameson S. Collar, PGA	Sankaty Head Golf Club	A-8
Michael N. Haas-Zanghi, PGA	Nonesuch River Golf Club	A-8
Allison L. Mitzel, PGA	Laconia Country Club	A-8
Alexander D. Nielan, PGA	Worcester Country Club	A-8
Tyler A. Noske, PGA	Nantucket Golf Club	A-8

NEW QUARTER CENTURY MEMBERS

Name	Facility
Peter A. Meagher, PGA	Life Member

New Transfers

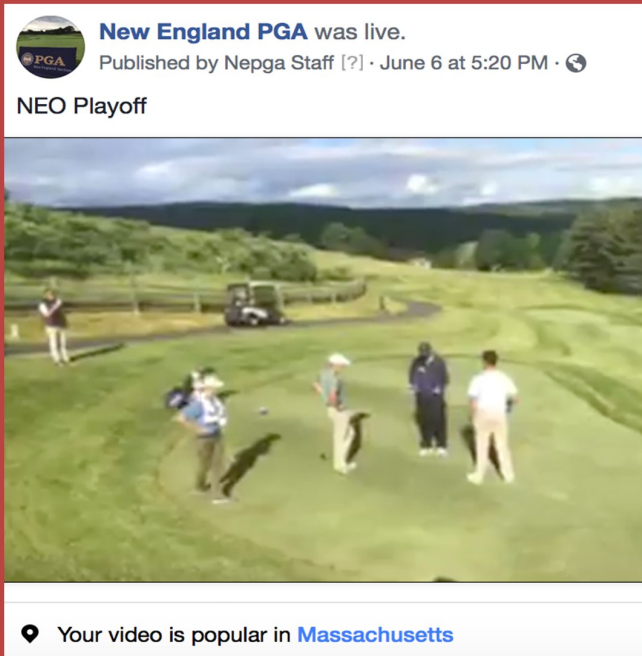
Name	Facility	Classification
Andrew J. Azzarello, PGA	TPC of Boston	A-8
James H Clay, PGA	New Seabury Cape Cod	A-4

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Social Media updates from @NEPGA's Kristen Garrone

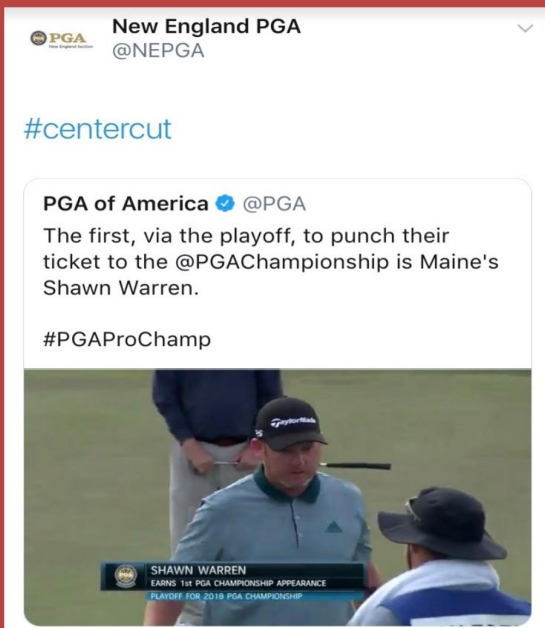


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Turn your push notifications on! The NEPGA on Facebook and Twitter will go live in the event of a playoff, awards ceremony, final groupings, etc. The 2018 New England Open concluded in a playoff and we went Live up in Quechee, VT.

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