



# MAY 2011 NEWSLETTER

## MESSAGE FROM NEPGA PRESIDENT STEVE DEMMER

While the weather has yet to break in New England, the feel of optimism is in the air. I would like to thank all of the professionals who attended our spring meeting on April 12th. It was a meeting filled with information and great presentations. For those who did not attend, we were thoroughly entertained by Ian James with the story line that we, the professionals, are the rain makers in our industry and we need to get out and make it happen for ourselves and the industry we love.

Structurally our section is back on track with Mike Higgins at the helm. This could be seen in the efficiency that the spring meeting ran. I would like to thank all of the section staff who either attended or helped in the organization of the meeting as it ran flawlessly. If you have not visited the new section web site you need to! The new site is much better organized and user friendly and is by no means a completely finished product. The new site will evolve with the needs of the section and members for many years to come. If you have ideas how to make it better, the section staff would like to hear those thoughts so we can make the section web site the one stop shop for everything a professional will need to stay informed about our association.

Lastly, we need everyone's help in promoting the New England Junior Tour sponsored by Cleveland / Srixon and the New England Amateur Series. If all professionals could send out and post information to their membership on the opportunities available through the section, we could really make a difference in our participation levels. Please post the web site address in all your email correspondence to your membership and students and help us move the needle of success. Links and additional information on both Programs can be found on the NEPGA web site, [www.NEPGA.com](http://www.NEPGA.com), under New England Series, [www.nepga.com/newenglandseries](http://www.nepga.com/newenglandseries), and Junior Golf, [www.nepga.com/juniorgolf](http://www.nepga.com/juniorgolf).

I would like to wish everyone a successful 2011 season and don't forget to get out and play in section and chapter events-- we run them for you!

Steve Demmer, PGA

## MESSAGE FROM NEPGA EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

The 2011 season is officially underway. Golf courses are cutting fairways, putting rakes in bunkers, and setting their tees. Everyone has spent enough time indoors this winter and we are all ready to play some golf! There is a sense of excitement in the New England PGA that I have not seen in a long time. The Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Cape Cod and New Hampshire Chapters have all kicked off their tournament seasons, and the Vermont and Maine Chapters will host their first events next week.

This month we have seen our share of rain. April showers are said to bring May flowers, but I hope these April showers will bring rainmakers! If you attended the Sections Spring Meeting you know what I am talking about. If you did not attend, you are probably wondering if I am crazy or just trying to sell umbrellas. Well, I'm not trying to sell umbrellas. I'm talking about the inspirational speech given at the Spring Meeting by guest speaker Ian James from Retail Tribe. Golf needs rainmakers and there is no one better positioned to be the rainmakers in our industry than the PGA Professional. There are more golfers not playing the game than are. Who is a better person to engage, inspire and impact than you? Create more activity, drive revenue and grow the game!

The New England Section is committed to doing its part to grow the game of golf and you can help. Host a junior event, bring a team to a pro-am or volunteer to give lessons at one of the many free lesson events the Section will be at throughout the year. A member approached me after the Spring Meeting and said, "it is time that we all stop asking what are my Section and Chapter doing for me and start showing what we can do for our Section and Chapter." I could not agree more. I will be uploading Ian James' presentation to the NEPGA Youtube account for you all to watch. I would love to get your feedback.

May 2 in Vermont will be the final stop on my Spring Meeting tour. Six Chapters and both the Seniors' and Assistants' Associations. It has been great to see old friends and meet new members and apprentices. There is no better Section to be a part of. I wish everyone a very successful season. Let's all be rainmakers!

Respectfully,

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NEPGA ANNOUNCES 2011 AWARD WINNERS

BOYLSTON, MA, April 12– Jim DiMarino, PGA, head golf professional at Warwick Country Club in Warwick Neck, R.I. since 1999, has been selected as the 2011 recipient of the PGA Professional of the Year Award by the New England Section, PGA of America (NEPGA).

"This is just such a tremendous honor" said DiMarino. "To join the past winners of the prestigious award and be even mentioned in the same breath is so special. I am truly honored to receive the award."

The NEPGA is proud to congratulate the following Section members on their recent honors: Junior Golf Leader Chris Carpenter, PGA (Head Professional, Nashawtuc Country Club, Concord, Mass.), Assistant Professional of the Year Justin Lawson, PGA (Assistant Professional, Dedham Country & Polo Club, Dedham, Mass.), Teacher of the Year Ron Philo Jr., PGA (General Manager, Stowe Mountain Club, Stowe, Vt.), Merchandiser of the Year-Private Mark Heartfield, PGA (Head Professional, Sankaty Head Golf Club, Siasconset, Mass.), Merchandiser of the Year-Public Leigh Bader, PGA (Head Professional, Pine Oaks Golf Club, South Easton, Mass.), Merchandiser of the Year-Resort Brendan Reilly, PGA (Head Professional, New Seabury Cape Cod, Mashpee, Mass.), President's Plaque Award Winner Barrie Bruce, PGA (Director of Instruction, Country Club of Billerica, Billerica, Mass.), and Hall of Fame Inductees Stan Baluik, PGA (NEPGA Life Member, Cumberland, R.I.) and Jim O'Leary, PGA (Head Professional, Oak Hill Country Club, Fitchburg, Mass.).



Jim O'Leary, PGA

The NEPGA also announced this year's winners in the Section's special award categories which include the Bill Strausbaugh Award, the Horton Smith Award, and the George S. Wemyss Award.

The Bill Strausbaugh Award is designed to recognize PGA Professionals who by their day-to-day efforts have distinguished themselves by mentoring their fellow PGA Professionals in improving their employment situations as well as through service to the community. Sales Representative Larry Kelley, PGA of Five Star Golf Cars was chosen as this year's winner.

The Horton Smith Award recognizes the PGA Professional who is the model educator of PGA Golf Professionals. This award is designed to give special recognition to an individual PGA Professional for outstanding and continuing contributions to professional education. This year, Head Professional Bob Beach, PGA of Braintree Municipal Golf Course in Braintree, Mass. was selected as most deserving of this honor. Bob was also chosen by the NEPGA as the Section's nominee to receive The PGA of America's Patriot Award which honors a PGA Professional who personifies patriotism through the game of golf and demonstrates unwavering commitment and dedication to the servicemen and women of our country.

The George S. Wemyss Award is presented each year to an individual who has consistently been a friend to the NEPGA and/or its members over the years, and made a significant contribution to the game of golf. The individual should consistently demonstrate a high moral character, and has performed a distinctive service to the NEPGA to meet its goals or enhance its image. Wally Uihlein, Chief Executive Officer of the Acushnet Company in Fairhaven, Mass., has been named the 2011 recipient.

This year, the section has chosen to bestow honorary membership of the New England PGA to NEPGA Section Director of Accounting and Finance Joan Stuart in recognition of her outstanding service to the NEPGA and exemplary character compatible with the ideals and standards of PGA Membership.

All of the award winners will be formally honored at the NEPGA Special Awards Banquet at Saturday, October 29th at Black Rock Country Club in Hingham, Mass.

THANK YOU TO OUR 2011 MAY SPONSORS



## NEPGA TOURNAMENT NEWS

By the time you read this we will be finishing preparations for our first Championship on the 2011 New England PGA schedule, the Pro-Pro Match Play at Lebaron Hills. Hope we see you there.

I am happy to say the NEPGA's Opening Day was much more successful (Thank goodness) than the Red Sox, we got things started with a Pro-Pro following the NEPGA Spring Meeting at Andover Country Club. Four teams fired 68's to tie for the lead. Many thanks to Mike Menery, PGA for hosting.

We already have one Pro-Am in the books, Brae Burn Country Club served as the host on a cool, damp, one might say, uncomfortable day for golf. However, it wasn't at all uncomfortable for Dan Wilkins, PGA from Laconia Country Club in New Hampshire. Dan served notice that no winter rust had collected on his game. During his round he holed out from the fairway on his 10th hole for an eagle (3) and added five more birdies on his way to posting a four under par 67, good for a 5-shot victory over Frank Dully of Kernwood Country Club in the Individual Professional competition. Sky Meadow Country Club (NH) led by Professional Rich Ingraham, PGA captured the team honors posting a 134 total, just edging Wilkins' Laconia Country Club team, who totaled 135. Mike Bailey, PGA was a great host even while feeling a bit under the weather.

The annual Thorny Lea Pro-Am, sponsored by Cutter & Buck, is next on the schedule and we will have results next month. Just a reminder, if you want to get in on the action, we would love to have you, online entries are currently available for all Section events on the 2011 NEPGA Schedule.

As previously mentioned the first Championship on the NEPGA schedule, the Pro-Pro Match Play Championship takes place on Monday and Tuesday, May 2nd - 3rd at Lebaron Hills Country Club. Thanks to Adams Golf and Matt Howard, the presenting sponsor for this event, in addition SkyGolf, Sun Mountain & Golf Max will join in as supporting sponsors.

However, that isn't all that is going on in the next few weeks.

On Monday, May 9, we head to New Hampshire for a Pro-Am at Portsmouth Country Club, a great test of golf. Our thanks to Bill Andrews, PGA for hosting and Kathy Lynch & Ash City for their sponsorship.

Thursday, May 12th is the date for the Hudson Cup, the first Major on the Assistants schedule, all Class A-8 members and registered Apprentices are eligible to play. Named in honor of our former Executive Director Susan Hudson and hosted annually by Randy Grills, PGA and the Duxbury Yacht Club. Thanks to Cleveland Golf/Srixon who will be sponsoring this year.

Monday, May 16th, is the date of the first AHEAD Stroke Play Series for 2011. The wonderful Weston Golf Club is the host and once again, AHEAD & the legendary Terry Frechette will

be sponsoring this series of one day events played at venues throughout the Section. This year the points earned over the course of the entire season will decide which 36 players will qualify to compete in the elite year end 36-hole AHEAD Championship. Remember also that Wogan/Player of the Year points are awarded at each AHEAD event.

FYI-We are still working on those point revisions I mentioned last month and we will have them available at the Weston AHEAD event. It has taken a little longer than I had anticipated but only because you have a Tournament Committee that takes their responsibilities seriously. They want to get it right and sometimes doing things the right way simply takes a little longer.

The Marshfield Country Club on Monday, May 23 and Turner Hill Golf Club on Tuesday, May 31 will both be hosting Pro-Ams, and both events will offer unique formats.

Marshfield and James Antonelli, PGA will be hosting a Net Pro-Am, with teams consisting of a Professional and (3) three Amateurs. The MINIMUM handicap index allowed for amateurs at this event is 10.0. Amateurs will play at 80% of their on-site handicap with a maximum of 27 shots allowed. Format: Two Best-Balls of Four, NET.

Turner Hill and George Goich, PGA will once again host what has become one of our most popular events. Teams consist of a professional and an amateur partner. Format: Four-Ball Stroke Play. Gross & Net prizes will be awarded; there are no handicap restrictions for this event.

Early June brings our next Championship, the Acushnet Pro-Assistant, hosted by Greg Yeomans, PGA and the Bay Club Mattapoisett. Always a good event, played at a beautiful venue with a great Sponsor. Please try to make the time.

That's the immediate future in the New England Section, but as we move into June start watching for communications from The PGA of America containing entry information/deadlines for the PNC, Senior Professional Championship and Assistants Championships. Remember you MUST enter these events through The PGA of America and if you miss the deadline, we cannot help you. My suggestion, for what it's worth, if you know you are going to participate, enter sooner rather than later, there always are a couple of unhappy people who call the Section office the day after the deadline passes for one of these events, and like I said we'd like to, but we can't help!

Keep an eye on Joan's weekly "Mixed Bag" emails and the NEPGA web site for updates and more information on all things tournaments and we'll be back with more Tournament News next month.

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## UPCOMING MSR OPPORTUNITIES

### 1. "Purposeful Practice" Education Seminar

Date: Sunday, May 1st  
Time: 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm  
Location: Lebaron Hills Country Club, 183 Rhode Island Rd, Lakeville, MA 02347  
Cost: \$20.00 cash to be paid at registration  
MSR: 3 MSR Education credits

Ron Philo, Jr. who has just been announced as the 2011 NEPGA Teacher of the Year will be giving this seminar. This seminar will show you how to prepare for competitions and how to make your practice sessions more efficient.

### 2. "Creating New Golfers" Seminar

Date: Wednesday, May 4th  
Time: 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm  
Location: Braintree Municipal Golf Course, 101 Jefferson St, Braintree, MA 02184  
Cost: \$20.00  
MSR: 4 MSR Education credits

Featuring: Getting Golf Ready with Brian Bain, PGA and Larry Coletti, PGA; Blind golfer Bill McMahon and coach Kevin Sullivan on how to teach visually impaired golfers; Physically challenged golfer Jerry Donovan and Bob Beach, PGA on how to play golf with the help of an adaptive golf cart; Special Olympic athletes demonstrating their golf skills with the help of Don Lyons, PGA and Bob Beach, PGA.

### 3. Super Saturday Special Needs Clinic

Date: Saturday, May 7th  
Time: 9:00 am to 1:00 pm  
Location: Braintree Municipal Golf Course, 101 Jefferson St, Braintree, MA 02184  
MSR: 4 MSR Growth of the Game credits  
Register: Contact Bob Beach, PGA at 781.843.6513 x2 or [golfshop@braintreegolf.com](mailto:golfshop@braintreegolf.com)

Volunteers are needed for the Super Saturday golf clinic featuring 40 students with special needs from the Braintree Public Schools. A free lunch is included.

### 4. 2011 NEPGA Teaching Summit

Date: Friday, May 13th  
Time: 8:00 am to 4:00 pm  
Location: The Harmon Club, 168 Concord St, Rockland, MA 02370  
Cost: \$75 includes lunch  
MSR: 8 MSR Education credits

We are very excited to announce that this year's instructors will be Andy Plummer and Michael Bennett.

\*To register for any of the above events, please visit the Education page on NEPGA.com found under Programs.

## NEPGA.COM UPDATE

I hope that you have had the time to navigate the Section's new web site. It is still a work in progress and we are now working on the Directories and History links on the main navigation bar. We will be working on lesson tip videos and "tweets" from our Major Championships along with videos and pictures. Your Past Presidents are now listed under "About Us" and the Officers link on that drop down menu.

I must say that I have learned so much about the history of the New England PGA by working on the web site. Did you know that the George S. Wemyss Award was originally called the "Man of the Year" Award and was first presented in 1977? In 1981 the Committee decided to give the Award to Pat Bradley. They decided that a name change was in order and chose the name of "Golden Golf Award" until 1990 when it was re-named in honor of George Wemyss. Do you know that there is a timeline of the history of the New England PGA from the early 1930's to present day? We hope to work this feature into the website. It is fascinating!

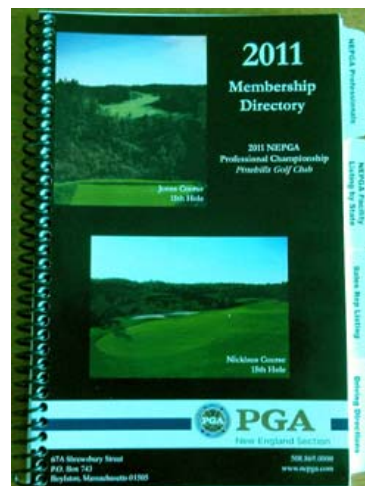
Continuing to work our way across the main navigation bar, under Directories you will soon find the Membership Directory, Facility Directory, and Directions to the Facilities. The Sales Rep and Company Directories along with Member Club Program information are almost finished. Under "History" you will find Awards, Championship Winners, and Hall of Fame.

We are working diligently to populate this information for you and hope to have it finished shortly. If you have any comments on the web site, I would love to hear from you. Please email me [jstuart@pгахq.com](mailto:jstuart@pгахq.com) and thank you!

Joan Stuart  
NEPGA Director of Accounting & Finance

## NEPGA DIRECTORY NOTICE

The NEPGA 2011 Membership Directory is now available. If you would like to order a copy, please contact Citius Printing & Graphics. The phone number is 781.547.5550. The cost is \$10. Please have your credit card ready when placing an order.



# CHAPTER & ASSOCIATION NEWS

## CAPE COD CHAPTER

### Tournament News

#### **DEMMEER CAPTURES SPRING OPENER WITH STUNNING ROUND!**

Chatham, MA: While the venerable Eastward Ho! layout coupled with cold gusty winds played havoc for the 22 teams competing in the spring opener on the Cape Cod Chapter's Pro-Am schedule, Kittansett's **Steve Demmer** lapped the field with a stunning 72 on April 19<sup>th</sup>. His five shot victory over his nearest competitor,

**Greg Yeomans 77**, featured an eagle 2 on the 8<sup>th</sup> hole. Demmer takes an early lead in the Dutch Wessner Player-of-Year award point standings over Yeomans who has won the award three consecutive years. Only five other professionals broke 80 - **Tom Rooney**, LeBaron Hills 78, **Joe Cordani**, CC of New Bedford 78, while three shot 79, **Tom Tobey**, Bay Pointe, **Dennis Hoye**, Cranberry Valley & **Brendan Reilly**, CC of New Seabury.

So dominant was Demmer's round that only 4 of the 22 teams' best ball gross score bettered his individual one-over par score!

Demmer led his team to the winner's circle (68) as his partners: **Art Noyes, Bob Welter & Tom McCarthy** edged Rooney's team by one shot in the gross division. Rooney's squad of: **Mark Bosse, Jeff Dandreta & Tom Frost** birdied 4 of the first 7 holes but late bogeys on holes 14 & 18 cost them first place honors finishing with a 2-under 69 as a team.

CC of New Seabury's PGA Director of Instruction **Rick Coleman** led his foursome to the net division title with a superb score of 9-under par 62. Partners **Roy Chase, Dave Doyle & Gary Smith** blistered the front nine in 7-under par and hung on for the win over two teams tying for second net: The Bay Club's Yeomans team along with Cranberry Valley's Hoye team who both checked in with 65's. Highlighting the Cranberry contingent was amateur **Robin Wilkins** who posted a 74 on his own ball while The Bay Club's **Breck Eagle** made an all-world up and down on the final hole for par securing the tie for 2<sup>nd</sup> place.

Thanks to Eastward Ho! PGA Head Professional Brian Hamilton & his able staff for once again hosting the Cape's spring opener...and lighting the fireplace in the Grille Room for post golf thawing out!

**Next Events:** POCASSET GC- PRO-AM - THURS. MAY 5TH  
WOODS HOLE GC- PRO-PRO - WED. MAY 11TH  
CUMMAQUID GC - PRO-AM - THURS. MAY 19TH  
CAPE COD NATL - PRO-1AM CHAMP. - TUES. MAY 24TH



### Section Award Winners

The Cape Cod Chapter is proud to garner two prestigious Section Awards for 2011 announced by Executive Director Mike Higgins at the annual Spring Meeting. Capturing **MERCHANDISER OF THE YEAR/ PRIVATE CLUB DIVISION** was PGA Head Professional **Mark Heartfield** – Sankaty Head while his counterpart, PGA Head Professional **Brendan Reilly** – CC of New Seabury was named **MERCHANDISER OF THE YEAR/ RESORT CLUB DIVISION**. Well deserved honors for both of these great businessmen and we all know how well dressed they always are!

Final Note: All the members of the Cape Chapter want to extend our sincere gratitude and congratulations to **Joan Stuart** who was presented with **HONORARY SECTION MEMBERSHIP** at the section's annual meeting.

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## MAINE CHAPTER

The Maine Chapter Spring Meeting was held on Wednesday, April 20<sup>th</sup> at The Woodlands Club in Falmouth, ME. Over 50 members were in attendance. The Chapter would like to thank Titleist and Five Star Golf Cars for sponsoring the meeting.

The 2011 Chapter Award winners were announced at the meeting:  
Golf Professional of The Year: Don Roberts, PGA (A-1) Waterville CC;  
Assistant Golf Professional of The Year: Jim Fairbanks, PGA (A-8) Nonesuch River GC;  
Teacher of The Year: Rob Jarvis, PGA (A-8) Bangor Municipal GC;  
Merchandisers: Private: Nick Glicos, PGA (A-4) Martindale CC; Public: Ron Bibeau, PGA (A-1) Riverside GC; Resort: Gary Soule, PGA (A-4) Samoset Resort.



**Don Roberts, PGA**

The chapter kicks off its tournament schedule at Nonesuch River GC on May 5<sup>th</sup> with the Senior-Junior Championship.

Registration is now open for the TaylorMade Pro-Pro Stroke Play Championship at Webhannet GC on May 10<sup>th</sup> as well as the Brunswick Pro-Am on Monday, May 16<sup>th</sup>.

Please note the Chapter has a new mailing address:  
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# CHAPTER & ASSOCIATION NEWS

## RHODE ISLAND CHAPTER

### Section Award Winners

*Rhode Island:* Two Rhode Island PGA Professionals were awarded the highest honors the section can bestow – announced by Mike Higgins, Executive Director and Steve Demmer, Section President – and the spring annual meeting.

Longtime Rhode Island PGA Professional, Stan Baluik, PGA, will be officially inducted into the New England PGA Hall of Fame this fall. Surely many of his friends from Kirkbrae and across the state will attend this festive affair honoring the many accomplishments and influence Stan has had in the golf industry for four decades. All of us in Rhode Island and in fact, New England salute Stan Baluik for this prestigious award.

Warwick CC Head Professional for the past 11 years, Jim DiMarino, PGA has been named the New England Professional of the Year for the entire section. Rhode Island PGA members are proud to have one of their own receive this very coveted award. Along with Stan Baluik and the other section award winners, Jim will be officially presented with this award at the annual awards dinner this fall. We hope many of the Rhode Island professionals will attend in support of two extremely talented and respected professionals.

Well done, Stan and Jim!

### Tournament News

#### **NORTH KINGSTOWN DUO SWEEPS OPENER AT SHELTER HARBOR**

Brian Owens, PGA and John Rainone, PGA, golf professionals at North Kingstown GC swept individual and team victories April 20th at the fabulous Shelter Harbor Golf Club in the RIPGA spring opening Pro-3Am.

Both fired 2-over par 73's to tie for low pro each leading their respective teams to 1st place (Rainone, Rob Touchette, Bill Alves, Vin Ferri) and 2nd place (Owens, Dave Nuttall, Rob Aldrich, Joe Macari) with scores of 9-under par 133 & 4-under par 138.

Logjammed in a four-way tie for team 3rd place just one stroke behind Owen's contingent were: MONTAUP/ Steve Diemoz, FOSTER/ Brian Benson, GLOCESTER/ Dave Baluik & SWANSEA/ Shane Drury...all checking in at 3-under 139 in the 2 BB of 4 format.

Local knowledge paid off for host professionals, Dave Tiedemann, PGA and Jacob Hoffer, PGA who placed 4th (75) & 5th (76) respectively in low professional scoring. Finishing 3rd with a strong opening spring score of 74 was the big man with a view of the country, Rick Finlayson, PGA.

Highlighting the day was an eagle 2 on the difficult par-4 5th hole by Hoffer's partner Butch Gencarella and Rainone's ap-

proach shot on the long finishing hole 18th to less than a foot for a tap-in birdie, skin and a tie for low professional honors.

Special thanks to the marvelous staff at Shelter Harbor who graciously invited 18 teams to participate in the Pro-3Am. PGA Head Professional Dave Tiedemann (just back from touring Spain's best golfing venues) along with PGA Professionals Jacob Hoffer (himself, just back from working at Augusta National for two months) & Charlie Moore (The Connecticut Legend) rolled out the red carpet for all 72 competitors.

At the time of this writing/publication, Wannamoisett CC, will have hosted the second Pro-3Am of the spring where 20 teams will battle this top ranked venue April 25th.

See you all at Kirkbrae at the end of May.

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## VERMONT CHAPTER

The Vermont Chapter leaders and members are gearing up for our Spring Meeting on Monday, May 2, 2011 at Rutland CC. The meeting will start at 9:00am and include director, section officers, committee, allied associate, and invited guest reports. We will present our special professional and playing awards for 2010. The Chapter has invited our sponsors and sales reps to a lunch and afternoon of golf after the meeting concludes.

The Vermont Chapter welcomes Doug Ruttle, PGA as the new Head Professional at Mt. Anthony GC.

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# AT THE TURN

Member Updates

## New Members

<u>Name</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Facility</u>
Mason R. Colling, PGA	A-8	Winchester CC
Jill M. Ferrarotti, PGA	A-8	TPC of Boston
John J Macurdy, PGA	A-8	The GC at Cape Cod
Travis L. Parks, PGA	A-8	Ocean Edge Resort & Club
Aaron J. Ungvasky, PGA	A-8	Cohasset Golf Club
Joshua R. Young, PGA	A-8	Saint Johnsbury CC
Eric D. Zadorian, PGA	A-8	Pinehills GC

## New Apprentices

<u>Name</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Facility</u>
Maxx H De Kovessey	B-8	Manchester CC
Kenneth T. Keefe	B-8	Marshfield CC
Leonard G Kublin	B-8	Shaker Hills GC

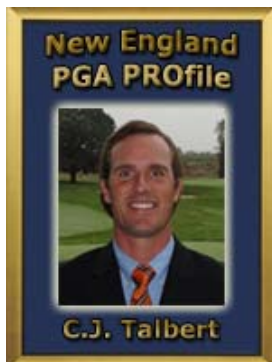
## New Quarter Century Members

<u>Name</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Facility</u>	<u>Date</u>
Mark Senecal, PGA	A-15	Dick's Sporting Goods	3/31

## New Transfers into Section

<u>Name</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Previous Section</u>
Craig Coombes, PGA	A-6	Metropolitan
Brad Gardner, PGA	A-8	South Florida
Steve Hanlon, PGA	A-1	Southern Texas
Jason Malcolm, PGA	A-8	South Florida
Jim Petrino Jr., PGA	A-8	Metropolitan
Thomas Stevens, PGA	A-2	South Florida
Matt Walsh, PGA	A-8	Metropolitan
RJ Ziats, PGA	A-6	Metropolitan

## NEPGA May PROFILE



PROfile: C.J. Talbert  
 Year turned Pro: 1996  
 Facility: Metacomet Country Club  
[Click here](#) to view entire PROfile.

## Classification Changes

<u>Name</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Facility</u>
Bill Allen, PGA	A-4	Pembroke CC
Mark Arnold, PGA	A-6	Blackstone National GC
Robert Baxter, PGA	A-8	Whitinsville GC
Craig Coombes, PGA	A-6	Stow Acres CC
Paul Coutoumas, PGA	A-1	North Hill CC
Kevin Cullen, PGA	A-14	Roys Driving Range
Steve Hanlon, PGA	A-1	Brookside Club
Mick Herron, PGA	A-11	New England Section
Peter Maki, PGA	A-4	Butter Brook GC
Jason Malcolm, PGA	A-8	Winchester CC
Robert Rundlett, PGA	A-6	Leo J. Martin Memorial GC
Douglas Ruttie, PGA	A-1	Mt. Anthony CC
Greg Sandell, PGA	A-8	GC of New England
Thomas Stevens, PGA	A-2	Pinewoods Driving Range
Peter Vlahos, PGA	A-1	Crystal Spring GC
Shawn Welock, PGA	A-8	Links at Outlook
RJ Ziats, PGA	A-6	Stratton Mountain CC
Gifford Nutbrown, PGA	LM	

## Employment Changes

<u>Name</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Start</u>	<u>Facility</u>
Bill Allen, PGA	A-4	4/6	Pembroke CC
Mark Arnold, PGA	A-6	4/1	Blackstone National GC
Frederick Auletta, PGA	A-6	4/15	Manchester CC
Robert Baxter, PGA	A-8	4/3	Whitinsville GC
Sean Cahalane, PGA	A-8	4/1	Essex CC
Richard Carroll, PGA	A-1	4/17	Freeport CC
Brad Colt, PGA	A-8	4/10	Lake Winnepesaukee GC
Craig Coombes, PGA	A-6	4/7	Stow Acres CC
Paul Coutoumas, PGA	A-1	4/4	North Hill CC
Kevin Cullen, PGA	A-14	4/15	Roys Driving Range
Robert Flanders, PGA	A-8	4/25	Sakonnet GC
Brad Gardner, PGA	A-8	4/12	Metacomet CC
Don Groft III, PGA	A-14	3/15	Golf Town-Seekonk
Steve Hanlon, PGA	A-1	4/11	Brookside Club
Mick Herron, PGA	A-11	4/1	New England Section
Jason Malcolm, PGA	A-8	3/29	Winchester CC
Ryan Payne, PGA	A-8	4/15	Ballymeade CC
Jim Petrino Jr., PGA	A-8	4/1	Milton Hoosic CC
Robert Rundlett, PGA	A-6	4/20	Leo J. Martin Memorial GC
Douglas Ruttie, PGA	A-1	4/1	Mt. Anthony CC
Greg Sandell, PGA	A-8	4/23	GC of New England
Thomas Stevens, PGA	A-2	4/17	Pinewoods Driving Range
Peter Vlahos, PGA	A-1	4/1	Crystal Spring GC
Matt Walsh, PGA	A-8	4/15	The Misquamicut Club
Lou Wanser, PGA	A-6	3/29	Dennis Pines/Highlands
Shawn Welock, PGA	A-8	4/24	Links at Outlook
RJ Ziats, PGA	A-6	4/1	Stratton Mountain CC

\*This report reflect changes made between March 29, 2011 through April 28, 2011.



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## FOLDS OF HONOR SCHOLARSHIP

Due to the generosity of PGA Professionals hosting Patriot Golf Day events and helping raise a record of more than \$3.3 million in 2010, the Folds of Honor has extended the scholarship application deadline to **May 15**, in order to award more scholarships to deserving families. Folds of Honor has awarded more than 1,600 scholarships to date, including the new Patriot Golf Day PGA Section scholarships where each of the 41 PGA Sections have an opportunity to give a scholarship to a family in their area.

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The New England PGA is in the process of reviewing its archive of Section award winners and we need the help of our membership to ensure the accuracy of our records. If you have information on the winners of Section awards from 2001-2006, please email Joan Stuart at [jstuart@pgahq.com](mailto:jstuart@pgahq.com).

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## BIRTHDAYS: May

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|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|------------------------------|
| 5/1 Robert Beach, PGA          | 5/8 David Pfannenstien, PGA | 5/17 Michael Albrecht, PGA | 5/24 Mark Senecal, PGA       |
| 5/1 Al Vallante, PGA           | 5/8 Sean R. Chipman, PGA    | 5/17 Philip Leiss, PGA     | 5/24 Richard R. Vacca, PGA   |
| 5/1 Chris Sleeper, PGA         | 5/9 Rob Jarvis, PGA         | 5/17 James Pollini, PGA    | 5/24 Josh Kershner           |
| 5/1 Adam J. Lucas, PGA         | 5/9 Greg Dennehy, PGA       | 5/17 Paul Tessier, PGA     | 5/24 Kirk C. Hanefeld, PGA   |
| 5/1 William D. Ferren Jr., PGA | 5/9 Joe Benevento, PGA      | 5/17 David Soucy, PGA      | 5/25 James E. Swarthout, PGA |
| 5/2 Bill F. Cassell, PGA       | 5/10 Todd Rollins, PGA      | 5/18 Adam Hevey, PGA       | 5/26 Jim Dayton, PGA         |
| 5/2 Timothy P. Loch, PGA       | 5/10 Eric Verikas           | 5/18 Robert Bradley, PGA   | 5/26 Webb Heintzelman, PGA   |
| 5/2 Dan Dempsey, PGA           | 5/10 Kevin O'Connor         | 5/18 David Perroni, PGA    | 5/26 John R. Hickson, PGA    |
| 5/2 Mike Demakos, PGA          | 5/10 Lou Jarvis, PGA        | 5/19 Devin Beck, PGA       | 5/26 Scott E. Mann, PGA      |
| 5/2 Andrew T. Farrea, PGA      | 5/10 Gerry Mackedon, PGA    | 5/19 Kevin Counts, PGA     | 5/26 Crystal R Frazier       |
| 5/2 Jim Fairbanks, PGA         | 5/11 Mark Heartfield, PGA   | 5/20 John Boswell Jr, PGA  | 5/26 Mark W Lounsbury        |
| 5/2 Raymond W. Lajoie, PGA     | 5/11 Joseph McNulty, PGA    | 5/20 Sean Toof             | 5/26 Albert J. Charest, PGA  |
| 5/3 William B. Curtin, PGA     | 5/11 Peiter DeVos, PGA      | 5/20 Todd Madden, PGA      | 5/27 Matt D. Barrett, PGA    |
| 5/3 Stephen Clayton, PGA       | 5/11 Steven Hancock, PGA    | 5/21 Zachary Wyman, PGA    | 5/27 Peter F Cronan          |
| 5/3 Brent J. Amaral, PGA       | 5/11 Joel St. Laurent, PGA  | 5/21 Edward McMellen, PGA  | 5/27 Phillip D Graves        |
| 5/4 Kevan M. Evangelista, PGA  | 5/11 Bennett Steele, PGA    | 5/21 Richard Molesky       | 5/27 Matthew C Prior         |
| 5/4 Patrick J. Gleason, PGA    | 5/11 Jason Malcolm, PGA     | 5/21 AJ Wickel             | 5/28 Gary P. Dorsi, PGA      |
| 5/4 Phillip T. Truono, PGA     | 5/12 Shawn Hester, PGA      | 5/21 Bill Chisholm         | 5/28 Scott D. DeVito, PGA    |
| 5/4 Mike C Sullivan Jr         | 5/12 Jon Shaw               | 5/22 Jay Wick, PGA         | 5/28 Bob Miller, PGA         |
| 5/5 Allison M. Blomquist, PGA  | 5/12 Al Lupis, PGA          | 5/22 Andrew Ingham, PGA    | 5/28 Tony Morosco, PGA       |
| 5/6 Mark Fogg, PGA             | 5/13 Bryce Chaffee, PGA     | 5/22 Brooken Belt, PGA     | 5/29 John A. Munroe, PGA     |
| 5/6 Robert A. Gardner III, PGA | 5/13 Lon Wanser, PGA        | 5/22 John Jackson          | 5/29 Matt Walsh, PGA         |
| 5/6 David Baluik, PGA          | 5/14 Larry Gallagher, PGA   | 5/22 Tracy Djerf           | 5/29 Stephen Madison, PGA    |
| 5/6 Bill Andrews, PGA          | 5/14 John Tosone, PGA       | 5/23 Michael Menery, PGA   | 5/29 Tom Dufresne, PGA       |
| 5/6 Mal C. Strange, PGA        | 5/14 Sean Soares, PGA       | 5/23 Toby Ahern, PGA       | 5/30 Mason R. Colling, PGA   |
| 5/7 John E. Mescall, PGA       | 5/14 Mike Ghelfi, PGA       | 5/23 Robert Iannarone, PGA | 5/31 John R. Simmons, PGA    |
| 5/8 Jeffrey D. Halunen, PGA    | 5/16 Timothy Merrill, PGA   | 5/23 Jason Rouslin         | 5/31 Peter K. Doherty, PGA   |
| 5/8 Jennifer L Webster, PGA    | 5/16 Todd Anzlover          | 5/24 Joe Cordani, PGA      |                              |

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