



MESSAGE FROM NEPGA PRESIDENT LARRY KELLEY



We have just finished up one of the most successful seasons in New England PGA history. From the number of events that we offer our members, to our wildly successful Junior Tour, to having the largest Section Championship in the country, we have raised the bar at every level! This only happens due to all the effort and hard work put forth by our members, board of directors, officers, and our great staff. Please keep in mind that with this success comes the expectation that things will improve and get even better and stronger than before. Your staff, board, and officers will be spending a lot of the winter "off" season planning, promoting, and budgeting for 2015. Please know that every decision or program that is implemented by the board has one purpose. That purpose is to make sure it benefits the NEPGA Member and their working environment. That will remain and always be the focus!

As your President, it is with great enthusiasm that I announce the passing of the by-law change proposed by the NH Chapter that now allows voting for Section officers at the Chapter and Section Meetings. I feel this gives EVERY member in our Section an improved opportunity to be more invested in the election process and involved in choosing your next leaders at the Section level. I also believe that our future Section leaders will gather a greater collective understanding of how diverse and interesting each of our Chapters is during the election process. We truly have the best Section in the PGA and I think it is because of the strength of our Chapters that we can say that.

We just finished up a great NEPGA Awards evening at Pleasant Valley Country Club in Sutton, MA. This is an evening where all our Section winners gather with family, friends, club members, and our own PGA members to honor the best of the best in 2014. Having Jim Remy, PGA and Past President of the PGA as our Master of Ceremony is something special for all in attendance. This is truly a special evening that I wish more of our members could experience. Keeping this in mind please nominate your fellow peers for a 2015 award. We all just received an email about the process. Please contact the Section office with questions. Winning a Section award is a very special accomplishment for any member who is lucky enough to stand out from their peers.

The NEPGA Scholarship drive is on! Please go to the NEPGA website and donate to the fund. This fund benefits the children and grandchildren of our own members for college. If you have any questions or would like to become more involved in this great cause please contact John Fields, PGA as Chair of the Scholarship Committee.

Finally, our whole team is on the way to Indianapolis to The PGA of America's Annual Meeting and the election of a new Secretary. When you attend an annual meeting you always come away with a much greater appreciation for how great our association is! I highly recommend attending if you have the chance. I will give an update in my next letter on the election and process as it is usually quite political with a lot of maneuvering behind the scenes.

I am interested in your ideas and what you have on your mind.

Sincerely,

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MESSAGE FROM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



November (or if you look at the charitable upper lips of a few Section Staffers its Bro-venber) in the New England PGA is typically when we are able to take a breath after a long season. Many facilities have closed their doors for 2014, and many more will soon follow, especially after the recent snow fall.

I am often asked "what does the New England PGA do during the winter months?" My response is always, "what we do is a different kind of busy." During the months of November through March, (prior to the tournament season) your staff will be working on securing facilities to host our over 300 events. No, that is not a typo, the NEPGA conducted over 300 events in 2014. The Staff will also be working on the 2015 budget, securing sponsors & partners, creating educational opportunities, generating funding for our Foundation, participating in player development programs, conducting travel Pro-Pro's & Pro-Am's, improving employment opportunities for PGA Professionals, engaging committees and most importantly, spending some well-deserved time with our families.

I am proud of the direction the New England Section is heading. In the last four years the NEPGA has amended our constitution to go from a three Officer core to four, and to allow for voting at the Chapter level. We have been fortunate to have two National Award Winners, the largest Section Championship field in the country three times, we have seen an increase in participation three out of the four years, increased the number of sponsors and sponsor dollars, we have awarded more academic scholarships, increased our philanthropic endeavors, provided more playing opportunities for our PGA Professionals, grown our Section Staff and focused on the promotion of New England PGA Professionals and the New England PGA.

This success is the result of the efforts of the dedicated volunteers and staff who lead this organization. A very special thank you to the Officers and the Board of Directors for their dedication and commitment to our association. Also my sincere thanks go out to the entire NEPGA staff for their time and hard work this season.

I would also like to express my appreciation to those companies and representatives that have supported the New England PGA. We have seen an unprecedented increase in Sponsor support and we would not be able to produce our high quality programs if it were not for their efforts.

Lastly, I would like to thank each and every NEPGA Member and Apprentice for their support and dedication to their Chapter and Section in 2014. Our membership is the backbone of the New England PGA and we truly have one of the best Sections in the country. I take that back...it's the best!

Have a safe and happy Thanksgiving holiday and please reach out to your Section Staff if there is ever anything we can do to help.

Respectfully yours,

Michael Higgins
Executive Director
New England PGA

MESSAGE FROM NEPGA SECRETARY



Fellow NEPGA Members,

Please be aware that the complimentary PGA Required MSR online education courses have been replaced with ten (10) new courses. They are offered by the PGA as a supplement to education offered through our Section and Chapters to assist members in reaching MSR completion by the end of the cycle on June 15, 2015.

By watching a video from the list and completing the assessment at the conclusion of the video, you will earn 1 or 2 PGA Required MSR credits if you score 70% or higher (1 re-take permitted). **Approximately 22 PGA Required MSRs are available through this opportunity.** We highly encourage those lacking credits to log into PGALinks.com and take advantage of this great opportunity to earn credits.

Please click [here](#) to access the videos.

Thank you,

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CONGRATS TO OUR PLAYERS!



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Michael Baker, PGA Walpole CC
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George Goich, PGA Black Swan CC
David Grygiel, PGA Tee N Tee Golf and
Kirk Hanefeld, PGA, Life Member
John Hickson, PGA Mere Creek GC
Chip Johnson, PGA Hatherly CC
Ed Kirby, PGA Alpine CC
John Paesani, PGA The Bay Club



PGA
NATIONAL CAR RENTAL
ASSISTANT CHAMPIONSHIP

National

PGA Golf Club
Oct. 30-Nov. 2, 2014
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Matt Baran, PGA Oyster Harbors Club
Mike Baker, PGA Walpole CC
Rich Berberian, Jr., PGA Windham CC
Phil Cardwell, PGA Sankaty Head GC
Jeff Seavey, PGA Samoset Resort
Dan Venezio, PGA Myopia Hunt Club

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2015 AWARD NOMINATION FORMS

The NEPGA is currently accepting nominations for the 2015 Section awards. The Section is asking for members in good standing to complete and submit the nomination form(s) by December 15, 2014. The online forms were emailed to NEPGA members on November 3rd. If you need the award nomination forms emailed to you again, please contact Joan at the Section office, jstuart@pgahq.com.

Click [here](#) to view the current list of nominations.

Thank you in advance for taking the time to participate in the special awards nomination process!

NEPGA SCHOLARSHIP FUND HOLIDAY APPEAL

With the holiday season approaching, the NEPGA Scholarship Fund Committee is holding its annual Holiday Appeal asking for your help and support. Since 1985, children and grandchildren of New England PGA members have been awarded college scholarships through this Fund. Today, faced with ever increasing tuition costs, more and more of our members are in need of financial assistance in order for their children to attend college. At the same time, we have experienced large increases in the number of applicants over the last few years. The Fund is in need of donations if it is to continue to help deserving students reach their academic goals.

The Fund has two main venues for fund raising, the annual Scholarship Pro-Am's and individual donations. If you participated in one of this year's Scholarship Pro-Am's, please accept our heartfelt thanks. We hope everyone will put the 2015 events on your calendar as soon as the dates are published and make plans to participate. Perhaps you could plan now to build the entry fee into your club budget for next year.

During this holiday season, we ask that each New England PGA member make a tax deductible donation to the fund, preferably by December 31, 2014. Any amount you can contribute will be most welcomed and appreciated. Please click [here](#) to submit your donation online or click [here](#) to download the donation form. You will receive a personal letter acknowledging your contribution for income tax purposes.

On behalf of the entire Scholarship Committee and all the NEPGA students we will assist, please accept our sincere thanks for your valuable support.

View our
[NEPGA Scholarship page](#)
to see a list of everyone who
has contributed to reaching
our goal of \$5,000 this year!



EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES

Open To All Members & Apprentices

New Hampshire Chapter: TPT Tournament Operations/Driving Revenue with Social Media and Your Website

Date/Time: Monday, November 24th 10 a.m.

Place: Pease Golf Course, Portsmouth, NH

Cost: \$25

MSR Hours: 3 PGA Required MSR credits

Registration: [Click Here to Register](#)

PGA SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION



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The PGA Financial Assistance Scholarship application is now live on [PGALinks.com](#) with a submission deadline of Monday, March

16th. Graduating high school seniors and college students who are the children or grandchildren of PGA members are encouraged to apply. Click [here](#) to view more information and begin the application process.

Scholarship Resources:

[Click here to view Scholarship Search Tips](#)

[Click here to view Additional Scholarships](#)

2014 PGA ANNUAL MEETING



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PGA Annual Meeting App Launches

Whether you will be onsite at the PGA Annual Meeting in Indianapolis, or plan to follow remotely, the PGA is once again providing a dynamic mobile App that allows you to engage on the go. Follow the schedule of events, ask questions to the presenters, post and view photos, and participate in the social media discussion via Facebook and Twitter...plus, check out the photo gallery of images uploaded by your fellow members. Remember the PGA Governance Twitter handle @PGA1916 and hashtag #pga14annual.

To download the App to your phone or tablet, search for "PGA Annual Meeting" in the Google Play or iTunes stores.

Live Streaming at the Annual Meeting

You can be part of the 98th PGA Annual Meeting by following along at your convenience via live stream on [PGALinks.com](#). Coverage begins on Thursday, Nov. 20 with the Opening Session at 8:00 a.m. (EST) and continues through the election on Saturday. Click [here](#) to view the complete schedule.



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New England Section

Winter Pro - Pro

Reunion Resort - Orlando, FL

January 24, 2015

\$350 per Team

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Through the efforts of our friends at the North Florida Section of the PGA of America, an agreement has been made with the WALT DISNEY WORLD® Resort to provide visiting PGA Members and their immediate families an excellent Member Benefit which must be used from January 14, 2015 through February 1, 2015 in connection with the 2015 PGA Merchandise Show.

This new arrangement will allow PGA Members and their immediate family (e.g., spouse/domestic partner and minor children) to enjoy the four theme parks of WALT DISNEY WORLD® Resort (Magic Kingdom® Park, Epcot®, Disney's Hollywood Studios®, Disney's Animal Kingdom® Theme Park -- and more, water parks, etc.)* at pricing specially created for the PGA of America. The savings are great and the memories you will create with your family will be timeless.

Click [here](#) for more information on purchasing tickets.

***Please note that the window to order tickets if you wish is October 15-December 15. No orders will be taken or filled after December 15.

2015 PAT SITES NEEDED

The Section is looking for potential PAT sites for 2015. Ideally, we would like to have at least one PAT in every state in our Section. Click [here](#) to view the course requirements.

If your facility is interested, please contact Joan Stuart at the Section office at jstuart@pgahq.com or 508.869.0000. The process of selecting the venues for 2015 will not be finalized until mid-December.

PGA WINTER CHAMPS SCHEDULE



PGA
WINTER CHAMPIONSHIPS

The 2015 PGA Winter Championships are held at PGA Golf Club in Port St. Lucie, FL in January and

February. Click [here](#) for more information and to register on PGALinks.com.

Schedule:

Quarter Century Championship - January 7-8, 2015
Senior Stroke Play Championship - January 13-14, 2015
Senior-Junior Team Championship - January 27-30, 2015
Women's Stroke Play Championship - February 3-5, 2015
Stroke Play Championship - February 3-6, 2015
Match Play Championship - February 10-14, 2015



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2014 NEPGA Year in Review



2014 NEPGA Blooper Reel



2014 NEPGA Annual Meeting

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HOLIDAY OFFICE HOURS

The New England PGA Section office will close at noon on Wednesday, November 26th and we will reopen on Monday, December 1st.

Happy Thanksgiving to You & Your Families!



Coming Up Aces

NEPGA ENJOYS ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL LAS VEGAS PROAM

Las Vegas, Nevada —This year marked the 14th annual pilgrimage the New England PGA has made to the Las Vegas Strip for its year end ProAm. What started in 2000 with 8 teams has grown 5-fold, consistently bringing 200 players split into teams of five – 1 Professional and 4 amateurs – to the desert for some great golf, sights, sounds and memories.

This year's edition featured plenty of great golf, with teams competing in a Daily and Overall 2 Best Ball of 5, Gross plus Net format, and Professionals duking it out in a daily Pro Quota. In the end, the cards fell for the team from Mere Creek (ME), led by PGA Professional John Hickson, PGA. Hickson, a 2-time NEPGA Section Champion and Player of the Year willed his team to victory, outlasting perennial contenders and some new ones as well. Their three-round total of 36-under par 396 was good for a two shot victory over the team from The Harmon Club(MA) led by Jay Durfee, PGA. Tied for third at 33-under par 399 were two New Hampshire teams - Ridgewood CC led by Mitch Jefferson, PGA and Sky Meadow CC led by Rich Ingraham, PGA. Rounding out the top-5 and continuing the northern domination was Stowe Mountain Club(VT) led by Ron Philo, Jr, PGA with a score of 31-under par 401.

Special thank you to event sponsor Larry Kelley, PGA, Matt McDonald and Steve Rand of Five Star Golf Cars, EZ-GO and Cushman for their continued support of the event. Also a special thank you to the Paiute Resort for once again hosting us.

If you missed out on this year's edition, be on the lookout for registration early in 2015 for next year's Crystal Anniversary! Viva Las Vegas!

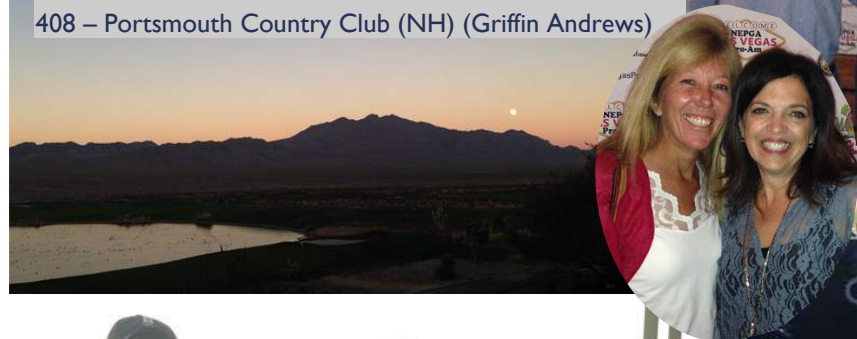
OVERALL RESULTS

- 396 - Mere Creek Golf Course (ME)
- 398 - The Harmon Club (MA)
- 399 - Ridgewood Country Club (NH)
- 399 - Sky Meadow Country Club (NH) (Rich Ingraham)
- 401 - Stowe Mountain Club (VT)
- 402 - Windham Country Club (NH)
- 404 - Portsmouth Country Club (NH) (Bill Andrews)
- 406 - TPC - Boston (MA) (Eric Ledbetter)
- 406 - Ould Newbury Golf Club (MA)
- 408 - Portsmouth Country Club (NH) (Griffin Andrews)

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2014 NEPGA/SPECIAL OLYMPICS

Submitted by Bob Beach, PGA

The highlight of the fourteenth annual NEPGA/ Special Olympic Tournament at Braintree Municipal GC on October 19, 2014 was five year old Braylon O'Neil, who with the help of two prosthetic legs, played with his dad Michael O'Neil and Button-hole PGA golf professional Dan Gaughan. Braylon seemed like he was always smiling. His determination and spirit were an inspiration to all that attended. Braylon finished off his day with two hot dogs. Great stuff! Another highlight of the tournament was blind golfer Bill McMahon and his coach Peter Friel playing in the tournament for the tenth time. PGA Professional Jack Gale, who played with Bill McMahon, got the team off to a good start by holing his second shot on the first hole for eagle. NEPGA Secretary Ron Bibeau traveled down from Maine to play in the tournament for the first time. Ron said it was a great event and can't wait to come back next year. Kudos to Pine Brook Country Club who sent Keith Barber PGA, Mark Nelson PGA, and Dan Colton to play in the tournament. Dan once again partnered with his brother Andrew and his father Dennis. Mick Herron PGA and Bentley University golf coach invited four players from the golf team to play with the Special Olympic athletes. The Bentley players wore their team colors and were a nice addition to the tournament. Many thanks to PGA golf professional Todd Cook and the MA Chapter for providing PGA pullovers to all the golf professionals who volunteered their time. View more pictures from the event on [NEPGA.com's Outreach page](http://NEPGA.com's%20Outreach%20page).



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District Director (Cape Cod)

[Learn more about Greg](#)

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District Director (MA—Central)

[Learn more about Scott](#)



OUTSIDE THE ROPES

The NEPGA is highlighting our Section's PGA Professionals who are giving back to their communities in a feature called "Outside the Ropes". If you have a story to share that might inspire other Professionals to become involved in charitable endeavors outside of the realm of golf, contact Joan at justu-art@pgahq.com to request a questionnaire. This month, we're featuring Jay Pollini, PGA of Dave's PGA Golf Shop, as well as the Massachusetts Chapter.

Jay Pollini, PGA

I have run my local Wolfeboro Masonic Temple from 2012-2014. I was the W.M. or "President" during that time. This association does a huge amount of good for its members and towns around the Wolfeboro Area encompassing the towns of the Kingwood Regional High School District. There is an annual Christmas party where families identified through the school district are invited. The gifts are given to each child; a clothing item needed; a toy; and a large Christmas party with a full course Christmas dinner. Santa hands out the presents with a helper elf, and each family invited leaves with a Turkey, and all the fixings for a fine Christmas dinner. I believe the Masonic Temples are of interest to the local PGA Professionals as they can get more involved in their areas and improve themselves.

Massachusetts Chapter

The Massachusetts PGA Chapter is conducting its First Annual Food Drive for three food banks representing each geographical area of the Massachusetts Chapter. Massachusetts Chapter members and apprentices are donating money to be equally distributed to the three food banks. Each dollar that is donated equals five dollars worth of food to a food bank. The Chapter hopes to make a difference to those people in need during the holiday season.



VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

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New England Section

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All rates listed are based on double occupancy
Single Occupancy, Extra Nights and Non-Golfing Guest Packages are offered
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5th Hole at Teeth of the Dog



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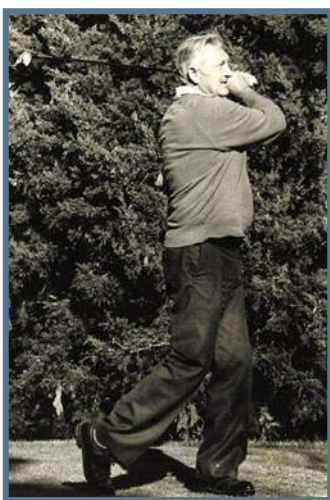
CHAPTER & ASSOCIATION NEWS

CAPE COD CHAPTER



2014 DUTCH WESSNER AWARD CAPE COD'S PLAYER-OF-YEAR GREG YEOMANS

Six Straight! Think about this accomplishment by The Bay Club's PGA HP Greg Yeomans who has successfully juggled club duties, family life, coaching youth sports, Section committee obligations and still manages to be the most consistent player this Chapter has ever produced. His 2014 Wessner win (and 6th consecutive) did not come easily as The Club of Yarmouthport's PGA HP Bob Miller (60) led throughout the summer months but eventually overtaken by Yeomans in the fall. Miller, former Wessner titleholder (2005) edged out The Ridge Club's PGA HP Jay Askew who placed a distant 3rd.



Top Left: Herman "Dutch" Wessner, PGA HP and Superintendent at The Woods Hole GC from 1952 to 1990 was instrumental in forming the Cape Cod Chapter in the early 70's and was mentor to several current Cape pros.

Top Right: Yeomans won the 2014 Cape Match Play Championship for the 6th time in 8 years vaulting him into an insurmountable lead in this year's Wessner points race.



Bottom Left: Bob Miller's ageless sweet swing produced 5 finishes 6 of 9 CC events highlighted by his 67 at OBF/ Pro-Senior.

Rounding out the top 5 were The Brookside Clubs' PGA HP Chad Schofield and CC of Halifax' PGA HP Bob Giusti. All will receive monetary remuneration from this year's sponsor (and 6th place pro!) Brad Sherman, proprietor of **15th-golfclub.com** – a company who provides inventory and logistical solutions for golf professionals nationwide. Many of the best golfers within the Cape Chapter are, in fact, Assistant

Pros, but in this edition of the Wessner, that's 5 Head Pros at the top!

SPEAKING OF PGA ASSISTANT PROFESSIONALS

A huge shout-out to the Cape's contingent in Port St. Lucie recently – Oyster Harbors' Matt Baran & Sankaty Head's Phil Cardwell who both made the cut in the national Assistant Championship. Baran, who earlier in the fall won the NEPGA Assistants' Championship fired a solid 290 (71-73-72-74) to finish T-11 in a field of over 160 pros from all over the country. Maine's Jeff Seavey (289) was low NEPGA pro nipping Baran (and Adam Rainoud) by one shot but in all the Northeast posted tremendous results: with 7 of the top 13 coming from NY or NE!!!

**View more pictures
on page 15...**

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Matt Baran, a 3-time winner of the Cape Chapter Championship & holder of the 2014 Section Assistants title played extremely solid golf in Florida (T-11) against the best in the nation.

ASSISTANTS' ASSOCIATION



We, as the NEAA, would like to thank Dave McAdams, NEPGA Tournament Director, for an outstanding 2014 Season. Dave plays an important role in assisting our Association and helping it grow year after year!

Also want to congratulate TJ Antoine, our Association's 2014 President, on a fantastic year and a great new event, The Island Classic! Pictured is Matt Closter, Past President, who Captained a team and played a lead role in the startup of the fall event!

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CHAPTER & ASSOCIATION NEWS *Continued...*

MAINE CHAPTER



The Month of October is a time in which the golfing season winds down in Maine. A couple of events took place bringing our Chapter playing season to a close. We held our Pro Senior Championship at Toddy Brook Golf Club in North Yarmouth on

September 29th. Thank you to Greg Baker and the staff at Toddy Brook for hosting and providing a well-conditioned golf course. Congrats to the team from Bath CC led by PGA Professional Leon Oliver for their first place finish behind Leon's 3 under par 68. A few days later we traveled to Martindale for the Fall Meeting followed by our Pro Assistants Championship. The two man team consisting of Don Roberts and Matthew Loubier from Waterville CC fired a best ball 66 to take home the first place prize. Thank you to host Professional Nick Glicos and his staff for a great day.



ME Pro Assistant Champs Don Roberts & Matt Loubier from Waterville CC

The Dugas Cup was held at Cape Arundel Golf Club on October 6th and 7th. The Ryder Cup team format, camaraderie of the golf professionals, and a great meal provided by Host Professional Ken Raynor and his wife Anne made for a great time. Thanks to all the professionals for making the effort to join in on the fun. The teams were captained by Bob Mathews from Rockland and Ken Raynor from Cape Arundel. Bob it is my "Doody" to give the results for the rest of the Chapter to see. Team Raynor consisting of Ron Bibeau, Jerry DiPhilippo, Allan Menne, Jack Kelly, Sam Marzenell, Scott Mann, and Curtis Goldsberry were victorious with a 26 to 22 point advantage. A great time had by ALL!!!

DUGAS CUP			
RAYNOR 1 1/2	MATTHEWS 1 1/2	GOLDSBERRY 1/2	ROBERTS 2 1/2
BIBEAU 1	MATTHEWS 2	MANN 1 1/2	MATTHEWS 1 1/2
MANN 1	ROBERTS 1	RAYNOR 1 1/2	HOPKINS 1 1/2
MARZENELL 2	QUELLETTE 1	MARZENELL 1 1/2	QUELLETTE 1 1/2
MENNE 2	BALBONI 1	BIBEAU 2	COT 1
KELLY 3	HOPKINS 0	KELLY 1 1/2	BALBONI 1
GOLDSBERRY 3	FAIRBANKS 0	MENNE 1 1/2	FAIRBANKS 1 1/2
DIPHILIPPO 3	COT 0	DIPHILIPPO 1 1/2	MATTHEWS 1 1/2
OUR BALL TOTAL 7 1/2	4 1/2 TOTAL	FOUR SOME 5 1/2 (13 - 11) 6 1/2	

RAYNOR 1	MATTHEWS 2
MANN 2 1/2	BALBONI 1/2
MARZENELL 1/2	COT 2 1/2
GOLDSBERRY 3	HOPKINS 0
KELLY 3 1/2	QUELLETTE 2 1/2
MENNE 3	MATTHEWS 0
DIPHILIPPO 2 1/2	ROBERTS 1/2
BIBEAU 0	FAIRBANKS 3
TOTAL 13	TOTAL 11
26	22

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RAYNOR
"THANK YOU TO MAINE"
CHAPTER NEPGA PRO



Feast at Arundel Yacht Club for the Dugas Cup Steak and Lobster Dinner

Our Final Pro Am of the year took us to Falmouth CC where host Professional Sean Barrett and staff provided us with a great golf course and awesome weather to finish out the play of the 2014 season. PGA Professional John Hickson fired a 69 for Low Pro honors and helped propel his team to victory as well.

Congratulations to John Hickson for winning the Maine Chapter Player of the Year honors for the 5th time in the last 7 years. Last year's winner Shawn Warren finished a close second. Good luck to John and fellow PGA Professional David Grygiel as they are competing in the Senior PGA Professional National Championship in Florida this Month.

Another Congratulations goes out to Jeff Seavey for his Top Ten finish in the PGA Assistant National Championship recently. Great Playing! Keeping Maine on the Golfing Map!

Thank you to ALL the Maine Chapter Members for your support of our events all season and for your patience as I become more familiar with my new responsibilities within the Chapter each and every day. It is a pleasure to serve my fellow PGA Professionals. Have a Happy and Healthy Thanksgiving Holiday with Family and Friends.

All the Best,

Tom Moffatt, PGA
NEPGA Maine Ch. Tournament Operations Manager
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CHAPTER NEWS *Continued...*

NEW HAMPSHIRE CHAPTER



Over 60 NHC members were in attendance at the Chapter's Annual Meeting held at Laconia CC. Following reports by Section staff including Larry Kelly, Mike Higgins and Michael Packard, Chapter officers presented year-end reports to the membership. Following the meeting, an election of officers took place and the following were elected to serve for two year terms:

Ken Hamel, PGA, Stonebridge CC- President
Tim Loch, PGA, Cochecho CC- Vice President
Matt Arvanitis, PGA, Concord CC- Secretary

In addition, the following were elected to serve one year terms as at-large directors:

Scott Devito, PGA, Pease GC
Vince Molesky, PGA, Newport GC
Alex Kirk, PGA, Hanover CC, will remain as Honorary President for a year.

Also, recognized with achievement awards and receiving plaques were the following:

Jeffrey Atkinson, PGA, Mount Washington Resort- Junior Golf Leader
Marc Spencer, PGA, Windham CC- Teacher of the Year
Dick Dichard, PGA, Nashua CC- Bill Strausbaugh Award
Wayne Natti, PGA, Profile Club- NHC Professional of the Year

Congratulations to Gordon Swennes, Head Professional at Wentworth By The Sea, for receiving the 2014 NEPGA Merchandiser of the Year Award for a resort facility.



Alex Kirk, NHC President, (center) is pictured with NHC Professional of the Year Wayne Natti (left) and Dick Dichard (right) Bill Strausbaugh Award Winner.

The NHC expresses its congratulations to Jim Sheerin, PGA, of Abenaki CC who is celebrating his 40th year affiliated with that facility. Jim, who has been a PGA member since 1972, accomplished a rare feat at the chapter championship in North Conway, this past August, as he captured both the chapter championship and the senior championship.



Rich Berberian, Jr., Windham CC, assistant professional, held the 36-hole lead at the 38th National Car Rental PGA Assistant Championship at Port St. Lucie, Florida by shooting rounds of 67 and 69 for an 8-under par, 136 total at the Wanamaker Course. Unfortunately, he faltered in the next two rounds, finishing in a tie for 25th place. All in all, a great showing by a talented young professional. Rich got into the event by winning the NEPGA Section Championship in August. Well done!



At the Section Annual Meeting, an amendment proposed by the New Hampshire Chapter to the Section Constitution and By-Laws to allow for Section members to cast a vote for the Section officers' elections at the Section or Chapter meeting was approved.

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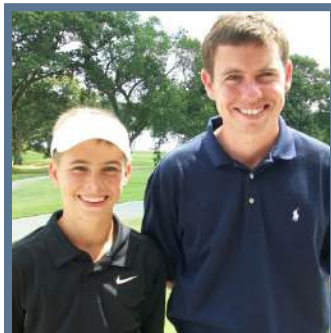
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RHODE ISLAND CHAPTER

2014 RHODE ISLAND CHAPTER REVIEW IN PICTURES

RIPGA CHAPTER CHAMPIONS



From Left to Right:

Misquamicut Clubs' PGA HP Jim Corrigan (left) and PGA Assistant Matt Doyle won the CALLAWAY PRO-PRO (66) held at Newport CC in the Spring over 30 other fine teams from 5 different Chapters!

Pt. Judith's PGA Assistant Bill Maguire (right) and partner Nick Buonanno fired a superb 65 in the 3rd edition of the popular TITLEIST/FOOTJOY PRO-1 JR SCRATCH held at Metacomet this past summer beating the Doyle/Sam Knowlton team (defending champs) in a playoff.

Alpines' PGA HP Eddie Kirby won the Chapter Championship at Misquamicut (sponsored by Peter Guild/ CALLAWAY) beating Doyle in a tense playoff after both shot identical 69-68's (-1 under 137) edging Peter Weatherby, Dave Tiedemann & Bob Tramonti who rounded out the top five. Kirby also grabbed hold of the 2014 Les Kennedy Award (POY) after this win - then cemented the year long points crown with his win in the tremendous HAVERSHAM PRO-AM at Shelter Harbor in late October.

Nortons' PGA HP Jeff Martin visited his old Chapter several times, pictured here with Swansea's PGA HP Shane Drury and Triggs' PGA HP Bob Tramonti, who fell just short in the Kennedy Award to Kirby in a spirited defense of his 2013 title. Drury placed 4th (71) in the NEPGA Pro-Senior at Metacomet as 37 teams visited the Ocean State in mid-summer. Martin teamed up with N. Kingstown's PGA HP John Rainone to finish 2nd (67) at Newport.



From Left to Right:

Shelter Harbors' PGA Assistant Michael Robinson (the short, professional looking one) played with sponsor extraordinaire Jay Beausoleil (far right, SPONSOR and owner) in "The Haversham". Robinson finished one shot out of 2nd place while fellow PGA Assistant Jared Marshall led his team to victory.

Crystal Lakes' PGA HP Tony DiGiorgio (far right) brought his team down from the NW corner of the state in search of the ocean and birdies.

All PGA Head Pros – The Dave Baluik-Kirby team and the Dave Tiedemann (Chapter President)- Barry Westall (host pro) team (far right) pictured here after firing 69 & 68 respectively in the 4-Ball Stroke Play competition...both teams finishing in the money!

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VERMONT CHAPTER



Tournament Results:

On September 25-26th, we held our Match Play Championship at Ekwanok CC hosted by Tom Mackey, PGA. This year's Match Play Champion Mark Aebli PGA, Hermitage GC defeated Todd Trono, PGA, Williston GC in the finals. The semi-finals also included Paul

Politano, PGA, Montague GC and Steve Gonsalves, PGA, Links at Lang Farm. We thank Stuart Miller for the tee gifts for each player, added money to the purse, and a trophy for the winner.

Our final major of the year was our Pro Pro Championship played at Vermont National CC with Zack Wyman, Brian Gara, Carolyn Schaner and Sean Toof as our hosts. We thank Larry Kelley, PGA, Five Star Golf Cars for their generous sponsorship. The championship was conducted on September 29th prior to our Vermont Chapter Fall Meeting. This year's championship belongs to the team of Roger King, PGA, CC of Barre and Paul Politano, PGA, Montague GC with a score of 67. In second place was Josh Olney, PGA, Orleans CC and Dave Jankowski, Stowe Mountain Club with a score of 70.

Our last Pro Am of the year was our rescheduled event at Okemo Valley Golf Club on October 6th. Jim Remy, PGA, and Mike SantaMaria served as our hosts. We thank our sponsors Alan Way-Nike Golf and Tony Maneen, Nike Clothing for their generous support providing golf ball tee gifts and clothing to our winning teams. We also enjoyed a traditional fall turkey dinner after completion of play. We used the ever popular modified Stableford scoring format. The CC of Vermont teams swept both the gross and net team prizes. Gross team winners were led by Dan Lehmann, PGA, and his team with a score of 46. Net team winners were led by Dan Ruane, PGA, and his team with a score of 66. Our best Individual Professional score went to Dave Jankowski, Stowe Mountain Club with 41 points edging out Todd Trono (38 points), PGA, Williston GC. The last event of the year determined our Player of the Year. Dave beat out Todd by a mere 10 points...our closest race in many years.



President's Cup Teams

On October 8th, the Vermont Chapter played our traditional final event of the year the Jeff Hadley Cup contested at the CC of Barre, hosted by Roger King, PGA. The President's Cup format consisted of teams led by Chapter President Dave Pfannenstien, PGA and Chapter Vice President Roger King, PGA. Victory was secured by President Pfannenstien's team for the second year in a row. Congrats to the victors.

Vermont Chapter Fall Meeting:

On September 29th, the Vermont Chapter held our 2014 Annual Fall Meeting at the Vermont National CC. We welcomed Mike Higgins, NEPGA Executive Director, Mike Packard, PGA, Employment Services and Brian Bain, Player Development Regional Manager and heard their updates on Section and National initiatives. We received Chapter committee reports from all our chairs and committee members. We elected Chapter Director RJ Austin, PGA, Sugarbush GC to a one year term.

Vermont Chapter Award Winners:

We congratulate our 2014 Vermont Chapter Award winners:

Professional of the Year - Josh Olney, Orleans CC
Merchandise of the Year - Public - Todd Nalette, Crown Point CC
Merchandise of the Year - Private - Tom Mackey, Ekwanok CC
Merchandise of the Year - Resort - Michael SantaMaria, Okemo Valley GC
Teacher of the Year - Steve Gonsalves, Links at Lang Farm
Junior Golf Leader - Ryan McDonald, Northfield CC
Horton Smith - Erik Sorensen, Dorset Field Club
Bill Strausbaugh Award - Larry Kelley, Five Star Golf Cars
Assistant Professional of the Year - Matt Havers, Burlington CC
Player of the Year - Dave Jankowski, Stowe Mountain Club

Vermont Chapter Teaching Seminar:

On October 21st, the Vermont Chapter welcomed Mike Bender to Dorset Field Club for a teaching seminar. 50 PGA Professionals attended the presentation. A special thanks goes to our education Chair, Erik Sorensen, PGA, Dorset Field Club.

An Exclusive Product Seminar at Gonzo's Indoor Golf on Wednesday, December 3rd from 11:00am-2:00pm

The Vermont Chapter invites NEPGA members to participate in a Product Education Day and luncheon hosted by Rob Hardy, PGA of the TaylorMade-adidas Golf Company. Rob is our new rep from TaylorMade and Adams will take you through the latest technologies in golf product, including the NEW METALWOOD lineup for 2015 and the all new RSi Irons. Class A members will earn 3 MSR hours for attending, and in addition to the product knowledge and Q and A, you can experience the new clubs on Steve's state of the art simulators.

The Chapter BOD and committees will be meeting over the next few weeks to firm up the 2015 playing schedule and Chapter budgets.

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MASSACHUSETTS CHAPTER



The Massachusetts Chapter had a very unique season this year, although it has come and gone quickly there were many highlights. The

Chapter had an exciting championship which went into a playoff between Matt Zdon, Derek Franklin and eventual winner Mike Menery. We, the Chapter, were represented in the PNC and the National Assistant Championship, we entered into a tremendous and hopefully long lasting relationship with Avidia Bank, and one of the more memorable highlights was the recognition of Jim O'Leary, PGA head professional of Oak Hill Country Club at the fall meeting and being able to share in his 50th year and his enormous contributions to the game, Chapter, Section and fellow professionals.

The addition of Nick Erlichman as the Massachusetts operation manager has been outstanding to the Chapter and we look forward to working with Nick and making him a crucial and even more integral part of the Chapter next year.

A few reminders to everyone: This is a good time of the year to update a résumé and use the Section office or Mike Packard and fellow professionals as resources if you have questions. The MSR cycle will approach quickly come June so if you have not earned your requirements there are a couple of early education opportunities this month and throughout the winter. And lastly if you can please make a small contribution to the Chapter's 1st Annual Food Drive. The donation that we are asking for is \$5.00 a professional, which will make a huge difference to many families during the Thanksgiving season. We will accept donations until the Friday before Thanksgiving (the 19th), please mail your CASH donations to the Section office 67A Shrewsbury St. PO Box 743 Boylston, MA 01505.

Have a great Thanksgiving!

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Carnegie Abbey 18th



Shelter 17th & 18th



Misquamicut



Kirkbrae 10th



Warwick 9th



Metacomet



Far Right: In the final act of the season – after business was done at the RIPGA annual Fall Meeting, teams of two ventured out to the tremendous Par-3 course adjacent to Shelter Harbors' renowned big course – only to experience the wrath of NEPGA's Dave McAdams and partner (me) who won in a playoff against the likes of (far left) Country Views' PGA HP Rick Finlayson & partner Acoaxets' PGA HP Brent Amaral (RIPGA Tournament Chairman) and fellow competitors in the playoff (far right) Drury and Tramonti. David M. struck his 1st playoff hole wedge to 4' and calmly buried the winning putt.

Far Left: Now this is how you run an outing – (note: there were 124 golfers to Michael's left just out of the photo....my favorite pic of the year, as he was dutifully covering for yours truly, stuck in traffic!)

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CAPE COD CHAPTER *Continued...*

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2014 Cape Chapter President Jesse Schechtman (left) with Chapter Sec-Treas Bob Giusti (center) and Gary Cardoza at Plymouth CC.



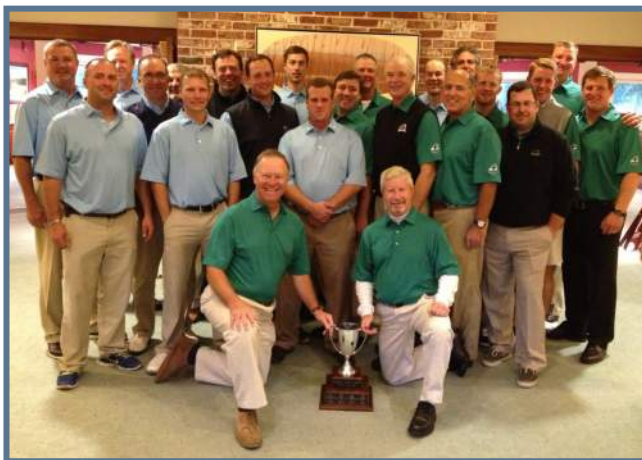
L to R: Rusty Gunnarson, Bob Miller, Chapter Premiere Sponsor Peter Guild (Callaway), Tom Rooney & Rob Bradley all wore their "red, white or blue" at the PRO PRO held at Woods Hole on Sept. 11th, 2014.



With some 60 kids attending – Pocasset's Jeff Halunen presented the only full "dress rehearsal" DCP in the nation – prepping his junior members for the real thing weeks later!



The strangest Tree in New England?
Apropos for the Cape & Rhody Tour. Mgr!



Chapter Pros (light blue) tied the Cape Amateur side in the 28th edition of the Cape Cod Cup – but, the Pros still cling to a slight edge – 13-12-3 since its inception in 1987.



LeBaron Hills' Tom Rooney (foreground) & Woods Hole' John Jackson during the Cape Match Play Champ won by Greg Yeomans.



The Ridge Club finished 1-2 in the 2014 Championship as HP Jay Askew (left) congratulates his Assistant Joe Ferreira V, whose final round 65 edged the boss by 2!



New Members

<u>Name</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Facility</u>
Garrett T. Hasanbasic, PGA	A-8	Rhode Island Country Club

New Apprentices

<u>Name</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Facility</u>
Brent A Balderston	B-8	Winthrop Golf Club
Cameron T Caldwell	B-8	Black Swan Country Club
Colin J Coneys	B-8	Salem Country Club
James W Gaken	B-8	Framingham Country Club
Eric W Soderman	B-8	Hoodcroft Country Club

New Transfers into Section

<u>Name</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Previous Section</u>
Cameron J. Duff, PGA	A-20	Southern California

Employment Changes

<u>Name</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Start</u>	<u>Facility</u>
Thomas D. Borden, PGA	A-1	10/19	Shattuck Golf Club
Matthew R. Cunningham, PGA	A-20	11/3	Tournament Solutions
Daniel L. Limauro, PGA	A-1	11/1	The Ledges Golf Club
James D. Pollini, PGA	A-15	11/3	Dave's PGA Golf Shop
Christopher R. Rogers, PGA	A-6	10/20	GolfTEC - Natick

Classification Changes

<u>Name</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Facility</u>
Thomas D. Borden, PGA	A-1	Shattuck Golf Club
David Costello, PGA	LMA	
Matthew R. Cunningham, PGA	A-20	Tournament Solutions
Peter B. Hodgkins, PGA	LM	
James D. Pollini, PGA	A-15	Dave's PGA Golf Shop
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