



# OCTOBER 2014 NEWSLETTER

## PROPOSED RESOLUTION: VOTE AT ANNUAL MEETING

The New Hampshire Chapter of the New England Section has proposed an amendment to the Constitution and Bylaws of the New England Section. The proposed resolution is to allow for New England Section members to cast a vote for the Section Officers elections at the Section Annual Meeting or their Chapter Meeting. The proposed amendments may be amended by a majority and may be adopted by a two-thirds majority of those voting at the NEPGA Annual Meeting on Monday, October 27, 2014 at Renaissance GC.

### ARTICLE VI

#### SECTION OFFICERS, BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND ELECTION PROCEDURE

##### Section 1. Officers: (Current Reading)

The officers of the Section shall be a President, Vice President and a Secretary. They shall be elected at every other annual meeting. They shall be elected by a majority of those voting and shall hold office until their successors are elected. They shall be elected to one two-year term and shall not be eligible to succeed in said offices after term expires. The immediate Past President shall automatically become Honorary President and be a member of the Board of Directors with full voting rights until such time as another President is elected.

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The officers of the Section shall be a President, Vice President and a Secretary. They shall be elected at every other annual meeting. They shall be elected by a majority of those voting at the annual meeting and **chapter fall meetings. PGA Members will be allowed to cast only one (1) vote at the New England Section Annual Meeting or at their Chapter Annual Meeting. Votes will be collected at each chapter meeting and combined with the votes at the annual meeting. Officers shall hold office until their successors are elected.** They shall be elected to one two-year term and shall not be eligible to succeed in said offices after term expires. The immediate Past President shall automatically become Honorary President and be a member of the Board of Directors with full voting rights until such time as another President is elected.

##### Section 4. Election Procedure: (Current Reading)

- (a) The President shall appoint a Moderator to conduct the election and ballot clerks as necessary.
- (b) Candidates for the office of President, Vice President and Secretary must file a nomination form with the Section Office no later than 60 days prior to the Annual Meeting. The forms for filing will be available upon request from the Section Office. When filed, these forms must contain the signatures of at least 25 eligible voting members of the Section. No member may sign more than one nomination form for each office. The names of those nominated will be published in the notice of the Annual Meeting. If there are less than two nominees for an office, nominations will be accepted from the floor; otherwise, no floor nominations will be allowed. Prior to the election at the Annual Meeting, each nominee will be given five minutes to address the meeting. Order of speaking will be drawn by lot and candidates will leave the room while each nominee speaks.

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MESSAGE FROM NEPGA PRESIDENT



We have officially made it to the best time of the year! The Fall foliage is peaking in the northern part of our Section as all of us are winding down from a very busy season. I think most of you will agree that 2014 was a great year for golf in the New England Section. All of our events were well attended and participation was up across the board. From leading the country in Section Championship entries, more than doubling our teams in Junior League Golf, and our huge numbers of NEPGA Junior Tour Members we have been constantly improving our products and delivery to all different types of golfers and members across our Section. As I have said before, we have a great mix when it comes to our Section. Members, staff, and sponsors all have a huge impact on our mission and 2014 has been no different!

Our six Chapters along with our Seniors and Assistants' Associations have just begun our Fall meetings and I ask that you get out and attend. I just attended the Vermont Chapter meeting and played in the annual Pro-Pro Championship and there is nothing better than seeing old friends, meeting new members, and learning about the different issues that our members feel are important. We also had a great recap from our Section Executive Director, Mike Higgins. Mike's enthusiasm when it comes to our Section and business that we conduct is contagious.

Please mark your calendars as we will have the Section Annual Meeting at The Renaissance Golf Club on Monday, October 27th at 10:00am. This is another opportunity to see our governance at work and reconnect with old friends and meet new ones. The New Hampshire Chapter has put forth a proposed by-law change in regards to voting at the Chapter and Section meetings. The exact by-law proposal is on the first page of this newsletter and will be sent out to all members in a separate email for everyone to review prior to the meeting. Please reach out to me or anyone on the board for questions in regards to this proposed by-law change. This is your opportunity to be involved and we look forward to the meeting in a few weeks.

Lastly, I want to acknowledge one of the best weeks in our sport. The Ryder Cup is a wonderful showcase of our best golfers playing for our country and association. Even though our team ended up on the short side, it was so much fun to watch all the different formats, see the pairings, and understand the strategy that goes into this event. The PGA of America should be proud of the effort and we are all excited to see the matches return to United States soil in 2016.

I want to hear from you. Please reach out to me if you have any questions or comments regarding your Section.

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MESSAGE FROM NEPGA SECRETARY



Greeting fellow New England PGA Members, As your secretary for the last 11 months it has been an honor and privilege to serve you at The PGA Annual meeting in San Diego, the Regional Candidate meetings in Newark and several other functions representing the New England Section and the over 1,000 members we serve.

I will continue to listen to your voices and bring my own voice to board meetings and national functions to best serve every New England Section member and apprentice.

The main reason for my message this month is our MSR requirements as PGA members. As we all know the current cycle ends June 15, 2015.

Credit requirements will consist of two categories: (a) 54 Total Credits, (b) 36 of which must be from PGA Meeting/PGA Education and/or Golf 2.0/Player Development.

**(a) Total Credits (54):** A total of 54 credits must be earned, with at least 36 credits earned from the required category (PGA Meeting/PGA Education/Golf 2.0/Player Development), while the other means of obtaining credits toward the total requirement remain per the prior program. All credits for any category must be earned via activities that allow for automated crediting through PGA systems to streamline the administration of the Professional Development Program.

**(b) PGA Meeting/PGA Education:** The credit category for Meetings and PGA-delivered education (Chapter, Section, National) are now combined and all will be awarded one (1) credit per hour of participation. Other education provided by sources outside of The PGA will apply to the Total. This means that any gathering of members organized by a Section/Chapter or National, whether for governance, education, or both will be treated the same way. Therefore, a Section meeting that had three hours of business meeting and two hours of education that would have been credited six Meeting credits and two Education credits in the previous cycle will now be worth 5 PGA Meeting/PGA Education credits.

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## NEPGA TOURNAMENT NEWS



October, a month that ends with ghouls and goblins running rampant through the streets, attempting to avoid tricks, while in search of treats. Also, the final month for New England PGA Section events to take place. We have some great venues for you, concentrated in locales south of Boston, on Cape Cod, in Norton and Hingham.

The first four events take place "over the bridge" on beautiful Cape Cod, with the Cape Cod Fall Festival Pro-Ams, October 14-17 at Oyster Harbors, Eastward Ho!, Willowbend and Wianno. National Car Rental is the presenting sponsor of these events, with teams consisting of a New England PGA Professional and 3 Amateurs. The format for each is 2 Best Balls of the Four, One Gross and One Net score combined (can not be the same ball) to determine the team score. 10 AM Shotgun Starts are scheduled for each event.

Monday, October 20 is an important date on the New England PGA calendar. It is the date of the New England PGA Scholarship Pro-Am at TPC - Boston. The monies raised from this event are used to provide educational funding for NEPGA family members. Bring a group and play the course that hosts one of the marquee events on the PGA Tour Playoff schedule, the Deutsche Bank Championship. 2 Best Balls of the Four, One Gross and One Net score combined (can not be the same ball) to determine the team score, an 11 AM Shotgun start is scheduled. Thank you to our presenting sponsor Tournament Solutions for their support of this very important event.

We finish the New England portion of NEPGA Schedule (there is a little Pro-Am event taking place somewhere out west in November) at Black Rock Country Club. The hearty souls, and the men and women who make my job easy, the golf course Superintendents, actually get a chance to play the golf course instead of preparing it. Well all of them except for our host Chuck Welch, who has to do both! FYI-I allow Chuck to do the torturing (AKA course setup) for this event, and believe me, the Supers are some of the nicest people in the world to work with, but...they do have a mean streak. On top of that, the format is once again the always popular, Select Drive, Alternate Shot, talk about a day to test a working relationship. The "fun" begins with a scheduled 10 AM Shotgun start. Thanks to our presenting sponsor Five Star Golf Cars.

That's what's coming up, here's what happened last month.

The always popular Pro & IAm, Four-ball Stroke Play event, with gross & net divisions, got things started at Turner Hill on September 2. The team from the Misquamicut Club, Professional Peter Weatherby and his amateur partner Brendan Lemp, took it to another level, or should I say depth, with a ridiculously low, eleven under par, gross score of 61. They were six shots clear of the second place team from Blackstone National, Professional Patrick Beahn, PGA and Am Jeff Bastien.

On the net side the GolfTEC tandem, Professional James Latraverse, PGA and Am Leo Latraverse eked out a one shot victory over five other teams. The aforementioned Weatherby also blew away the field in the Individual Professional competition; his five under par 66 was four clear of Beahn and Marc Spencer, PGA. Thank you to Turner Hill for once again hosting a New England PGA event and to Host Professional Nate Hopley, PGA and Superintendent John Sadowski.

The final chance to qualify for the NEPGA Stroke Play Series Championship took place at Plymouth Country Club on September 8. Four players solidified their spots, tying for the top at two under par 67. PGA Professionals Shawn Warren, Aaron Ungvarsky, Jeff Martin and Chris Carter will all be moving on to Old Sandwich. The Senior Division saw Bob Prange, PGA solidify his position at the top of the standings with a score of 73.

We traveled to Rhode Island on September 10, where the always superbly conditioned Kirkbrae Country Club hosted the New England PGA Head Professional Championship.

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## WHAT'S IN THE BAG

A Look at Our Latest NEPGA Event Winner's Equipment

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**Matt Baran, PGA**  
Oyster Harbors Golf Club



**Victory:** NEPGA Assistants Championship  
**Location:** Ledgemont Country Club  
**Score:** 1st - 2 (140)

**In his bag...**

**Driver:** 10.5 Titleist 913 D3  
**Fairway:** 15 Titleist 913F  
**Hybrid:** 19 Titleist 913H  
**Irons:** Titleist 3-5 714CB 6-PW 714MB  
**Wedges:** Vokey SM5 53, 59  
**Putter:** Scotty Cameron Futura X CB  
**Golf Ball:** Titleist ProV1x  
**Trinket:** Seamus Golf Hand Forged Coin



**Greg Pieczynski, PGA**  
Weston Golf Club



**Victory:** NEPGA Stroke Play Championship  
**Location:** Old Sandwich Golf Club  
**Score:** T-1 +1 (72), Won in Playoff

**In his bag...**

**Driver:** 10.5 TM R11 S  
**Fairway:** 14.5 TM RBZ Tour  
**Hybrid:** 20 TM Burner Rescue  
**Irons:** 4-6 Iron TM MC, 7-9 TM MB  
**Wedges:** Vokey SM5 48, 54, 60  
**Putter:** Odyssey 2 Ball  
**Golf Ball:** Titleist Pro V 1x  
**Mark on Ball:** "Pi Symbol on my Golf Ball"

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Practice Rounds also available



MESSAGE FROM SECRETARY *Continued...*

**(b) Golf 2.0/Player Development:** The credits for Golf 2.0/ Player Development will be earned via the reporting of actual creation, activation and engagement of golfers into programming that supports Golf 2.0 initiatives and/or education and training on the strategic plan, its initiatives, and related program administration. Thus both green grass and non-green grass or executive level PGA members can meet the requirement by becoming knowledgeable about Golf 2.0, its strategic initiatives, and its programs.

As of the end of September the New England Section has 564 out of 957 PGA members that have not met their MSR requirements, which is 60% of our membership. If you are one of these members I suggest you log into [PGALinks.com](http://PGALinks.com) and learn how you can fulfill your MSR requirements. There are several ways to obtain your requirements online, attending Chapter meetings and Section meetings, attend the PGA of America Annual meeting, the PGA Merchandise Show in Orlando and several local and Section seminars that will be offered until June.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact me any-time.

Yours in Service,

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98.5 SPORTS HUB INTERVIEW WITH  
TODD COOK, PGA

Click [here](#) to listen to NEPGA Head Professional Todd Cook of The Milton Hoosic Club on the 98.5 Sports Hub Show. You can find Cook's interview towards the end of the article.



The evening's festivities will commence with registration and a Cocktail Reception (Cash Bar) from 5:00 PM to 6:00 PM followed by Dinner & Honor Presentations from 6:00 PM to 9:30 PM. Tickets are \$55 per adult and \$20 per child under age of 12. Questions? Contact Joan at 508.869.0000.

[Click here](#) to RSVP online

NEW LINE FOR TERRY FRECHETTE

Golf Professionals,

I have been asked many times lately: "Terry, what lines are you currently representing?" As of now, I am representing three companies: R.J. Shepherd, US Kids Golf, and a new company-ADG (American Dry Goods) which is a nice and affordable hat company. I look forward to showing these lines to you this Fall for Spring 2015 delivery.

Thank you,

Terry Frechette  
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**PGA**  
New England Section

2014 Fall Meeting Dates

Meeting	Date	Venue	Time
Cape Cod Chapter	Wednesday, October 15th	Sandwich Hollows GC	4:30 PM
Seniors' Association	Friday, October 17th	Pleasant Valley CC	8:30 am with Association Championship after
Rhode Island Chapter	Tuesday, October 21st	Shelter Harbor GC	10:30 AM
Massachusetts Chapter	Tuesday, October 21st	The Haven	9:00 AM
Assistants' Association	Thursday, October 23rd	Kernwood CC	8:00 AM
New Hampshire Chapter	Thursday, October 23rd	Laconia CC	9:00 AM
Section Fall Meeting	Monday, October 27th	Renaissance GC	9:00 AM registration



## VOLUNTEER AT THE SPECIAL OLYMPICS

There is a great need for PGA Golf Professionals and apprentices for the 14th annual NEPGA/Special Olympics Tournament at Braintree Municipal Golf Course. The tournament is a unique event that pairs Special Olympic athletes and their coaches with PGA Golf Professionals in a nine hole scramble format at the Braintree Municipal on Sunday, October 19th. Tee times run from 11:00am till 4:00pm.

Please contact Bob Beach, PGA for more information or to sign up. Bob can be reached at [bbeach@braintreema.gov](mailto:bbeach@braintreema.gov) or by calling 1.781.843.6513.

It is all about giving back and the volunteers at this wonderful event each year rave about how much inspiration they received by playing with these special golfers.

## GROWING THE GAME



Top: U.S. Kids Golf Seminar held at Harmon GC

Bottom: Bob Beach, PGA and Dan Gaughan, PGA assist young physically challenged golfers during a clinic at Buttonhole GC. View more pictures on [NEPGA.com](http://NEPGA.com)'s [Community Outreach page](#).

## NEPGA VIDEO VAULT




**NEPGA Assistant Championship**



**New England Open Final Round Recap**



**Interview with NE Open Host Pro John Fields, PGA**

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## TOURNAMENT NEWS *Continued...*

The greens at Kirkbrae are a stern test, with severe slopes to confuse and speed to intimidate it wasn't any surprise that a score close to par would be good enough to contend for the title. In the end only one player was able to better par, Mike Menery, PGA fashioned a one under par 70 to best the field. PGA Professionals, John Rainone, Jeff Martin, Tom Rooney and Greg Yeomans all finished one back at even par 71. Thanks to Kirkbrae, Professional Mike Bradshaw, PGA and Superintendent Mark Richard for hosting.

The demanding Belmont Country Club tested a strong field of 120 Professionals and amateurs at the 2014 New England Open. When the final putt was holed Jesse Larson was our 2014 Champion. Larson's final round 66 allowed him to overtake second round leader Michael Carbone. His three round total of 204 was one shot better than Mike Van Sickle and Cameron Wilson and three shots clear of Eric Dugas, PGA, while second round leader Carbone rounded out the top five. The low scorers among New England PGA members were Dan Venezia, PGA and Boomer Erick, PGA who shot 217 and tied for 11th place.

We have had two tremendous events at Belmont in 2013 and 2014 and we cannot thank them enough for everything they have done to help bring the New England Open back to its rightful place as a major Championship on the New England golf calendar. PGA Professionals John Fields, Matt Zdon and Bob Stonehouse as well as Superintendent Mike Rose and their entire staffs made these last two years a pleasure and we look forward to hopefully working together again in the future. We also want to wish them great success as they prepare to host a one of golf's major Championships. Belmont will bring the Champions Tour back to New England when they host the 2015 Constellation SENIOR PLAYERS Championship next June.

The final two events on the September schedule took place after the newsletter-publishing deadline; go to [nepga.com](http://nepga.com) for the details and results.

The final major Championship on the 2014 NEPGA schedule, the National Car Rental New England PGA Assistant Championship was contested at Ledgemont Country Club in Seekonk, MA on September 24 & 25. The 72-player field was vying for the title as well as a chance to advance to the 38th National Car Rental PGA Assistant Championship at PGA Golf Club, October 30-November 2. Matt Baran, PGA was the model of consistency posting two rounds of one under par 70 to take the title by one stroke over Mike Baker, PGA and two strokes over defending Champion Jeff Seavey, PGA and Phil Cardwell, PGA. The low round of the tournament belonged to Dan Venezia, PGA who fired an opening round 68, to lead current NEPGA Champion Rich Berberian, PGA by one. Both players shot 74 in round two and became one of the six players from the New England Section who advance to PGA Golf Club. We extend a huge thank you to the Ledgemont membership, for allowing us to return to their wonderful facility as well as our hosts PGA Professionals, Jack Tosone and Todd Campbell and Superintendent Bill Sherman.

The aforementioned Stroke Play Series Championship at Old Sandwich takes place on September 30. Due to the lead-time needed for this column to be published, we are not able to report the results of this event. Go to [nepga.com](http://nepga.com) to see who took home the title in 2014. As always, big thanks to the sponsors of this year-long series of events, Yamaha, AHEAD/Dan Dempsey, Cutter & Buck/Paul Pichette, Golf Buddy/Cary Gordon and PGA Tour.

That my fellow Professionals is a wrap for 2014, or as Porky Pig would say, "That's All Folks!"

Unless you are bringing a group to that previously mentioned event in the desert, I may not see you again until next year. If that is the case, I hope you have a great holiday season filled with family and friends, have a chance to rest up a little over the winter, and don't have too much snow to shovel.

We'll be back with Tournament News, and attempt to do this all over again, in 2015.

See you down the road,

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## CONGRATULATIONS!



*Congrats to Williston Golf Club Head Golf Professional, John Goodchild who was married this past weekend to the love of his life, Laura Buda!*

# CHAPTER & ASSOCIATION NEWS

## CAPE COD CHAPTER



### JUNIOR LEAGUE REGIONALS VISIT THE CAPE



The Mid-Cape's JUNIOR LEAGUE team, captained by Pocasset's Jeff Halunen, PGA and Hyannis' Roman Greer, PGA battled 3 other New England teams (12 kids each) for the right to represent our region in the national finals this Fall, falling just short in their quest to emerge victorious. Hyannis GC proudly served as the venue where the Connecticut team took top honors. Over 70 spectators enjoyed the season ending competition in what must now be considered one of the PGA of America's most successful junior golf initiatives.



*Jake Greer (Roman's son) eyes the competition at the regionals.*

In related junior golf news: The Cape Cod Junior Golf Association has completed another outstanding season of competition, clinics, camaraderie and fun for hundreds of local golfing youth. 2014 Award winners are featured on the Cape's website in all age divisions – [www.capecodpga.com](http://www.capecodpga.com). In addition, the CCJGA will be announcing the names of college scholarship recipients shortly.

Lastly, in the world of junior golf, Connor Willett, Sandwich, MA will return to the hallowed grounds of Augusta National representing New England in the 12-13 age division of the Drive, Chip & Putt national finals the Sunday prior to the Masters next spring. Mattapoisset's John Hiller (The Bay Club) won the recent Bethpage sub-regional (conducted by the Met Section) 7-9 age group punching his first ticket to Georgia as well! Our Chapter is proud of all of our junior golfers doing great things across the region.

### WIANNO DUO PREVAILS AT CALLAWAY PRO-PRO - WOODS HOLE GC

The Wianno Club's PGA HP Eric Steindel and Assistant Kelly Ladow successfully battled teams from Cape Cod, Rhode Island and Mass Chapters in winning the final Callaway PRO-PRO of

the season, contested on the superb Woods Hole links, hosted by the inimitable Glenn Kelly, PGA HP.



*Above: Eric Steindel (L) and Kelly Ladow*



WOODS HOLE	
PRO-PRO CALLAWAY	
ERIC STEINDEL 67	KELLY LADOW 67
ERIC JOHNSON 68	CHRISTOPHER JULLAR 68
ANDREW BLAKEMORE 68	WILLY JACKSON 71
RAY LEECH 69	HARVEY HENRIETY 69
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BOB MILLER 71	CHRISTOPHER THE PRO 71
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*Right: (L to R) Rusty Gunnarson, Bob Miller, sponsor du jour Peter Guild/ Callaway, Tom Rooney & Rob Bradley prior to the Callaway PRO PRO at Woods Hole.*



### ISLAND CLASSIC...2014 !

Sankaty Head's PGA HP Mark Heartfield (pictured right) welcomed 29 teams to the isle of Nantucket for the 21st Annual Island Classic in late September, sponsored by Callaway Golf/ Peter Guild. The Chapter is truly blessed to visit one of the iconic classic golf venues in the nation each fall.



*BESTED HIS AGE BY FIVE SHOTS!, Bedrock's PGA every-thing...who loves to visit our welcoming shores.*

*Days prior to the Island Classic, The Ridge Club's PGA HP Jay Askwel posted a winning -5 under par 66 at Old Barnstable Fairgrounds in the CAPE COD REHAB Pro-Senior battling the likes of Bob Miller (67), Al Lupis (68) and the truly ageless wonder, Joe Carr whose 70*

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## CHAPTER & ASSOCIATION NEWS *Continued...*

### MAINE CHAPTER



The Maine Chapter of the NEPGA was back in full swing the month of September with the first event of the Fall run being hosted by the Links at Poland Springs. Thanks go out to Allan Menne

and his staff for their efforts in providing a nice venue to play our Chapter's Senior- Junior Championship. Continuing their stellar play from the Section Championship, both John Hickson and Jeff Seavey teamed up to take home first place honors. A low round of 62 was four shots better than the three second place finishers.



Next on the Calendar was the Chapter's 2014 Southern Swing where we were blessed with great weather and awesome facilities to make for three very successful events. Thank you to our Sponsors of the southern swing, Yamaha Golf Cars and Ping Golf. Our first of three days in a row was played at York Golf and Tennis. Thank you to host professional Kyle Page and his staff for their efforts in providing us with a great day. We had 23 teams participate and enjoy the day. Day two we travelled a little north to Kennebunkport and played the historic Cape Arundel Golf Club. 25 teams enjoyed the links on the banks of the Kennebunk River. Aside from a little drizzle in the AM, it was another nice day. Thanks to Ken Raynor and his staff for hosting day 2. Day 3 of the Southern swing we stayed in the beautiful town of Kennebunkport and traveled across the river to Webhannet Golf Club. Again we had a field of 25 teams enjoying the spectacular day. Thank you to PGA Professional Kirk Kimball and his staff for all of their assistants and for hosting the final day of the Southern Swing.

Portland Country Club was the host of our next Pro Am. Always a popular venue, 2014 was no different with the help of sponsors Five Star Golf Cars, Shipyard Brewery, and Lincoln. Lincoln was on hand to provide test drives to all the amateur participants. This was a well-received program that benefitted all, especially by handing out Titleist golf balls and hats to every player. Thank you to Lincoln for their support of our Chapter. We also had a team participate in the event from sponsor Five Star Golf Cars. The team played well enough to finish in the money. Thank you to all of our sponsors for their continued support of the Maine Chapter.

The Chapter schedule still has a few remaining events to take place, so please don't put your clubs away for the season just yet. The Pro Senior Event at Toddy Brook is on September 29th, followed by our Chapter Pro Assistants event to be played at Martindale Country Club following our fall Chapter Meeting on October 2nd. The Dugas Cup which is a Ryder

Cup format, to be played at Cape Arundel Golf Club on October 6th and 7th. If interested in playing please contact me ASAP as we are closing in fast on this event. Our last event of the 2014 season will be a Pro Am to be held at Falmouth CC. Participation is the key to the success of all of our Chapter events. If you can find the time, please find a few of our members and tee it up with us.

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### ASSISTANTS' ASSOCIATION



**PGA**  
New England Section  
Assistants' Association

The Assistants are heading to the Island! The inaugural NEAA Island Invitational is scheduled for October 5th and 6th at Miacomet Golf Club on the island of Nantucket. Spots are still available, please contact TJ Anthoine at [tanthoine@gmail.com](mailto:tanthoine@gmail.com) or Dave McAdams at [dmcadams@pgahq.com](mailto:dmcadams@pgahq.com) if you are interested!

The National Car Rental NEPGA Assistant Championship couldn't have been more exciting! Matt Baran, PGA of Oyster Harbors Golf Club was able to win the Assistant Championship by one stroke over Mike Baker, PGA of Walpole CC.

The New England Section will be represented by 6 Assistants at the 38th National Car Rental PGA Assistant Championship October 30-November 2 at PGA Golf Club in Port St. Lucie, FL. Congratulations to Matt Baran, PGA of Oyster Harbors Golf Club, Mike Baker, PGA of Walpole CC, Philip Cardwell, PGA of Sankaty Head, Daniel Venezio, PGA of Myopia Hunt Club, Rich Berberian, PGA of Windham CC and Jeff Seavey, PGA of Samoset Resort.

The Assistants are also looking forward to the Asst. Pro-Pro Match Play Championship that will be held at Webhannet GC and Myopia Hunt Club as well as the Asst. Fall Series Championship at Kernwood CC.

Thank you to National Car Rental and the PGA Tour for their support with the Assistant Championship and thank you to Todd Campbell, PGA and Jack Tosone, PGA for hosting the Championship at Ledgemont CC.

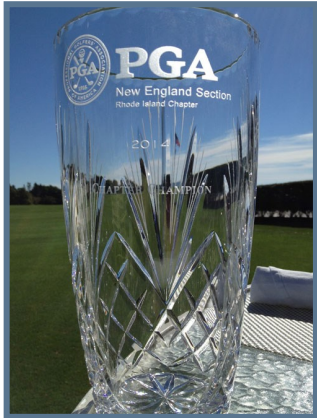
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## RHODE ISLAND CHAPTER



### KIRBY TOPPLES DOYLE IN CHAPTER CHAMPIONSHIP SUDDEN-DEATH PLAYOFF

Alpine's PGA HP Eddie Kirby birdied the first playoff hole (10th) to beat the host club's PGA Assistant Matt Doyle to win the 2014 RHODE ISLAND PGA CHAPTER CHAMPIONSHIP after both returned -3 under par 137's in this 36-hole one day affair. It was Kirby's 2nd Chapter crown in 3 years.



Tournament Mgr.  
Mick Herron & the Champ!

Championship sponsors: CALLAWAY GOLF/ PETER GUILD, TOURNAMENT SOLUTIONS/ JOE LAMOLY, and the PGA Tour along with gracious host professionals, Jim Corrigan, PGA HP, Doyle, Peter Weatherby, PGA Assistant and Jeff Flis, PGA Assistant made for a tremendous day of golf and camaraderie. The Misquamicut Club once again presented the field with impeccable conditions topped only by the inspiring views.



(L to R) Tournament Solutions Joe Lamoly, Paul White, Dan Gaughan, Gary Dorsi

### OTHER TOURNAMENT NEWS

Weatherby (who finished 3rd in the Chapter Championship) along with amateur partner Brendan Lemp visited Turner Hill earlier in September for the Section Pro-1Am event and totally dominated the large field of competitors from across the region, **firing a best ball 61 – good for a six shot victory**, while Weatherby **posted 66 on his own ball to win by five!** The

duo was -10 under par after 11 holes cruising to this incredible win. Kudos also go to Triggs PGA HP Bob Tramonti (T-26) and Doyle (T-18) for their fine showing in the NE Open at Belmont in mid-September in a field full of mini-tour standouts.

### FALL MEETING & PAR-3 SHOOTOUT!

The RI Chapter's Fall meeting is scheduled for TUESDAY, OCT. 21ST at Shelter Harbor where PGA HP Dave Tiedemann (Chapter President) has invited all to play 9-holes on the fabulous par-3 course on the property prior to the 10:15 meeting. Call or email David to indicate your interest in playing. Rumor has it that McAdams/Herron team will lace them up that morning.

### RIPGA LES KENNEDY POY AWARD – sponsored by TITLEIST/ DAVE MOYNIHAN

With his playoff Chapter Championship victory, Kirby has taken over the lead in the year-long Les Kennedy POY points race, sponsored by loyal supporter Dave Moynihan representing The Acushnet Company/ Titleist Golf. N. Kingstown's PGA HP John Rainone sits in 2nd place with one more event remaining on the 2014 schedule – THE HAVERSHAM PRO-AM, at Shelter Harbor, sponsored by The Haversham Restaurant – owner, Jay Beausoleil.

### PLAYING GOLF WITH MEMBERS

Always a tried & true way to enjoy time with members is golf travel. Shelters' Tiedemann and PGA Assistant Michael Robinson are pictured below with one member, Jeff Hires, who joined 15 fellow Shelter members on a tremendous Bandon Dunes adventure in early September. Awesome!



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## CHAPTER & ASSOCIATION NEWS *Continued...*

### MASSACHUSETTS CHAPTER



October is a busy time for the Massachusetts Chapter!

The Massachusetts Chapter is proud to announce the most qualifiers from any Chapter from the Section Championship heading to the PNC on June 21-24, 2015 at Philadelphia Cricket Club for the 48th PGA Professional National Championship. Congratulations to Jeffrey Martin, PGA from Norton CC, Daniel Venezio, PGA from Myopia Hunt Club, Boomer Erick, PGA from Boston GC, David Dionne, PGA from Beverly Golf & Tennis and James Burke, PGA from Leo J. Martin.

The Massachusetts Chapter is looking forward to three Fall events in the upcoming month. October 6th – Mass. Chapter PGA Championship at Worcester Country Club. October 7th – Tri-Chapter Championship at Red Tail Golf Club. October

21st – Mass. Chapter Fall Meeting & Pro-Pro at The Haven Country Club.

The Mass. Chapter Fall Pro-Pro will be something that all Massachusetts PGA Professionals should mark on their calendar. It is election year and voting will take place at the meeting. The meeting will also consist of a special presentation from Avidia Bank as well as other special presentations.

Thank you to our sponsors ProQuip USA, Avidia Bank, Prize Possessions, A-Line and PGA Tour for all your support and we look forward to your continued support in our upcoming events.

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### VERMONT CHAPTER



On September 2nd the VT Chapter held our weekly Pro Am at Green Mountain National GC with Dave Soucy, PGA, as our host. Sponsors included Rob Hardy and John Lano with TaylorMade and Adidas, both providing tee gifts and clubs to the winning teams. With the modified stableford format, there was a tie for first between host professional Dave Soucy, PGA, and his Green Mountain National GC team and Jim Gunnare, PGA and his team from Woodstock CC with 103 points. Low professional Roger King, PGA, CC of Barre with 43 points followed by Todd Trono, PGA, Williston GC with 38 points.

On September 8th the VT Chapter held a Pro Am at Williston GC with Todd Trono, PGA, and John Goodchild, PGA, as our hosts. We thank Golf ValueBook for their sponsorship along with Paul Jones and Club Car with purse money for a blind draw Pro Pro. Our gross winners were the home team led by Todd Trono, PGA, with a score of 65. Net winners resulted in a three way tie between two home teams led by Horace Archer, PGA, and John Goodchild, PGA, as well as Dave Janowski's Stowe Mountain Club team all with scores of 61. Low professional was Kevin Bennison, PGA, Mt. Anthony CC with 73.

The VT Chapter held a Pro Am at the Quechee Club Highland Course on September 15th with Steve Rogers, PGA and Richard Vacca, PGA, as our hosts. Our gross winners were Steve Gonsalves, PGA, and his team from Links at Lang Farm with a score of 67. The net team honors went to Todd Nalette, PGA, and the Crown Point CC with a score of 60. Low professional was Greg Nelson, PGA, Rutland CC with a 70 followed by Todd Nalette, PGA, with a 74.

On September 19th, we held our twice rescheduled Senior Championship at Neshobe GC hosted by Rodney Bicknell, PGA. This year's sponsor was John Aylsworth with Cobra/Puma. Our 2014 Senior Championship was claimed by our host Rodney Bicknell with a score of 73 followed by Dave Pfannenstern, PGA, VGA and Bob Prange, PGA, Basin Harbor Club both with 74.

On September 22nd the rescheduled Pro Am at CC of Barre was held with Roger King, PGA, as our host. We thank Bryan Saylor, FootJoy, and Brian Murphy, Titleist for their sponsorship of shoes and balls. Under blustery winter like conditions, the gross winning team from Orleans CC was led by Josh Olney, PGA, with a score of 62. Net winners resulted in a three way tie between the home team led by Roger King, PGA, the team from Woodstock CC led by Jim Gunnare, PGA, and the Northfield CC team led by Ryan McDonald, PGA. Low professional was Taylor Cowie, Links at Lang Farm with 75 followed by Josh Olney, PGA, with 76.

#### UPCOMING EVENTS:

VT Match Play Championship, Ekwanok CC, Sept. 25-26th  
VT Pro Pro Championship, VT National CC, Sept. 29th 9:00  
VT Chapter Fall Meeting, VT National CC, Sept. 29th 2:00  
Michael Bender Teaching Seminar, Dorset Field Club, Oct. 1st  
Final VT Pro Am, Okemo Valley GC, Oct. 6th  
Jeff Hadley Cup, CC of Barre, Oct. 8th

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### NEW HAMPSHIRE CHAPTER



With just four Chapter events remaining, the race for the NHC Player of the Year is just about over as Rich Berberian, Jr. of Windham C.C. leads the standings with 254.16 points with Matt Arvanitis, Concord CC a distant second at 219. Dan Wilkins, Laconia CC is in third place with 195.83 points. Rounding out the top ten are: Jay Pollini, Farmington (171.96); Griffin Andrews, Portsmouth CC (150.82); Mitch Jefferson, Ridgewood (144.17); Cory Mansfield, Montcalm (109); Vince Molesky, Newport (95.38), Matthew Bradbury, Crotched Mountain (84.5) and Wayne Natti, The Profile Club (90.67).

The NHC Pro-Pro Championship was held at Intervale CC and featured 10 teams of Chapter professionals competing in three nine-hole events, a best ball of two format, a two man scramble and a chapman with purses allotted for each event and for overall score. Winners of the Championship with an amazing 17-under par performance was the team from Windham CC which included Marc Spencer and Rich Berberian, Jr. The pair were defending champions from last year when they shot the identical overall score. Coming in second were Brett Smestad, The Oaks and his partner Patrick Thornell of Candia Woods. Cory Mansfield, Montcalm and Ken Hamel, Duston were in third place at 7-under par. Thanks to Rob Hardy of Adams for sponsoring this event.

Final events for 2014 are:

September 29...Pro-Gross Championship at Portsmouth CC  
October 6...ProAm at Abeniqui CC  
October 14...ProAm at Bald Peak CC  
October 20...ProAm at Nashua CC

The Chapter board is very grateful to Chris Conrad, Vice President, Sales of Martgnetti Companies of New Hampshire for being the Chapter's title sponsor for 2014.

The Chapter's Fall Meeting of Members will be held at Laconia CC on Thursday, October 23, 2014 at 9:00 a.m. There will be a pro-pro event following the meeting.

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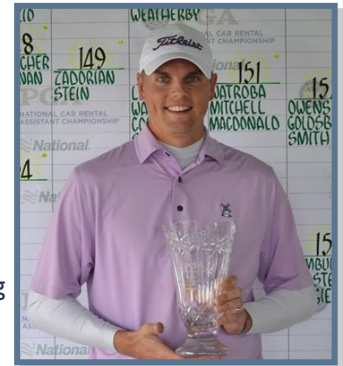
### CAPE COD CHAPTER *Continued*

Three professionals jointly topped the field (148) this year after 36 holes – Brendan Reilly, Josh Upson & Greg Yeomans – edging out hard charging Mike Haberl by one shot (149), whose even par 72 effort in the rain on day 2 won the daily prize in this unique event featuring six contests over two days with a total purse of over \$12,000. Many thanks to the club members, staff, talented GCSAA Superintendent Chris Ryder who presented a manicured challenge worthy of any level of competition...and current Bill Strausbaugh award winning host HP, Heartfield.

#### BARAN & CARDWELL HEAD SOUTH!

The Cape Cod Chapter will be well represented in the National Car Rental PGA Assistant Championship in Port St. Lucie later this Fall - as Oyster Harbors' Matt Baran (1st- 70-70=140) and Sankaty Heads' Phil Cardwell (T-3 - 72-70=42) captured two of the coveted five spots at Ledgemont (par 71) in late September – with **Baran**

**topping the field in the Section Assistant Championship!** Baran, who has won three consecutive Chapter championships on the trot, will be defending this title at another Cape gem, Plymouth CC in early October. Cardwell, a Met Section stand-out for many years is completing his first campaign on the island along with LPGA Teaching Professional (and wife) Sally Cardwell – a tremendous player in her own right. Rumor has it that after round one of the Assistant championship, Cardwell and fellow Sankaty assistant Jake Pleczkowski played an “emergency” round at Wannamoisett where Jake lit it up – firing a -7 under 62! Jake played tremendous championship golf at Ledgemont as well, but missed out qualifying by just two shots returning 73-72=145, good for 9th place. Hyannisports' Tim Watroba also played well 75-76=151 (T-19) in a field of over 70 assistants from the entire Section.



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## SENIORS' ASSOCIATION



There is just one spot left for the Pro 3 Am at **Thorny Lea Golf Club on October 8th!** If you would like to play, please call Dennis Selvitella, PGA

at 508.410.4984 for this event or any of the remaining ones mentioned below:

A two day Pro Pro at two of the best facilities in the Section-  
**October 14 Essex County Club, Manchester, MA**

Pro Pro Blind Draw at 8:30 am. Pro Pro tee times immediately after Blind Draw. **WALKING ONLY EXCEPT if you do need a cart, there are limited ones available. Please call Dennis Selvitella.** And...

**October 15 Myopia Hunt Club, Hamilton, MA**  
Pro Pro tee times start at 9 am

**October 17 Pleasant Valley CC, Sutton, MA**  
Fall Meeting at 8:30 am with Sr Association Championship after



## New Members

<u>Name</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Facility</u>
Matthew T. Barr, PGA	A-8	The Country Club
Nicholas J. Deni, PGA	A-8	The Shelter Harbor GC
Ryan G. Oakes-Rooney, PGA	A-8	Essex CC

## Employment Changes

<u>Name</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Start</u>	<u>Facility</u>
John R. Hickson, PGA	A-6	9/19	Mere Creek GC
Jeffrey L. Viola, PGA	A-20	10/1	ISG A/S Trackman

## New Apprentices

<u>Name</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Facility</u>
Nicholas B. Clemente	B-8	Thomson CC
Eric T. Ledbetter	B-8	TPC of Boston
Matthew McPhillips	B-1	Stratton Mountain CC

## Classification Changes

<u>Name</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Facility</u>
John R. Hickson, PGA	A-6	Mere Creek GC
Robert H. Prange, PGA	A-1	Basin Harbor Club
Jeffrey L. Viola, PGA	A-20	ISG A/S Trackman

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