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FRONT COVER:

Matt Doyle, PGA claimed this year's NEPGA Professional Championship held at Pinehills Golf Club on August 22-24. Read all about it on page 8 of this news magazine.

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE: Rob Jarvis, PGA



Greetings NEPGA Professionals,

Labor Day. Are you serious? Where has the time gone this season? It seems like just yesterday we were all gathered for the Spring Meeting getting charged up for a brand new

year. Now we are in the twilight of our centennial season and before you know it, we will be greeting each other at annual meetings throughout the Section. The good news is that fall golf in our Section is some of the best in the country and my hopes are that we all see significant play and continue to have great conditions.

Red Shirt for a Day

A few weeks ago I was fortunate to be able to attend the 96th NEPGA Championship at Pinehills G.C. What a spectacular event at a first class facility. I was originally there to perform the traditional duties of a Section president which basically involves me handing the winner the trophy and taking a few pictures for the archives. I had something a little different in mind this time around.

My main goal was to experience the championship from a different side to get a behind-the-scenes look at what our staff really goes through putting on an event of this size. Often times we play in a tournament and as we are going through our routine, we don't always notice the little things. That is completely understandable as players are there to do a job...compete. I certainly did not notice all of the little details in just one day, but what I did notice is that no stone is left unturned. There are probably some things we could do without that players may not even notice if they went missing. In my mind, that is what makes this event special. Even though the days are extremely long, the passion of the staff for this event, and us as competitors, means every detail is vital.

When I first walked into the operations room at 6:30 AM I was amazed. There were a good dozen or so staff members and interns bustling about in their red shirts getting ready for the day. Our leaders had already given the staff their assignments and everyone was ready to go. I know for a fact that they had not left the building until at least 9:00 PM the night before and everyone was on point and greeting the players just a few hours later. I have never been more proud of our staff than I was at

this very moment. We all know that tournaments are crucial to our Section, but to witness the preparation and execution of this championship was a treat.

Now it was time for me to get my red shirt on and join the team for a little while. I had told Mike Higgins that my desire, if permissible, was to be the official starter for the final round and enjoy wishing all of our competitors the best of luck in their pursuits of the NEPGA Championship. Given my experience with such things, I felt I was up to the task with minimal instruction. What I did not expect was the half hour of intense training I was about to get. Looking back on it, I don't blame them. After all, who needs a president showing up for a day and mucking up traditions that have been in place for many years. Once I had a few groups under my belt, with the proper script and timing I was off and running on my own. Well almost. There seemed to be a staff member strategically placed, with a radio that no doubt led right to Mike, with me at most times.

Without a doubt this was one of my top experiences as your Section president. I really enjoyed seeing everyone, meeting several for the first time, and being a part of it all. I feel like I did a good job for the staff, but I guess my only true way of telling will be if I get an entirely different job next year. Either way, it was great to be a "red shirt" for the day!

Time to Connect

Now that things are winding down a little bit, I plan to begin a task I had hoped to embark on earlier in the year, and that is to reach out to members throughout the Section and give them an audience with the president should they desire one. I had initially planned to begin this process during some rainy days throughout the summer. Well...we had zero of those days in Bangor, Maine so now here we are.

My mission is simple. I realize that not everyone might be comfortable reaching out to a Section officer, so I will do the reaching. No topic will be off limits and I promise you all that I will be making a comprehensive report and presenting my findings, good, bad or indifferent, to the NEPGA BOD.

Even with strong leadership, active commitments, and a great staff, we do not have the answers to everything. Feedback from our members is vital to the Section growing and continuing its success. This Section belongs to every PGA Professional and Apprentice and we value your input.

Knowing this is my mission, if you would like to schedule a one-on-one call, please email me at robjarvis@pga.com and we can set a time to chat. Otherwise, your name might just be drawn from the roster!

Great Tournament Golf Left

Congratulations are certainly in order for Matt Doyle, PGA. His recent victory at the NEPGA championship has cemented this son of a PGA Professional in the history books forever. It was wonderful to see Matt overcome with joy after his final putt was holed and the accolades were his. Matt represents everything that a PGA Professional embodies, and he is a great champion!

Mr. Doyle's victory does not end the season though. We still have some great events left on the schedule. In just the next four weeks we have the National Car Rental Assistant Professional Championship, the Head Pro/Teaching Pro Championship, the Avidia Cup Finals, the Ireland Pro-Am, and the Senior-Junior Championship in which NEPGA Vice President Ron Bibeau, PGA and I will team up once again. Get to the practice grounds, Beebs!

Don't forget to check your schedules as there are also some incredible events left in every Chapter. Local Pro-Am's are a great way to treat your members to a competitive round during what I feel is the best time of the year to play golf. They will enjoy the experience and no doubt the soon-to-be colorful foliage at all of our facilities throughout New England.

A Personal Thank You

In conclusion I would like to extend a personal thank you to the countless PGA Professionals, and NEPGA staff members, that reached out to my family during a most difficult time. The loss of my father was certainly devastating but your words of encouragement have helped more than you can imagine. The kind gestures of a phone call, text, card, or email will never be forgotten. There is no doubt that the NEPGA is one big family and that we support each other in times of need. I am honored that you took the time to reach out to me. Thank you.

Respectfully,

Rob Jarvis, PGA
New England PGA President

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE: Mike Higgins



The New England Section Championship in our Centennial Season took place last month at Pinehills GC, and what an event it was! A huge congratulation goes out to Matt Doyle, PGA of The Misquamicut Club on his victory and to the other 14 NEPGA Professionals who have advanced to the PNC in Oregon next June. The NEPGA will be well represented. Thanks to our partners and the support of our PGA Professionals, our Championship purse reached a record \$100,000. I thought this was very fitting in the New England Section's 100th year. Second to the DBC Championship, our championship is the largest professional purse in the New England Section. We look forward to crowning our 2016

NEPGA National Car Rental Assistant Champion later on this month at Spring Valley CC.

The unofficial end of summer is Labor Day. The unofficial end of the golf season in New England is when we turn our clocks back for Daylight Savings. That means we still have over 2 months of great golf still left in our 2016 season! This year has been a terrific year in the New England Section! Many of our events have been filled, participation is very positive and we are targeted to be on budget yet again. Your staff runs over 300 events during the course of a six and a half month season! Many times we have multiple events on the same day, and with very little rain this year, we have had hardly any cancellations.

The summer of Junior Golf is coming to a close! Our Junior Tour once again saw close to 800 members and 110 events. There are still a few fall weekend events on the calendar, so be sure to promote those to your juniors, and if you have an available weekend afternoon in late September or October, please reach out to Jacy Settles in the Section office. We will be wrapping up the Drive, Chip and Putt in New England with the Regional Championship being hosted at The Country Club on September 25th. This has been a terrific year for the DCP, with record numbers of juniors and all six of our Chapters hosting at least one local qualifier. The Regional Finals for PGA Junior League is also being hosted in our Section at Cranberry Valley on Cape Cod. The growth of this program has been significant nationally, and the New England Section is one of the leaders in that growth! If you have not experienced the explosive growth of this program please reach out to Brian Bain, PGA for more information. Being a part of these two programs I have witnessed the positive impact it has had on not only with the juniors, but also with their parents! Player development at its finest, and PGA Professionals and the PGA of America are at the forefront. That is what we are all working towards. Growing the Game!

This fall all six of our Chapters will be holding their annual Fall Meetings. Some Chapters will be conducting elections for positions at both the Chapter and Section level. Be sure to put your Chapter Meeting and certainly the Section Meeting on your calendars. [Click here](#) to view the meeting schedule. We will also be rolling out some wonderful educational opportunities this fall that will run throughout the winter. I am sure you have heard about the new overtime laws that go into effect on December 1, and we will be doing our best to provide you with as much information as possible to help you budget and plan for 2017.

I look forward to seeing all our members at our meetings this fall and encourage you to reach out to me at any time about anything regarding what I believe to be the best Section in the PGA.

Get out and Golf!

Michael Higgins
New England PGA Executive Director

Important Dates

SEPTEMBER 6-7

Maine Chapter Championship
Rockland GC | Samoset Resort

SEPTEMBER 8

Cape Cod Chapter
Championship
Captains Golf Course

SEPTEMBER 8

Massachusetts Chapter
Championship
Sterling National Golf Club

SEPTEMBER 12

NEPGA Stroke Play #5
Plymouth Country Club

SEPTEMBER 13-14

NEPGA Assistant Championship
Spring Valley Country Club

SEPTEMBER 20

NEPGA Head Pro/Teaching Pro
Championship
Renaissance Golf Club

SEPTEMBER 25

Drive, Chip & Putt Regional
Finals
The Country Club

SEPTEMBER 26

Vermont Chapter Fall Meeting
Country Club of Vermont

SEPTEMBER 29

NEPGA Avidia Cup Finals
Ledgemont Country Club

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A Section Champion is Crowned

Matt Doyle takes his first Championship

VIDEO / PHOTOS / RESULTS



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Matt Doyle, PGA, of the Misquamicut Club shot one over and a six under par final score of 210, to become the 96th New England PGA Champion at Pinehills Golf Club in Plymouth, Mass. This is Doyle's first Section Championship win.

In comparison to his first and second rounds, Wednesday's play was not his best for the tournament, however he played a smart game. He started off strong, making two birdies on the sixth and seventh holes to close out his front nine at two under. But, he faced some trouble on the back nine as the winds started to pick up. Doyle made a great birdie on 11 to start, but fell a little after making bogey on 12 and 13. He bogeyed 17 to cut his lead over Shawn Warren to two heading into the 18th and final hole.

From the tee Doyle hit to about the 230 mark on the 476-yard par four. His second shot gave him the option to land on the green or lay up around the bend to avoid the water hazard. He originally grabbed a wood from his bag, but went back on his choice and decided to layup. He made it to the hole in three, and even though he made a bogey, it was probably the safest choice. Once sinking his final putt, Doyle threw his hands up in the air in celebration.

Shawn Warren, PGA (Falmouth CC) was on Doyle's heels for a good portion of the day. He started his round very strong, making four birdies and a bogey to turn at three under, cutting Doyle's lead to two. However, bogeys on the tenth and 18th held him up. He finished the round at two under, and finished the tournament in second place with a total score of four under par 212.

Read recaps from [Day 1](#) and [Day 2](#).



TOURNAMENT RESULTS

Pos	Player	Total	R1	R2	R3	Total
1	Matt Doyle	-6	70	67	73	210
T2	Shawn Warren	-4	71	71	70	212
T2	Chris Trout	-4	70	70	72	212
T4	Eric Barlow	-2	69	71	74	214
T4	Jeffrey Martin	-2	71	70	73	214
6	Rich Berberian	-1	73	71	71	215
T7	Jeff Seavey	E	72	73	71	216
T7	Kirk Hanefeld	E	73	71	72	216
9	Robert Bruso	+1	70	68	79	217
T10	Rico Riciputi	+2	75	70	73	218

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2016 NEPGA Section Championship

Pinehills Golf Club, Plymouth, Mass.

Matt Doyle, PGA

The Misquamicut Club

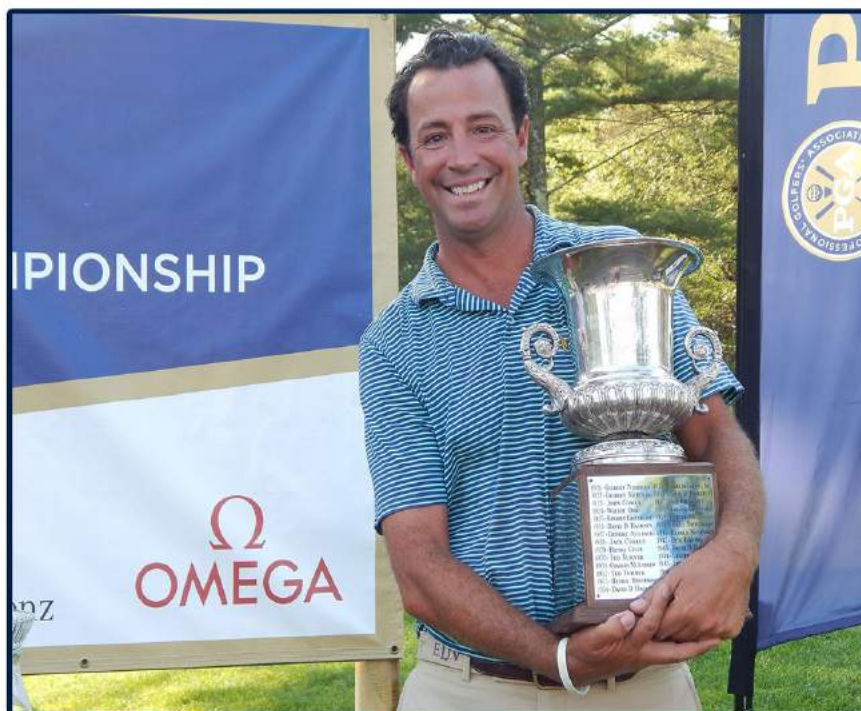
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UPCOMING TOURNAMENTS

NEPGA Stroke Play Series #5 Plymouth Country Club | Monday, September 12th



Coming up on September 12th, we're traveling out to Plymouth Country Club in Plymouth, Mass. for the final event in our NEPGA Stroke Play Series.

As always, a huge thank you to Ahead, Yamaha, Cutter and Buck, PGA Tour, GolfBuddy and Avidia Bank for their continued support of this popular event.

Registration is now closed.



NEPGA Assistant Championship

Spring Valley Country Club | Tuesday-Wednesday, September 13th-14th



Next up on September 13th & 14th we're headed to Spring Valley Country Club in Sharon, Mass. for the National Car Rental Assistant's Championship! This exciting event is the last in our NEPGA majors for the season! Thank you to event partners National Car Rental and Cleveland Srixon! **Registration is now closed.**

NEPGA Head Pro/Teaching Pro Championship

Renaissance Golf Club | Tuesday, September 20th



The NEPGA travels to Renaissance Golf Club in Haverhill, Mass. on September 20th for the Head Pro/Teaching Pro Championship. The event will be an 18-Hole Individual Stroke Play, where Head Professionals and Teaching Professionals will play in their own separate contests. Tee times begin at 8 a.m. and cart, range and lunch following the round are included! Thank you to event partners Country Club Enterprises, Club Car, PGA Tour and SkyGolf!

[Register Online](#)

NEPGA Avidia Cup Finals

Ledgemont Country Club | Thursday, September 29th

Finally, on September 29th we head to Ledgemont Country Club in Seekonk, Mass for the Avidia Cup Finals. This event will bring together the top point earners from the season-long NEPGA Stroke Play Series events (5) and Chapter Championships/Chapter POY Lists (6). Breakfast and lunch will both be available and are included along with range and carts for the day. Tee times begin at 8 a.m.!

Thank you to title partner Avidia Bank, and Ahead Golf, Golf Buddy, Cutter and Buck, Yamaha, and PGA Tour for their yearlong support in this event!



[Register Online](#)

Bickford Named to Maine Golf Hall of Fame

Courtesy of The Forecaster



CUMBERLAND — Brian Bickford, the town's recreation director since 2010, said he was "overwhelmed" to learn he is one of three people elected to the Maine Golf Hall of Fame this year.

"I've always been kind of the 'team' guy, (and) this is kind of an 'I' thing," he said with a smile during an interview.

The event will be held at the Poland Spring Golf Resort in Poland on Thursday, Sept. 8.

Aside from time spent working in Damariscotta and Portland — as chief financial officer at Miles Memorial Hospital and director of finance at Mercy Hospital, respectively — Bickford, 52, has lived in Cumberland for 42 years.

He returned to the town in 2006 to work at the Val Halla Golf Course and Recreation Center, where he balances his responsibilities as head golf professional and director with his duties as a recreation director.

"I find, whether it's here or at Town Hall, it's all about building a good team, because I couldn't do both jobs by myself," Bickford said, noting that fortunately, "there are different times of the year that each job requires a different focus."

[Click here](#) to read more.

Get to Know the New Members

We hope you enjoy getting to know our newly-elected members through their questionnaire answers. View all new Section members on our website, NEPGA.com.

Robert Bruso, PGA

Elected August 1, 2016

Where do you work?

Worcester Country Club

Where are you from?

Auburn, MA

Where did you attend college?

Worcester State University

What was your first job in the golf business?

Blackstone National Golf Club

What are your career aspirations?

Director of Golf or Head Golf Professional



2016 Section & Chapter Fall Meeting Schedule

DATE	MEETING	LOCATION	TIME
Monday, September 26	Vermont Chapter	Country Club of Vermont	2:00 pm after Pro/Pro 9:00 am
Thursday, October 20	Maine Chapter	Augusta Country Club	9:00 am
Thursday, October 20	Assistants' Association	Kernwood Country Club	TBA
Thursday, October 20	Seniors' Association	Pleasant Valley Country Club	9:00 am
Tuesday, October 25	Massachusetts Chapter	The Haven Country Club	9:00 am
Wednesday, October 26	Rhode Island Chapter	TBA	TBA
Thursday, October 27	Cape Cod Chapter	Sandwich Hollows Golf Club	TBA
Friday, October 28	New Hampshire Chapter	Intervale Country Club	9:00 am
Monday, October 31	Section Annual Meeting	Renaissance Golf Club	8:00 am registration; 9:00 am meeting

Check for updates on the [Meetings page](#) of NEPGA.com.

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UPCOMING FEATURED ACTIVITIES

SEPTEMBER 19, 2016 - ME CHAPTER PROAM AT PORTLAND COUNTRY CLUB
OCTOBER 17, 2016 - NEPGA PROAM AT OYSTER HARBOURS CLUB
OCTOBER 19, 2016 - NEPGA PROAM AT EASTWARD HO COUNTRY CLUB

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2016 NEPGA Award Winner

Spotlights



Rick Johnson, PGA
NEPGA Player Development
Award Winner

What age did you begin to play golf?
12 years old as a caddie

Who taught you the game?
Learned from golfers whom I caddied for.

Where did you go to school?
Framingham School System. Graduated Framingham South High School 1969. Two years Mass Bay community College. 1969-1970.

When did you decide to become a PGA Professional and why?
Joined Apprentice program in 1971. Was working for Jim Browning at Weston Golf Club as back room and golf shop staffer and Jim helped me make up my mind to

pursue a career in the golf business.

Of all the courses that you have played, which one is your favorite?
National Golf Links, South Hampton LI.

What other interests do you have besides the game of golf?
As a Cape Cod resident for 35 years, boating and fishing are right up there.

What would you like to leave as your legacy to the game?
That I'm the luckiest guy in the world to have had the opportunity to serve the game of golf with passion and professionalism for 45 plus years.



James Antonelli, PGA
NEPGA Merchandiser of the
Year - Private

What age did you begin to play golf?
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Who taught you the game?
Bob Beach and my Father

Where did you go to school?
Braintree High School, New Mexico State

When did you decide to become a PGA Professional and why?
I really enjoyed the game at a young age. My father was always a coach on my basketball and football teams growing up. Golf was the one sport we could play together and by doing that we both developed a love for the game.

tions. I have always enjoyed Marshfield CC as an everyday golf course, it challenges you each and every time you play it.

What other interests do you have besides the game of golf?
Anytime I can spend time with my wife and 2 daughters is cherished. I coach both of my daughters' soccer teams which is some of the best time spent with my girls. I play basketball and soccer once a week with friends.

What would you like to leave as your legacy to the game?
The legacy I would like to leave to the game would be something more of a mentoring tool to young aspiring golf professionals. Work hard and you will get rewarded, enjoy what you do and your quality of life will improve. I would like to be remembered as the Golf Professional who helped his peers and help grow some of the finest Golf Professionals around.

Of all the courses that you have played, which one is your favorite?
That is a question we as golf pro's often get asked and not always an easy one to answer. One of my most memorable courses is Wolf Creek in Mesquite, NV—breathtaking views and excellent condi-



Gary Larrabee
NEPGA George S. Wemyss
Award Winner

What age did you begin to play golf?
12 at Lakeview

Who taught you the game?
Self taught-- that's why I've always been a 20...despite urging from Mark to work with him.

Where did you go to school?
Ohio State 2 years, served as OSU golf team's first student manager under Rod Myers...then finished at Boston University.

Of all the courses that you have played, which one is your favorite?
Salem by a mile, even better than Pine

Valley and Augusta National , the other members of my top 3.

What other interests do you have besides the game of golf?
Reading, listening to Mozart and museum visiting.

What would you like to leave as your legacy to the game?
Serving the game in a dignified and enthusiastic manner through my journalistic accomplishments.

Volunteer at the Special Olympics

The 16th Annual NEPGA/Special Olympic Golf Tournament will be held Sunday, October 23rd. PGA Professionals are needed to teach at the clinics and play with the athletes in the tournament.

This is a unique event that pairs Special Olympic athletes and their partners with PGA Professionals. The tournament is a nine-hole scramble. Our Special Olympic athletes relish the

chance to play with "real professionals". For more information or to volunteer, please contact Bob Beach, PGA at bbeach@braintreema.gov or 781-843-6513.

Passing of NEPGA Life Member Tom Niblet



Courtesy of The Cape Cod Times

CENTERVILLE - Thomas Francis Niblet, age 86 of Centerville, Massachusetts, died Sunday night August 7th, at MGH surrounded by his loving family that he enjoyed so much. Tom was born in Wolfeboro, New Hampshire on October 30th, 1929 to Samuel and Margaret (Glynn) Niblett, the tenth of ten. He was always joking that his father said, "well we can't do better than this Margaret, so we'll stop now". He is predeceased by his nine siblings, Edith Lysaght, Dot Paris, Peggy Berry, Evelyn Rabenaldt, Betty Drexler, Samuel Jr., Ted, Frank and Alfred Niblett.

After graduating from Dover High School in New Hampshire in 1948, he enlisted in the Marine Corps where he did a 4 year stint at Cherry Point, North Carolina. After marrying in 1950 he went on to attend The University of Massachusetts, Stockbridge and studied Golf Management. Scituate Country Club would be their home for the next 7 years as he quickly became both the

Superintendent and Golf Professional. While working in Scituate he and Marine buddy Alex Ohlson built Norton Country Club, in Norton, Massachusetts. He was a member of the PGA for 55 years.

His next adventure, which turned out to be the greatest privilege of his life was becoming the Golf Professional at Hyannisport Golf Club during the "Kennedy Era". He was thrilled to play golf with JFK, and give golf lessons to Jackie and Rose.

As pro at Thorny Lea Golf Club in Brockton in the mid- sixties, he commuted from the Cape 6 days a week to realize his dream of building his own golf course with his good friend Dave McCarthy. The two were successful in building Holly Ridge, in Sandwich, MA. There he had the opportunity to work for himself and in his spare time he slowly began accumulating parcels of land which were later to become The Ridge Club, an 18-hole world class golf course, designed by Bob von Hagee and Bruce Devlin. His nephew, Alan Niblett, was instrumental in running Holly Ridge and selling memberships to The Ridge Club, while Tom was involved in its development.

He leaves behind his childhood sweetheart and wife of 65 years "saint" Pauline (Moutevelis). He lovingly bossed her around for most of her life. He is also survived by his three children, Gail Yagle (Chip) of Amesbury, MA, Gregory Thomas Niblet of Centerville, MA, and Kimberly Mee (Rick), of Centerville, MA, four grandchildren, twins Alexa Yagle and Samantha Lighthall (Derek), Riley and Stefen Mee, his beloved sister-in-law, Niki Moutevelis, surviving sister-in laws Peggy and Marge Niblett, and

Louise, his first great-granddaughter, Peyton Lighthall, and many special nieces, nephews, great nieces and nephews.

He will be remembered as an entrepreneur, a golf course developer, doing it "his way or the highway," headstrong and stubborn to a fault. A staunch believer in education, and books, he had a passion for the written word. Tom was a true athlete and excelled in many sports including golf, hockey, skiing, tennis, fishing, and hunting. Lover of the outdoors he enjoyed hiking with his grandchildren. New England sports were his pastime. Tom was a true Patriots, Red Sox, Celtics and Bruins fan. A devoted fan of President Obama, the possibility of a Trump presidency wasn't good medicine. He will forever be remembered as quite "the character" with a vice-like handshake. If he wasn't singing a Frank Sinatra tune, he was giving advice by reciting a famous quotation. He was a wonderful raconteur with a great many tales to tell about his colorful life. He was loved and will be missed and remembered by many. And, he also may be remembered by some as "a thorn in one's side." Dreams do come true Daddy-O, you realized yours. We love you Papa. Happy Hunting.

His body was donated to Harvard Medical School per his request. A Celebration of Life will take place at a later date. In lieu of flowers please send donations in his name to: Joslin Diabetes Center, 1 Joslin Place, Suite 745, Boston, MA 02215, or www.heart.org/ or a charity of your choice.

Notes of sympathy may be sent to his family at 160 Hillside Drive, Centerville, MA 02632-1735.

NEPGA Ambassadors at the DBC Pro Am

Despite the rainy day, our NEPGA Ambassadors had a great day walking inside the ropes with PGA Tour Pros and the amateur teams at the DBC Pro Am on Thursday, September 1st. Thank you to all of our PGA Professionals for the being such great ambassadors of the game of golf.



1. Brian Bain, PGA and Jason Day
3. Rory McIlroy and Jack Gale, PGA

2. Zach Johnson and Tom Moffatt, PGA
4. Karen Gray, PGA and Steve Stricker

2017 PAT Sites Needed

The New England PGA is looking for PAT sites for 2017 and would like to have at least one PAT in each state of our Section. We would also hope to have one scheduled in late May, anytime in June, July, August, and September and one in early October.

There must be a PGA Professional at the facility in the role of Head Professional. The requirements have changed regarding the yardage. The yardage for men must be between 6350 to 6700 yards and for women the yardage must be 5400 to 5700 yards. Also the use of a driving range to warm up before the 36-hole competition is another important requirement for the players.

The facility determines the maximum size of the field, the tee times (players are sent out in threesomes), and also the onsite fees to cover the range and golf carts (some even include lunch between rounds).

If you have an interest or have any questions, please contact Joan Stuart at 508.869.0000 or justuart@pgahq.com.

District 1 Director Report:

Donnie Lyons, PGA

[Click here](#) to view the PGA of America Highlight Summary for the month of August featuring golf's return to the Olympics, a recap of the Junior PGA Championship, future Junior PGA Championship news and more.



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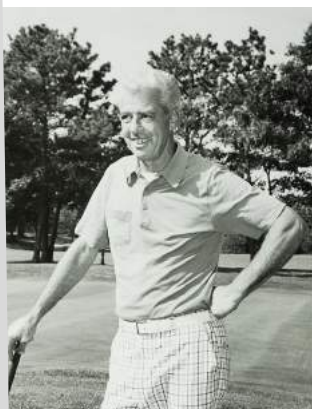


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NEPGA Through the Years

The NEPGA's National Professionals of the Year: Paul Harney and Tony Morosco



HARNEY

The Section is proud to boast two National PGA Professionals of the Year in Paul Harney, honored in 1974 at the age of 45, and Tony Morosco, recognized in 2001 at the age of 64. Many NEPGA Section members have been nominated for this coveted award over the years and several have been given "finalist" consideration. But only Harney and Morosco have been named the best in the country.

To their fellow Section members, there was no surprise when the PGA of America announced their names. Their peers within the Section already considered them the very best the NEPGA had to offer, consummate club professionals in every regard. They have remained models of greatness for NEPGA members to emulate.

Harney had won three PGA Tour titles when he fulfilled a promise made to wife Patty, that he would abandon a fulltime pursuit on the PGA Tour and become a club professional once their oldest child began school. He thus became head professional at Sunset Oaks Country Club in northern California, where he served from 1963 until returning to his Massachusetts homeland to become head professional at Pleasant Valley CC in Sutton in

1966. He became NEPGA president in 1970 and moved to Cape Cod at the end of the 1973 season to run Paul Harney Golf Course. That came one year after he won the Andy Williams San Diego Open on the PGA Tour, one of the few fulltime club professionals to have won a PGA Tour event.

His success as a club professional in every aspect of the job earned him the national award. He was a member of the NEPGA until his passing in 2011.

"I've been blessed at every stage of my golf career," Harney told this author as he reflected on his life in golf a few years before his death. "Playing for Holy Cross, making a go of it on the PGA Tour (six victories, a few near-misses in majors), coming home to work at Pleasant Valley, moving to the Cape and running my own course. And best of all, a wonderful family supporting me every step of the way. The National Pro of the Year Award was like icing on my career cake. I was honored beyond words, a highlight of my golf career."

Morosco became a member of the NEPGA in 1970, when he became the head professional at Belmont Country Club, a post he held until 1984, when he moved to nearby Weston Golf Club. He retired from Weston in 2002 after thirty-eight years as a PGA professional. He also served as the winter head professional at Indian Creek outside Miami

from 1984 to 2001.

His all-around expertise as a club professional, from player to teacher to mentor to merchandiser to Section leader has always made him among the most respected members not only in the Section but in the country. His selection as National PGA Professional of the Year only expanded and confirmed that reputation.

"I'd been the runner-up for Professional of the Year the year before, so I figured that was the end of it in regards to this honor," says Morosco. "So when I got the call from PGA President Jack Connelly the following year, I was speechless. It's such a great honor coming from your peers, especially appreciated after winning the NEPGA Pro of the Year Award (twice, 1980, 1999).

"I'm most proud, though, of being a member of a great profession in one of the finest Sections in the country."

The most important advice he gives to those trying to break into the business? "Be consistent in all policies involving your members," says the pro emeritus and honorary member at Indian Creek and Weston. "Your success as a club pro starts and ends with your relationship with members."

2016 PGA Professional Champion Rich Berberian, Jr. makes his way onto the PGA of America's wall of champions (located in Palm Beach Gardens, FL).





Red Tail Golf Club , Devens, MA

SEPTEMBER MEMBERSHIP NEWS: Joan Stuart



Posting Your Own MSR Hours

Have you ever served the Section, Chapter, National PGA or Allied Association by participating in the advancement of the game activities such as **radio shows, TV shows, speeches, golf promotional non-playing events, golf clinics and other volunteer activities, such as non-playing tournament official?**

Have you served as a **golf coach or assistant golf coach** of a high school/college golf team in a capacity not considered the member's primary employment?

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

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

If you have done any of the above **you can post your own MSR's online** by [clicking here](#) and logging into PGA.org. It is easy and you can post these credits any time of the day at your convenience.

If you have any questions on this process, please contact Joan Stuart at jstuart@pgahq.com or call the section office, 508.869.0000.



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DECISIONS, DECISIONS PART II

How to find the information we need to make a ruling, with assistance from the Decisions on the Rules of Golf book.

If you read this column last month and now realize you never did get around to setting aside a few minutes each day to peruse a definition or two I totally understand.

We never seem to get one of those rainy days to catch up on things anymore. In fact it seems like we are in a Bill Murray movie, not Caddy Shack, although I am sure many of you can identify with that movie in your everyday lives. It's more like Groundhog Day, every day is sunny, hot and dry and filled with an endless stream of players, and it just keeps happening day after day.

In talking with many of you, between the weather, multiple day Member-Guests, Club Championships, etc., August seemed to be one of the toughest months to get anything accomplished, including getting some sleep.

So if you haven't read those definitions, save this month's article somewhere and when your schedule cooperates, start with last month's reading of definitions assignment, and then tackle this month's.

I know you probably think I am overstating it, but I assure you I am not, KNOW the definitions before proceeding. They are the key to becoming proficient with the Rules and especially with trying to find information in either the Rules Book or Decisions on the Rules Book.

For those of you who have been able to get a grasp of the definitions, we are now moving from the front of the book, to the back of the book, for this month's reading assignment.

This month is all about familiarizing our selves with the INDEX, a key component of any type of reference book.

Again, I urge you to take this slowly, tackle a page or two a day. I think you may be surprised by some of the index headings. Here are just a few of the ones that surprised me, when I first started my journey to becoming Rules proficient:

Ants and Ant Hills
Bandage

Clubhouse or Half-way House (more on this one...)

Gate, Door or Window
Saliva

All I want you to do this month is read the headings in the index, don't worry about each decision that is listed below the heading, if you tried to read all of those you would essentially read the book from cover to cover, something I don't recommend, unless you are punishing yourself for doing something really bad. It can be tedious.

If you read the headings a couple of times you will remember many of them and when that question comes up about whether a group should be penalized for **"stopping at the half-way house for 45 minutes after playing nine holes to watch some golf on TV,"** you just may remember that there is a heading in the index that might help you find an applicable decision to make an informed ruling on that situation.

This may sound like a big ask on my part, and it is, there are 131 pages of index at the back of the book, but the headings only take up a small amount of that space.

Take it from me, I am not the smartest guy in the world, but after having had to look through that index for many years when I was first starting out, I am pretty familiar with what is in there now, I rarely have to question if I will be able to find something in the index to help me with a ruling. I know the words that are there and that comes from simple repetition. I use the book almost daily in my work and have learned the content in that way, you may need to read it a few times before they start to become familiar to you, but just like the definitions, the index headings will help you get to the place in the book that you need to be to make a quick and accurate ruling.

Take your time with this as we said last month there is no shortcut, building a solid foundation now, will help you in the future.

Next month, let's try and apply some of our new and or/ improved knowledge and see if we can find answers to a couple of questions. They will be based on calls that I have received from some of you this summer.



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PGA Junior League Golf

Success Stories Driven by PGA Professionals



New England PGA Junior League Golf Spotlight

Facility: Worcester Country Club
Captain: Erik Carlson
League: Northwest Central League
Years involved with PGA Junior League: 3

What has PGA Junior League Golf meant to the junior programming at Worcester?

PGA Junior League Golf has meant a lot to our junior programs at Worcester. More juniors are becoming interested in golf here because of the "little league" atmosphere the junior league provides. PGA Junior League Golf keeps juniors interested in the rest of our summer programs.

What has worked best for you at Worcester with recruiting of your players each season?

We email the entire membership with details about our upcoming PGA Junior League Golf season and schedule. We send the emails starting in February and continue to send out information until the deadline closes. We also talk to the parents that have kids who are too young to participate and keep them interested for when their child is old enough to participate.

This year you had a person join Worcester Country Club because of PGA Junior League Golf?

Correct. Last year one of the juniors from a public facility's PGA Junior League Golf team was playing their match here at Worcester Country Club and loved the conditions of the golf course and the hospitality so much that he mentioned it to his father. They purchased a Family membership here without hesitation.



How has PGA Junior League Golf helped you RAISE the engagement of juniors (and their families) at Worcester?

PGA Junior League Golf has helped bring juniors and their families together here at Worcester Country Club. During each match, parents, relatives and family friends come out to watch the juniors compete against opposing teams. We see more and more families playing golf together on weekday evenings and weekends. So PGA Junior League Golf has helped families feel more connected to the facility.



PGA Junior League Golf Sub-Regionals are underway! [Click here](#) to check out the brackets for this year.

For more information regarding PGA Junior League Golf or to share your success stories, contact Brian Bain, PGA Player Development Regional Manager-Boston at 617-820-4411 or bbain@pgahq.com.

NEWS FROM THE JUNIOR TOUR: Jacy Settles

NEPGA Junior Tour presented by



Dear NEPGA Professionals,

By the time you read this article, the New England PGA Junior Tour will have completed over 104 junior tour events for the 2016 season!!!! That being said, I offer my most sincere thanks and appreciation to all host

sites of the NEPGA Junior Tour and those Professionals who acted as volunteer Rules officials. Additionally, I'd like to thank every NEPGA Professional as you all have an instrumental part in growing the game whether it be hosting a Drive, Chip & Putt, PGA Junior Golf League team or even just spreading the word of junior golf. It is all very much appreciated from the NEPGA Junior Golf Department.

The above paragraph sounds like the junior golf season is done; however it is not. Although the kids head back to school, we (NEPGA Jr Tour) will continue to keep the juniors engaged in tournament play as we have fall events scheduled.

Thank you for your support,

Jacy

Congratulations!

Our Jr Tour Photo Contest winners attended the 2016 Deutsche Bank Championship and received a VIP tour of the TaylorMade Tour Van. Thank you to everyone for participating in the contest this year!



Our winners (L to R in green hats) Thomas Singleton, Jack Gorewitz and Jon Reid.

CAPE COD & RHODE ISLAND CHAPTER NEWS

Submitted by Mickey Herron, PGA, Cape Cod & Rhode Island Chapter Tournament Manager

Championship Season Down South!



1. The Misquamicut Club's Matt Doyle, PGA being interviewed after accepting his NEPGA Championship trophy by firing a winning 70-67-73 210 (-6 under par) at Pinehills Golf Club enroute to qualifying for the PGA Professional Championship next June in Oregon along with neighbor Chris Trout - PGA from Shelter Harbor GC who shot 70-70-72 212 good for T-2! Doyle also earned \$15,000 for his victory while Trout took down \$7,575 tying for runner-up. Doyle is the 5th Rhode Island golf professional to win the Section Championship in the last 30 years. Eddie Kirby (2012), Scott Spence (2010), Troy Pare (2005) and Dana Quigley (1996, 1993, 1991, 1989, 1985) all won this prestigious trophy.

2. Many Rhode Island & Cape colleagues played well at Pinehills including (L to R), Bob Tramonti, PGA, Tom Tobey, PGA and Eddie Kirby, PGA, former champion of both the Section and Senior Championships.

3. Four of the 15 Rhody and Cape pros who made the cut this year which fell at 154: (L to R) Brian Owens, PGA, Tom Rooney, PGA, John Rainone, PGA, Brendan Ray, PGA, the latter of whom will be defending his Rhode Island Chapter Championship title won last fall at Sakonnet GC. This fall's RIPGA Chapter Championship, sponsored by Callaway, PGA Tour and Avidia Bank is scheduled for Oct. 6th at Carnegie Abbey Club.



One week prior to the Section Championship being held in the Cape Cod Chapter (Pinehills) 90 of the best juniors in the nation descended upon Wannamoissett GC for the 2016 PGA Junior Championship hosted by PGA Head Professional Brad McCluski & PGA Assistant Joe Merlin whose staff

and expertise was relied upon by tournament officials on all facets of this event. Many local professionals volunteered during this championship week. Local junior Patrick Welch,



Providence, (who plays cross-handed!) finished second earning a spot on the PGA Junior Ryder Cup team who will play one week prior to the Ryder Cup in Minnesota next month.

MASSACHUSETTS CHAPTER NEWS

Submitted by Mark Aldrich, PGA, MA Chapter President

Massachusetts PGA Chapter Elections

This is an election year in the Chapter and we are looking for someone (from the Central Massachusetts area) to run for Secretary/Treasurer of the Massachusetts PGA Chapter. This is a great way to get involved, meet new people, gain insight into the Chapter and Section business as well as creating networking opportunities. The time commitment is not as stringent as some may think and the learning experience is exceedingly valuable. If you have interest please contact me (markaldrichpga@gmail.com), Lou Rivers (lourivers@pga.com), or Chris Young (cyoung@pga.com) directly and we can provide any information needed.

Massachusetts Chapter Championship

Joe Potty, PGA Assistant Golf Professional at Cohasset Golf Club in Cohasset, MA won the New England PGA Massachusetts Chapter Championship at Sterling Country Club on September 8th. Joe fired an impressive two under par 69 and finished one shot clear of Eric Barlow,

PGA Director of Instruction at Winchester Country Club in Winchester, MA and Mark Mangion, PGA Assistant Golf Professional at Haverhill CC in Haverhill, MA.

[Click here](#) to read more...

Massachusetts Chapter Individual Stroke Play

Mark Nowosielski, PGA Head Golf Professional at TPC Boston in Norton, MA, won the Massachusetts Chapter Individual Stroke play event at Beverly Golf & Tennis Club on August 17th. Mark fired a three over par 73 and finished just one shot clear of Drew London, PGA Assistant Golf Professional at the The Country Club and Brian Keiser, PGA Assistant Golf Professional at Weston Golf Club.

[Click here](#) to read more...

MAINE CHAPTER NEWS

Submitted by Maine Chapter President Jason Hurd, PGA

I hope you all have enjoyed the summer months in Maine as the weather has been awesome. Aside from very little rain and drying out our courses, it has been perfect for golf. As the season is slowing down, hopefully you have plenty of energy left in the tank. Please get out and play a few of the Chapter's September and October events, as we have a lot of great venues to visit. Take a few moments to check out the upcoming schedule for the fall and entertain your members at one or more of the pro-am tournaments. Also note the dates as we have changed a few from the original schedule that was set in early April.

Cape Arundel Pro Am moved to Wednesday September 14th.

Webhannet Pro Am moved to September 20th.

In the month of August we crowned a few champions in our Chapter in the Senior, Ladies and Individual categories. At the State of Maine Championship, held again this year at the difficult but spectacular Sugar Loaf GC, Shawn Warren, PGA Professional from Falmouth CC, fired an even par 144 for a two-day total to beat the field by 6 shots. It was Shawn's second State of Maine title as he also took home the honor in 2013. On the Amateur side we had a three-way tie for first that included a veteran and a junior. Four-time tourney champion Mark Plummer tied with Brian Bilodeau and junior Cole Anderson for the Low Amateur honors. Congratulations to the Champions! Thank you to Host PGA Professional Zachary Zondlo and the staff at Sugarloaf, without their help we would not be able to have such an event. Also, thank you to Olympic Gold Medal Winner Seth Wescott and the Rack along with The Sugar Bowl Restaurant for their support of the event. A special thanks to sponsors Matt McDonald of Five Star Golf Cars and Shipyard Brewery for your continued support of this Championship.



Our Pro Senior Championship took us to the Waterville CC where Host PGA Professional Don Roberts and his staff did a great job to welcome us and give the participants a well-conditioned layout for our Professionals and their senior members. PGA Professional Shawn Warren continued his stellar play by firing a five under par 65 for low pro honors. The team from Falmouth CC led by Shawn took home the top prize by beating the host team from Waterville, led by PGA Professional Don Roberts by 7 seven shots. Toast those beer mugs!!!

The Pro Lady Championship was held at the Historic Cape Arundel Golf. Thank you to Host Professional Ken Raynor and his staff for an awesome day. The team from Portland CC led by PGA Professional Dan Venezio, who fired a 1 under par 68 to lead the way, took home the championship. Congrats!

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TOP: State of Maine Low Amateurs Mark Plummer, Brian Bilodeau and Cole Anderson with Chapter President Jason Hurd

BOTTOM: State of Maine Champion Shawn Warren and Chapter President Jason Hurd

NEW HAMPSHIRE CHAPTER NEWS

Submitted by NH Chapter President Ken Hamel, PGA

Rich Berberian, Jr., Windham Country Club Assistant Professional, continues on a great roll as he successfully defended his title at the New Hampshire Chapter Championship held at North Conway Country Club. Berberian posted a two-day total of 14-under par to blow away his professional peers by 11 strokes. In round two, he shot a 9-under par score of 62 that included 8 birdies and an eagle. This was his sixth NHC Championship in the last eight years. Finishing a distant second at a fine 36 total of 3-under par 139 was Rochester

Country Club Assistant Professional Codi Daudelin. Third place went to C. J. Konkowski, Keene CC Assistant Professional with a 2-under posting of 140. The Senior Division was won by Don Brigham, Golf Club of New England Assistant Professional with a 2-under score of 140. Second place went to Jim Sheerin of Abenaki Country Club with 142. Fifty New Hampshire professionals competed in the Chapter's signature event.

The New Hampshire Chapter presented a check for \$2000 to Jen's Friends in North Conway. The donation was made in memory of North Conway Country Club's Ian Meserve who passed away three years ago. Ian was a good friend to all Chapter members and is deeply missed.

The New Hampshire Player of the Year Point Standings have tightened as C.J. Konkowski of Keene CC (164.33) has a narrow edge over Jason Malcolm of Dublin Lake (160.75). Laconia CC Head Pro Todd Rollins is at 155.5 and is trailed by Eric Soderman, Hoodcroft (113.91) and Rich Berberian (113.25).

The annual Pro Gross Championship was held at Bretwood Golf Course in Keene, NH and was won by the foursome from Rochester CC who posted an 11-under par gross score of 61. The group was led by assistant pro Codi Daudelin. His amateur partners were Nick Adjutant, Tyler Nadeau and Pat Taber.

Two New Hampshire professionals finished in the top ten at the Section's Championship held at Pinehills in Plymouth, MA. Defending champion Rich Berberian ended up in sixth place at 1-under par 215 while newcomer Rico Riciputi of Wentworth By The Sea finished in a tie for 10th at 1-over par 218.



Rich Berberian accepts his crystal from Matt Cunningham of Tournament Solutions.



Don Brigham accepting the Senior Trophy from NHC President Ken Hamel.

VERMONT CHAPTER NEWS

Submitted by Vermont Chapter President Roger A. King, PGA



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Tournament Results

Hi to all my fellow professionals,

Labor Day is upon us and I hope you are all as busy as ever. Here in Vermont we have had a great summer and are excited for a nice fall.

I want to send my congrats to Ron Philo, PGA for winning the NEPGA Senior Championship. Your great play represents our Chapter well.

The Northstar Fireworks Player of the Year race is being dominated by David Bennett PGA, but the race for the top 5 is hotly contested. Good Luck to all the players. I want to say thanks to David Swenson from Northstar for his continued support.

All for now and great golfing,

Roger A. King, PGA
Head Golf Professional
Sugarbush Resort Golf Club

On August 8th, the VT Chapter Pro Junior Championship was held at Montague GC hosted by Paul Politano, PGA. We thank LeAnna Wicks Tapp and Ping Golf for their generous offer of carry bags to the winning juniors. Format was two best balls gross and net. Our 2016 Pro Junior Championship teams with a gross score of 135 was from St. Johnsbury CC and led by David Jankowski, PGA. The winning net up team at 124 was from Vermont National CC and was led by Sean Toof, PGA. Low professional was David Jankowski with a 69 followed by Patrick Berry, PGA, Dorset Field Club with a 72. (Pictures below.)

The VT Chapter conducted a Pro Am at Green Mountain National GC on August 15th, with Dave Soucy, PGA as our host. We thank John Carey and Cleveland/Srixon for their sponsorship of tee gifts and wedges for the proximity contests. Also, we would like to thank Golf ValueBook for the added purse money. Format was modified stableford point system. Gross team winners were led by David Jankowski, PGA, St. Johnsbury CC, with a total of 49 points. Net team winners with 67 points were the Mountain View CC team led by Jim Dayton, PGA. The winning Professional score was David Jan-

kowski with 40 points followed by Alex Socinski, PGA, Manchester CC with 37 points..

The week of August 22th, the Vermont Chapter sent 12 Vermont PGA members to participate in the NEPGA Championship at Pine Hills Golf Club in Plymouth, Massachusetts.

On August 29th, our Chapter conducted a Pro Am at Dorset Field Club hosted by Patrick Berry, PGA. Bob Marshall and Golf Life Navigators were our sponsors with added money to the Pro purse. This was our PGA Centennial Pro Am, each player received a commemorative marker compliments of the NE Section. Our winning gross teams were from Vermont National CC led by Zack Wyman, PGA and the Manchester CC team led by Kevin Bennison, PGA both with a score of 63. Net winners were led by David Bennet, PGA, and his team from CC of Vermont GC with a 58. Low Professional was David Bennett with a 66 followed by Zack Wyman, PGA, Greg Nelson, PGA of Rutland CC, John Cleanthes, PGA of Hermitage Club, David Jankowski, PGA of St. Johnsbury CC and Mike Slayton of CC of Vermont all with a score of 71.

Junior Tour

Our Junior Tour concluded with our state championship on August 5th at Ralph Myhre GC. Our New England junior team participated at the NE Championships at Cocheco CC in New Hampshire.

Upcoming Events

Monday, September 12
Williston GC Pro Am

Monday, September 19
Sugarbush GC Pro Am

Th-Fri, Sept. 22-23
Match Play Championship
at Ekwanok CC

Monday, September 26
Fall Meeting at CC of VT

Monday, October 3
Okemo Valley GC Pro Am



VT Chapter Pro-Junior Gross Champs



VT Chapter Pro-Junior Net Champs

SENIORS' ASSOCIATION NEWS

Submitted by Joan Stuart

August Results

The Seniors' Association held a Pro 3-Am at the Donald Ross gem, Tatnuck Country Club in Worcester, MA on August 22nd. Rich Hasenfus, PGA from Needham Golf Club won the Individual Pro Gross shooting 73 with Tim Bishop, PGA from Tatnuck Country Club coming in second at 75. The Individual Pro Net was won by Joe Carr, PGA from Bedrock Golf Course with a 70 and there was a four-way tie for second between Ken Bielski, PGA; Harry Rose, PGA; Billy Lodge, PGA; and Mike Mullavey, PGA. Team Gross was won by the Needham Golf Club team with their Head Professional Rich Hasenfus, PGA. Team Net was won by the Needham Golf Club team with the Assistant Professional, Harry Rose, PGA.

Coming in September

Pro 3-Am | Bass Rock Golf Club on September 15th
Pro 3-Am | Needham Golf Club on September 28th

Don't miss out playing these two great venues! To register your team, please contact Dennis Selvitella, PGA 508.410.4984 or Joe Carr, PGA 508.873.7768



MAINE CHAPTER NEWS *Continued...*

Eight of the Maine Chapter Members traveled to Plymouth, MA and Pinehills GC for the recent NEPGA Championship. Six of the eight players were still around for day three of the championship. Congratulations to PGA Professionals Shawn Warren (second place finish), Jeff Seavey and Dan Venezio for qualifying for nationals. Go Maine Chapter!!!

Jason Hurd

Upcoming Schedule

Tuesday, September 6

Senior Championship at Rockland GC

Tuesday & Wednesday, September 6-7

Chapter Championship at Rockland GC and Samoset Resort

Wednesday, September 14

Pro Am at Cape Arundel GC

Thursday, September 15

Pro Am at York Golf and Tennis Club

Monday, September 19

Pro Am at Portland CC

Tuesday, September 20

Pro Am at Webhannet GC

Monday, September 27

Pro Am at Falmouth CC

Monday, October 3

Pro Am at Woodlands Club



Pro Senior Champions Falmouth CC led by Shawn Warren



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“That board tho! Scores coming in fast and furious, with Misquamicut's Matt Doyle drifting into the lead with a 7-under total for 36 holes! Stay tuned to nepga.com for scores!

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“Congratulations to Matt Doyle, PGA of The Misquamicut Club (RI) for capturing the 96th New England PGA Championship! Matt shot a 6-under par 210 for 55-holes to win by two. Thank you to Pinehills GC for hosting and to our partners for their support! Visit Nepga.com for full write up and stay tuned for video recap!”



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MEMBERSHIP UPDATES

Changes reported between 8/10/2016—9/7/2016

NEW APPRENTICES

Name	Class	Facility
Malcolm P Oliver	B-8	Bath Country Club

NEW MEMBERS

Name	Class	Facility
Edward J. Doherty II, PGA	A-8	Baker Hill Golf Club
Connor J. Dupont, PGA	A-8	Hopkinton Country Club
James H. McMullan Jr., PGA	A-8	The Kittansett Club
Connor S. Mulcahy, PGA	A-8	The Country Club
Sean S. Toof, PGA	A-8	Vermont National Country

CLASSIFICATION CHANGES

Name	Class	Facility
Paul H. Meunier, PGA	LM	

EMPLOYMENT CHANGES

Name	Class	Start	Facility
Griffin L Andrews	B-8	8/10	Portsmouth Country Club
Richard J. Gray	B-8	9/6	Windham Country Club

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Fall Meetings & Elections
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