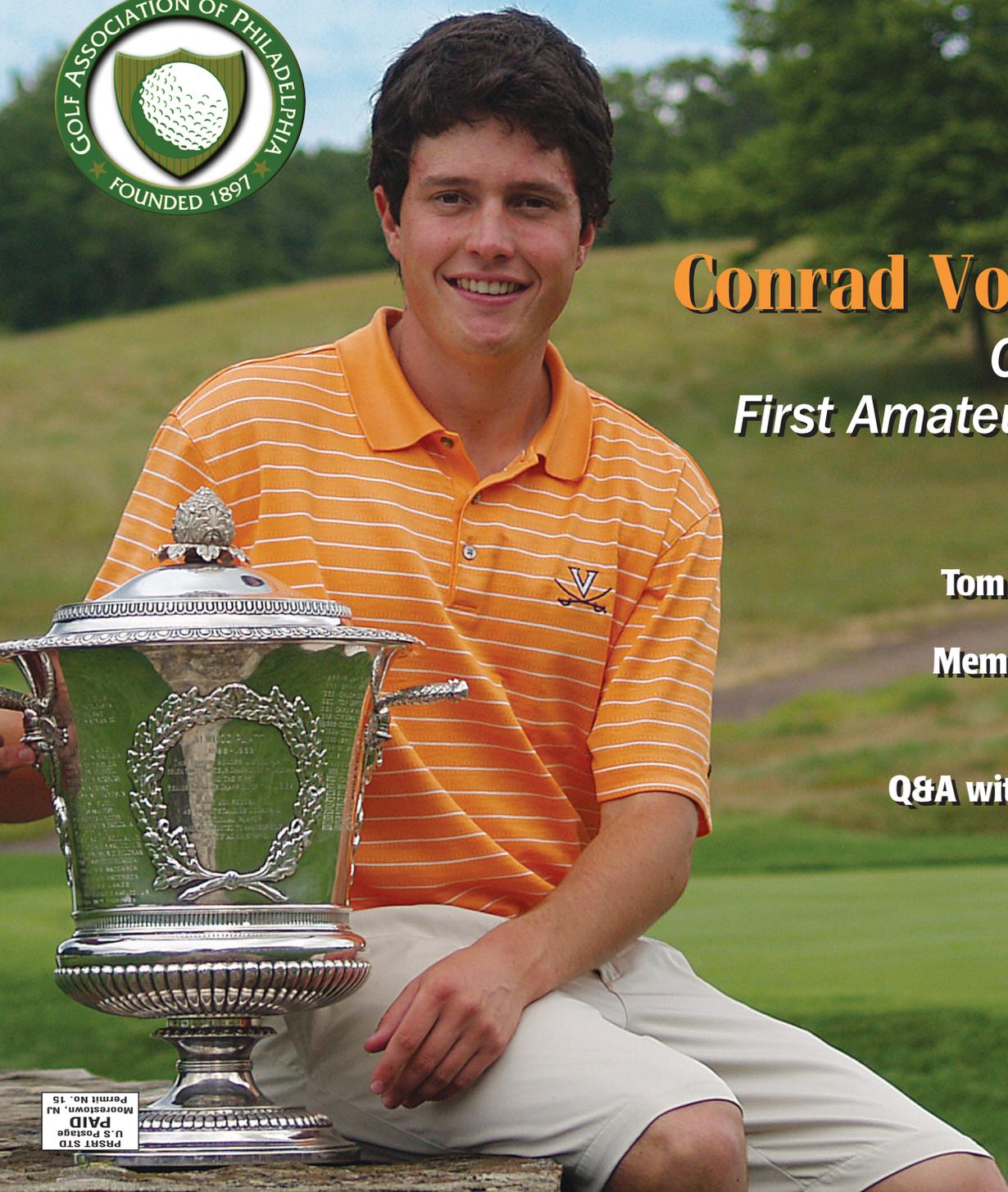


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A silver lining in the clouds

The weather tested our resolve at the start of the Association's 2009 season as rain gear became standard equipment for season-opening events. The third week of the GAP Team Matches was played in the rain, the Warner Cup was postponed and early-season qualifiers were delayed and then rescheduled. The GAP staff was in search of dry golf courses.

After the first week of the season, I escaped and traveled to Ballybunion Golf Club for four days of golf without using the umbrella once! Golf courses in Ireland generally do not close for rain, especially at Ballybunion. However, a few summers ago the opening round of a member-guest tournament was rained out. Our group was not to be deterred from a round of golf even though the whole Emerald Isle seemed to be underwater. A nine-hole course on a farmer's field proved to be just what we needed, a dry golf course. We were late to the tournament's opening dinner but we were the only group that played that day. There is a saying in Ireland that "if you wait for the rain to stop before you play golf, then you won't play." Actually, I have found that if you do not like the weather in Ireland, then you just have to wait a few minutes.

One result of the spring rain has been terrific playing conditions on Member courses, just in time for the start of junior programs. GAP's Member Clubs are excited to welcome juniors back to clinics, league matches and camps to pass along the game we love. Many clubs are offering attractive junior memberships and junior guest fees. Attractive legacy programs encourage juniors to become full members. I encourage you to read the junior article in this issue to learn what some Member Clubs are doing to promote junior golf.

The GAP Web site (www.gapgolf.org) has a wealth of resources on junior golf programs because the futures of our clubs, to some degree, rest in the strength of the junior programs. Commonwealth National Golf Club credited the growth of its junior program with improving its GAP Teams and helping to produce the club's second GAP Team Matches Championship in the last three years. Friends and former GAP Junior tournament standouts competed in the 109th Amateur Championship final. Conrad Von Borsig of Concord Country Club defeated James Kania, Jr. of Overbrook Golf Club as both players showed why they had success at the college level this past year.

Most GAP Member Clubs have seen a reduction of members in 2009 due to the tough economic times. There are enough gloom and doom news stories about the decline in golf rounds and memberships. On the other hand, tightening our belts may result in less travel and may keep members closer to home to take advantage of their club memberships.

To provide the leaders of our Member Clubs with timely management information, we are again conducting our annual comprehensive survey. We encourage every club to complete the survey so it can take advantage of the wealth of information the survey produces. Like our Member Club leaders, the staff and Executive Committee are constantly looking to improve GAP's services and streamline operations. Please take notice of GAP's new address as the office has moved to a new home in Broomall. We consolidated our office and storage spaces under one roof into a smaller, but more efficient space.

Dan Hicks, NBC golf commentator, excited us about the upcoming golf season by entertaining us at the Pro-President, Golf & Green meeting with stories from the broadcast booth. The evening provided a chance to thank our Member Clubs for hosting GAP tournaments. This year's opening events revealed some new faces as winners: Michael Brown, representing the Philadelphia Publinks GA, won the Middle-Amateur Championship at Tavistock Country Club; John O'Rourke, representing McCall G&CC, won the Francis B. Warner Cup (Net) at Silver Creek CC and David & Zach Smith of Doylestown CC won the Father-Son Middle at Golden Oaks GC.

I encourage you to take advantage of the silver lining in the clouds by enjoying your club membership, supporting your club's junior programs and inviting friends to share in the fun of club membership. Have a great summer of golf.



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PEOPLE

Phillipe deKerillis, a member of Manufacturers Golf & Country Club, was one of four finalists in the 2009 *Golf Digest* U.S. Open Challenge. The winner played Bethpage State Park (Black Course) in Farmingdale, N.Y. with Michael Jordan, Ben Roethlisberger and Justin Timberlake at the U.S. Open June 15-21...



Lange

Chris Lange of Overbrook GC captured the prestigious Walter J. Travis Invitational on May 17 at venerable Garden City GC. Lange defeated Joel Lulla, of New York City, N.Y., a Brooklyn attorney, 2-up, with birdies on the final two holes. The 54-

year-old from Bryn Mawr, Pa., built a 3-up advantage after three holes and held that lead at the turn but hit a rough patch on the back nine and saw the match come to No. 15 All Square. On No. 17, a par 5, he reached the green in two strokes and two-putted for birdie to take a 1-up edge. On No. 18, a par 4, Lange played to the safe part of the putting surface before draining a twisting 25-footer for birdie and the championship. Lange defeated Roger Hoit of Summit, N.J., 2&1, in the semifinals, Peter Zurkow, of Scarsdale, N.Y., in 19 holes in the second round, and Kevin Hammer of Boyton Beach, Fla., 4&3, in the first round... Meadowlands CC named **John Shapcott** as its new head golf professional. Shapcott replaces the husband-and-wife team of Paul and Jennifer Barnsley—recently named to a similar position in Connecticut. For the past 12 years, Shapcott has worked under the tutelage of Mickey Sokalski at Philmont CC.

Commonwealth National Golf Club earns second GTM title in three years



Members of Commonwealth National Golf Club's victorious GAP Team Matches winning team were (front row, from left) Matt Teesdale, Mike Anderson, Mike Moffat, Glenn Smeraglio; (second row) Ryan Gelrod, Brett Diakon, Scott McLaughlin, captain John Robinson; (back row) Dr. Grant Liu, Cory Reighard, Connor McNicholas and Peter Eiler. Not pictured: Ken Sim.

Commonwealth National GC newcomer Glenn Smeraglio turned in a dazzling GAP Team Matches Playoff performance as CNGC defeated Moselem Springs Golf Club, Tavistock Country Club and Yardley Country Club for its second title in three years on May 9.

Smeraglio, playing Tavistock CC in the Playoff, registered 14.25 of Commonwealth's 92.5 points. He won all three of his matches 7-up. Yardley, Smeraglio's former club, placed second with 82 points followed by Moselem Springs at 66 and Tavistock at 38.25.

It was Commonwealth's second ever title. It also won the 2007 GAP Team Matches championship.

"When looking at the scoresheets certain performances jump out," said John Robinson, Commonwealth's captain. Coming away with 32.5 points at Tavistock was the main reason we won. Glenn Smeraglio winning all three matches 7-up; Brett Diakon winning all three matches and Mike Anderson winning two matches took away the well-known Tavistock home-course advantage. The next key was Ryan Gelrod, who took on the No. 1 spot at Yardley. Ryan shot 71 and did not lose a match. He made us look good for moving Glenn to Tavistock.

"Our guys are very happy to say the least. As I've said before, the history and format of this event is second to none. The intricate nature of the point system rewards great play over four golf courses. Both Yardley and Commonwealth performed very well at each venue. We were just lucky to squeak by. Our team works very hard to prepare for these matches. To get it done on the final day provides both relief and a rewarding feeling of accomplishment."

The GAP Team Matches Playoff format is individual match play with 12 total players competing from each club. Three-man teams from each club play at the four sites with each individual match worth three points. An additional quarter point is awarded for margin of victory. The four final teams are decided in the round-robin portion of the GAP Team Matches in the three prior weeks.

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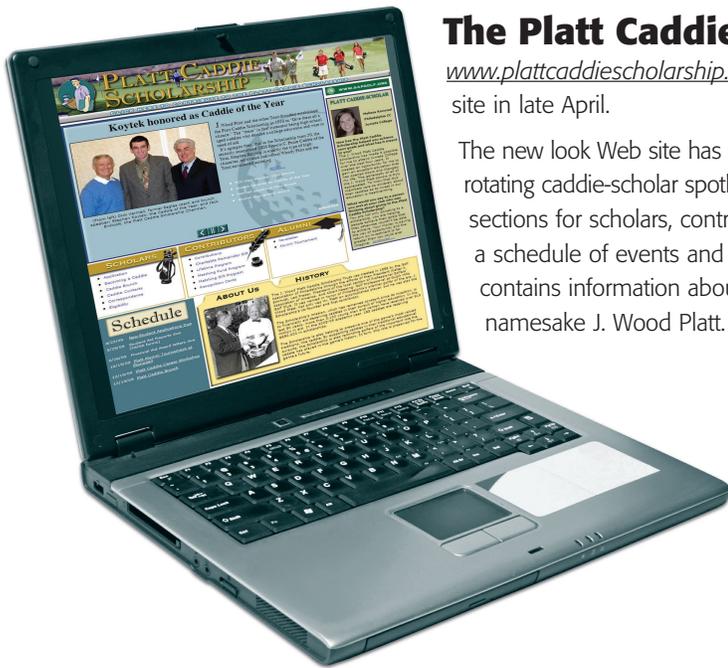
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Space constraints precluded another edition of the **COLLEGE CORNER** from appearing in the July/August issue. However, you can view the most recent College Corner at www.gapgolf.org under the Junior Tab/College Corner.

PLATT CADDIE SCHOLARSHIP WEB SITE REDESIGNED

The Platt Caddie Scholarship, www.plattcaddiescholarship.org, re-launched its Web site in late April.

The new look Web site has multiple cover stories, a rotating caddie-scholar spotlight, specific informational sections for scholars, contributors and alumni and a schedule of events and important dates. It also contains information about the Trust and its namesake J. Wood Platt.



For a tour, visit www.plattcaddiescholarship.org or go to the Golf Association of Philadelphia Web site at www.gapgolf.org and click the Platt link across the top toolbar.

FACES OF PLATT



The staff of the Platt Caddie Scholarship, along with the board of trustees, is currently conducting interviews with the 73 new 2009-10 academic year applicants. The Platt Caddie Scholarship was founded in 1958 to further the educational goals of caddies while supporting the traditional role of the caddie in golf. Each year the Platt Caddie Scholarship reviews the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) form of each candidate and awards grants based on an individual's financial need. To be eligible for a grant, caddies must work regularly. Pictured are (from left) Kevin Hines, a Franklin & Marshall College freshman caddie-scholar from Lancaster CC, and board members Jack Endicott, chairman, and Albert Lindner, secretary.



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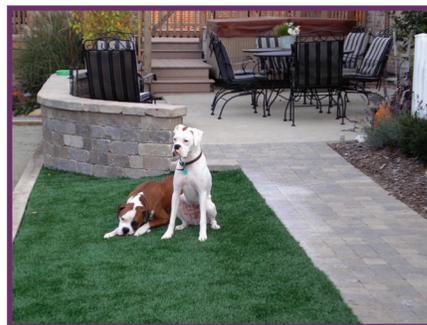
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Take a look around GAP: Junior golf programs are backbone of game

More than four million junior golfers take to the greens each year, according to “Golf 20/20: Vision for the Future” – an industry-wide initiative to preserve the game’s future.

Furthermore, about 60 percent of junior golfers who participate in a structured program will become active adult players, Golf 20/20 states. Through a successful junior program, young golfers are encouraged to stay with the sport.

The majority of the Golf Association of Philadelphia’s Member Clubs currently offer a junior program. These programs foster players to compete in both their home club tournaments and the Association’s nine junior events each year: the Junior Boys’ Championship, USGA Junior Amateur Championship Qualifier, Father and Son (Younger), Pre-Junior Event, Christman Cup, Jock MacKenzie Memorial, Francis X. Hussey Memorial, Junior-Junior Boys’ Championship, and the Deeg Sezna Four-Ball.

Junior programs give children ages 7-18 an opportunity to learn about golf – the rules, the life lessons, the intricacies, how to play, etc. But what makes a junior program successful? Is it the tournaments and competitions? Enrollment? Club reputation?

To Jim Smith, Jr., Philadelphia Cricket Club’s golf professional and President of the Philadelphia Section of the PGA, it’s a strong support system.

“One of the pre-requisites is having the adult members of the club support the program and not view the juniors as a nuisance,” he said.

Peter Kowalinski, club manager of LedgeRock GC, agreed.

“The membership at large needs to be supportive,” he said.

Johanna Schoeller has served as chairwoman for Huntingdon Valley Country Club’s junior program for four years. She believes the program wouldn’t exist without the adult’s help.

“You have to have the buy-in from the members, and we’ve had a good support system here,” Schoeller said.

Once a club secures support from its

members, a junior program can begin to blossom. However, before clubs begin to enroll kids into the program, Schoeller recommends that those facilities new to the scene reach out to other clubs that offer accredited junior programs.

“Find out what they’re doing with their kids,” she said.

Like Schoeller, John DiMarco, Laurel Creek Country Club’s golf professional, recommends that clubs find out what other organizations in the area do with their junior programs.

Laurel Creek, in Mt. Laurel, N.J., formally launched its Junior Golf Academy last year, with 75 kids participating. This year, the



academy, which runs from June 23-Aug. 20, already has 70 kids who have signed up, DiMarco said.

“Our maiden voyage was last year, and it took off,” he said. “It should be even better this year.”

Laurel Creek actively pursued an official junior program after receiving several inquiries from members, according to DiMarco.

“We had always had golf camps, but for never this long a stretch,” he said.

Laurel Creek, like many clubs, answered the high demand from its members. Its junior program will take place on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 7:30 to 10:30 a.m. Cost is \$45 per week.

“It includes every aspect of the game—chipping, putting, full swing, you name it,” DiMarco said.

If a high demand from membership doesn’t inspire clubs to establish a junior program, then a desire to promote golf certainly will. Through junior programs, clubs can teach youth about the sport, as well as the intellectual, social and physical skills that it bears.

“It’s just a great way to introduce golf,” Schoeller said. “I think a good junior program is a foundation for good players. On our first GAP [Team Matches] first team, a lot of people either came up through the program or have kids in the program.”

After establishing the framework of a junior program, clubs must then recruit and, eventually, retain — participants. At Huntingdon Valley, maintaining a junior program has “been a process,” according to Schoeller.

“A good junior program is a foundation for good players.”





"Every year we make changes and tweaks," Schoeller said. "It's a huge job. We have a tremendous number of kids that participate in the program. It takes time and dedication."

Philadelphia Cricket Club currently has 365 kids registered for its junior program, Smith said. Four new sub-programs will be implemented this year.

The Flourtown Junior Golf League will be held every Tuesday from May 19 to Sept. 15 at the Flourtown course. "Family Twilights" will take place Sundays from May 24 to Sept. 6. St. Martins will also host a skills day every Monday and a play day every Friday.

Philadelphia Cricket Club has gradually built its junior program through the years, Smith said. Merion Golf Club also has an extensive history with its junior program. Its features include instructional camps, after-

while mom and dad hit balls. More times than not, they'll all go out and play five or nine holes afterwards," he said. "It creates traffic to our club. We try to fill what for us is a dead period."

LedgeRock GC has offered a junior program since its inception in 2006. Participants learn the regulations of golf by observing a professional as he or she plays a few holes.

"We try to hit it in the bunkers if we can," Kowalinski said. "[The juniors] catch all kinds of rule infractions."

LedgeRock will implement a "little league" as part of its junior program this year. It will feature five teams of five or six players. Ten juniors have signed up so far. Kowalinski hopes to get 30 total players.

Teams will play about five holes ("Make it simple, not an all-day affair," Kowalinski said,) on Fridays for six weeks.

through Labor Day, Schoeller said. They offer three, five, nine and 18 holers as well as a junior golf team. Participants also get a chance to head onto the golf course with parent walkers.

"It's a tough course," Schoeller added. "They have to carry their own bags."

A successful junior program also needs to have flexibility, according to Nye.

"Children today are very, very busy. It's very hard for them to participate every week," he said. "Entry in and out [of our program] is very easy throughout the golf season."

"We don't have regulations on when kids can play," Kowalinski added.

Merion allows its juniors to bring a guest to the West Course at no charge.

"I'm a huge believer in that," Nye said. "When they have a close friend they can bring to play with them, that's great. You'd be enticed to play more."

Keeping kids engrossed in golf is critical



school clinics, family golf days, junior team matches and a family championship.

"One of the things that make it a success is the parents," said Scott Nye, head golf professional at Merion GC. "So many of their parents play the game, and they're interested in passing it along down to them."

Through its junior program, LedgeRock GC offers complimentary clinics each Sunday during the summer. The clinics, Kowalinski said, allow parents and their children alike to dedicate a day to golf.

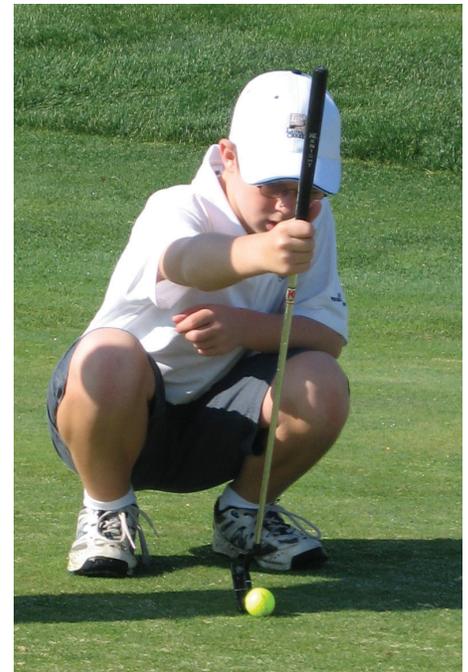
"The kids get to learn and have fun



"Kids don't experience a golf team atmosphere before high school," Kowalinski added. "I don't remember ever going out and playing and having each stroke count. This is a good warm-up for kids before they get into the season. We're hoping it's a success."

A club looking to create a successful junior program should "take it one step at a time," according to Schoeller. A good program, she added, "encourages positive development."

Huntingdon Valley hosts "Junior Golf Days" for children ages 7-18 from mid-June



to making a junior program successful, Kowalinski said.

"It's up to the golf staff to organize fun, competitive events," he said. "It's about learning the rules of golf, but it's also about having fun."

Ultimately, a junior program's success can be measured by the expression on the kids' faces, according to Schoeller.

"I think the best thing is when the kids succeed," she said. "When they come in smiling, and they've shown improvement, they're so proud, and you're so happy to see it."

Ed Brzezowski *Concord Country Club*

Ed Brzezowski, a 23-year member of Concord Country Club, spends his time volunteering as both a tournament official and course rater with the Golf Association of Philadelphia. He began volunteering for the Association as a tournament starter in 1998 and four years later joined the course rating corps. "I had played in a Stag Day at Merion Golf Club and a speaker, [I believe it was John Capers], made a point that we all bore some responsibility to keep the game close to its roots and traditions. At this point, my daughters were in high school, and my driving assignments were gone. I decided to help shepherd along the game I love so much. It was a very good idea since I have met so many quality gentlemen through the Golf Association of Philadelphia."

Q. What's your favorite part of course rating?

A. The group discussion about the course and some of the shot values are my favorite parts of course rating. We rated one last year, and everyone thought this tree was a major influence on the hole. However, four drives later it was downgraded after more discussion. It is good to hear different opinions.

Q. What's your favorite part of volunteering?

A. The people, the GAP Committee and staff are a pleasure to work with. Also, having a player say, "Thanks for your time," is always nice. It is a pleasure to work with the entire Association.

Q. What's your most memorable volunteer/course rating moment?

A. We rated LedgeRock Golf Club three years ago. Jack Hoffman, our captain, had a few of us play the back tees. I think he had just bought stock in Acushnet (maker of Titleist golf balls) because we were hitting 3-woods and not getting close on the par 3s. You needed a Sherpa to find some of the shots. We laughed almost the entire round at our inability to hit a far off fairway. Then we tried to see who could get the most hang time on No. 18, a great course. We had a blast from the backs.

Q. Who's your favorite golfer (professional, amateur) and why?

A. Bobby Jones. Any serious player should be familiar with the contributions this good man made to the game and its history. Next would be Sean O'Hair from my club. It is amazing to watch his ability to move the ball and his club head speed is fascinating. How a skinny kid can hit it so far is beyond belief. Also, he is a very nice young man which is not always seen in today's youth.

Q. How did you get started in golf?

A. I grew up near Lu Lu Country Club, North Hills Country Club, Manufacturers Golf & Country Club, and Sandy Run Country Club and learned the game as a caddie. I first played on a course called Burn Brae Golf Club which was next to a swim club where I worked during the summers. We used to sneak on to play the

"Back Five." My first set of clubs were ones tossed over the fence.

Q. What's your most memorable moment as a player?

A. February 1998. It was at Marco Island, Fla., with my good pal Royce Stout, who was just diagnosed with ALS. We were on our 35th hole of the day when a Bald Eagle swooped down on us. It had a wingspan of at least seven to eight feet and spent about five minutes gliding up-and-back over the fairway before landing in a tree behind the green. We looked at each other and just laughed. Then we both splashed our approaches into the water hazard. We decided it was a good time to head in and enjoy an adult beverage.



Q. Craziest thing you've seen as a volunteer/course rater?

A. It was at the U.S. Open Qualifier at White Manor Country Club last year. It was cold and very windy at about 60 MPH and the place was without electricity. Trees were coming down along some of the holes. Someone on the radio said we needed an over/under on players under par against trees down. Anyone who played that day deserves the "Grindernation" award.

Q. Favorite aspect of the Golf Association of Philadelphia?

A. My favorite part of the Association is the people. The level of professionalism coupled with the deep love and respect for the game. You know we are headed in the right direction with these folks, especially those who set up the Tournament Point System (wink, wink).



Nantz hosts Media Day for Walker Cup at Merion Golf Club

With the Walker Cup less than three months away, CBS Sports broadcaster **Jim Nantz** and United States team captain **George “Buddy” Marucci**, both proud Merion Golf Club members, spoke to the press at Media Day on April 21.

“This is an exciting time for our club,” Nantz, a non-resident Merion GC member, said. “It doesn’t get any better than Merion.”

The Walker Cup Match, which will be held Sept. 11-13, pits amateur players from the United States against those from Great Britain and Ireland squad. It takes place every two years, alternately in the United States and Great Britain/Ireland. Merion GC has never hosted the Walker Cup, but it has staged the most USGA championships in the nation (16).

Being the home of the Walker Cup is special for Merion, according to Nantz. He recalled the club’s memorable moments, such as Bobby Jones’ Amateur Championship victory in 1930 to complete the Grand Slam, Ben Hogan’s 1950 U.S. Open Championship victory, and Lee Trevino’s snake prank on Jack Nicklaus in the 1971 U.S. Open.

“There’s a tremendous history here, and a great shot value in every single shot,” Nantz, a part of CBS Sports’ golf team since 1985, said. “On every single shot, a player has a wonderful look through the eye. Every shot here — tee shot,



Nantz

second shot, pitches around the green—is just the right place. This is one of the great, classical golf courses of all time.”

Marucci, a long-time Merion GC member, captained the triumphant 2007 U.S. Walker Cup team. He is thrilled to again lead the squad, especially on his home course.

“It’s a unique challenge to do this at home,” said the 57-year-old Marucci, who is the reigning U.S. Senior Amateur Champion. “This is a club that has been dedicated to the game. I think the golf course will be on display. It will be in championship condition. What makes [Merion] special is it starts the second you walk out onto the course. Every single shot requires thought and is challenging.”

The Walker Cup is “the event of a lifetime,” according to Marucci. He hopes that “as many people as possible” will witness it in September at Merion GC.

“The bigger crowds do add to the event,” Marucci said. “The matches provide that opportunity to get up close and personal, which is unique.”

Marucci believes both he and his players will be fully capable of dealing with the whirlwind of emotions that surrounds the Walker Cup.

“It’s extremely difficult to play representing your country,” he said. “There’s a tremendous amount of pressure to perform for your teammates. Sometimes, you can take the loss if it’s just you, but when other guys are counting on you, it gets very difficult. But once you’re out there on the golf course, the emotion builds pretty dramatically.”

Tickets still available For Walker Cup ticket information, visit www.2009walkercup.org, call 484-708-1050 or e-mail tickets@walkercup.org. Packages range from \$40 for a daily grounds ticket to \$90 for a season grounds ticket (Friday through Sunday) to \$225 for a season Trophy Club ticket, which includes access to a hospitality area with food and beverage options.



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Malone, a GAP volunteer, makes cameo in Barkley's golf show

By Tony Regina

AS A BARTENDER, Dave Malone sees a fair share of people take a seat and order a drink each day.

But two years ago, an “unordinary” customer set foot in Chops Restaurant and Bar on City Line Avenue in Philadelphia. Charles Barkley placed an order.

“He just came into the restaurant,” Malone, a member of Sandy Run Country Club, said. “He spends his summers here in Philadelphia, but his primary residence is in Arizona. Obviously, the chatter started. The topic of golf came up, and if anyone is aware of Charles’ swing, it’s pretty amazing (laughs).”

“I was bringing up stuff about playing golf. He was just riding me unmercifully,” Barkley added.

The golf banter continued between Malone, 49, and Barkley, and the two immediately became friends. Whenever Barkley comes to Philadelphia, he stops by Chops to visit Malone. In fact, the Golf Channel filmed one of those visits for “The Haney Project,” a television show that documents Barkley’s quest to improve his golf swing as he takes lessons from Hank Haney, the world’s top golf instructor.

Malone, an Oreland, Pa. resident, appears in the program’s second episode, which aired March 9. The Golf Channel taped his meeting with Barkley at Chops in October 2008, but Malone didn’t tell anyone about it because he wasn’t sure if any of the footage would be used in an episode.

“I was fearful to say anything,” Malone said.

“He didn’t tell anyone. We didn’t know about it,” added Fred Purdy, Sandy Run’s professional.

Earlier this year, the Golf Channel did inform Malone that he would be featured in the March 9 episode of “The Haney Project.” That night, Malone’s phone didn’t stop ringing.

“Life has changed since March 9,” he said. “It’s kind of fun. Everyone’s been really great. It’s just been an overall positive thing. I can’t tell you how many people come into the restaurant now and hand me their business cards and say, ‘when you and Charles play, let me know.’”

During the episode, Barkley alleges that Malone “talks more trash than anyone in the world.” He also said that Malone ranks third on his golf “hit list”— a group of players that Barkley wants to compete against — behind Michael Jordan and Tiger Woods.

“Just to be included in a list like that, holy cow!” Malone said. “I think that just came up because I do give him a good ribbing every opportunity I can. It’s all in good fun, though.

“Right away, my first thought is ‘we should get that foursome together.’”

Malone first heard of “The Haney Project” in August 2008 when Barkley, Neil Hartman of Comcast SportsNet and producer Tom Farrell stopped in for lunch at Chops.

“I try to take care of all my customers. They happened to be the only three there that day,” Malone said. “I hear a conversation start about this project. Charles is going to go to work with Tiger Woods’

swing coach. That’s probably how I was able to have a cameo in this [The Haney Project].”

At the core of Malone’s appearance on the program, of course, is golf—a sport that he’s always loved. Malone remembers spending Saturdays playing golf with his father, who was a member at Sandy Run for more than 40 years.

“[Golf] is in our blood. It’s a full addiction,” Malone said. “Golf has been in our family for many years. It’s second nature to me. I love the fact that it’s you, your clubs and your ability. You can talk golf and trash talk with the guys, but you’ve got to make the shots.”

Malone played golf recreationally in high school while he focused on other sports, such as football, swimming and baseball. He became more serious about golf after earning a business degree from DeSales University.

From the beginning, Malone immediately forged a sense of camaraderie with Barkley.

“He’s just a really down to Earth guy, what a wonderful, gracious person,” Malone said. “He makes you feel so comfortable around him. He’s very approachable. He never passes up the opportunity to talk to anyone about anything.”

Barkley speaks highly of Malone.

“Dave’s a really nice man. He’s fun to be around,” Barkley said.

Malone believes Barkley’s participation in “The Haney Project” will “bring more people into the game of golf.”

“If they can fix Charles’ swing, there’s hope for anyone. It’s a good thing,” Malone said. “This guy has taken so much ribbing on [his swing], and to put himself out there, I admire him for it. A lot of people wouldn’t do it. They would just walk away.”

Though Barkley participates in “The Haney Project” to primarily work on his own golf game, he’s also doing it as a way to teach others about the sport.

“I wanted it to be an instructional video for regular people,” Barkley said. “It’s been pretty remarkable. I’m really enjoying it.”

This summer, Malone and Barkley will head out to the links together.

“We’re going to line up some matches,” Malone said.

“I’m really looking forward to it,” Barkley added.

But which trash-talker will emerge as the victor?

“I hope I come out on top, but I guarantee we’ll have a great day regardless,” Malone said. “Golf will win.”

“The Haney Project” airs on the Golf Channel Mondays at 9 p.m.



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Coyne-ing More Than A Phrase

By Dave Holloway

There aren't many of us who get the opportunity to combine our selected profession with something we love to do. Tom Coyne is one of those exceptions.

The Media, Pa., native is a creative writing professor by trade, but golf has played an important part in his life—first as a youth player, then as a caddie at Rolling Green Golf Club. And in recent years he has combined the two with a pair of successful books.

It didn't exactly start out that way. Coyne graduated from Archmere Academy in Wilmington, Del., before making his way to the University of Notre Dame.

A writing career wasn't exactly at the top of his list of goals when he went away to South Bend, Ind.

"I think I started out as a Pre-Med student and worked my way back," he said. "Then I figured I'd go into business like my dad, who was a stockbroker for 40 years.

"I was a good writer in high school, but I didn't go to college thinking it was a goal."

He earned his Master's degree in fine arts at Notre Dame, which led to his first venture into the book world. As his graduate thesis, he wrote *A Gentlemen's Game*.

"*A Gentlemen's Game* was a novel about a golf caddie," Coyne said. "I had been a caddie at Rolling Green for 10 years, and it exposed me to the golf world and growing up in the country club life."

A Gentlemen's Game was later adapted into a movie starring Gary Sinise of CSI: NY fame.

Coyne then got to thinking, "what if?..." He had been pretty successful as a junior golfer but had never concentrated solely on his game.

"I played other sports and did other things," Coyne said of his days in youth golf. "I sort of wondered what if I had pushed and played more."

So he spent 18 months training for a shot at earning a spot playing on the PGA Tour, which led to the book *Paper Tiger*.

"I spent 18 months—I had a trainer, equipment sponsors, a coach, everything that the pro should have to get to the next level," said Coyne, who now plays much of his golf at the FDR Golf Club in Philadelphia. "I'm a writer, not a tour player. But I got pretty good at golf.

"I didn't have the mental attitude. To play with such confidence and mindset, you have to play that way as a young player."

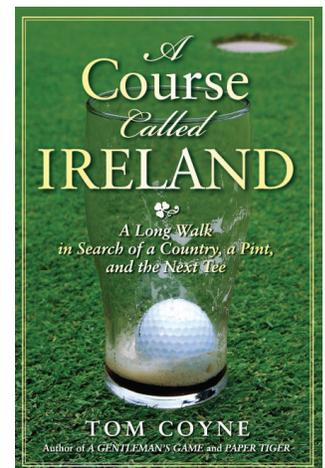
Coyne, who is currently a visiting professor at St. Joseph's University teaching creative writing, has now written a third book, *A Course Called Ireland, A Long Walk in Search of a Country, a Pint, and the Next Tee*. It was released in February.

It's the story of a golfer who walks his way around the entire country, playing every seaside hole in Ireland, from the top-ranked layouts to nine-hole courses that included livestock as part of the landscape.

"I essentially played Ireland as one big golf course," Coyne said. "It took four months, and I decided to walk the whole 1,200 miles. By doing it that way, it was not only a challenge to play on foot, but it took me to places that golfers normally don't go, which makes it unique.

"Golf is a great way to talk about life, and I like to teach about life and about people."

Of course, writing about golf is a great way to live life. Coyne appears to have the best of both worlds.



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Conrad Von Borsig defeats James Kania, Jr. for 109th Amateur Championship title

By Rick Woelfel

Tradition

dictates that the final match of the Amateur Championship is held on the day prior to Father's Day.

The date coincides with the third day of the U.S. Open Championship and this year's finalists would have been forgiven had they thought they were teeing it up at Bethpage Black. The heavy rains that swept across the region transformed Stonewall's Old Course into Bethpage South.

Conrad Von Borsig was unfazed by the elements, however. The 22-year-old Concord Country Club member played his best golf when the weather was at its worst to prevail, 6&4, over James Kania, Jr., of Overbrook Golf Club and claim the 109th Amateur title.

It was Von Borsig's first win against a field that included post-college players and it was a victory well-earned. Each of his four matches prior to the final lasted a minimum of 18 holes. His list of conquests included Rob Galbreath, Jr. (Huntingdon Valley CC), Bill McGuinness (Tavistock CC), Tom Gramigna (Tavistock CC) and defending champion Michael McDermott (Merion GC). The latter three have all won Golf Association of Philadelphia Major championships of some sort and Galbreath, Jr., himself is a four-time Junior Boys' champion.

"I didn't realize until about three days ago that this was the 109th GAP Amateur," Von Borsig, seeded 28th after qualifying, said. "It's as old as the U.S. Open. That's pretty cool, pretty prestigious."

Von Borsig, a recent graduate of the University of Virginia, never trailed in the championship match. He got off to a fast start by making birdie at the short par-5 first hole (531 yards). He then went on to build a 6-up lead through the opening nine, much of which was played in heavy rain that made the course play significantly longer than the listed 6,780 yards (par 70).

The rain started falling at the second hole and quickly increased in intensity. Von Borsig, however, seemed unfazed by the conditions and said he did not find the rain disconcerting. "If you can stay dry it's actually easier," he said. "The greens are softer and you can hit the ball straighter because there isn't as much spin on the ball."

Von Borsig holds the J. Wood Platt Amateur Championship trophy

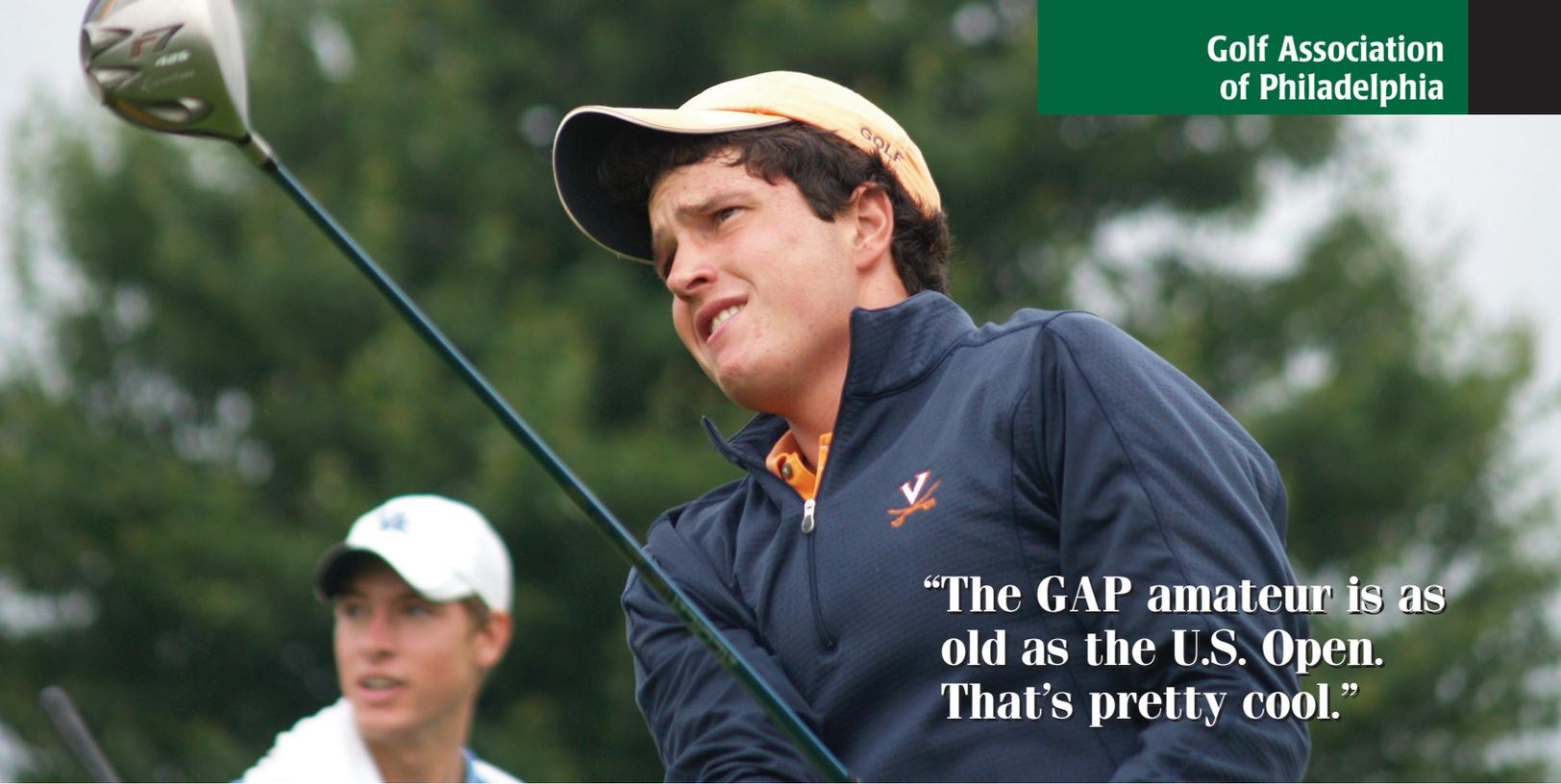


By the time the players teed off on No. 8 (par 4, 428 yards) standing water on the greens was becoming an issue. When both players came up short with their second shots, play was suspended.

When the match resumed, after a delay of one hour and 57 minutes, Von Borsig won the ninth hole (par 3, 233 yards) with a par to take a six-hole advantage and the 20-year old Kania knew he was in a difficult position.

"I let the rain get to me a little bit," he said. "I played some pretty good golf from there but I was in a hole that was way too big."

Von Borsig concluded the "morning" round by hitting his approach at No. 18 (par 4, 452 yards) to inside a foot. The conceded birdie put him 7-up; he played his first 18 holes in the equivalent of



“The GAP amateur is as old as the U.S. Open. That’s pretty cool.”

1-under par.

There was no lunch break between rounds; the players paused only briefly before moving to the 19th tee.

Von Borsig won the first hole of the afternoon round to go 8-up when Kania deposited his second shot in the hazard. At that stage, it seemed the remainder of the match would be a mere formality.

Kania, the 11th seed for match play, had other ideas. He fought his way back from oblivion by rolling in a 30-foot birdie putt at the 22nd hole (No. 4, par 4, 370 yards), then followed up with birdies at the 24th (No. 6, par 4, 433 yards) and 25th (No. 7, par 3, 168 yards) to cut the deficit to 5-down.

At the 27th tee (No. 9), Kania, who just finished his sophomore season at the University of Kentucky, was still 5-down. He suffered a setback when his tee shot at the 229-yard, par 3 found the water but won the 28th (No. 10, par 4, 446 yards) with a par and the 29th (No. 11, par 5, 584 yards) with an eight-foot birdie putt to suddenly put himself 4-down with six holes left.

By this time, his opponent was struggling to find the fairway and was feeling the effects of the long day.

“I was getting really exhausted,” Von Borsig said. “I’d never played a tournament this long before. I told my caddie to get me some food after 12 (the 29th hole) from my parents. I was about to black out I was so hungry. I’m used to the lunch break after the first round [but] we didn’t have that.”

Von Borsig never quite regained his

equilibrium off the tee; he missed four of his last five fairways and hit just 5 of 11 during the afternoon round, but he won the 31st (No. 13, par 4, 454 yards) hole with a par to go dormie before Kania missed a birdie try at the 32nd (No. 14, par 4, 386 yards) and conceded the match.

“I’m really honored,” Von Borsig said. “It’s interesting how grueling it is. This was my eighth round this week.”

Kania, who won the Philadelphia Junior-Junior Boys’ title in 2003 and reached the Junior Boys’ final the following year, had been hoping to make a bit of history. His father, James Kania, Sr., won the Philadelphia Amateur in 1995 and no father-son tandem has ever won the Amateur title.

The elder Kania was in the gallery for the championship match.

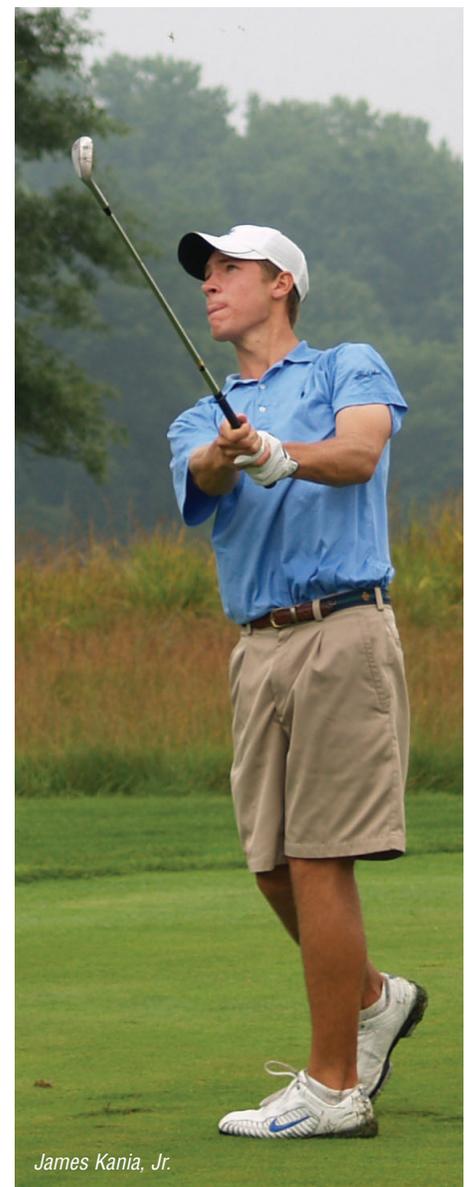
“It was definitely special to have him out here with Father’s Day being tomorrow,” his son said. “It was very cool, having him and my grandfather here. It was definitely very special.”

Von Borsig will now pause before taking the next step in his career. He’s considering the idea of turning professional at some point, after rededicating himself to the game during his final college season.

“Hopefully, this win was kind of a culmination of all that hard work,” he said.

See page 23 for complete results of the Amateur Championship Qualifier and previous match play rounds.

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James Kania, Jr.

Q&A with Dan Hicks, NBC Sports

By Martin D. Emeno, Jr.

Dan Hicks, NBC's well known and highly-regarded lead play-by-play golf announcer, spoke at the Golf Association of Philadelphia's Pro.-Pres., Golf & Green Chairmen Event on May 13. Hicks, who replaced legendary Dick Enberg as NBC's lead golf announcer in 2000, took some time to chat with the *Golf Association of Philadelphia Magazine* on everything from Johnny Miller to Michael Phelps. Hicks joined NBC in 1992 after working as a sports anchor at CNN. He is involved in NBC's Olympic Games coverage, calling swimming for the Summer Olympics.

Q. Has golf always been a part of your life? What's the most enjoyable part of the game for you?

A. I really didn't grow up playing golf. I had always played all sorts of sports and my seasons were basically going from baseball, basketball to football all of which I played through high school. I became hooked on the sport shortly after graduating from college after hurting my knee playing basketball. I needed something competitive, and I just totally fell in love with the game and have remained so ever since. It's hard to pinpoint the one most enjoyable aspect of it, but if I had to single one thing out, it would be the quality of time spent outdoors on a beautiful course making new friends and spending time with old ones as well.

Q. Did you always have plans to become a golf announcer or is that something that just kind of happened?

A. Before I started at NBC Sports, I worked at CNN Sports and was begging my bosses to send me to all the big golf tournaments to cover them. So when NBC expressed an interest in hiring me in 1992, I think they had seen some of my reporting, and in general thought my style might be a good fit. So when I eventually went to NBC, I did a little of everything, you name it, including golf. But gradually, I began to do more and more golf and then in 2000 when Dick Enberg left NBC, I became the 18th tower host and really became identified with the sport.

Q. What's been your most memorable moment as part of NBC's golf team?

A. There have been so many, including the '99 Ryder Cup, and the '99 U.S. Open which were at the top of my list until last year's U.S. Open at Torrey Pines. I don't think we'll ever see another championship like it. It was like a Hollywood script. Tiger Woods on one leg with too many incredible shots to name, and then the supporting actor in Rocco Mediate. I told Johnny Miller after it was over that I hope he enjoyed it because I really believe it's very possible it will go down as the best one we ever do. Although in sports, you never really know for sure.

Q. Can you give us a sense of what's it like working with a Hall of Famer like Johnny Miller?

A. It's like going on your favorite rollercoaster ride for several hours a day. You better buckle up and pay attention, or you're going to be thrown overboard! Seriously, I have worked with several analysts through the years on various sports, and no one has had the unique ability of Johnny



Dan Hicks

to instantly break down a situation, whether it's a golf swing, an emotional moment or that pivotal time in a tournament when a player is either headed to victory or not. He is simply a genius at what he does, and I am very lucky to have the privilege of working with him.

Q. You've done play-by-play commentary for golf, football, basketball, swimming, diving and speed skating. What's your favorite to call and why?

A. That's always a tough question, but I always say if I had to do just one sport for the rest of my career, it would be golf. I just think there's no better drama and tension in sports then when a golfer is trying to win a tournament. The sport just lends itself to this solitary type of endeavor, which I feel separates the game from other sports.

Q. Can you describe chronicling Michael Phelps unprecedented run at the 2008 Olympics? It had to be an amazing experience.

A. Keep in mind that the Olympics in Beijing came just a couple of months after Tiger in that U.S. Open, so when Phelps started doing his thing in China, I couldn't help but compare it a little to Torrey Pines. In fact, I referred to Phelps as being "Tiger in a Speedo." I just felt the two shared the same kind of focus and dramatic flair for the moment. They just don't win. They



Michael Phelps



do it in a way that makes it so memorable. Phelps' run to eight gold medals really was a long shot, and he needed some breaks and minor miracles to make it happen. He got them in those two races: the 400-free relay and the 100 butterfly. But that's what the great ones do. They always seem to find a way!

Q. Sports broadcasting is a tough industry to break into, especially on a national and international level. What advice would you give individuals who hope to one day broadcast professional sports on a major television network?

A. I always tell them the same thing: "If you're passionate about sports and this business of sports broadcasting, you'll be just fine." Yes, it's competitive, but I have always believed that sooner or later the people that succeed are the people that are willing to do what it takes: work hard, ask questions and do it for the sheer love of sports. Because, after all, it really is just fun and games, and that's what has always made it seem like anything but work.

Q. How would you describe Tiger Woods' legacy to date?

A. It's not often you bring up the word "legacy" when you're talking about a golfer who still has at least another half of his career left, but

in Tiger's case, I do believe it's worthy of at least addressing because of his incomparable impact already. Although he is still four Major championships away from equaling Jack Nicklaus' total, I don't think there has ever been another golfer and sports figure, for that matter, who has dominated his sport with such flair as Tiger. Jack and others sure made a lot of clutch shots and putts. But can you remember a boatload of them like the ones Tiger has already turned in: tournament winners, shots never before seen, and delivered at the biggest tournaments during the biggest moments. I sure can't.

At this point though, I am surprised that we haven't seen the diversity in young talent coming up. When Tiger won the Masters in 1997 by 12 shots, there were those who wondered if that monumental victory would in a way open the floodgates for minorities in the game. It did trigger a number of programs, like the First Tee, but we still haven't seen enough kids from varying backgrounds take the game to the highest of levels. But I know how hard Tiger works at his foundation, helping kids with educational programs and the like, so it's important to remember that his legacy will not just be about fostering young kids to play the game. There is certainly no doubt that he will affect thousands of young kids in a very positive way in the more important "game of life."

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Owners, history on Galen Hall's side By Rick Woelfel

GALEN HALL GOLF CLUB has been in existence for nearly a century. But today, the club seems revitalized. A new ownership team is in the process of pouring over \$1 million into the facility.

But even with the upgrades, there is a sense of history that permeates the place.

The golf course itself dates back to 1911-12. It was built for the guests of an upscale hotel and resort that was perched on top of an adjacent hillside. The area, known as South Mountain, was home to a number of resort hotels that were popular vacation getaways in the days before most Americans owned automobiles. The hotel would endure, through various ownership changes, for nearly three-quarters of a century.

Architect Alex Findlay laid out the original nine holes, James Albert Preston was in charge of the construction effort.

In 1917, A.W. Tillinghast was brought in to add nine new holes and rework the existing ones. It was here he created what became known as the Moat Hole, which today is Galen Hall's 15th. The par 3 plays to 193 yards from the back tee. The green is entirely surrounded by a creek. It is accessible only via a series of foot bridges. Some claim that this was the first island green ever built, although that claim cannot be substantiated. Under today's routing, the Tillinghast holes are the seventh, eighth, and the 12th through the 17th.

In 1955, the father-son team of William and David Gordon were brought in to do a renovation. It was then that the course was lengthened and converted from a par 68 to a par 72 layout. The Gordons returned in 1963 to build four new greens, what are hole Nos. 8-11.

Today, Galen Halls plays to 6,271 yards from the deepest of three sets of tees. Forward tees are set at 5,464 and 5,105 yards. Par is 72 for men and 73 for women.

The course rating from the back tees is just 70.2 (with a 122 slope) but there are abundant challenges. The layout features numerous elevation changes and the sidehill lies that come with them. Most of the greens are small and feature an abundance of subtle breaks that are difficult for first-time visitors to detect.

On April 7, 1963, the Galen Hall Hotel was destroyed in a fire. The golf course remained, however, and was a popular destination for daily-fee players from Berks County and elsewhere.

In 2001, Eli Martin, the owner of the property, died. The golf course remained open, but in 2006 his heirs put the site up for sale. A developer was interested, but a group headed by auto dealer Robert Fisher stepped in to purchase the property. In all likelihood they saved the golf course from extinction.

Brian Stiefel, the club treasurer, said the new owners are committed to maintaining the property as a golf course.

"We want to see the place remain here," he said. "It's too important to Berks County."

In short order, the group undertook a major renovation effort. The locker rooms were remodeled, and the dining facilities expanded to include a sports bar and an outdoor deck. The condition of the golf course itself was upgraded, and land has been set aside for the construction of a range in the near future.

In 2007 Galen Hall joined the Golf Association of Philadelphia. This year it participated in the GAP Team Matches for the first time and, in the likely near future, will hold its first Golf Association of Philadelphia tournament.

However, even as it embraces the Association, Galen Hall has maintained its commitment to the daily-fee golfer. The peak weekend greens fee [cart included] is just \$40. The club hosted approximately 29,000 rounds a year ago; 90 percent of that was public play.



BENT CREEK'S LOKE FINALLY FOUND AGRONOMY TO HIS LIKING

By Tony Regina

FOR JIM LOKE, the fourth time was the charm.

He attended Ohio State University as an accounting major. Then he switched to education. Then liberal arts.

"I didn't see a career path in those. I just wasn't happy," Loke, 63, said.

During his senior year, Loke finally saw the right career path for him.

"Halfway through my first agronomy class, I realized there's a tremendous amount of science that really intrigued me," he said.

So Loke switched his major for the fourth and final time to agronomy and turfgrass management. To determine a specific career, he sought advice from one of his professors.

"He showed me a list. Golf course superintendent was one of 40 careers on that list," Loke said. "I let my mind and body tell me which direction to go in. I just said, 'Well, this is it,' not knowing it was a very difficult career path."

Becoming a golf course superintendent may have seemed tough to Loke, but he has since managed to build a 38-year career in the field. Loke has served as golf course superintendent at Bent Creek Country Club in Lititz, Pa., since its inception in 1992. ("I was the first employee of the club—April 6, 1992," he said.)

Bent Creek will host this year's Open Championship, which will take place July 22. The Open Championship is one of the Golf Association of Philadelphia's four Majors.



"I think it is a very important event," Loke said. "Bent Creek, since its inception, has enjoyed events and is very satisfied in presenting regional golf tournaments."

Golf has been a passion for Loke, who grew up in Montreal, Canada, since he was 9 years old.

"My uncle took me to a golf course near Montreal," Loke said. "I played several rounds with him. I couldn't get enough of it. I played golf for days and days outside the house. I would make up games from one tree to the other."

Loke turned his passion into his profession. He attained his first superintendent position in 1971 when he joined Oakwood Club in Cleveland, Ohio.

"Very nice, old Donald Ross course," Loke said.

In 1973, Loke moved onto Canterbury Golf Club in Beachwood,

Ohio. That same year, the club hosted the PGA Championship, which Jack Nicklaus won by four strokes over Bruce Crampton. The victory gave Nicklaus his 14th major championship, breaking Bobby Jones' 43-year record.

"That was my first taste of tournament golf," Loke recalls. "High standards were met. The competition was keen. It was marvelous. I was a kid that was star struck."

Loke continued to broaden his superintendent experience. In 1975, he joined Firestone Country Club in Akron, Ohio. The course played host to 10 televised tournaments, including the 1975 PGA Championship, at which Nicklaus again defeated Crampton.

Quail Hollow Country Club in Ohio was Loke's next stop. He spent 10 years there before landing at Bent Creek.

"I wanted to come east so I could live closer to my mother," Loke said. "The draw was also the people (club president Dan Burton, architect Jay Morrish) that interviewed me. I knew I wanted to be here. I wanted to build a golf course."

Bent Creek CC boasts a par-71, 6,210-yard course that, according to Loke, has only undergone two renovations in its 17-year history. It added five new tees in 1995 and changed the sand in its bunkers in 2006.

"We're much better designed and prepared. We're in better shape to deal with the long ball," he said. "The greens haven't changed, though. They're average size and have contour. Green speeds average about 11.5-13 [on the Stimpmeter] for major events."

Sand is a distinguished highlight of Bent Creek. The course features about four acres of bunkers, which are a constant challenge for Loke and his staff.

"Any championship that we host is a challenge because of the size of the bunkers," Loke said. "They take a tremendous amount of man hours and labor to maintain. Mother Nature has the ability to challenge us."

As a golf course superintendent, Loke is accustomed to facing challenges. Eighteen months after opening, the club hosted the Pennsylvania Open Championship.

"That was an extreme challenge that we met with satisfaction," Loke said.

At Bent Creek, Loke oversees a year-round staff of 32. Preparing for a major tournament, he said, can be demanding yet exhilarating.

"It doesn't matter how much experience you have. It's always stressful," Loke said. "There are so many curveballs or unusual circumstances that throw a wrench into the machinery. Little emergencies go on every day that no one ever hears about."

But Loke wouldn't have it any other way.

"It's an intense operation because I'm intense. I'm a person who thrives on challenge," he said. "The golf course is never perfect, and that's part of the challenge. We [at Bent Creek] thrive on doing the best we can to be as perfect as we can. We have a lot of work to do to get to that perfect standard."

"We're really anxious to host the Open Championship."

Loke resides in Lancaster, Pa. with his wife Karen, who also works with him at Bent Creek. They have two daughters, Julie and Kristin.



Jim Loke

Chester Valley Golf Club

By Neil Geoghegan

It's a case of Who Done It when it comes identifying Chester Valley Golf Club's architect

Beginning in its early association with the Pennsylvania Railroad, on through a location change at the height of the depression, and then a near complete reconfiguration in the late 1960s, Chester Valley Golf Club has a complicated past, with a mysterious twist.

The private club near Malvern, Pa., which reopened on May 21 after an ambitious \$2 million renovation plan, gained national prominence as the primary host of the Senior PGA Tour's Bell Atlantic Classic from 1985-1997.

But was the original course architect the legendary Donald Ross, as was thought



Ross

for decades? A recent club brochure says it was the renowned Pery Maxwell, but where is the evidence? Or could it have been somebody else, like maybe an anonymous local club professional, which was a common practice at the time?

"There is no evidence that I know that either Ross or Maxwell stepped foot on the course," said CVGC head professional Jonathan Doctor.

"I have heard that Maxwell was the designer, but I never saw his name in the meeting notes from that period," added Seward Ridlon, a former board



Maxwell

member at Chester Valley. "It's very strange."

And here is more strangeness: Back in 2001, Ridlon did have evidence of Ross's limited involvement, but the paperwork is now missing.

"The board meeting notes that I had did not say who the architect was," Ridlon reported. "It said that the plans for the course layout were sent to Donald Ross in Pinehurst, N.C., and for the sum of \$150, he approved the plans.

"I turned them back into the club, and now they can't find them. I was sick when they told me that."

We do know that what is now Chester Valley had its beginnings in the mid-1920s as the Pennsylvania Railroad Golf Club in Delaware County. The cramped 109-acre site was leased from nearby Llanerch



8th hole





14th hole

Country Club and the course was built by the railroad for its employees.

In 1928, the railroad purchased the Smedley and Hatton farms in East Whiteland Township, Chester County for \$350 an acre, and construction began on a new more spacious location. The plot of land had historical significance dating back to the Revolutionary War.

The routing included nine holes that ran north and south, up and down a substantial hill with power lines dissecting most of the fairways. The grand opening of the Pennsylvania Golf Club came on May 30, 1930. During the recently completed renovation, workers discovered several plates that covered irrigation valves that said "PGC" on them, according to CVGC superintendent Dave Visocan.

Geoffrey Cornish and Ronald Whitten indicate that Maxwell designed the course in their book: 'The Architects of Golf,' but offer no evidence. It is possible that Maxwell's alleged association with PGC is actually an honest mistake because he is listed as the architect of record for the original Pennsylvania Railroad Golf Club in Delaware County, according to noted golf course researcher Jay Flemma. It is a mystery that may never be solved.

Difficult economic times and lagging membership led the railroad to sell the club to some existing members in 1948, where it became Chester Valley Golf Club. In 1967, former local golf professional George Fazio was hired to oversee the relocation of

holes 6, 16 and 17 in order to accommodate the construction of Route 202.

"After looking at the property, Fazio convinced the club to allow him to build five holes across Swedesford Road and reconfigure another 10 holes so that the power lines did not come into play," Doctor said. "The only original holes from 1928 are 3 and 4."

According to former club president Tom Feeney, Jr., a settlement of about \$250,000 from the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation from the land used for Route 202 paid for a big chunk of Fazio's work.

The original clubhouse, a converted barn, was destroyed by fire in 1950. It was rebuilt and later underwent a major renovation in 1994 with proceeds from the Bell Atlantic Classic. One of the more successful annual stops on the Senior Tour, the Bell

Atlantic spent 12 of its 15-year run at Chester Valley and was regarded as one of the toughest tests for the world's best over-50 players. Golfing great, Lee Trevino, regularly called Chester Valley a "hidden jewel."

Yet another twist in the history of the 187-acre Chester Valley site actually goes back 232 years, to an infamous Revolutionary battle that never actually took place. On Sept. 16, 1777, a portion of General George Washington's three-mile defensive line was positioned where Chester Valley is now located.

Fresh off a victory at the Battle of Brandywine and seeking momentum, British Commander William Howe moved his troops into the region to battle Washington's 10,000-man army. But before the two sides became fully engaged, a severe rain storm ensued. The soaked gunpowder rendered the firearms useless, and what became known as the "Battle of the Clouds" never materialized.

The latest chapter in Chester Valley history necessitated closing the course last August for nearly 10 months to execute a renovation plan that included rebuilding eight greens, laser-leveling every tee box and re-grassing all greens and fairways. Although only recently opened, improvements have been so well received that Chester Valley was awarded the Pennsylvania Senior Amateur Championship, which will take place in August of 2010.

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13th hole

The Rules of Golf

By David Staebler

Rule 10: Order of Play

Alan, Brian, Carl and Dan hit their approach shots on No. 5. and all of them except Brian's finish on the putting green. Dan's ball is farthest from the hole, next farthest is Carl's. Even though Brian's ball is off the green, it is nearer the hole than both the balls of Carl and Dan. Alan's ball is the closest to the hole. Brian asks if he should play onto the green before any of them putt. Do the Rules of Golf permit a player whose ball is not farthest from the hole to play?

Rules 10-1b (Order of Play: Match Play – During Play of Hole) and 10-2b (Order of Play: Stroke Play – During Play of Hole) state the basic principle of order of play which is, the ball farther (or farthest) from the hole is played first. This principle evolved out of a basic concern for safety, a desire to avoid situations in which balls could be stopped or deflected, and to promote the orderly playing of the game.

Neither of these Rules contains any exception granting a player whose ball is off the green, though not away, the right to play before a player whose ball is on the green and farther from the hole. Yet there is plenty of evidence that this is done frequently in golf and without penalty. Watch just about any televised PGA Tour event, and it won't take long to see a player playing out of turn, especially around the putting green.

Do the Rules penalize players for playing out of turn? The answer differs based on whether the competition is match play or stroke play.

In match play there is no penalty for playing out of turn.

However, if a player plays when it was his opponent's turn to play, the opponent may immediately require the player to cancel the stroke so made, and without penalty, replay it when it is his turn. If Alan and Brian are playing a four-ball match against Carl and Dan, when Brian plays his chip even though it is Carl's or Dan's turn to play, Carl and Dan, as his opponents, have the option to cancel Brian's stroke. If Brian chips in or very near the hole, it might be advantageous for Carl and Dan to require Brian to cancel his stroke and replay it when it is his turn to play.

There is one little exception to the above in match play. If Alan (Brian's partner) is away, Rule 30-3b allows Brian to play without Carl and Dan having the option to cancel his stroke since the side of Alan and Brian is considered to be away ("Balls belonging to the same side may be played in the order the side considers best.")

In stroke play, most of the time there is no penalty for playing out of turn. In the case of Brian chipping onto the green before Carl and Dan putted, in individual stroke play there is no penalty. Brian will continue his play of the hole without penalty. Playing out of turn in stroke play is a breach of etiquette that the Rules do not sanction though they do tolerate when it doesn't undermine safety or the orderly playing of the game. There are even two circumstances in stroke play when playing out of turn is specifically authorized by the Rules. Similar to the exception in match play noted above, in four-ball

stroke play when it is the turn of one of the partners to play, the partners may play in the order they consider best (Rule 31-4). The second circumstance occurs when a player is asked to lift his ball because it either assists or interferes with the play of another. When asked, a player may play first rather than lift (Rules 22-1 and 22-2).

The one time a penalty is imposed for playing out of turn in stroke play is when players agree to do so to give one of them an advantage (Rule 10-2c). Since such an agreement violates the principle that each player must play his own game and keep his own counsel (except for the advice he is permitted to receive from his caddie, his partner or partner's caddie), a penalty of disqualification is imposed on all parties to such an agreement (Rule 10-2c). In stroke play, such an agreement potentially could adversely affect every other competitor in the field. In individual stroke play, if Carl and Dan were to agree to have Carl putt first to show Dan the break even though it was Dan's turn to play, both competitors would incur the penalty of disqualification.

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Compher Cup
Hollywood Golf Club, April 21, 2009

The Compher Cup pits two 12-man teams from each association in an individual match and a four-ball match. Each match is worth one point. Ties are halved. The Golf Association of Philadelphia leads the annual contest, 31-12. There have been four ties.

New Jersey State Golf Association, 13.5;
Golf Association of Philadelphia, 4.5

Singles
Greg Stebbins (NJ), Essex County CC, d. Rand Mendez (GAP), Fieldstone GC, 2&1; John Tingley (NJ), Stanton Ridge G&CC, d. Sean Leonard (GAP), Tavistock CC, 3&2; Mike Paduano (NJ), CC of New Jersey, d. Chris Esbeshade (GAP), Five Ponds GC, 4&3; Domenic Gatto (NJ), Eagle Oaks GC, d. Michael Brown (GAP), Philadelphia Publks GA, 1-up; Tom Hyland (NJ), Little Mill CC, d. Stephen Seiden (GAP), Concord CC, 2&1; Ron Vannelli (NJ), Metuchen G&CC, d. Jeffrey Griest (GAP), Waynesborough CC, 2&1; Mike Deo (NJ), High Bridge Hills GC, d. Robert Galbreath, Jr. (GAP), Huntingdon Valley CC, 3&1; David West (GAP), Whitford CC, halved
Greg Angello (NJ), Montclair GC; Mike Danner (GAP), La Tu CC, d. Jay Blumenfeld (NJ), Mountain Ridge CC, 4&3; James Donnelly (GAP), Merion GC, d. Allan Sam (NJ), Fairmount CC; John Brennan (GAP), Spring Ford CC, halved
Mike Stamberger, Plainfield CC; Tom Gramigna (NJ), Tavistock CC, d. Glenn Smeraglio (GAP), Commonwealth National CC, 1-up.

Better-ball
Leonard & Mendez (GAP) halved Stebbins & Tingley (NJ); Gatto & Paduano d. Brown & Esbeshade (GAP), 3&2; Hyland & Vannelli (NJ) d. Griest & Seiden (GAP), 3&2; Angello & Deo (NJ) d. Galbreath, Jr. & West (GAP), 2&1; Danner & Donnelly (GAP) d. Blumenfeld & Sam (NJ), 5&4; Gramigna & Stamberger (NJ) d. Brennan & Smeraglio (GAP), 3&2.

Middle-Amateur Championship Qualifier
Spring Ford Country Club, May 6, 2009

<u>Name, club</u>	<u>Score</u>
R. Blake Slawicki, Spring Ford	72
Scott Klee, Indian Valley	72
Jeff DellaFranco, Concord	74
David Shields, Philadelphia Publks	75
Ed Chylinski, Chester Valley	75
Michael Quinn, Edgmont	75
Rick Custer, Spring Ford	75
Robert Harrington, Merion	75
Rodney James, Five Ponds	75
Chris Kallmeyer, Philadelphia Cricket	76
David Smith, Doylestown	76
Stephen McIntyre, Honeybrook	77
John Simone, Philmont	77
Michael Schunke, Hartefeld National	77
Bill Turner, Philadelphia Publks	78
Brian Gillespie, St. Davids	78
Buddy Reed, DuPont	78
Byron Whitman, Golden Oaks	78
Matt Dolinsky, Honeybrook	78
Peter Moran, Edgmont	78
Tom Borsello, Fieldstone	78
Bruce Jackson, Spring Ford	79
Charles Scalzotti, Huntingdon Valley	79
Matthew Shevlin, Philadelphia Publks	79
Michael Evangelista, Concord	79
Michael Rogers, Overbrook	79
Rick James, Doylestown	79
Robert Gill, Fox Hill	79
Fred Luck, Spring Ford	80
George Griffaton, Brookside	80
James Prendergast, Brookside	80
Jim Rattigan, Schuylkill	80
John Robinson, Commonwealth National	80
Rich Thon, The Springhaven Club	80
Scott Orr, Brookside	80

Failed to qualify
Mark Wachter, Penn Oaks 81
Matthew Welsh, St. Davids 81
Ivan McBride, The Bucks Club 82
John Donnelly, Concord 82
Ronald Jamarowicz, Hartefeld National 82
Scott Carney, Commonwealth National 82
Drew Panebiano, Talamore 83
Kenneth Crony, Jr., Overbrook 83
Scott McLaughlin, Commonwealth National 83
Steven Kim, Blue Bell 84
Brad Flickinger, Scranton 84
Ken Sim, Commonwealth National 84
Matt Jasudowich, Whitmarsh Valley 84
Perry Landis, Moselem Springs 84
Bryan Winsko, Philadelphia Cricket 85
Christopher Lucci, Brookside 85
Jim Willoughby, Bellewood 85
John Vergari, Tavistock 85
Kenneth Ralston, Huntsville 85
Steven Walczak, Wilmington 85
Jon Thomas, White Clay Creek 86
Robert Davis, Jr., Glenmara National 86
Gary Yeager, Philadelphia Cricket 88
Mark Coassolo, Brookside Allentown 88
Shane McGovern, Aronimink 88
Pete Zollers, Spring Ford 89
Tino Calantoni, Saucon Valley 89
Drew O'Neill, Whitmarsh Valley 90
Fred Banta, Running Deer 84
Jeffrey Prickett, Manufacturers 90
Kelley Tyrell, Saucon Valley 90
Michael Book, Honeybrook 90
David D'Agostino, Aronimink 91
Matthew Vandever, Concord 91

Chuck Kraatz, Talamore	94
Chris Corr, Whitmarsh Valley	WD
Dave McFetridge, Ravens Claw	WD
George Steinmetz, Spring Ford	WD
Vincent Coll, Jr., Sandy Run	WD

WD-withdrawal

Middle-Amateur Championship Qualifier
Burlington Country Club, May 7, 2009

<u>Name, club</u>	<u>Score</u>
Jack Wallace, Burlington	71
Matthew Gaffney, Little Mill	71
Paul Rogowicz, Yardley	72
Gregg Angello, Moselem Springs	73
Joseph Russo, Running Deer	74
Bryan McCaskey, Merchantville	76
Mark Kosko, Seaview Marriott	76
Scott Bergson, Little Mill	76
Steven Passalacqua, Wedgwood	76
Tim Westfall, RiverCrest	76
Ajai Sirohi, Mercer Oaks	77
Brad Sokol, Green Valley	77
David Livermore, Great Bay	77
John Aloisio, Seaview Marriott	77
Thomas DiCinti, Links	77
Bradley Roberts, Wedgwood	78
Douglas Cusick, Tavistock	78
Gerry Baldachino, Olde York	78
Jamie Slonis, Tavistock	78
Paul Kupcha, Fieldstone	78
Ken Matt, Philadelphia Publks	79
Kevin Bair, Wyncote	79
Michael DiGandomenico, French Creek	79
Lance Oberperleiter, Wedgwood	80
Ron Weaver, Meadia Heights	80
Sean Sexton, Philadelphia Publks	80
Steven Budenz, Yardley	80
Alexander Maguire, Jr., Brookside	81
Brian Leftwich, Pine Valley	81
Chris Farmer, Olde York	81
Daniel Pinciotti, Jr., Huntingdon Valley	81
Frank Marconi, Mercer Oaks	81
Greg Rott, Manufacturers	81
Marlin Detweiler, Lancaster	81
Patrick O'Brien, North Hills	81
Raymond Andrusiewicz, Mercer Oaks	81
Bob Ursomaro, Saucon Valley	82
Brian Corbett, Huntsville	82
Brian Sexton, Seaview Marriott	82
Casey Murray, Philadelphia Cricket	82
Eric Fonner, Huntingdon Valley	82
Fred Giblin, Merchantville	82
John Van Schaikow, Burlington	82
Lee Groot, Whitmarsh Valley	82
Michael French, Burlington	82
Sean Coyle, Llanerch	82
Tom Piersanti, Saucon Valley	82

John Campanelli, Woodbury	83
John Cobb, Tavistock	83
Thomas Mensel, Olde York	83
Tim Sindorf, Burlington	83
William Statten, Olde York	83
Brad McFadden, Overbrook	84
Duane Pinnock, Philadelphia Publks	84
George Connell, Jr., Gulph Mills	84
Joe Olin, Little Mill	84
Ryan Luke, Mercer Oaks	84
Santo Lafoca, Huntsville	84
William Mule, Links	84
Andrew Dietz, Laurel Creek	85
J. Clark O'Donoghue, Riverton	85
Michael Bennis, Talamore	85
Ted Harris, Mercer Oaks	85
David Hoegel, Little Mill	85
Ed Kahn, Little Mill	86
Jim Witt, Commonwealth National	86
Kenneth Zimmer, Laurel Creek	86
Shawn Knechtel, Whitmarsh Valley	86
Dino Stathis, Mercer Oaks	87
James Levy, Downingtown	87
Mike McTyre, Sakima	87
Tom McNeerney, Philadelphia Publks	87
Yehon Kilduff, Huntsville	87
Fred Hartwell, Jr., Torresdale-Frankford	88
Michael Beran, RiverCrest	88
Rick Wright, Philadelphia Publks	88
Robert Catelli, Commonwealth National	88
Scott Vasbinder, Mercer Oaks	88
Vivek Dhayagade, Mercer Oaks	88
Matt Brady, Penn Oaks	89
Michael Hodges, The Springhaven Club	89
Marty Crouse, Mercer Oaks	89
Jason Sieminski, Philadelphia Cricket	91
Michael Sokorai, Little Mill	91
Lynn Kilduff, Huntsville	92
Robert Malone, Great Bay	92
Thomas Holt, Jr., Torresdale-Frankford	92
Arthur Kania, Jr., Overbrook	92
Bill Holsten, Aronimink	WD
Bill Murray, Merchantville	WD
Brian Dobisch, Talamore	WD
Brian Fiala, Rolling Green	WD
Christopher DeSana, Medford Village	WD
David Guertler, Merchantville	WD
Frank Krause, Mercer Oaks	WD
Dan Corrado, Jr., Jericho National	WD
Joseph Costanzo, Blue Bell	WD
Joseph Roeder, Links	WD
Kevin Wall, Old York Road	WD
Lee Cook, Laurel Creek	WD
Len Fox, Jr., Tavistock	WD
Mark Walker, Laurel Creek	WD
Michael Blara, Riverton	WD
Richard Hubbard, Philmont	WD

NC-no card; WD-withdrawal	
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Amateur Championship Qualifier
Links Golf Club, May 11, 2009

<u>Name, club</u>	<u>Score</u>
Christopher Ault, Yardley	67
Matthew Gaffney, Little Mill	67
Justin Martinson, Hartefeld National	70
Benjamin Smith, Woodcrest	73
James Austin, Five Ponds	74
Joseph Roeder, Links	74
Keith Snyder, Sakima	74
Tom Borsello, Fieldstone	75
Alexander Maguire, Jr., Brookside	75
Becky Arthur, Jr., Tavistock	75
Greg Matthias, Hartefeld National	75
Matt Raudenbush, Pine Valley	75
Pierce Dervy, Jericho National	75
Chris Egan, Running Deer	75
Thomas DiCinti, Links	76
Charles Bernard, RiverCrest	76
Jamie Slonis, Tavistock	76
Santo Lafoca, Huntsville	76
Andrew Speaker, Jericho National	77
Bradley Roberts, Wedgwood	77
Ed Kahn, Little Mill	77
Erik Thorn, Links	77
Rich Thon, The Springhaven Club	77
Stephen Sieracki, Merchantville	77
William Voris, Seaview Marriott	77

Failed to qualify	
Eric Fonner, Huntingdon Valley	78
Joe Bernard, RiverCrest	78
Matthew O'Brien, Five Ponds	78
Michael Rowland, Lehigh	78
Ryan Jordan, Tavistock	78
Shawn Lavin, Philadelphia Publks	78
Ajai Sirohi, Mercer Oaks	79
Jim Rattigan, Schuylkill	79
Jonathan Ross, Gulph Mills	79
Scott Bergson, Little Mill	79
Brad McFadden, Overbrook	80
Buddy Reed, DuPont	80
Daniel Pinciotti, Jr., Huntingdon Valley	80
Joseph Gunerman, Yardley	80
David Fazzini, Stonewall	81
J. Cattoni, Huntsville	81
Ken Matt, Philadelphia Publks	81
Michael O'Keefe, Little Mill	81
Andrew Dietz, Laurel Creek	82
John Aloisio, Seaview Marriott	82
Mark Wachter, Penn Oaks	82
Stephen Walton, Downingtown	82
William Mule, Links	82
Andrew Carnevale, North Hills	83
Jimmy Johnston, Merion	83
Nelson Hargrove, Merion	83
Zachary Falone, Rolling Green	83
Alex McPherson, Sandy Run	84
Benjamin Cooley, Lu Lu	84
Brian Sexton, Seaview Marriott	84
James Levy, Downingtown	84
James Lewis, Little Mill	84
Tim Westfall, RiverCrest	84
Vaughn Schill, Manufacturers	84
Greg Verde, Spring Ford	85
Matt Dudas, Indian Valley	85
Scott MacGregor, Merion	85
Dan Bernard, RiverCrest	86
Ivan McBride, The Bucks Club	86
James Ridgway, Wildwood	86
Nick Verrecchio, Rolling Green	86
Burton McHugh, Sunnybrook	87
Patrick Welsh, Huntingdon Valley	87
David Barnett, White Clay Creek	88
Rick Thorpe, Lu Lu	88
John Lupica, The ACE Club	89
Patrick McCusker, Plymouth	89
Tom Piersanti, Saucon Valley	89
Dan Devine, DuPont	92
Neil Gordon, Five Ponds	95
A.J. Tomassello, Plymouth	DQ
Chris Straszinski, Concord	WD
Evan Galbreath, Philmont	WD
Gui Costin, Merion	WD
J. Kirk Lunty, Merion	WD
Jeff DellaFranco, Concord	WD
Jose-Luis Centurion, Philadelphia Publks	WD
Yehon Kilduff, Huntsville	WD
Rick Wright, Philadelphia Publks	WD
Tommy Shin, Laurel Creek	WD
Vincent Coll, Jr., Sandy Run	WD

DQ-disqualification; WD-withdrawal

U.S. Open Local Qualifier
Laurel Creek Country Club, May 12, 2009

<u>Name, club, state</u>	<u>Score</u>
Derek Brown, Rural Hall, N.C.	68
Jose Covello, Ponte Vedra, Fla.	70
*Christian Bartolacci, Langhorne, Pa.	72
*Eric Devore, Mays Landing, N.J.	72
*John Bonarog, Mechanicsville, Va.	72
*John Allen, Media, Pa.	72
*(*a) Peter Barron, III, Mays Landing, N.J.	72

Alternates (in order)
(*a) Matt Raudenbush, Pine Valley, N.J. 72
(*a) Jonathan Rusk, Washington Crossing, Pa. 72

<u>Name, club</u>	<u>Score</u>
Bryan Gelrod, Commonwealth National	71
James Beca, Spring Mill	72
Mark Czerniakowski, Blue Bell	74
Matt Dietrich, Whitford	74
Matthew Teesdale, Commonwealth National	74
Edward McCrossen, Jr., Whitmarsh Valley	75
Kevin Guenardi, Cedarbrook	75

Kevin Melnick, Jr., Plymouth	75
Roc Irey, Lookaway	75
Brian Corbett, Huntsville	76
Doug Marcincin, Northampton	76
Ken Sim, Commonwealth National	76
Mark Kosko, Seaview Marriott Resort	76
Matthew Burkhardt, Meadia Heights	76
Robert Dziak, Spring Ford	76
Robert Wurtz, Jr., Philadelphia Cricket	76
Rodney James, Five Ponds	76
Scott Storck, Philadelphia Cricket	76
Brad Sokol, Green Valley	77
David Atkinson, Llanerch	77
David Smith, Doylestown	77
Matt Dolinsky, Honeybrook	77
Vinny Alessi, Penn Oaks	77
David Shields, Philadelphia Publks	78
Greg Forster, Radnor Valley	78
Johnny Murphy, Wildwood	78
Stephen McIntyre, Honeybrook	78
Steven Kim, Blue Bell	78
Bryan Winsko, Philadelphia Cricket	79
Connor McNicholas, Commonwealth National	79
James Braunsberg, Blue Bell	79
John Robinson, Commonwealth National	79
Mark Quigley, Lu Lu	79
Patrick Devlin, Five Ponds	79
Robert Robertson, Sunnybrook	79
Scott Klee, Indian Valley	79
Steve Mianick, Bala	79
William Gallagher, III, Honeybrook	79

Failed to qualify	
Andrew Mason, Five Ponds	80
Andrew Zoeller, Waynesborough	80
David O'Malley, Manufacturers	80
John La Dow, Bellewood	80
Jon Thomas, White Clay Creek	80
Lance Oberperleiter, Wedgwood	80
Paul Kovalcheck, Lu Lu	80
Sam Lerner, Woodcrest	80
Anthony DeNicco, Brookside	81
Eric Casperson, Indian Valley	81
Michael Bieler, Brookside	81
Michael Piron, Coatesville	81
Peter Moran, Edgmont	81
Sam Pancoast, Radley Run	81
Tom Carter, Great Bay	81
Brett Falkoff, The ACE Club	81
Chris Kallmeyer, Philadelphia Cricket	81
Corey Siegfried, Philadelphia	82
Greg Jarmas, Philadelphia Publks	82
Jason Barkus, Huntsville	82
John Mullins, Spring Ford	82
Kevin Bair, Wyncote	82
Michael Quinn, Edgmont	82
Phil Dougherty, McCall	82
Robert Gill, Fox Hill	82
Robert Pina, Chester Valley	82
Zachary Ditcher, Hartefeld National	82
Chris Farmer, Olde York	83
Jack Rosenberg, Waynesborough	83
Jason Kowalski, Downingtown	83
Mark Coassolo, Brookside of Allentown	83
Michael DiGandomenico, French Creek	83
Michael Evangelista, Concord	83
Mike Owsik, McCall	83
Mitch Stead, Honeybrook	83
Seth Hartman, Heidelberg	83
Tom McNeerney, Philadelphia Publks	83
Tyler Canfield, Downingtown	83
Ben Feld, Blue Bell	84
Jim Witt, Commonwealth National	84
Joe Dellacarpini, Philadelphia Cricket	84
Zachary Welsh, Huntingdon Valley	84
Paul Liebezat, Aronimink	84
Adam Puskar, Brookside of Allentown	85
Andrew Jaskel, Philadelphia Publks	85
Ben Bershad, Hopewell Valley	85
Drew Panebiano, Talamore	85
Jeff Desjardins, Waynesborough	85
John Donnelly, Concord	85
Matt Fongie, Penn Oaks	85
Matt Jasudowich, Whitmarsh Valley	85
Patrick Rutter, Moselem Springs	85
Scott Vasbinder, Mercer Oaks	85
Thomas Mallouk, Lookaway	85
Zachary Herr, Jericho National	85
Beau Guarino, Burlington	86
John Clevenger, Philadelphia Publks	86
Jordan Wycoff, Whitmarsh Valley	86
Alexander Penza, Llanerch	87
Jason Staso, Makefield Highlands	87
Joe DeVito Jr., Laurel Creek	87
Robert Loftus, Overbrook	87
Zach Rothaus, Philmont	87
Edmond Fenton, Jericho National	88
Kyle DiGiacobbe, Talamore	88
Mark O'Neill, Sandy Run	88
Phil Brennan, Philadelphia	88
Dave McFetridge, Ravens Claw	89
Michael Boden, Aronimink	89
Jonathan Heydt, Moselem Springs	90
Dave Long, Honeybrook	92
Sean Coatesville, Llanerch	92
Michael Ignatuk, Penn Oaks	97
Duane Pinnock, Philadelphia Publks	100
Arthur Kania, Jr., Overbrook	NC
Matthew Shevlin, Philadelphia Publks	DQ
Raymond Andrusiewicz, Mercer Oaks	NC
Byron Whitman, Golden Oaks	NC
Francis Ham, Scranton	NS
Kenneth Ralston, Huntsville	WD
Michael Gradisek, Stonewall	WD
Ryan Worthy, Merion	WD
Scott Morris, Doylestown	WD
William Smyrl, Blue Bell	NS

DQ-disqualification; NC-no card; NS-no show; WD-withdrawal

U.S. Open Local Qualifier
Cavaliers Country Club, May 18, 2009

<u>Name, city, state</u>	<u>Score</u>
Dave McNabb, Newark, Del.	72
*(*a) Buddy Reed, Wilmington, Del.	74
*Jonathan Schoenfeld, Williamsburg, Va.	74

Alternates (in order)
(*a) Tommy Ellison, Bethany Beach, Del. 74
*Zachary Oakley, Lewes, Del. 74

Middle-Amateur Championship
Tavistock Country Club, May 20-21, 2009

<u>Name, club</u>	<u>Score</u>
*Michael Brown, Philadelphia Publks	71-73-144
Sean Leonard, Tavistock	73-71-144
Greg Angello, Moselem Springs	71-74-145
Brian Gillespie, St. Davids	75-71-146
Tom Borsello, Fieldstone	74-72-146
Chip Lutz, LedgeRock	76-70-146
Rand Mendez, Fieldstone	74-73-147
Christopher Lange, Overbrook	72-75-147
Michael McDermott, Merion	70-77-147
Glenn Smeraglio, Commonwealth National	76-72-148
Matthew Fonger, Running Deer	75-75-150
Paul Rogowicz, Yardley	75-75-150
John Brennan, Spring Ford	74-76-150
William Lawler, Fox Hill	74-77-151
Oscar Mestre, Overbrook	76-75-151
Ryan Gelrod, Commonwealth National	74-77-151
Gerry Baldachino, Olde York	75-77-152
G. Patrick Dougherty, Talamore	75-77-152
Joseph Russo, Running Deer	75-77-152
Thomas Gramigna, Tavistock	75-78-153
James Donnelly, Merion	81-72-153
David Liotta, Whitmarsh Valley	77-76-153
Robert Harrington, Merion	76-78-154
Chris Esbeshade, Bent Creek	77-77-154

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Robert Bechtold, Wyncote	85
Tim Westfall, RiverCrest	85
Frank Marckioni, Mercer Oaks	86
Gavin Grimes, Chester Valley	86
Bradley Roberts, Wedgwood	87
James Prendergast, Brookside	87
Robert Gill, Fox Hill	87
Stephen Seiden, Concord	87
David Barnett, White Clay Creek	88
Rick James, Doylestown	88
Casey Murray, Philadelphia Cricket	89
Fred Giblin, Merchantville	89
Raymond Andrusiewicz, Mercer Oaks	89
Robert Loftus, Overbrook	89
Neil Gordon, Five Ponds	90
Bryan McClaskey, Merchantville	91
Fred Luck, Spring Ford	91
Bruce Jackson, Spring Ford	NC
Brian Corbett, Huntsville	WD
Chris Kallmeyer, Philadelphia Cricket	WD
Chris Anderson, Wilmington	WD
Michael French, Burlington	WD
Patrick O'Brien, North Hills	WD

*won in playoff
NC-No card; WD-withdrawal

Warner Cup (Net) Silver Creek Country Club, May 26, 2009

Overall	
1. John O'Rourke, McCall G&CC	65
2. Raymond Lyons, Trenton CC	66
3. Joseph McCane, JC Melrose	70
3. Dan Gansz, Sandy Run CC	70

First flight (7-13)

Name, club	Net
1. Francis Sbandi, Edgmont	70
Joseph McLane, JC Melrose	70
Bob Abramski, Talamore	71
Don Neill, Lu Lu	71
Vincent Kraft, Jr., Lehigh	71
Bill Smith, Sandy Run	72
Kevin Merlini, Sandy Run	72
Jerry Barr, Lehigh	73
Joseph DeAngelis, Jericho National	73
Steve Rathman, Heidelberg	73
Jay Kocher, Wilmington	74
Bill Smith, Downingtown	75
R. Lamar Kilgore, Stonehall	75
Thomas Brennan, Sr., Blue Bell	75
Todd Kennedy, Five Ponds	75
Bruce Godick, Rolling Green	77
Lawrence Dolan, Sandy Run	77
James Wiley, Lu Lu	78
Rick Ames, Philadelphia PUBLINKS	78
Ronald Hoover, Talamore	78
William Greenway, Sandy Run	78
Donald Galbraith, Stonewall	79
Joe Wolos, JC Melrose	79
Kenneth Prince, DuPont	79
Stanley Engle, Philadelphia	79
Thomas Kanyok, Makefield Highlands	80
Robert Agran, Wyncote	83
David Steele, Lancaster	86
Terry Radcliffe, Lancaster	WD

Second flight (14-16)

Name, club	Net
1. Clinton Alexander, Downingtown	70
Dan Gansz, Sandy Run	70
Henry Keith, DuPont	71
Morris Rorer, DuPont	71
Rick Coronti, Spring Ford	73
Robert Jenkins, Spring Ford	73
Carmen Giannascoli, Lehigh	77
Dale Smith, Lehigh	77
Ed Rogers, Concord	77
Mark Sokoloff, Lu Lu	77
Mike Kyle, Bala	77
Stel Apsokador, Galen Hall	77
Aaron Rosenzweig, Five Ponds	79
Francis Melvin, Lu Lu	79
Joseph Funk, The Bucks Club	79
Carmen Caruso, Spring Ford	80
Jay Scattergood, Heidelberg	80
Robert Girvin, Schuylkill	80
George Hilley, McCall	84
Edward Godshall, Heidelberg	85
John DeCarlo, Torresdale-Frankford	DQ
Kyran Connelly, Makefield Highlands	WD

Third flight (17-29)

Name, club	Net
John O'Rourke, McCall	65
Raymond Lyons, Trenton	66
1. Harold Mathews, Bala	70
Glenn Camp, The Springhaven Club	70
Gus Pedicone, Sandy Run	72
Robert Murray, McCall	72
Thomas Lee, Sandy Run	75
Edwin Boyd, Downingtown	76
James Baumbach, Lu Lu	76
Paul Visokey, Trenton	76
Robert Murphy, Whitemarsh Valley	76
George Harding, DuPont	78
James Leonard, Chester Valley	78
John Bagger, DuPont	80
Tom Glynn, Whitemarsh Valley	80
James Katz, Five Ponds	80
E. Gerald Hurst, Jr., Lookaway	81
Alan Kovnot, Yardley	WD
Jim Sheppard, Makefield Highlands	WD
John Connelly, Sandy Run	WD
Joseph Hannigan, Sandy Run	WD

DQ-disqualification; WD-withdrawal

Father & Son (Middle) Golden Oaks Golf Club, May 28, 2009

Gross results	
Name, club	Scores
Zach Smith/David Smith, Doylestown	71
Bradley Roberts/Doug Roberts, Wedgwood/Quarry Ridge	72
Eric Holt/Thomas Holt, Jr., Torresdale-Frankford	72
Trevor Seuffer/Joseph Seuffer, Stonewall	72
Chris Lange, Jr./Christopher Lange, Overbrook	73
Tim Klagholt/Martin Klagholt, Applebrook/Rolling Green	73
A.J. Donatoni/Don Donatoni, White Manor	73
Jeff Klagholt/Martin Klagholt, Applebrook/Rolling Green	74
Billy March/William March, Spring Ford	74
Brian Ginty/Kyle Ginty, Talamore	74
Ted Kerschner/George Kerschner, Overbrook	74
Vinny Alessi/Richard Alessi, Jr., Penn Oaks/Llanerch	75
Duncan Zeiders/Doug Zeiders, Old York Road	75
Cory Siegfried/Steven Siegfried, Philadelphia	75
Dwight Dudas/Matt Dudas, Indian Valley	75
Matt Tutelman/Jim Tutelman, Green Valley	75
Gregory Sheva/Brett Sheva, North Hills	75
Dave O'Brien/Dan O'Brien, Cedarbrook	75
Bill Burkavage/David Burkavage, Scranton/Running Deer	75
Kenneth Henry/David Henry, Medford Lakes	76
Dan Van Ostenbridge/Matt Van Ostenbridge, Spring Ford	76
Talan Harlow/Gregory Harlow, Cedarbrook	76
Ryan Carroll/Gene Carroll, Chester Valley	76
Christopher Hussey/Joseph Hussey, Lu Lu	76
Dan Brown/Michael Brown, Llanerch	76
Bill Albertus/Patrick Albertus, Penn Oaks	76
Thomas Coffey, III/Tom Coffey, Jr., Chester Valley	77
Pete Widdoes/Aaron Widdoes, Loch Naim/Inniscrone	77
Eric Fonnner/William Fonnner, Huntingdon Valley	77
Sean Hirschler/Paul Hirschler, Glen Oak	77
Craig Aronchick/Bryan Aronchick, Rolling Green	77
Mike Blechschmidt/Ed Blechschmidt, Whitemarsh Valley	78
Tedd Meyer/Bennett Meyer, Philmont	78
Frederick Hisekorn/Kurt Hisekorn, Tavistock	80
William Hoese/William Hoese, Links	81
Gary Yeager/Royce Yeager, Philadelphia Cricket	81
Len Ulan/Jack Ulan, Cedarbrook	82
Christopher Wasilewski/Dennis Wasilewski, Waysnesborough	83
Bruce Godick/Ross Godick, Rolling Green	83
James Rocks/James Rocks, III, Wedgwood	84
Alan Van Horn/William VanHorn, Lu Lu	84
David Grimes/Jeff Grimes, Paxon Hollow/Whitford	85
Charles Ormsby, III/Charles Ormsby, Jr., Huntingdon Valley	87
William West, Jr./Gary West, Moselem Springs	88
Tim Ahern/Timothy Ahern, Wedgwood	89
Andrew Lawson/Philip Lawson, Hershey's Mill	89
Nathaniel Chellel/David Chellel, Lookaway	91
Christopher Logan/Robert Logan, Overbrook	92
Jason Mandel/David Mandel, White Manor	93
Jack Corr/Thomas Corr, RiverCrest	93

Spring Net Championship Raven's Claw Golf Club, June 1, 2009

Overall	
Chet Shemanski, Spring Ford	62

2-9 Hdcp

Name, club	Net
1. Jules Quinones, Blue Bell	66
2. Todd Gunerman, Yardley	67
Low senior: Bruce Jackson, Spring Ford	68
Low senior: Dennis Perna, Spring Ford	68
Low senior: Donald Galbraith, Stonewall	68
Kevin Economos, Newark	68
Dave McFetridge, Raven's Claw	69
Fred Banta, Running Deer	69
Harry Morton, Spring Ford	69
Joe Wolos, JC Melrose	69
Brian Winters, Raven's Claw	70
Joseph McLane, JC Melrose	70
Frank Kunze, Spring Ford	70
James Barron, Hartford National	74
Jeff Romano, Sand Barrens	74
Art Brosius, DuPont	75
Bill Smith, Sandy Run	75
Jay Kocher, Wilmington	75
Daniel Drazen, Little Mill	77
Matthew Hilbush, Commonwealth National	77
Dan Kilpatrick, Running Deer	80
Walt Neumann, McCall	80
Fred Hartwell, Jr., Torresdale-Frankford	81
Ryan Carroll, Chester Valley	83

10-12 Hdcp

Name, club	Net
Chet Shemanski, Spring Ford	62
1. Greg McLaughlin, Spring Ford	66
Low senior: Terry Law, Yardley	66
2. Tim Ungrady, Edgmont	68
Damian Anzaldo, Kennett Square	69
Lawrence Dolan, Sandy Run	69
Robert Berenholz, White Manor	69
Jack Endicott, Manufacturers	71
Charles Caparo, Plymouth	72
George Stanley, RiverCrest	72
Kenneth Prince, DuPont	72
Robert Agran, Wyncote	72
Bob Abramski, Talamore	73
Matthew Lynch, Five Ponds	74
Richard Savarese, Llanerch	77
Terry Radcliffe, Lancaster	78
Milton Howe, Honeybrook	82
Christopher Kopko, Philadelphia	83

13-15 Hdcp

Name, club	Net
1. Jason Lerner, Meadowlands	66
2. Robert Felter, Lancaster	66
Jeffrey Pelesh, Edgmont	68
Low senior: Edmund Moore, Manufacturers	69
John DeCarlo, Torresdale-Frankford	70
Rick Ames, Philadelphia PUBLINKS	70
Ronald Hoover, Talamore	70
Keith McQueen, Spring Mill	71
Joe Conroy, Llanerch	72
Scott Dichter, Meada Heights	73
Donald Ken, Makefield Highlands	76
Tom Minger, Raven's Claw	76
Mike Kyle, Bala	77
Bryce Johnson, Glen Mills	78
Mark Sokoloff, Lu Lu	78
Tom Barnes, Lancaster	78
David Steele, Lancaster	84

16-29 Hdcp

Name, club	Net
1. John Daub, DuPont	67
1. Norman Wilde, Jr., Pine Valley	67
James Margerison, Overbrook	69
Low senior: Francis Melvin, Lu Lu	73
Low senior: Glenn Camp, Springhaven Club	73
Bradley Waller, Philadelphia PUBLINKS	74
Brian Mulvenna, Great Bay	74
Thomas Lee, Sandy Run	74
Aaron Rosenzweig, Five Ponds	75
Gus Pedicone, Sandy Run	76
Murray Felzer, White Manor	76
E. Gerald Hurst, Jr., Lookaway	77
James Katz, Five Ponds	77
Joe Roe, Coatesville	77
George Hilley, McCall	78
Preston Seidel, DuPont	78
James Baumbach, Lu Lu	79
Ed Hargadon, Sandy Run	79
Albert Little, Jr., Sandy Run	85
Charles Quinn, Merion	85

*won in scorecard playoff

Charles Ormsby, III/Charles Ormsby, Jr., Huntingdon Valley	76
Craig Aronchick/Bryan Aronchick, Rolling Green	77
Bruce Godick/Ross Godick, Rolling Green	77
Dave Ginty/Jeff Grimes, Paxon Hollow/Whitford	77
Christopher Logan/Robert Logan, Overbrook	77
Len Ulan/Jack Ulan, Cedarbrook	78
William West, Jr./Gary West, Moselem Springs	78
Tim Ahern/Timothy Ahern, Wedgwood	78
William Hoese/William Hoese, Links	79
James Rocks/James Rocks, III, Wedgwood	79
Frederick Hisekorn/Kurt Hisekorn, Tavistock	80
Andrew Lawson/Philip Lawson, Hershey's Mill	81
Nathaniel Chellel/David Chellel, Lookaway	81
Jason Mandel/David Mandel, White Manor	82
Alan Van Horn/William VanHorn, Lu Lu	84
Jack Corr/Thomas Corr, RiverCrest	86

Senior Four-Ball Stroke Play Brandywine Country Club, June 2, 2009

Name, club	Gross
*Thomas DiCinti/Robert Lodovici, Little Mill/Links	66
Jack Holland/Thomas Isola, Whitford	66
Robert Billings/Peter Dilullo, Waysnesborough/Rolling Green	67
Michael Nilon/Charles Jones, Blue Bell/Philadelphia	67
Robert Murphy/Tom Borsello, Fieldstone/Wilmington	67
Daniel Burton/Barry Emich, Bent Creek	68
Michael McCorriston/Richard White, Jericho National	70
Mark Szilagyi/James Prendergast, Brookside	70
Theodore Beringer/John Leighbody, Philadelphia	70
Fred Banta/Bud MacAvoy, Running Deer	70
Frank Kunze/Dennis Perna, Spring Ford	71
John Howson, Jr./Charles McClaskey, Wyncote/St. Davids	71
Donald Beck/Robert Schiller, Old York Road	71
Neil McDermott/Carl Everett, Merion/Llanerch	71
Bernie Zbrzezi/John Polizzi, Whitemarsh Valley	71
Craig Aronchick/Paul Keating, Aronchick/Rolling Green	71
Gil Fritz/Keith Li, Heidelberg	71
David Kearney/Robert Oristaglio, Lehigh	71
Warren Deakins/Richard Smith, Philadelphia	72
Alan VanHorn/Frank Trem, Lu Lu/Sandy Run	72
Dave Schindler/Joseph Milutis, Northampton	73
Jeffrey Luckenbach/John Saling, Radley Run/Little Mill	73
Norman Jester/St. Davids	73
Loch Nairn/Downingtown	73
Alan Bernabe/Herbert Gordon, Doylestown	73
Martin Klagholt/Edward Pappas, Sr., Rolling Green	73
John Choyka/William Dauphinee, Indian Valley	74
Kevin Malley/W.Scott Yard, Whitford	74
Mark Shuman/Donald Ashley, Philadelphia/Whitford	74
Stephen Pence/Jim Lloyd, Running Deer/Little Mill	74
Fran Tusak/Gordon Bennett, Northampton/Silver Creek	75
William Casto/Michael Sofranko, Coatesville/Wyncote	75
Jerry Barr/Vincent Kraft, Jr., Lehigh	75
Stephen Daley/James Haynie, Lu Lu	75
Pat Romano/John Foore, Brookside	76
Thomas Lee/Lawrence Dolan, Sandy Run	76
Kevin Malley/W.Scott Yard, Whitford	76
Alexander Mackerell/Daniel Timms, Wildwood	76
Steven Lewis/Jack Collins, Woodbury/Galloway National	76
Gerald Eckert/Ronald Yarnell, Bent Creek	76
Thomas Cicotte, Jr./Donald MacKelcan, Wilmington	76
George Collins/Glenn Davis, Sand Barrens	77
Thomas O'Rourke/John Snyder, Waysnesborough/Chester Valley	77
Stuart Shears/William Gordon, Wilmington	77
A. Fred Rudy, Jr./W.Garth Sprecher, Lancaster	77
James Callaghan/Louis Pace, Medford Village/Rolling Green	77
James Barron/Jack Bailey, Hartford National	77
Mike Puleo/Ted Sickles, Edgmont	77
Jay Kocher/Harvey McCumber, Wilmington	78
Steve Holloway/Pat Dougan, Pine Hill	78
Richard Turner/Ralph Neild, Edgmont	78
Andrew Hamilton, III/Bernard Reilly, Springhaven Club	78
H. Richard Rutter/Edmund Moore, Manufacturers	78
Curt Fromal/Joseph Maxwell, Hartford National/Springhaven Club	79
William Weihenmayer/Jack Endicott, Manufacturers/Huntingdon Valley	80
Joe Wolos/Joseph McLane, JC Melrose	80
Frederick Hisekorn/Frank Robertson, Tavistock	80
Robert Agran/Rick Ames, Wyncote/Philadelphia PUBLINKS	80
Old York Road/Five Ponds	80
David Steele/Joseph Timko, Lancaster	80
Carmen Caruso/Rick Coronti, Spring Ford	80
Larry Paster/Jeffrey Fogel, Philmont	80
Jim Clossick/Deane Haase, Edgmont	80
Amedeo Mascitti/Murray Soss, Rolling Green	81
Clinton Miller/Arthur Millett, Pine Hill/Little Mill	82
Clay von Seldeneck/Peter Stanley, Sunnybrook	82
Robert Heaton/Bill Arent, Makefield Highlands	82
Ronald White/William Cummins, Jericho National	82
Stuart Shears/William Gordon, Wilmington	82
Mike Kyle/Charles Zall, Bala	82
Joe Roe/Nick Pompo, Edgmont/Coatesville	82
John Patton/James Wiley, Lu Lu/Links	83
Ralph von dem Hagen/Bob Breisch, Chester Valley	84
Francis Koneski/William Greenway, Sandy Run	85
Joseph Hannigan/Michael Hannigan, Sandy Run	85
Edward Godshall/Jay Scattergood, Heidelberg	87
James Leonard/Robert Jenkins, Spring Ford/Chester Valley	87
Brian Mulvenna/George Hilley, McCall/Great Bay	87

2-9 Hdcp

Name, club	Net
1. Jules Quinones, Blue Bell	66
2. Todd Gunerman, Yardley	67
Low senior: Bruce Jackson, Spring Ford	68
Low senior: Dennis Perna, Spring Ford	68
Low senior: Donald Galbraith, Stonewall	68
Kevin Economos, Newark	68
Dave McFetridge, Raven's Claw	69
Fred Banta, Running Deer	69
Harry Morton, Spring Ford	69
Joe Wolos, JC Melrose	69
Brian Winters, Raven's Claw	70
Joseph McLane, JC Melrose	70
Frank Kunze, Spring Ford	70
James Barron, Hartford National	74
Jeff Romano, Sand Barrens	74
Art Brosius, DuPont	75
Bill Smith, Sandy Run	75
Jay Kocher, Wilmington	75
Daniel Drazen, Little Mill	77
Matthew Hilbush, Commonwealth National	77
Dan Kilpatrick, Running Deer	80
Walt Neumann, McCall	80
Fred Hartwell, Jr., Torresdale-Frankford	81
Ryan Carroll, Chester Valley	83

10-12 Hdcp

Name, club	Net
Chet Shemanski, Spring Ford	62
1. Greg McLaughlin, Spring Ford	66
Low senior: Terry Law, Yardley	66
2. Tim Ungrady, Edgmont	68
Damian Anzaldo, Kennett Square	69
Lawrence Dolan, Sandy Run	69
Robert Berenholz, White Manor	69
Jack Endicott, Manufacturers	71
Charles Caparo, Plymouth	72
George Stanley, RiverCrest	72
Kenneth Prince, DuPont	72
Robert Agran, Wyncote	72
Bob Abramski, Talamore	73
Matthew Lynch, Five Ponds	74
Richard Savarese, Llanerch	77
Terry Radcliffe, Lancaster	78
Milton Howe, Honeybrook	82
Christopher Kopko, Philadelphia	83

13-15 Hdcp

Name, club	Net
1. Jason Lerner, Meadowlands	66
2. Robert Felter, Lancaster	66
Jeffrey Pelesh, Edgmont	68
Low senior: Edmund Moore, Manufacturers	69
John DeCarlo, Torresdale-Frankford	70
Rick Ames, Philadelphia PUBLINKS	70
Ronald Hoover, Talamore	70
Keith McQueen, Spring Mill	71
Joe Conroy, Llanerch	72
Scott Dichter, Meada Heights	73
Donald Ken, Makefield Highlands	76
Tom Minger, Raven's Claw	76
Mike Kyle, Bala	77
Bryce Johnson, Glen Mills	78
Mark Sokoloff, Lu Lu	78
Tom Barnes, Lancaster	78
David Steele, Lancaster	84

16-29 Hdcp

Name, club	Net
1. John Daub, DuPont	67
1. Norman Wilde, Jr., Pine Valley	67
James Margerison, Overbrook	69
Low senior: Francis Melvin, Lu Lu	73
Low senior: Glenn Camp, Springhaven Club	73
Bradley Waller, Philadelphia PUBLINKS	74
Brian Mulvenna, Great Bay	74
Thomas Lee, Sandy Run	74
Aaron Rosenzweig, Five Ponds	75
Gus Pedicone, Sandy Run	76
Murray Felzer, White Manor	76
E. Gerald Hurst, Jr., Lookaway	77
James Katz, Five Ponds	77
Joe Roe, Coatesville	77
George Hilley, McCall	78
Preston Seidel, DuPont	78
James Baumbach, Lu Lu	79
Ed Hargadon, Sandy Run	79
Albert Little, Jr., Sandy Run	85
Charles Quinn, Merion	85

Team Championship Qualifier Aronimink Golf Club, June 2, 2009

Team Name	Total
Commonwealth National GC	284
Glenn Smeraglio	74*
Michael Moffat	69*
Brett Diakon	77
Ryan Gelrod	72
Matthew Teesdale	72
Peter Eiler	69*
Jericho National GC	300
Zachary Herr	67*
Wayne Bartolacci	73*
Douglas Christian	84
Frank Corrado, Jr.	81*
Eric Chipin	79*
Richard Speranza	84
RiverCrest GC & Preserve	301
Andy Achenbach	73*
Charles Bernard	78*
Dan Bernard	79
Joe Bernard	77
Craig Labarbera	85
Tim Westfall	73*
#Overbrook GC	302
Oscar Mestre	74*
Christopher Lange	82
Raymond Thompson	73*
Andy Thompson	77*
Francis McFadden	78*
Brad McFadden	81
Failed to qualify	
Philadelphia Cricket Club	302
Robert Wurtz, Jr.	71*
Robert Savarese, Jr.	76*
Robert Robertson	81
Kevin Kelly	78*
Scott Storck	77*
Bob Ball	84

*-determined in playoff
*-one of four scores used in total

Warner Cup (Gross) Hopewell Valley Golf Club, June 12, 2009

Ray Thompson of Overbrook GC won his second Warner Cup (Gross) in the last three years with a 1-under-par 71 at Hopewell Valley GC. Thompson also won the 2007 Warner Cup. His brother Andy took the 2008 edition.

Name, Club	Scores
Raymond Thompson, Overbrook	71
Michael Quinn, Edgmont	73
Gary Daniels, Applebrook	74
Charles Jones, Blue Bell	75
Michael Dougherty, Huntingdon Valley	75
Michael Moser, Kennett Square	75
Roc Irey, Lookaway	75
Alan Van Horn, Lu Lu	76
Francis McFadden, Overbrook	76
Gary Daniels, Saucon Valley	76
Thomas Bartolacci, Jr., Saucon Valley	76
Anthony Kondracki, Fox Hill	77
Bob Majczan, Lookaway	77
Dave Jacobson, JC Melrose	77
Ed Ciplinski, Chester Valley	77
Robert Billings, Rolling Green	79
Joe Marucci, Saucon Valley	78
James Prendergast, Spring Ford	79
James Sullivan, Sr., Huntingdon Valley	79
John Gonsior, Five Ponds	79
Robin McCool, Saucon Valley	79
Richard Umami, Philadelphia Publincs	80
Wayne Bartolacci, Jericho National	80
Alan Bernabei, Doylestown	81
Stan Zabytko, Loch Nairn	81
William Vostinak, Lehigh	81
Donald Ashley, Philadelphia	82
Drew Panebianco, Talamore	82
Fred Banta, Running Deer	82
Rick Custer, Spring Ford	82
Bill Henry, Olde York	83
Craig Aronchick, Rolling Green	83
Mike Miklinevich, Greate Bay	83
Larry Paster, Philmont	84
Pete Widdoes, Loch Nairn	84
Robert Lodovici, Links	84
Thomas Mallouk, Lookaway	84
Robert Dewitt, Links	85
Tom Borsello, Fieldstone	85
Martin Klagholz, Rolling Green	86
William Kovach, Mercer Oaks	86
David Taylor, Radley Run	87
Eugene Maginnis, Jr., Whitmarsh Valley	88
Chuck McGiloway, Moselem Springs	89
Joe Olin, Little Mill	90
Thomas Mairone, McCall	90
James Taormina, Wynco	NC
Paul Keating, Aronimink	WD

Stephan Whitenack, Pine Valley	79
Bernie Zbrzezni, Whitmarsh Valley	80
Carl Everett, Merion	80
Daniel Burton, Bent Creek	80
Michael Egan, Lookaway	80
Michael Nilon, Philadelphia	80
Carlyle Robinson, Fox Hill	81
James Haynie, Lu Lu	81
Theodore Beringer, Philadelphia	81
Frank Polizzi, Whitmarsh Valley	82
Frank Trem, Sandy Run	82
William Lawler, Fox Hill	82
Frank Shuman, Lehigh	83
Gibby Young, Hartefeld National	83
Michael Saporito, Wynco	83
Gary Gordon, Talamore	84
Gordon Bennett, Northampton	84
Stephen Daley, Lu Lu	84
Jack Holland, Whitford	85
Richard White, Jericho National	85
Rick Pogany, Little Mill	85
Ron Mittendorf, Blue Bell	85
Dennis Perna, Spring Ford	86
Matthew Bellis, Commonwealth National	86
Neil McDermott, Llanerch	86
Robert Murphy, Wilmington	86
John Siegrist, Manufacturers	87
Charles Caparo, Plymouth	88
John Snyder, Waynesborough	88
Jon Mabry, Moorestown Field Club	88
Stephen Pence, Little Mill	88
Edward Gregorczyk, Glenmaura National	89
Rick Bunn, McCall Golf &	89
Bill Smith, Sandy Run	90
Gregory Gault, Merion	90
John Patton, Links	90
John Cech, Riverton	93
Jay McLaughlin, Mercer Oaks	94
Frank Zunc, Spring Ford	NC
Frank Petrecco, Yardley	WD
Michael Anton, Lookaway	WD
Peter McCombs, Huntingdon Valley	NS
Richard Speranza, Jericho National	WD

Suppe Senior Division Name, Club	Scores
Jay Kocher, Wilmington	75
Charles McClaskey, Wynco	76
Terry Fair, RiverCrest	77
James Sherratt, Old York Road	78
Joseph Maxwell, Hartefeld National	79
Barry Brackenbury, Silver Creek	80
Bob Wicker, Little Mill	80
Jay Howson, Jr., St. Davids	80
John Owens, Tavistock	80
Robert Proto, Little Mill	80
Art Brosius, DuPont	82
Joseph Vindone, Philadelphia	82
Curt Fromal, The Springhaven Club	83
Fran Tusak, Silver Creek	83
Joseph Scott, Jr., Kennett Square	83
David Jordan, Woodbury	84
Jim Lloyd, Running Deer	84
Thomas O'Rourke, Chester Valley	84
Herbert Gordon, Doylestown	85
John Ayres, Woodbury	85
Lawrence Capuzzi, Sr., Rolling Green	85
Bill Weinfeld, JC Melrose	86
Kent Weymouth, Jr., Philadelphia Publincs	86
O. Gordon Brewer, Jr., Pine Valley	86
Bob Killian, Links	87
Charles Carter, Sunnybrook	87
James Gallagan, Rolling Green	87
Louis Pace, Medford Village	87
Richard Smith, Philadelphia	89
Robert Davy, Medford Village	89
John Holsten, Aronimink	89
Warren Deakins, Philadelphia	90
William Cummins, Jericho National	90
Christopher Frazier, Sunnybrook	91
Clay von Seldeneck, Sunnybrook	91
Donald Hoegel, Little Mill	93
John MacDonald, Medford Lakes	94
William Jensen, Medford Village	94
James Ruddy, Sr., Spring Mill	99
Hal Ruff, Moorestown Field Club	100
Chuck Baker, Cherry Valley	WD
Jay Gaben, JC Melrose	WD

NC-no card; NS-no show; WD-withdrawal

Amateur Championship Stonewall (Old/North - qualifying only), June 15-17 & 20, 2009

Final
28. Conrad Von Borsig, Concord CC, d. 11. James Kania, Jr., Overbrook GC, 6&4
Semifinals
28. Von Borsig d. 8. Michael McDermott, Merion GC, 1-up. 11. Kania, Jr. d. 10. Anthony Martire, Seaview Marriott Resort & Spa, 3&2
Quarterfinals
8. McDermott d. 16. Christopher Ault, Yardley CC, 2-up. 28. Von Borsig d. 4. Thomas Gramigna, Tavistock CC, 1-up. 10. Martire d. 18. Robert Robertson, Philadelphia Cricket Club, 6&4. 11. Kania, Jr. d. 30. Jeff Griest, Waynesborough CC, 3&2

Round of 16
16. Ault d. 32. Doug Marcincin, Northampton CC, 2&1. 8. McDermott d. 9. Brian Gillespie, St. Davids GC, 2&1. 4. Gramigna d. 13. Matthew Martire, Saucon Valley CC, 3&2. 28. Von Borsig d. 12. William McGuinness, Tavistock CC, 17 holes. 18. Robertson d. 21. Ryan McCarty, Little Mill CC, 6&5. 10. Martire d. 7. P. Chet Walsh, Philadelphia CC, 20 holes. 30. Griest d. 19. Mark Miller, Yardley CC, 6&5. 11. Kania, Jr. d. 6. Justin Martinson, Hartefeld National, 2&1

Round of 32
32. Marcincin d. 1. Michael Hyland, Little Mill CC, 2-up. 16. Ault d. 17. Edward McCrossen, Jr., Whitmarsh Valley CC, 6&5. 8. McDermott d. 25. Brian Creggan, Blue Bell CC, 2&1. 9. Gillespie d. 24. Scott Storck, Philadelphia Cricket Club, 3&2. 4. Gramigna d. 29. Gary Daniels, Saucon Valley CC, 1-up. 13. Martire d. 20. Rodney James, Five Ponds GC, 2&1. 28. Von Borsig d. 5. Robert Galbreath, Jr., Huntingdon Valley CC, 1-up. 12. McGuinness d. 21. Matt Dolinsky, Honeybrook GC, 4&2. 31. McCarty d. 2. Michael Kania, Overbrook GC, 1-up. 18. Robertson d. 1. Pierce Dever, Jericho National GC, 7&5. 7. Walsh d. 26. John Brennan, Spring Ford CC, 4&3. 10. Martire d. 23. Matthew Teesdale, Commonwealth National GC, 3&1. 30. Griest d. 3. Cole Wilcox, Philadelphia CC, 4&2. 19. Miller d. 14. Chris Lange, Overbrook GC, 19 holes. 6. Martinson d. 27. Glenn Smeraglio, Commonwealth National GC, 3&2. 11. Kania, Jr. d. 22. Thomas Bartolacci, Jr., Saucon Valley CC, 5&4

Amateur Championship Qualifier	
Name, Club	Scores
Michael Hyland, Little Mill	700-69N-139
Michael Kania, Overbrook	690-71N-140
Cole Wilcox, Philadelphia	710-70N-141
Thomas Gramigna, Tavistock	70N-710-141
P. Chet Walsh, Philadelphia	73N-690-142
Robert Galbreath, Jr., Huntingdon Valley	690-73N-142
Justin Martinson, Hartefeld National	710-71N-142
Brian Gillespie, St. Davids	72N-700-142
Michael McDermott, Merion	720-700-142
James Kania, Jr., Overbrook	70N-730-143
Anthony Martire, Seaview Marriott	750-68N-143
William McGuinness, Tavistock	69N-740-143
Christopher Lange, Overbrook	70N-740-144
Matthew Martire, Saucon Valley	680-76N-144
Edward McCrossen, Jr., Whitmarsh Valley	73N-720-145
Christopher Ault, Yardley	730-72N-145
Pierce Dever, Jericho National	72N-730-145
Robert Robertson, Philadelphia Cricket	760-70N-146
Mark Miller, Yardley	740-72N-146
Matt Dolinsky, Honeybrook	72N-750-147
Rodney James, Five Ponds	720-75N-147
Thomas Bartolacci, Jr., Saucon Valley	740-73N-147
Matthew Teesdale, Commonwealth National	72N-750-147
Gary Daniels, Saucon Valley	78N-700-148

Glenn Smeraglio, Commonwealth National	75N-730-148
Scott Storck, Philadelphia Cricket	740-74N-148
Conrad Von Borsig, Concord	780-70N-148
John Brennan, Spring Ford	760-72N-148
Brian Creggan, Blue Bell	740-74N-148
Ryan McCarty, Little Mill	780-71N-149
Jeffrey Griest, Waynesborough	750-74N-149
Douglas Zelter, Spring Ford	74N-750-149
*Doug Marcincin, Northampton	74N-760-150

Failed to qualify	
*Michael Brown, Philadelphia Publincs	74N-760-150
*David West, Whitford	74N-760-150
*Keith Snyder, Sakima	80N-700-150
*Matthew Burkhardt, Meadia Heights	71N-790-150
*James Braunsberg, Blue Bell	780-72N-150
*Daniel Charen, Yardley	770-73N-150
*Robert Savarese, Jr., Philadelphia Cricket	780-72N-150
Michael Tash, Tavistock	77N-740-151
Matthew Finger, Running Deer	73N-780-151
Matthew Gaffney, Little Mill	750-76N-151
Stephen Seiden, Concord	75N-760-151
Chris Eshenshade, Bent Creek	74N-770-151
Alexander Maguire, Jr., Brookside	74N-780-152
Stephen Dressel, St. Davids	75N-780-153
Jamie Slonis, Tavistock	820-71N-153
Johnny Murphy, Wildwood	770-76N-153
Robert Bechtold, Wynco	730-80N-153
Mark Kosko, Seaview Marriott	77N-770-154
Steven Kim, Blue Bell	82N-720-154
Joseph Roeder, Links	750-79N-154
Benjamin Smith, Woodcrest	77N-770-154
Zach Smith, Doylestown	790-75N-154
Tom Borsello, Fieldstone	790-75N-154
Greg Matthias, Hartefeld National	750-80N-155
James Bea, Spring Mill	740-81N-155
Ken Sim, Commonwealth National	76N-790-155
Rand Mendez, Fieldstone	77N-780-155
Tucker Koch, RiverCrest	75N-810-156
Oscar Mestre, Overbrook	77N-790-156
Andy Achenbach, RiverCrest	750-81N-156
Warren Smith, III, Cavaliers	800-76N-156
David Liotta, Whitmarsh Valley	790-77N-156
Scott Lee, Indian Valley	73N-830-156
Jim Simmons, Stonewall	81N-750-156
Mike Meisenzahl, Little Mill	73N-840-157
Santo Lafoa, Huntsville	76N-810-157
Matt Raudenbush, Pine Valley	80N-770-157
Justin Van Hynning, Olde York	79N-780-157
Ed Kahn, Little Mill	840-73N-157
Nicholas Reach, Glenmaura National	800-77N-157

Brian Rothaus, Talamore	81N-760-157
Kevin Melnick, Jr., Plymouth	780-79N-157
Ryan Gelrod, Commonwealth National	81N-760-157
Roc Irey, Lookaway	73N-840-157
Brad Sokol, Green Valley	79N-790-158
Rich Pruchnick, West Chester	790-79N-158
James Kieserman, The Bucks Club	810-77N-158
David Atkinson, Llanerch	84N-740-158
Thomas Hyland, Little Mill	810-780-159
Vinny Alessi, Penn Oaks	75N-850-159
Marc Mandel, White Manor	75N-850-160
Brian Corbett, Huntsville	76N-840-160
Douglas Schrupp, Aronimink	780-82N-160
Richard Marabella, Whitmarsh Valley	810-79N-160
Patrick Deviline, Five Ponds	800-80N-160
Bradley Roberts, Wedgwood	80N-800-160
Charles Bernard, RiverCrest	79N-810-160
Russell Hartung, Doylestown	75N-860-161
Robert Wurtz, Jr., Philadelphia Cricket	79N-820-161
David Smith, Doylestown	770-84N-161
John Robinson, Commonwealth National	79N-820-161
Stephen McIntyre, Honeybrook	76N-850-161
Matt Dietrich, Whitford	75N-860-161
Geoffrey Cooper, Laurel Creek	77N-840-161
Mark Quigley, Lu Lu	82N-800-162
Stephen Sieracki, Merchantville	84N-780-162
Thomas DiCinti, Links	850-77N-162
Michael Domenick, Phoenixville	83N-800-163
Vince Boyle, JC Melrose	890-74N-163
Mark Czerniakowski, Blue Bell	850-78N-163
Eric Schmel, Moorestown Field Club	840-80N-164
Bryan Winsko, Philadelphia Cricket	810-83N-164
Connor McNicholas, Commonwealth National	81N-840-165
Greg Forster, Radnor Valley	81N-810-165
Kevin Gonderud, Cedarbrook	870-79N-166
Todd Venterdick, Huntsville	92N-750-167
James Austin, Five Ponds	830-84N-167
William Gallagher, III, Honeybrook	860-84N-170
Erik Thron, Links	860-85N-171
Andrew Speaker, Jericho National	81N-810-172
Steve Minnick, Bala	840-89N-173
Robert Dziak, Spring Ford	870-79N-173
Mike Danner, Lu Lu	870-WDN-173
Christopher Redman, Malefield Highlands	820-NSN-NS
David Shields, Philadelphia Publincs	80N-NC0-NC
Sean Leonard, Tavistock	820-DQN-DQ

*-determined in playoff
O-Old Course; N-North Course
#-no match play; DQ-disqualification; NC-no card; NS-no show; WD-withdrawal

2009 GAP SCHEDULE

EVENT	DATE	VENUE
Father & Son (Younger)	July 1	Sunnybrook GC
Caddie Tournament	July 6	LedgeRock GC
USGA Senior Open Championship Qualifier	July 6	Overbrook GC
Pre-Junior Tournament	July 8	Philadelphia Cricket Club (St. Martin's)
Brewer Cup	July 13-15	Old York Road CC
Christman Cup	July 14	Torresdale-Frankford CC
Four-Man Team	July 16	Whitford CC
Jock Mackenzie Memorial	July 20	Sandy Run CC
Senior Four-Man Team	July 21	Meadowlands CC
Open Championship	July 22	Bent Creek CC
Patterson Cup Qualifier	July 23	The Springhaven Club
Francis X. Hussey Memorial	July 27	Rolling Green GC
Patterson Cup Qualifier	July 28	Medford Village CC
Junior-Junior Boys' Championship	July 28-30	Merchantville CC
Chapman Memorial (Gross)	July 30	Philadelphia CC
USGA Championship Amateur Qualifier	Aug. 3	Concord CC/GC at Glen Mills
Deeg Sezna Four-Ball	Aug. 4	Hartefeld National
Williamson Cup Matches	Aug. 10-11	Oak Hill CC, Rochester, N.Y.
Patterson Cup	Aug. 13-14	Llanerch CC
USGA Senior Amateur Championship Qualifier	Aug. 17	Galloway National GC
Marston Cup	Aug. 19	Cedarbrook CC
Fall Net Championship	Aug. 24	White Manor CC
Father & Son (Older)	Aug. 25	Indian Valley CC
Four-Ball Stroke Play Championship	Aug. 28	Philmont CC (North)
USGA Middle-Amateur Championship Qualifier	Aug. 31	Links GC
Senior Amateur Championship	Sept. 8-9	Jericho National GC
Senior 27-Hole Challenge	Sept. 15	Cherry Valley CC
Chapman Memorial (Net)	Sept. 22	Radley Run CC
Tournament Of Champions	Oct. 2	Stone Harbor GC
Senior Challenge Matches		

Brown wins playoff for Mid-Am title

By Martin D. Emeno, Jr.

HADDONFIELD, N.J.—Michael Brown needed a four-hole playoff, but eventually, the 36-year-old Cheltenham, Pa., resident delivered a championship performance. The Philadelphia Publinks GA member defeated home-club hopeful Sean Leonard at Tavistock CC (par 72, 6,797 yards) in an aggregate playoff (19-17 strokes on holes 10-11-17-18) for the 26th Middle-Amateur Championship (May 20-21). For Brown, who served as an assistant professional at North Hills CC for seven years before heading back to the amateur ranks., it was his first Golf Association of Philadelphia Major title.



Michael Brown

"It's slightly unexpected," said a surprisingly subdued Brown afterward. "I'm new to amateur golf in this area. I don't even know a lot of these guys. I know of them because I read about them. I'm happy to be back. There are a lot of very strong players in the Philadelphia area, and I'm looking forward to playing against them regularly."

Both players ended regulation at even-par 144 after two rounds. Leonard, 35, of Haddonfield, N.J., carded a final round 1-under-par 71 including a magnificent birdie on the treacherous No. 18 (par 4, 435 yards). Brown, who started the round a shot back of the leader, was in control of the tournament most of the day and, in fact, had a three-stroke lead at one point mid-way through the back nine, finished with a 73. He bogeyed three of his final six holes.

"It was cool. My grandfather who is 87 years old was out here," said Leonard, who had about two dozen supporters following him in the playoff. "We're proud to host this event. It's nice. I wish I could have won, but... I'm pleased. I haven't been playing much golf. I ran for commissioner of Haddonfield, [N.J.] and for the last two months I've been doing nothing but going to people's houses and campaigning. And my wife and I had a baby girl a week ago today."

In the playoff, both players carded routine pars on Nos. 10 (par 4,

328 yards) and 11 (par 4, 426 yards) before Brown took control on the par 5, 17th (490 yards), the third extra hole. Brown found the middle of the fairway with his drive while Leonard went left and short of the fairway bunker, some 232 yards away. Leonard then knocked a hybrid about 40 yards short of the green, and Brown, with a 4-iron and 180 yards left, sent his second shot long and over the putting surface. Leonard's chip stopped short of the green and his ensuing putt from the front fringe left him with five feet. He missed for a bogey six. Brown showed some nice touch on a delicate downhill chip from about 40 feet and just off the green that ended 10 above the hole. He made a three-foot comeback for a par and a one-shot lead with one hole to go.

"[The playoff] was pretty uneventful the first couple of holes. Then I was given a good opportunity after 17. I didn't expect to be one shot up after that hole. Eighteen is a difficult par 4, and I just tried to stay committed. I had that shot this morning, that tee shot, and I was able to pull it off,"

On No. 18, both players found the fairway. Leonard played first and had 181 yards left. His 6-iron landed some 45 feet right of the hole. Brown had 147 yards and with an 8-iron in-hand knocked his approach to 25 feet. Leonard would go on to three putt, he left his first try eight feet short, and Brown would two putt for the victory. said Brown.

Brown appeared to have the Championship won in regulation, but on No. 18 three putted from 45 feet to drop back into a tie with Leonard. It was Leonard, playing in the group in front of Brown, who made a dramatic 20-foot birdie to post even par as the low number. In fact, Leonard was 3 under on his final nine to get back into contention.

This was Leonard's top Golf Association of Philadelphia Major finish.

A total of 76 players made the cut from the field of 127 after Day One. The cut number fell at 81 (9-over par).

PHILADELPHIA CRICKET TAKES INTERCLUB TITLE

The Philadelphia Cup now belongs to Philadelphia Cricket Club. Cricket defeated seven-time defending champion Merion Golf Club, 4-3, at Merion's East Course to conclude the 109th edition of the Philadelphia Cup. The win, combined with Spring Ford Country Club's, 4-3, victory over Gulph Mills Golf Club, gave Philadelphia Cricket the championship of the top bracket of the Women's Golf Association of Philadelphia's Interclub Matches.

The Cricket-Merion match wasn't decided until the last putt. Cricket's Melana Regan defeated Loraine Jones on the 20th hole to score the decisive point and to give Philadelphia Cricket its first title since 1930.

Cricket lost a three-way playoff against Merion and Sunnybrook last year.

"This is particularly sweet," said veteran Bonnie Kay of Cricket. "To win at Merion ... they have a great team."

Philadelphia Cricket fielded a lineup of veteran players, but winning the Philadelphia Cup was a new experience.

"Some of us have been playing for 37 years," Kay added, "and have

been in the First Cup at two different places, but we've never won."

This year's competition renewed a tradition that dates back to 1897. Katie Sible of Merion GC savored the experience of playing in what was in effect a championship match to conclude her first season as a part of the Ardmore, Pa., club's lineup.

"All the teams in the Philadelphia Cup are very rich in tradition," she said. "I was proud to be a part of it and happy to be embraced by my team. It was something very special to be a part of."

This year's competition featured 156 teams from 73 different clubs.



Philadelphia Cricket Club 4, Merion Golf Club 3

Kerry Rutan (PC) def. Liz Haines (M), 3&2; Melana Regan (PC) def. Loraine Jones (M), 20 holes; Alison Shoemaker (PC) def. Nancy Porter (M), 1-up; Katie Sibel (M) def. Marji Goldman (PC), 2&1; Jan Albert (PC) def. Lindsay Forgash (M), 4&3; Vinny West (M) def. Bonnie Kay (PC), 2&1; Katrina Ogilby (M) def. Penny Rubincam (PC), 3&2.