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It's Time for the Marathon Classic



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If you could kick the person in the pants responsible for most of your trouble, you wouldn't sit for a month

~ THEODORE ROOSEVELT

Here we are after the July 4th weekend and already half way through the golf season in the northern portion of the country.

In conversations I have had with golf course operators, they are seeing a slight increase in overall play, but their sales of merchandise and equipment are below normal. Even though the country in general is experiencing a recovering economy, our local golf economy is still not back to normal.

We are very lucky here in northwestern Ohio and southeastern Michigan to have a variety of golf courses at our disposal; we can still play at reduced prices.

We are happy to feature the Marathon Classic on our cover this month. July will see the 31st edition of the annual LPGA Tour tournament in Toledo. Judd Silverman and his staff do an excellent job each year luring the best women golfers to visit Toledo, plus this year CBS will broadcast the final round on network television, a bonus for us all.

The Jamie Farr Classic and now the Marathon Classic has generated \$9.2 million for area children's charities and they have set a goal to hit the \$10 million mark this year. That is an amazing statistic for our community. Do your part to help area children's charities and support the Marathon Classic July 14-17.

The Open Championship will be held at Royal Troon which has a history of American winners. Another opportunity for local golf fans to see the best golfers is to attend the U.S. Senior Open to be held at the historic Scioto Country Club in Columbus in August.

Play golf for fun and exercise. I hope I see you on the Back 9.

"May my swing be straight, and the ball fly far. May my round be blessed with no more than Par." Golfaholic Prayer

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MARATHON CLASSIC GIVES MILLIONS TO CHARITY & SHOWCASES TOLEDO

Chella Choi, shown on our cover holding the trophy last year, will be in the field to defend her title at the 31st edition of the Marathon Classic presented by Owens Corning and O-I. It, once again, features the best collection of women golfers from around the world and raises hundreds of thousands of dollars for area children's charities in the process. Nine of the Top Ten women on the Rolex Ranking have plans to be in Toledo, July 14-17, **plus the final round will be televised nationally on CBS.**



When Judd Silverman first had the idea of bringing a professional golf tournament to Toledo, one of his main goals was to help area charities. To that end, the Jamie Farr Toledo Classic and now the Marathon Classic has donated a total of \$9.2 million to 152 area organizations dedicated to helping children. In 2015 alone, \$582,000 was generated and distributed to 19 area organizations. Silverman has set an aggressive goal to reach the \$10 million total mark in 2016.

Marathon Classic is Kid Friendly

The LPGA Tour and the Marathon Classic always strive to make the tournament an enjoyable adventure for children. Tour players seek out and interact with the kids, plus the 'Kids Zone' features fun activities for children during the week of the tournament at Highland Meadows.

A Scavenger Hunt will be ongoing all four days of the tournament. Team mascots from the Walleye,



The Marathon Classic could not exist without our volunteers. We appreciate these tireless individuals and their contribution that make the tournament a success every year.

Mud Hens and Rockets will roam the grounds at Highland Meadows on Friday, plus Imagination Station will have interactive exhibits for the kids.

On Saturday the Toledo Zoo brings its 'Animal Experience' to the 'Kids Zone' and the LPGA will offer a Junior Golf Clinic to children at the tournament.

The First Tee of Lake Erie will provide a free golf clinic for junior golfers on Sunday.

Other Marathon Classic Highlights

The popular "Club 14 Party Deck" will once again be a highlight of the Marathon Classic. Stop over to the par-3 14th hole on Friday afternoon. It is always a fun area to view the tournament, plus it is an excellent opportunity to make new business connections or entertain current clients.

All active and retired First Responders and Military Members will receive free admission to the tournament, plus Military Day will be held on Saturday, which features military members serving as standard bearers on the course.



While you are strolling about Highland Meadows at this year's tournament, you may notice the large tent erected between the 1st and 10th fairways. A new 4,000 square foot media center will be able to house 60 working media members, as well as, radio booths for live broadcasting.

If you can't make it to Highland Meadows for the final round on Sunday, it will be broadcast live on CBS, 4:00-6:00 PM. Marathon has furnished the additional funds to give this extra exposure to Toledo and the LPGA Tour tournament. The first three rounds, Thursday-Saturday can be seen on the Golf Channel.

One of the highlights of this year's event will be an appearance by Ohio State University Head Football Coach, Urban Meyer in the Buckeye Broadband Celebrity Pro-Am on Wednesday. Sixty LPGA Tour pros will join with their amateur teams for bragging rights and prizes.

Top LPGA Names Come to Toledo

Golf will be an official sport in the Olympics in



2016, but the LPGA Tour has an international flavor every week. This season on the LPGA Tour only one event, the Honda LPGA Thailand, was won by an American, Lexi Thompson.

The other main storyline on the LPGA Tour this season is the success of young players, only one event has been won by someone over the age of 23. Lydia Ko, from New Zealand, is just 19 years old, and leads the money list with three wins including the ANA Inspiration, a major championship. Thailand's Aryia Jutanugarn, at 20 years old, won three consecutive titles and is second on the money list. Canadian-born, Brooke Henderson, 18-years-old, is No. 3 on the 2016 money list, has 10 top-10 finishes and won her first major title at the KPMG PGA Women's Championship.

Volunteers Make Marathon Classic Successful

An event of this magnitude could not be accomplished without the tireless efforts of a host of dedicated people. Over 1,200 volunteers work to drive shuttle buses, marshal holes, serve as scorekeepers and fill a host of necessary jobs to make the Marathon Classic successful. Many of these volunteers come back year after year, with many having over 20-years' experience.

When you ask why these dedicated individuals return to work for free each year, most reply they enjoy the friendship of the other volunteers,

plus they understand the contribution they make to Toledo-area charities.

The volunteers make this event possible each year and also directly impact the amount of charitable dollars that are generated for area children's charities.

Tournament Director, Judd Silverman told us, "The Marathon Classic could not exist without our volunteers. We appreciate these tireless individuals and their contribution that make the tournament a success every year."

Silverman's dream of bringing a professional golf tournament to Toledo has worked out pretty well. Millions of dollars have been generated for children's charities, area golf fans get to see the best women golfers up close and personal and Toledo garners a national spotlight to highlight the community every year.

A weekly pass or daily tickets for the Marathon Classic tickets can be purchased at any area Kroger store or visit: <http://marathonclassic.com/ticket-information/> for complete ticket information.

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MYSTERY SURROUNDS GOLF'S OLYMPIC MEDALS FROM 1900 & 1904

BY RYAN BALLENGEE, GOLF NEWS NET

Golf has been offered as a sport in the modern Olympic program just twice, the 1900 Games in Paris and four years later in St. Louis, but few of the gold medals awarded remain in existence today.

In 1900, the Paris games had two golf competitions, a 36-hole stroke-play event for men and a nine-hole event for women. A total of 22 players from the United States, France, Great Britain and Greece competed. Americans Charles Sands and Margaret Abbott won their respective events.

After the Olympics in 1900, Colonel George McGrew, founder and president of Glen Echo Country Club in St. Louis, announced his intention to host a world championship at his club, one of the finest 18-hole facilities in the U.S. at the time. In 1903, St. Louis landed the Olympics and McGrew decided to turn his world championship idea into the Olympic golf tournament.

The 1904 Olympic golf competition was held from Sept. 16-24 at Glen Echo Country Club. The current U.S. Amateur Champion,

Chandler Egan led the Americans to a win and the Olympic gold medal in the team portion of the event.

The individual match-play event began with 77 players, 72 from the U.S., three from Canada and two from Great Britain, in a 36-hole stroke-play qualifier. Only 32 players moved on to the match play bracket.

46-year-old Canadian, George Lyon, who did not take up the game until the age of 37, won the 1904 St. Louis Olympics by a 3 and 2 margin over U.S. Amateur Champion, Egan.



In the intervening years, however, all of the medals, actually made of gold, silver and bronze, largely disappeared. Lyon lost his gold medal, and the story goes, it was probably melted down and sold during the Great Depression to put food on the table. As for the team medals, Glen Echo Country Club has said they've only been able to locate a pair of them.

The 1904 Gold Medal awarded to Chandler Egan

for the team event was found along with his Silver Medal, won in the individual portion, at the bottom of a bookcase earlier this year, in the former home of Egan's daughter in Chagrin Falls, Ohio, near Cleveland. A Gold Medal belonging to Robert Hunter, who was not quite 18 years old at the time of the 1904 Olympics, and went on to have a notable golf career at Yale, as well as, qualifying for two U.S.

Opens, is also accounted for.

In the 2016 Olympic Games in Rio de Janeiro, six medals will be awarded for golf and only for individual play. Three each, Gold, Silver and Bronze, for the men's and women's stroke-play competitions. Golf will also be in the 2020 Games in Tokyo, but its future beyond then will be decided in 2017 in a vote of the International Olympic Committee.

This article is a segment of an article posted to [Golf News Net](http://thegolfnewsnet.com/golfnewsnetteam/2016/03/19/pictures-1904-olympic-golf-gold-medal-16943/) and written by Ryan Ballengee. The complete article can be found at: <http://thegolfnewsnet.com/golfnewsnetteam/2016/03/19/pictures-1904-olympic-golf-gold-medal-16943/>

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GOLF AND PERSPECTIVE

BY GREG LIBERTO

“

YOU CAN BEST JUDGE A MAN'S CHARACTER IN DEFEAT, RATHER THAN IN VICTORY.”



The 2015 US Open

You may recall Dustin Johnson's showdown with Jordan Spieth in the 2015 U.S. Open at Chambers Bay. You may also recall Johnson's missed 12-foot putt on the 72nd hole to win the tournament, followed by his missing the comeback putt to tie Spieth and force a playoff, eventually finishing runner-up. But do you remember what he said after?

"I'm proud of the way I played, but what I'm most proud of is my family. So I did get to hold up my trophy at the end of the day, which is my son. I did everything I could. I played well, I hit the ball well, I gave myself looks, it just wasn't my time."

Every professional athlete must be a fierce competitor, or they would never make it to the highest level. The interesting part is, who can keep their composure when coming so close to attaining a major championship?

I remember watching Johnson's post-round interview last year and being so impressed with the way he handled himself. Professional golf is a grind, and when you come that close to winning and just miss, it hurts, physically, mentally and emotionally.

The 2016 US Open

Fast forward to the fifth hole in the last round at Oakmont in the 2016 U.S. Open, as Johnson lined up to hit a



putt, his ball inadvertently moved. The USGA officials informed him on the 12th hole that he might incur a one-stroke penalty. As he was informed of this shocking news, I keenly observed his body language, but nothing changed. He kept his cool, went about his business and won the tournament.

In his post-round interview, he talked about how good it felt and the journey it took to win his first major title. He talked about getting the monkey off his back and how

sweet the feeling was.

What Can You Learn

Golf is just a game and there are many people suffering much greater trials and heartache than Dustin Johnson has incurred over the past few years, but there is definitely something that can be learned from this.

If you are losing at the game of life, you must keep your composure. You have to be resilient enough to bounce back when things are not going your way. You have to

keep your emotions in check and not allow them to defeat you, or make the situation worse than it is.

The will of the human spirit is very strong. There are stories like Dustin Johnson's that occur every day throughout the world.

Golf can teach us many lessons. It is a sport where you lose more times than you win. If you maintain perspective of those things that are truly important in your life, the wins become much sweeter.

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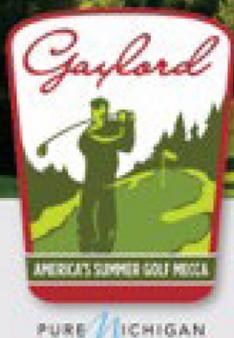
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Rick Smith was born and raised in Toledo. He began his career as a golf professional working for the legendary Don Kotnik at Toledo Country Club.

After a stint in Texas, he became acquainted with Harry Melling, who wanted to build a golf resort in Northern Michigan, to attract summer guests to his ski resort.

Smith worked for Melling at Treetops Resort for many years and was instrumental in the design of the world-famous Threetops, par-3 course, the Smith Signature and Tradition courses at Treetops.

Throughout his career, Smith taught many leading tour professionals, Phil Mickelson, Rocco Mediate, Lee Janzen, Greg Norman and even Jack Nicklaus can be counted among his students. He is now bringing this vast knowledge and unique teaching style to Forest Dunes located just outside of Roscommon, Michigan.

Forest Dunes opened their Tom Weiskopf designed, 18-hole championship golf course in 2002 to rave reviews. They have since added a spectacular clubhouse and Lake Au Sable Lodge for overnight guests.

In June, they opened the Tom Doak designed, "Loop," the only reversible 18-hole golf course in north America. The unique design plays to a par-70 on both the Red and the Black courses, but golfers will experience a completely different routing each day.

Smith said of his recent association with Forest Dunes,

"I could not be more pleased to establish a Rick Smith Golf Academy at Forest Dunes. I have been all over the world as an instructor and course designer experiencing many of the top golf destinations. I believe Forest Dunes, with its three unique world-class courses and practice facility, will be the most talked about golf destination in the country over the next 5-10 years. This is a tremendous opportunity for me and the academy staff."

Owners, Lew Thompson and Sam Mathias purchased Forest Dunes in 2012, and have invested millions to improve the facility. They have a vision of creating one of the leading golf destinations in the country.

Thompson said, "Adding the Rick Smith Golf Academy, with its award winning instruction, is a perfect fit and continues to help Forest Dunes achieve its vision."

Forest Dunes original Weiskopf design, plus the reversible, "Loop" will be the talk of golfers worldwide and a must-see for every Golfaholic.

For more information about the Rick Smith Golf Academy at Forest Dunes visit: <http://www.ricksmith.com/>

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ROYAL TROON HAS A HISTORY OF AMERICAN WINNERS

BY *KIERAN CLARK*

Twelve years after the largely unheralded journeyman Todd Hamilton snatched the Claret Jug from the grasp of former winner Ernie Els, the Open Championship makes a long-awaited return to Scotland's west coast, and more specifically, Royal Troon, for a ninth occasion.

Few would consider the Ayrshire links, which essentially succeeded nearby Prestwick on the revered rotation during the 1920s, as being their favourite venue, but it remains an extremely solid examination of

seaside golf, particularly the formidable back-nine, which is likely to provide a fearsome conclusion to the 145th Open if there is any semblance of breeze in the wearied faces of those in contention. There is little to dislike about Troon, but it lacks the romantic charm of the other venues. Unless, you are American.

Since 1962, when Arnold Palmer, whose appearances in Britain rejuvenated golf's oldest major, successfully defended the title he had won 12 months previously at Royal Birkdale, there has been an

inexplicable dominance on this respected old course by golfers from the United States.

Troon's next championship, in 1973, would be remembered for two reasons; it was the only major title secured by sweet-swinging Tom Weiskopf, and it also saw the great Gene Sarazen, in his 72nd year, make a farewell hole-in-one on the famed eighth hole during the first round.

In 1982, Tom Watson found success at Troon, clinching his fourth victory by a solitary shot from England's



Peter Oosterhuis and future champion Nick Price. Watson was serenaded by applause and cheers from the Scottish galleries, who respected his talent and fortitude to reign supreme on their courses.

Mark Calcavecchia overcame two Australian major champions, Greg Norman and Wayne Grady, in a playoff to conclude a memorable 1989 Open. The Shark, who won at nearby Turnberry in 1986, had shot a course-record 64 to secure his participation in extra holes, but the burly American bested both

Norman and Grady that day to earn the Claret Jug.

Texan Justin Leonard holed putts from all directions with a scintillating final round of 65, in the 1997 Open Championship. He took advantage of the struggles of Darren Clarke and Jesper Parnevik. For the 25-year-old from Dallas, it would be the only major in a career that has brought 12 victories on the PGA Tour, with the finest being that day at Troon.

The aforementioned Hamilton, a 38-year-old who had played

for much of his career in Japan, had claimed his maiden title on the main tour in the States earlier in 2004 at the Honda, but few could have seen him as a potential winner of the Open.

Hamilton made three birdies on the back-nine to take control, before a bogey on the 18th saw him fall into a playoff with Ernie Els, who had made gains on the 16th and 17th to boost his chances of a second Open win.

Onto the extra holes the 11-time Japan Tour champion



THE
 OPEN
 145TH ROYAL TROON



continued the solid golf he had displayed all week and relied on his trusty short game to make four pars to finish one ahead of Els, the 2002 victor at Muirfield, who had dropped a shot after overshooting the green on the 17th.

Hamilton, who will return to Troon at the age of 50, said: "I was trying to look around as much as I could to soak it all in. So to be Open champion is very special."

It certainly is. Will yet another American win this year?



Two of the memorable holes at Royal Troon and likely to be the most discussed, are *The Postage Stamp* and *the Railway*.

The Postage Stamp measures a mere 126 yards on the scorecard, but it has long been established as one of the game's finest and most challenging par threes. It ranks alongside Augusta National's 12th, Pebble Beach's seventh and the brilliant 11th at the Old Course of St. Andrews.

The brutally difficult 11th, *The Railway*, is 490 yards of terror that was described by Palmer as being "the most dangerous hole I've ever seen."



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A golfer in a red vest and white pants is captured mid-swing on a golf course bunker. The bunker is a large, deep pit of sand with a grassy embankment on the left. The golfer is positioned on the right side of the bunker, facing left. The background shows a green fairway and more grassy areas.

THE BUNKERS OF ST. ANDREWS BEST SEEN, BUT NOT EXPERIENCED

BY *MIKE MAY*

Have you ever been in the Lion's Mouth, The Coffins or how about Hell? If not, it's likely that you have not played golf on the historic Old Course at St. Andrews.

While many golf courses name their holes, St. Andrews names its bunkers. If you successfully navigate the 112 bunkers at St. Andrews, which appear on 16 holes, you also must also avoid the Swilcan Burn on the 1st hole and the Valley of Sin at the 18th hole.

At St. Andrews, the bunkers take center-stage because the course's biggest defense is wind and those pits of sand. The bunkers at St. Andrews

range in size from miniscule pot bunkers to the massive Hell bunker. While the Hell bunker is the biggest trap on the course, the Road Hole bunker, which fronts the 17th green, is the most famous, as well as, most feared.

In 1933, Gene Sarazen was defending his title in the Open Championship at St. Andrews, after he exited Hell Bunker with triple-bogey-eight, he went home and invented the sand wedge.

In the third round of the 1978 British Open, Japan's Tommy Nakajima was tied for the lead and reached the difficult 17th in two shots, but his putt

rolled off the green and ended up in the Road Hole Bunker. A quintuple-bogey-nine took him out of contention.

Other famous bunkers at the Old Course include, The Spectacles, the Shell and Strath bunkers and the Coffins. The three Coffin bunkers are situated side-by-side across the 13th fairway. If a tee shot finishes in The Coffins, getting on the green in two is impossible. If you avoid the Coffins, Lion's Mouth guards the green.

Three fairway pot bunkers known as the Rob's, litter the 15th hole, but most interesting is the line of sight to the

church steeple through Mrs. Grainger's Bosoms.

Other famous bunkers include, the Principal's Nose, Deacon's Sime, named after a local preacher who spent so much time in that bunker he had his ashes deposited in it for all eternity.

"It is the small ones that tend to get you as they are harder to see off the tee," notes Neil Hodding of Cornwall, England. "If your ball ends up in one of the fairway bunkers, then take your medicine and simply get out. Leave ambition behind as the result will more likely be a double bogey than a par save."

It's fair to say that when playing the Old Course at St. Andrews, the best way to remember the bunkers is to avoid hitting into them. In other words, they are best seen, but not experienced. Please remember that, at St. Andrews, it's possible to go to Hell (Bunker) and back in one day without having to die.



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AN ANGER PENALTY

BY: RICHARD TODD

Have you ever seen someone smack their club at a tee-box marker, a tree, or golf bag? How about hitting yourself with your club in frustration?

PGA Tour professional, Zac Blair did just that after missing a birdie putt on the fifth hole at the Wells Fargo Championship. Zac must have a hard head as he damaged his club in doing so. Immediately after this incident, he holed out and continued to the next tee box.

Upon pulling his putter out of his bag on the next green, he realized he had damaged his putter on the prior hole. In true golf-etiquette fashion, he contacted a rules official and called the penalty on himself. Unfortunately, this penalty comes with a disqualification assessment.

USGA Rule# 4-3b, states,

"if a player's club is damaged other than in the normal course of play rendering it non-conforming or changing its playing characteristics, the club must not subsequently be used..."

Beating your head with the club is not considered **normal play** by the USGA, although

I know several golfers that would argue the point.

Thus, the penalty for the breach of **Rule 4_3b** for the unfortunate Mr. Blair was, **Disqualification.**

Could Zac have avoided the penalty? If he had known of the damage sooner, a different club could have been used in place of the damaged club. He would not have been the



first golfer that needed to hole out on the dance floor with a driver, 3-iron or sand wedge.

The next time you decide to slam your club into your head or anything other than a golf ball in play, consider the rules (and your potential headache).

Check your club for damage, replace it or use a substitute.



Zac Blair

Local Golf News

Toledo Metro Golf



Toledo Metro Golf Association has completed six events thus far in 2016. Brian Simmons and Brian Gerken tied for the Metro Opener at Ottawa Park with a pair of 69's in the scratch division. Ken Konoff captured the net division.

Three players, Brian Simmons, James Torsok and Tony Reams tied with 71's at Chippewa for

scratch division honors. Chad King's 75 net 67 won in the handicap segment.

At Lenawee Country Club Brian Gerken fired a cool 69 to win both scratch and handicap divisions, even though his +1 handicap was a net 70.

In the two-day Great Lakes Spring Amateur Brian Gerken once again captured gross with a 71-75 = 146 total. Pat Streb's net 72-71 captured the handicap portion of the tournament.

On June 18th the Metro

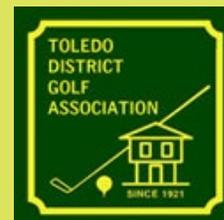
headed to Defiance's Eagle Rock where Jeff Abke's 71 was good enough to capture both net and gross divisions.

Rounding out the month of June at Tecumseh Country Club, Michael Dennis posted a gross 71 for the scratch win and Richard Alessi 83/66 took the handicap honors.

The S.P. Jermain Match Play begins play July 9 at Ottawa Park, contact Jim O'Neal at: oniegolf1@cs.com to sign up or visit: <http://www.toledometrogolf.com/> for more details.

Toledo District Golf Association

The Toledo District Golf Association will hold four events in July:



Two Man Jumble	July 7, 2016	Stone Ridge Golf Club
Junior Match Play	July 11-13, 2016	Valleywood Golf Club
Stroke Play Championship	July 23-24, 2016	Inverness Club
Scotch Twosome	July 27, 2016	Findlay Country Club

Visit their website to register: <http://www.tdgagolf.org/default.html>

Toledo Women's District Golf Association

The Toledo Women's District Golf Association will host five events in July:

Date	Course	Format	Grouping
July 1st	Monroe	Stroke Play	Individual Foursome
July 8th	Findlay	ABCD Individual	Threesome
July 12-15	Toledo CC	Match Play	Individual
July 22	Catawba	Senior Champ.	Individual
July 29	Plum Brook	Stroke Play	Threesome

Outings

The Open Door will host its annual golf outing at Detwiler Golf Club on July 22. Registration is 12:00-1:00 PM with a dinner to follow the golf.

Visit: <http://www.opendoortoledo.org/fundraising-events.html> to help a worthy cause.



The Aurora Project Golf Outing is set for August 8th at Toledo Country Club.

This event normally fills up early. Visit: <http://www.auroraprojectinc.org/events/23rd-annual-golf-outing/> for more information and registration.

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Niblicks

By Dean Harris



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TOLEDO JUNIOR GOLF ASSOCIATION RESULTS

With half of the summer junior golf season completed, eight events have been completed on the Toledo Junior Golf Association schedule.

Here is a list of the winners of the Toledo Junior Golf Association events through June.

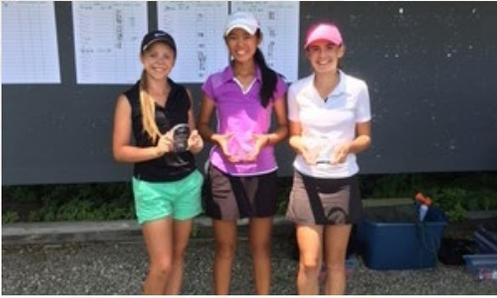
Boys	12-13	14-15	16-18
Stone Oak Junior:	Gaige Keane	Carter Swank	Tommy Sullinger
PGA Jr Maumee Bay	N/A	Adam Riggs	Aaron Bitz
Legacy Junior	Charlie Cronin	Jack Hanus	Alex Morrison
City of Toledo	Riley Collins	Ryan Fries	Alex Morrison
Dick Thornhill Mem	Ian Stawinski	Casey Desmond	Trevor Dominique
Bowling Green Jr.	Ian Stawinski	Connor Lenhart	Jackson Murphee
Ohio Big I Jr.	-----	-----	Tommy Sullinger
Glass City Open	Adam Czerniakowski	Jack Hanus	Trey Walker

Girls	12-13	14-15	16-18
Stone Oak Junior:	Annie Bennet	Macy Hanus	Pinya Pipatjarasgit
PGA Jr Maumee Bay	N/A	Macy Hanus	Pinya Pipatjarasgit
Legacy Junior	Kassie Scott	Macy Hanus	Jaclyn Fanola
City of Toledo	Kassie Scott	Macy Hanus	Pinya Pipatjarasgit
Dick Thornhill Mem	Nina Kilcorse	Macy Hanus	Sabrina Coffman
Bowling Green Jr.	Kylie Stanphill	Macy Hanus	Maria Connelly
Ohio Big I Jr.	-----	-----	Pinya Pipatjarasgit
Glass City Open	Anna Szczesny	Macy Hanus	Pinya Pipatjarasgit



The Toledo Junior Golf Association has six events remaining in July, plus the season finale at Sylvania Country Club for the TJGA Invitational.

Full field results available at: <http://www.toledo juniorgolf.com/>



NWO Junior Golf Association

The results for the first four of six events complete on the NWO Junior Golf Association schedule show several winners on the junior tour.

Hayden Klingaman has won three times in the boys 16-18 division. He collected wins at Ironwood, Eagle Rock and White Pines. Evan Heritage won the boys 16-18 year-old age group at Auglaize Country Club.

Case Hartman, Austin Radcliff, and Kade Kern have triumphed in the boys 13-15 division.

Luke Rosebrook, Owen Lemley and Esten Kennerk have shared top honors in the 12 and under age group.

For the ladies, Anna Marshall has made it a clean sweep in the girl's 14-18 division, winning all four events.

Kenadie Deager and Riley Kleck have split the riches with two wins each over the four events.

The NWO Junior Golf Association has events at Country Acres, Riverside Greens and Pike Run remaining before the season-ending Invitational at Auglaize Country Club on July 21.

For more information visit: <http://www.nwojga.com/>



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For information on **The First Tee of Lake Erie** organization or programs, contact Executive Director, Adam Reny at

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INVERNESS CLUB HOSTS DRIVE, CHIP & PUTT QUALIFIER

BY *FRED ALTVATER*

Although Drive, Chip & Putt is just entering its fourth year of existence, it has been a huge success. It was founded as a joint initiative of the PGA of America (PGA), The Masters Tournament and the United States Golf Association (USGA) to stimulate interest in the game via a junior golf

competition. Qualifying is broken into to four age group classifications and is open to boys and girls ages 7-15.

Participants are tested in three areas of golf, using a driver off the tee, chipping from off the green and putting from three different locations on the green. Scores are accumulated for each shot and the winner is determined from the highest scores.

Entrants must first make it through local qualifying, which is held at over 250 sites across the United States. Qualifiers then move on to the sub-regional and regional competitions. Winners in each age group

from the regional qualifiers earn a trip to the Drive, Chip & Putt Championship held at Augusta National on Sunday prior to the start of the Masters each year.

Over 50,000 aspiring golfers enter local qualifying and under 100 make it to Augusta for the finals.

Local qualifying is currently underway for the 2017 Drive, Chip & Putt. Inverness club hosted 147 boys and girls on Tuesday, June 28 to identify the winners that would advance to the Westfield Golf Club sub-regional.

More information about Drive, Chip & Putt can be



found by contacting your local PGA Professional or by visiting: <https://www.drivechipandputt.com/>.

Here is the list of winners from local qualifying at Inverness:

Boys Division

Age 7-9	
First place	Ethan Borovilos (Toronto, Ontario)
Second	Thomas Woycik (Monclova, Ohio)
Third	Jacob Weaver (Martinez, Georgia)
Age 10-11	
First place	Bradley Chill (Columbia Station, Ohio)
Second	Nicholas Miller (Sylvania, Ohio)
Third	Andrew Woycik (Monclova, Ohio)
Age 12-13	
First place	Joey Gemerchak (Sylvania, Ohio)
Second	Matthew Zwack (Monroe, Michigan)
Third	Ethan Longoria (Fremont, Ohio)
Age 14-15	
First place	Zachary Hebel (Toledo, Ohio)
Second	Gaige Keane (Temperance, Michigan)
Third	Jon Metzger (Taylor, Michigan)

Girls Division

Age 7-9	
First place	Kennedy Donnelly (Curtice, Ohio)
Second	Sydney Sutton (Toledo, Ohio)
Third	Tory Swiggum (Adrian, Michigan)
Age 10-11	
First place	Vanessa Borovilos (Toronto, Ontario)
Second	Maria Woycik (Monclova, Ohio)
Third	Marin Gaubert (Holland, Ohio)
Age 12-13	
First place	Payton Donnelly (Curtice, Ohio)
Second	Alaina Harris (Temperance, Michigan)
Third	Lauren Swiggum (Adrian, Michigan)
Age 14-15	
First place	Sydney Leyerle (Helena, Ohio)
Second	Claudia Sampson (Clarkston, Michigan)
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BY MATT SATERNUS, PLUGGEDINGOLF.COM

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While Edel has learned some rules of thumb about aim over the years, every player is unique in how they will react to these different elements. Often two elements can cancel each other out, other times they will act in concert causing an improper aim.

Weight

While other manufacturers may allow adjustable head weight, Edel goes two steps further by varying the counterweighting in the grip and using Opti-Vibe weight inserts in the shaft.

After swapping various head weights, counter weights, and Opti-Vibes some set ups were dismissed after a single putt, others were given the full five balls to show whether or not they worked. The changes in weight and weight placement were so substantial that every series of putts felt like something totally new.

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FAMED SCIOTO COUNTRY CLUB HOSTS U.S. SENIOR OPEN

This is the 100th anniversary for famed Scioto Country Club in Columbus and August 11-14, they are throwing a huge birthday party. The best senior golfers in the world will descend on the boyhood home of Jack Nicklaus for the U.S. Senior Open.

It is only fitting the USGA revisit Scioto, since Nicklaus began playing golf there at the age of 10, broke 70 on the famed Donald Ross design at 13 and went on to become a collegiate All-American at nearby Ohio State University.

Nicklaus nearly won the 1960 U.S. Open, as an amateur,

won two U.S. Amateur Championships, four U.S. Open titles and the U.S. Senior Open twice. He even has his own room named for him at USGA headquarters in Far Hills, New Jersey.

Strolling through the halls of Scioto Country Club is like taking a walk through golf history as numerous pictures of course architect Donald Ross adorn the walls. Pictures also capture Bobby Jones winning the 1926 U.S. Open at Scioto, as well as, an American win in the 1931 Ryder Cup match held there.

Scioto also hosted the 1950

PGA Championship, as well as, the 1968 U.S. Amateur, won by Bruce Fleisher. The last time the USGA visited Scioto, Dale Douglas won the 1986 U.S. Senior Open with a score of nine-under-par.

Jeff Maggert will be the defending champion for the 36th U.S. Senior Open. Maggert turned 50 in February, 2014 and won the Mississippi Gulf Resort Classic in his rookie year. In his second year on the Champions Tour, he won the Regions Tradition in May and the U.S. Senior Open at Del Paso Country Club in June. He was always known as a





great ball striker, winning three PGA Tour events and amassing over \$19 million in career earnings. Winning two majors on the senior tour

added validity to his stellar career.

The field will be fighting for the first-place check of \$675,000, the largest on the PGA Champions Tour and a piece of the \$3.75 million total purse, plus the honor of becoming a USGA champion.

Experience for yourself a sample of golf history and visit Scioto Country Club next month to watch golf's legends vie for the U.S. Senior Open trophy.

Television schedule and Ticket information can be

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3 SIMPLE STEPS TO USE YOUR CORE IN YOUR GOLF SWING

BY *SANDY EARL*

While on vacation a few weeks ago, I decided to hit a few golf balls on the practice range, but failing to pack my own clubs, I was forced to use my son's. As I warmed up gradually with several iron shots, I began to think about starting my back swing by engaging my core, rather than my hands and arms. Another 'Yoga for Golfers' instructor had mentioned this strategy, while training in Phoenix last year.

Here are three keys that I focused on to accomplish a swing using my core and not my arms.

1. Lift the sternum to extend and engage the core
2. Begin the twist from the left top rib and to keep my head still and my eyes on the ball
3. Start the down swing beginning with the hips and letting the hands and arms follow, being pulled by the untwisting of the torso.

As I observed the ball flight, I was surprised that it was farther than my usual shot. It was a slightly offline to the right, but as I continued, the ball striking became more precise and my ball flight became more accurate.

After hitting several irons, I was ready for the big swing. I moved on to a 3-wood and was happily surprised to discover my new twisting motion was working.

I had not been happy with my old driver and since

I was hitting this 3-wood much better, it also became a permanent fixture in my bag.

My son's loss was my Gain.

During my practice session, I discovered the secret of using the core properly to execute the most powerful twist, and also added a new three wood in my bag, big bonus.

The question remained, however, could I implement my new twist on the course?

The answer was swift in revealing itself. I hit one of my best drives ever on the very first tee. It was straight and 20-30 yards longer than normal.

A strong sense of body awareness is the key to being able to make needed changes in your swing. A regular mind-body practice such as yoga is one way to develop this awareness.

Give these ideas a try to see how it "feels" in your own swing.

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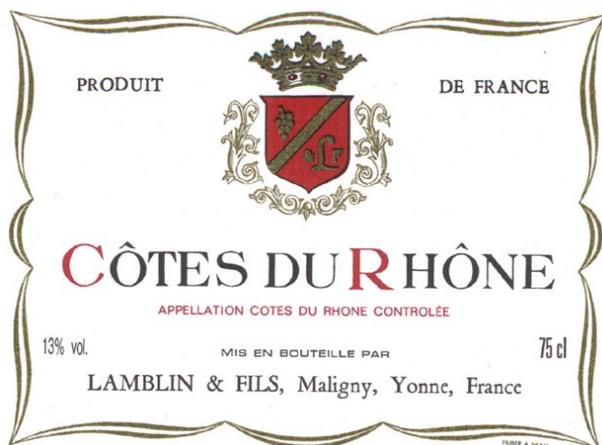


BEGINNER FRENCH

COTES DU RHONE

BY *KURT WIENEKE*

I lived in Arizona when I first started getting into wine, and I had a friend who always brought Cotes du Rhone to any get-together. What I recall from those experiences was that Cotes du Rhone is not only a fruit-forward and complex (red) wine, but it was great to drink before, during, or after the meal. And in retrospect, that really is the hallmark of any great “go-to” or house wine.



A label showing the region name and the producer

The Cotes du Rhone region is centered along the Rhone river in southern France between the towns of Vienne and Avignon, and is a massive Mediterranean wine region. To put it in perspective, the Cotes du Rhone region is nearly five (5) times larger than Napa Valley in terms of vineyard area.





A label showing the region name and the producer

Cotes du Rhone wine is traditionally a core blend of three different grape varieties: Grenache (60%), Syrah (35%), and Mourvedre (5%). The percentages can differ, but you get the point. Many of times, Cotes du Rhone has other varieties such as Carignan or Cinsault included, but this depends on the producer.

Grenache is a more voluptuous grape, giving warmth and richness to the blend; it also has a hint of cotton candy on the nose

which is a usually dead giveaway.

Syrah is the workhorse grape in the blend, imparting depth and structure along with a meaty and peppery character. Mourvedre is the outsider, adding some furry tannins to the texture and contributing mysterious flavors and aromas such as herbs or maybe even a hint of iodine.

What I have always liked about Cotes du Rhone wines is that they are both simple and complex at the same time. By simple, I mean that they are very approachable and fruit-driven, usually not heavy on oak, and meant to drink at the table. The French even have a term for this called 'Vin de Table'. Complexity comes by

using different grape varieties in the blend, which gives different flavor characteristics to the wine. This makes a wine more interesting to smell and taste; it's kind of like adding salt, pepper, spices, or herbs to your food.

If you are new to Cotes du Rhone reds and would like to get acquainted, the following wines should be readily available at your local grocery or liquor store chain -

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JASON DAY'S SHORT GAME TIP

BY *FRED ALTVATER*



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From 100 yards and in do you have a "go-to" shot? Are you on a first-name basis with your Sand Wedge, Gap Wedge, Pitching Wedge and 9-Iron?

Let me ask you a question, how much time do you spend on the range practicing shots from 100 yards and in to the green?

Recently, the No. 1 player in the world, Jason Day was asked how much time he spent working on his short game. He replied that during a session, devoted entirely to practice, he spent a total of four hours between putting, chipping

and shots from 150 yards in. Of that time, he spends 1 ½ hours on his wedges alone.

The next time you head to the range take a few cones or stakes and arrange them at 10-20 yard intervals and find the club that best works for you for each 10-yard interval.

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RIDDELL'S BAY IN BERMUDA

THE DEATH OF A GREAT GOLF EXPERIENCE

BY **BOB RICCIOLI**

Half way to the western tip of Bermuda, in Warwick, was one of those great hidden gems of the golf world. Riddell's Bay was incorporated in 1922 and over the decades it became one of my favorite places. When it was reported that it was closing its doors, I decided someone had to tell her story as a fitting, **"Good Bye."**

My wife and I spent many wonderful weeks in Bermuda over 15 years. We played every golf course in Bermuda multiple times, making friends at every stop, but none was more welcoming than Riddell's Bay. The mixture of Scottish, British, and Azorean Portuguese membership was engaging, without ever daring to go overboard. Playing with members was always an experience this "Yank" always appreciated as much as the course.

Riddell's was built on a peninsula offering fantastic views of the Atlantic, but being surrounded by ocean also means that winds play a factor on every shot. Each

day at Riddell's Bay the wind could blow from a different direction and just when you thought you had experienced it would change course or swirl in confounding even the best of golfers.

My favorite recollection was lending my long-time partner a spare sweater vest mid-round. While it was too big on him, it stopped his shivers, as the changing winds had turned uncharacteristically cool. While waiting for him to play his shot, the wind kicked up and he became a yellow "Pillsbury Dough Boy." The wind had caused the overly large sweater to billow and he had to remove it to play his shot.

It was at Riddell's that I truly learned how to play *"bump-and-run,"* when the local professional advised me to turn my Lob Wedge upside-down so as not to be tempted to use it. I also learned that the locals knew more about the "Texas Wedge" than any Cowboy fan.

The Clubhouse was a place

of proper attire and decorum, just like the course. The membership was inviting and many conversations were enjoyed among the comfortable confines of the clubhouse.

We had the good fortune to be invited to a wedding there, and the vows were exchanged with a gorgeous sunset vista on the 2nd Hole. The Reception was as wonderful as any evening dinner one might be invited to.

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Like a lost loved one, we will always have our warm memories of Riddell's Bay.

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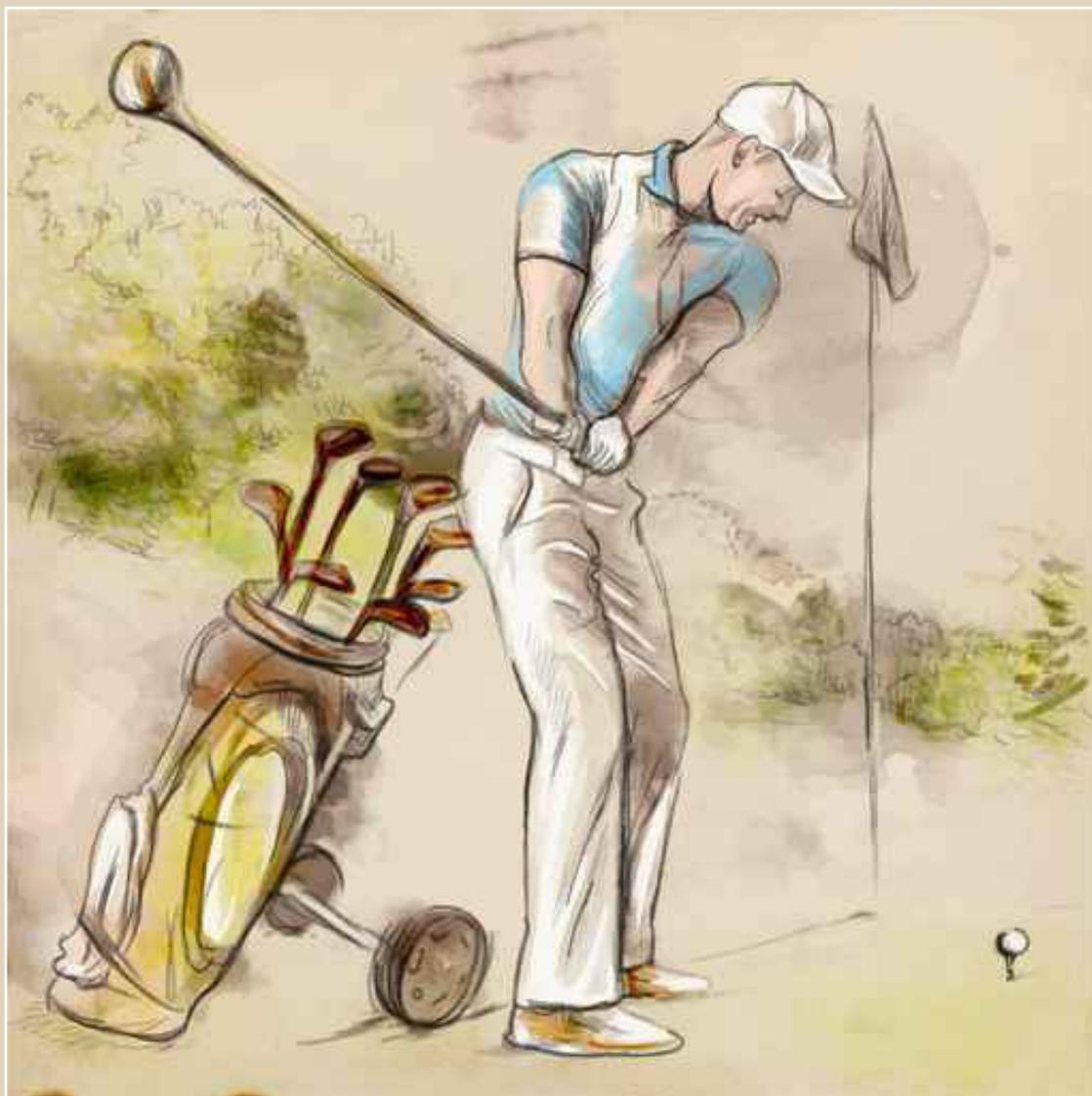
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Last Month Jack Nicklaus hosted another successful Memorial Tournament at Muirfield Village in Columbus. The Golden Bear does not play much anymore, but in 2010 playing with Johnny Miller, Arnold Palmer and Tom Watson he sank this 100' putt at the Grand Opening of Harbour Shores in Benton Harbour, Michigan the site of this year's Senior PGA Championship won by Rocco Mediate.

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