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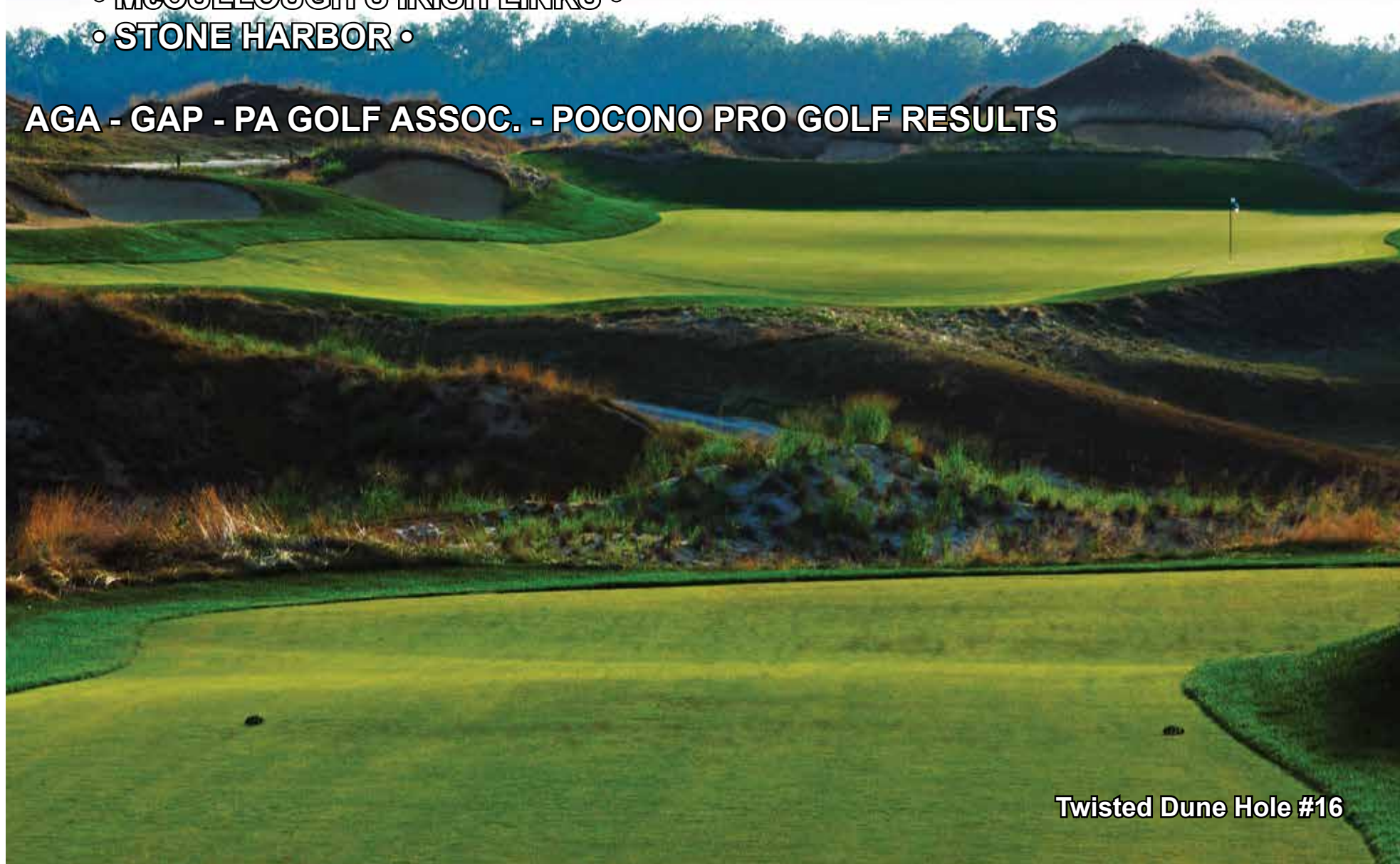
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INLAND GOLF AT SANTEE SOUTH CAROLINA

SANTEE, S.C. – When 19th hole conversations turn to buddy trips to South Carolina, it's a good bet that popular coastal destinations are part of the planning process, as countless scores of golfers flock to Myrtle Beach, historic Charleston and Hilton Head each year.

But more and more, savvy golfers looking for quality golf and great value are discovering a destination a bit more "inland."

Less than an hour from the coast, near the intersection of two major interstate highways – I-95 running north and south and I-26 running east and west – is the small but hospitable town of Santee, S.C. and the huge and equally inviting Santee Cooper lakes. Collectively more than 170,000 acres of freshwater boating and fishing paradise, Lake Moultrie and Lake Marion were created in the post-depression New Deal era to provide hydroelectric power for a large chunk of the South Carolina coastal plain.

And while they continue to do just that for more than 165,000 residential and commercial customers in Berkeley, Georgetown and Horry counties, millions in states far and wide today recognize the name "Santee Cooper" as a recreational playground that offers something for every outdoor enthusiast, regardless of their interests and preferences. Fishing, boating, camping, equestrian – you name it; it's all part of the fabric of what's come to be known as Santee Cooper Country.

But this is a golf magazine, so why are we talking about Santee – the shorter, more commonly used moniker for the overall area – here?

The answer is simple. Over recent decades, Santee has become a golf destination for players from far beyond the Carolinas. With more than a dozen courses dotting the landscape surrounding the massive lakes, finding a tee time is never a problem and with South Carolina's sub-tropical climate, the courses are not only open year-round, but in ideal condition when courses in many parts of the country are blanketed by winter snow.

At the heart of this burgeoning golf region are the two gems that ignited the Santee golf boom – Lake Marion Golf Resort and Santee Cooper Country Club. Neighboring properties, both are situated right along the waters of the "upper" lake, within a minute – literally – of the intersection of SC Hwy 6 and I-95.

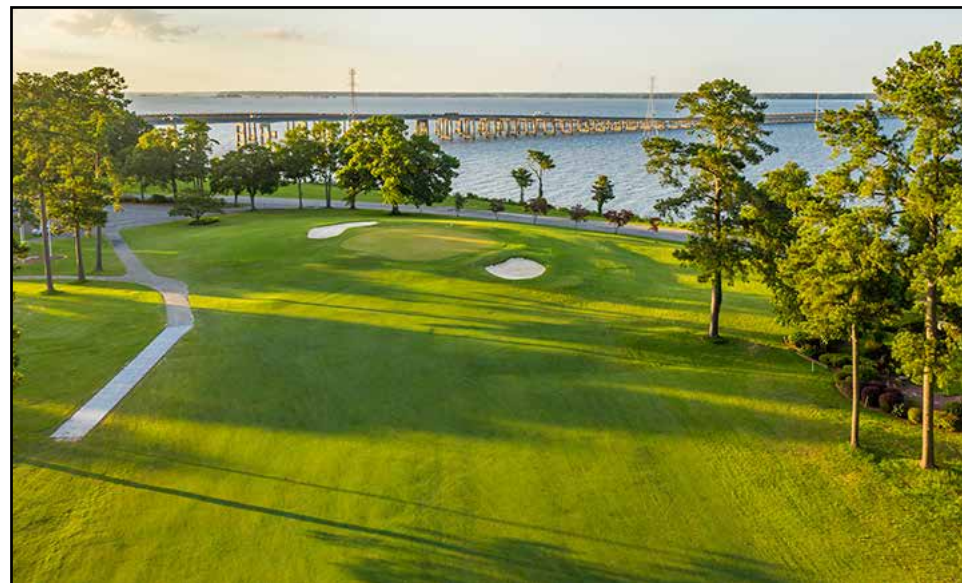


Lake Marion Golf Club

Lake Marion Golf Resort is exactly what the name says, a complete, full-service resort with on-site accommodations, food and more. The resort's centerpiece is the par-72 Lake Marion Golf Club, featuring some of the best MiniVerde ultradwarf Bermuda greens anywhere. Not overly long by today's standards, the course provides plenty of challenge, thanks to a routing that takes advantage of the natural topography, with more ups and downs than one might expect this close to the coast. And while the course's generous 419-hybrid Bermuda fairways generally provide room for all but the most marginal shots, don't stray too far from the short grass as most fairway corridors are lined with towering Carolina pines.

Throughout the routing, you'll find a blend of holes that is never monotonous as no two consecutive holes play to the same point on the compass. The sequencing of long holes, short holes, doglegs left and right, as well as a foursome of par-3s that stretch from 150 to more than 200 yards, keeps the player reaching for different clubs and trying to fashion different shots throughout the round.

Singling out one hole to highlight on a course with so many memorable holes may be unfair to the other 17. But No. 14 at Santee Golf Resort is sure to stick in the memory of any player long after the round is over. A modest par-4 of just 322 yards from the back tee, the fourteenth is a dogleg right that plays around a lake and requires both tee shot and approach carry a portion of the hazard. More cautious players may opt for much less than driver – a hybrid or even a mid-iron – off the tee, leaving a short iron or wedge approach. But in today's game, the green is a tempting target for the big hitter, especially if the bomber is comfortable hitting a left-to-right shot with the driver.



Santee Cooper Country Club

Next door to the resort, literally, is Santee Cooper Country Club, providing a "private club" experience within a gated community. The George Cobb layout features the same 419/MiniVerde turf combination in the same excellent condition as its neighbor but with much more challenging green complexes. False fronts, roll-offs and fold-aways make targets much smaller than they appear from the

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fairway. Having a decent look at birdie requires much more than simply hitting the green; you must find the right portion of the green. Failing to do so can not only make three-putting a distinct possibility; it can leave you reaching for a wedge as you watch what you thought was a good approach roll into the fringe or beyond.

Again, the topo is rolling and tall pines and other native trees line the fairways. And once again, plenty of holes stand out on a routing that strives to keep the golfer a bit off-balance without being uncomfortable. Consider the three-hole run starting at No. 12. A relatively flat, dogleg left par-4 is followed by an uphill, dogleg right par-5, followed by a steeply downhill, dogleg right par-4.

But it's the finishing hole that may be the most memorable, not just at SCCC but in the whole area. That's because once you reach the turnpoint on this 386-yard, par-4 that bends a little right, you're looking right at Lake Marion, which provides an amazing panoramic backdrop to the slightly elevated green.

For the traveling golfer, accommodation options in the Santee area are numerous and stay-and-play packages are available through several package agents. But without question, the most convenient lodging is found at the comfortably appointed Golf Villas and Townhouses – 34 units in all – at the heart of Lake Marion Resort. Located along the fairways of Lake Marion Golf Course and within walking distance of the clubhouse, lighted driving range and the Palmetto Traverse Putting Course. These two-bedroom units (with four double beds) average 1,500 square feet and feature two bathrooms, a fully-equipped kitchen, outdoor patio or balcony, three televisions with satellite TV featuring 160 channels with HD options, complimentary WiFi service, daily towel service and access to a shared grilling station. You can even drive your golf cart to your room, if you want to.

And what was that Palmetto Traverse, you ask? Located between the villas and the clubhouse, this massive putting course is a relatively new addition

to the resort. Designed by noted architect Chris Spence, the course will test even the best putter in your group. Dramatic undulations are the norm in a putting surface that is measured in acreage, not square footage.

More of a "putting course" than a putting green, Palmetto Traverse is completely separate from the regular practice green (adjacent to the first tee) and is the perfect place to cap off a day of golf. Numbered tee markers make it easy to find your way around the challenging – make that very challenging – 18-hole course. There are even cup holders built into the tee



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HUNTSVILLE WINS THIRD STRAIGHT SCUTTLE TITLE



EXETER, Pa. — Danielle Dalessandro pulled into the parking lot and walked to the first tee Wednesday. No practice swings. No practice putts. No stretching.

"It was definitely not as planned, but I had to send a few work emails for real estate. I needed to get a contract signed, so it was kind of like, 'Send it out. Get it signed. I'll still make my tee time,'" Dalessandro, a real estate agent, said. "It was kind of a win-win. A little bit of a loss for me, but a win on the [contract end] hopefully."

And a win for Dalessandro's golf home. With a par on No. 18 (par 4, 289 yards) at Fox Hill Country Club (par 73, 5,363 yards), Dalessandro delivered victory for Huntsville Golf Club in the 31st GAP/AGA Women's Coal Scuttle at Fox Hill Country Club (par 73, 5,363 yards). Huntsville (71 points) upended clubhouse leader Berwick Golf Club (69) by two points.

Dalessandro (31 points), Kasey Saraka (22), Bernadette McHugh (18) and Elyse Wilson (12) represented Huntsville Wednesday. It marked the club's sixth title in the last eight years (2016, 2018-19, 2021-23).



Wyoming Valley Country Club's Molly Gorman earned individual medalist honors with 32 points. The Women's Coal Scuttle format is Stableford. The top three of four scores count toward the team total.

"It's awesome. That's what makes today great. It's a team event," Dalessandro, 28, of Moosic, Pa., said. "When you're out there, you don't just give up because you're playing for a team. It keeps you going."

Dalessandro, despite her hustle-and-hit introduction, kept going. She kept going despite a 5-over-par 41 on her outward tour. Playing in the day's last group, Dalessandro needed to three points in her final two holes to keep Huntsville's Scuttle streak going.

The three-time individual medalist (2018-19, 2022) lived up to her résumé. On No. 17 (par 4, 324 yards), Dalessandro landed a 9-iron from 120 yards on the front of the green. She coziered an uphill, left-to-right slider — "a doozy of a putt" — into the safety zone for 4. On No. 18 (par 4, 289 yards), Dalessandro again relied on her 9-iron, this time from 118 yards. Punch fade desired. Double cross instead. She found herself on the front-left edge and soon faced a 12-footer for par to nudge Huntsville in front. Dalessandro buried the left-to-right breaker.

A round of applause from the patio. Cheers and hugs from her teammates.

"We were down one of our top players, Barb Pagana. She's in Pinehurst (N.C.). She's a huge asset that we unfortunately didn't have today, but Elyse came in and really stepped up today," Dalessandro said. "We needed it."

Wilson received a phone call Saturday to step in.

"I haven't slept since then," she said jokingly.

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The moment Dalessandro arrived at the scoring table Wednesday, Wilson looked in her direction and gave the horns gesture. Not to be confused with a rock-and-roll gesture. You know, the one you typically see at a rock concert.

Stags up, in honor of Dalessandro’s alma mater, Fairfield University.

“She’s a total rock star. A rock star stag,” Wilson, 44, of Wilkes-Barre, Pa., said.

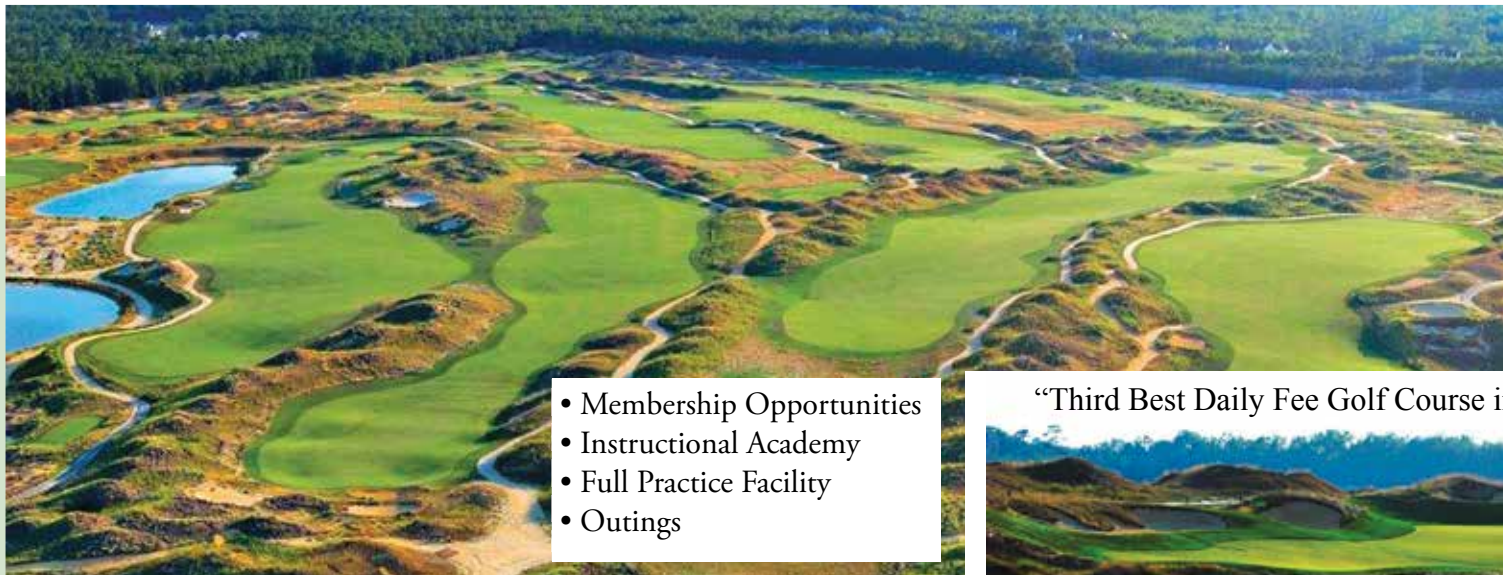
“I like the women who play at Huntsville. We’re a pretty tight-knit crew,” Dalessandro said. “It’s a lot of fun playing with those ladies.”

	Pos.	Team	Stableford Points
	1	Huntsville Golf Club	71
	2	Berwick Golf Club	69
	3	Wyoming Valley Country Club	68
	4	Glen Oak Country Club	64
	5	Elkview Country Club	63
	6	Elmhurst Country Club	61
	7	Glenmaura National Golf Club	53
	8	Fox Hill Country Club	43
	9	Irem Country Club	30

Pos.	Player	Stableford Points			
1	Gorman, Molly Wyoming Valley Country Club	32	18	Novack, Debbie Elkview Country Club	17
2	Dalessandro, Danielle Huntsville Golf Club	31	19	Brozena, Jacqueline Fox Hill Country Club	17
3	Casey, Mariah Berwick Golf Club	30	20	Harris, Tammie Glenmaura National Golf Club	17
4	Zefran, Katie Elkview Country Club	28	21	Kocher, Darlene Berwick Golf Club	16
5	McDonough, Maura Elmhurst Country Club	25	22	Gregg, Marie Elmhurst Country Club	15
6	Brodbeck, Linda Glen Oak Country Club	25	23	McDonough, Maggie Elmhurst Country Club	15
7	Mukdasatit, Oh Porn-tipa Glenmaura National Golf Club	24	24	Vansaun, Joanne Irem Country Club	15
8	Saraka, Kasey Huntsville Golf Club	22	25	Eget, Donna Glen Oak Country Club	14
9	Dettore, Ruth Elmhurst Country Club	21	26	Voitek, Ruthann Fox Hill Country Club	14
10	Luciani, Nancy Glen Oak Country Club	21	27	Vangarelli, Kim Irem Country Club	13
11	Daniel, Amy Berwick Golf Club	20	28	Hudacek, Sharon Glenmaura National Golf Club	12
12	Udzella, Holly Berwick Golf Club	19	29	Wilson, Elyse Huntsville Golf Club	12
13	Skorupa, Mary Ellen Elkview Country Club	18	30	Ellis, Judith Fox Hill Country Club	12
14	Goeringer, Kathy Wyoming Valley Country Club	18	31	Maier, Barb Glenmaura National Golf Club	10
15	McHugh, Bernadette Huntsville Golf Club	18	32	Senunas, Rose Wyoming Valley Country Club	10
16	Yonchiuk, Maryann Glen Oak Country Club	18	33	Zefran, Linda Elkview Country Club	9
17	Mileski, Deborah Wyoming Valley Country Club	18	34	Cosgrove, Diane Fox Hill Country Club	6
			35	Hazleton, Karen Irem Country Club	2

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USGA WOMEN'S MID-AMATEUR COMING TO PENNSYLVANIA

By MIKE KERN

There's a major championship coming to Pennsylvania soon.

The 36th U.S. Women's Mid-Amateur will be held on the North Course (i.e. new) at Chester County's Stonewall in Elverson from Sept. 9-14, about 50 miles northwest of Philadelphia. The club's Old Course, which was also designed by Tom Doak, hosted the Mid-Am in 2016. The North layout is celebrating its 20th birthday.

A field of 132 players will compete. The USGA accepted 454 entries, the most for the championship in 16 years. The North Course did play co-host during the stroke-play portion in 2007, and combined with the Old Course as the first USGA championship to feature a 36-hole final on two courses. This championship is open to female golfers who have reached their 25th birthday by the first day of the competition and have a handicap index not exceeding 9.4.

Following 18-hole rounds of stroke play on Sept. 9 and 10, the field will be cut to the top 64 for match play. Five 18-hole rounds of that format will determine the finalists, who will play one final round of 18 holes on Thursday Sept. 14. Obviously there will be two days where the players will have to survive two matches.

The course will play at 5,920 yards, with a par of 71. The seventh hole will be played as a par 5 instead of a 4 as the members tackle it. The front nine now features three par 5s, 4s and 3s, which you don't see very often.

The winner will earn an invite into next year's U.S. Women's Open, which will be returning to Lancaster Country Club (where it was held in 2015). Also coming to the area next year is the U.S. Amateur Four-Ball Championship at Philadelphia Cricket Club. So please mark your calendars. It's good to plan ahead.

Qualifying is being held at 28 sites in the U.S. and one in Mexico between July 23 and August 22. But 31 players have full exemptions. And some of them are local, notably Isabella DiLisio, who was a semifinalist last year, and South Jersey's Meghan Stassi, the 2012 champ and a quarter-finalists a year ago.

Admission is free, so if you're free there's really not a reason not to attend. Just saying. The winner also gets exemption into the next 10 U.S. Women's Mid-Ams, the next two U.S. Women's Amateur and the next two U.S. Senior Women's Am if they are age eligible. So there's a lot at stake.

The defending champ is Krissy Carman, who defeated Alisa Clark, 2 and 1, at Fiddlesticks Country Club in Fort Myers, Fla. Two years after giving birth to a son, she became the first mom in 11 years to lift the trophy. It was the second straight time that Clark, a UCLA product, was beaten in the final.

This will be the 91st USGA championship held in the state. Last year,

Merion hosted the 42nd Curtis Cup, and Saucon Valley was the site of the U.S. Senior Open (won by Padraig Harrington). Pennsylvania is the all-time leader in USGA championships hosted, with California now being two back.

This is the third U.S. Women's Mid-Am to be held in the commonwealth, but first in the Eastern half. In 1990, Allegheny Country Club in Sewickley produced Carol Simple Thompson as the champion. And in 2016, Julia Potter-Bobb won at the Kahkwa Club in Erie.

If you want to volunteer or for sponsorship information there may still be time. Go to www.Stonewalllinks.com. They're going to need some 300 people that week, and are getting close to that number. And if you work two different shifts you will receive a voucher to come back and play the course yourself. Hard to beat that for an incentive.



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ELKVIEW ENDS FOX HILL’S SCUTTLE TITLE REIGN



EXETER, Pa. — Elkview Country Club stopped the skulk supremacy Wednesday by winning the 9th GAP/AGA Super-Senior Coal Scuttle Championship. For the first eight years of the event, Fox Hill Country Club (par 71, 6,034 yards), the host site, won. Bragging rights. Hosting rights. Hence the skulk supremacy.

Not anymore. Elkview posted a 9-over-par 222 total to dethrone Fox Hill, which finished tied for second with Emanon Country Club at 17 over. The low three of four scores count toward the team total.

Elkview’s Mike Heck carded an even-par 71 to earn individual medalist honors. Matt Froncek (74), Edward Cimoch (77) and John Zavada (80) rounded out the Elkview team.

“I just can’t believe it,” an overjoyed Heck, 67, of Jermyn, Pa., said. “It took nine years. Fox Hill is so good. Ed Hennigan, Jim Hoover ... they’re legends. To beat those guys is unbelievable. When we ended up winning, I was surprised.”

“This is a nice achievement for our group. We’re a very close-knit group at Elkview. To beat Fox Hill here ...” Froncek, 67, of Greenfield Township, Pa., added.

Pos.	Team	To Par Gross
1	Elkview Country Club	+9
2	Emanon Country Club	+17
3	Fox Hill Country Club	+17
4	Berwick Golf Club	+26
5	Pocono Farms Country Club	+29
6	Scranton Canoe Club	+30
7	Irem Country Club	+37
8	Glen Oak Country Club	+41
T9	Valley Country Club	+42
T9	Country Club of Scranton	+42
T9	Elmhurst Country Club	+42
T12	Glenmaura National Golf Club	+45
T12	Wyoming Valley Country Club	+45

Heck, motivated by the shortcomings of years past, netted 13 of 14 fairways. He worked tirelessly on his putting stroke prior, loosening his hands for a more effective stroke. He bandaged his left knee (a replacement looms in October) so he can post with less pain. He felt confident.

Heck anchored Elkview atop the leaderboard throughout most of the day. The reigning GAP/AGA Super-Senior Player of the Year moved to 1 under with back-to-back birdies on Nos. 15 (par 4, 320 yards) and 16 (par 4, 354 yards). He hit a gap wedge 100 yards to eight feet on the former, a 56-degree wedge 90 yards to 15 feet on the latter. Heck asked Froncek and Zavada where the team stood as he approached No. 18 (par 4, 332 yards) green. Once the shock wore off, Heck realized that three putts afforded medalist honors. He decelerated on a three-footer for par, then happily tapped in for the win. An emotional Heck pumped his fist. Froncek intercepted his good friend for a hug as he walked off the green.

“No one works harder at the game than Mike Heck,” Froncek said. “He is on the range practicing, practicing, practicing. He keeps himself under control. He’s always in it.”

Now Elkview is firmly in the Super-Senior Scuttle conversation. Refer to them as champions.

“You want to make your club proud,” Heck said. “I still can’t believe it.”





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ORANGEBURG CC: A MUST-PLAY FOR SANTEE AREA GOLFERS

By Reid Nelson

Looking for a golf destination that offers everything from resort to exclusive private club experiences? Look no further than the Santee Cooper region of South Carolina.

Just a few short decades ago, vacationers heading to Santee Cooper were most likely towing a bass boat. But in recent years, a growing number of visitors to this outdoor-lovers paradise set squarely between the Lowcountry and the Midlands of South Carolina are packing their golf bags.

And for good reason.

Santee Cooper Country, as its come to be known – the area around



the massive Lakes Marion and Moultrie, home to some of the best bass, striper, catfish and crappie fishing anywhere in the world – has become a nationally-, even internationally-known golf destination, joining the likes of Myrtle Beach and Hilton Head Island in attracting thousands of golfers to the Palmetto State annually. And while the flagship properties that started it all – Lake Marion Golf Resort and Santee Cooper Country Club – remain the patriarchs of the Santee golf explosion, more than a dozen courses now populate the menus offered by several vacation package agents, including Santee Cooper Golf, Golf Santee and Santee Cooper Country.

Depending on the booking agent employed, traveling golfers can pick from layouts from Orangeburg to Charleston, all within an easy drive of the ‘quiet little fishing town’ that started it all, Santee, S.C. There, you’ll find a variety of accommodations, from hotels of various price ranges to luxury inn rooms to resort villas and townhomes, all within minutes of the two flagship courses, as well as Santee National, which boasts a four-star Golf Digest rating.

Head a little north and you can play Wyboo and Shannon Greens in Manning or Beech Creek, the Links at Lakewood and Crystal Lakes in Sumter. Drive a bit east and play Crowfield or Berkeley Country Club, both just north of Charleston. Or venture a half-hour or so west and test Hillcrest in Orangeburg or Calhoun Hills in St. Matthews.

All are good choices, sure to please, but the one course any and all Santee golfers want on their dance card is Orangeburg Country Club. A classic, 1960s-style layout designed by Ellis Maples – the Donald Ross protégé who created the Country Club of North Carolina’s Dogwood Course and Grandfather Golf and Country Club among others – provides a select few traveling golfers a true private club experience because that’s exactly what it is.

Rescued from impending bankruptcy by the late Frank Tourville in May 2009, OCC is real-life “Field of Dreams.” Owner of the multinational Zeus Corp., which manufactures polymer tubing for everything from the operating room to aerospace, Tourville lived in a home overlooking the fourth fairway from the time he relocated Zeus corporate headquarters from New Jersey to Columbia, S.C., in the early ‘80s. But with the club facing financial demise, he bought OCC for \$1, assuming the club’s seven-figure debt burden in the transaction, because, as he once joked with a local reporter, he “didn’t want a cotton field in my back yard.” But it was much more a labor of love than a hedge against declining real estate value.

A Vermont native, Tourville genuinely loved his adopted hometown of Orangeburg. He spent countless time, not to mention his own dollars, promoting area business, schools and universities. After saving OCC from creditors, he pumped millions of those dollars into the club, not just upgrading but perfecting what is now a showplace. Hiring noted Pinehurst architect Richard Mandell to restore the integrity of Maples’ design to challenge today’s players armed with the latest equipment technology, Tourville unveiled the resurrected Orangeburg Country Club in late October. And the rave reviews have not stopped since. Regardless of the measuring stick – maintenance, playing conditions, challenge – OCC ranks as one of the state’s very best golf courses, as evidenced by its ranking, year after year, by the South Carolina Golf Course Rating Panel.

Though Tourville passed in March 2021, Orangeburg Country Club remains a testament to his desire for, make that insistence on excellence. The Champion ultradwarf Bermuda greens are flawless in the most strictest definition of the word. Even the cones that fall from the tall loblolly pines don’t sit on the ground long before they are picked up and carried away – a point of pride that underscores the axiom that guided Tourville, both in his business and his life: “We can do it better.”

Mandell found out about Tourville’s passion for excellence as soon as he got the job at Orangeburg. “He said he wanted ‘the best g__d__ golf course in South Carolina,’” the architect recalled. “I found out pretty quickly that Mr. T doesn’t do anything second-class.”

Neither does Orangeburg Country Club. Call it Tourville’s Legacy, a legacy that benefits OCC members and visitors every day.

For more on Orangeburg Country Club, go to www.orangeburgcc.com. Or to book a golf trip that affords access to the club whose reputation is rapidly spreading throughout the golf world, go to either www.golfsantee.com or www.santeecoopergolf.com. Both include OCC in their booking options.

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THE LINKS-LIKE LURE OF TWO JERSEY SHORE GEMS

By Pete Kowalski

Playing golf at the south Jersey shore in late July has a ton of appeal to those who want an alternative to a “basking on the beach” day.

Playing a links-style course should be that cooling alternative, right?

Fortunately, the area has its share of golf courses that can be defined as strong American cousins of the true links courses of the United Kingdom that feature wind, firm ground, rolling mounds and dunes, tall fescue grasses and deep and unforgiving sand bunkers.

Well, the two courses that this veteran PR jockey played recently in the solstice ‘real feels’ hovering in the 100s, were McCullough’s Emerald Golf Links and Twisted Dune Golf Club, located less than two miles apart, on Ocean Heights Avenue in Egg Harbor Township.

The courses are both highly rated in Golf Day’s 2023 top public courses in South Jersey with Twisted Dune at #4 and McCullough’s at #5. Twisted Dune is also #4 in Golfweek’s top New Jersey public tracks for 2023.

With the temperatures in the mid to high 90s and the bright sun of the middle of the day, shade was almost non-existent because of the design style of the courses with little of the wind that it is to be expected on these links-like layouts. Thanks to the stalwart beverage cart staff at each course, a trusty insulated Corkicle tumbler and a sturdy 2010 U.S. Women’s Open umbrella from Oakmont, we stayed away from heat-related ailments.

Transparency 101: welcomed breezes were moderate for most of the round at Twisted Dune and played a critical role in club selection. There was no wind at McCullough’s but that didn’t translate into “nae wind ,nae golf.”



McCullough Hole#7

McCullough’s, designed by Stephen Kay and opened in 2003, is a tribute to the famed links courses of the UK with each of the 18 holes inspired by a hole from St Andrews, Royal County Down, Carnoustie, Royal Troon, Prestwick, Waterville, Gleneagles, Turnberry, Royal Dornoch, Nairn, Royal Portrush, and Southport and Ainsdale.

Truth be told, there was a short respite from the heat on holes 15 and 16 holes which effectively eat up the small parcel of land on the other side of Mt. Airy Ave.. The par-4 15th is a sharp dogleg right that tempts for accurately shaped left-to- right tee shot to reach the green from the tee. The nifty little par-3 16th puts a premium on club choice and a high and soft iron from the tee.

The signature hole, the par-4 seventh is a tribute to architect Alistair Mackenzie, designer of Augusta National and Cypress Point. In 1914, he won a design contest conducted by Country Life Magazine for a hole that was to be constructed at the Lido Golf Club in Long



McCullough Hole#2

Island’s South Shore but was never built.

It is the largest hole Kay has ever built on any of his designs and a three-acre waster bunker sits where the Atlantic Ocean would have cut into the Lido G.C. property. The fairway is 159 yards at its widest point.

McCullough’s second hole, a par-3, is a tribute to the Biarritz design brought to the U.S. by Charles Blair McDonald.

With water on five holes, the course also features the Shore’s only 100-foot elevation changes.

If wind and normal July conditions were in play during our round, the firm and fast mantra would have made for prototypical links playability. However, it was a steamy and windless day for sweltering



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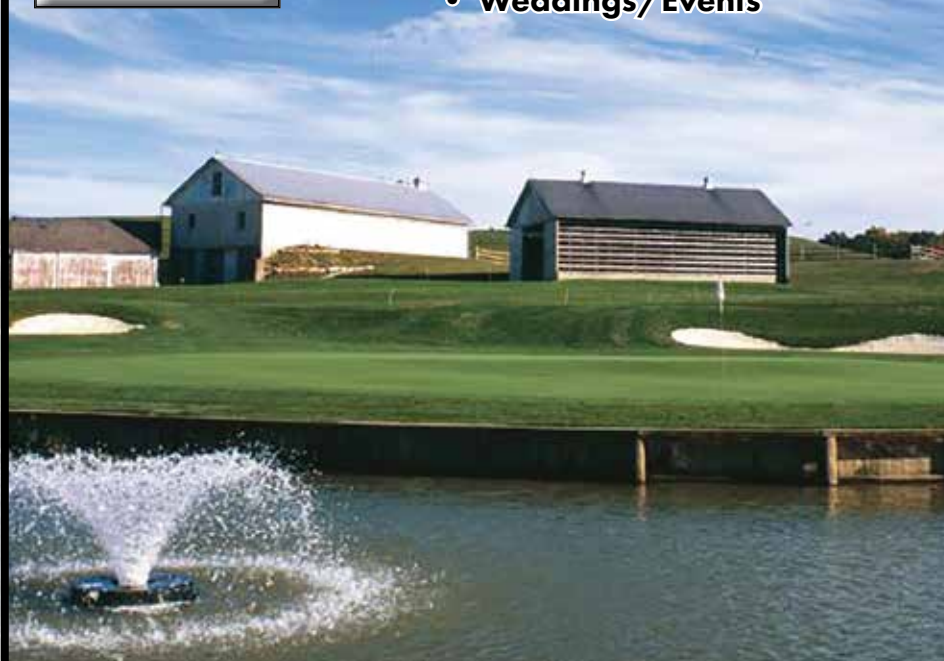
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golfers and the generous fairways at McCullough's were softer than normal with little 'run,' that made it nice for finding the short grass.

And the bagpiper music heard from the 18th tee is a nice touch.

At Twisted Dune, the high-rising dunescapes that lend to the course's name define the holes and keep you focused on the task at hand. Each hole is designed to be almost isolated from the next. You will really get that feel when you twist your way around the sand cart paths that almost seem carved from sand.



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The bunkers at the Archie Struthers design, that opened in 2001, seem to be everywhere and make scrambling for your par a severe test.

Choose wisely from the set of five tees as Twisted Dune can be deceptively long if you encounter the softer conditions we faced in July.

From every tee you see your challenge and that is completely evident on the tees of their strong set of par-3 holes. The second and 16th holes that are rated as the #2 and #5 handicap holes on the course demand a 'far and sure' attitude. Finding the green with your tee shot on these holes would produce an "Aye, laddie" from anyone with UK roots.

While the par-4 18th hole carries the banner as the No. 1 handicap hole on the course, you'll find that the par-4 fifth offers one of the most difficult approach shots on the course. Holes 13 and 14 also offer stiff challenges because of the water that comes into play on each tee shot.

Twisted Dune and McCullough's are links-style relatives that combine unique playability with an 'old sod' feel. You will want to return because conditions could make your next round there a whole different ball game just like links in the United Kingdom.

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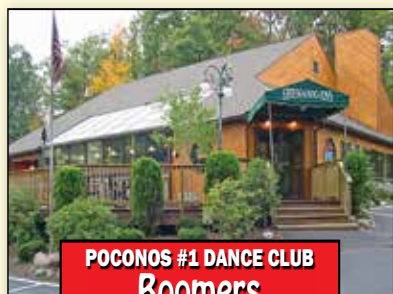
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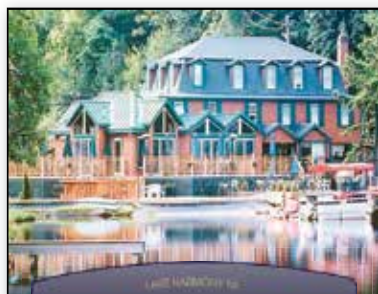
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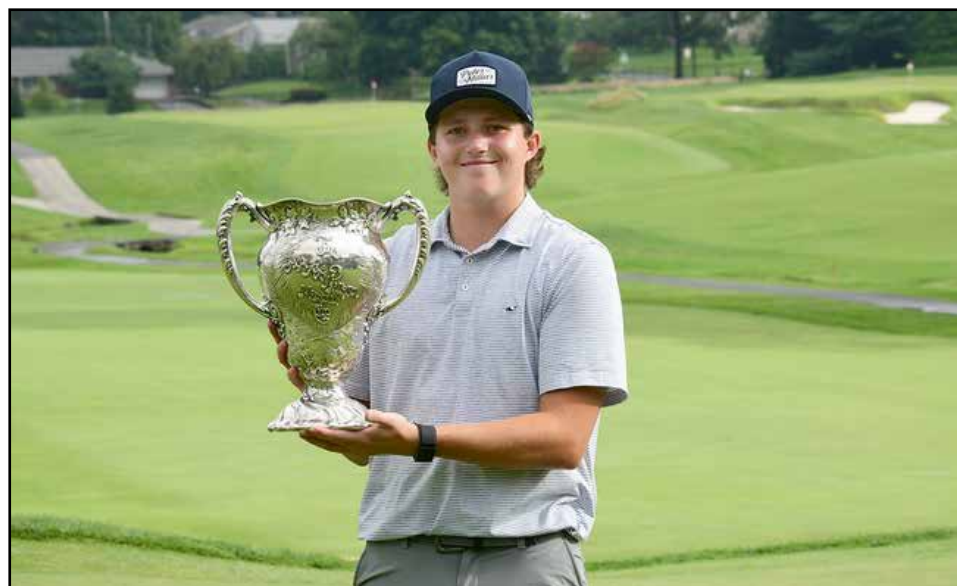


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PACZEWSKI SURVIVES PLAYOFF, GRABS PATTERSON CUP TITLE

HAVERTOWN, Pa.—Logan Paczewski didn't make it easy on himself. Neither did his golf game.

But both treaded water, literally, long enough to stabilize, and then thrive, en route to the 121st Joseph H. Patterson Cup, presented by Provident Bank, title Thursday at Llanerch Country Club (par 71, 6,784 yards).



Paczewski outlasted Austin Barbin of Chesapeake Bay Golf Club and Matt Mattare of Saucon Valley Country Club in a four-hole aggregate playoff. Playing Nos. 1 thru 4 (three par fours and a par three, par 15 total), Paczewski totaled 14 strokes, Mattare 15 and Barbin 16. A relentless rain pelted players throughout the back nine of regulation. A torrential downpour toward the end of the wave forced a two-hour delay between the completion of the second round and the playoff.

The win is Paczewski's first in a GAP Major Championship.

"I don't have [any] words," said the 19-year-old Huntsville Golf Club member and Dallas, Pa. resident. "I've dreamed of being a GAP Major Champion since I've started playing in GAP events. It's great that the dream finally came true."

Paczewski is the second player from the GAP/Anthracite Golf Association region to capture a Major this season. David Mecca of Glen Oak Country Club took the Middle-Amateur Championship in May.

Paczewski, who shared the first-round lead with Barbin, and his pie in the sky plans, appeared sunk after the first eight holes. The Rutgers University sophomore was 6-over par on the round and 1 over for the tournament standing on the ninth tee.

His title chances a mere afterthought at this point especially considering a handful of decorated players with championship

experience were now postured on the leaderboard: Troy Vannucci of Little Mill Country Club; Josh Ryan of The 1912 Club; Jeff Osberg of Pine Valley Golf Club; Mattare and Barbin.

As if the heavens knew, Paczewski found a much-needed lightning bolt of energy. He drained an improbable 50-foot eagle putt from the back of the ninth green to a front-hole location.

Hello chaos. Welcome back Logan Paczewski.

The hard-swinging righty with a short-game to die for turned on the heat as the sky cried. Yes, it was raining.

He birdied Nos. 11 thru 13 and No. 15 (par 4, 293 yards). Let's pause here. Paczewski hit driver right of the 15th green. A rolling mound between him and the hole. Showing deft touch and smooth skills, he chipped a wedge into the aforementioned berm, watched it climb to the top of ridge and trickle to the cup. In fact, it actually lipped out of the left edge. A sublime shot.

When Paczewski, Barbin and Mattare, playing together in the final group, completed No. 15, all stood at 4 under and in a five-way tie for the lead, Hargrove and Osberg also had a share.

It wasn't a candy and roses type day, though, and with a drenching in full effect, Paczewski had a three-putt disaster on No. 16 (par 5, 537 yards). He missed a three-foot par save with rain dripping off his hat. Barbin made an inexplicable bogey as well. Mattare made par.

"Yeah, [No. 16] was the knife really for me," said Barbin, 22, of Elkton, Md., a fifth-year Liberty University senior. "I kind of felt like that was the tournament for me. I had 250 yards to the pin and hit a 5-iron that should have gotten to the front and it was like 10 yards short of the green. I thought I hit a pretty good chip that scooted by six or seven feet. A little too hard for the first putt that went three feet by. And then I missed that. An eagle or birdie chance to a bogey. That's not how you win a golf tournament."

At this point, Mattare and Osberg were 4 under. Paczewski and Barbin 3 under. Hargrove had exited the picture with a double bogey.

On No. 17 (par 3, 155 yards), Mattare mudder-ed in a 25-foot birdie curler to move to 5 under. Destiny apparently awaiting. Paczewski, though, responded in style. He ripped a 9-iron that landed with a thud three feet from the cup. The birdied dropped.

Scoring update. Mattare 5 under; Paczewski 4 under and Barbin 3 under.

Ahead Osberg bogeyed No. 18 (par 4, 290 yards) to finish at 3 under. He joined the clubhouse lead held by Ryan and Vannucci.

Llanerch's final hole produced the drama it always does. On No. 18,

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Mattare found the right rough off the tee, but clear of the tree. Paczewski knocked an iron down the left side. Barbin rocketed a 3-wood into the left greenside bunker. Paczewski flew his approach long and onto a back mound. Under normal circumstances, he would be lucky to keep his next shot the green. Instead, he splashed his wedged onto the surface 10 feet from the cup. Mattare lifted a lob wedge from 81 yards to 30 feet. A two-putt would get the job done. Barbin blasted out to 15 feet.

Heavy rain was in attendance at this point. A full gallery, under the cover of the balcony, looking on.

Mattare rolled his 30-footer four feet past.

Barbin then rammed his birdie putt into the back of the cup to move to 4 under. The applause followed. Paczewski would not be upstaged and saved his miraculous par. More applause. He finished 4 under as well.

Mattare’s four-footer was a downhill breaker. He played quickly but watched as the roll rimmed the left edge and stayed on the wet land. The bogey meant a three-man playoff.

“You play tournaments to have moments like I had on 18 where you have two putts to win a Major event that you care so much about,” said Mattare, 37, of Jersey City, N.J. “So to not get that done is going

to lead to a couple of sleepless nights. But I still a chance in the playoff and all the credit to Logan. I mean you win these tournaments by making putts at key moments.”

In the four-hole aggregate playoff, Paczewski took control from the start. On No. 1 (par 4, 407 yards), he knocked a gap wedge from 131 yards to 20 feet. He walked in the birdie. Barbin made par and Mattare carded a bogey after a poor chip.

In the end, that proved to be the decisive blow.

Paczewski made more magic on No. 2 (par 4, 440 yards) despite knocking his approach long of the green. He flipped a chip to 10 feet and saved par. His competitors managed fours as well.

On No. 3 (par 4, 435 yards), Mattare lofted a pitching wedge from 149 yards to eight feet and sank the birdie. Paczewski showed no give and two puttred from 30 feet.

With one hole left, and one tee shot remaining, on No. 4 (par 3, 211 yards), Mattare went first. His 5-iron stopped 25 feet left. Paczewski followed with a sharp 5-iron to 15 feet right of the flag. Barbin missed the green. Mattare’s birdie try to tie broke more than expected. Paczewski, needing only par to hoist the Cup, nestled his attempt to a foot. Game over.

Pos.	Player	Total To Par Gross	R1	R2	Total Gross
T1	Paczewski, Logan <i>Huntsville Golf Club</i>	-4	66	72	138
T2	Barbin, Austin <i>Chesapeake Bay Golf Club</i>	-4	66	72	138
T2	Mattare, Matthew <i>Saucon Valley Country Club</i>	-4	68	70	138
T4	Vannucci, Troy <i>Little Mill Country Club</i>	-3	72	67	139
T4	Ryan, Joshua <i>The 1912 Club</i>	-3	72	67	139
T4	Osberg, Jeff <i>Pine Valley Golf Club</i>	-3	69	70	139
T7	Crowley, Michael <i>Briarwood Golf Club</i>	-2	70	70	140
T7	Nicholas, Drue <i>Galloway National Golf Club</i>	-2	69	71	140
T9	Riva, Richard <i>LuLu Country Club</i>	-1	73	68	141
T9	Drescher, Zak <i>Bent Creek Country Club</i>	-1	70	71	141
T11	Cooley, Ben <i>Huntingdon Valley Country Club</i>	E	73	69	142
T11	Skylas, Grant <i>LedgeRock Golf Club</i>	E	72	70	142
T11	Barone, John <i>Glenmaura National Golf Club</i>	E	72	70	142
T11	Lydon, Kevin <i>LuLu Country Club</i>	E	70	72	142
T11	Hargrove, Nelson <i>Merion Golf Club</i>	E	68	74	142

T16	Feld, Benjamin <i>Green Valley Country Club</i>	+1	72	71	143
T16	Kim, Alexander <i>Philadelphia Cricket Club</i>	+1	74	69	143
T16	Mason, Andrew <i>Huntingdon Valley Country Club</i>	+1	74	69	143
T16	Barbin, Evan <i>Chesapeake Bay Golf Club</i>	+1	70	73	143
T23	Isztwan, Brian <i>Huntingdon Valley Country Club</i>	+2	73	71	144
T23	Pabst, William <i>Elmhurst Country Club</i>	+2	72	72	144
T25	Maddaloni, Jake <i>Aronimink Golf Club</i>	+3	72	73	145
T25	Keyser, Ben <i>Legacy Club at Woodcrest</i>	+3	71	74	145
T25	Gelrod, Ryan <i>Philadelphia Cricket Club</i>	+3	71	74	145
T25	McGrath, Conor <i>Huntingdon Valley Country Club</i>	+3	71	74	145
T25	Brown, Jr., Michael R. <i>LuLu Country Club</i>	+3	70	75	145
T25	Siegfried, Max <i>Aronimink Golf Club</i>	+3	74	71	145
T25	Bernard, Dan <i>Aronimink Golf Club</i>	+3	74	71	145
T32	Patel, Rij <i>Country Club of York</i>	+4	73	73	146
T32	Owens, Addison <i>USGA/GAP GC</i>	+4	73	73	146
T32	McNeil, Scott <i>The 1912 Club</i>	+4	73	73	146
T32	Tall, Ryan <i>LuLu Country Club</i>	+4	69	77	146
T36	Olseski, Robert <i>Applebrook Golf Club</i>	+5	73	74	147



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By MIKE KERN

On the same day that Viktor Hovland closed with a 61 to pass Scottie Scheffler and win the PGA Tour's BWM Championship playoff event in Chicago, Chan Kim was doing much the same thing in the final event before the four-tournament playoffs on the Korn Ferry Tour.

Kim, a 33-year-old former Japan Golf Tour Order of Merit winner, shot an 8-under par 64 in the fourth round of the inaugural Magnit Championship at Metedeconk National Golf Club in Jackson Township, N.J., the first Korn Ferry tourney to be held in the state in just over a quarter-century.

That allowed him to make up a two-shot deficit and take home the trophy by three over 54-hole leader Taylor Dickson, who had carded a course-record 62 the day before. That was the only score under 65 through the first three rounds.

"I knew I needed to shoot something low to try and give myself a chance, but 8-under is ... I blacked out, I guess," Chan joked afterward. "When that flop shot went in at 12 (for an eagle on a par-5), I knew if I kept pushing I could give myself a chance. On No. 17 (a par-4), I hit it in there really good, and I felt like it was a putt I needed to make. When that one slid by, I told my caddie, 'We've just got to try and birdie 18 and see what happens.'"

Which of course he did. And what happened is he got his first win since last November.

Kim made three consecutive birdies starting at the third hole, and made the turn at 3-under. He gave a stroke back at No. 11, but then made the 3 on the next hole. Then he added three more birds at 13, 14 and 15. That pulled him even with Dickson, who began the day as the co-leader. He would finish with two bogeys, which gave Kim his final cushion.

"I think the No. 1 thing was confidence, believing in myself," Kim acknowledged. "Everybody around me, a lot of my friends, they're always telling me, 'You're so good.' But for some reason I wasn't fully believing in myself, so that's the biggest thing."

This is the first of a four-year deal to bring the tourney to central Jersey. Judging from the reception, it's a move that only figures to keep getting better. Metedeconk is considered one of the top courses in the state, which is saying something when you consider how many great layouts it has. And the fact that it was the last chance for golfers to qualify for the playoffs only added to the storyline. The top 30 at the end will earn their PGA Tour cards, no minor incentive. It's the only thing most of the guys out there are focusing on.

Kim, who went to Arizona State, turned pro 13 years ago. Like a lot of aspiring pros, his journey has taken a bunch of turns. But if you know anything about the Korn Ferry it's that there are many happy endings. Just ask Scheffler, to name just one of the most prominent.

Kim has played in a number of majors and World Golf Championship events. But it's a never-ending climb. And time is not on his side at this point. Still, this victory moved him into the top 15 on the points list. He earned \$180,000 for this effort.

Last season he qualified for the Finals. Sometimes it's about steps.

"There's so many good players out here," he said, after tying his career-low Korn Ferry round. "I haven't been playing as well as I thought I should be playing, so this one means a lot ... I had a rude awakening. I felt I should be (doing better)."

This was his first PGA Tour-sanctioned win, in his 59th start. He had been 54th on the points list coming in. And the process continues.

"I knew this would be the fastest route to the PGA Tour, so I knew I had to make a sacrifice (by leaving Japan) in order to give myself (a better career path)," Kim stressed. "The PGA Tour card is like the light at the end of the tunnel, and now I can kind of see it."

He started with a 70, making him just the third winner this year to start with that number or higher. He was also outside the top 40 after 18 holes, which made him the third eventual champion to overcome that too. He became the 10th first-time winner in 2023. That makes for a lot of dreaming.

On Sunday, Dumont de Chassert and Joe Highsmith also carded 64s. They finished tied for 11th at minus 10.

Sean O'Hair, who used to call Philly home, ended up tied for 45th after closing with a 75. He of course won four times on the PGA Tour, with the last one coming in 2009. He just turned 41 and is fighting to keep his playing privileges at the highest level.

Two New Jersey natives, Ryan McCormick and Chris Gotterup, tied for 16th at minus 8. Both are having very good seasons.

But only one's just got a whole lot better. At just the right moment.

"What else can I say," offered Kim, who missed three straight cuts not that long back. "I knew I really needed to keep my head in the game. There were weeks out there when it was tough. Especially when cards are on the line. You've got to keep your foot down and go after it."

"(This) skyrockets (my confidence) pretty much. I'd love to get another win. Gosh, I kind of have to put this at No. 1 (overall). This being the path to the PGA Tour, Trust me, it's not that easy ... (Now I'll) definitely go out to a nice dinner. My wife's here, and I'm glad (we) got this first win together. It's a good feeling."

On another note, yours truly got to tee it up in the pro-am, courtesy of my friend Jeremy, who handles the media relations for this tourney and the LPGA's Shop Rite Classic down the shore each June. I got the call on Monday that there was an opening, not that it would have made a difference if I'd known a month earlier. Even with my handicap, I knew I'd need help from the rest of the group. We weren't going to win, but I figured we would lead the league in laughs, and I think we might have.

I had only played in one pro-am that I can remember, about a decade ago in Mississippi with Brendan Todd just as he was about to emerge into something worth following. As I recall we finished next-to-last, but not

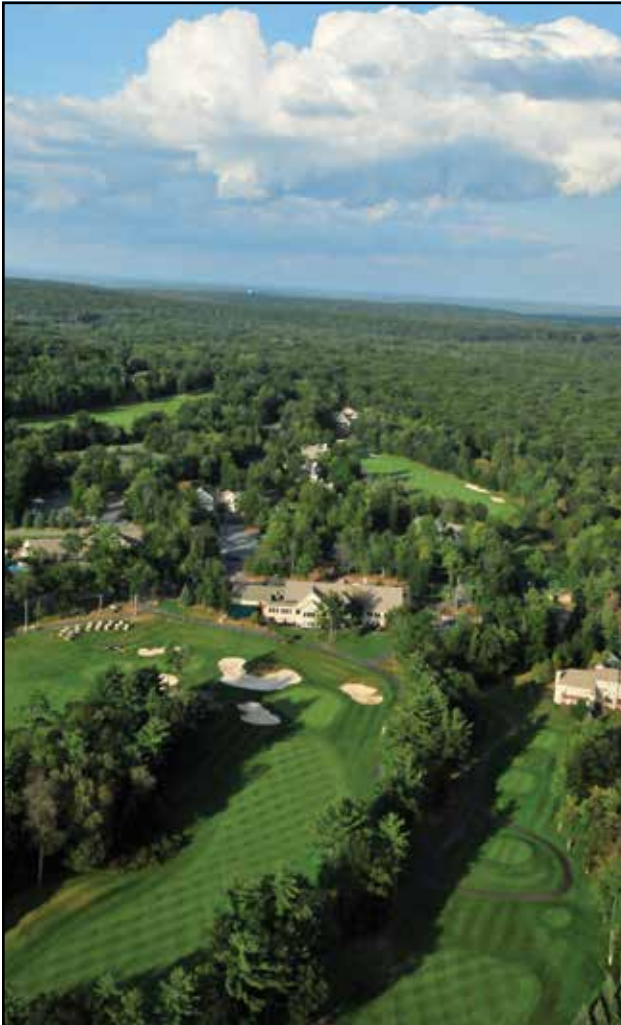


because of him. He treated us great. And so did the two guys we played nine holes each with, Freddie Capan and Brandon Hagy. They too treated us wonderfully. And it was much appreciated, since they might have seen some things they'd never seen before.

Which might have had something to do with the fact that we were for whatever reason playing from the blue tees, which is like two tees back from where I usually start. And Metedeconk is hard enough from the fronts.

I got paired with Ryan, who helps run the Shop Rite, and Tim, who owns the bar that sits next to the Seaview Resort. Tim could hit balls a mile, especially off the tee, which helped since Ryan and I kind of struggled.

Anyway, we had our moments, both ways. And most of all, we had fun. And nobody got hurt, at least I don't think. It was an enlightening experience,



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STONE HARBOR GOLF CLUB GETS NEW LIFE, NEW OWNER

By TONY LEODORA

In 1987, one of the most controversial golf courses ever constructed in America opened at the Jersey Shore. Stone Harbor Golf Club immediately became infamous as a course that would bring even the best golfers to their knees.

Original owner Gordon Shaffner wanted a totally unique and extremely difficult layout that immediately would join the hierarchy of New Jersey golf courses. To accomplish this, he commissioned the eccentric Desmond Muirhead to design the course.

The English-born Muirhead's previous experience was as a landscape planner and designer of retirement villages. A high-handicapper at best, Muirhead was curiously selected to co-design the famous Muirfield Village course near Columbus, Ohio with Jack Nicklaus. The argument remains over who had more of a hand in the design, but the resultant course has evolved into what many architecture experts consider to be the "perfect" parkland golf course.

His other pre-Stone Harbor design attempt didn't go as well. Aberdeen Golf and Country Club in Boynton Beach, Florida debuted earlier in 1987 as an equally controversial design. It featured holes based on Gestalt psychology, Henry Moore sculpture, Biblical scripture and the contours of a mermaid. Many of Aberdeen's bunkers were shaped like stars, fish and giant handprints.

In 2017, architect Jim Fazio was brought in to put the course out of its misery. All of the bizarre features were removed, much-needed



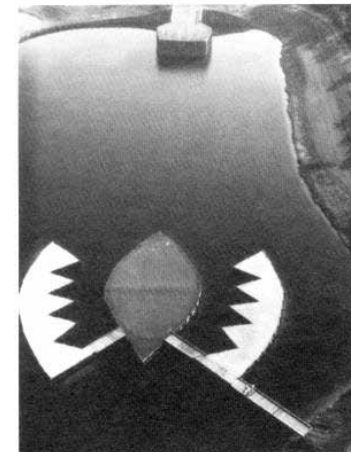
Stone Harbor Hole#7 present day

drainage was installed and the course now resembles a traditional Florida course.

Against that backdrop, Stone Harbor opened and faced the same criticism for excess as was witnessed at Aberdeen. At the opening press conference, Muirhead was questioned about some of the unfair characteristics of Stone Harbor's penal design. The architect stroked his beard, stared up at the ceiling and said, "Golf, as in life, is not always meant to be fair."

Almost immediately, Shaffner began the process of trying to soften the original design. That effort continued into the early 21st century when the course was sold to management company Crown Golf. Stone

Harbor did not prosper during that tenure and it was sold again to Lee Fishman.



Stone Harbor Hole#7 old

The third owner made some improvements to the course and did a major renovation of the clubhouse. But, in recent years, and with the challenges of the Covid era, the wind spilled out of the ownership sails.

In June of 2023, the fourth ownership came to Stone Harbor – Heritage Golf Group. This group, led by Mark Burnett and a group of investors, was formed in January of 2020 and purchased a small collection of six golf courses. In less than four years, the company has expanded prolifically ... and Stone Harbor is the 32nd course in the group.

With a reputation of bringing immediate improvement to all of its properties, Heritage Golf Group could be the miracle addition to the Stone Harbor story. There are already a number of great golf holes in the layout, ones that were somewhat obscured by the excesses and eccentricities of the original design. But there are also a number of agronomic issues that need to be addressed. Heritage Golf Group has a proven record of success in these areas.

"Heritage Golf Group is excited to have Stone Harbor be a new addition to our growing collection of private country clubs," comments Andy Miller, chief revenue officer of Heritage Golf Group. "We're working on furthering and finalizing the golf course improvement plan to benefit members and their guests while we build a bright future on a storied past."

Stone Harbor Head Golf Professional Todd Prohammer echoes that vision of a bright future.

"The reaction of the Members to the purchase of Stone Harbor Golf Club by the Heritage Golf Group has been very positive," reports, Prohammer. "Many of them are familiar with the Heritage Group and their properties and are confident that there will be a significant investment in the Club moving forward."

The recent history of improvement at Stone Harbor stands against the extremely high bar that has been set in the South Jersey private club market with the purchase of neighboring Sand Barrens Golf

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Club and the multi-million dollar renovation that was undertaken by new owner, the Union League. Now re-named Union League National Golf Club, the pressure of “keeping up with the Joneses” falls on Stone Harbor.

“We are looking forward to a continuation of the plans for the golf course renovations that have been ongoing for the last several years, including new irrigation throughout the entire course,” says Prohammer. “Stone Harbor Golf Club remains a challenging test of golf, however, over the years, we have made the golf course more



Stone Harbor Hole#7 aerial

playable for golfers of all abilities. Tee boxes have been expanded, trees have been removed, cart paths have been re-routed to make the course easier to navigate. In the future, we hope to continue renovations that will make it a tough but fair game of golf.”

A good example is the recently renovated 10th hole, a short, risk-reward par 4 hole that has an ominous deep-faced bunker protecting the front of the green. “It is one of my favorite holes,” admits Prohammer.”

One of the great advantages for members is that, with the addition of Stone Harbor, Heritage now has a cluster of four high-quality private clubs throughout New Jersey that includes Stanton Ridge Golf and Country Club, Basking Ridge Country Club, and Shackamaxon Country Club.

Prohammer’s final comment sums up the vision for the future: “The Heritage Golf Group, like Stone Harbor Golf Club, is dedicated to the member experience. We are confident that the reputation we have built as a high-level private golf club – excellent golf, excellent food, excellent service – will continue.”



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PGA MEMBER RICH STEINMETZ WINS 2023 PHILADELPHIA PGA SKEE RIEGEL SENIOR OPEN



Blue Bell, Pa. (August 2, 2023) — Reigning Philadelphia Senior PGA Professional Champion Rich Steinmetz of Spring Ford Country Club in Royersford, Pa., teed off in the first pairing of the tournament and finished with a 5-under-par 66 to win the 2023 Philadelphia PGA Skee Riegel Senior Open at Blue Bell Country Club by one stroke over Mark Parson, Harbor Pines G.C.

As one of the event's first finishers, Steinmetz set an impressive early clubhouse lead at 5-under-par, making an eagle, five birdies, and two bogies on the Arnold Palmer-designed layout. Parson, who teed off over an hour and a half after Steinmetz, made a valiant effort to tie the leader,

making seven of his own birdies, coupled with a bogey and double bogey, but ultimately fell one stroke short.

While it is his first Skee Riegel Senior Open win, Steinmetz has enjoyed many successes since entering the senior ranks last year. He won his debut senior event, the 2022 Philadelphia Senior PGA Professional Championship, which he successfully defended earlier this summer, 2022 Senior Philadelphia Players Championship, 2022 Senior TPD Championship, and the full-field 2022 GALV Lehigh Valley Open.

The University of Delaware's Brendon Post, PGA, finished in third place at 1-under-par, followed by two tied for fourth-place, John Allen, Squires G.C., and Hugh Reilly, Performance Oaks, at even-par.

John Allen finished atop the Super Senior Division, bettering PGA Life Member George Forster and Bob Lennon, Wilmington C.C., by one stroke. Brian Kelly tied for fourth place at 2-over-par, with Harvey Williams, Glen Oak C.C.

To view the full 2023 Skee Riegel Senior Open leaderboard, [click here](#).

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About Robert Henry "Skee" Riegel, PGA

Skee Riegel was born in 1914 in New Bloomfield, Pa., and grew up in eastern Pennsylvania. Riegel served in the U.S. Air Corps as a flight instructor during World War II. After leaving the service he rose to the top of amateur golf, winning the U.S. Amateur in 1947, the Western Amateur in 1948 and the Trans-Mississippi Amateur in 1946 and 1948.

Riegel also played on the U.S. Walker Cup teams in 1947 and 1949, remaining unbeaten in Walker Cup play. Riegel turned professional in 1950 and was one of the first golfers involved in strength training. In 1951, he nearly won the Masters, finishing in second place behind Ben Hogan. Riegel returned to Pennsylvania to become PGA Head Professional at Radnor Valley Country Club in 1954, where he continued his winning ways, claiming victory in the 1957 and 1959 Pennsylvania Opens and the 1960 Philadelphia Open. He left Radnor Valley at the end of 1961 for the opportunity to participate in the ownership of a new golf course, York Road G.C. in Bucks County, now known as the Bucks Club. For over 30 years, Riegel was a permanent member of the Philadelphia PGA Section's Tournament Committee and served as Rules Chair for every Section tournament. In 1975, he was given the Section's PGA Professional Development Award for his many hours spent educating the golf professionals on the rules of golf. Riegel was inducted into the Philadelphia Section Hall of Fame in 1993.

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CALEDONIA AND TRUE BLUE PERCHED ATOP HIERARCHY OF SOUTH CAROLINA GOLF

By TONY LEODORA

Anyone who is a veteran of Myrtle Beach golf trips knows that a visit to Pawleys Island, on the southern edge of the Grand Strand, is special. It is a calmer, gentler style of Low Country living.

And the most special part of a Pawleys Island visit is the spectacular golf. At the top of the impressive list of courses in the area are the sister courses – Caledonia Golf and Fishing Club and True Blue.

Officially.

After years of drawing rave reviews from the thousands of golfers who flock to the two premier courses annually, Caledonia and True Blue are getting the same treatment from the golf course raters.

In the recent State-by-State rankings from Golfweek magazine, Caledonia and True Blue both landed among the top 5 courses in golf-rich South Carolina for the first time. And that is impressive, especially since South Carolina was named the No. 1 golf area in the world for golf that is available for all to play.

The official rankings:

1. The Ocean Course – Kiawah Island
2. Harbor Town Golf Links – Hilton Head Island
3. Dunes Golf and Beach Club – Myrtle Beach
4. Caledonia Golf and Fishing Club – Pawleys Island
5. True Blue Golf Club – Pawleys Island

While all five courses are magnificent examples of golf course architecture, the first three get quite a popularity boost due to hosting heralded professional tournaments. The Ocean Course has hosted a Ryder Cup, a PGA Senior Championship and two PGA Championships. Harbor Town has hosted the RBC Heritage on the PGA Tour every year since 1969. The Dunes Club has hosted a number of PGA Tour and Senior PGA Tour events over the years and returns to the professional circuit in 2024 with the debut of the PGA Tour's Myrtle Beach Classic.

Both Caledonia and True Blue have had to build a national reputation on their own merits as an outstanding golf experience.

"We have been very fortunate over the years to get outstanding recognition from the golf world," says Bob Seganti, general manager at Caledonia and True Blue. "Now, having both courses ranked among the top 5 in South Carolina is just another feather in our cap. It is a tribute to our team and the total golf experience they present, and to the design genius of Mike Strantz."

Strantz, who cut his teeth in the golf course architecture business under the exalted Tom Fazio, reached national acclaim when Caledonia opened in 1994, followed closely by True Blue in 1998. He left the golf world too early, at age 50, after losing a battle to throat cancer in 2005.

"The latest rankings serve as long overdue testimony to the greatness of Strantz," concludes Seganti. "He really was an artist."

And now his artistry stands among the greatest courses in golf-rich South Carolina ... and in America.



Caledonia #7



True Blue Beach Bunker



KEVIN KRAFT WINS 107TH PENNSYLVANIA OPEN

York, PA- 52 year old Kevin Kraft of Dillsburg, PA has won the 107th Pennsylvania Open. Kraft opened the 54-hole event, played at the historic Country Club of York, with an even par 70 on day 1. He followed that up with rounds of 64 and 67, including birdies on his final 2 holes. Those birdies helped to secure his second Pennsylvania Open victory. Kraft was also the victor in 2018.

Calen Sanderson of Jericho National Golf Club and the University of Notre Dame finished second overall and secured low Amateur honors. Playing in a group ahead of Kraft, Sanderson held the lead briefly after making birdie on the difficult 16th hole at the Country Club of York. Sanderson’s Birdie on 16 moved him to 8-under for the tournament.






The 17th hole proved to be decisive. The par-3 17th, playing at just 125 yards, feature a difficult hole location tucked in the front left of the green. Sanderson played safely to the middle of the green but that left a difficult, down-hill, breaking putt. Sanderson was unable to secure a 2-putt and left the green with a bogie and fell back to 7-under par.

Kraft’s group was next to play the 17th. Kraft took dead aim as his approach shot landed near the hole and released about 15-feet behind the hole location. Kraft made that birdie putt to take a 1-shot lead.

At the par 4 18th, Kraft hit his drive into the left edge of the fairway leaving a perfect angle to the front right hole location. Kraft’s short iron approach landed a couple of feet right of the hole and spun to the left, leaving a 5-foot uphill putt, that he would make, to secure a 2-shot victory.

Kraft works as a fitting manager at 2nd Swing Golf. “I have not had a lot of rounds recently” stated Kraft. “Today’s round was just my 28th of the year”. “I like winning one for the old fat guys!” Kraft has had a good year in Pennsylvania championships, as he finished 3rd earlier this year in the Pennsylvania Senior Open held a Williamsport Country Club.

The Pennsylvania Golf Association would like to thank the staff and membership of The Country Club of York for the hospitality shown in hosting the event. Thanks as well to DICK’S Sporting Goods for sponsorship of the event.

Pos.	Player	Total To Par Gross	R1	R2	R3
1	Kraft, Kevin  2nd Swing Golf	-9	70	64	67
2	Sanderson, Calen (a) Jericho National Golf Club	-7	69	68	66
T3	Olsakovsky, Louis Nemacolin Country Club	-6	65	70	69
T3	Cerbara, Stephen Huntingdon Valley Country Club	-6	65	68	71
5	Oehrle, Aidan (a) Oakmont Country Club	-5	64	70	71
6	Schmidt, Connor	-4	69	69	68
T7	Renwick, Easton	-3	69	71	67
T7	Siegfried, Max (a) Aronimink Golf Club	-3	63	72	72
T9	Dornes, JD	-2	69	70	69
T9	Barbin, Evan (a) Philadelphia Publinks Golf Association	-2	71	68	69
T9	Patel, Rij (a) Country Club of York	-2	68	70	70
T9	Dambrosio, Amani (a) Green Oaks Country Club	-2	68	67	73
T9	Anders, Dawson Indian Valley Country Club	-2	65	69	74
T14	Romanov, Nikita (a) Philadelphia Publinks Golf Association	-1	66	73	70
T14	Aber, John Allegheny Country Club	-1	71	68	70
T14	Sollon, Jake  Valley Brook Country Club	-1	70	69	70
T14	Isztwan, Patrick (a) Huntingdon Valley Country Club	-1	70	68	71
T14	Shattuck, Braden Rolling Green Golf Club	-1	69	69	71
T14	Eck, Jordan Williamsport Country Club	-1	71	67	71
T20	Blickle, Alex  LedgeRock Golf Club	E	69	71	70
T20	Barbin, Austin (a) Philadelphia Publinks Golf Association	E	72	69	69
T20	Bergstol, Brian Shawnee Country Club	E	70	67	73

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Wyoming Valley Country Club Pro-Am Results – July 7, 2022

Team

Low Gross

Finish	Score	Team (Pro)
1	58	Wyoming Valley (Mustapich)
2	60	Shawnee (Bergstol)
3	61	Lehigh (Flesher)
T-4	63	Old Homestead (Edwards)
T-4	63	Canoe Club (Lunger)

Low – Net

Finish	Score	Team (Pro)
1	56	Buck Hill (Clark)
2	57	Woodloch (Pillar)
3	58	Glen Brook (Knoll)
T-4	59	Royal Oaks (Hatch)
T-4	59	Twin Lakes (Spang)
T-4	59	Buck Hill (Fruehan)

Individual

Professional – Low Score

Finish	Score	Golfer
T-1	67	John Pillar (Woodloch)
T-1	67	Terry Hatch (Royal Oaks)
T-1	67	Rick Flesher (Lehigh)
4	69	Spencer Lungar (Canoe Club)
T-5	70	Evan Grube (Woodstone)
T-5	70	Jason Mustapich (Wyoming Valley)
T-7	72	Alex Knoll (Glen Brook)
T-7	72	Kevin Edwards (Old Homestead)
T-7	72	Wayne Phillips (Lehigh)
T-10	73	Patrick Spang (Twin Lakes)
T-10	73	Gary Clark (Buck Hill)

Amateur – Low Score

Finish	Score	Golfer
1	66	Alex Pillar
T-2	68	Eric Plisko
T-2	68	Jake Habenstumpf
4	69	Mike Blazick
T-5	70	Randy Kuvzinsky
T-5	70	Bob Shoemaker

Senior Amateur – Low Score

Finish	Score	Golfer
1	69	Tom Egolf
2	72	Ed Mesko
3	73	Jackie Bouras
4	73	Al McCormick
T-5	75	Shane Gunning
T-5	75	Bill Steiner

Elmhurst Golf & Country Club Pro-Am Results – July 27, 2022

Finish	Score	Team Net Winners
1	58	Pocono Manor (Wall)
2	59	Glenbrook (McCormick)
3	60	Brookside (Young)
4	61	Green Pond (Kulhammer)

Finish	Score	Team Gross Winners
1	60	Woodloch (Pillar)
2	61	Elmhurst (Roche)
3	64	Canoe Club (Lungar)
4	65	Old Homestead (Edwards)

Finish	Score	Professional Results
1	66	Mike Young (Brookside)
2	68	John Pillar (Woodloch)
3	69	Brian Bergstol (Shawnee)
T4	72	John Roche (Elmhurst)
T4	72	Jeff Fick (Moselem)
T6	74	Spencer Lungar (Canoe Club)
T6	74	Gregg Wall (Pocono Manor)
T8	75	Jim Muschlitz
T8	75	John Kulhammer (Green Pond)
T8	75	Chris Mathews (Irem)

Finish	Score	Low Am Results
1	68	Alex Pillar
2	71	Al McCormick
3	73	Gwen Powell
4	74	Jim Lanza

Finish	Score	Low SR Am Results
1	69	Tom White
2	75	Bruce Berry
3	77	Vanhorn
4	77	Len Smith

The Shawnee Inn & Golf Resort Pro-Am Results – August 3

Team

Low Gross

Finish	Score	Team (Pro)
1	61	Shawnee (Bergstol)
2	62	Glen Brook (Knoll)
3	65	Moselem Springs (Fick)
T-4	67	Scranton (Molino)
T-4	67	Fields (Brookside)

Low – Net

Finish	Score	Team (Pro)
1	58	Southmoore (Muschlitz)
T-2	61	Woodstone (Selnick)
T-2	61	Buck Hill (Fruehan)
4	62	Buck Hill (Clarke)
T-5	63	Brookside (Young)
T-5	63	Green Pond (Kulhammer)
T-5	63	Royal Oaks (Hatch)

Individual

Professional – Low Score

Finish	Score	Golfer
1	65	Brian Bergstol (Shawnee)
2	67	Alex Knoll (Glen Brook)
3	70	Terry Hatch (Royal Oaks)
T-4	73	John Roche (Elmhurst)
T-4	73	Mike Young (Brookside)
T-4	73	Gary Clarke (Buck Hill)
T-7	74	Jim Muschlitz (Southmoore)
T-7	74	Brian Fruehan (Buck Hill)
T-7	74	Mike Molino (Scranton)

Amateur – Low Score

Finish	Score	Golfer
1	71	Zach Fischl (Shawnee)
2	73	Mike Guro (Glen Brook)
T-3	75	Rob Causton (Buck Hill)
T-3	75	Jacob Skinner (Buck Hill)
T-3	75	Riley Hogan (Shawnee)

Senior Amateur – Low Score

Finish	Score	Golfer
1	67	Jeff Wiedecke (Shawnee)
2	70	Mike Hogan (Glen Brook)
3	73	Rich Fryer (Southmoore)
4	74	Shane Gunning (Glen Brook)

Pocono Manor Pro-Am Results – August 18, 2022

Team

Low Gross

Finish	Score	Team (Pro)
1	59	Glen Brook (Knoll)
2	61	Shawnee (Bergstol)
3	64	Lehigh (Phillips)
T-4	66	Pocono Manor (Wall)
T-4	66	Canoe Club (Lunger)
T-4	66	Woodstone (Selnick)

Low – Net

Finish	Score	Team (Pro)
1	57	Glen Brook (McCormick)
2	58	Royal Oaks (Hatch)
3	59	Buck Hill (Fruehan)
4	59	Green Pond (Kulhammer)

Individual

Professional – Low Score

Finish	Score	Golfer
1	69	Terry Hatch
2	71	John Roche
3	72	Ray Slnik
4	73	Alex Knoll
T-5	74	Jeff Fick
T-5	74	Spencer Lungar
T-5	74	Wayne Phillips
T-7	75	Brian Bergstol
T-7	75	Justin Alunni
T-7	75	Howie Van Buskirk

Amateur – Low Score

Finish	Score	Golfer
1	70	Riley Hogan
2	74	Zach Fischl
T-3	76	Mike Guro
T-3	76	Charlie Leon

Senior Amateur – Low Score

Finish	Score	Golfer
1	72	Al McCormick
2	73	Brian Corbett
3	75	Dylan Spadt

Revitalized Buying & Education Summit Showcases New Texas Home of the PGA of America



After a few waning years, Covid 19, and being close to last rites in Las Vegas last year, the reinvented and rejuvenated mid-season PGA Buying Summit debuted at the PGA of America's new headquarters in Frisco, Texas, July 31 – Aug 2. More than 1,000 golf industry professionals from 44 states and eight countries attended the PGA Summit to preview and source Spring 2024 apparel collections along with the latest accessories, equipment and technology. A total of 166 golf brands exhibited at the newly opened, luxurious Omni PGA Frisco Resort and its state of the art, golf village, Monument Realty PGA District.

The PGA Buying Summit was filled with a variety of exciting mid-season events including trade show exhibits, PGA member education and buying appointments by day, and a Live Fashion Show, Demo Night and experiential networking events at night.

"The PGA Buying & Education Summit served this week as an exciting destination for both PGA Professionals and industry buyers to make valuable connections at the new Home of the PGA of America and Omni PGA Frisco Resort," said PGA President John Lindert, PGA Director of Golf at The Country Club of Lansing in Lansing, Michigan. "We were very pleased with the turnout from both an industry and educational perspective, as it shows that the game of golf is continuing to attract new players."

The revitalized PGA Summit highlighted some of the top trends for men and women for this coming fall and spring. Lululemon, made its debut, introducing its golf specific pieces, from sporty to upscale designs, to excited buyers anticipating the iconic athletic brand's big golf unveiling. (www.lululemon.com)

Swing Control, a women's apparel brand that's



building a loyal following both on and off the course, offers stylish pieces with flattering fits and a focus on fashion. The company's bold printed pants and skirts with tummy control waistbands provide a slimming yet comfortable look that flatter women of all shapes and sizes. (www.swingcontrol.com)

Microprints continue to be a colorful mainstay in men's fashion as a wide variety of eye-catching golf shirts were on display. From short to long sleeve designs, this trend is the new way to make a statement in the office or on the course and brings new meaning to dress for success. If loud, proud, and good time golf polos are for you, Proud Ninety offers some of the most comfortable and best fitting men's and women's shirts, shorts, tops and hats to keep golf fun no matter what you're shooting. (www.proud90.com). And if tie-dyed clothing is your thing, Made by Real Hippies has the grooviest golf apparel to "let you freak flag fly" according to the company's website. (www.madebyrealhippies.com).

Standout accessory brands included Dormie Workshop with its exceptionally creative, one-of-a-kind custom leather headcover designs. (www.dormieworkshop.com) Best of Golf America exhibited an assortment of fun, eye-catching ladies' accessories including playful patterned golf gloves, ball markers, wristlets and more. (www.bestofgolfamerica.com)

Newcomer to golf footwear, Boxto shoes, worn by PGA Tour players Kurt Kitayama and Jim Furyk, introduced its classic Legacy Pro show with matching leather belts. (www.boxto.com) The sophisticated, Italian crafted, Duca Del Cosma golf shoes, voted Best Golf Shoes 2023 by Golf Digest, displayed its sporty and patriotic red, white, and blue collection for men and women. (www.Ducadelcosma.com)



Day One concluded with a Welcome Reception and was highlighted by a Live Fashion Show, sponsored by RepSpark, where the latest fashions from 17 emerging and established golf lifestyle brands were showcased in an exciting, live runway event. Fore All women's apparel won the "2023 People's Choice: Best in Fashion Show." Co-founded by two visionary, fashion savvy women and passionate golfers, Jennifer Clyde and Michelle Money, this fun, spirited, and stylish apparel is turning heads on and off the fairways. (www.foreall.com).

Day Two concluded with Demo Night across the outdoor PGA Coaching Center practice range and on the lighted, two-acre putting course, The Dance Floor. The soon-to-open PGA Coaching Center is a 12,000 square-foot dedicated facility that will offer coaching, club fitting and fitness training for all golfers. Complimentary tee times were available for exhibitors and attendees on The Swing, a 10-hole, lighted par-3 short course along with access to six hitting bays inside the relaxing Ice House brew pub, part of the retail and dining areas located in the PGA District.

PGA Professionals and participants enjoyed walk-up tours of the new PGA of America headquarters throughout the three-day Summit. The PGA headquarters sits on 6.2 acres of the 660-acre PGA Frisco

campus, which includes two 18-hole championship courses, a 510-room Omni Resort, a 30-acre practice facility, a performance center and a modern clubhouse. The headquarters was designed to promote the PGA's mission to bring together state-of-the-art education facilities with a world-class workplace.

The four-story building includes a spacious lobby with a large interactive mural displaying headshots of the 30,000 members of the PGA of America, open and enclosed offices, a unique staircase social area, an executive boardroom, outdoor terraces, a video studio, seminar and meeting rooms and a PGA Professional Development Center. The building also features indoor golf training facilities including a chipping area, putting area, driving range simulators and interior hitting bays with operable exterior walls for hitting out to the driving range.

"I have been in the golf business for 25 years, and this is the best all-purpose show I have attended," said Sally Kay, PGA/LPGA, Hot 4 Golf, Grapevine, Texas. "I wanted to see all the new PGA Frisco facilities, which were phenomenal, and then I spent all day Tuesday and Wednesday looking at apparel and accessory brands. The Demo Night was a great way to unwind after networking during the day. The entire experience was fabulous."





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