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Sold: NW golf course owner buys Desert Canyon Resort

Don Barth, who owns Alta Lake and Rock Island courses in Washington, added to his ownership list by buying Desert Canyon Golf Resort in Orondo, Wash. Desert Canyon opened for play in 1993. See special section for more on Desert Canyon.



WHAT'S NEW IN NW GOLF

Northwest professionals Erdmann, Coston qualify for PGA Championship

Pacific Northwest professionals Scott Erdmann of Oswego Lake and Jeff Coston of Semiahmoo Resort will play in one of the PGA Tour's major championships this month.

Erdmann and Coston both finished in the top 20 of the National Club Professionals Championship to earn tickets to the Atlanta Athletic Club, set to host the PGA Championship Aug. 11-14.

Erdmann finished in a tie for second at the 44th PGA Professional National Championship after posting rounds of 65-68-69-72-274. He finished the 72nd hole for the championship tied with David Hutsell from Baltimore, MD and Faber Jamerson from Lynchburg, VA forcing a playoff.

Coston of Semiahmoo G&CC also qualified with his tie for 16th place. Coston was on the outside looking in heading into the final round but shot a final-round 71 to move into the top 20 and earn his spot in the PGA Championship.

New Salish Cliffs course getting closer to opening

The new Salish Cliffs Golf Club in Shelton, Wash. owned and operated by the Squaxin Tribe, could open in late August or early September.

The Gene Bates-designed course is working on finishing up construction of the clubhouse as well as some other projects around the golf course.

The course was able to get some seed down on areas that were wash out during the winter and that grass is now coming in.

"We still need some time but Mother Nature is finally helping us get closer," said Director of Golf David Kass.

Rules Quiz

A player plays his ball into very bad country and goes forward to search after two minutes he drops a substituted ball as near as possible to where he last played, not nearer the hole.

a. Is the dropped ball in play?

b. Prior to play of the dropped ball, a fellow-competitor finds the player's original ball. What is the status of the original ball? Five minutes had not elapsed.

c. Player A plays a stroke with the dropped ball. Moments later a fellow-competitor finds player's original ball. What is the status of the original ball? Five minutes had not elapsed.

(In b and c, the original ball was found within the five-minute search period.)

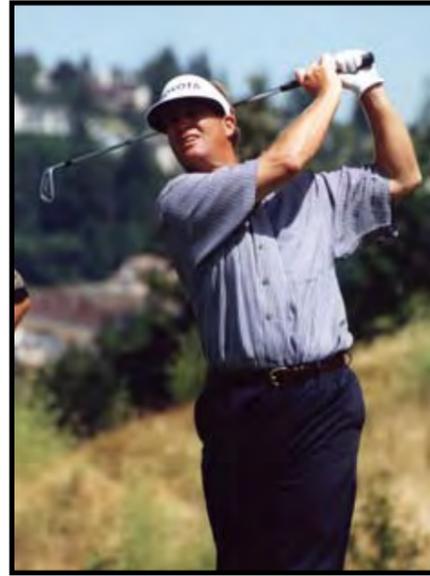
See Page 2 for the answer.

Umpqua Bank Challenge will bring in the stars

Peter's Party returns this month to the Portland Golf Club. The event that used to be known as the Fred Meyer Challenge is now the Umpqua Bank Challenge and will feature some of the best names in golf on Aug. 28-30, 2011.

Host Peter Jacobsen (right) will team with Arnold Palmer (far right) to highlight the eight-team field. A total of 16 players will take part in the return of the event.

For more, see inside this section of *Inside Golf Newspaper*.



Peter Jacobsen (left) and Arnold Palmer will headline the Aug. 28-30 Umpqua Bank Challenge.

Destination: Resort at the Mountain



Photo by Randy Kirkpatrick

The Resort at the Mountain, located just east of Portland near Mount Hood, offers the perfect combination of golf and scenery. There are three different nines to choose from and away from the course the resort features some terrific sights and a chance to go hiking around Mount Hood. It's an all-inclusive destination. The Resort at the Mountain is located less than an hour from Portland and minutes away from Mount Hood. For more, please see inside this section.



Corey Prugh goes low, claims title at Rosauers

PGA Professional Corey Prugh of Manito Golf and Country Club in Spokane claimed his second Rosauers Open title in three years thanks to an eagle on the par-5 18th hole to cap off a final round 63.

Prugh's eagle finish allowed him to overtake Tim Feenstra of Broadmoor Golf Club in Seattle on the final hole to claim his victory.

Low Amateur honors went to Derek Barron of Oakbrook Golf and Country Club in Tacoma with 12 under par total of 201.

Corey Prugh's final round included a hole-in-one on the 224 yard par 3, 8th hole. PGA Professional Ryan Benzel of Pro Golf Discount - Lynnwood also made a hole-in-one on the 11th hole.

Brian Thornton of Meridian Valley Country Club in Kent finished third at 197 while Derek Berg of Glendale Country Club in Bellevue was fourth at 200.

Prugh earned \$11,000 for winning the tournament while Feenstra collected a second-place check of \$7,500.

Proceeds from the Rosauers Open Invitational (\$13,150) benefitted the Vanessa Behan Crisis Nursery.

Troy Andrew is named new head of PNGA, WSGA

The Pacific Northwest Golf Association wasted little time in replacing long-time head John Bodenhamer by naming Troy Andrew to replace him to lead the PNGA and the Washington State Golf Association.

The 37-year-old Andrew has been with the PNGA and WSGA since 1999. He replaces Bodenhamer, who took a position with the United State Golf Association and will re-locate to New Jersey to work with the USGA in his new role.

See inside for more of the story.

Kansas golfers are some real aces; Moore figures out his golf grip issues

I've been fortunate enough to have three holes-on-one through the years. When I talk to some friends who have played longer than me and never had one, I sometimes feel guilty like I would like to give them one of mine.

It's a thrill, for sure, but in my case guess how many of them I actually saw go in the hole? Zero. Zip. Zilch. I have three aces and zero visual experiences of the shots going in. But in one case, I did get a \$100 bill from a buddy playing along as proof. Lucky for me we have a standing deal that if someone gets a hole-in-one and we are playing together, the person making the ace gets \$100.

OK, so much for my ace tales. After reading this story, I had to share it because I don't think you will ever hear or see anything like it.

Two guys were playing in a 9-hole match-play event at Hesston Golf Park in Hesston, Kan. Nothing real formal, just a nine-hole afternoon match after work with the winner moving on.

Justin Pressnall and Greg Bontrager were dueling in the match and Pressnall won the 16th hole to take a 1-up lead. As they walked toward the 17th tee, a 212-yard par-3, little did the two golfers know what would greet them.

The hole was playing downwind and Pressnall had the tee box first. He grabbed a 6-iron from his bag and sent it flying toward the green. He knew he hit the shot good and that it should be on the green, but he wasn't sure.

Bontrager knew he might be in trouble and lose the match if he didn't do something special with his tee shot. Bontrager pulled a hybrid out of his bag for the tee shot and let it rip. He knew he



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needed a good shot to keep the match going. Again, like his opponent's shot, Bontrager hit a good one, but he didn't know how good.

They were playing with two other members of the men's club who also were playing in a match and witness both tee shots. Everyone knew the shots were good but when they got to the green, there were no balls to be seen.

Amazingly, both balls were in the hole for a couple of aces for both players.

The odds of something like that happening? How about something like 17 million to one says a golf internet site.

After some screaming, yelling and anything else the guys could think of, they knew they had to finish up the match. Turns out Bontrager won the 18th hole with a par to tie the match and send the two into the clubhouse for some celebratory cocktails.

Don't think I want to know what that bill came to.

• Pacific Northwest PGA Tour star Ryan Moore was close to winning again on the PGA Tour at The Travelers last month, but don't worry, he will have plenty more chances to win.

Especially after figuring some things out with his grips.

The Puyallup native and former Nevada-Las Vegas All-American thought he was having some troubles after missing the U.S. Open at Congressional.

Moore has always considered himself a "feel" player, meaning he looks at shots and pretty-much knows what to hit without even looking at a yardage book. But with his grips something just didn't "feel" right. He had been drawing the ball more than usual and thought there might be something up with the clubs or the grips. Turns out he was right.

He had the clubs looked at after the U.S. Open and it turned out the grips weren't on the way Moore likes them.

"I'm such a feel player and the grip was just spun a bit to the right which, if I get my hands on the way I like to, it makes the clubface shut two or three degrees," he said.

Problem solved. Moore shot rounds of 64-63 on the weekend at The Travelers and was a four-foot putt away from sending the tournament into a playoff and winning again on the PGA Tour.

• If you'd like to watch some professional golfers play in the Pacific Northwest, the Boeing Classic is set for Aug. 26-28 at the TPC Snoqualmie Ridge. The best players on the Champions Tour will be there. The return of Peter's Party, the Umpqua Bank Challenge hosted by Peter Jacobsen is set for Aug. 29-30 at the Portland Golf Club. Arnold Palmer will be there too.

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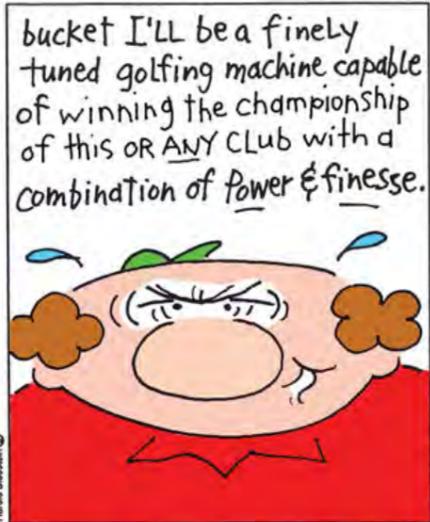
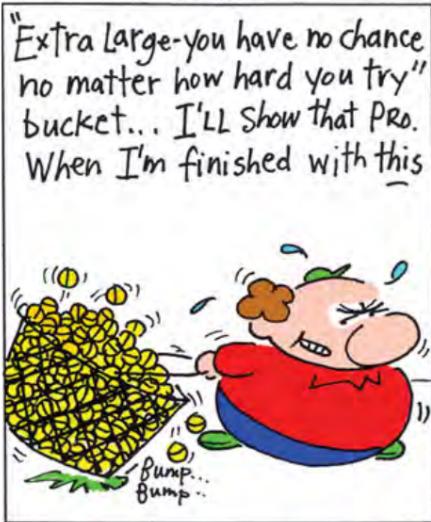
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UW golfer Williams wins Sahalee Players event; Utah golfer claims title at PNGA Men's Amateur

Chris Williams of Moscow, Idaho held off the hard charging field to win the 18th Sahalee Players Championship at Sahalee Country Club in Sammamish, Wash. Williams, a 2011 U.S. Open qualifier, took the lead in the afternoon and finished off with a 72-hole total of 1-under par 287 to capture his first Sahalee Players victory.

In the final round, Williams started with a two shot lead and quickly increased it with a birdie on the first hole of the day and navigated the high heavenly ground making one more birdie on the par 3, 13th. All that was needed was a routine par on the 18th to finish with a 1-over par 73 and the victory.

World Team Amateur participant, Minghao Wang of Alpharetta, GA., made a move on the back nine making birdies on holes 11 and 12 to get one shot off the lead at 1-under par heading into #16. His aggressive approach shot ended up lost in the trees along with his hopes of a Sahalee Players title as he would make a triple bogey.

BYU Sophomore, Zac Blair made a run of his own making four birdies on the front nine to get two shots off the lead but his hope of victory also met its end at 16 where he made his only bogey of the round. He would make birdie on the finishing hole for an impressive 4-under par round of 68 bringing his 72-hole total to even par 288, good enough for runner-up honors with Chen-Tsung Pan of Sammamish, Wash.

Utah's Zac Blair captures the PNGA Men's Amateur crown

Zac Blair (#36 seed) of Ogden, Utah capped off a great week with a 5&4 victory over Tyler Raber (#15 seed) of El Macero,

Calif. in the 36-hole Championship Match at Tetherow Golf Club in Bend.

Blair only trailed in the match for 1 hole and it was after No. 1 when he left his approach shot in the bunker and was unable to get it out on the first attempt resulting in a bogey. Both players birdied the par-5 No. 2 hole and then Blair was able to bring the match back to all square after making a par on the par-3 No. 3 hole.

The next five holes were halved and then Blair made his move with a winning par on hole No. 9 and a 12-foot curling birdie putt that fell in on the 10th hole, giving him a 2-up advantage. Holes No. 11-15 were halved before Blair made a great up-and-down birdie from the deep greenside bunker on the shortened par-4 16th hole to go 3-up. Raber answered with a birdie win on the 17th hole, but Blair won the final two holes of the morning 18 with pars to take a commanding 4-up advantage.

Canby golfer claims title at PNGA Women's Amateur

Aaren Ziegler of Canby, Ore. captured the 110th Pacific Northwest Women's Amateur Championship at Port Ludlow Golf Club in Port Ludlow, Wash., by defeating Philippine National Team member, Lovelynn Guioguo of Lipa City, Batangas, Philippines 5 and 4 in the 36-hole match.

Ziegler, a University of Wisconsin Women's Golf Team recruit, went 1-down on the 2nd hole of the match but quickly got back to all square by making a birdie and winning the par 3, 3rd hole. She would gain a 2-up lead by the 9th, and after winning holes 11, 12 and 13, had a commanding 5-up lead at

the end of the morning round. The match continued in the afternoon with Guioguo inching back, winning the 23rd and 28th holes to get to 3-down in the match, but Ziegler regained control of the match by winning the 29th and 31st holes with pars to go dormie, 5-up with five holes to play. In true championship form, Ziegler hit the flag on the par 3, 32nd hole stopping her ball 10 feet from the hole and ending the match 5 and 4.

In the Women's Mid-Amateur Championship Match, Sandra Turbide of Maple Ridge, B.C. successfully defended her title in the championship by defeating 2005 and 2007 Women's Mid-Am Champion Kareen Markle of Meridian, Idaho 2 and 1. Turbide won the event last year, when it was held at Clarkston (Wash.) Country Club.

Northwest players qualify for United States Senior Open

Pacific Northwest senior golfers Tom Sovay, Jim McNelis and Rob Gibbons all qualified for the United States Senior Open, which was held at Inverness Golf Club in Toledo, Ohio.

Sovay and the amateur McNelis won their spots at a qualifier at Bear Creek Country Club in Woodinville, Wash. against a field of 57. Sovay and McNelis each shot rounds of 72 to earn their tickets to the U.S. Senior Open.

At Tualatin Country Club near Portland, a field of 54 players battled for one spot with Arrowhead's Gibbons coming out on top after a round of 69. The course was tough as the average score in the field that day for qualifying was 79.

Texas native Spieth wins Junior Am at Gold Mountain

Jordan Spieth, 17, of Dallas, Texas, earned a 6-and-5 victory over Chelso Barrett, 16, of Keene, N.H., to win the 2011 U.S. Junior Amateur Saturday at the par-72, 7,111-yard Olympic Course at Gold Mountain Golf Club.

Spieth, who also won the 2009 U.S. Junior Amateur, became just the second golfer in the 64-year history of the championship to claim more than one title. Tiger Woods won three consecutive Junior Amateur titles from 1991 to 1993.

"Any time you can be compared to any of Tiger's golf accomplishments, it's very special," said Spieth. "You know, he won it three years in a row. I'm glad to have gotten two of them, so now I can't play in this one anymore, I'm going to go after the Amateurs that he won. But as of the present moment, I'm very happy to have won this coming in as a past champion and being able to make it through again."

Andrew Whalen of Ephrata, Wash. advanced to the quarterfinals of the tournament before falling to Spieth in the round of eight. And University Place, Wash. golfer James Feutz made the match play but fell in the first round

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Northwest native and PGA Tour star Jacobsen brings back his own Peter's Party

Arnold Palmer will headline the field at the Umpqua Bank Challenge, an event hosted by PGA Tour star and Portland native Peter Jacobsen. This marks the return of the event called "Peter's Party" which had been held for years in the Portland area. The Umpqua Bank Challenge is set for Aug. 28-30 at the Portland Golf Club.

The Umpqua Bank Challenge, which takes the place of the Fred Meyer Challenge, will take place Aug. 28-30 at the Portland Golf Club. Teams will consist of two professionals. Palmer will team with Jacobsen.

Joining Jacobsen and Palmer as members of the tournament's main field are John Cook, Ben Crenshaw, Jay Haas, Bernhard Langer and Fuzzy Zoeller, Tom Lehman and Mark O'Meara.

Visit www.umpquabankchallenge.com or call (866) 503-2003 for more info.

The Umpqua Bank Challenge is a three-day exhibition-style golf tournament set for August 28-30, 2011 at Portland Golf Club in Portland, Ore. The Umpqua Bank Challenge will include The Regence Pro-am on Sunday and the main field competition on Monday and Tuesday, where 16 PGA Tour professionals will pair into eight two-person teams and play for a \$750,000 purse.

Bandon Dunes Resort plays host to USGA Public Links tournaments

Corbin Mills parred the first extra playoff hole to defeat Derek Ernst in 37 holes to win the 2011 U.S. Amateur Public Links Championship contested at 7,016-yard, par-71 Old Macdonald at the Bandon Dunes

Golf Resort.

Mills, 21, of Easley, S.C., became the first qualifying medalist to win the APL since fellow Clemson Tiger D.J. Trahan claimed the title in 2000, also in 37 holes at Heron Lakes in Portland, Ore., five hours north of Bandon Dunes. Interestingly, the medalist has gone on to win the championship four out of five times the APL has been held in Oregon.

Despite winds that gusted up to 25 miles per hour, Saturday's 36-hole finale featured an abundance of birdies by both players – and very few halved holes. Mills and Ernst combined to win 27 of the 37 holes contested.

University of Washington golfers Charlie Hughes and Chris Williams both made it through qualifying but both lost out in match play.

In the women's division, also held at Old Macdonald at Bandon Dunes, Brianna Do only led for three holes. Luckily for her, she led the one that counted most.

Do, 21, of Vietnam won the 2011 U.S. Women's Amateur Public Links Championship, defeating Marissa Dodd, 17, of Allen, Texas, 1 up, in the 36-hole championship match, which was conducted at the 6,098-yard, par-71 Old Macdonald layout at Bandon Dunes Golf Resort.

In victory, Do became the second UCLA player in three years to win the Women's Amateur Public Links, joining Tiffany Joh, who won the title in 2006 and 2008. Mary Enright, also a former UCLA player, won the title in 1981.

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- Robert Garrigus • Gresham • 43rd on the list with \$1,387,787
- Andres Gonzales • Olympia • 209th on the list with \$84,909
- Ryan Moore • Puyallup • 34th on the list with \$1,557,723
- Alex Prugh • Spokane • 163rd on the list with \$257,350
- Michael Putnam • Tacoma • 133rd on the list with \$398,400
- Jeff Quinney • Eugene • 204th on the list with \$103,540
- Kyle Stanley • Gig Harbor • 66th on the list with \$941,366
- Kirk Triplett • Pullman • 203rd on the list with \$103,949

Nationwide Tour

- Jeff Gove • Seattle • 47th on the list with \$52,345
- Troy Kelly • Bremerton • 4th on the list with \$205,149
- Richard Lee • Bellevue • 34rd on the list with \$98,990
- Brock Mackenzie • Yakima • 184th on the list with \$3,453

Champions Tour

- Fred Couples • Seattle • 67th on the list with \$101,457
- Bob Gilder • Corvallis • 30th on the list with \$343,293
- Peter Jacobsen • Portland • 68th on the list with \$99,960

LPGA Tour

- Louise Friberg • Univ. of Washington • No cuts made
- Allison Hanna • Portland • No cuts made
- Jimin Kang • Seattle • 46th on the list with \$103,951
- Paige Mackenzie • Yakima • 36th on the list with \$132,220
- Wendy Ward • Edwall, Wash. • 40th on the list with \$121,513

Did you know....

• The WSGA raises funds and administers the Evans Caddie Scholarship Program that provides young men and women the opportunity to receive a scholarship to attend the University of Washington. The four-year full-ride scholarship is worth more than \$30,000 to each recipient. The WSGA also helps fund the Washington Junior Golf Association, introducing young players to the game of golf, and providing competition for all levels of ability.



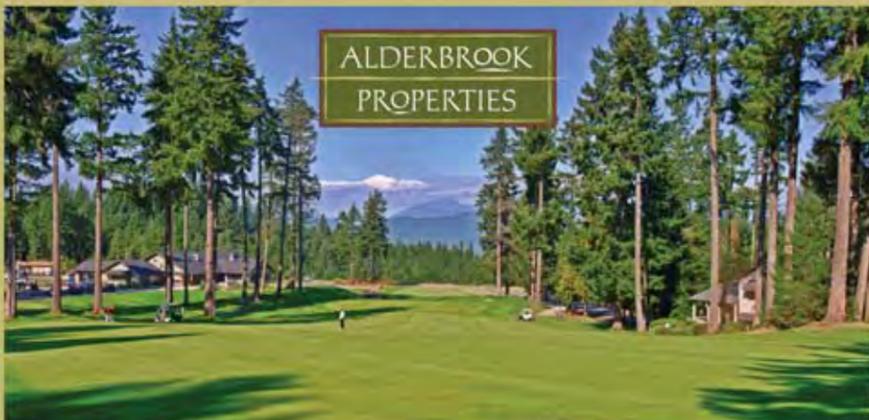
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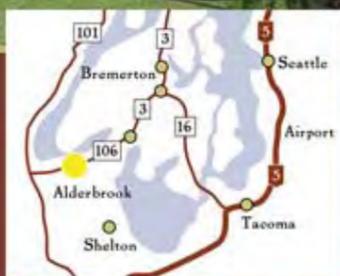
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Boeing Classic set for TPC Snoqualmie Ridge; Nelson wins Seattle City Amateur championship

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All of the above are apt descriptions for the players preparing to return to Seattle for the 2011 Boeing Classic. Fred Couples, Bernhard Langer, Nick Price, Fuzzy Zoeller, Hal Sutton, Scott Simpson and all of the previous Tournament Champions have committed to compete in the only PGA Tour Champions Tour stop in the Northwest. The opportunity to see the legends of the game up-close only happens once a year so you don't want to miss out on your chance to see them up close from August 26-28 at TPC Snoqualmie Ridge.

Seattle native and crowd favorite Fred Couples, who played in his first Boeing Classic last year after turning 50 in October, 2009, will be back. Couples is far from the only big name in the field though.

2010 Champion Bernhard Langer will be back and looking to defend his title against some of the strongest competition on Tour, including Nick Price. Price is currently in second place for the year-long race for the Charles Schwab Cup, thanks to eight top ten finishes and a win at the Toshiba Classic in Newport Beach. Price will be joined by 1979 Masters Champion and 1984 US Open winner Fuzzy Zoeller along with 1989 British Open Champion Mark Calcavecchia.

In addition to Langer, the past Boeing Classic Champions committed to compete in August includes inaugural Boeing Classic Champion David Eger (2005), Tom Kite (2006 & 2008), Denis Watson (2007), and Loren Roberts (2009). Eger is having an impressive season, having claimed the Liberty Mutual Legends of Golf title and

placed second to Tom Watson in a playoff for the Senior PGA Championship. Eger is in fourth place for points in the race for the Charles Schwab Cup. For a complete list of the 2011 Boeing Classic field and other information, visit BoeingClassic.com.

Ben Nelson wins crown at Seattle City Amateur

The record setting players in day three of the Seattle Amateur Championship did not disappoint the crowd as the battle for the best amateur in the city went down to the 18th hole.

Ben Nelson emerged victorious with a 3 day total of 208. Ben's 5 under par performance for the tournament was good enough to hold off 4 other players that tied for 2nd place in the 77th playing of the Seattle Amateur. On Hole 18, trailing by one stroke, Ben's approach shot landed just six feet from the pin. His birdie putt would be the deciding factor in the competition.

Second place finishers that contributed to this epic event include Reid Martin – 2011 Oregon Open Champion, Sandy Vaughn who lipped out a lengthy birdie putt on Hole 18 to miss a playoff for first place, Jon Pecham – who fired a 4 under par 68, and Matt Epstein who was the tournament runner up in 2010.

Junior champions crowned at Oregon Junior Amateur

Twenty three finals matches including the march of the champions -- the championship flight finals for each of the seven divisions, concluded the 81st Oregon Junior Amateur Championship at Reames Golf & Country

Club in Klamath Falls, Ore.

At the end of the day, seven titles were awarded including Junior Champion Alistair Docherty, Girls Champion Gigi Stoll, Boys Champion Cole Madey, Intermediate Boys Champion Bryce Wortman, Intermediate Girls Champion Kaitlin, Pee Wee Champions Samuel Pyon and May Wang.

UW's Williams named as an PING All-American

The PING Division I All-America second and third teams were announced and Husky Chris Williams was among those on the second team. The first team members were previously announced during the NCAA Championship.

Williams (Moscow, Idaho) just completed his sophomore season at Washington and in two short years has established himself as one of the best to ever don the purple and gold. He was a First Team All-Pac-10 selection in 2010 after finishing first or second among Huskies in 13 of 14 team events and shooting an average score of 71.16 per round.

Pacific Northwest professional receives advanced certification

With the latest rounds of the PGA Proficiency Test now complete, 18 PGA Professionals received 24 advanced certifications from the PGA Certified Professional Program.

Since the program's inception in August 2004, 717 PGA Professionals have earned a total of 1,409 certifications in six related career paths including: General Management, Golf Operations, Instruction, Retail, Execu-

tive Management and Ownership/Leasing. Amy McCormack, of Lyle, Wash., achieved all six certifications by recently completing the Ownership/Leasing and Executive Management courses. McCormack joins only 71 other PGA Professionals who have achieved all six certifications.

McCormack, who serves as PGA Head Professional and Director of Golf at Hood River Golf Course in Hood River, Ore., earned her first certification in July 2010, and completed her final two certifications in March.

Third Annual Jackson Juniors Golf Classic set

Applications are being accepted to the 3rd Annual Jackson Junior Golf Classic. The event is scheduled for Monday, August 29 and is open to all juniors 6 to 17-year-olds. Juniors 13-17 will play 18 holes on the 18-hole course; 6-12-year-olds will play 9 holes on the 9-hole course. BBQ and awards follow the golf. Deadline for entries is August 22. Call the Jackson Park pro shop at 206-363-4747.

Spokane's Sun Dance will host Wounded Warrior Tourney

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If you've ever wanted to own a piece of history, now is your chance to do so. *Inside Golf Newspaper* is holding an internet only auction for the 2000 St. Andrews University graduation program autographed by Seve Ballesteros. An honorary degree was presented to Seve Ballesteros and Colin Montgomery by the University of St. Andrews on July 18, 2000. The university was started in 1410 and is Scotland's first university and the third oldest in the English speaking world.

To see this remarkable document in its entirety please visit InsideGolfOnline.com. It is full of timeless photos of memorable people, dating back to 1850.

All proceeds for the sale of the autographed program will go to the First Tee of Washington. Bids must be sent to 'FirstTee.SeveBid@gmail.com'.

Bidding will close on September 15. The autographed program is being donated by Seattle businessman Jim Bain, who received it from his friend Richard Cormack, a Emeritus Professor of Statistics at St. Andrews University.

"Severiano Ballesteros was one of the sporting world's greatest and most iconic characters and one of golf's most prodigious talents. Known the world over just as "Seve", the Spaniard became synonymous with flair, passion and magical shot-making from the moment he burst onto the international scene in 1976," quoted from the BBC.

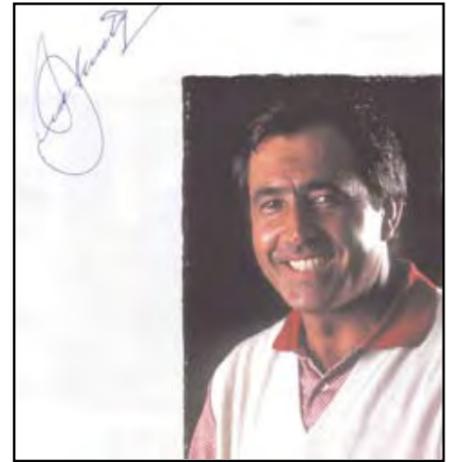
Ballesteros isn't remembered so much for the number of tournaments he won but more for the way he won them. His good looks and gritty determination combined with imagination and the ability to improvise shots was

the hallmark of his game. He came on the world golf stage with a flair that drew cheers from spectators and media around the world. He elevated the European Tour and started the European dominance of the Ryder Cup.

Ballesteros first gained attention as a 19-year-old, finishing second to Johnny Miller at the 1976 Open and became the youngest winner of the Claret Jug three years later. He won five major championships (three British Opens and two Masters) and amassed 50 wins on the European Tour and nine on the PGA Tour. He won 91 tournaments all together around the world.

Ballesteros lost a 2 1/2-year battle with brain cancer on May 7, 2011 at the age of 54.

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The Resort's historic 27-hole golf club, The Courses, has three courses that each vary in playing difficulty: Thistle Nine is perfect for beginners, Pinecone Nine is ideal for golfers who enjoy more of a classic challenge, and Foxglove Nine with its difficult narrow fairways is great for seasoned pros.

Summer at The Courses is full of fun golf-centered events and activities, including the annual Nine and Wine series, featuring nine holes with golf cart, prizes and awards, as well as appetizer and wine stations along the course. For \$50 per player, this is a great opportunity to experience golf in the Mt. Hood area.

The Resort not only has exceptional playing conditions, but also a wealth of other recreation that both golfers and non-golfers can enjoy. The Resort offers a variety of dining opportunities, including mallards café & pub located at the 19th hole, where guests can enjoy breakfast, lunch, happy hour and Sunday Brunch; Wee Bite located near Pine Cone hole No. 1, featuring exactly what its name implies—small bites; or Altitude

located in the main building of The Resort, where Executive Paul Bosch showcases his culinary skills and presents locally sourced, expertly prepared cuisine for breakfast, lunch, dinner and happy hour.

Golfers can also enjoy a relaxing post-game treatment at The Spa, the 5,000 square-foot facility offering more than 30 nature-inspired treatments, including the "Restore-Your-Swing" back massage. This treatment, using concentrated and deep-penetrating heat therapy, is great relief for sore backs, necks and shoulders.

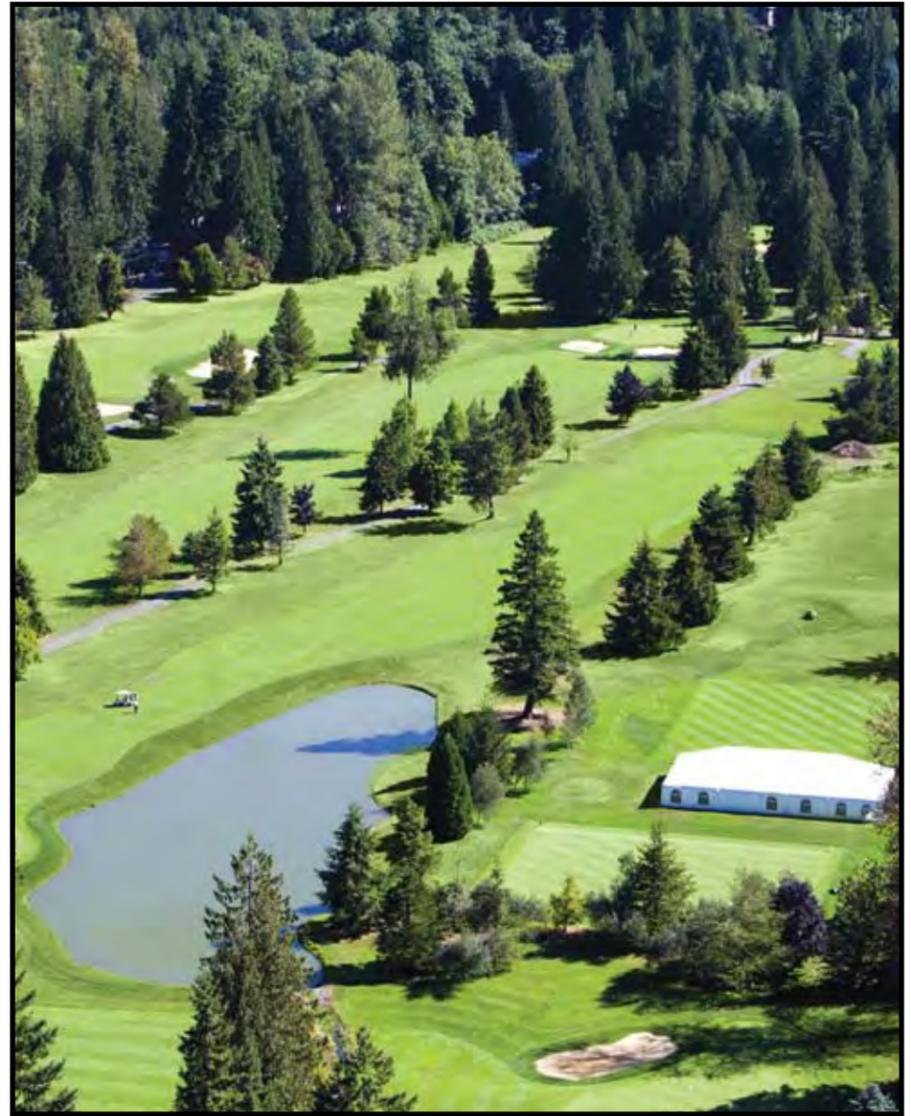
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Set realistic goals when it comes to getting results

As summer continues to roll on, I am really trying to guide my students to their golfing goals set this past winter or spring...or have reset because they have already achieved said accomplishments. As a swing coach, I strongly encourage goal setting in several areas such as: having fun, more repeatable swing, consistent ball flight, short game scrambling, improved putting, and casual round and/or tournament scoring.

The wonderful thing is: Every one of my students has different goals and expectations. Some example of the goals I usually hear are these: Enjoy making better contact, keep the ball in play, swing and scoring consistency, eliminate 3 putts to lower putter average, reduce handicap by



5-10 strokes, break 100, 90, 80 or 70, shoot their age, and win events on any level. However, most just want to shoot lower scores.

Most amateur golfers have expectations that are not obtainable, so they get

frustrated when results do not measure up. They think too much about the better or poor golf they used to play in the past - instead of focusing on golf in the present.

No matter what a student's goals are, I make sure they are realistic because when they reach them confidence and desire to improve are greatly increased. Then, it is up to me, the swing coach, to show them what they need to do to attain those goals. After that, it is on the student to put in the time and effort to make them come to fruition.

If you haven't set any golfing goals, do it today because we still have three good weather months to play some better golf. If you haven't yet met your golfing goals,

re-evaluate your golf game to understand where your weaknesses are and address them with your swing coach.

Every time a student is in for a lesson, I ask if they've practiced bettering the areas of concern to accomplish their golfing desires. I want my students to train their swings on the practice tee and then trust it when on the golf course.

Remember, the scorecard doesn't have any pictures on it, so get the ball in the hole in fewer strokes and keep those scores dropping.

Brett Wilkinson is the regional manager for teaching instruction at GolfTEC. He can be reached for teaching questions at 425.454.7956.

Oki Golf set to show off new information on its web site

Oki Golf, which owns and operates a variety of courses around the Pacific Northwest, has a new website to show off which includes all kinds of information to make your round even more enjoyable.

The new Oki Golf Community allows golfers to connect on a whole new level with a variety of features designed to provide golfers with a unique on-line experience that will allow them to expand their golfing networks and make it easier to get out and play some golf.

Here are some of the new features:

- Links with buddies: Add golf buddies to your very own social network to share information.
- Join numerous golfing groups: You can join golfing groups that are built around skill level, playing habits and preferences.
- Book on-line and invite friends: With

the enhanced way to make tee times, booking a tee time and inviting friends is easy. Invites go out via e-mail and friends can accept on-line.

• Check Players Card Rounds on-line: View Players Card details and round information on-line within the profile. This is a great benefit to cardholders who can see the status of course availability of their pre-paid rounds.

• Get offers on-line: Special golf offers are added directly to the on-line profiles. Offers will be tailored to the individual golfers as well.

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challenging course designs and unrivaled guest service provide an exceptional golf experience at unparalleled value to casual golfers, tournaments, and group outings.

The site is in beta testing. Any individuals wishing to be part of the test can visit Okigolf.com for details.

Vancouver, Reedsport golfers win Oregon Junior championships

Both Nicholas Huff of Vancouver, Wash. and Monica Vaughn of Reedsport, Ore. nearly lost their 36-hole leads in the final round of the Oregon Junior Stroke Play Championship at OGA Golf Course in Woodburn, Ore., but they both were able to survive the onslaught and claim wire-to-wire victories.

Huff began his final round with a 2-shot lead, but this unfamiliar territory didn't phase

the 17-year old who has played Oregon Junior Golf events for years, but has never won. In the Girls Division, Vaughn started her day with a 4-stroke lead over Gigi Stoll of Beaverton, Ore. and held on down the stretch to win the tournament.

Kent golfers capture WSGA Parent-Child Championship

Ruben and Ravae Canas of Kent, Wash. successfully captured the 3rd Annual Washington State Parent-Child Championship conducted by the WSGA.

The Championship was played at Riverbend Golf Complex in a Chapman format which is a 2-person team competition where both players tee off and then switch balls, each plays a second shot and then the team selects the better of the two and finishes the hole in alternate shot format.

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The Lesson Tee: Learn how to square up your downswing with these drills

I just finished my golf schools with one of the world's finest teachers in Mike Bender. I met Mike on the mini-tours in the 1980s. We played the PGA Tour together several years and I introduced him to his wife on a blind date. Mike is a finalist for the National PGA Teacher of the Year. He coaches Zach Johnson and many others.

Mike and I have been doing schools here at Semiahmoo for 16 years. Each year my athletes young and young at heart get to spend several days under Mike Bender's expert eye and experience. Sometimes I even throw in a nugget of truth here and there.

These schools and hanging out with Mike are really a growing education and sharpening for me. Not only as a teacher but a player also. I see what I am doing well and how I can be more effective at The Jeff Coston Golf Academy. Throughout the years I expand not only my teaching and my game but my academy facility here at Semiahmoo. Mike and I were talking early before a school commenting that The Jeff Coston Golf Academy is much an extension of his various golf academies throughout the world. I'd like to share a drill you can use even at home to improve your path, clubface and impact.

First, it is important to come from the inside on the downswing. Some call the path inside out but it is really an arc. Inside, square, to inside. We know most players swing over the top of the plane. So to exaggerate this shallow or inside track during drills would be best.

Photo 1: Put a shaft in the ground behind an impact bag. Set down an alignment shaft on the ground aiming left of your intended target. Place a highway cone or a shaft in the ground along your toe line to where it would



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touch the hosel of your club as you take the shaft back.

You want to take the clubhead slightly outside the cone going back. On the downswing bring your arms and shaft on the inside of the cone. You will want to spin the bag to the right side of the shaft. Photo 2. The key is to use your arms and not your shoulders on the downswing. This working around the inside of the cone coming down shallows out the shaft for the proper swing path. Note shoulders are not open at impact but rather square. Even feel like the shoulders are closed longer. Swing the shaft and arms on the inside track. Spin the bag to the right. If the bag spins to the left of the shaft you are dominating with your shoulders, swinging left and over the top of the plane.

Remember, exaggerate the path and the shoulders square at impact. Spin the bag to the right of the shaft.

Jeff Coston is a former PGA Tour Player and 12-time Pacific Northwest PGA Player of the Year. He can be reached for appointment by calling Semiahmoo Resort at 360-371-7005.



PNGA and WSGA pick Troy Andrew as the new leader

The Pacific Northwest Golf Association (PNGA) and Washington State Golf Association (WSGA) have announced that Troy Andrew will take over as the new Executive Director of the two associations. Andrew will begin his new duties at the PNGA and WSGA effective immediately.

Andrew replaces John Bodenhamer, who was the CEO and Executive Director of the two associations for 21 years before leaving last month to join the senior staff of the United States Golf Association as the Senior Managing Director of Rules, Competitions and Amateur Status.

With the departure of Bodenhamer, the Board of Directors of the two associations had wanted a seamless transition and turned to Andrew, who had been serving as the Assistant Executive Director.

Andrew, 37, was originally hired in 1999 by the PNGA and WSGA and served as the Senior Director of Rules and Competition for seven years before becoming the Assistant Executive Director and Senior Director of Communications for the associations in 2007. In Andrew's 12 years with the associations he has been involved with every aspect of their core services, which includes championships, Rules of Golf, Evans Scholarship Program, Pacific Northwest Golfer magazine, membership services, and the GHIN handicap software.

Andrew has been a member of the International Association of Golf Administrators since 2000 and served on the USGA GHIN Tournament Pairings Program Steering Committee from 2004-2006. Andrew earned a Bachelor of Science in Public Relations and Marketing at Central Washington University in 1997. Prior to joining the PNGA and WSGA, he was the Assistant Tournament Director for the Pacific Northwest Section.

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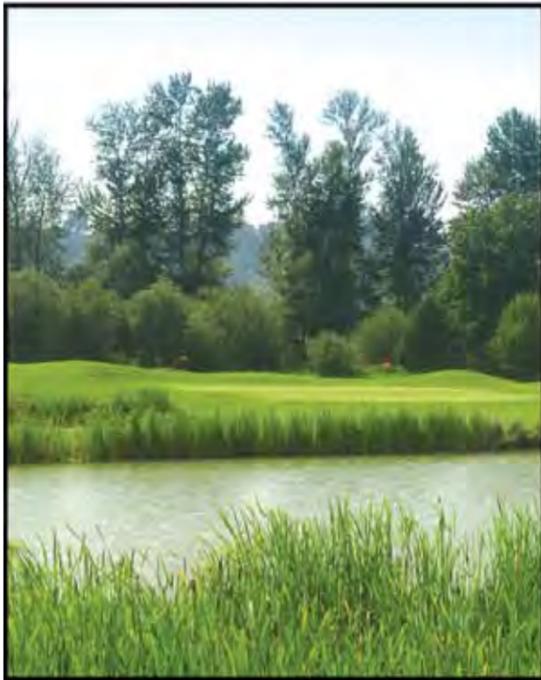
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Rules of the Game: If you are involved in match play, you need to know how to apply the rules

Last month I started a back-to-basics series on the Rules of Golf. In the July issue, we looked at Rule 1 – the foundation for the rest of the Rules of Golf. It makes sense that the next two rules outline the two main types of competition: match play and stroke play.

For this issue, we'll look at Rule 2 in depth. Rule 2 deals with the original form of competition – match play. All of the competitions in the early days of golf and well into the 20th century were primarily match play. Rule 2-1 describes the essential aspects of match play, explaining terms such as "holes up," "all square" and "dormie". It also explains that in a match play handicap competition, strokes are given on a specific hole, rather than subtracted from the player's total score, as in stroke play.

Rule 2-2 explains that a hole is halved when the two players have the same score on a hole in match play. It also goes on to say that if a player holes out and his opponent is left for a stroke for a half, and the player who has holed out incurs a penalty, the hole is automatically halved. For instance, if Don has holed out in four and Paul has a 40-foot putt for a four, and Don breaks a rule (such as giving advice), then Paul's putt is considered holed and the hole is halved. Rule 2-3 explains that the winner of a match is the player who has won the most holes, and goes on to say that if a match is extended to extra holes to break a tie, those extra holes are part of the original round. This is in contrast to stroke play, where a playoff is considered to be a new round. The reason that this is



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crucial is because in stroke play, if there is a playoff, a player can practice, change clubs, ask advice, etc. before starting the playoff. But if a match is extended, the player may not do any of those things, because it's still a continuance of the same round.

Rule 2-4 deals with concessions. This Rule is interesting, because there are strict limitations on concessions: 1) A player may not only concede the next stroke, but also a hole or even an entire match. However, a player may only concede the hole being played (if he's conceding a hole), and no concession may be made while the opponent's ball is in motion. 2) Concessions may not be declined or withdrawn. Once a player says, "That's good" it's a done deal. Even if the opponent putts anyway and misses, the concession still stands. So, don't concede anything unless you really mean it!

Rule 2-5 deals with Claims. Sometimes when one player is playing against another, a Rules situation may arise on which they cannot agree. Their only recourse is to ask a Rules Official. However, an official

may not be readily available and they need to continue playing. Rule 2-5 essentially gives the players the right to "agree to disagree" and move on until an official can be contacted. Then the state of the match can be adjusted up or down, or let stand, depending on the ruling of the official. But the real crux of Rule 2-5 is the process the players need to follow in order for a claim to be valid. If a player thinks his opponent has violated a Rule, he has to inform him and it must include three components: (1) He must tell his opponent he is making a claim, (2) he must tell his opponent the specific situation he is challenging, and (3) that he is requesting a ruling and wants the Rules of Golf applied.

In addition, all of this must be done before either player makes a stroke on the next teeing ground, or, if the claim is made on the last hole of the round, before all players leave the putting green.

To illustrate, let's say that Dan and George are playing a match, and that George grounds his club in a hazard, but George doesn't think it's a penalty. Dan tells George that he has grounded his club and that he (Dan) wins the hole. George disagrees, and goes on to score a 4 to Dan's 5. Before either of them tee off on the next hole, Dan tells George that (1) he is making a claim, and (2) tells him that he believes that grounding his club in a hazard is a loss-of-hole penalty, and that (3) he wishes to have an official make a ruling in accordance with the Rules of Golf. An official would then rule in favor of Dan and George would lose the hole, and the state of the match would

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have to be adjusted. However, if Dan had waited until after one of them had teed off on the next hole to make the claim, the claim would be invalid, and George would have won the hole, even though he clearly made a violation that would normally be a loss-of-hole penalty. And, there is one more twist to this Rule. If, later in the match, it came to light that George had grounded his club but Dan was unaware of it at the time, he would still have the right to make a claim.

Finally, Rule 2-6 merely states that the general penalty in match play is loss of hole for a Rules violation that would normally be two strokes in stroke play. Some of the more common loss-of-hole penalties in match play are grounding clubs or removing loose impediments in hazards, giving or asking for advice, playing from a wrong place, or playing a wrong ball. The bottom line is that there are no two-stroke penalties in match play.

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