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NEWSPAPER**

Pacific Amateur gets new title sponsor; new finalists course

The Pacific Amateur has a new title sponsor in *Golf World*. The Golf World Pacific Amateur offers up another change as well as the Pronghorn Nicklaus course (right) will host the final round. For more see, Page 2.



**WHAT'S NEW
IN NW GOLF**

Chambers Bay now offers annual passes

Chambers Bay is offering another way for golfers to play the course that hosted the 2010 United States Amateur and will play host to the 2015 United States Open.

Annual passes are now available to play the course, in addition to the daily rates the course offers.

The annual passes went on sale in January - and there are a variety of passes available to Pierce County residents and Washington residents. Passes can be bought for eight months or for an entire year.

For Pierce County residents, an eight-month pass will cost \$1,300 while a full year pass costs \$2,400. For Washington residents, the eight-month pass will go for \$1,600 and the full -year pass for \$2,900.

Hey juniors: Riverbend drops rates to play golf

As part of the City of Kent's Youth Sports Initiative titled "Access To Recreation" the Riverbend Golf Complex has lowered the prices for all junior golfers (17 and under) at both golf courses and the driving range.

Juniors will now be able to play the 18-hole Golf Course for \$5 for 9 holes and \$10 for 18 holes seven days per week. At the Par 3 Golf Course juniors will now be able to play 9 holes during the week for \$2 and \$3 on the weekends. In addition, Riverbend has lowered the price of a small bucket of balls (50 Balls) at the driving range to \$2 for juniors.

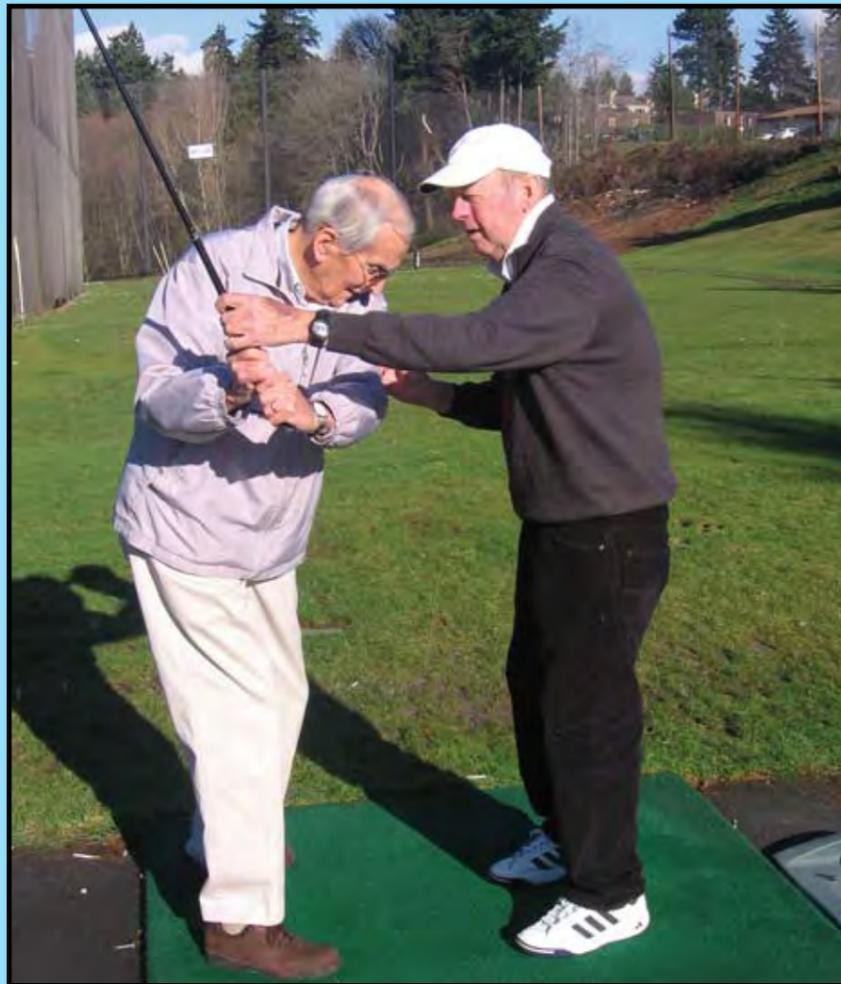
Seattle Golf Show is on tap for Qwest Field

The Seattle Golf and Travel Show is set for Feb. 11-13 at the Qwest Field Events Center. The show, the largest consumer golf show on the West Coast, will show what's new for the 2011 golf season. Tickets are \$12 for adults and \$5 for kids. For more see seattlegolfshow.com.

Rules Quiz

Player A asks Player B to stand on a mound on a line with the flagstick prior to the stroke. Player A cannot see the flag from his ball. Player B moves before Player A makes a stroke. OK not OK? See answer on Page 2.

Taking your game to a higher level



Playing golf poorly doesn't have to be a lifetime sentence. Having a pair of trained eyes on your golf swing can remove years of frustration. Teaching professionals like David Gibson at Riverbend (top) and Jeff Coston at Semiahmoo (right) are two of many instructors that can get your game on the road to recovery. Finding the right teacher can be a daunting task so, inside this issue we've provided you with information on over 40 different golf instructors where you can find one that best fits your needs.



Brian Mogg will start up his golf academy at Chambers Bay

One of the top golf instructors in the country will be bringing his golf academy to the Pacific Northwest this year.

Brian Mogg, who lives in Orlando, will be opening a golf academy at Chambers Bay in University Place perhaps as early as May. Mogg has golf academies in locales such as Orlando, Toronto and recently opened a school in Honolulu.

He is excited about the chance of opening up at Chambers Bay, a course which hosted the 2010 United States Amateur and will host the 2015 United States Open.

"It will be great for Northwest golfers who can't make it to places like Arizona or Palm Springs for a golf school," said the 49-year-old Mogg, whose brother Gary is a Northwest rep for Under Armour. "We can provide Northwest golfers with a quality school they don't have to travel out of state to get to."

Mogg works with PGA Tour players such as 2009 PGA Championship winner Y.E. Yang, Skip Kendall and Greg Kraft as well as LPGA players like Meena Lee.

Mogg is originally from the Pacific Northwest so he is excited about getting back to his roots.

"This is an opportunity for me to get involved in the Northwest," said Mogg. "And to give back to Northwest golf."

Mogg played on the PGA and Nationwide Tours before setting up shop as a golf instructor, first with the David Leadbetter Academy, where he was the director of instruction from 1997-2001.

Mogg's direct involvement will include 15-20 days a year at the school, which will be primarily run by Brent Zepp. Former PGA Tour player and Tacoma native Ken Still will also be involved.

The Brian Mogg Golf Academy will feature half day schools, one day schools and private lessons. For more information, call 253.460.4653.

Salish Cliffs taking shape, getting ready for opening

The Pacific Northwest will welcome another golf course this spring with the opening of the Salish Cliffs Golf Club, part of the Little Creek Casino in Shelton, Wash.

The course, designed by Gene Bates, was set to open years ago but construction slowed. Last year, work at the course heated up and now, Salish Cliffs is expected to open this spring.

The course will play to 7,300 yards and par-72. A total of 16 of the 18 holes are encircled by trees, giving golfers the feeling that they are the only ones playing the golf course. Two of the par-5 holes will be monsters, with those two checking in at over 600 yards from the tip.

The clubhouse sits in a deep ravine and will boast 360-degree views of the nearby Kamilche Valley.

For more on the golf course, see www.little-creek.com.



Pacific Amateur offers up some new attractions for 2011 tournament field

The Pacific Amateur Golf Classic is heading toward its 15th year this year, when the event tees off in Central Oregon in late August.

With the dissolution of the Northwest Dodge Dealers Association following the Chrysler buyout, the PacAm knew it would be seeking a new title sponsor for the 15th Anniversary year. But Alana Audette, the head of the Central Oregon Visitor's Association which runs the events, was never worried.

She knew the Pacific Amateur would endure. In fact, it didn't take long for a new sponsor to step to the plate, as *Golf World* magazine signed on as title sponsor for the 2011 event - which will now feature plenty of new surprises as it heads towards its 15th year.

Welcome to the Golf World Pacific Amateur, an event which will take place Aug. 29-Sept. 2, 2011 at some of Central Oregon's best golf courses.

"It's always a little scary when a big sponsor goes away, but *Golf World* has always wanted to take on a bigger role - and this was their chance," said Audette. "They have been a publishing partner with us for years and wanted to be bigger. Now they are the title sponsor."

The Golf World Pacific Amateur is getting out of the gates quickly this year to promote the 15th annual event. Early registration is available through Feb. 28, 2011 in which players will get \$75 off their entry fee.

The tournament has always been popular and last year 640 players took part in the tournament, which features flights for men, women and seniors. The top two players from each flight qualify for the championship round.

Audette says she doesn't hear many



Steve Turcotte

complaints about the tournament. But, she did hear some comments about the registration gift bag last year. I've played in all 14 Pacific Amateurs so I have seen the tee prizes through the year. I really don't care what they throw at us when we play. The chance to play in Central Oregon for three tournament rounds and the chance for some extra food and beverages is always a welcome trip for anyone.

But Audette heard the complaints, (not from me, of course) and said the tournament will have some nice tee prizes in store.

"We will make people happy they are playing," she said. "The golfers will not be disappointed."

Lithia Motors is also a new addition to the Golf World Pacific Amateur, joining the event as a the host of the Charity Festival of Golf, held the day before the tournament kicks off at Sunriver's Meadows course. The Lithia Charity Festival of Golf is expected to raise more than \$10,000 for the Central Oregon Boys and Girls Clubs, bringing the 15-year total to more than \$150,000 donated to charity.

"The Lithia group does a lot of charitable work all over, so this is a good fit," said Audette. "They are excited about being

involved with the event and the Boys and Girls Clubs."

And if all that is not enough for the 2011 event, the championship round for the flights winners is being moved to Pronghorn's Signature Nicklaus Course. The championship round had been held at Sunriver's Crosswater course since the tournament began, but Crosswater will be putting in 18 new greens in 2011, meaning the tournament needed a new host for the final round.

A total of 11 golf courses will be involved in this year's tournament.

If you've played in the Pacific Amateur, you know the drill: You show up early for a practice round in Central Oregon, play in the tournament, enjoy the food and beverages they throw at you and if you are lucky, qualify for the championship round. I've been there for all 14 tournaments, and played in two final rounds.

And no, there was no sandbagging on my end. In fact, one year when I won the flight, I was 7 over par net. NET. I picked the right year to be in the worst flight in the tournament.

It's been a fun event through the year and now, with the new things brewing for 2011, it should be even better. I know I will be heading south for the event at the end of August.

And if my golf game is as bad as it was at the end of last year, I will stink as usual this time around at the Pac Am.

For more information see the web site www.pacamgolf.com or call the tournament office at 541.389.8799.

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Seattle, Portland golf shows are set for this month; Boeing tourney looks for volunteers

The Seattle and Portland Golf Shows are set for Feb. 11-13, 2011 with the Seattle Golf Show being held at the Qwest Field Events Center and the Portland Golf Show at the Oregon Convention Center.

The Seattle Golf Show will feature just about everything Pacific Northwest golfers need to get ready for the upcoming season. From a look at resorts to public courses to the latest in equipment, the Seattle Golf Show will provide golfers three days of seeing what is new.

Over 200 exhibitors are set for the event, which kicks off Friday, Feb. 11 at noon and runs through the weekend. Check the website www.seattlegolfshow.com for hours. Tickets are \$12 for adults and \$5 for youths. Each attendee will receive a free round of

golf as well.

The Puetz Try It and Buy It zone is back giving golfers a chance to test the latest equipment and then buy it. The Washington State Putting Championships and the 7 Cedars Long Putt are also back.

• The Portland Golf Show is set for its 18th straight year combining unbeatable bargains on equipment, apparel and golf-related services with over \$100 in free golf and other giveaways to help Oregon golfers jump-start their 2011 season.

Look for unbeatable savings from dozens of the industry's leading exhibitors, free lessons from top PGA pros, and giveaway and prize packages that guarantee a return on the value of the consumer's ticket the second they pass through the door. Fiddler's Green

will have plenty of merchandise on hand for golfers to buy. See the website www.portlandgolfshow.com for more.

Boeing Classic sets dates for 2011 event; looking for volunteers to help

The Boeing Classic 2011 tournament dates have been set for August 22-28 at TPC Snoqualmie Ridge.

The winner of the Champions Tour's 2010 Presidents Award honoring the top tournament on the Tour for the year, the Boeing Classic keeps its annual placement in the final week of August despite several changes to the Tour schedule for the coming season. The full 2011 Champions Tour schedule is expected to be announced before

the end of the year.

Golf fans will have an opportunity to walk with legendary pros such as Fred Couples, Tom Kite, Mark O'Meara and Nick Price while also welcoming newcomers such as Kenny Perry and Steve Lowry.

For fans interested in taking part in a unique golf experience, Volunteer Registration for the 2011 tournament will be available at BoeingClassic.com.

Korean Air returns as title sponsor of the tournament Pro-Am on August 24-25. If you are interested in this high-profile event or other sponsorship opportunities please contact the tournament through BoeingClassic.com or the tournament office at 206-381-7830.

Tacoma Firs Management takes over Olympia Center

Tacoma Firs Golf Management has taken over at the Olympia Golf Learning Center. Doug Gullikson, PGA Head Golf Professional will run the facility. OGLC has just about everything you need to get your game in shape. The facility is also home for the First Tee and Joe Thiel's International Golf Schools.

Gullikson and 5 fellow PGA professionals will be instructing the First Tee Program, private, group and corporate lessons and golf schools.

The Olympia Golf Learning Center has

an all grass driving range, where you can hit from all four sides of the range to different targets. Along with the range there are chipping and pitching greens, putting greens, a bunker practice area and 25 covered stalls to hit when Mother Nature doesn't cooperate. There is a fully stocked pro shop as well as an indoor teaching facility. Annual memberships are available as well as discount punch cards and special rates for juniors, seniors and military personnel

The facility is located at 8000 72nd Lane SE Oly. Phone number is 360.493.1000.



Doug Gullikson



Olympia Golf Learning Center in Olympia, Wash.



The *Golf World* Pacific Amateur Golf Classic, presented by the Central Oregon Visitors Association and new Title Sponsor *Golf World*, will take place August 29- September 2, 2011. The PacAm is the largest amateur golf tournament in the West and is celebrating its 15th year.

The three-day, net, stroke-play tournament is open to all amateur golfers who possess an established USGA Handicap. Players compete on Central Oregon's finest golf courses each of the first three rounds with the top two finalists in each flight advancing to the Championship round at the award winning Pronghorn-Jack Nicklaus Signature golf course.

After competition each day enjoy the 19th hole activities including the Lithi Charity Festival of Golf contest, the PacAm Dine-Around in Central Oregon and the Awards Dinner & Ceremony.

New for 2011, the PacAm will offer an optional event for participants to test their short game skills at the Par-3 Caldera Springs Resort Course at Sunriver Resort. Prizes will be awarded for gross, net & KP's for 5 different divisions.

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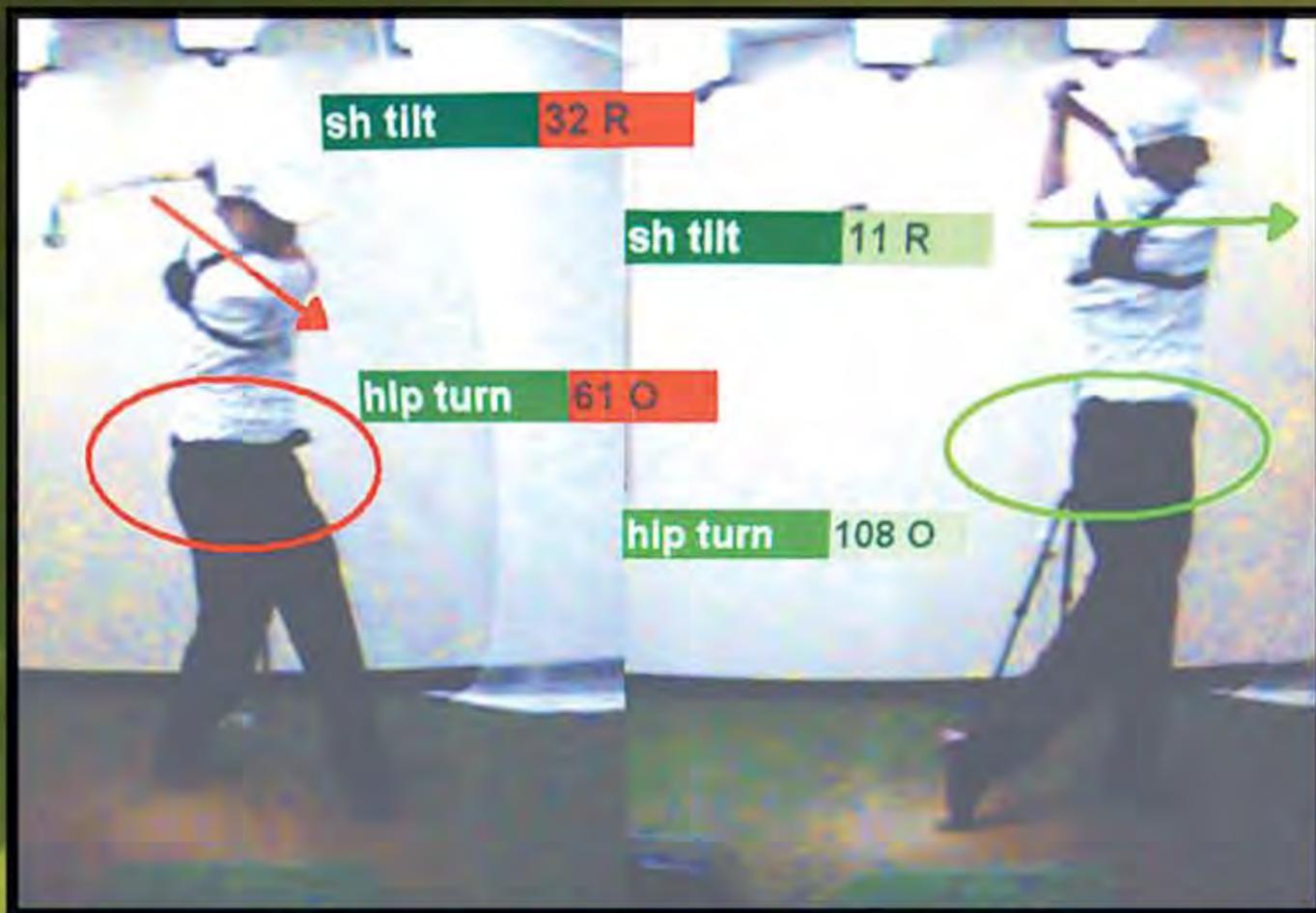
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Circling Raven named as one of top casino courses

Circling Raven Golf Club – an amenity of the Coeur d'Alene Casino Resort Hotel in the Idaho panhandle – has once again been ranked among the very best courses in America by *Golfweek* magazine, coming in at No. 13 on this year's "50 Best Casino Courses" list.

Golfweek has conducted its casino course rankings for the last five years by sending out a team of more than 600 course raters to survey more than 2,200 courses. The criterion includes overall strength of routing, feature shaping, natural setting, greens, variety and memorability of holes, conditioning and maintenance and landscape management.

Circling Raven, which is owned and operated by the Coeur d'Alene Tribe and designed by course architect Gene Bates, is the lone course in the Pacific Northwest to make the list. The *Golfweek* ranking comes on the heels of the course being named by *Golf Magazine* as one of the "Top 100 Courses You Can Play" in the September 2010 issue. It is also a member of *Golf Digest's* prestigious "America's 100 Greatest Public Courses."

Clint Whitney named new GM at Glendale Country Club

Clint Whitney has been named general manager of Glendale Country Club, the only private golf club in Bellevue. He assumed his new position Feb. 1.

Whitney was general manager and director of golf at The Golf Club at Redmond Ridge from 2003 until assuming his new position. The Lake Stevens resident also held the same title at Kayak Point Golf Course in Stanwood, Wash. from 2001-2003.

Whitney's golf career dates to 1988 when he was assistant golf professional at Tri-City Golf Course in American Fork, Utah. He was elected to Class A membership in the PGA of America in 1994.

Considered a "hidden jewel," Glendale Country Club was established on its current 148-acre site in 1956. The club's origins date to the 1920s, initially as a nine-hole course in Burien known as Glen Acres. Last year, Glendale hosted the Washington Open Invitational and completed a \$2 million renovation project of its clubhouse and pro shop/club storage building.

Brian Kruhlak is new director at Sudden Valley in Bellingham

The Sudden Valley Community Association is proud to announce that Brian Kruhlak has accepted the position of Director of Golf Operations, overseeing the entire golf program at Sudden Valley. Brian is well known in the local golf community largely due to his 20 years of successful management service at Avalon Golf Links, in Burlington, WA, as the Head Golf Professional. Brian also has previously served the Sudden Valley golf program as an assistant golf professional.

Kruhlak's role will include owning the merchandise concession in the Pro Shop, and management of the service staff in the Pro Shop, and in the Golf Maintenance Department. He will be the essential person in charge of developing the annual membership program, Sudden Valley Club tournament program, Corporate tournament program. He will promote public play and new player programs.

Players with NW ties on the pro tours

PGA Tour

- Ben Crane • Portland • Ranked 52nd with \$71,000
- Robert Garrigus • Gresham • Ranked 4th with \$635,000
- Andres Gonzales • Olympia • No events yet
- Ryan Moore • Puyallup • No events yet
- Alex Prugh • Spokane • Ranked 61st with \$57,357
- Michael Putnam • Tacoma • Ranked 129th with \$10,100
- Kyle Stanley • Gig Harbor • Ranked 66th with \$43,645
- Kirk Triplett • Pullman • No events yet

Nationwide Tour

- Jess Daley • Kent • No events yet
- Troy Kelly • Bremerton • No events yet
- Richard Lee • Bellevue • No events yet
- Brock Mackenzie • Yakima • No events yet

Champions Tour

- Fred Couples • Seattle • Ranked 16th with \$28,000
- Bob Gilder • Corvallis • No events yet
- Peter Jacobsen • Portland • No events yet

LPGA Tour

- Louise Friberg • Univ. of Washington • No events yet
- Allison Hanna-Williams • Portland • No events yet
- Jimin Kang • Seattle • No events yet
- Paige Mackenzie • Yakima • No events yet
- Wendy Ward • Edwall, Wash. • No events yet

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Marti O'Neill – PGA Class "A" Member Head Professional

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Jon Shabel – PGA Apprentice Teaching Professional

Jon Shabel started his golf education working at the Riverbend Driving Range in 2002 and also at Auburn Golf Course. Jon is currently in his third year of the PGA education program. This is his 6th year assisting at Riverbend where he has been honing his skills in the area of club-fitting. Upon seeking his membership into the PGA, Jon has proved to be a great addition in assisting with the complex's production of junior camps. In 2009 he was offered a position as an assistant instructor to the First Tee of Greater Seattle. Jon has an extensive knowledge of golf swing fundamentals, golf fitness and club fitting which fosters a great approach to learning the game at any skill level especially with his friendly attitude.

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Riverbend Golf Complex



David Gibson– PGA Class "A" Member Teaching Professional David Gibson has been a PGA member since 1971. During the 25 years he spent as a Head Golf Professional at Butte, Twin Lakes and Meridian Valley Country Clubs, David developed an outstanding reputation as a player and teacher. His 13 years of full-time teaching at Riverbend has brought his lesson total to some 30,000 instructional sessions. David emphasizes a simplified approach to learning the fundamentals of the golf swing and short game. As a former PGA Tour Player and PNW Section Major Title Winner, he understands what it takes to accomplish the goals of all golfers. His ability to "coach" students sets him apart from other professionals in the industry. As a master of determining swing flaws and breakdowns, David coordinates an approach unique to each golfer leading to a successful resolution to their ailments. Whether it is work on the range, putting green or on the course, David is available to do whatever it takes to help you enjoy the game.

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Riverbend Golf Complex



Eric Hinrichs – PGA Assistant Teaching Professional

Eric Hinrichs is a familiar face after spending the majority of his youth playing golf with his father, an accomplished amateur golfer, at Riverbend. After setting almost every golf record at Thomas Jefferson High School and winning his share of regional events, Eric decided to become a golf professional at an early age. For years, Eric has helped run Riverbend's 18-hole golf course and he has also helped coordinate Riverbend's junior golf camps, clinics and tournaments. In his 5th year of the PGA education program, Eric has

ascertained a thorough understanding of the golf swing becoming one of the top left-handed players in the section and has assisted many high school and college players throughout their early careers. As a result of his abilities, Josh Immordino secured Eric as his caddie when he qualified as an alternate for the 2008 U.S. Open Championship. Eric's disposition and willingness make him a perfect fit for all your instructional needs.

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For information on playing lessons, semi-private and group lessons call 253-859-4000.



Riverbend Golf Complex



Josh Immordino – PGA Assistant Teaching Professional

Josh Immordino has been a standout golfer in the Pacific Northwest ever since his years as a junior. After setting almost every golf record at Kentwood High School, Josh continued his golfing prowess at Western Washington University where he finished as a 3-Time All American. Josh captured the Seattle Amateur Title, representing Washington in the USGA State Team Championship, qualifying for the prestigious Hudson Cup Matches and in 2006 capturing the exclusive Washington State Open Title. He turned professional shortly after his win and followed that up with a win at the 2007 Oregon State

Open, a qualification into the 2008 U.S. Open Championship as an alternate and a 2009 win at the Pacific Northwest PGA Pro-Assistants Championship. He brings a great understanding of the game of golf to players of every age and ability, especially junior golfers. His patience, demeanor and personal experience make him a perfect fit for educating our local youth.

Rates: 30 Minute Lesson: Adults \$50 • Juniors (under 17) \$45

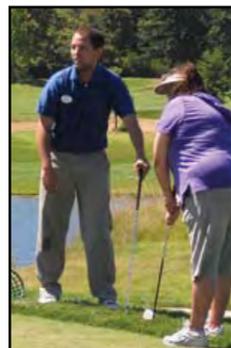
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White Horse Golf Club



Patrick Ackerman – 1st Assistant PGA Golf Professional. 360.297.4468

Patrick focuses first on understanding the students' goals and adapts directly to their learning style. He feels always providing a relaxing and fun learning environment is important in every lesson. Patrick is available for individual, group and playing lessons for golfers of all ages and abilities with a special discount for junior golfers.

Lesson Rates

\$ 35 half-hour lesson,

\$ 130 series of 4.

\$20 junior half-hour lesson,

\$70 series of 4.

\$50 1-Hour playing course management lesson.

Group discounts also available. Can call at 360.297.4468 or you can reach Patrick by email at pat@whitehorsegolf.com.

GolfTEC Bellevue



Olle Nordlund – PGA Apprentice/Teaching Professional Certified Personal Swing Coach and Club Fitter
 Olle originates from Gothenburg, Sweden and has been living in the US since 2004. An avid football (soccer to Americans) and hockey player in Sweden, Olle took up golf in his early 20s, playing throughout the Swedish summers. In 2004, Olle decided to turn his hobby into a career, giving up his former life as a chef to become a Golf Professional. Olle is a 2005 graduate of the Golf Academy of America. Prior to joining the GolfTEC team, Olle worked as a professional club builder with Hotstix Golf in Scottsdale, AZ, taking an active role in thousands of club fittings. And, he spent the last 3 years as an Assistant Golf Professional at The Golf Club at Echo Falls. Already given over 2,000 golf lessons and thousands of club fittings, Olle is continuing his golf education as a registered PGA apprentice, working towards his Class A certification.
 For more information about fees and instruction, please visit GolfTEC.com and see the GolfTEC ad in this issue.



GolfTEC Southcenter



Lyndon Bystrom – Certified Personal Coach – PGA Member
 Lyndon, a PGA Member, comes to the Seattle area from Lexington, Kentucky where he was the Head Golf Professional at Andover Golf and Country Club. At Andover, Lyndon conducted individual, group, and junior clinics to all members and guests. In addition to teaching, Lyndon also oversaw the golf operations of the member owned country club. Prior to Andover, Lyndon served as an Assistant Golf Professional at Tanoan Country Club in Albuquerque, New Mexico. During his tenure at Tanoan, Lyndon developed his passion for teaching the game of golf. The feeling and enjoyment that people get out of playing better golf is why Lyndon loves to teach the game. Lyndon chose GolfTEC for the challenge of teaching full time. When Lyndon is not teaching he enjoys playing competitively in local PGA Section events. He is excited for the opportunity to bring his experience to the area and looks forward to helping all of his students improve and enjoy the game. For more information about fees and instruction, please visit GolfTEC.com and see the GolfTEC ad in this issue.



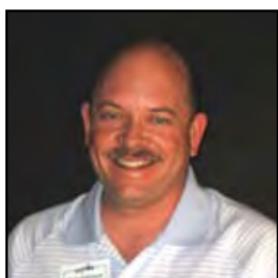
GolfTEC Southcenter



Jordan Cooper – Center Manager, Certified Personal Coach
 Jordan was born and raised in Wenatchee, Wash. After 4 years of Varsity golf at Wenatchee High School, Jordan moved to San Diego to attend the Golf Academy of America. He graduated with an A.A.S. in Golf Complex Operations and Management in 2007. During his time at the Golf Academy, Jordan developed a passion for teaching. His search for a career that would allow him to fully dedicate himself to teaching led him to GolfTEC. Jordan has taught over 2,000 lessons with GolfTEC and conducted hundreds of Personal Club Fittings. He is a Titleist Performance Institute Certified Golf Fitness Instructor (one of only five Teaching Professionals in the state of Washington to be TPI Certified; four of whom are GolfTEC coaches). Jordan spends his spare time competing in PGA section events and his wintertime snowboarding. Jordan is excited to share his passion for the game and help all of his students improve. For more information about fees and instruction, please visit GolfTEC.com and see the GolfTEC ad in this issue.



GolfTEC Bellevue



Brett Wilkinson – PGA Member for 20 years
 Brett has given over 20,000 lessons and thousands of club fittings. He is a Titleist Performance Institute (TPI) Golf Fitness Instructor. In 2007 Brett was a PNW PGA President's Plaque Recipient for Player Development.
 Teaching philosophy: Maintain the good or great in people's golf swings, and improve and strengthen the areas of concern. My goals are to guide my students toward their desired golfing goals, however aggressive they may be. Extensive knowledge of the golf swing and GolfTEC's state-of-art teaching system, motion measurement readings, and tour video swing comparison.
 For more information about fees and instruction, please visit GolfTEC.com and see the GolfTEC ad in this issue.



Nathanel Johnson – Director of Instruction/Center Manager/Level 3 PGA Apprentice
 Nathanel started his career at Brentwood Country Club in Los Angeles where he taught and was the Certified Personal Club Fitter for 7 years. In 2009, he joined GolfTEC because he believes in the teaching philosophy and that it's the best form of instruction. He recently moved to Seattle from Santa Monica, CA. With his PGA training and GolfTEC teaching philosophy, he is looking forward to helping students understand their swing and improve their game. For more information about fees and instruction, please visit GolfTEC.com and see the GolfTEC ad in this issue.



GolfTEC South Lake Union



Todd Barney – Certified Personal Coach/Certified Personal Club Fitter/Certified TPI Fitness Instructor
 Raised in Issaquah, Todd followed his passion of becoming a Golf Professional. Graduating with high honors in the Professional Golf Management program at the Professional Golfers Career College in Temecula, CA, Todd pursued Assistant Professional positions in both Arizona and Iowa. Todd started as GolfTEC Seattle's first Certified Personal Coach in 2007. Since then he has given over 2,500 Lessons and Club

Fittings. Providing outstanding customer service and a thorough understanding of the swing, Todd takes great pride in making sure each of his students understand their swings. For more information about fees and instruction, please visit GolfTEC.com and see the GolfTEC ad in this issue.



GolfTEC South Lake Union



Nicholas Burrington – PGA Golf Management Graduate/Teaching Professional Certified Personal Swing Coach and Club Fitter
 Nicholas grew up and started playing golf in Kalispell, Montana. He attended the University of Idaho PGA Golf Management Program and in spring 2010 he finished requirements for a Bachelor's Degree in Business Marketing. During this time he interned for the University of Idaho Golf Course, Gozzer Ranch in Coeur d'Alene and GolfTEC Corporate Headquarters with a focus in teaching and club fitting. While with GolfTEC Headquarters, Nicholas completed over 1200 lessons with a philosophy of dedication to the improvement of his students. He is on track to be inducted into the PGA in fall 2011. For more information about fees and instruction, please visit GolfTEC.com and see the GolfTEC ad in this issue.



The Home Course



Jo Ann Washam – LPGA Tour teaching professional (253) 298-1334
 Jo Ann was born and raised in Auburn. She was the first woman to receive the Evans Caddie Scholarship (administered by the PNGA) and graduated from Washington State University in 1972. She was inducted into the WSU Hall of Fame for golf and basketball. In 1973 she joined the LPGA Tour and played for 18 years, winning five times.
 Lesson Package Options:
 • Individual Lessons \$65 an hour
 • Junior Lessons \$20 for half hour
 • Military discounts available
 • Monday Night Ladies Group – \$10/person for 90 minutes
 • Jo Ann will lead three Junior camps this summer
 "Give me a call and ask – let's create your own lesson package."



Green Mountain Golf Course



Harold Bluestein – PGA Instructor, Path to Better Golf, LLC, cell: (541) 490-7999, email:hbluestein36@hotmail.com, website: haroldbluestein.com
 A professional for more than 25 years Harold understands that every student is different and lessons have to be about the student, not about a method. His knowledge has evolved from careful study of the golf swing and the student learning process ("how students learn"). As a result Harold has been honored with Oregon Teacher of the year nominations in 2007 and 2008 and the 2009 PNW PGA Section President's Award for player development. Harold can be heard co-hosting "Golf in the Northwest" every Saturday morning 8 to 9 on ESPN 1080 TheFan (1080 AM on your radio dial). Tune in for his insights and tips!

Rates: Adult Private Series of 5 lessons \$250, includes four, 40 minute range lessons and one on course lesson for 1 hour. Junior private series of 5 lessons \$150, same format.
 Semi Private Series of 5 lessons \$300 (total), includes four, 45 minute range lessons and one on course lesson for 1 hour.
 Harold also offers group sessions through Clark Community College and other private sessions through the Firstenberg Center in Vancouver.
 Contact Harold by phone or email directly to get your year and your swing off to the right start.



Columbia Super Range



Kathy DeNeui – LPGA Class A Professional
 Whether you are a brand new golfer or single digit handicap, Kathy can help you reach your goals. She follows the LPGA model of instruction and drills based on your learning style to create your desired ball flight. Kathy has been teaching golf at Columbia Super Range since 1999, and has completed the five-year LPGA teaching program to class A. By forming a women's golf league Kathy has created opportunity for hundreds of women golfers to play this wonderful game and network at the same time.
 Kathy also writes a monthly column of instruction for women in *Inside Golf Newspaper*. She can be reached at 425-338-2424 or by email at: Kathyd@Columbiaathletic.com.



Columbia Super Range



Steve Reuhl – PGA Class A Head Professional
 Steve is a University of Washington graduate, class of 1975, and has been a golf professional since 1976. He is a Class "A" member of the PGA and has been teaching at the Columbia Super Range since 1993. He enjoys working with golfers of all abilities.
 Steve believes in solid fundamentals, a good understanding of ball flight, and in developing effective routines. In addition to our driving range, we have 2 indoor video studios, an outstanding chipping and putting area, and heated hitting stations!
 Give Steve a call. He would love to help you with your game.
 Half hour private lessons \$45; series of 5 lessons \$200.
 One hour private lessons \$70; series of 5 lessons \$300.
 Juniors (17 and under) half hour \$35; series of 5 lessons \$140.
 To book a lesson call me at 425-338-2424, or visit our website, www.superrange.com.

Interbay Golf Center



Casey McMullin – Teaching Professional

A Seattle native, Casey has been playing golf over 40 years and teaching golf for the past six. In 2005, Casey decided to bring his passion and knowledge of golf to Interbay as an instructor. Since 2005, he has taught over 8,000 golf lessons. He is currently working towards membership in the PGA and plays tournament golf.

Casey has an uncomplicated approach to the golf swing. His philosophy is to establish an easy swing that is repeatable and has lasting results. His students are amazed how simple it is once they feel it. He is passionate about getting students that “AHA” moment

that helps them enjoy the game more. Casey has developed a swing training device called the Swing Whistle which helps players with their timing and tempo.

Casey is also the Head Golf Coach for Ballard High School boys and girls golf teams.

To set up an appointment with Casey, call 206-838-4549 or email him at cmcmullin@premiergc.com. (See rates for Interbay on this page).



Peter Dixon – PGA Teaching Professional

Pete’s full time teaching career began in 1987. In 1999 his career was greatly enhanced after working with Jimmy Ballard, one of America’s top golf instructors. He became a certified Jimmy Ballard teaching professional. In the past 23 years Pete has cultivated a huge student base. Since the beginning in 1981, he has given more than 28,000 lessons, a number that ranks among the top PGA Teaching Professionals.

If you desire to learn the game or improve your skills, do what thousands of others have already done.... take a series of lessons with Pete. He will help you understand and apply the fundamentals needed for success.

In 2006 and in 2007 Pete was selected as one of twelve playing professionals to represent Washington vs. Oregon in the Hagen Cup. If you are serious about learning and improving Pete is a great choice.

To set up an appointment with Pete, call 206-838-4549 or email him at pdixon@premiergc.com. (See rates for Interbay on this page).



Ron Hanson – PGA Professional – Director of Instruction
WWC PGA Teacher of the Year 2007–*Golf Range Magazine’s* Top 50 Golf Instructors in America 2009.

Ron became a PGA Professional in 1990 and has been teaching at Interbay since 1999. He has worked successfully with several satellite tour players, top adult and junior amateur players and countless golfers who wished to improve their golf games. He especially enjoys working with beginners.

Ron has an innate ability to present vivid and understandable examples that enable students of all levels to understand and duplicate the mechanics of the golf swing. His patience and demeanor allow his students to feel comfortable and at ease in their golf experience. Ron looks forward to helping you

with your golf game.

Ron was the instructor on the *Golf Channel’s* Golf Makeover Episode “No Laughing Matter”. He released his first instructional DVD, “Golf in Balance” in 2005. He has been the featured instructor at numerous golf shows.

To set up an appointment with Ron, call 206-838-4549 or email him at rhanson@premiergc.com. (See rates for Interbay on this page).



Camille Surdi – LPGA Class A Golf Professional

Camille Surdi has been in the golf industry for 25 years and has given over 30,000 golf lessons to all levels. Her student base includes mini-tour players, high school players, club champions, recreational golfers, NFL players and golfers with disabilities. Camille founded, owned and operated the Tampa Bay Golf Academy for 10 years before moving to Seattle 6 years ago. Camille gives clinics nationwide for the LPGA Golf Clinics for Women, the EWGA and the NLGA. She was also nominated for SE Section Teacher of the Year.

Camille’s golf philosophy is to give the student the correct basic fundamentals to build a repeatable swing for each individual;

therefore the golfer can relax, trust the swing, play effectively and enjoy the experience. She also stresses course management, personal management and fitness as part of the learning process. To set up an appointment with Camille, call 206-838-4549 or email her at csurdi@premiergc.com. (See rates for Interbay on this page).

Interbay Golf Center Lesson Rates

PRIVATE LESSONS

Series Lessons	Adults	Juniors
10-1/2 hr. Lessons	\$350.00	\$320.00
5-1/2 hr. Lessons	\$200.00	\$175.00
3-1/2 hr. Lesson	\$125.00	\$110.00

Individual lessons

One Hour Lesson	\$85.00	\$75.00
Half Hour Lesson	\$45.00	\$40.00

SEMI-PRIVATE LESSONS (per student)

Series Lessons	Adults	Juniors
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GROUP LESSONS

4 – ONE HOUR GROUP LESSONS

Adults (3-6 students)	\$119.00/person	Juniors (3-6 students)	\$109.00/person
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CORPORATE OUTINGS

Available with arrangements made to meet your specific needs. Interbay Golf Center offers a variety of programs that suit every golfer’s needs. More information at www.premiergc.com
To make a lesson appointment, phone: (206) 838-4549

10-1/2 hr. Lessons \$225.00 \$210.00

5-1/2 hr. Lessons \$125.00 \$112.50

3-1/2 hr. Lesson \$ 77.50 \$ 70.00

Individual lessons

One Hour Lesson \$52.50 \$47.50

Half Hour Lesson \$ 27.50 \$ 25.00

Bellevue Golf Course



Steve Wayne Wozeniak – PGA – Director of Instruction
425-452-7250 – bellevuepgc.com

Steve is the only instructor in the Pacific Northwest that has taught winners on all four of the major Tours. The PGA, LPGA, Champions and Nationwide. He consistently is working with the best Junior and amateur golfers in the state. He quickly turns any level of golfer into Masters of their own swings, with easy to understand sound fundamentals. See how easy the golf swing can be.

“If you are not being video-taped you are not learning” Lessons start at \$45 per ½ hour and include balls, video and all equipment. Discounts available for groups or multi-lesson packages.

For more information or to book a lesson, call 425-452-7250 or

visit www.premiergc.com.



Matt Anderson – Teaching Professional
425-452-7250 – bellevuepgc.com

Matt Anderson has been a professional at Bellevue Golf Course since 2002. With over 9 years of teaching experience and a unique outlook on the game of golf, Matt can help better your game regardless of your skill level. Matt understands that not every golfer is the same, we all move, learn, and feel things differently. It’s this understanding paired with years of acquired golf knowledge that will allow Matt to help you become a better golfer. Lessons start at \$45 per ½ hour and include balls, video and all equipment. Discounts available for groups or multi-lesson packages.

For more information or to book a lesson, call 425-452-7250 or visit www.premiergc.com.



Kenney Choi – Teaching Professional
425-452-7250 – bellevuepgc.com

Kenney has been playing golf for more than 35 yrs. As an Instructor, Kenney has been teaching the “Ben Hogan’s fundamentals of golf” swing. Kenney also teaches golf rules, etiquette, and course management. Kenney has been involved with golf tournaments such as the “US OPEN”, “US SENIOR OPEN” and “PEBBLE BEACH PRO AM.” as a volunteer. Kenney has been an assistant coach at “The First Tee” program and the Sammamish high school boys and girls golf team. Kenney came from Seoul, Korea in 1971. He graduated YS University in Seoul, Korea and DIT in Chicago, Ill. He is able to communicate in Korean and

English.

Lessons start at \$45 per ½ hour and include balls, video and all equipment. Discounts available for groups or multi-lesson packages.

For more information or to book a lesson, call 425-452-7250 or visit www.premiergc.com.



Fred Mabbott – Teaching Professional
425-452-7250 – bellevuepgc.com

Fred has been an assistant golf professional at Bellevue Golf Course since 2000. Before becoming a golf professional, Fred spent over 30 years as a high school English teacher. For the past 20 years, he has been coaching both the boys’ and girls’ golf teams at Lake Washington High School. Fred provides lessons to people with a wide range of golfing experience. Those who are new to the game, and those who have been around the game for many years. Lessons start at \$45 per ½ hour and include balls, video and all equipment. Discounts available for groups or multi-

lesson packages.

For more information or to book a lesson, call 425-452-7250 or visit www.premiergc.com.

Bellevue Golf Course Lesson Rates

Individual Private Lessons

10 minutes – Free

1/2 hour Adults \$45- Junior \$35

1 hour Adults \$90 - Junior \$70

Private Lessons Packages

4-1/2 hour lesson Adults \$160 - Junior \$125

6-1/2 hour lesson Adults \$235 - Junior \$190

Group Lessons (per person - 3 1 hour sessions)

2 students Adults \$130 - Junior \$100

3 students Adults \$100 - Junior \$70

4 students Adults \$80 - Junior \$60

5 students Adults \$70 - Junior \$50

6 students Adults \$60 - Junior \$40



Jefferson Park Golf Course



Rob French – PGA

rfrench@premiergc.com – 206-285-2200 ext. 2,2,2

Rob is a Class A PGA Member and has been a Teaching Professional for 17 years. He was trained to teach golf by legendary Teaching Professional Jimmy Ballard. He teaches Ballard’s principles of “Connection” and the “Seven Common Denominators” of the golf swing.

If you are trying to keep your head down, keep your left arm straight and stiff, turn, create lag, or stay behind the ball, you are doing things that will keep you from hitting the ball with any

consistency.

Rates: (Video analysis and range balls included in each lesson)

Individual Private Lessons - Adults (18 and over)

30 minutes \$45 • 60 minutes \$80

Series of 6-30 minutes lessons \$235

Private lesson - Junior (ages 8-17) 30 minutes \$35

Series of 4 lessons – \$125 • Series of 6 lessons – \$185

Lake Spanaway Golf Course



Brad Shores – Assistant Golf Professional
253-531-3660

An accomplished player, Brad was born and raised in Tacoma Washington and learned early that golf was going to be his future in life because of his deep love for the game. His desire to always want to learn more about “teaching the teacher” has over the years made him a very good golf instructor for all skill levels. Brad has given over a thousand golf lessons in his 15+ years of teaching and enjoys the relationships that develops with his students more and more each day. To learn how to be your best with the physical abilities you have, stop in and see Brad, he would love to meet you.

Rates:

- Individual: 1/2 hr - Adults \$35 - Junior \$25
1 hour – Adults \$50 - Junior \$40
- Series: 4 – 1/2 hr – Adults \$130 - Junior \$90
4 - 1 hour – Adults \$185 - Junior \$130
- Packages: 4 - 1 hour Adults \$115 - Junior \$100



Meadow Park Golf Course



Molly Miller – The Molly Miller Golf Academy.
253-327-8403 (www.eswingcoach.com)

Molly Miller has been nominated 2010 LPGA Section Teacher of the Year. The Molly Miller Golf Academy provides world-class golf instruction at the Meadow Park Golf Course and Learning facility in Tacoma, Washington. As a LPGA member since 1992, I have given nearly 28,000 lessons. I have over 40 years of playing experience. I am one of two certified female instructors in the nation who teach golfers with disabilities including amputees, stroke and heart patients as well

as neck and back injuries. My philosophy is simple; to promote the game I love, to as many new golfers as possible and to increase skills, confidence and ability to maximize fun to those who golf already.

LESSON PACKAGES:

Metro Park Group lessons (Beginner, Intermediate, Senior, Women only)

See website for dates and details. 6 lessons \$99

Adult Private \$60 (45 min Lessons) • Junior and Senior \$45 (45 min Lesson)

4 private Adult \$180 – Junior \$150 • 6 private Adult \$240 – Junior \$200

Year package (48) private lessons \$1200

Group lessons • 2 People \$140.00 each • 3 People \$130.00 each • 4 people \$120.00 each



Maplewood Golf Course



Mike Toll



Kirk Gleason



Chris Hughes

Mike Toll

Mike grew up in Bellevue attending Sammamish High School and Bellevue Community College. He turned Professional in 1984, became a class A PGA member in 1992 and has been Head PGA Professional at Maplewood since 1997. He provides golf lessons to individuals with all different ability levels. After a brief interview with students, he will determine how involved and what changes need to be made. His teaching philosophy is to work with basic swing principles such as grip, posture, alignment and ball position which for most players results in immediate improvement.



Kirk Gleason

Kirk is a class A PGA Assistant Professional and has taught golfers of all abilities and skill levels for ten years. Maplewood is in a great location easily accessible from all areas with a great winter practice facility with heated and covered stalls. He is ready to work with anyone interested in learning golf to enhance their golfing experience.



Chris Hughes

Chris is a class A PGA Assistant Professional, attaining his membership in 2000. Working at Maplewood has given him the opportunity to work with a wide range of golfers. Core fundamentals and a solid understanding of how to improve your game is what you can expect from him. For additional information give him a call at Maplewood Golf Course.



Maplewood Lesson Rates

(Same for all instructors)

Hour \$60.00

Series of 4 \$220.00

½ 40.00 140.00

1 hour 2 people 60.00

1 hour 3 people 75.00

Juniors ½ hour 20.00

Playing Lesson 4 holes 50.00 9 holes 100.00

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Mike Givens - Manager, Teaching Professional (By Appointment, Monday - Friday)

Mike had a brilliant playing career, brief but very impactful. He has a tremendous passion for the game. He loves to educate people in club fitting and enjoys working with players of all abilities. Mike has extensive knowledge of all current golf products and works well with all players with a relaxed and laid back style.



Chris Johnson – Teaching Professional (Tuesday through Saturday)

PGA Class A Head Professional

Graduated from San Diego Golf Academy

Member of PGA since 1996.

Chris can help you accomplish your goals in golf whether you are just starting or have years of experience.



Craig Kennedy - Teaching Professional, (Tuesday - Saturday)

One of the busiest instructors in the Northwest.

Craig has been a golf professional since 1990 and teaching golf for over 17 years.

He is a certified club fitter (achiever launch monitor specialty).

Craig works with many young golfers in preparation for high school.

Has worked with many of the high school and college golf teams as well many of the youth groups in the Pierce County area.



Todd Erwin – PGA Class “A” Professional

Todd is an accomplished player, having tied for fifth in the 2003 Western PGA Club Professional Championship. . Winner, 1987 Quebec Open and 1988 Victoria Open on the Canadian PGA Tour, 2000 Spokane Open. . Four-time Washington State Open champion, 1992, '93, 2000, 1985 Montana Open. . Competed in the 1990 and '93 U.S. Opens, missing the cut.



From beginning to advance, from kids to grandparents and small or large groups, Tacoma Firs' instructors take pride in making the learning process, fun and exciting. We have all the latest equipment and our friendly PGA member professionals are eager to help you.

Tacoma Firs Lesson Rates

PRIVATE LESSONS (Half Hour)

One-on-one instruction with one of our qualified PGA golf professionals.

Adult Private Lessons

1 Lesson - \$ 60

Call for lesson packages

Junior & Senior Private Lessons

1 Lesson - \$ 45

Call for lesson packages

GROUP LESSONS (Series of 4)

Group adult lessons are great for smaller group of co-workers, family or friends. You set your date, time and topic.

1 Hour Adult Lessons

2 People \$140.00 each

3 People \$130.00 each

4 people \$120.00 each

5 people \$110.00 each

6 or more \$100.00 each

45 Minute Launch Monitor Fitting - \$45

45 Minute Iron Fitting - \$45

Lessons can be arranged by calling: 253-472-6899

Website: www.tacomafirsgolfcenter.com



Skyridge Golf Course



Kelly O'Mera – PGA Teaching Professional– 360-460-6335.

I have been the PGA teaching pro at Skyridge GC in Sequim for the past five years. Certified Ping Club Fitter, and winner of Pings regional fitter of the year award. Was seen on KSTW tv for many years as the Golf Doctor. Twenty plus years experience teaching in the Northwest at some great clubs including Glendale and Tacoma CC. Can be contacted or followed on Facebook or Twitter. 360-460-6335. Please call or email me at kogolf@olympen.com for lesson or fitting pricing. Senior and Junior discounts available.



Tapps Island Golf Course



Jason Howells – Head Golf Professional – 253-862-7011

I have 7 years teaching experience: 2 years at Clarkston Country Club, 2 years at Lake Spanaway Golf Course and 3 years at Tapps Island Golf Course. My philosophy may work for your game, I don't change your swing so you look like Tiger or your favorite pro out on tour. I work with what you have and correct the major flaws so you can enjoy yourself out on the course. We may not have a driving range out at Tapps Island but you get much more out of on the course instruction.

Lesson Rates

Adults 3 1/2 hour lessons for \$100

5 1/2 hour for \$150

Juniors 3 1/2 hour for \$80

5 for \$100

For more information please visit: www.tappsisland.net



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Golf real estate: It's time once again to take a look at the Phoenix market

We've all watched the news and seen the incredible drop in home values throughout the country and the Southwest. Arizona is always near the top of the drop list! If not for the devastation in Nevada and Florida, we would outpace all others in the free-fall. Remember when we watched in amazement as values appreciated 30-40% annually from 2002-2005? At that time we were saying, "This can't go on forever" or "How are our kids going to buy homes?" Well, now we know; we're experiencing a correction to a very out-of-balance marketplace.

The Valley of the Sun was the site of a building frenzy in a "gold rush" mentality. Lenders were providing loans based on virtually no criteria and short sighted, inexperienced home buyers thought they could ride the appreciation wave to quick riches until the proverbial "bubble" burst.

Enough history, fear and panic. Now is the time to seize the opportunities that are here today. There are homes in the Valley in the \$65,000 range that once peaked at \$200,000. Homes on the golf course in beautiful, gated communities that commanded prices in the \$400s are priced in the mid \$200s. And if you are in the luxury market, those homes are experiencing downward pressure and price reductions that are open to negotiation. There are homes currently listed just above \$1 million that, at the peak, were in the \$3-4 million dollar range. Opportunities abound!

Investors are back in the Phoenix marketplace! They know opportunity when they see it. Historic low interest rates, coupled with prices rolled back Walmart style, have them partying like it's 1999 because the prices



Bill Cole

are at 1999 levels! Positive cash flow is very possible for the modest investor and rent demands remain strong.

There are more positive signs of recovery. A recent report in the Phoenix Business Journal states, "Arizona's economy is expected to do better, though barely, in 2011 than just about every other state in the west, according to forecasts from the Western Blue Chip Economic Forecast and Arizona State University's W.P. Carey School of Business."

This is not going to be a quick turnaround by any means. "The growth will be about 'half speed' of what Arizona normally experiences in a strong economy," says ASU economist Lee McPheters, editor of the Arizona Blue Chip Economic Forecast and the Western Blue Chip Economic Forecast newsletters. Some of the experts do not expect a marked recovery and a balanced, healthy housing market until 2014.

The Phoenix Business Journal goes on to say, "Every state in the west is expected to get more single-family housing permits next year, with the largest increase in California,

followed by Arizona. Arizona, Texas and California are expected to have the fastest population growth."

Then there's migration and boomers! Approximately 7,000 baby boomers will turn 65 each day this year. Many of them do not wish to spend the next 20 plus years (avg. 87-year life span) shoveling snow or dodging rain drops. There's an active adult community that thrives here in the desert on hiking and biking trails, golf courses and in social clubs of every kind. There's a steady migration from the northern cities to the Southwest.

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- June 4 – 6: Tournament of Champs OGA Course
- June 8: Oregon Amateur Qualifier Stone Creek
- June 11: Oregon Am Qualifier OGA Course
- June 20 – 25: Oregon Amateur Waverly Country Club
- June 27-July 1: Junior Amateur Reames Country Club
- July 1: Senior Open Qualifier Tualatin Country Club
- July 5 - 7: Junior Stroke Play OGA Course
- July 16 – 17: Parent-Child Chapman Salem Golf Club
- July 25: U.S. Am Qualifier Juniper Golf Club
- July 30 – 31: Mid-Amateur Champ. Oswego Lake Country Club
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1/8: The Home Course	2/5: Chambers Bay	3/19: Avalon	3/18: Avalon 27 hole	3/19: Avalon	3/26: Harbour Pointe
1/15: Avalon	2/12: Harbour Pointe	3/26: Harbour Pointe	6/4: The Home Course	6/11: Cedarcrest	6/18: Avalon 27 hole
1/22: Legion Memorial	2/16: Kayak Point-Wed	6/25: Lake Padden	6/26: Sudden Valley	6/25: Lake Padden	6/26: Sudden Valley
1/26: Cedarcrest-Wednesday	2/19: Legion Memorial				
1/29: North Bellingham	2/26: The Home Course				
APRIL		MAY		JUNE	
4/2: Legion Memorial	5/7: Riverbend	6/4: The Home Course	6/11: Cedarcrest	6/18: Avalon 27 hole	6/25: Lake Padden
4/9: Desert Canyon	5/14: Kayak Point	6/11: Cedarcrest	6/18: Avalon 27 hole	6/25: Lake Padden	6/26: Sudden Valley
4/10: Bear Mountain	5/21: Legion Memorial	6/18: Avalon 27 hole	6/25: Lake Padden	6/26: Sudden Valley	
4/16: The Home Course	5/22: Oakbrook GCC				
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The Lesson Tee: It's never too cold outside to work on that putting stroke

For the next couple of months the weather can be a bit harsh. I have the conviction we can improve our golf games in spite of the cold and wet conditions. I would like to write this month about putting. Let's discuss some principles; practical methods; and technique improvements indoors.

First, to me the two most important putts to work toward mastering would be beyond 25' and inside 5'. Let's look at the 25' and beyond. Some call it a lag putt. I do not take their view. I believe we attempt and focus on making all putts.

If our target is smaller in focus we will end closer to the hole and even make a few more putts. If a golfer is just attempting to get it close in a three foot circle the miss will be well outside that intended circle. I suggest our first step be proper speed to and beyond the hole. Place a club 2 1/2' beyond the hole. Focus on making the putt with the speed to finish the putt between the hole and the shaft on the ground 2 1/2' beyond the hole.

How many can you get between or in the hole out of 15 attempts? This would be a measurable task. Putt a set uphill then downhill and finally level with various breaks. Putt 5 sets of 15 putts 25' to 35'. Also put a coin 2/3 of the way on the apex of the putt. (or the high point of the break) This will give you feedback as to how you are doing in regard to hitting the proper line.

Proper speed is the key to successful long putting. It is much easier to trust long putts if you have a good sense for speed. Make longer fluid strokes on longer putts. Have the pace of stroke like the tic tock of a grandfather clock. Play the 1 - 2 beat in your mind even as you putt. This drill and focus will help eliminate three putts and help your score.



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Secondly, short putts 5' and in. The closer most golfers get to the hole the harder they tend to try. Fear of missing becomes a factor and the stroke suffers. Misses occur and the negative cycle begins. I suggest you hit some uphill 2' putts. Commit to a very specific read no matter what. Commitment overshadows doubt. Place a dime directly in front of the hole. (1/2 inch) Focus on rolling your golf ball over the dime. This gives us a small target so even if you miss the dime the ball still goes in the hole. As you make these 2' putts over the dime focus on your read, your small dime target and your mental 1 - 2 back and through stroke. 1 is the finish of the backstroke and 2 is when you strike the ball. It is the tic tock rhythm. When you focus on 1 - 2 or tic tock your mind has no time to lock onto bad mental interference. After you are comfortable with the 2' putts move on to 3' and so on.

I work mainly on my putting technique in the winter. Inside where it is nice and warm. I use two main aids for my technique.

First, I have a 2 x 4 or an arc board. (photo 1) I attach a clip to the back of my putter and slide it along the board. The clip keeps my clubface from over rotating. The board trains my putter



path. Secondly, I use Mike Bender's Rite on Line. (photo 2) (see my website, jeffcoston.com) We call it the mouse trap. This helps me get my putts started on line. This is key to making putts. I hit putts through the tiny hole and train my stroke or my hands (yes, hand path) to consistently move on the same line. Not many golfers take putting instruction and yet good putting is vital to low scores and more fun in golf. I would encourage golfers to take some putting instruction from a qualified coach. Make a putting plan, do some drills and spend time on technique. There is proper and improper technique even in putting.

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Here's how to decide on how to get a swing coach

Whether you're seeking golf instruction for the first time or if you're looking to change swing coaches, please keep a few things in mind when making your decision:

- With the evolution of golf fitness, golf instruction has changed for the better, the past few years. Because of the professional golfer's focus on fitness, golf fitness has - and continues - to become much more credible. Bottom line: Make sure your swing coach understands the body.

- Best determining factor for seeking instruction or changing instructors: Ball Flight! If your ball flight is not what you want, expect, or deserve - get some guidance.

- Seek out a certified swing coach who has credibility, a solid understanding of the body and the golf swing, top-notch video equipment with tour swing access and launch



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monitor data, and a strong understanding of the relationship between golf instruction and club fitting. Swing coaches with all these credentials are few and far between, but do your homework so you can do everything golf-related at a one-stop location.

- Do not limit yourself to a couple of les-

sons. Get your overall golf swing evaluated, set up a road map for improvement, and commit to ridding the bad and bringing on the good.

- Avoid band-aid fixes and quick tips. You want a swing coach that, like you, is it for the long haul. You've got to be able to understand how your swing coach explains the golf swing. Swing mechanic alterations should be explained to you in a simple, effective and efficient manner.

- Listen to your swing coach and trust what is relayed to you. Ask a lot of questions and get your questions answered. Then, do your best to avoid others, especially those not qualified, who offer any swing suggestions. You hire a swing coach for a reason, so do not fall into the painful trap of listening to less qualified people like your golfing buddies.

- Practice the proper things your swing coach has discussed with you - and, try to have at least a couple of practice sessions between lessons. Master each and every step of your swing - and master them in sequence!!! Have a completely open mind and be patient with yourself. And, if your golf swing feels different - that's a good sign. If it feels good too soon, you're probably not doing the right things.

- See your swing coach on a regular basis! Make your weekly or bi-weekly appointments, well in advance, and stick to them.

- Dedicate yourself in wanting to better your golf game.

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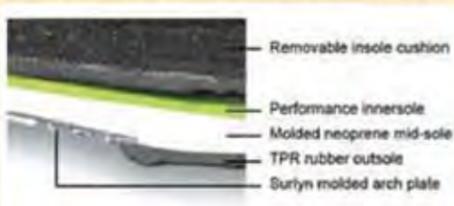


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Rules of the game: When you tee it up, you better make sure you know which rules to play the game

It's time to move into the actual Rules of Golf with my monthly True-False questions. For the past two issues we looked at the Definitions. This month we'll look at Rules 1 through 10. To make it easier for you, I'll indicate in which Rule you'll be able to find the answer.

Rule 1 – True or False? Paul and Don agree, in a match play event, to waive a Rule of Golf. They are both disqualified from the event.

Rule 2 – True or False? In match play, George concedes a three-foot putt to Dan, but before Dan can pick up his ball, George changes his mind. Dan must now try to make the putt.

Rule 3 – True or False? On the 3rd hole in stroke play, Russ picks up a "gimme" and then tees off on the next hole. He then finds out he was supposed to hole the putt. He may go back and hole the putt and add a one-stroke penalty.

Rule 4 – True or False? In anger, Mike breaks his putter, breaking the shaft just below the grip. Since the putter is still long enough to use, he may still putt with it.

Rule 5 – True or False? Dave was playing a one-piece ball that made a funny sound when he made a stroke at it. When he arrived at his ball it had a visible crack in it. Dave may replace the ball for his next shot.

Rule 6 – True or False? Mark returns his scorecard after a round where he shot 37-38 - 75. The card is properly signed and attested, and all of the individual hole scores are correct. On the scoreboard, he notices that they have marked 37-37 - 74. Mark is



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disqualified.

Rule 7 – True or False? On the same day of the first round of the stroke-play club championship, Phil goes out and hits a few chip shots to the 18th green prior to his starting time. Phil is disqualified.

Rule 8 – True or False? Michael is playing a blind shot to a green over a hill. He goes forward to see the green, and then places his golf bag on the ground at the crest of the hill to use as an aiming point. This is permitted and he may leave his bag there while he makes his stroke.

Rule 9 – True or False? Frank and Jim are playing a match. On the 4th hole, Frank picked up a loose impediment in bunker, but he didn't know it was a penalty. Jim was unaware that Frank had picked up the loose impediment. After Frank holed out, Jim asked him what he had scored for the hole. Frank said that he scored a four, although it should have been a six. Frank did not give wrong information because he didn't know that he had incurred a penalty.

Rule 10 – True or False? In stroke play,

Glenn has the honor on the 5th tee. But George, a fellow-competitor, tees off first. If he wishes, Glenn may require George to cancel his stroke and replay when it is his turn.

Lets check your answers.....

Rule 1. True. This is called "Agreement to Waive Rules". They would still be disqualified, if, after teeing off on the first hole, they decided not to waive the Rule after all.

Rule 2. False. Once a stroke is conceded in match play, the concession may not be declined or withdrawn.

Rule 3. False. In stroke play, a player must hole out. If he tees off on the next hole without correcting his violation, he is disqualified.

Rule 4. False. The putter was not broken in the "normal course of play" and may not be replaced (assuming he started the round with 14 clubs). In addition, whether the putter was broken in the normal course of play or not, it is now non-conforming, and he may not use it, under penalty of disqualification.

Rule 5. True. A ball with a visible crack in it may be replaced without penalty.

Rule 6. False. Mark is only required to ensure that the individual hole scores are correct. It is the responsibility of the Committee to ensure that the scores are correctly added. In this case, the Committee must correctly adjust Mark's score on the scoreboard.

Rule 7. True. He may not practice on the same day of a stroke play competition on the course yet to be played.

Rule 8. False. His actions are permissible

while he prepares to make his stroke, but he must remove the bag before he actually makes his stroke.

Rule 9. False. Frank gave wrong information to Jim, even though he was unaware of his penalty, and he loses the hole.

Rule 10. False. Glenn may only require George to cancel and replay his stroke if they were opponents in match play.

Until next month.

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