

INSIDE GOLF NEWSPAPER

Everett's Legion Memorial gets new look after re-model

Everett's Legion Memorial takes on a new look after a re-modeling project. Legion Memorial, managed by Premier Golf, reversed its nines and now has water hazards on seven of the 18 holes. Par has been reduced to 71 but the course still plays to over, 6,600. See inside for more.



WHAT'S NEW IN NW GOLF

Portland's Lara Tennant wins USGA Senior Women

Portland golfer Lara Tennant successfully defended her United States Golf Association Senior Women's Amateur title at Cedar Rapids Country Club.

Tennant defeated Sue Wooster of Australia in the final, the same player that Tennant beat to win the championship in 2018. Tennant won the match 2&1.

See inside for more on Lara Tennant.



Sahalee Country Club turns 50 years old this season

Many Pacific Northwest golf courses are celebrating milestones this year - and count Sahalee Country Club in Sammamish, Wash. as one of those clubs.

Sahalee turned 50 years old this year and for years has been considered one of the top golf courses in the Pacific Northwest. The 27-hole layout opened in 1969 and was designed by Ted Robinson.

The course got its start when a group of golfers from Broadmoor Golf Club and Inglewood Golf Club got together and decided that the Seattle area needed a golf course that could host championships and show off what the Pacific Northwest had to offer.

It all started in 1966 and slowly the plans fell into place. Land was purchased, a designer was brought in to design the 27-hole layout, a superintendent in Louie Schmidt ran the greens side of things and Paul Runyan was brought in to be first head professional at Sahalee.

Happy Anniversary Sahalee Country Club.

Rules Quiz

A player hits their approach shot into a greenside bunker and the ball is embedded in the dirt face at the edge of the bunker. Does he get relief without penalty and where does he take relief? Please see the answer of Page 2 of this section of Inside Golf Newspaper.

Destination: South Carolina

There is plenty to like about making a golf trip to South Carolina. Visiting places like Kiawah Island Golf Resort (pictured right) or Myrtle Beach and its smorgasbord of courses and the miles and miles of beaches. South Carolina has a little of something for everyone. Inside Golf takes a look at the Myrtle Beach World Amateur (page 2) and Kiawah Island Golf Resort (page 6) this month.



Pacific Northwest fall golf is in the air



Fall golf is in the air around the Pacific Northwest. At places like the Home Course in DuPont (top photo) with the leaves changing colors to places like Juniper Golf Course in Central Oregon (right) fall is the perfect time to tee it up in the Northwest. Tee times are easier to get and the prices are usually reduced. The courses are in top condition after coming off the summer months. Inside Golf Newspaper takes a look at some fall golf jewels in the Pacific Northwest that you will want to take a look at. See inside for more on fall golf in the Northwest.



New resort near Mount Rainier would feature 18-hole course

A new golf resort could be on the way in the Pacific Northwest.

Plans for \$200 million resort to serve visitors to Mount Rainier National Park are resurfacing decades after initial approval. The project came back to life with a recent status hearing, and an upcoming decision could put construction in motion 25 years after plans were first announced.

Park Junction Resort at Mount Rainier would be located 11 miles from the park on state Route 706, halfway between Elbe and Ashford. The resort would bring a 270-room hotel with restaurants, two indoor and four outdoor tennis courts, a heated swimming pool, spa and fitness center, according to the resort's website. Plans also call for a 22,000-square-foot conference center, an 18-hole golf course, a sewer plant and residences.

There's also a 20,000 to 30,000-square-foot shopping center planned for retail and tourist shops.

The resort, at 420 acres, would bring monumental change to the area and lead to legal battles before its initial hearing and examiner approval.

Over the course of its history, the project has been polarizing for residents in the surrounding communities. Some people worry about a changing landscape and perceived environmental impacts along with the prospects of more traffic on the road to the park entrance that often is congested now.

OB Sports Management acquires Premier Golf

Premier Golf Centers, which operates Seattle's public golf courses, has been acquired by OB Sport Golf Management - which is part of TroonGolf.

Premier Golf Centers manages 11 golf courses in Washington, including Jefferson Park, Jackson Park, West Seattle and Interbay in the Seattle area.

According to a press release, executives and employees with Premier Golf Centers will keep their jobs as part of the OB Sports Management deal and golfers will still be able to use their Premier Golf membership cards to earn points and discounts at the various golf courses where they play and shop.

Myrtle Beach World Amateur: Plenty to like with the world's largest tournament

The Myrtle Beach World Amateur is like nothing you have played in your life. Start with the 3,300 players who come from around the world to play in this annual golf extravaganza. Throw in the fact that 49 of the 50 states are represented and many countries from around the world.

This four-day event in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina uses over 60 golf courses, almost every bit of the Myrtle Beach Convention Center for the 19th hole, offers a fifth-day of play for the flight winners and at check in gives a tee prize bag filled with shirts, jackets and plenty of other goodies that come in handy on the golf course.

I have played in this event for over 20 years. And it just gets better. It all starts with the e-mails the tournament sends out to verify handicaps. They do a great job at keeping the sandbaggers in check. If you are a 15 handicap during the year but play as an 8 during the tournament, then you are an eight at the Myrtle Beach World Amateur. Sandbaggers beware. The check-in - and for a tournament that has over 3,300 players it goes smoothly and without a hitch. And when the players get to their courses for the first round on a Monday morning, the carts are ready, signs tell players where to go and the first shots are in the air at 9:00 a.m. sharp.

And the golfers you meet are another story. This year I played with Alan from Florida who was more of a degenerate gambler on the course than I was. I met another guy who had his prostate removed after a bout with cancer but was out battling and playing four rounds. There was Matt who liked to drink and smoke - and we are not talking smoking of the cigarette variety either. I played with Mario a dental surgeon from Costa Rico who claimed to be a 10 handicap but hit the ball like a five. Turns out he won the flight. Surprise, surprise. Stories like that could be found in every flight.

The tournament takes over the Myrtle Beach Convention Center every night. There was free food, drinks, music, dancing, clinics, putting contests and closest to the hole contests. On the final night, a women drained a 50-footer with thousands of people watching and won \$25,000 and the place went nuts. Social media golf queen Paige Spiranac took the stage with the Golf Channel's Damon Hack for a clinic. And then to end the night, Hack partnered up with the Golf Channel's Charlie Rymer to give away thou-



sands of dollars in prizes. It doesn't get much better than the Myrtle Beach World Amateur. OK, so it is hurricane season during that time, but we were spared another year of bad weather. If you like tournament golf, this is one that you need to put on your schedule.

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Paige Spiranac and Golf Channel's Damon Hack talk to the 19th hole crowd (bottom), a putting contest had a \$25,000 winner.



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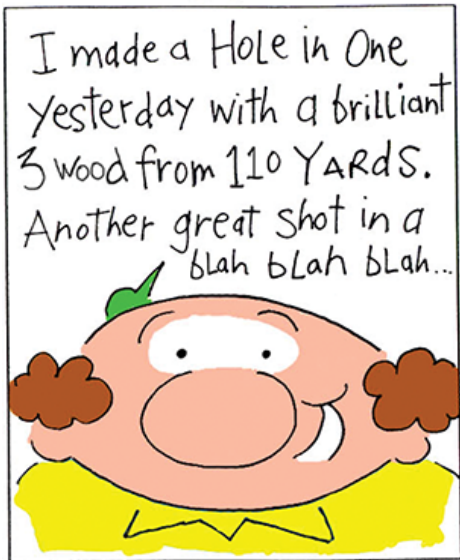
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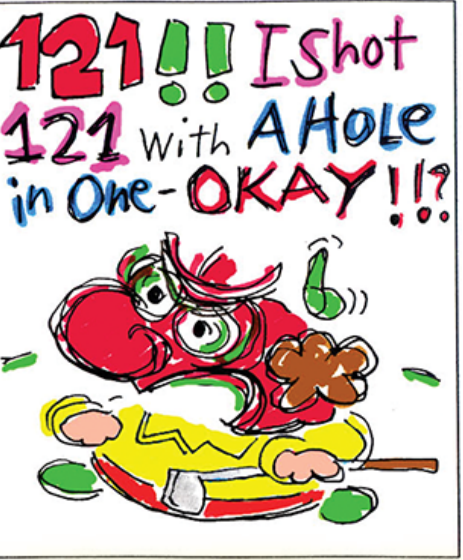
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Double Bogey



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Rules Answer

- Answer: A lip, wall or face at the edge of a prepared area and consisting of soil, grass, stacked turf or artificial materials under the revised Rules of Golf are no longer defined as part of a bunker. Now that area is part of the "general area" of the course. The player is entitled to relief without penalty but relief must be in the general area. That may mean the player will have to move some distance to get to a spot in the general area where she can drop a ball without being closer to the hole.

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LPGA Tour hits the Pacific Northwest with Cambia Classic

Hannah Green of Australia rolled in a par putt on the final hole to win the Portland Cambia LPGA Classic at Columbia Edgewater. She won the tournament by one stroke over American and Monday qualifier Yealimi Noh. Green collected a first-place check of \$195,000 for winning the tournament, which is the longest-running event on the LPGA Tour and just had its 48th edition.

There was some Pacific Northwest flavor included in the event as amateur Ellie Slama, a junior at Oregon State University, made the cut and finished tied for 57th at 3-under par. Slama is from Salem. Last year's champion Marina Alex of the United States finished tied for seventh while two-time champion Brooke Henderson of Canada wound up in a tie for fourth place.



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Ellie Slama, an amateur from Salem, Ore. finished tied for 57th (left); Hannah Green of Australia (right) watches her tee shot en route to winning the 2019 Portland Cambia LPGA Classic.

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Bellevue golfer makes U.S. Junior Presidents team; NW golfers qualify for USGA Four-Ball

Bellevue High School senior Ian Siebers has been named to the 12-player United States Junior Presidents Cup, a team that will compete at the Royal Melbourne Golf Club in Australia Dec. 8-9 - before the PGA Tour's Presidents Cup takes place Dec. 12-15.

Presidents Cup competition is between the U.S. and non-European golfers and began in 1994 and is held every other year. This will be the second Junior Presidents Cup for golfers 19 and under who are not enrolled in college.

The 17-year-old Siebers will attend Duke University next year and finished tied for seventh in stroke play at the U.S. Amateur in 2018. Last year he led Bellevue to the Class 3A state golf championship.

NW players qualify for USGA Four-Ball

The sides of Britten Barker (Gig Harbor, Wash.) and Luke Easterly (Sammamish, Wash.) and John D'Amelio (Bothell, Wash.) and Tyler Matthews (Bellevue, Wash.) each teamed for a 7-under 64 to earn co-medalist honors; while Emersyn Walker (DuPont, Wash.) and Anastacia Johnson (Tacoma, Wash.) combined for a 4-over 76 to earn medalist honors in sectional qualifying for the 2020 U.S. Amateur Four-Ball and U.S. Women's Amateur Four-Ball championships, respectively.

The Men's and Women's sectional qualifiers were held concurrently at Chambers Bay in University Place, Wash.

The sides of Barker and Easterly and D'Amelio and Matthews both advanced after a playoff as three teams were tied at 7-under after 18-holes. In the Women's qualifier, the side of Walker and Johnson is the only team advancing.

These two Men's teams will now go on to compete in the 2020 U.S. Amateur Four-Ball Championship, to be held May 23-27 at Philadelphia (Pa.) Cricket Club. The side of Emersyn Walker and Anastacia Johnson will now compete in the 2020 U.S. Women's Amateur

Four-Ball, to be held April 25-29 at Quail Creek Country Club in Naples, Fla.

Hanson wins WSGA Mid-Amateur

Erik Hanson (Kirkland, Wash.) shot rounds of 68-73 to win the 10th Washington State Men's Mid-Amateur Championship, held this week at Mill Creek (Wash.) Country Club.

Hanson had begun today's final round with a one-stroke lead over Justin Haines (Seattle), but in tough windy conditions on the tight layout of Mill Creek, Hanson was the only one who held it together as the rest of the field fell away.

This is the first Washington State title Hanson, who has won eight Pacific Northwest (PNGA) titles. He has twice finished runner-up in the Washington State Men's Mid-Amateur, in 2015 and 2010.

The defending champion, Reid Hatley (Hayden Lake, Idaho), shot rounds of 74-70 to finish in second place, three shots back of Hanson. Hatley has won this title twice already, in 2016 and 2018.

McCaslin triumphs at PNGA Mid-Am

Jon McCaslin of Olympia shot three rounds in the 60's to win the PNGA's Men's Mid-Amateur championship at The Home Course in DuPont, Wash. McCaslin had rounds of 68-69-68 to win the tournament.

Northwest course shuts down

Add another Pacific Northwest golf course to the closure list - Cascade Golf Course in North Bend has been shut down. The nine-hole Cascade Golf Course facility opened in 1954 and was located just off Interstate-90 in North Bend.

Central Washington Shootout is planned

The inaugural Central Washington Shootout is set for Oct. 11-13 at three of the Tri Cities top golf courses.

The event will be three days of two-player partner play at three different courses - Sun Willows, Columbia Point and Canyon Lakes. There will be a shotgun start at all the courses and the entry fee is \$299 and includes golf, cart, range balls, tee prizes, a welcome party, tournament awards banquet and prize drawings as well as on-course contests. Rounds one and two will be a best-ball net score between the two partners with the third round an aggregate score with the two players. For info, see the website www.cascadiaevents.com.

USGA donates \$100,000 to First Tee

Thanks to a \$100,000 donation from the United States Golf Association (USGA), First Tee chapters across the nation are receiving grants to further their efforts to introduce life skills and the game of golf to more young people. The grants are a continuation of the support the USGA has provided to First Tee for more than 20 years, and one of a series of initiatives on which the organizations have collaborated in 2019.

The grants are being dispersed to 25 chapters located in or around USGA championship locations and Allied Golf Associations as part of the organization's strategy to leave a positive, lasting impact on local host communities.

The USGA has supported the First Tee since its inception in 1997, providing more than \$26 million in grants to the organization. Their shared commitment to bringing more young people to the game was highlighted this past June during the 119th U.S. Open at Pebble Beach, where the two organizations debuted the Junior Experience Featuring First Tee.

Inaugural Tukwila City Amateur

Justin Buller of Foster Golf Links won the inaugural Tukwila City Amateur with a two-round total of 138. The event was held at Foster Golf Links in Tukwila, Wash. Jake Doss of Foster Golf Links tied for second with David Sartin at 139 - one shot behind

Coston wins PNW Senior PGA event, leads contingent to national tourney

Jeff Coston of Semiahmoo G&CC (Blaine, WA) won by one stroke over Brent Murray of Oswego Lake CC (Lake Oswego, OR) in the PNW Senior PGA Professional Championship presented by Cadillac at Bear Creek CC.

In addition to Coston and Murray, Bob Rannow of Ocean Dunes Golf Links (Florence, OR), Joey Carranza of Aldarra GC (Falls City, WA), Mark Tunstill of Mallard Creek GC (Lebanon, OR), Mark Keating of OGA GC (Woodburn, OR) and Jim Schaeffer of Waverley CC (Portland, OR) all earned spots into the 31st Senior PGA Professional Championship presented by Cadillac, to be played October 3-6 at Omni Barton Creek Resort & Spa in Austin, Texas. Steve Reuhl of Bothell, WA won the Senior Division.

Past champions entered in the event include Tom Sovay of The GC at Redmond Ridge (2018), Steve Stull of Richland, WA (2017, 2014), Rob Gibbons of Arrowhead GC (2016), Jeff Coston of Semiahmoo G&CC (2013, 2011, 2010, 2009, 2008, 2007 and 2006), Chuck Milne of Vanco Driving Range (2012, 2000), and Bill Tindall of Redmond, WA (1996).

while Chris Evans of Foster Golf Links finished fourth at 141.

A total of 45 players took part in the first-time event at Foster Golf Links.

There is more coming up at Foster Golf Links this fall. The course will host its annual Foster Par-3 Shootout on Saturday, Oct. 12. All of the 18 holes will be converted into par-3 holes. Last year over 100 players took part in the event. There will be a closest-to-the-pin prize on every hole.

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Kiawah Island

No shortage of golf and plenty of other things to do at one of the best golf resorts in South Carolina

There are plenty of choices to make when it comes to making vacation plans for a golf trip. One of those places should be Kiawah Island Golf Resort, an award-winning resort in South Carolina and home to some of the country's top golf courses. Tucked away on the coast and just south of Charleston, Kiawah Island features everything you would want in a golf resort, from the five championship golf courses, to the bike trails, to the tennis courts, to the swimming pools . . . you get the idea.

If you've never heard of Kiawah Island, get out of that cave. This is a place where the 1991 Ryder Cup matches were held and a place where the 2007 Senior PGA Championship was held as well. The 2012 PGA Championship took place at the Ocean Course at Kiawah Island and that's not all as the 2021 Championship will also be staged at the Ocean Course.

Big time events for a big time golf resort.

The golf publications can't say enough great things about the place. *Travel and Leisure Magazine* has ranked Kiawah Island the top golf resort in the country and *Golf Magazine* has named the Ocean Course the third best course in its places to play listings. In the listings of resorts, Kiawah beat out such heavyweights as Pebble Beach, Pinehurst and Bandon Dunes. In fact, the Ocean Course is ranked among the best, not only in the country, but in the world.

And just to show how good the golf is at Kiawah Island, the Ocean Course has been given five stars by *Golf Digest*, just one of 17 courses in North America to be given the five-star rating. In addition, the Cougar Point, Oak Point, Turtle Point and Osprey Point courses have all been given 4 1/2 stars by *Golf Digest*. Osprey Point has undergone a recent re-model with work done on all of the greens

and tees and the project has given the course a new look.

And the golf is not all. *Tennis Magazine* has ranked Kiawah Island the best tennis resort in the country while a tennis vacation website has ranked the resort as the top tennis resort in the world. Kayaking and nature tours to bicycling and days spent at the beach are more recreational activities at the resort. Kiawah was voted "No. 1 island to visit in the U.S. mainland" by *Conde Nast Traveler* and *Conde Nast Traveler's* Readers' Choice poll named Kiawah Island as the No. 2 island in the world behind only Palawan in the Philippines. The beach was named one of the top 10 beaches in America by Dr. Stephen Leatherman, aka, Dr. Beach (www.drbeach.com).

But what most people know about Kiawah Island is the Ocean Course, which was designed by Pete Dye and opened the same year as the Ryder Cup matches. It's a spectacular layout, set along the Atlantic Ocean with holes stretch out from the clubhouse and back. In fact, a new clubhouse was constructed for the 2007 Senior PGA Championship. It's little wonder why the course is ranked among the best in the country and the world. The Ocean Course also features some great views.

The golf courses all have big names attached to them. The designers at Kiawah Island Resort include Dye, Jack Nicklaus, Gary Player, Tom Fazio and Clyde Johnston.

Need a place to stay? Kiawah has you covered with a variety of rental properties as well as the Sanctuary, a 255-room palace with ocean views. More? The movie *The Legend of Bagger Vance* did much of its filming around Kiawah, including the addition of a hole used for the movie.

See www.kiawahgolf.com for more.



There is plenty to see at Kiawah Island Golf Resort from the variety of courses to the gators lurking.

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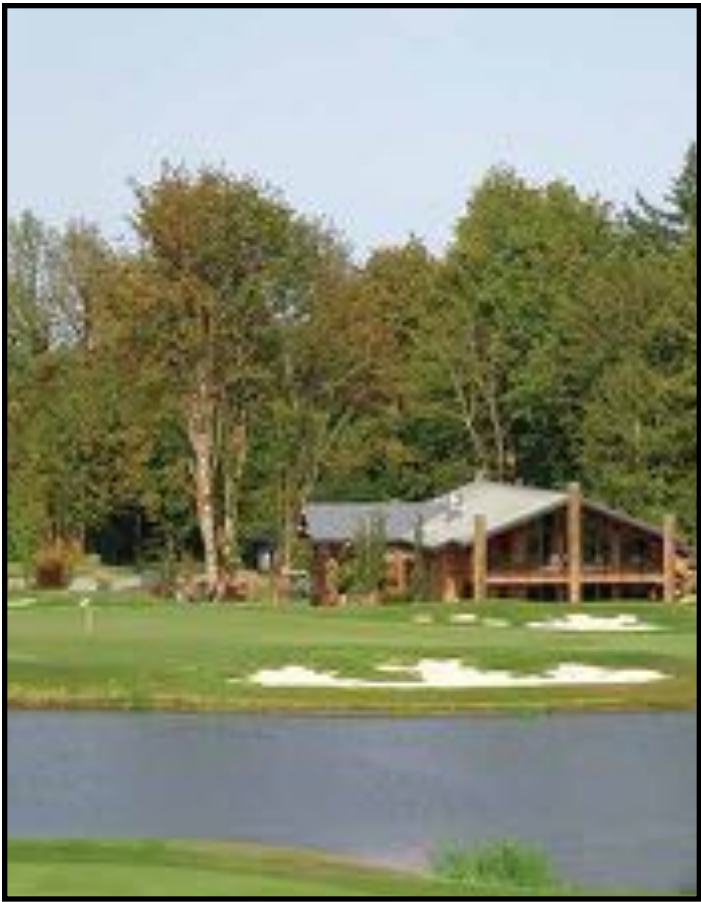
No shortage of places in the NW to play some fall golf

The Pacific Northwest is loaded with areas where fall golf is as good as its gets - from places like Canyon Lakes in the Tri Cities (right) and Moses Pointe in Moses Lake (far right). See inside for more.,



Fall golf in the Pacific Northwest

Fall is arguably the best time of year to play golf—the weather is usually mild, the courses are in the best condition of the year, and with fewer players, preferred tee times are easier to get . At places like Glendoveer Golf & Tennis in Portland (right), The Home Course in DuPont, Wash. (lower right) and Salish Cliffs in Shelton, Wash., fall golf is a great option wherever you look. This month Inside Golf takes a look at some of the Pacific Northwest locales that offer some great fall golf. Please see inside for more on fall golf.



NW Washington is a good place to play fall golf

When fall hits the Pacific Northwest, there are plenty of places to choose from to take in the sights and variety of golf courses. Places like Northwest Washington with Loomis Trail (right) and Shuksan Golf Club (left) are two terrific choices when heading up toward the U.S.-Canadian border. Places like The Home Course in DuPont (pictured above) offers great golf, great weather and great prices. For more on fall golf in the Pacific Northwest see inside this section of Inside Golf Newspaper.



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Fall booms at Glendoveer

The city of Portland has some terrific fall golf, but none more so than at Glendoveer Golf & Tennis in east Portland, home of two championship golf courses.

There is plenty to like about Glendoveer with its two courses and challenging layout.

The 18-hole East at Glendoveer opened in 1923. Designed by John Junor, East at Glendoveer Golf Course measures 6,295 yards from the longest tees and has a slope rating of 123 and a 68.5 USGA rating. The course features three sets of tees for different skill levels.

The 18-hole West at Glendoveer opened in 1928. Designed by Frank Stenzel, West at Glendoveer Golf Course measures 5,922 yards from the longest tees and has a slope rating of 115 and a 67.2 USGA rating. The course features three sets of tees for different skill levels.

But there is much more than golf at Glendoveer - and the fall months are a perfect time to see what the facility has in store for golfers, walkers and anyone else who enjoys the outdoors.

There is a two-mile nature trail which rings the outside of the golf course, making a perfect walk any time of the day.

There are four indoor tennis courts on site. There is plenty to like. Now, there is even more.

Von Ebert Brewing has opened a location in the old Ringside Restaurant next to the clubhouse at Glendoveer. Von Ebert's new location at Glendoveer will feature a variety of beers

Anytime is a terrific time for activities at Glendoveer, but in the fall with the different colors and various things to do, this might just be the perfect time to see what Glendoveer has to offer on and off the golf course.

A big Halloween event will take place at Glendoveer which provides a safe, dry place for local kids to trick or treat in the "Haunted Forest" also known as the cart barn.

Once again, Glendoveer Golf Course is hosting the Nike NXN event in early December, Nike's high school national cross country championships.



With fall in the air, Central Oregon is a place where golf is always a good idea

For fall golf, there might not be a better place than Central Oregon. With the vast array of colors, some snowcapped peaks and typically great golf conditions, Central Oregon is a hotbed of fall golf for locals and visiting golfers as well. Here's a look at three places you might want to check out when you are in the area:

Juniper Golf Course

There's no doubt that Central Oregon continues to be a fantastic option for golfers looking for a great golf getaway. When you hear golfers talk about their plans for golf in Central Oregon, the resorts in the area are typically what comes to mind. But with so many golf courses to choose from during your golf get away, those who really know golf in Central Oregon often talk about the only resort quality golf course that is municipally owned, seconds from the airport in Redmond. If your knowledge of the Central Oregon golf market runs deep, there's a good chance you already know about Juniper Golf Course.

Juniper Golf Club has undergone some serious changes over the years. The original Juniper Golf Club was located near the Redmond Airport and when it became too costly to keep the land, the city of Redmond began to look at other options. The able to acquire land just south of town and have Northwest architect John Harbottle design a completely new course.

The new Juniper opened in 2005 with 18 championship holes carved through the beautiful high desert landscape. The end result is a very popular and challenging layout with consistently superior course conditions and an experience that is unusually nice for a municipal golf course. When you consider the green fees at this municipal gem are well under \$100 a round in season, you'll be hard pressed to find greater golfing value anywhere in the region.

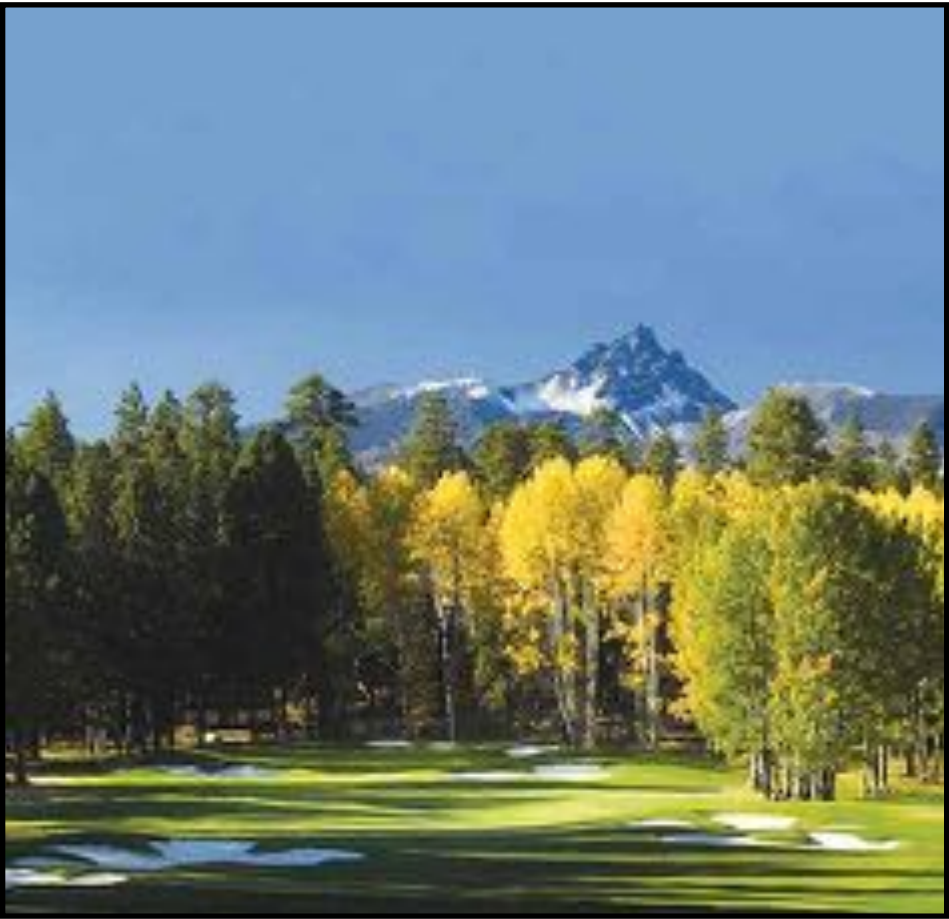
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The Crooked River runs along the left side of the hole in a large deep canyon and the desert sits on the right side. The green can be driven, but it's a tough shot. Any shot to the left, and you're left looking straight down 12 stories at your ball floating away in the Crooked River. In his book on Oregon Golf, author Paul Linnman calls the hole "the most spectacular golf hole in Oregon."

Crooked River Ranch is a place for families. Not only is there the golf, there's the camping, fishing and boating. There is an inviting RV park on property as well. With plenty of outdoor activities in and around the resort, a family vacation will never get boring. Long-time Director of Golf Pat Huffer has been elected into the PGA Northwest Section Hall of Fame.

Black Butte Ranch Resort

Black Butte Ranch is one of those special places that not only has plenty of family activities, but also offers two golf courses to choose from.

With the Big Meadow and Glaze Meadow golf courses, Black Butte is a golfer's paradise. Each course provides a different, yet challenging golf experience and both are worth the trip to Central Oregon.

Big Meadow underwent a bunker renovation several years ago. With the new and remodeled bunkers, the course became even more challenging.

For years, many golfers have considered



Crooked River Ranch (top) and Juniper are two terrific choices when it comes to fall golf in Central Oregon.

Glaze Meadow Golf Course at Black Butte Ranch to be the most iconic in Central Oregon. When the course reopened in 2012, after being closed for a year, for an extensive \$3.75 million renovation by architect John Fought, golfers were treated to an experience unlike anything else in Central Oregon. Featuring slightly elevated greens, square tee boxes and deep grass-faced bunkers, the new Glaze Meadow reflects the spirit of classic golf course design in a true mountain setting.

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As you take the drive over Snoqualmie Pass and head toward Central and Eastern Washington you will be treated by the changing colors and perhaps a glimpse of snow along the pass. October is probably the best time for a road trip east or west depending upon where you come from.

Canyon Lakes Golf Course

Canyon Lakes has won a variety of awards, including voted as Best Golf Course by the People's Choice Awards (six years in a row) making it the most popular course in the Tri Cities area. Rated 4 1/2 Stars by *Golf Digest*, making it the highest rated course in the Tri-Cities and shares the highest ranking in Washington State. In addition to the lofty rating, *Northwest Travel Magazine* selected Canyon Lakes as one of "18 of the Best in the Pacific Northwest."

Canyon Lakes is famous for large, fast, undulating greens with the 12th hole touted as the largest green in the Pacific Northwest at 12,000 square feet. The ninth hole was also awarded as one of the Northwest's Dream 18 holes. With five sets of tees measuring from 5,500 to 7,027 yards, Canyon Lakes will test the mettle of all types of golfers.

The Tri-Cities is a great place to golf with the average annual precipitation of less than seven inches and an average summer time temperature is in the upper 80s and fall is always a great time to visit and play golf.

Highlander Golf Club

At 800 feet above the Columbia River is a breathtaking piece of property that boasts a masterpiece designed by John Steidel and built by Jim Haley (Haley created and shaped Bandon Dunes). This one is called Highlander

and it lives up to the name with magnificent panoramic views.

The most talked about hole is the par-3 ninth, a 185-yard bear that requires a tee shot across a canyon. The green slopes dramatically making a two-putt no easy feat. And after you make the turn you can enjoy the gorgeous back nine that has sweeping views of the river. In the spring of 2013, the back nine was the focus of many upgrades including the development of Highlander Estates with some scenic home sites.

In 2013 a 32-home site development was added with stunning territorial views and fairway fronted building lots creating a community with a decided recreational lifestyle focus. Two brand new holes were built (17 & 18) and major changes to four others (10,14,15,&16).



Central Washington is loaded with special places to play like Apple Tree in Yakima (top photo) and Highlander in East Wenatchee, Wash.

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Lake Chelan Golf Course

Ever since it was built in 1970, Lake Chelan Golf Course has always been a popular spot for golfers visiting the area. Located on the lake's north side, Lake Chelan is a solid par-72 golf course that sits on a bluff with unparalleled views of the lake that will stay in your memory.

The course has three sets of tees and plays to 6,445 yards from the blue tees with a slope of 124.

The reviews by visitors to Lake Chelan all talk about the fantastic views and the great condition of the course. If you are planning a trip to the Wenatchee/Chelan area you will want to put Lake Chelan Golf Course on your itinerary.

Columbia Point Golf Course

Located in Richland, Columbia Point Golf Course is an upscale and daily fee facility adjacent to the Columbia River. The course is owned by the City of Richland and measures 6,571 yards from the back tees. It celebrated its 20th year in 2017.

Nothing too complicated greets the average golfer but the course does have water hazards and numerous bunkers that will need to be avoided.

The most recognizable features are the mounds separating several of the rolling fairways and large undulating greens. Try to avoid those mounds.

If your short game is MIA, you might want to put in some practice time on the range before you hit the course. Columbia Point has a nice cafe, with a covered patio with panoramic views of the front nine.

The Links at Moses Pointe

Located just four miles north of interstate 90 in Moses Lake, Wash., has been a favorite destination for golfers since opening in 1999.

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With great golf, 300 plus days of sunshine, and a growing residential golf community, Moses Pointe is sure to become your next home away from home, or who knows, maybe your next home? For a hole by hole visual tour of the course and more information about what

awaits you at the Links at Moses Pointe, visit www.mosespointe.com.

Apple Tree Resort

Apple Tree in Yakima is one of the Northwest's premier golf experiences and given a 4-Star rating by *Golf Digest*.

The signature par-3 17th hole with its apple-shaped island green is one of the state's most recognizable holes. The hole is a masterpiece of golf architecture that measures over 10,000 square feet with nine different tee boxes to choose from.

The 17th hole is only one of many great holes at Apple Tree Resort. The course winds through 100-year old apple orchards with some stunning water hazards and challenging elevation changes. The course and greens are always in perfect condition.

The view from the 18th tee belongs on a postcard with the vast network of ponds and the rest of the golf course sitting in the background for an amazing view. The back deck of the clubhouse makes for the perfect viewing spot.

Stay & Play packages are available on-site at the Braebukrn Lodge Condominiums as well as the Best Western Plus Ahtanum Inn in Yakima.



Salish Cliffs: Fall golf is special at this Western Washington golf course

Just because the temperatures get a little cooler and the leaves are turning color, there is no reason to pack those golf clubs away. Especially in Western Washington at places like Salish Cliffs Golf Course in Shelton, Wash., fall golf is a treat. Not only is the course one of the top-ranked tracks in the NW, but the changing of the colors in the surrounding trees make the round even more scenic.

And when you tee it up at Salish Cliffs, you are on the grounds of one of the top golf courses in the Pacific Northwest. Don't believe it? Check out these awards: The course is ranked among the top 100 Resort Courses in the country, ranked among the top 10 Casino Courses in the U.S. and since opening has been ranked among the top courses in the state of Washington. It was also the world's first Salmon Safe certified golf course.


There is plenty to like at Salish Cliffs. And when you combine all of that with the changing of the season to fall and the different colors, you have a terrific golf experience.



Canyon Lakes in the Tri Cities (left) along with Lake Chelan Golf Course on the shores of Lake Chelen, are two terrific fall golf choices.


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


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Don't forget to add football games with your golf travel plans

If you are planning on making Arizona a fall golf destination, then don't forget you might want to put some football games on your schedule too.

The NFL's Arizona Cardinals play in Glendale, just northeast of downtown Phoenix.

For the college football fans, Arizona State plays its home games in Tempe and Arizona has its home games in Tucson.

There are plenty of games and golf courses to choose from when making the trip to the desert.

ample, The Westin Kierland Golf Club offers guests the option of playing on Golf Boards, Golf Bikes or Segways. For golf traditionalists, Kierland, the Boulders and Troon North also offer the option of playing with a caddy.

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Ak-Chin Southern Dunes (top) and Poston Butte are two Troon-managed courses in Arizona.



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Ka'anapali Resort in Maui is a great fall spot with a pair of golf courses to choose from.

Ka'anapali Resort: Maui resort offers pair of choices

There is plenty to like about Ka'anapali Resort on the island of Maui in the fall months. The weather, the golf courses, the conditions, the sights . . . everything. And now the resort has even more to offer with FootGolf and GolfBoards.

Ka'anapali Golf Courses is the only facility across the island of Maui to offer a FootGolf Course for residents and visitors alike. Nine and 18 holes of FootGolf is available at Ka'anapali after 4:00 p.m. seven days a week starting at \$15 to walk and an additional \$15 to ride a shared golf cart.

Players can bring their own soccer balls or rent one for \$5 per round. Ka'anapali Golf Courses joined several other Billy Casper Golf-managed courses across America to launch the program in 2015 and it has quickly become a popular afternoon activity for all ages and skill levels. Ka'anapali hosts an annual fall FootGolf League, along with occasional weddings, reunions, birthday parties and other events on the FootGolf course. In addition to the FootGolf track, Ka'anapali Golf Courses also offers two championship 18-hole courses, a practice range and two putting greens for all levels of play.

The Royal Ka'anapali Course, a Robert Trent Jones Senior design, opened in 1962 and has tested the skills of golf professionals and amateurs alike. A Par 71 stretching 6,700 yards, the Royal Course combines wide fairways and undulating greens, making it both distinctive and demanding.

The Ka'anapali Kai Course is a Par 70, 6,400-yard course and boasts an array of strategically placed bunkers, contoured fairways, and re-shaped and resurfaced greens. This course, host of Golf Channel's Big Break Ka'anapali, is a challenge to play and places a premium on strategy off the tee, accuracy with approach shots, and a deft touch around the greens.

Kapalua: Re-design gives Plantation course new look

Kapalua Golf on the island of Maui has hosted the Sentry Tournament of Champions for the winners on the PGA Tour for years. This January, Kapalua's Plantation Course will have a different look after the design team of Bill Coore and Ben Crenshaw made some terrific changes to the island layout.

And, while the Top 100 golf course appears on television during the tournament, even 4K high definition does not do the course justice. This is a course with incredible views, rolling terrain and a set of closing holes that are spectacular. The 17th hole is a downhill par-4 with the Pacific Ocean as a backdrop, while the par-5 18th is one of the best finishing holes in golf. In the 2019 refinement of their original 27-year old design, Coore and Crenshaw took great care in retaining what made the Plantation Course special.

"It's like when you have a special piece of art and you get a chance to dust it off and make it new again," said Coore. "This was a very thoughtful restoration and refinement, but it wasn't a redesign. We were very happy with the way the course looked and the way it had gone through the past nearly three decades."

Plantation Course enhancements include new bunkers; re-grassing tees, fairways and roughs with Celebration Bermuda Turf; green complexes were reconstructed and resurfaced with Tif Eagle Bermuda grass; and new tee boxes were added for both resort golfers and for tournament play.

Kapalua Golf's Arnold Palmer-designed Bay Course was also recently enhanced. In 2018, the Bay Course was rerouted to improve pace of play and create a memorable and challenging



Kapalua Resort's Plantation Course has taken on a new look after a re-model project at the course.

final stretch of holes. The new 16th and 17th holes (formerly holes 4 and 5) play along and over the ocean, with the par-3 17th hole Maui's only over-the-ocean par 3. The new 18th hole (formerly the 6th hole) is a challenging, and intriguing uphill par-5. For those who see their golf game go sideways while on vacation, the Kapalua Golf Academy sits near the Bay Course and provides a picturesque locale for quality golf instruction.

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Walla Walla - multiple growers from the valley

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Cabernet Sauvignon 90%, Cabernet Franc 10% 2011

Walla Walla - Elephant Mountain

The blackberry, black cherry and black pepper flavors are enhanced by sweet espresso notes for the finish of this wine.

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Sangiovese 2013

Walla Walla - Mission hills

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Walla Walla

Cabernet Sauvignon 80% Merlot 10% Cabernet Franc 10%



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Everett’s Legion Memorial course adds a re-model look to four holes

Legion Memorial Golf Course in Everett, Wash. has re-opened for play after completing a re-modeling project. The renovations to Legion Memorial were needed after poor storm drainage in the surrounding community have been completed and the course is back up and running at full speed.

For starters, the nines have been reversed at the golf course and there are now water hazards on seven of the 18 holes instead of just five before the re-model project was completed. Par has been reduced from 72 to 71 but the course still has its length and will play to 6,603 from the tips. Four of the holes at Legion Memorial are new holes. Each of the nines now ends with golfers playing a par-5 hole. There are five sets of tees ranging from 4,439-6,603 yards. The four new holes (12-15) are a long par-3 followed by a par-4, par-3 and a par-4

where water comes into play on the approach shot to the green. Water is now in play on five of the last six holes.

Legion Memorial opened for play in 1937 with nines holes and expanded to 18 holes in 1942. The course sits atop a hill alongside the Snohomish River in Everett’s north end. Legion Memorial is one of two public courses in Everett operated by Premier Golf, which also operates Walter Hall Golf Course. Premier golf operates the four city of Seattle courses, including West Seattle, Jefferson Park, Jackson Park and Interbay. The group also manages Bellevue Golf Course and Bellevue Crossroads as well as Lynnwood Golf Course, Cedarcrest Golf Course and Lake Padden Golf Course. For more information on the changes, see the website www.everettgolf.com.



Legion Memorial Golf Course in Everett has re-opened after a storm drainage re-modeling project,



Abbe Winery in Federal Way is a local vineyard with a sampling room after a round of golf in the area.

Federal Way’s Abbe Winery offers a place to visit after your golf round

Golf and wine always have a way of going together. Now, if you are playing some golf in the South Puget Sound area there is a local winery that would be the perfect stop after a round. Welcome to Abbe Winery in Federal Way, a South Sound winery that offers a tasting room for those who would like to find a terrific way to wrap up a day of golf.

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extremely challenging if not impossible, but I always enjoy a good challenge.

After the third year the partners saw an ad for 2,500 Pinot Noir plants for sale and went out and promptly bought them. They dug up all the plants in the middle of the winter in Sedro Woolley with a back hoe, placed them into three-gallon black bags, transported them to Federal Way, replanted and waited to see how many had decided to grace us with their clusters.

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Spokane Community College coach wins Pacific Northwest Championship

Corey Prugh, the golf coach at the Community Colleges of Spokane, won the Pacific Northwest PGA Professional Championship at Indian Summer G&CC. Prugh won the event in 2016.

Defending champion Russell Grove of North Idaho College and Brady Sharp of Wine Valley GC (Walla Walla, Wash.) finished in a tie for second, two strokes behind Prugh.

Prugh finished with a three-round total of 208, shooting rounds of 72-67-69 along the way to collect the \$9,000 first-place check. Grove and Sharp each earned \$5,087 for their second-place finish. Former PGA Tour player Jeff Gove finished fourth at 212, four strokes behind Prugh.

Prugh, Grove, Sharp, Gove of Sandpoint, Idaho, Derek Berg of PNW Golf Academy, Tim Feenstra of Broadmoor GC (Seattle, Wash.) and Brian Thornton of Meridian Valley CC (Kent, Wash.) all earned a spot and advance directly to the 2020 PGA Professional Championship presented by Cadillac, Club Car and OMEGA, held at Omni Barton Creek Resort & Spa in Austin, Texas on April 26–29, 2020.

Additionally, the low 20 scores at the 2020 PGA Professional Championship presented by Cadillac, Club Car and OMEGA will earn a place in the 102nd PGA Championship at Harding Park Golf Club in San Francisco, CA, May 11-17, 2020.

The event is open to PNW PGA Members and

Life Members only (Life Members Retired cannot advance) with all Chapters of the NW represented.

Tennant repeats at USGA Senior Am

When Lara Tennant arrived at Cedar Rapids Country Club to begin her title defense in the 58th U.S. Senior Women’s Amateur Championship, a repeat performance was not on her radar.

“When I shot 70 in the first round of stroke play, I said I’m so glad I played OK, so that people won’t think my victory was a fluke,” said Tennant, 52, of Portland, Ore.

Tennant backed up her 2018 triumph in remarkably similar fashion: she earned the No. 5 seed in stroke play (No. 10 last year), then marched through the bracket, beating Sue Wooster of Australia, and prevailing by the exact same 3-and-2 margin.

UW men win Husky Invitational

The University of Washington men’s golf team won the rain-shortened Husky Invitational at Gold Mountain Golf Course in Bremerton. The scores from the first two rounds were used for the three-round tournament. Washington finished 22 under par for the tournament. Huskies Noah Woolsey and Jan Schneider finished in a four-way tie for first at 6-under 138. Seattle University was eighth, Gonzaga was 11th and Washington State finished 13th.

Tour Players With Northwest ties

PGA Tour

- Kevin Chappell • Kirkland • 76th on the list with \$19,035
- Ben Crane • Portland • 82nd on the list with \$18,829
- Joel Dahmen, Clarkston • 66th on the list with \$31,159
- Robert Garrigus • Gresham • No Events
- Ryan Moore • Puyallup • No Events
- Cheng Tsung Pan • Ex-UW • No Events
- Andrew Putnam • Tacoma • No Events
- Nick Taylor • Ex-UW • 43rd on the list with \$59,732
- Aaron Wise • Ex-Oregon • 73rd on the list with \$26,730
- Alex Prugh • Spokane • No Events
- Kyle Stanley • Gig Harbor • No Events
- Scott Harrington • Portland • 43rd on the list with 59,732

Korn Ferry Tour

- Andres Gonzales • Olympia • 91st on the list with \$67,204
- Scott Harrington • Portland • 16th on the list with \$212,749
- Brock Mackenzie • Yakima • 176th on the list with \$22,823
- Michael Putnam, • Tacoma • No Events

Champions Tour

- Fred Couples • Seattle • 24th on the list with \$616,916
- Bob Gilder • Corvallis • 139th on the list with \$14,216
- Brian Henninger • Eugene • No Events
- Peter Jacobsen • Portland • 150th on the list with \$10,125
- Kirk Triplett • Pullman • 9th on the list with \$1,215,658

Mackenzie Tour (Canada)

- Derek Barron • Puyallup • 11th on the list with \$48,203
- Alistar Docherty • Vancouver, Wash. • No Events
- Chris Killmer • Bellingham • No Events
- Cory Pereira • Ex-UW • No Events
- Chris Williams • Ex-UW • No Events
- Eugene Wong • Ex-Oregon • No Events

LPGA Tour

- Jing Yan • Ex-UW • 42nd on the list with \$373,437

LPGA Symetra Tour

- Jimin Kang • Seattle • No Events
- Mallory Kent • Seattle • No Events
- Sadena Parks • Tacoma • No Events
- Jing Yan • Ex-UW • 156th on the list with \$2,540
- Kim Welch • Ex-WSU • 98th on the list with \$7,962
- Erynne Lee • Silverdale • 139th on the list with \$3,509

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• The Washington State Golf Association has re-branded itself as Washington Golf. Founded in 1922, Washington Golf will continue to provide all the core services that make the game great in the region, and will now bring the game forward, promoting “Golf for Everyone” throughout the region’s golf community. Visit their new website – WAGolf.org – for more information.



• Founded in 1899, the Pacific Northwest Golf Association is a 501c3 non-profit golf association whose purpose is to support its allied associations in the region, including the Oregon Golf Association, Idaho Golf Association, British Columbia Golf, and Washington Golf, all of whom provide core services to the region’s golf community. Visit thePNGA.org for more information.





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The Lesson Tee: Now is the time to work on getting that game improved for 2020 season

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Golf improvement does not only take place while hitting golf balls. Mirror work, indoor rehearsals in a swing station and much more enhance our golf significantly. In fact, most golfers could also have a more effective plan of improvement during actual practice time they spend on the range.

I have personally used many so called unique winter practice methods that have helped me to continue to win tournaments as a Grandfather! I enjoy sharing my strategies with everyone who comes to my academy at Semiahmoo.

If 100 golfers came to me, these two simple tasks would help at least 97 of them.

Most golfers do not create enough depth in their backswing. Due to lifting rather than turning and lack of proper hip turn depth is compromised. I personally use the "Wall Drill." See Photo 1. One need feel lower and more around when touching the wall. Turn your hip and shoulders. Please do not move significantly off the ball.

As mentioned, most golfers do not create enough depth on the backswing and the result is an "over the top" of the plane downswing.

One can hurt shots and rehearse indoors with the "anti-lift Swing Station." Photo 2.

Place the shafts even with your right shoulder and four inches right of the shoulder.

These two practices will create depth on your backswing and allow a shallowing in your downswing.



Take these vitamins and call me in the morning!

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Photo #2



Photo #1



Photo #3

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A photograph of Jeff Coston in a blue polo shirt and dark pants, captured in the middle of a golf swing on a green field.

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What does investing mean to you? If the word makes you think of transactions – buying or selling stocks and bonds – you’re looking at just part of the picture.

To work toward all your goals, such as a comfortable retirement, you need a comprehensive financial strategy. And for that, you might need to work with a personal financial advisor. But what, specifically, can this type of professional do for you?



Here are some of the key services a financial advisor can provide:

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- Help make sure you’re well-protected – If something were to happen to you, could your family maintain its standard of living? Or if you someday needed some type of long-term care, such as an extended stay in a nursing home, would you be able to maintain your financial independence, or would you be forced to rely on your adult children for help? A financial advisor can recommend and possibly provide suitable protection products and services for your needs.
- Help you adjust your financial strategy – Not much will stay constant in your life – and that includes your financial strategy. Any number of

events – a new child, a new job, a new retirement destination – can cause you to adjust your investment moves, as will some of the factors influencing the financial markets – economic downturns, changing interest rates, new tax laws, and more. A financial advisor can help you change course as needed – and sometimes encourage you not to change course, when, in his or her professional opinion, you might be tempted to overreact to some event or other.

While a financial advisor can help you in many ways, you’ll need, above all else, to feel comfortable with whomever you choose. Ultimately, you’ll want to pick someone who understands what’s important to you, and who will follow an established process to create personalized strategies and recommend specific actions needed to help achieve your goals. And you’ll want someone who will be with you in the long run – someone who will revisit your objectives and risk tolerance and who can adjust your strategies in response to changes in your life.

A financial advisor can make a big difference in your life. So, work diligently to find the right one – and take full advantage of the help you’ll receive as you move toward your important goals.

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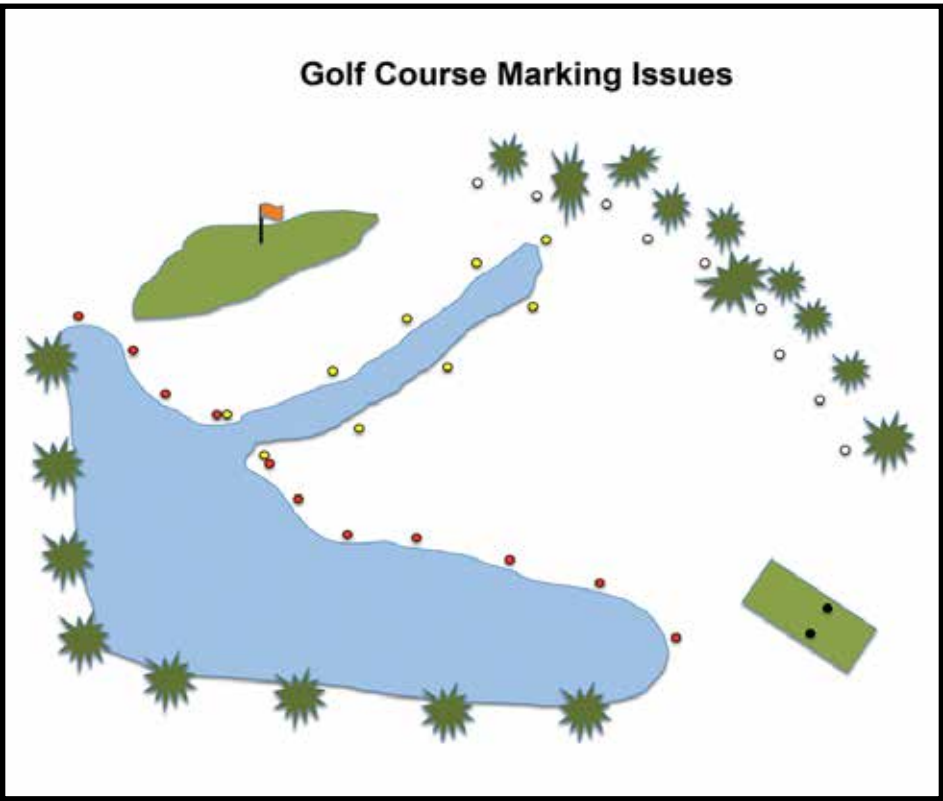
What do Golf Rules Officials do? That's an interesting question, and a good one.

Rules officials in other sports like football and soccer are active participants during their games. They are very visible, and they are constantly monitoring play and calling fouls as needed. On the other hand, Golf Rules Officials are not very visible, they monitor only a portion of the play, and most of their rulings are in response to calls for help.

Most of the hard work of Golf Rules Officials takes place before the first player hits the first tee shot. Why? Because unlike those other sports, where the fields are standardized, golf courses are all different. And invariably, the course markings are somewhat deficient and need to be brought up to conformance with the Rules.

Let's look at an example, using the exhibit that accompanies this article.

The exhibit shows some of the things that we find when we preview a course for an upcoming tournament. Along the right side of this hole is a line of OB stakes. The observant reader will notice that a couple of the bushes along that side of the hole have grown bigger and now obscure vision lines between OB stakes. So what do we do? Do we prune the bushes? No. Do we remove them? No. We can't do either of those things. Instead, we



install an extra OB stake here and there to provide unobstructed vision lines around those bushes.

The Penalty Area on that hole has both red and yellow stakes, but no painted lines. Many courses have limited maintenance budgets, so they only paint their Penalty Areas for tournaments. To provide the lines for the tournament, we work with the course to decide who's going to paint the lines – the course or the Rules team.

And what happens if a player hits a tee shot left of that Penalty Area? Impossible you say? Never say impossible. If that area belongs to homeowners, it would probably be marked as OB. Alternatively, the Penalty Area could be extended

to infinity.

The Notice to Competitors (Local Rules Sheet), prepared by the Rules team prior to the event, informs players about these and other issues presented by the course. If the Rules team does a good job of previewing the course and resolving issues in advance, the result is a smooth tournament with fewer rulings.

Editor's note: Inside Golf Newspaper would like to thank Russ Wing for his work with the rules column. He is retiring from being a rules official. We wish him well.

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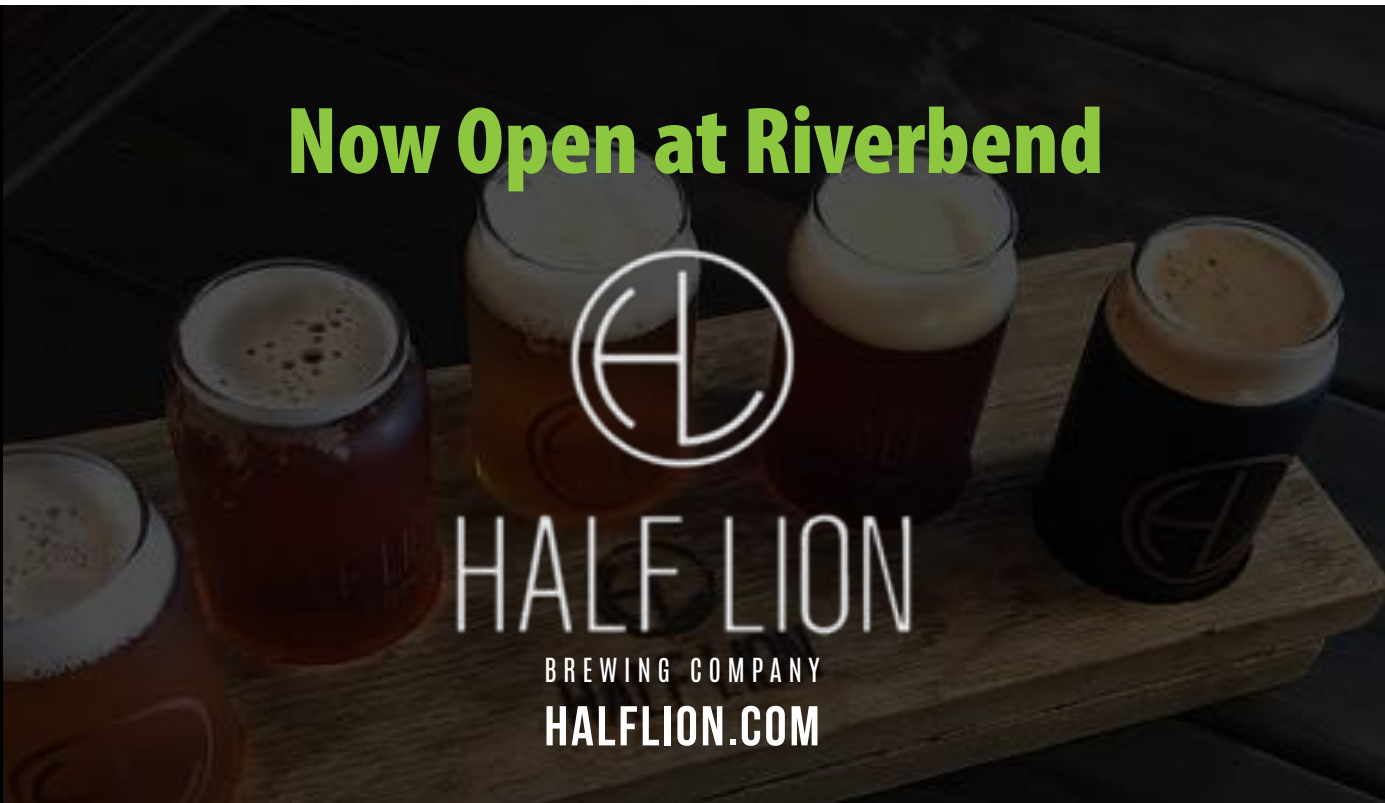
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