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Promoting Junior Golf

Minutes of the 1922 Annual Meeting of the Golf Association of Philadelphia include a report from John Franklin Meehan, a fine amateur player, golf course architect/contractor and the president of several member clubs with ties to North Hills Country Club, Sandy Run Country Club and Spring Ford Country Club. His biggest contribution to golf in Philadelphia may be his efforts to promote junior golf in the early years of the 20th century.

Frank Meehan was a devoted advocate of junior golf; he is credited with lifting the prestige and conduct of the Golf Association’s junior championship. In his report as chairman of the Association’s committee on junior championships, he urged his colleagues to conduct the Junior Championship under the same high standards as the Association’s premier events, the Amateur and Open championships.

Eighty-seven years later, on July 29, the atmosphere was exciting at Merchantville Country Club on the first day of match play. Blaise Straka, head PGA golf professional at Merchantville, announced the names of contestants on the first tee while club members, including President Roy Gustafson, applauded the players and watched some fine golf. I am not describing the scene at the Association’s Open or Amateur championships; I was on hand for the Association’s Junior-Junior Championship for boys between the ages of 10 and 13.

By the smiles all around, the Merchantville members seemed to appreciate the player introductions as much as the juniors. It seems that the goal of Frank Meehan, to conduct the junior championships at the same high level as the championships for adults, was met and surpassed.

In fact, the Association staff and volunteers strive to hold all Association events at the highest level. We appreciate your feedback to improve the tournament experience. The best of competition and sportsmanship was on display in our recent championships as was just the simple joy of playing the game.

I witnessed pure joy at the second annual Brewer Cup when Michael Dougherty of Huntingdon Valley Country Club holed his final putt to win in front of O. Gordon Brewer, Jr., himself and supporting fellow club friends who came to follow the final match. Rich Steinmetz, PGA Professional from Spring Ford Country Club, outlasted a rain delay and a talented field to win the Open Championship at Bent Creek Country Club. Conrad Von Borsig, of Concord Country Club and the Association’s reigning Amateur champion, finished as the low amateur.

Our last major of the year produced a new champion with a familiar name. James Kania, Jr., matched his father’s record by winning the Patterson Cup at historic Llanerch Country Club to become the first father and son to complete the feat. The win for James also produced his first Silver Cross honor, also matching his father’s achievement. James, Conrad and many other fine graduates of the Association’s junior tournaments are competing well and with fine sportsmanship.

The Association continues to promote the game and keep members informed through our magazine, Web site and electronic handicap revisions with Association news. Spreading the positive message of golf has been harder as many newspapers have been forced to reduce the coverage of golf and several commercial regional golf magazines have stopped publishing. We are pleased to welcome MyPhillyGolf.com to the area to provide a source of local and national golf news. MyPhillyGolf.com provides another medium to spread news about Association tournaments, highlight member club activities and to promote club membership in the Golf Association.

Part of the Golf Association’s mission is to promote golf; I’m happy to share some good news in this area. Many of our Member Clubs are focused on junior golf as a way to promote the club. Lookaway Golf Club encourages members to invite grandchildren into the junior golf program, Lima Creek Country Club is running a junior camp open to all area juveniors and Merchantville Country Club started a caddie program. Caddie programs are a good way to introduce boys and girls to the game. Some of them may eventually want to join a club. Passing the game to the next generation will bring back the joy that golf has given us.

Member club leaders have shared their strategic efforts for the future with me. The blueprint for the future is not the same old, same old. Clubs are evaluating their strengths and rethinking how to deliver their services in order to attract new members.

Many are starting with a blank sheet for budgeting purposes and only including costs that are necessary to deliver high quality services in an efficient manner. I am encouraged to hear that junior golf initiatives are high on the list of services to be funded by the Association’s Member Clubs. Please let us know what your club is doing to promote junior golf.
The prestigious **Eastern Four Ball** will be competed in the Philadelphia area this year due to the ongoing course renovations at Congressional CC. **Applebrook GC** and **Aronimink GC** will share hosting duties for the three-day event set for Oct. 23-25. The Eastern Four Ball started in 1970 and has seen numerous Walker Cup participants and top Amateurs compete over the years. Nathan Smith, a recent Walker Cup selection and the current Pennsylvania Golf Association Amateur champion, and partner Larry Lis are the defending champions. There is a Middle-Amateur as well as Senior division... **Robert Galbreath, Jr.** of Huntingdon Valley CC will attend Nova Southeastern University in Fort Lauderdale, Fla., in the fall. Galbreath, a four-time Junior Boys' Championship winner (2004-05, 07-08) and three-time Junior Player of the Year, looks forward to competing on their Division II golf team under coach Kevin Marsh. "Their head coach stood above all of the others," the Huntingdon Valley, Pa., resident said. "He put his maximum effort into recruiting me. He explained everything and showed great interest in me. He was just an honest person, and that's what I was looking for in a college golf coach." Galbreath, a graduate of Lower Moreland High School, feels that Nova Southeastern is a good fit, both academically and athletically. "I just really want to go down there and do well in school," Galbreath, 18, said. "Also, I'd really like to start every tournament that I possibly can. I'd like to improve upon every aspect of my game. I haven't really been playing well this summer. I'd like to improve upon every aspect of my game. I haven't really been playing well this summer. I'd like to go down there and get my confidence back."... **Zachary Herr** of Jericho National GC fell to Nick McLaughlin of New Castle, N.H., in a playoff for the AJGA's CorseMax/Philadelphia Runner Junior on Aug. 13 at Stonewall (North Course). Both players finished at 1-over-par 211 for their three rounds. McLaughlin registered a par on the first playoff hole for the win... **Chris Lange** of Overbrook GC competed in the U.S. Senior Open at Crooked Stick GC in Carmel, Ind., July 27-Aug. 2. Lange, of Bryn Mawr, Pa., missed the cut for the final two days after shooting rounds of 75 and 81, respectively. He qualified for the U.S. Senior Open by carding a 1-over-par 71 at his home course in early July... **Nicholas Reach**, who plays out of the CC of Scranton and Glenmaura National GC, advanced to the semifinals in the U.S. Junior Amateur Championship, which was held July 20-25 at Trump National GC in Bedminster, N.J. Reach, of Moscow, Pa., won four matches before falling to James Hwang, 3&2. It was his first, and will be his only appearance, in the Junior Amateur. Reach, winner of the 2008 Christman Cup, will turn 18 next May... **Saucon Valley CC** in Bethlehem, Pa., played host to the 64th U.S. Women's Open July 9-12. Eun-Hee-Ji, 23, edged Candie Kung by a stroke after draining a 20-foot-er for birdie on the 72nd hole... **Richard Umani** of Philadelphia Publinks GA traveled across the pond for the British Senior Open Amateur Championship at Prestwick GC from Aug. 5-7 in Scotland and placed in a tie for sixth. Umani finished seven strokes behind champion Robert Vallis.

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**Michael McDermott** and his fellow partners at The Philadelphia Group are pleased to announce that Roy Blumberg has joined the firm as Partner and Director of Client Portfolio Management.

Prior to joining The Philadelphia Group, Roy Blumberg was most widely recognized for his 7 years as anchor and market analyst on CNBC Television. He was the first television media figure to ever broadcast live from the floor of the New York Stock Exchange.

During his 30 years with Wall Street firms, Mr. Blumberg served in a variety of roles from Director of Research to Chief Investment Strategist. Most recently, Roy served as the Director of Research for Janney Montgomery Scott in Philadelphia.

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Understanding the USGA Handicap System

Some of the most common queries received at the Golf Association of Philadelphia offices are related to the USGA Handicap System. Where does the USGA Handicap Index come from? What do the Course Rating and Slope Rating actually mean? How is a course handicap determined? Keep in mind the USGA Handicap System is very technical and relies heavily on mathematical computations.

What is the Course Rating System?
The USGA Handicap System is based on extensive research that has been analyzed over and again. It all starts with the Course Rating System, which is used to determine the difficulty of golf courses based on the ability of a Scratch Golfer and a Bogey Golfer. The end product of the Course Rating System gives us a Course Rating (Scratch Golfer Rating), a Slope Rating (derived from the Bogey Golfer Rating), and a Slope Rating (derived from the Bogey Golfer Rating). The Course Rating is assigned by determining the slope of the line that would connect the Scratch Rating and Bogey Rating on a line graph. It represents how much more difficult a course plays for the Bogey Golfer when compared to the Scratch Golfer. One must be careful not to compare Slope Ratings from course to course to gauge overall difficulty. Just remember, the higher the Course Rating (Scratch Golfer Rating), the more difficult the course.

How is your USGA Handicap Index determined?
When we post our scores to the Course Rating of the tee played using Equitable Stroke Control, it gives us a Handicap Differential. A Handicap Differential = (ESC Gross Score – USGA Course Rating) x 113 / Slope Rating. For example, a score of 78 shot on a course with a 70.6 Rating would yield a 6.4 Differential. To determine your Handicap Index, the formula uses your best 10 of your last 20 Differentials. Note that the lowest Differentials may not always be from your lowest scores, depending on the Course and Slope Rating. Also remember, a Handicap Index is a number that represents potential ability, focusing on your best scores, not your average scores.

What is the difference between a Handicap Index and a Course Handicap?
Once the Handicap Index is calculated, we can move forward to find out the Course Handicap. Regardless of where a golfer plays the majority of his rounds, the Handicap Index is totally portable and is applied to any Course and Slope Rating to determine a Course Handicap for the set of tees being played. Every club has a Course Handicap Conversion Chart that is used to find a player’s Course Handicap. Many people make the mistake of thinking their Course Handicap should jump significantly from each set of tees on a certain course. Let’s have a look at what the Course Handicap would be for each tee at Llanerch Country Club for a man with a 9.3 Handicap Index. When the calculation is done, the result is: Red Tee (Slope 124), 10; Gold Tee (Slope 125), 10; White Tee (Slope 131), 11; Blue Tee (Slope 133), 11. The Course Handicap increases as the Slope Rating on the tee increases. Typically, the increase in Slope Rating from one tee to another is not great enough to increase the Course Handicap by more than a shot or two on a specific course.

What if players compete from different tees?
Section 3-5 of the USGA Handicap System deals with players in the same event playing from different tees or with a mixed event where men and women are competing against each other. Players are competing in a handicap competition, but some are playing from a shorter set of tees. The higher rated set of tees is more difficult, so you must adjust the Course Handicap strokes equal to the difference in the Course Ratings (.5 or greater rounds up). For example, let’s say Jim and Dan are playing together in an event at their club. Jim is playing from the white tees, rated 70.2/130, while Dan is playing the blue tees, rated 72.1/140. In this case, we will calculate Section 3-5 for the lowest rating, which is Jim’s tee set, 70.2. Since Jim’s tee rating is lowest, Dan will add shots to make the competition equitable. The difference between their tee ratings is 1.9, which means that Dan will receive two extra shots in his Course Handicap. The following graphic shows an example of how the handicap adjustment from Section 3-5 would make for equitable competition between the two players. These are some of the most commonly asked questions in the handicapping world, but there are certainly many other issues that come up over the course of a golf season. If you have any questions about implementation of the USGA Handicap System, feel free to contact the Golf Association of Philadelphia Handicapping department at 610-687-2340, ext. 4, or e-mail handicapping@gapgolf.org.

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FACES OF PLATT

Cesarine triplets keep it All in the Family at Aronimink Golf Club

By Barbara Scott

On weekends during the summer, most college students look forward to sleeping in and spending lazy days with their friends. That isn’t the case for one local family. Meet the Cesarine triplets: John, a senior communication major at the University of Pennsylvania; Joseph, a senior biochemistry and molecular biophysics major at New York University and Terence, a senior acting major also at NYU. This trio, long-time Aronimink Golf Club caddies, epitomizes what being a looper is all about. They are honest, hard-working and dedicated people who the Platt Caddie Scholarship is proud to call caddie-scholars. While these three brothers are probably too young to know the names Archie, Edith and Meathead, they are intimately familiar with the “bunkers” and understand what it means to keep it “all in the family.”

The Cesarines have been fixtures at Aronimink since they were 12 years old. They are now 21. Said Joseph, “We have an older brother, Frank, who is eight years older than us. Frank got into caddying in high school and then kept at it through college. When he was in the middle of college, the summer of eighth grade for us, he brought us up here.” His brother John added, “We’d come out on Mondays [when caddies can play] and would caddie for Frank and his friends and they would teach us the ropes and what to do. And then all through high school and college we have caddied.” Said Terence, “Caddying is what I have done since I first started working. It’s just a fun environment and while none of us are golfers ourselves, we like being around it.”

As you would expect, while they caddy, there is a fair amount of sibling rivalry on the course. “We’ve all played sports and are all very competitive people,” said Terence. “While caddying for people playing in the Club Championship or in the Derby, you can get really competitive out there. And when you are caddying you do have a little say, and control a little bit of what is going on. It’s definitely competitive.”

While they do compete with one another on the course, they are also first to help each other. Whether it be pulling the flag stick or cleaning a member’s club, the brothers will jump in and do what needs to be done. “It really depends how our golfers are playing,” said Joe. “If we have one golfer in the trap and one on the green, then the caddy whose golfer is on the green gets the pin. So it depends on how and what the golfers we are carrying the bag for are doing, but we will help each other out.” That’s the thing about brothers and especially triplets. “We can give each other a look and know exactly what the other person is thinking with just our eyes,” added Terence.

While his older brother Frank was himself a Platt Caddie-Scholar, it was really Mike Higgins (Aronimink’s former club president) that got John involved with the Trust. “I was caddying up here all the time and became friendly with Mr. Higgins and he told me I should apply,” said John. “So I did. The members know me and were really happy when they heard that I got the scholarship. Every year for three years the Platt has helped me. I think all three of us are basically taking out loans to pay for most of our tuition. I know [Joe and Terence] get some scholarships, but I am basically taking out loans for the remainder.”

Family plays another role in the lives of the boys, but it’s a different family altogether. As this is their 10th summer caddying at the same club, Aronimink has become a home away from home. Said Terence, “A lot of these people that we caddie with are guys we have grown up with and many of them are our closest friends. It’s sort of like a summer family.”

While in many cases it is hard enough to afford to be able to put one child through college, the burden is threefold with triplets. Each brother is attending a school with annual budgets of more than $50,000 a year. That means every contribution helps. “We wouldn’t be here and be able to offer support to young people such as these, without the help and financial support from members within the Golf Association of Philadelphia,” said Jack Endicott, the Platt chairman. “And in a difficult economic climate, contributions and support are needed now more than ever.”

This year the Platt Caddie Scholarship has 170 deserving caddie-scholars, each with a story to tell, and each a member of the Platt Caddie Scholarship “family.”

Since it was founded in 1958, the Platt Caddie Scholarship Trust has awarded more than 13 million in grants to over 3,100 young men and women.

Barbara Scott is the Director of the J. Wood Platt Caddie Scholarship Trust. This is Scott’s second year with the Trust.

PLATT CADDIE SCHOLARSHIP NEEDS YOUR HELP:
THE RISING COST OF COLLEGE

College costs continue to rise each year and the financial needs of our caddie-scholars increase as well. Since the inception of the J. Wood Platt Caddie Scholarship Trust, its goal has been to meet the unmet need of deserving caddies in pursuit of higher education.

Unmet need is defined as the cost of education (tuition, room and board, book and other miscellaneous expenses) minus the sum of the family’s contribution, grants or scholarships received (not including Platt) and a student’s summer earnings. The amount of each scholarship is determined by the amount of the unmet need of the applicant.

In a weak economy, and with donations lagging, meeting those financial demands has obviously become more difficult. For the 2009-10 academic year, the Platt Caddie Scholarship estimates the remaining unmet need will be 48 percent. That number represents the remainder of the student’s financial responsibility to their academic institution.

Since founded in 1958, the Platt Caddie Scholarship Trust has awarded more than 13 million in grants to more than 3,100 young men and women. And for the 2009-10 academic year, $700,000 will be awarded to 170 deserving caddie-scholars.

For more information about the J. Wood Platt Caddie Scholarship, including an on-line donation form, visit the Web at www.PlattCaddieScholarship.org. Donations can also be mailed to P.O. Box 808, Southeastern, PA 19399-0808.
Bob Murray, McCall Golf & Country Club

Bob Murray has been a dedicated tournament volunteer for the Golf Association of Philadelphia since 1997. “I don’t know exactly how many years I’ve been a volunteer,” he would say before some further research found his starting year, “but it’s been a pretty long time. And I don’t mean that in a bad way. I worked for a number of years while Fred Christman was the Director of Competitions and have worked for Kirby Martin, the current Director of Competitions, since. It’s a lot fun. It’s great and I really enjoy doing it.” Murray, in his 38th year as a member of McCall Golf & Country Club, is truly dedicated to the game. He’s in his ninth year as the club’s Golf Chairman and also served as Club President in 1993. He worked as a volunteer for the Senior PGA Championship at Aronimink Golf Club in 2003 and twice for the SEI Pennsylvania Classic when it was held at Waynesborough Country Club earlier this decade. “I am hoping that my applications, which I already submitted, will be accepted for the 2010 and 2011 AT&T National at Aronimink GC and for the 2013 U.S. Open Championship at Merion Golf Club,” said Murray.

Q. Who’s your favorite golfer?
A. Like many others, I’ve always really liked Arnold Palmer. Not because of his obvious great success but for his passion for the game and competition, and the gracious way he has always treated everyone, especially the fans. He just does it right. Of the current pros, I like Jim Furyk the most, again, because of the way he carries himself while doing a pretty good job inside the ropes. I enjoyed watching him up close at many of the Exelon Invitational outings.

Q. How did you get started in golf?
A. I got started by my father, who was a pretty good player. [Unfortunately, I guess that I didn’t turn out to be a very good student of his.] Until I was 13, I really was too much into all the other sports to spend any time at golf. At that time we moved outside Washington, D.C., for a short stay and while there, he joined a club so that I could play a lot. I remember that was one of the hottest summers on record there, but I still played almost every day—usually 36 holes. I can’t imagine doing that now.

Q. What’s your most memorable moment as a player?
A. I have been fortunate enough to win three GAP Handicap Tournaments (now known as the Spring and Fall Net Championships) – in 1993, 1994 and 1996. The bad side of this is that I first won the B Class, then the C Class and then the D Class. I must say I am very appreciative of the Association holding the handicap and senior events, so that even I can play. If you are talking about a specific memorable instance, I have one hole-in-one, and that was pretty exciting. But I think that I am most proud of an eagle two I made at Center Valley Golf Course hitting a full 3-wood into the wind. The ball landed in front of the green and then rolled 60 feet back to the hole like a perfect putt.

Q. What’s your favorite part of volunteering?
A. The most important aspect of volunteering is the people that you meet while working: the Association staff members, fellow volunteers and the golfers. Since I love the game so much, I have found many of them to be very interesting. And everyone is so appreciative of your efforts as a volunteer. But it is also nice to be [a small] part of the continuing, rich history of amateur golf in the Philadelphia area. Lastly, I enjoy getting the opportunity to watch the better players in person.

Q. What’s your most memorable moment as a volunteer?
A. I was the first tee starter at the 2007 Philadelphia Open at Merion Golf Club. Just as the first group of the day was to check in, Kirby Martin informed me that I was to announce each competitor in a loud voice to the spectators. After getting over my initial surprise, getting to do that on the first tee at Merion for an event such as the Philadelphia Open was pretty neat. And, with the help of a couple of caddies, I think I got most of the names right.
West Chester G&CC, where everybody knows your name

WEST CHESTER GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB reminds one of a traditional hometown in the midst of growing suburbs. It’s a 110-year-old club surrounded by newer, flashier operations.

Just don’t tell the members of the nine-hole club they are missing anything. They like things just fine the way they are.

Francis Marinelli, the golf chairman and a member for 16 years, said, “The members are what make the club. Everybody gets along here. Everybody’s friends. There’s camaraderie here.”

Joe Conbee, the club president, learned quickly how close-knit the members are upon moving from Atlanta to West Chester, Pa., 14 years ago. When he opened a bank account, the manager was a member and raved about the club. At Conbee’s next stop, an insurance office, he met another member and heard another enthusiastic endorsement of the club. That same afternoon, while picking up his children at soccer practice, still another member welcomed him to the community. Conbee recalls saying, “I guess West Chester Country Club is the place to be.”

“I was just in awe of how everybody you met knew somebody else at the club,” he said. “And then I went to church, and it seemed like half the members were members of that church. Before long, you felt like you knew everybody in town from being a member here.”

“It’s just a hometown atmosphere,” said Casey Fisher, the general manager.

West Chester has kept its golfing membership near the cap of 240 by offsetting some resignations with new members. Marinelli notes that one member has found it hard to find guests for member-guest tournaments because his guests keep joining the club.

Following a significant renovation and expansion of a clubhouse that dates to 1911, West Chester has embarked on a master plan with architect Ron Forse to expand greens, remove trees, re-level tees and rebuild and add bunkers as funding permits.

“We’re tweaking the golf course, not starting over,” said superintendent Eric Houck.

The nine holes cover about 2,800 yards with some noticeable elevation changes. The greens are small and the rough is thick.

A true country club, West Chester is completing reconstruction of four tennis courts this year, and it offers an active swimming program.

Some well-known names have been part of the club’s history. Dr. Glenn Killinger, a Penn State back who made the first Walter Camp All-American team in 1921 and served as athletic director and dean of men at West Chester University, was a board member, grounds chairman and club champion in a period dating from the 1930s to the 1970s.

Mike Furyk, father of PGA Tour standout Jim Furyk, was the club’s head professional in 1973-74. Harry Hammond, a PGA professional nationally recognized for his service to junior golf, was the head professional from 1963 to 1968. Casey O’Reilly is the current head professional.

A handful of golfers have collected more than 40 men’s club championships from 1916 to 2008, including William Haines, Sr. (11), William Haines, Jr. (5), Harlan Slack (7), Gary Yohe (5), Michael DeStefano (8) and Rick Pruchnik (the last 5).

On the women’s side, Alice Gray, a two-time winner of the Pennsylvania Women’s Amateur, won six straight women’s club championships from 1948 to 1953 before turning pro. Other multiple winners include Helen Welsh (13 championships), Connie Compadre, Sr. and Connie Compadre, Jr. (5 each).

First-time visitors to the West Chester course will notice stone ruins between the fourth green and fifth tee. They are what remains of a home built in 1936 on the property, which is part of a 17th Century Penn Land Grant.

The club, organized in 1898, moved to its present location in 1906 and leased the site until purchasing it in 1966. The club history offers no information about who designed the nine holes, which have retained their original routing for more than 100 years.

Club leaders say having only nine holes attracts interest in West Chester since members facing busy schedules enjoy the opportunity to slip in a round of golf early in the morning or late in day.

Fred Behringer is a member of the GAP Communications Committee.
Chet Shemanski of Spring Ford CC carded a 9-under-par 62 (net) to win the Spring Net Championship at Raven’s Claw GC on June 1. The 46-year-old, a 12-handicap, considered it to be his best round of golf.

“It was a great round. It was the lowest score I ever shot,” he said. “It felt good. I was just hitting fairways and greens, and the putts were going in. My iron game was on today. It was just one of those things.”

Here’s a look at Shemanski’s clubs of choice.

**Irons**
Taylor Made Burner XD (4 thru AW, Fujikura RE*AX SuperFast Steel 90)

“I got these irons last year to replace my old Taylor Made Super Steel irons. It turned out to be a good investment as I carded my first career ace with them last September.”

**Woods**
Taylor Made Burner 3-Wood (Fujikura RE*AX SuperFast Graphite 50); 3-Rescue & 4-Rescue (Fujikura RE*AX SuperFast Graphite 65)

“I’m a huge fan of Taylor Made clubs. These woods are very forgiving and incredibly easy to hit. The Rescues are great on long 3-pars when the wind is up.”

**Driver**
Titleist 905R 9.5-degree (Graphite Design YS-6+)

“Last fall, I cracked the face on my old Taylor Made 580 XD driver and had a hard time finding something that felt similar. The Titleist was a left-over that I picked up in the pro shop for $150. I absolutely love it.”

**Wedge**
Titleist Volkey 54-degree (True Temper Dynamic Gold Steel)

“This is absolutely the most valuable and versatile club in my bag. I use it from 75 yards and in, in bunkers and all around the green.”

**Putter**
Odyssey White Hot XG #1

“I got this last summer because I was struggling with my old Odyssey and felt that a change was needed. The softer insert and heel-toe weighting provides me with more forgiveness and a truer roll than the older model.”

**Ball**
Titleist Pro-V1

“The number one ball in golf — enough said.”
**Overbrook GC’s Kania survives, captures Patterson Cup, Silver Cross**

**HAVERSTOWN, Pa.**—James Kania, Jr. erased all the heartaches of his Golf Association of Philadelphia past with an emotional and historic triumph in the 107th Joseph H. Patterson Cup on Aug. 13-14 at Llanerch CC (par 71, 6,669 yards). Kania, who finished the 36 holes of the Championship at 2-under par, three shots clear of the field, joined mentor, coach and more poignantly, dad, James, Sr., as the first father-son combination to capture the Association’s stroke play championship, which dates back to 1900. The two also became the first father-son duo to each earn a Silver Cross Award, presented to the player with the lowest aggregate score in the qualifying rounds of the Amateur Championship and the Patterson Cup.

“That’s probably the best part of it, just to share it with my dad,” said Kania, 20, of Haverford, Pa. “We’ve been working at this game for a long time. He’s always been there to help me. Since I was a little kid he has taught me everything. I’ve never had a lesson from anyone. He’s always been my everything for me in this game. I wanted to join him on the Amateur trophy in June but that didn’t work out. To come out here and do it in this event is definitely sweet.”

As stated, the Kania family has been down this road before. James, Jr. fell to good friend Conrad Von Borsig of Concord CC in the Amateur Championship final this past June in an attempt to become the first father-son duo on the J. Wood Platt Championship trophy.

Kania, Sr. won his Patterson Cup in 1995. His three Silver Cross wins were 1992 and 1994-95.

“After that front nine, my mindset was I already threw [the victory] away,” said Kania. “[I said] you’ve learned how [not] to play with the lead. Now you have to just go and play nine holes. You’ve learned your lesson. In my mind I’d already lost and I was trying to go back and play my sort of golf.”

Kania bogeyed No. 14 (par 4, 455 yards) after finding a greenside bunker to fall back to even par, and with Gillespie already in the clubhouse, led by only one. However, Kania somehow found the resolve and determination to keep fighting. He birdied No. 15 (par 4, 310 yards) after sending a driver 10 yards short of the hole and chipping up to a foot to move back into red figures and then did the same on No. 16 (par 5, 503 yards) after hitting his first two shots 15 yards short of the green.

“[I said] you’re going to have to just go and play nine holes. You’ve learned your lesson. In my mind I’d already lost and I was trying to go back and play my sort of golf.”

Gillespie, too, proved resilient. After making the turn in even-par 36 for the day, he birdied four of his last seven holes to make one last surge. The final birdie came on No. 18 (par 4, 300 yards) when Gillespie made a quick 20 footer down the hill.

This is the first year the Patterson Cup has moved to two days, 18 holes each day at one venue. In the past the Patterson Cup was a one-day event at two locations.

**For complete results, see page 25.**

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Sizzling Steinmetz takes 105th Open Championship at Bent Creek CC

By Martin D. Emeno, Jr.

Lititz, Pa.—On a day when birdies and eagles came in bunches for many, Rich Steinmetz registered more than any other.

The Spring Ford CC head professional finished the 36 holes of the 105th Open Championship in a record 10-under par on July 22 at Bent Creek CC (par 71, 6,681 yards), finishing with an impressive second-round 64, to win the title. Both Steinmetz’s final score and aggregate total established new scoring marks.

“Awesome. I’ve come close a couple of times. It’s one of the top wins in my career,” said Steinmetz, the 2006 Philadelphia Section of the PGA Player of the Year and 2007 Sectional Championship winner.

Adam Condello, an assistant professional at Aronimink GC, and Mark Sheftic, a teaching professional at Merion GC, tied for second at 4 under as well.

Defending champion Greg Pieczynski, a teaching professional at the Academy of Golf Center and the first-round leader, finished at 4 under as well.

Steinmetz’s total, in relation to par, eclipsed Joseph Lewis of Tredyffrin CC’s previous mark of 8-under-par 136 set at Llanerch CC in 1942. Gene Feiger of Overbrook GC held the lowest aggregate Open total when he shot a 135 at Laurel Creek CC in 1995. Steinmetz’s aggregate score was 132.

“I hit the ball about the same in both rounds but I was hitting more shots really close in [the second round],” said Steinmetz, 37, of Gilbertsville, Pa. “I had a couple of good five to 10 footers as well. My wedge game was really on. I put myself in good position to have wedges in and I hit a lot of shots tight.”

Steinmetz’s title run started on the first hole of his second 18. Playing the back nine first, Steinmetz knocked a wedge from 127 yards to a foot on No. 10 (par 4, 423 yards).

After that, the birdies came in rapid succession. On No. 12 (par 5, 518 yards), he two-putted from 50 feet after reaching the par 5 in two shots; drained a 30-footer on No. 13 (par 3, 148 yards); cracked a 7-iron from 165 yards to two feet on No. 16 (par 4, 456 yards); on No. 17 (par 4, 292 yards) flipped a wedge to five feet from 79 yards and concluded a front-nine 30 on No. 18 (par 5, 522 yards) with an up-and-down from the left greenside bunker that he hit to eight feet.

Steinmetz followed that up with a wedge from 120 yards to five feet on No. 1 (par 4, 431 yards) and his seventh birdie in 10 holes.

He bogeyed No. 4 (par 4, 403 yards) when he missed the green in the middle of a short rain storm that blew in and caused a 45-minute delay, but responded with birdies on No. 6 (par 3, 169 yards) with a 6-iron to eight feet and No. 7 (par 4, 304 yards) with a wedge from 65 yards to about the same distance. He bogeyed No. 9 (par 5, 548 yards) after a poor chip, but in the end it didn’t matter.

He opened the Championship with a 3-under-par 68 in the morning, tied for sixth place.

The victory proved a bit of redemption for Steinmetz.

Von Borsig, who moved to 10-under par two holes into the final round, eliminated himself from contention when he knocked two drives on his last nine holes out of bounds. In all, he said, he took five penalty strokes.

“It was a lot of fun. I made a few mistakes in the second round and you can’t do that with the strength of the field that is here,” said Pieczynski, 26, of Kingston, Pa.

Von Borsig, 22, of Swarthmore, Pa., the reigning Amateur Champion, carded a pair of 69s en route to Low Amateur honors.

“That was my goal once I realized I wasn’t going to win the tournament,” said Von Borsig, 22, of Swarthmore, Pa. “I heard after [hole] 16 that Rich [Steinmetz] was 10 under. I was only 5 under at that time. I was playing with Michael Brown. Sometimes it’s frustrating when you know you aren’t going to win but I tried to play a tournament within the tournament and beat all the amateurs.”

Overall, 18 of the 72 players, made up of 36 amateurs and 36 professionals, finished the two rounds under par.

In Round 1, the top of the leaderboard resembled a revolving door.

When all was done, Pieczynski emerged with a one-shot lead after carding an 8-under-par 63. Condello carded a 64 and 17-year-old amateur Tucker Koch of RiverCrest GC & Preserve posted a 65. In all 24 of the 72 players carded red figure rounds in the morning round.

For complete results, see page 24.
CINNAMINSON, N.J.—Zachary Herr of Jericho National GC can now add another Golf Association of Philadelphia trophy to his mantle. The 2008 Junior-Junior Boys’ champion captured this year’s Junior Boys’ Championship at Riverton CC on June 25. He defeated James Tallent of Merion GC in 19 holes.

“I’m very happy,” Herr, of New Hope, Pa., said. “Hopefully, I can come back next year and defend my title. I have four more years to beat Robert’s [Galbreath, Jr.] record.” Galbreath won a record four Junior Boys’ championships from 2004 through 2008.

It seemed fitting that the battle between Herr, 14, and Tallent, 17, came down to extra holes. Herr needed a playoff to qualify for match play, and Tallent reached the final after defeating top-seed and quarterfinal opponent Edward McCrossen, Jr. of Whitemarsh Valley CC, and semifinal foe, Aaron Burton of Philadelphia Publinks GA, in extra holes.

With the match All Square entering No. 13 (par 4, 382 yards), Tallent encountered trouble after his approach shot—an 8-iron—traveled 155 yards and landed on the No. 14 tee.

“There was a tree. It was negotiable, but I wanted to play a draw around it. I put a little too much action on it,” Tallent said.

Tallent chipped back onto the green but didn’t convert a 20-footer for par. After Herr’s tee shot found the fairway, his pitching wedge soared 147 yards into the left-side rough. Herr then chipped up to about a foot, and Tallent conceded the par putt.

Herr remained 1-up heading into No. 17 (par 5, 479 yards). After Tallent’s drive found the fairway, he knocked his 7-iron from 183 yards to 20 feet left of the flagstick. Tallent drained the ensuing eagle putt while Herr mustered only a par.

“It means a lot. This is the last year for the junior-junior age group and the last [Golf Association of Philadelphia] tournament of the year for me,” said Berman, 13, of Bryn Mawr, Pa. “I’ve wanted to [win this tournament] for awhile.”

Due to conflicts with the U.S Kids Golf World tournament, Berman only competed in the Junior-Junior Boys’ one other time, when he was 10. That year, he fell in the first round.

Berman and Kovach were All Square three holes into the final before Berman reeled off wins on holes Nos. 4–6. Berman went par, par, bogey in that stretch while Kovach struggled with his approach shots and carded two bogeys and a double bogey.

On No. 5 (par 4, 314 yards), Berman blasted a 25-yard bunker shot to eight feet and made the par save. He would go 3-up a hole later when he rocketed a 4-hybrid onto the fringe of No. 6 (par 3, 150 yards) and two putted.

Junior-Junior Boys’ Championship

CHERRY HILL, N.J.—Cole Berman of Philadelphia Cricket Club had qualified for the U.S. Kids Golf World Championship but decided a final opportunity to compete in the Association’s Junior-Junior Boys’ Championship was more important. This is Berman’s last year of eligibility.

On July 30 at Merchantville CC, Berman affirmed that decision to stay local, defeating Brock Kovach of Berkshire CC, 6&5, for the 61st Junior-Junior Boys’ Championship Flight title.

“This was a lot of fun,” said Kovach, 13, of Wyomissing, Pa. “This was my first Golf Association of Philadelphia event.”

Kovach, an eighth grader at Wyomissing Junior/Senior High School, advanced to the final by defeating No. 1 seed Drew Guarino of Little Mill CC, 1-up, in his semifinal match. Berman stopped Eric Stafford of Philadelphia Publinks GA, 1-up, in his semifinal contest.

For complete results, see pages 22 and 25.
In the early years of the Association, it was Harold McFarland of Huntingdon Valley Country Club who emerged over club mate William Smith as the area’s top player.

McFarland, president of the sheet metal supplies company, Carter, Donlevy, won four Amateur Championships and three Patterson Cups between the years 1903 and 1913. In addition, he also earned four Silver Cross awards, given to the player with the lowest aggregate score in the two rounds of the Amateur Championship Qualifier, and the two rounds of the Patterson Cup. The Silver Cross was, and remains, emblematic of the Association’s top stroke-play competitor.

Though the aforementioned accomplishments stand on their own merit, they, in a sense, mask an even more remarkable McFarland feat for his time. He was the first to break the score of 80 regularly in competition.

In his 1903 Patterson Cup win at St. Davids Golf Club — the same year as the inaugural World Series—for example, McFarland carded an impressive total of 155 (80-75). Compare that to George Fowle’s victory total in the 1900 Patterson Cup at Philadelphia Cricket Club. His aggregate score was 174 (86-88). That year, half of the field—55 starters, 48 finishers—did not break 200. The highest score was an astonishing 235.

In the years of McFarland’s other two Cup victories, 1905 and 1909, he posted 157 totals.

An excerpt from James Finegan’s A Centennial Tribute to Golf in Philadelphia reflects the perception, as it relates to scoring, of the time. “McFarland had developed a sound swing and he could hit all the shots required to post the kind of scores—on more than one occasion, course and tournament records—that were actually within hailing distance of par itself. ‘Level 4s’ was the new target—still elusive, not nonetheless discernible out there in the horizon.”

McFarland defeated fellow Golf Association of Philadelphia standout Smith, 6&4, for the 1904 Amateur. In the 1907 Amateur, McFarland stopped Walter Pfeil of The Springhaven Club, 2&1, for his second title. McFarland defeated George Crump, yes, Pine Valley Golf Club’s own, 7&5, at St. Davids for the 1912 Amateur before winning his fourth and final crown the following year, 1-up, over Smith yet again. Smith himself was a three-time Amateur Champion and three-time Patterson Cup winner between the years 1898 and 1908. In fact, in the 1902 Amateur final Smith defeated McFarland.

Still today, McFarland’s total of four Amateur victories has been eclipsed by only one individual—J. Wood Platt and his seven Amateur titles.

In 1909, McFarland upended A.W. Tillinghast, 8&6, for the Pennsylvania Golf Association Amateur title at Huntingdon Valley Country Club.

For many years Huntingdon Valley’s Lynnewood Hall Cup was the most prestigious local tournament around and attracted brilliant fields littered with nationally and internationally renowned competitors. Jerome Travers, a four-time U.S. Amateur Champion and the 1915 U.S. Open Champion, Walter Travis and Max Marston, to name a few, competed yearly.

No matter for McFarland. He dominated and won the match-play tournament in 1903, 1904 and 1905 and again in 1912. At the time, it was customary for an individual who won the same tournament three times to take “permanent possession” of the trophy. He did.

McFarland graduated from the University of Pennsylvania in 1905 and captained its golf team.

In May of 1910, he married Ruth Miller of Brookline, Mass. The couple had three sons Harold, Jr., Robert and Malcolm.

In addition to serving as his company’s president, McFarland served as head of the Philadelphia Copper and Brass Association and Chairman of the board of the Metal Club.

In July of 1940 he died at the age of 58. No cause of death was given.
Maxwell R. Marston already held a reputation as one of the country’s finest Amateur golfers in the early part of the 20th century. His season of 1923 moved him to legendary status.

Marston, a member at Merion Cricket Club and Pine Valley Golf Club, towered over the Amateur golf scene from mid-May to early-October that year.

It began with the Walker Cup on the Old Course at St. Andrews. The British side built an early lead in foursomes, winning three of four matches. Only Marston and his partner, two-time U.S. Amateur Champion Robert Gardner, won for the American side. On day two, the Americans stormed back and won five of the eight singles matches to retain the Cup. Marston was in the middle of that rally, defeating William Hope, 5&4, despite trailing 1-down after the morning play.

Marston returned home to take the Patterson Cup a short time later, the Association’s stroke play championship, at Philadelphia Cricket Club by three strokes. A week later he defeated George Hoffner at Merion Cricket for his first and only Amateur Championship title. Having won the Patterson Cup and secured the medal in the Amateur, Marston was awarded his only Silver Cross, emblematic of the Association’s stroke-play champion. Marston headed to Huntingdon Valley Country Club in July for a win in the Pennsylvania Amateur Championship before finishing as the low amateur in the Philadelphia Open Championship at Pine Valley where he tied for seventh overall. Next he took the Merion club championship.

In September, Marston headed to Chicago and Flossmoor Country Club for the U.S. Amateur Championship. He posted a 157 qualifying score, finishing eight strokes in back of Bob Jones and Chick Evans. In the second round, he faced Jones, who was widely considered the championship favorite. Marston played well in the morning round but was 4-down through 16 holes. He then played his next 19 holes in the equivalent of 5-under par and closed Jones out, 2&1. Jones later called it “one of the best matches I can remember.” Marston then defeated Francis Ouimet in the semifinals before defeating defending-champion Jess Sweetser in the final on the 38th hole.

After returning east, Marston headed to Pine Valley in early October and captured the Crump Cup. That’s 7 titles in six months.

Marston won the Patterson Cup on three other occasions as well. He won it in 1920 with a 148 total, at that point the lowest score in the history of the 21-year-old event, again in 1924 and for a final time in 1936.

Marston’s unbelievable year of 1923 came after years of previous heartaches, in particular when talking about the U.S. Amateur. In the 1915 Championship at Detroit, Marston drew nemesis Bob Gardner of Chicago in the semifinals. Marston was 1-up on the 36th hole but missed a six-inch putt to win the match before eventually falling. From that point, up until his win in 1923, Marston never advanced past the first round of the U.S. Amateur and, in 1922, failed to even qualify. It was later reported, the hole putted at was less than regulation size.

Quoting an Associated Press obituary, “Marston was not a sensational golfer in any sense. He had no extra-strong department. He was merely a good all-around competitive player who never gave up.”

Marston advanced to the U.S. Amateur semifinals in 1924 and made the final again in 1933, but fell to George Dunlap.

Born in Buffalo, N.Y., in 1892, Marston grew up in northern New Jersey. He served in the navy during World War I and then moved to Philadelphia to work as an investment banker after being made a general partner at Otis & Co. He represented the United States on the Walker Cup team from 1922-24 and again in 1934. He won the New Jersey Amateur in 1915 and 1919, and the Pennsylvania Amateur from 1921-23.

He was survived by wife Elinor Bean and son Maxwell R. Marston, Jr.

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The Walker Cup, which matches the 10 best male amateurs from Great Britain and Ireland (GBI) against their peers from the United States, will be played on Sept. 12 and 13 at this country’s citadel of amateur golf, Merion Golf Club (East Course).

This will be the 18th championship conducted by the United States Golf Association at Merion GC, the most at any club. Merion GC has hosted more U.S. Amateur Championships (6) and more Women's Amateur Championships (4) than any club; it also has hosted the World Amateur Team Championship, the Curtis Cup (the women's equivalent of the Walker Cup), and the U.S. Girls Junior Amateur Championship. In 2013, the U.S. Open Championship will be at Merion GC for the fifth time.

For amateur golf aficionados, the biennial Walker Cup is a Major. U.S. team captain George E. (Buddy) Marucci, Jr., a Merion member whose golf résumé is world class, says it will require some reflection to decide whether the two Walker Cups in which he played, or the two in which he was the U.S. captain are his most significant and meaningful accomplishment.

The Walker Cup should be particularly enjoyable for spectators. Only tees and greens will be roped off; otherwise, fans can walk alongside players and be near them when they hit shots. Rod Day, chairman of the 2009 Walker Cup Committee, guesstimates the crowd will average 5,000 to 6,000 on the two competition days, with a somewhat smaller crowd on Friday, Sept. 11, for the final practice round and opening ceremonies. For more information, go to www.2009walkercup.org.

This is the 42nd playing of an event that was first contested in 1922, when then-USGA President George Herbert Walker (grandfather of the 41st U.S. president and great-grandfather of the 43rd) proposed a competition and donated the trophy. The U.S. leads the series 33–7–1, but in the last two decades the competition has been gripping. Each side has won five matches since 1989; the last three each have ended in 12½ -11½ scores.
For Marucci, who played on the 1995 and 1997 Walker Cup teams and lost in the final of the 1995 U.S. Amateur to Tiger Woods, this is a special time in a golf career packed with highlights. That it is on his home course where he has played a role in a successful 15-year effort to keep Merion current with the modern game only adds to a moment he probably has contemplated since first being named the 2007 captain 3½ years ago.

"Buddy is the ultimate captain," said Jim Hyler, chairman of the USGA Championship Committee. "He spends so much time watching and playing with these players; nobody is better situated to judge their suitability for Merion and the Walker Cup. He is thoughtful about matchups and about everything he does. We are fortunate to have him."

The GBI team was announced on Aug. 4. Its strength partially comes from its two oldest players—Wallace Booth, 24, and Gavin Dear, 25—and two of three players who carried Scotland to victory last fall in the World Amateur Team Championship in Australia. Two of seven English players named to the team, Luke Goddard and Sam Hutsby, are No. 6 and 7, respectively, in an international ranking of the world’s top amateurs. Five GBI players, including Hutsby, are teenagers, and no member of the GBI team has played in a Walker Cup. This is the youngest team GBI has fielded; in 2007, that was true for the U.S. side, and it didn’t stop the Americans from winning the match.

Eight of 10 members of the U.S. team were announced on Aug. 10, including two who are Walker Cup veterans: Rickie Fowler, 20, of Murrieta, Calif., who won three points and lost one in the 2007 competition, and Brian Harman, 22, of Savannah, Ga., who won two points and halved one in the 2005 event. Others selected are Bud Cauley, 19, Jacksonville, Fla.; Brandon Gielow, 21, Muskegon, Mich.; Morgan Hoffman, 19, Saddler Brook, N.J.; Adam Mitchell, 22, Chattanooga, Tenn.; Drew Weaver, 22, High Point, N.C., and Nathan Smith, 31, of Pittsburgh, the only person over 25 on either team. The two remaining spots will be filled at the conclusion of the U.S. Amateur.

The star of the event is almost certain to be the golf course. Its twists and turns, slick greens, deep and gnarly rough, its history and its mystique put it in company with only a few others. This is where in 1930 Bobby Jones became the first and still only person to win the grand slam. It is where Ben Hogan’s 1-iron shot on the 72nd hole got him into a playoff which he won to secure the 1950 U.S. Open, 16 months after a terrible automobile accident that was said to have ended his career. It is where in 1971 Lee Trevino tossed a rubber snake to Jack Nicklaus just before they started a playoff to settle the 1971 U.S. Open (Trevino won, 68–71).

Mike Davis, the USGA’s senior director of rules and competitions, is the person responsible for how the course will be set up for the Walker Cup. He said the graduated rough that has become a staple of recent U.S. Opens will be in place, meaning the more a player is off line, the deeper and more difficult the rough will be. He said teeing grounds on six or seven holes will be moved during one or more of the four rounds to be played over two days.

He said one move could be to use the championship tee on No. 6 for the par 3, third hole. That would create a 250-yard carry to a large green that Davis pointed out is shaped “sort of like a catcher’s mitt,” meaning that balls landing on the green tend to feed to the center portion of it. Other holes where tees may move from one round to the next include the 2nd, 4th, 7th, 8th, 10th, 12th and 17th.

The competition, conducted under match play rules, begins on Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 12 and 13, at 7:30 a.m. with four four-somes matches; in foursomes, two-person teams play shots alternately from the tees and during play of a hole. On Saturday afternoon there are eight individual matches and on Sunday afternoon there are 10 individual matches. Each match is worth one point. The U.S. team needs to win 13 points (which would be a tie) to retain the trophy, because it won the 2007 match; the Great Britain and Ireland squad needs 13½ points to take the trophy across the Atlantic.

Tickets can be purchased at Merion or at www.2009walkercup.org. Parking information is available on the Web site. On Saturday and Sunday, most parking is at Radnor Financial Center; free shuttle service will be provided from there to Merion GC and back. Fans will not be required to have a ticket to board the shuttles at Radnor, but will be required to show a ticket to board them at Merion GC for the return trip.

Craig Ammerman served as the Golf Association of Philadelphia President from 2000-02 and on the USGA Executive Committee from 2002-07. Ammerman is chairman of StayWell Custom Communications, which he founded in 1984; previously, he was executive editor of the Philadelphia Bulletin.
On Sept. 12-13, George E. (Buddy) Marucci, Jr. could be in Chicago defending the U.S. Senior Amateur Championship he won in 2008. Instead, Marucci, whose amateur career stands out no matter whose company he's in, will be at Merion Golf Club as captain of the United States' Walker Cup team as it meets the team from Great Britain and Ireland.

And that's fine with him.

Marucci, who played on the U.S. Walker Cup teams in 1995 and 1997, also was captain in 2007, when his team prevailed 12½ -11½ over Great Britain and Ireland. For the last four years, he has devoted his summer and portions of the remainder of the year to watching and competing with potential Walker Cup players at events all over the country.

In that time, he has attended about 100 amateur competitions and spent about 300 nights in hotels to give the U.S. team the best possible chance to win. Said Marucci's fellow Merion member and good friend, Bill Iredale, “I can’t describe how unbelievably hard Buddy worked on this over four years. He left nothing to chance. Buddy gave his entire life to being captain.”

“Buddy is incredibly thorough,” said Steve Smyers, who chairs the U.S. Golf Association's Walker Cup Selection Committee. “He has analyzed every potential player from all angles. He does a great job matching the right players together, and at Merion, there’s nobody better qualified to tell players how to play and cope with the course (Marucci is a longtime Merion member).”

Jonathan Moore, the player on the 2007 U.S. team who hit the shot that won the match—a 4-iron from 252 yards to four-feet for eagle—said immediately after the match, “Buddy’s calmness all week was so important for me and our team. He understood more than anybody what this week was all about. He told us that winning wasn’t the most important thing, but that when we got on that golf course we’d better work our butts off.”

This interview was conducted on Aug. 3, less than a week before the majority of the U.S. team was selected.

Q. Have you played with each player still under serious consideration for the U.S. team?
A. I’ve played with all but one. There could be another depending on what happens in the final competitions. I’ve covered a lot of ground in the last three years.

Q. Have you been following most players who will make our team for more than three years?
A. Yes, generally. I’ve been out there a lot. They know who I am, and I know who they are. There won’t be many surprises.

Q. Has the USGA modified its selection process to consider professional events, such as the Nationwide Tour event where Rickie Fowler lost in a playoff and Morgan Hoffman finished eighth?
A. Yes. The points system was reworked to include professional events. We didn’t consider that 10 or 15 years ago. Not only are today’s best playing in amateur events every week, some are playing in professional events.

Q. How many days have you been on the road with the best amateurs?
A. I don’t know. This year, I will go to about 14 events—75 to 100 days on the road. Last year, I did 75 to 80 percent of that (which repeats the process from 2006 and 2007).

Q. How would you describe the talent level of this year’s team?
A. It’s great. These guys keep getting better and better. Only time will tell how you rate one team against the next. We have just as many good players [as compared to 2007], but they’re bunched much more closely together. The last time, we had four or five players who had performed better than the others. This time, the selection process is much more difficult. It’s much closer in terms of talent.

Q. Does Merion change how you evaluate the skills of players?
A. Yes, to some extent. Merion will require different skills than some courses. Overall, we look at the performances of players over the last 18 months in tournaments. When it gets down to evaluating the overall skills of players, Merion will require a little more patience and accuracy—not necessarily distance, although Merion can play long in spots. Certainly, putting is a very serious consideration.

Q. Have you seen a Walker Cup in which putting isn’t the most important part of the game?
A. No. Not in these matches. It always comes down to putting in these matches. Always.

Q. What factors go into decisions you will make as to pairing the players?
A. Pretty much, it will be chemistry. When I played, it was pretty obvious that I couldn’t drive the ball as well as some guys, but I could put the ball a little better. So, Jerry Courville and I made a great pairing, because he
drove the ball better than anybody in the world at that time, so he could help me a lot. Today, the players are much more equal in their talent. It’s more about chemistry now, watching how players get along and which players seem to gravitate toward each other. I’ve been watching that; it’s one of the advantages of being out there a lot.

Q. How important to the team is chemistry?
A. I think it’s critical. It’s a very singular game, and even though these players are on a college team, it’s not quite the same as this. People getting along is really, really important in this match. There are tough decisions that have to be made, and they have to be made quickly. Everybody has to be pulling in the same direction, or we are not going to be successful.

Q. What will you say to the team about how to play Merion?
A. I have some expertise in that area from a knowledge standpoint. What I will tell them is that we cannot play Merion from the rough. We’re going to do everything we can to play out of the fairway on every hole. If we do that, we will be successful. You can’t just stand up on the tee and hit it; it doesn’t work at Merion. Distance is important in golf, but Merion is a great neutralizer in that regard. You have to play from the fairway or you are going to lose this match.

Q. Any specifics apply to Merion in terms of how to play it?
A. There will be places where if we’re going to miss a shot, it will need to be to one side or another. But I’m going to stick to the theme that we’re going to do everything possible to play from the fairways. I’d rather have it 175 yards away in the fairway than 130 yards in the rough. The rough is just not going to be playable.

Q. What has the four years as Walker Cup captain meant to you? Where does it rank in your golf experiences?
A. When I look back, I am sure this period of time will be the most significant and enjoyable of my career, with the exception being the time I actually played on the Walker Cup team. More time will have to pass before I evaluate which has been most rewarding.

**Walker Cup Facts**

**Par and yardage:** Merion Golf Club plays to a par of 70 over 6,846 yards from the championship tees.

**Venues:** This is the 42nd playing of the Walker Cup, 21 times each in the U.S. and the United Kingdom. This is the third time the Walker Cup has been played in the Philadelphia area. The 1936 and 1985 matches were played at Pine Valley Golf Club in Clementon, N.J. Only the New York area, which has hosted five Walker Cup matches, exceeds or matches the number played in Philadelphia. No club on either side of the Atlantic has hosted the Walker Cup more than twice, except for the Old Course at St. Andrews, which has been its host eight times.

**Schedule**
- **Friday, Sept. 11**
  - Practice round: 7:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.
  - Opening Ceremony: 5:30 p.m.

- **Saturday, Sept. 12**
  - 4 Foursomes matches, 7:30 a.m.
  - 8 Singles matches, 1 p.m.

- **Sunday, Sept. 13**
  - 4 Foursomes matches, 7:30 a.m.
  - 10 Singles matches, 1 p.m.
  - Closing Ceremony, 5:30 p.m.

*All times are subject to change*

**Philadelphia-area players who have played in Walker Cup matches:**

George E. (Buddy) Marucci, Jr. is the 2009 U.S. captain, a role he also had in 2007. He played on the U.S. Walker Cup teams in 1995 and 1997. He is the current U.S. Senior Amateur Champion, a title he cannot defend because it is being played simultaneously with the Walker Cup. In 1995, he lost 2-down in the final of the U.S. Amateur Championship to Tiger Woods. He has played in more than 40 USGA championships and competed in the Masters.

Jay Sigel played on nine Walker Cup teams, the most of any American. He was on consecutive teams from the 1977 match through the 1993 match, and served as captain of the 1983 and 1985 teams. Sigel won the U.S. Amateur Championship in 1982 and 1983, the U.S. Mid-Amateur Championship in 1983, 1985 and 1987, the British Amateur Championship in 1979 and played on six U.S. teams in the World Amateur Team Championship from 1978 through 1988.


Max Marston played on four Walker Cup teams – 1922, 1923, 1924 (the Walker Cup changed to a biennial schedule in 1924) and 1934. Marston won the U.S. Amateur Championship in 1923 and was runner-up in the Amateur in 1933.

Robert “Skee” Riegel played on the 1947 and 1949 Walker Cup teams. He won the 1947 U.S. Amateur Championship and also was its medalist.

Duke Delcher played on the 1997 Walker Cup team.

J. Wood Platt played in the 1921 match in the UK that led to the formal start of Walker Cup matches the following year at National Golf Links on Long Island.
Paxon Hollow Country Club

**Founded:** 1926  
**Location:** Marple Township  
**Rates:** $30-$60 with cart, in season

**History:** On Oct. 18, 1924, the Brookline Square Club opened its sparkling new club house and golf course along Mill Road in what is now called Havertown, Pa., a 118-acre plot which had once been the Pennington Farm, between the communities of Brookline and South Ardmore and behind the brand new Haverford High School on Darby Road. The Square Club (as many called it) was founded by a group of Freemasons, and it disappeared almost as quickly as it arrived, a victim of the Great Depression. But not before its members in 1926 sold off the 18-hole golf course laid out on the sloping terrain above Cobbs Creek between Mill and Eagle roads. The Thomas Conway Corp. offered $1 million for the property, so the club voted to sell and find other quarters. The site of land now occupied by Paxon Hollow Country Club was selected and purchased shortly thereafter.

Francis Warner, then secretary of the Golf Association of Philadelphia, was involved with the design of the new course. J. Franklin Meehan was hired to build the golf course. Meehan had extensive experience in the Philadelphia area in the early 1900s, already working on North Hills Country Club, Sandy Run Country Club and Brookside CC of Allentown. There was considerable argument over the name of the new club. Many of the members wished to call it Trout Run Country Club after the stream that runs through the property, while others held out for its present name. In the voting, Paxon Hollow CC defeated Trout Run CC by one single vote.

The original Paxon Hollow CC was formed in the fall of 1926, and the first nine holes opened for play the following summer. Marcus Greer, a former Llanerch Country Club amateur star, was the first golf professional. The back nine was ready for play the following year and John Beadle, assisted by his brother, Ted, both out of Llanerch, took over the professional duties. By 1936 the club was in poor financial condition and was taken over by Girard Trust for a mortgage of $140,000.

After World War II a number of golfers, wanting a private golf facility of their own, leased the club and named their organization in honor of their old clubhouse, White Manor Country Club. Splinter groups from White Manor founded Meadowlands Country Club and Radnor Valley Country Club.

In 1962, Ralph Bodek, a Delaware County builder, purchased the club for a sum in excess of $600,000 and was unsuccessful in his attempt to rezone the property for real estate development. He operated the club as a semi-private golf club until 1966 when he decided to change it to a public facility. During those years he made extensive renovations to the clubhouse facilities.

In 1967 the club was purchased by Marple Township for slightly more than $1 million.

The course has been the site of many professional and amateur tournaments and has hosted such great players as Jack Nicklaus and Ed Dudley.

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WHAT CAN BROWN DO FOR YOU?

In the golf world, a growing number of courses are finding that using less water results in firmer, faster, more challenging playing conditions, lower maintenance costs and more environmentally friendly courses. A growing number of golf courses in the Philadelphia region are adopting the “brown-is-good” approach, according to area superintendents.

Superintendents said their golfers are happy to trade a few brown patches on the course to watch their shots roll farther down the fairway, allowing a course’s natural undulations and terrain to come more into play.

“Our members worry about playability first and aesthetics second,” said Matt Shaffer, who’s served as director of golf course operations at Merion Golf Club for seven years.

Scott Anderson, Huntingdon Valley Country Club’s superintendent of 26 years, describes the approach as “down and brown, maintained for playing conditions, not color.”

That attitude is catching on at other courses throughout the region, too.

“The philosophy is brown is OK,” said Bruce Cadenelli, head green keeper at French Creek Golf Club.

“We don’t look to be pristinely green all the time. We accept some brown.”

Sean Remington, the superintendent at Green Valley Country Club and president of the Philadelphia chapter of the Golf Course Superintendents of America, said nearly all of the group’s 300 members are adopting brown techniques to varying degrees.

In addition to playability, cost is also a factor.

Water is not only an expensive commodity, but overwatering can lead to a host of other problems that boost maintenance costs at a time when superintendents are working with strained budgets.

“It costs more to keep a wet golf course,” Remington said. “We all have budgets to manage.”

A wet course weakens the plant’s roots and attracts insects and fungus, requiring greater use of pesticides and fungicides to control them. It also means the grass grows faster and has to be cut more often, which also contributes to higher costs.

“It all goes hand in hand, less water, less chemicals,” said Anderson. “The inputs are cut way down.”

To curb water use, golf course superintendents are turning to a variety of different strategies.

At French Creek, for example, some full sprinkler heads on the course were replaced with partial sprinkler heads and maintenance crews are doing more hand-watering on the greens, “so we’re only putting water where we really want it,” said Cadenelli.

The approach has paid off. In 2008, Cadenelli’s first year as head green keeper, French Creek reduced water use by 16 million gallons.

Across the river in New Jersey, a new $2 million irrigation system at Tavistock Country Club in Haddonfield, has “enabled us to be more efficient with our water,” said Tom Grimac, the golf course superintendent.

Grimac also mixes wetting agents into the water sprayed on the course. The wetting agents reduce the water’s surface tension so the water, rather than beading up, disperses more quickly.

And at Merion, underground sensors are scattered across the two courses. The sensors transmit real-time data to a computer, so Shaffer can monitor soil moisture, temperature and salinity to determine whether to water the courses and how much water to use.

A weather station atop the clubhouse measures barometric pressure, wind direction and humidity. As a result, the courses aren’t watered when a rain storm is just a few hours away.

“We don’t water any more than we absolutely have to,” Shaffer said.

Golf fans around the world will get a look at Shaffer’s handiwork as Merion hosts a number of high-profile tournaments in the next few years, including the Walker Cup on Sept. 12-13 and the U.S. Open Championship in 2013.

Proponents say the brown-is-good movement will continue to gain steam in the region and beyond as golfers come to recognize its benefits.

“It’s been good for golf courses, good for players and good for the game,” Remington said.

Gary Haber is a freelance writer who has worked as a reporter for the News Journal in Wilmington, Del., the Tampa Tribune and other publications.

“Down and brown, maintained for playing conditions, not color.”

– Scott Anderson, HVCC
A golf course has many different parts, and where your ball lies dictates what you can and cannot do under the Rules of Golf. For example, if your ball lies in a hazard (bunker or water hazard), there are three prohibitions under Rule 13-4 that outline what you cannot do along with some exceptions outlining what you can do. The Putting Green is the final destination for each hole, and Rule 16 (The Putting Green) covers this special part of the course. A lot of things can happen on the Putting Green, so below I have outlined my “Top 10” rulings that could happen on the Putting Green:

1. A player replaces his ball on the putting green but leaves his coin there. A gust of wind blows the ball to a new position. What’s the ruling? The ball is played from its new position. The ball was in play when replaced even though the player didn’t remove the ball marker.

(See Decision 20-4/1)

2. A player rotates his ball on the putting green without marking it. The player incurs a one-stroke penalty because he didn’t mark the ball.

(See Decision 18-2a/33)

3. A ball mark on the putting green can be repaired even if the ball is off the putting.

(See Decision 16-1a/8)

4. A player may use a towel or cap to brush away loose impediments on his line of putt, provided he doesn’t press anything down.

(See Decision 16-1a/3)

5. A player may not brush dew or frost from his line of putt.

(See Decision 16-1a/3)

6. A player puts with one hand and catches the ball with his other hand after the ball is below the level of the lip of the hole. What is the ruling? The ball is not holed. Since the player purposely stopped his moving ball, he is in breach of 1-2 (Exerting Influence on Ball). In stroke play, the penalty is two strokes and the ball is placed on the lip of the hole. In match play, the penalty is loss of hole.

(See Decision 1-2/5)

7. A player may hold the flagstick in one hand, and hole a short putt gripping the putter in his other hand, provided the flagstick has been removed from the hole and the ball does not strike it.

(See Decision 17-1/5)

8. A player hits his tee shot on a par 3 hole and it is overhanging the hole. After taking a reasonable amount of time to get to his ball:
   a) his ball falls in the hole after 5 seconds (score = 2)
   b) his ball falls in the hole after 15 seconds; the player incurs a one-stroke penalty and the ball is holed (score = 3)
   c) after 15 seconds, the ball does not fall in; the player taps in (score = 3)

(See Rule 16-2)

9. Player A and B both lie on the putting green. A putts and his ball strikes B’s ball, and A’s ball goes in the hole. What is the ruling? In stroke play, A incurs a two-stroke penalty and the ball is holed. In match play, A incurs no penalty and the ball is holed. In either form of play, B incurs no penalty and must replace his ball.

(See Rule 19-5a and Rule 18-5)

10. Who can mark and lift a player’s ball on the putting green? A ball to be lifted under the Rules, may be lifted by the player, his partner, or another person authorized by the player. This means that a player’s partner does not need authorization to mark, and lift his partner’s ball. Please keep in mind that a caddie can mark a player’s ball (see Decision 6-4/10), but he can only lift it if the player authorizes him to do so.

(See Rule 20-1)

There are many more situations that are not in my Top 10, but they may be in yours. The key point is that many things can happen on the Putting Green, and there are almost four full pages of decisions in the index in the front of the USGA Decisions on the Rules of Golf under the heading “Putting Green.” You can order all kinds of Rules of Golf materials on the USGA Web site, or you can just reference them on-line. Also, keep in mind that if you want to learn more about the Rules, there are USGA/PGA Rules Workshops conducted each winter across the country. In fact, there are going to be three held at USGA Golf House in Far Hills, N.J. For a complete schedule and to register, go to the USGA Web site, www.usga.org.

Enjoy the rest of the season, and remember, “your golf ball knows what you’re thinking.”

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Laura Reynolds made a dramatic debut at the Women’s Golf Association of Philadelphia Amateur Championship. The 18-year-old Reynolds chipped in for eagle on the first playoff hole to edge veteran Alexandra Frazier in the championship match at Frazier’s home course of Gulph Mills Golf Club.

Reynolds, who plays out of West Chester Golf & Country Club never trailed in the 36-hole championship match after No. 10 but had to battle all the way against Frazier, who lost to Meghan (Bolger) Stasi in the 2004 final at Riverton Country Club.

Reynolds, a sophomore-to-be at High Point University in High Point, N.C., was 3-up with eight holes left but struggled with her putter down the stretch allowing her opponent to close the gap.

“It wasn’t good,” Reynolds said. “I made some when I had to, but there were a lot that I left out there.”

Frazier almost won the match at the 36th hole when she nearly chipped in for birdie from just beyond the green.

“It’s all about the short game,” Frazier said, “and just hanging in there. I’ve been working a lot on my mental game. I’m just playing the golf course, playing my game and not necessarily getting freaked out about the fact that my opponent [hits it] really long.”

At the 37th hole, a 389-yard par 5, the two players were side by side on the apron 50 feet from the flagstick. Frazier chipped to within six feet before Reynolds’ chip shot cascaded off the flagstick into the bottom of the cup.

“I just tried to hit a little bump-and-run up,” Reynolds said, “and pick my spot out. I just happened to hit it exactly where I wanted to.”

– By Rick Woelfel
Open Championship Qualifier
Woodstone Country Club, June 22, 2009

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Harry Hammond Award

The Harry Hammond Award is presented to the player with the lowest aggregate score in the Junior Boys Championship qualifying round, the Jock MacKenzie Championship qualifying round, the Jock MacKenzie Championship, and the Senior-Amateur Championship. The Senior Amateur Championship is set for Sept. 8-9 at Jericho National Golf Club.

Harry Hammond Award standings

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Four-Man Team

Whitford Country Club, July 16, 2009

Gross results

Name, club

Score

John Kyle, Edgmont; Neil O'Brien, Llanerch; James Cummings & Joseph Nescio, Kennett Square 138


Michael Kronmiller, Dave Cheney, Edward Artz & Shawn Moran, DuPont 132

Alan Bernabei, Doug Clemens, Herbert Gordon & Kevin McClellan, Doylestown 131

Frank Kunze, Rick Custer, Thomas Holland & William Penney, Spring Ford 130

Jim Simmons, Stonewall; Matt Dietrich, Whitford; Bob Husbands & Rich Pruchnik, West Chester 130

Alain Bambaui, Harold Cooperson, Richard Vento & William Lawson, Talamore 130


Bill Winsfield, Dave Jacobson, Joe Wolos & Joseph McLane, JC Melrose 127

James McKenna, Steven Lewis & Theodore Flisco, Jr., Gallowsay National & Jack Collins, Woodbury 127

David Ramson, Jason Ercoli, Marty Deluca & Vinny Alle, Penn Oaks 127

John Lukins, Rich Toliar, Jr., Thomas McGlenny & William Gossney, Sandy Run 127

Alan Kronmiller, Dave Cheney & John Ercoli, Mt. St. Joe Golf Club 127

James Arrendale, Little Mill, Bob Stover, Whitford; Gary Heinich & Matthew Esposi, The Springhaven Club 127

Chuck Latocki, Bucks Club; Brian Latink, Mark Latink in Michael Tschertbent, Blue Bell 127

David Eros, Gerald Mullen, Jr., James Lyons, Jr. & Robert Zornetzer, Sandy Run 127

Joseph Hunsinger, Lawrence Dolan, Michael Harnagan & Michael Shouu, Sandy Run 127

Joe Rose, Countryside, Nick Pompe, Ralph Nordich & Richard Turner, Edgmont 127

Scott Irvine, Lu; Jeff Swan, Pete Zolier & Steve Foreman, Spring Ford 127

Jeffrey Folbe, Neal Folboe, Neal Haigad & Tony Ungard, Edgmont 127

Don Belle, Ronald Horovitz, & Tony Barr, Talamore & Waren Henish, White Horse 127

Albert Camper, Edward Gallagher, Jay Scattendor & Richard Chen, Hildiberg 127

Bill Mikulski, Bob Cattin, Jim Earls & Matthew Manfield, Blue Bell 127

Andy Mackellone, Connie; Larry Beck, Faulkland Hills, Chuck Curnin, The ACE Club in Td Eakinski, Wildwood 127

John Kyle, Edgmont; Noel O'Brien, Llanerch, James Cummings & Joseph Nesho, Kennett Square 127

James Katz, Frank Porder, Francis Melton, James Baumback & Mark Sokolick, Lu Lu 127

John Joseph, Stephen Timko, Robert Fitter & Terry Rappale, Lancaster 127

Brendan McManus, Charles Zall, Gary Utterback in Mike Kyle, Bala 127

Peter Serpeno, Doorwood, Christopher Serpeno, Droytown, John Callahan, Loyal Creek & Rob Rodgab, Medford Village 127

Brian Kranover, Bruce Buck, Matt DeSimo in Steve Griffin, Bala 127

Anthony Cucocchi, Blue Bell, John Black, Downington in John Antico, The Springhaven Club 127

*determined in playoff

Senior Four-Man Team

Meadrowlands Country Club, July 20, 2009

Gross results

Name, club

Score

Alan Van Horn, Lu; Tom Motson, Sandy Run; Matthew Bells in Art Jacoby, Commonwealth National 138

Neil McDornell, Lansdowne; Carl Everett, Motion; Michael Ross, Talamore; in Don Donatoni, White Manor 138

Mark Shuman, Whitford; Donald Ashley, Michael Niren & Richard Smith, Philadelphia 138

John Emmel, Jr., Lu; Links, Louis Pace, Meadowbrook, Robert Lodysko & Robert Prots, Little Mill 133

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William Kovach, Mercer Oaks, Thomas Mallouk, Looksway; Gregory Gaul & Thomas Ultman, Marian 145


Jim Simmons, Stonewall; Matt Dietrich, Whitford; Bob Husbands & Rich Pruchnik, West Chester 137

Bryan Winkler, Little Mill, Charles Tenman & Terry Vinnik, Blue Bell 138

Dave Jacobson, Doug Vines, Joe Wolos & Joseph McLean, JC Melrose 136

Arthur Polliak & Bill Kauflin, Drumming Door, Art Gallagher & Jim Dougherty, Wedgwood 139

David Kreamer, Terry Bar, Robert O'Grady & Vincent Knaug, Jr., Lehigh 139

Bob Arent, James Miller, Kyran Connelly & Robert Heaton, Makefield Highlands 135

James Gillespie, JC Melrose, John Patton, Lincs, Jim Wilson, Lu Lu & Dennis Dailey, Sandy Run 134

Bob Harris & Martin Sherman, Blue Bell, Bob Ritter & Terry Rappale, Lancaster 134

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The 2009 fall edition of the Golf Association of Philadelphia Winter Series has been partially set. The Winter Series was created to offer all players of any skill level an opportunity to compete in tournament golf during the normally quiet, off-season months. Dates are as follows (weather permitting):

**2009 Winter Series Fall Schedule (Partial)**

- **Oct. 26**, Jericho National GC (Two-Man Scramble)
- **Nov. 6**, Whitemarsh Valley CC (Individual Stableford)

Each tournament begins with a morning shotgun start, usually between 10-11 a.m., depending on club availability. Cost is $30 per person per event. Entrants are accepted on a first-come, first-serve basis. Field size is dependent on host club availability and will be open to all Golf Association of Philadelphia Members ages 18 years of age and older, Philadelphia Section of PGA Members and Golf Professionals at Member Clubs.

For more information, contact Chris Roselle, Tournament Director, at 610-687-2340, ext. 29, or via email at croselle@gapgolf.org.