

## The Buzz

## Rolfing: Jax Park "philanthropic"

The argument over whether or not to rebuild Jackson Park and South Shore golf courses into one Tourquality layout is becoming the longest-running set-to since the mid-1960s, when the fate of Edgewater Golf Club's course was Topic A in Chicago golf circles for several years.

That saga was settled when the condominium developer that bought the property from the membership was forced through a series of legal battles - including one over the traditional bribed alderman - into turning the property into parkland, from which the Chicago Park District eventually created Robert A. Black Golf Course in Warren Park.

This one is still up in the air, though the city-backed Chicago Parks Golf Alliance is trying to win a propaganda war. The latest missive was an essay by Mark Rolfing in Chicago District Golfer magazine. Rolfing, who was paid $\$ 90,000$ from the park district last year for consulting, calls the operation "our philanthropic effort to restore" the courses.

Philanthropic? Maybe for others who are kicking in toward the $\$ 24$ million the CPGA must raise to make the redo happen or accepted a seat on the CPGA board as a civic gesture without thinking it through.

Restore? This is a restoration like buying a house, tearing it down, and building a McMansion.

Rolfing writes that he wants "to create a more enjoyable day-to-day experience where recreational golfers will benefit from wider fairways and broader targets
around the greens."
He must shop at a different golf course rebuilding shop than most others, because that could be done on both courses, leaving them intact, for a lot less than $\$ 24$ million.

Of course, it wouldn't be likely to host a BMW Championship if the goal was accomplished in that fashion, and for some bizarre reason, that's a fixation for Rolfing. He wants that shot of the golf course with the downtown Chicago skyline in the picture.

He works for NBC. Hasn't he heard of a splitscreen? A tape drop-in? NBC used them all week from Conway Farms, and will again from Medinah in 2019.

And the courses won't be crammed into a clumsy two-parcel property with a potential $\$ 200$ price-tag for a player who doesn't reside in the city.

NO SALE: Amazon, the ever-expanding online retail giant, gets those packages to you through a series of distribution wearhouses. It needs more and more of them. One just opened in Monee off an Interstate 57 exit, but the company wanted one closer to O'Hare as a sorting facility, so scouted about for a large property.

River Forest Country Club, on 140 acres, was that property. Through a third party, Amazon offered $\$ 60$ million for the land on Grand Ave. (That's about 606,000 Prime memberships in a year.)

The club's board dutifully presented the offer to the membership, which overwhelmingly voted it down.

Some things are more vaulable than money.

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## The Grill Room wimmonan

## The summer the amateurs took over

It's difficult to recall the last summer two amateurs have had such an impact on the state golf scene. First Patrick Flavin wins the Illinois Amateur. Then he follows up with victory in the Illinois Open. Then Doug Ghim, bounced from the Western Amateur in qualifying, more than makes up for it by nearly winning the U.S. Amateur.

That's a one-two punch to conjure with. Maybe 1980 came close, when David Ogrin won the two Illinois titles and made it to the final of the Western Amateur - losing to two-time champion Hal Sutton - while 39-year-old Joel Hirsch made match play in the Western Am, losing to Ogrin in the Round of 16 , and took third in the Illinois Am.

The difference, of course, is that Hirsch was and is a career amateur, while Ogrin had his eyes on an eventual pro career, and Flavin and Ghim both figure to chase the cash in the near future.

Ghim's already all but sure that he'll not be at Pebble Beach next year for the U.S. Amateur, expecting to turn pro at some point after the 2018 U.S. Open. His pro debut could be the John Deere Classic.

And why not? The Arlington Heights standout has jumped to No. 4 on the world amateur chart, nearly won the U.S. Amateur, has his ticket to The Masters punched, and certainly has enough game to tee it up with the Tourists.

Flavin, a native of Highwood, is also entering his senior year - at Miami University in Oxford, Ohio, where the campus could double for a Hollywood movie set - and has shown this summer that
he can bag birdies in bunches plus has the pluck to hold off his competition.

Ogrin was the last of a handful of fine amateurs to come along in a short period of time in the Chicago area after decades of good players who showed promise but didn't make much impact. Ogrin did, just as Gary Hallberg was doing - a Walker Cup berth and four straight first-time allAmerica selections for Hallberg while at Wake Forest - and Lance Ten Broeck did a couple of years earlier. All three made a mark in various ways, Hallberg's so large he's going into the Illinois Golf Hall of Fame this fall.

But any two of those three didn't do in the same year what Ghim and Flavin have accomplished after previous impressive feats. Flavin had contended in both the Illinois Open and Amateur before, while Ghim advanced to the Western Am quarterfinals in 2014, but this is the best year for both players so far.

The irony is that at the start of the season, most eyes were on Nick Hardy, the stalwart from Northbrook, to go on a tear. He won the Illinois Amateur by a record score and was low amateur in the Illinois Open last year. But since Illinois was knocked out of the NCAA at Rich Harvest Farms in the semifinals, Hardy didn't make many waves. He skipped this year's Illinois Am to play in the Pacific Coast Amateur in a bid to improve his standing within the mysterious Walker Cup selection process, and Ghim ended up winning that fracas. (Ghim also stood tall in the Walker Cup, going 4-0,
winning his two singles matches and teaming with Maverick McNealy to capture a pair of alternate shot matches.)

The success of Ghim and Flavin has overshadowed both wings of the state's professional contingent, those being the vagabonds who bounce from mini-tour to mini-tour in search of a dollar and those who work the pro shops at clubs and public courses, many after giving tour golf a fling. To some degree, their rise mirrors the results of the two Tour tournaments played here, with Bryson DeChambeau winning the John Deere Classic and Marc Leishman taking the BMW.

DeChambeau and Leishman are where Ghim and Flavin want to be someday soon, with DeChambeau finally breaking through on the big tour and Leishman grabbing a tournament by the throat to set himself up for golf's biggest money prize.

Don't be surprised if they make it.
This issue of Illinois Golfer, with a record 47 pages, brings the return of travel coverage, which occupied a corner of our April 2012 print edition but has been on the road, if you will, since.

We're pleased to commend to you a column by Len Ziehm, Chicago's longest-tenured golf writer, on the Pinehurst resort's new short course, and a report by Neal Kotlarek, on the golf beat for over two decades, on Stotin Brae, the central Michigan course designed by the co-workers of Tom Doak at Renassiance Golf. There's also a report on the day the sky went dark in southern Illinois.


## One tournament after surrendering the lead down the stretch, Marc Leishman ran away from the year's most elite field

By Tim CRONIN<br>Reporting from Lake Forest

vindication.

Marc Leishman earned that along with the title of BMW Championship winner on Sunday, Sept, 17.
Thirteen days earlier, Leishman blew up on the back nine of TPC Boston, allowing Justin Thomas to pass him and win the second tournament in the PGA Tour's playoff series.

He'd won tournaments on six tours - including the Travelers in 2012 and the Arnold Palmer Invitational earlier this year - but Leishman, for better or worse, was better known for dropping a playoff to Zach Johnson in the British Open at St. Andrews and finishing tied for fourth in the 2013 Masters, where he flirted with trying on a green jacket on the back nine.

It was more like a strait jacket.
This one, he would not lose.
This one, Leishman won going away, scoring a Western Open / BMW record 261 with a final-round 67 at Conway Farms Golf Club, shoving the record aggregates of Tiger Woods (2007) and Jason Day (2015) aside. His 23-under-par mark in the lowest-scoring Western / BMW in its

## BMW Notehook on Page 47

FinAL APPROACH Marc Leishman (page 4) eyes his shot to the 72 nd green at Conway Farms Golf Club with a big lead in the BMW Championship, then celebrates (above) after a final birdie drops.


114-tournament history also matched the record for deep red numbers in a Western / BMW set by Dustin Johnson at Crooked Stick Golf Club last year, when Johnson shot 265 on the par- 72 course near Indianapolis.

Leishman beat Justin Rose and Rickie Fowler by five strokes in his wire-to-wire triumph. Rose scored 6 -under 65 for his 18 -under total of 266 , while Fowler, the epitome of hot and cold all week, posted a 67 . Twice, Rose closed the gap to two strokes, but with Leishman playing nearly flawless golf - he had two final-round bogeys and six for the week to go with 29 birdies - either Rose or Fowler would have needed to shoot 61 to force extra holes.
"I had a big enough buffer to get it done, and I got it done," Leishman said.

Over the years, the big 33-year-old Australian had built an underdog's resume. He'd even finished tied for second with Jim Furyk in the 2009 BMW at Cog Hill. Nobody remembers because they finished eight strokes behind Tiger Woods.

That was typical for Leishman. Even at Bay Hill this year, the story wasn't so much that Leishman won but that Arnold Palmer wasn't there to shake his hand at the 72 nd green.

Leishman was the big bearded guy who was also known more for the brush with death his wife Audrey endured a little over two years ago. Completely recovered, they've had a third child and devote time to the Begin Again Foundation, which raises and directs funds toward sepsis awareness. It has aided more than 700 families in
snake of a 28 -footer on the par-4 15th followed by a 10 -footer on the par- 416 th to go to 22 -under, extending his lead over Rose to three strokes, elicited fist pumps from the usually placid Australian, especially on No. 16.
"I'd say that was a little bigger than the one on 15 because it gave me a four-shot buffer at the time," Leishman said. "You've got to do something drastically wrong to lose a four-shot lead with two to play."

Sort of how he threw away Boston, though the lead wasn't as large. That annoyance is now buried, and Leishman can look ahead to the Tour Championship.
"I had my sights set high for the FedEx Cup and trying to get into the top five," Leishman said. "It's nice to have the (J.K. Wadley and BMW) trophies there, and be in that top five, and if I have another good week next week, who knows what might happen?"

Rose rued squandered opportunities.
"I went as far as I could," Rose said. "I missed the fairway on 14 and didn't birdie 15. Those two holes didn't work out for me."

Fowler frittered away chance after chance following birdies on the first two holes.
"I needed a couple more on the front nine," Fowler said.

Day, who nipped at Leishman's heels all week, scored 2 -under 69 with a bogey at the last to finish fourth at 16 -under 268. Day, with a new putter - an Ardmore - and a new caddie, pal Luke Reardon replacing longtime caddie Colin Swatton, didn't make a putt outside 10 feet all week. Leishman made 10 putts from 10 feet and more.
"It's nearly there," Day said. "I just need to tidy up the mistakes."


CHASED, DIDN'т CATCH Rickie Fowler had several birdie runs, including six in a row, but couldn't solve the front nine, allowing Marc Leishman to run away with the title.

Matt Kuchar and Rahm tied for fifth at 15under 269. Defending champion Johnson scored 7 -under 64 to finish tied for 33 rd at 8 -under 276.

They all advanced to East Lake, but only 30 of the 70 starters moved on. Four who were in the top 30 entering the week - Louis Oosthuizen, Henrik Stenson, Brendan Steele and Bill Haas - ended up on the outside looking in.

On the plus side, Tony Finau's chip-in birdie for a closing 7 -under 64 jumped him to 24th by tying for seventh place after entering the week 39th. Sergio Garcia, Xander Schauffele and Patrick Cantlay, the latter with an 11 -foot birdie on the 18th hole, also climbed aboard the gravy train.

Phil Mickelson did not. Opening with a 66 , he ended up 34th, but the PGA Tour's statistical wizards figured out that one saved stroke somewhere along the way this season would have been good enough to make next week's party. The competition is that close.

The week started with Leishman putting his stamp on the tournament with an opening 9 -un-der-par 62 for a two-stroke lead.

That's sensational, but not unprecedented. Two years ago, Day opened with a 10 -under 61 and went on to romp to victory at Conway.

This time, is was Day trailing after a 7 -under 64 keyed by four birdies in the final six holes.

On a day when the majority of the field was under par and only four players were 3-over or worse on the par-71 test, the field averaged 68.855 , the lowest first round in Western / BMW history and third-lowest for any round of the now446 played in the championship.

Leishman was almost seven shots better, Day and fellow 64 shooters Charley Hoffman and Jamie Lovemark nearly five shots better. They
chewed the place up like a Vegemite sandwich.
So much, once again, for the tougher Conway Farms, hosting for the third and final rime in the current rotation. Maybe it was the 20 -minute fog delay in the morning, but this Tom Fazio layout rolls over like a puppy wanting its tummy rubbed when the pros show up.

Leishman, for his part, was thinking of the course record Furyk established four years ago: 59.
"It entered my mind for a little bit," Leishman admitted. "I think anyone who starts going low would get that, but we're here to do a job and I guess that's when I concentrate on, trying to play each hole as good as I possibly can, not the end result."

Leishman poured in 10 birdies in his 15 -hole binge, including a 21 -footer on the ninth hole to cap an outward 5 -under 30 , and a 19 -footer on the par-3 11th. Aside from a bogey on the par-3 sixth, his round was spotless.
"I'm rolling the ball real well, making all the putts you should and then a couple of longer ones a round," Leishman said.

Day opened with six birdies and an eagle - that on the par- 5 eighth, where he hit his second shot to 3 feet 4 inches, a gimme in a friendly game. Sinking a 21 -footer on the 10th hole didn't hurt either.

Hoffman recorded his 64 despite a pair of bogeys, while Lovemark eagled the par-5 18th to get to 7 -under. But the hottest streak of the day belonged to Rickie Fowler, whose 6 -under 65 was built on six straight birdies from the 12th though the 17 th holes, the last a 64 -y ard chip-in after his tee shot on the par-3 came up a few feet short of the putting surface. He missed a 14 -foot birdie


Numero Uno Jordan Spieth retained his No. 1 spot in the standings entering the Tour Championship.
putt in his bid for a seventh straight birdie, which would have tied Hubert Green's record from the 1985 Western Open.

Leishman stood at 16 -under 126 via 18 birdies over two rounds, but said of birdie-riddled Conway, "I don't think it's a pushover."

What a nice fellow to not complain about the decor after stealing all the silverware.

His round was further proof that Conway Farms is a pushover. It was in 2013, when Furyk scored a course-record 59 and red numbers permeated the scoreboard. It was in 2015, when Day opened with a 61 , finished on top at 22 -under-par 262 , and 58 players finished under par.

It was again this time, with Leishman rac-
ing ahead of fellow speedsters Day and Fowler, who shared second place at 13 -under 129 at the halfway point. Part of the reason was how short the course - 7,208 yards at the maximum, which is never used - was set up. Friday, it played to merely 6,916 yards.

In the era of Trackman, titanium and multipiece balls, that might as well be the distance of a par- 3 course. The 15 th hole, a par- 4 with water on the left, was arranged to be a drivable hole on Friday, 275 yards. Everyone in the field went for the green, collecting 39 birdies and an eagle - Fowler bagged it - and the hole averaged 3.478 strokes.

Friday on the dogleg-left eighth hole, 583 yards in the second round, players are tempted
more often than not. Forty of the 69 players went for it in two, and seven hit the green. Only one of the 79 players three-putted, and the hole played a half-stroke (4.507) under par.

For the week, only 50 over-par rounds out of 276 were recorded, compared to 65 in 2015.

Entertaining, it is. The gallery of approximately 22,000 was whooping it up much of the day, no more so than at $1: 55$ p.m., when Day aced the 188 -yard 17 th with an into-the-wind 7 -iron. BMW donated $\$ 100,000$ for the Evans Scholars Foundation, and Day - a giving soul sponsored by Lexus - donated back the car he won for additional scholarship money.

A challenging test of golf worthy of the old Western Open - this is No. 114 dating back to 1899 - or the penultimate playoff battle of the season? Maybe not.

Leishman was loving it, as someone who followed up a 62 with a 7 -under 64 should.
"I think it's a good course in the respect if you're hitting really good golf shots and making putts you can go really low, but if you're off a little bit and playing from the rough, spraying it a little bit, there's numbers to be had," Leishman said.
"I think it punishes bad shots and if you're hitting it good there's a lot of opportunities to make birdies and eagles."

Day scored five birdies, but two eagles - one on the par-5 14th to go with the ace - really catapulted him. Leishman led at daybreak, trailed Day by three strokes when the fellow Australian finished his 6 -under 65 , then, with a tee time was about three hours later, then raced back by to move up by three himself.

Day, often ailing had struggled for some


Charles Cherney / Western Golf Association
Left in the weeds Jason Day opened 64-65, but that was behind Marc Leishman, and there Day stayed.
time, and was back in form, but getting back to his form of 2015, when he moved into the No. 1 ranking with wins in the PGA and BMW, is another thing.
"I don't even know if I'll ever get back there," Day said. "It's just slowly building. If I can feel
like the wins come easy like it was back then, that's the main goal. Make it feel like ... you're not really thinking about it."

The third round, named Moving Day by Chicago favorite Ken Venturi decades ago, was unusual in that nobody moved.

Venturi was probably spinning in his grave. But Bill Murray would have loved a day more like Groundhog Day.

It opened with Leishman leading by three and Day and Fowler tied for second.

It ended with Leishman leading by five at 19 under 194 after a 68, and Day and Fowler tied for second after matching 70s for 14 -under 199.

Behind the three at the top were, to quote Capt. Renault, all the usual suspects. Rose, winner of the BMW the last time it was played at Cog Hill, alone in fourth at 12 -under via a bogey-free 5 -under 66. Rahm, Matt Kuchar and Moore were among a sevensome tied for fifth at 11 -under.

Rahm had the best round among those suspects, a 6 -under 65 to climb from 29th place, but even that wasn't low enough to make a significant move. Eight strokes behind going into the final round, he and the rest at 202 played for second.

Much of Saturday was a display of inertia on the leader board. Aside from Fowler's eagle on the par-4 first hole - a 24 -foot putt from the fairway after a 332 -yard drive - there were more pars than anything else. Day hit nine fairways and eight greens en route to fashioning his 70 , Fowler didn't make a putt longer than eight feet in posting his 70, and Leishman plodded along to his 3 -under reading, getting up-and-down from the right rough for a birdie 4 at the last.
"It was a bit of a grind out there today," Day said. "The greens started to get a little firmer, the fairways started to get a little firmer."

Which partially explains his 366-yard drive on the 18th hole, which yielded only a par 5 when he bunkered his approach.

Golf can be that way. Until Conway Farms, Leishman knew it all too well.

## BMW Championship <br> Conway Farms GC • September 14-17• Par 71 • 7,048 yards



# 117TH UNITTED STATES AMATEUR Ghim pipped at the finish 

## Redman stages unlikely rally to capture National Amateur

## By Tim Cronin

The level of golf was astoundingly high, and kept getting better.

Until, for Doug Ghim of Arlington Heights, the 37th hole of the 117th United States Amateur championship match.

Ghim had all but won the title through 34 holes. He was 2 up, dormie, over Doc Redman of Raleigh, N.C., with two holes to play at Riviera Country Club in Pacific Palisades, Calif., on Sunday, Aug. 20.

Then Redman won those holes to square the match, and the 37th as well, for the title.
"It's awesome," Redman said. "All the hard work paid off, obviously."

It was a disappointing finish for Ghim, but a day later, he was able to put it in perspective.
"If you told me at the beginning of the week that I'd be on the Walker Cup team and be playing The Masters and the U.S. Open next year, I probably would have taken it," Ghim said. "Definitely one of the best weeks of my life. And I'm happy for Doc. He definitely deserved it."

The playoff hole was Riviera's famed 10th, a 315 -yard par- 4 that tempts players to go for the green. Redman, with the honor after coming


ALwAys Loyal Father and caddie Jeff Ghim consoles son Doug after a bad drive on the first playoff hole.
from two holes down on the final two holes with a stunning eagle-birdie punch to tie the match, hammered a hybrid just short of the green. Ghim pull-hooked his tee shot well to the left, behind a few trees and with no good way to plop a second shot on the green.

His attempt ran over and fell into the dreaded right-side bunker. From there, he found the back left bunker. From there, he ended up on the green, about 25 feet from the hole, with his fourth shot.

Redman, meanwhile, had chipped to about 10 feet. He never had to putt. When Ghim rolled his bogey attempt by, he conceded, ending on a sour note a match that at times stretched credulity given the amazing collection of shots and putts both Ghim and Redman offered the gallery.
"I've always liked my ability to close," Ghim said. "Whatever happened, he'd have to do something incredible to close the match up."

## He did.

On the par-5 17th, the 35 th hole of the match, needing to win the hole and the next or see Ghim walk off with the Havemeyer Trophy, Redman ran down a curling right-to-left downhill putt of about 45 feet for an eagle to win the hole.

On Riviera's fabled 18th, Redman drilled his approach to about 10 feet and sank that for a birdie 3 after Ghim ran a long putt from the back of the green close. And it was off to the decisive hole.
"He misses that putt, I win the U.S. Am," Ghim said. "When it did go in, it was like, 'Wow, okay.'
"I knew crazy things could happen. Did I expect them in the fashion they did? No."

Of Redman's bomb from Malibu on the 17th, Ghim said, "That's quite a blow. I reminded my-


Сомеваск кid Doc Redman's rally on Riviera's 17th and 18th holes was unique in the club's history.
self that I was still 1-up with one to go. You know, my dad kept reminding me on the next hole that you are still winning. He might've just made the putt of his life, but you are still winning this and you have to make him go get it from you.
"I mean, I didn't hit a particularly great iron shot coming into 18 , but I thought I did just that with the chip. I chipped it close enough. I felt confident enough - I had the same putt this morning for birdie.
"So I felt like I did everything that I could to force him to make incredible shots. He stepped up and did it, and kudos to him. I'm very happy for him."

Ghim gave Redman equal measures of solid golf as well. He won the 31st and 34th holes to go 2 up in a match that was square or 1 -up most of the way. Ghim had won the first hole with a bogey, fell behind when Redman birdied the 13th, and trailed by two holes for only two holes, when Redman birdied the 20th. But Ghim won the 22nd with a par 3 , and squared the match with a birdie on the 29 th. Twenty-six of the first 33 holes were halved.
"It felt like every time we won a hole it was so significant because we weren't giving each other anything - nothing was easy," Ghim said. "Every hole that we won was super hard earned. It felt weird to even have a putt to win the hole. You're like, I don't know when the next time I'm going to actually have an opportunity like this. Felt like do or die every time you had a chance.
"It's just a testament to how good we played. Both of us were really smart about how we played and definitely let ourselves with areas we could get up and down and force the other guy to execute. For most the day we both stepped up and executed. Yeah, I think that's why you saw the match the way it was."

Ghim scored 3 -under 67 in the morning and 2-under 68 in the afternoon. Redman also had a morning 67 - all these scores come with the usual match-play concessions - and a 1 -under 69 for the afternoon 18 , but the 3-3 finish propelled him to the 37 th hole, and thus another 3 , to Ghim's double-bogey 6.

Steve Elkington, who won the 1995 PGA

Championship on the George Thomas layout, called it an "incredible finish. (N)obody finishes 3,3 at Riv to force a playoff."

Ghim's come on brilliantly since he debuted with a course record-tying 63 at Beverly Country Club in the 2014 Western Amateur.
"I was playing inspired golf that I'd never played before," Ghim said of that showing. "Now, it's become more of a consistent thing, more of an expectation to play at that level. I struggled my freshman year at Texas, but the whole goal was to get back to where I was at Beverly. I feel I'm closer to that. I feel every aspect of my game is better, the physical and mental aspect of it.
"I feel really good about my game and where it is right now. This whole summer I'd been building up to a really good end."

There was little surprise when both players were named to the U.S. Walker Cup team for the match at Los Angeles Country Club.

It surely didn't hurt the Clemson sophomore that 15 days earlier, he'd battled Norman Xiong for 22 holes in the championship match of the Western Amateur, only to see Xiong win it when his tee shot and approach on the fourth extra hole were wanting.

In that battle, Redman lipped out potentially winning putts on the 18th and 20th holes, and Xiong did so on the 19th.

This time, Redman sank the big putts on the final two holes of regulation, and needed only to chip to 10 feet. The next thing in his hands wasn't a putter. It was the Havemeyer Trophy.
"It's golf," Ghim said. "Some days it's not meant for you. I did the absolute best I could have. I put him in the position he was under the hot seat, and he just thrived under it."

eye on the ball Doug Ghim in the bunker on the first hole of the U.S. Amateur championship match.

## Round of 64 / Aug. 16

Upper Bracket
Hayden Wood, Edmond, Okla. (131) d. Chris Crisologo,
Canada (144), 4 \& 3
Kristoffer Ventura, Norway (141) d. Hayden Buckley, Tupelo, Miss. (141), 7 \& 6

Ricky Castillo, Yorba Linda, Calif. (143) d. Edwin Yi, Eugene, Ore. (139), 3 \& 1

Connor Syme, Scotland (142) d. Maverick McNealy,
Portola Valley, Calif. (139), 2 \& 1
Joey Vrzich, El Cajon, Calif. (144) d. Jack Singh Brar, England (138), 3 \& 1

Arthur Griffin, Lake Placid, N.Y. (140) d. Nathan
Jeansonne, Keithville, La. (142), 3 \& 2
Doug Ghim, Arlington Heights, III. (138) d. Chris
Waters, Atlanta, Ga. (143), 4 \& 3
Sahith Theegala, Chino Hills, Calif. (140) d. Gavin Hall, Pittsford, N.Y. (142), 19 holes

Theo Humphrey, Greenwich, Conn. (136) d. Brendon Jelley, Tulsa, Okla. (144), 3 \& 2

Kyle Mueller, Athens, Ga. (142) d. James Nicholas, Scarsdale, N.Y. (141), 2 \& 1

Cole Madey, West Linn, Ore. (143) d. Won Jun Lee, South Korea (138), 3 \& 2

Noah Norton, Chico, Calif. (142) d. Turk Pettit, Sugar Grove, N.C. (140), 2 and 1

Chun An Yu, Republic of China (144) d. Lee Hodges, Ardmore, Ala. (136), 1 up

Zach Bauchou, Forest, Va. (140) d. Joey Savoie, Canada (142), 2 up

Collin Morikawa, La Canada Flintridge, Calif. (138) d.
Blake Collyer, Australia (143), 6 \& 5
Dylan Perry, Australia (140) d. Alex Smalley, Wake Forest, N.C. (142), 19 holes

## Lower Bracket

Billy Walthouse, Longmeadow, Mass. (144) d. Norman Xiong, San Diego, Calif. (134), 2 up

## 117th U.S. Amateur <br> Riviera CC • August 14-20 • Par 70•7,270 yards

Cheng Jin, People's Republic of China (141) d. Kaito Onishi, Japan (141), 4 \& 3

Dawson Armstrong, Brentwood, Tenn. (143) d. Andy Ogletree, Little Rock, Miss. (139), 3 \& 1

Robert MacIntyre, Scotland (142) d. Cameron Young, Scarborough, N.Y. (139), 1 up

Mark Lawrence Jr., Richmond, Va. (137) d. Derek Bard, New Hartford, N.Y. (144), 4 \& 3

Tyler Strafaci, Davie, Fla. (142) d. Matthew Wolff, Agoura Hills, Calif. (140), 3 \& 2

Garrett Barber, Stuart, Fla. (138) d. Justin Suh, San Jose, Calif. (143), 2 \& 1

Shae Wools-Cobb, Australia (142) d. Sam Burns, Shreveport, La. (140), 2 \& 1

Doc Redman, Raleigh, N.C. (144) d. Logan Lowe,
Grass Valley, Calif. (136), 4 \& 3
Walker Lee, Houston, Tex. (142) d. Kyle McClatchie, South Africa (141), 2 \& 1

Dylan Wu, Medford, Ore. (143) d. Patrick Cover, Huntersville, N.C. (138), 1 up

John Oda, Honolulu, Hawaii (142) d. Justin Tereshko, Greensboro, N.C. (140), 2 up

Braden Thornberry, Olive Branch, Miss. (144) d. Joaquin Niemann, Chile (137), 2 up

Travis Smyth, Australia (142) d. William Gordon, Davidson, N.C. (140), 3 \& 1

Will Zalatoris, Plano, Tex. (143) d. Philip Barbaree, Shreveport, La. (138), 1 up

Hugo Bernard, Canada (140) d. John Hilliard Catanzaro, Gadsden, Ala. (142), 4 \& 3

## Round of 32 / Aug. 17

Upper Bracket
Ventura d. Wood, 3 \& 2
Syme d. Castillo, 4 \& 3
Vrzich d. Griffin, 4 \& 2
Ghim d. Theegala, 19 holes
Humphrey d. Mueller, 3 \& 1

Norton d. Linn, 2 \& 1
An Yu, d. Bauchou, 4 \& 3
Morikawa d. Perry, 1 up

## Lower Bracket

Jin d. Walthouse, 5 \& 4
Armstrong d. Maclntyre, 3 \& 1
Lawrence d. Strafaci, 1 up
Wools-Cobb d. Barber, 1 up
Redman d. Lee, 1 up
Oda d. Wu, 2 \& 1
Smyth d. Thornberry, 3 \& 2
Zalatoris d. Bernard, 3 \& 2
Round of 16 / Aug. 17 Upper Bracket
Syme d. Ventura, 1 up
Ghim d. Vrzich, 3 \& 2
Humphrey d. Norton, 4 \& 3
An Yu, d. Collin Morikawa, 2 up
Lower Bracket
Armstrong d. Jin, 2 \& 1
Lawrence d. Wools-Cobb, 2 \& 1
Redman d. Oda, 2 \& 1
Smyth d. Zalatoris, 2 \& 1

## Quarterfinals / Aug. 18

Ghim d. Syme, 2 \& 1
Humphrey d. An Yu, 1 up
Lawrence d. Armstrong, 3 \& 2
Redman d. Smyth, 1 up
Semifinals / Aug. 19
Ghim d. Humphrey, 2 \& 1
Redman d. Lawrence, 1 up

## Final / Aug. 20

Redman d. Ghim, 37 holes

## 115THH WESTERN AMATEUR

 Kiong zooms to the pinnacle
## Redman edged in record 22-hole battle for title <br> By Tim Cronin <br> Reporting from Glencoe

Between them, Norman Xiong and Doc Redman may well win over $\$ 100$ million on the pro tour. They're that talented, and there's that much money out there.

None of that lucre will be able to supplant the memory of their championship match for the Western Amateur crown on Saturday afternoon at Skokie Country Club. Xiong's par on the fourth extra hole proved the difference in the longest overtime of the 115 championship matches.
"It could have gone either way," Xiong said. "It was solid golf. To win this tournament, it's such a long battle, stroke play followed by match play."
"There were massive swings, and I guess I just slowly got momentum back on the back," said Redman, who was 4 down at the turn but squared the match on the 17th and nearly won it twice after that.

Played before a gallery that reached 600 at some points, the match was replete with splendid shots, long putts falling in, and a few that edged


On target Norman Xiong fires toward the pin during the Western Amateur's championship match.
the cup. Both players felt both the pressure of playing for the second-oldest title in American amateur golf, and experienced the joy of being in the middle of the battle.

It was 19 -year-old Redman's uncharacteristically short drive on the 22nd hole, Skokie's fourth, a 441-yard test, that undid him. The duo had matched pars on the first two holes - Xiong


So CLOSE Doc Redman and a young fan with a prime spot watch a potential winning putt lip out on the 20th hole of the Western Amateur title match at Skokie.

lipping out a potential winner on the 19th and Redman lipping out a winning putt for the second time in three holes on the 20th - and traded birdies on the par-5 third, Xiong sinking his from 18 feet. Now Redman had 173 yards remaining from the left edge of the carpet-like fairway. Xiong was 49 yards ahead of him on the same line, with a greenside bunker threatening both.
"It was an in-between yardage for me, and I was trying to hit a draw, which I'm not very good at, and it didn't work out well," Redman said, revealing perhaps the only flaw in his game.

The shot ended up two feet short of the green on the right side, with the cup sitting on a ledge back left. He was over 100 feet away, while Xiong dropped his approach 12 feet away.

Redman was still 12 feet short on his first putt,
and after Xiong rolled his birdie attempt close, Redman missed, ending a dramatic duel.
"I don't think I really made anything today, in this match or the first (semifinal) match," Redman said. "But I'm not complaining. It was awesome to be out there and compete. Everyone loved it. I loved it."

Xiong, an 18 -year-old from Canyon Lake, Calif., entering his sophomore year at Oregon, became the 25 th medalist to also win the championship, and the 13th to do so in the Sweet Sixteen era.

No Western Amateur final match had ever gone three extra holes, much less four. But Redman, reeling after Xiong went out in 3-under 32 to put him 4 down at the turn, battled like a tiger, Clemson sophomore or otherwise. Still 3 down


Skokie swift Skokie Country Club (18th hole, left) provided a classic test for the field; Norman Xiong nearly won it all on the 19th, but his downhill birdie putt slid by the cup.
with four holes to play, Redman won the 15th with a birdie and the next two holes via Xiong bogeys, squaring the match on the 17th green when Xiong conceded a par putt of about three feet after missing his own par putt. The gallery, having seen Xiong concede a $21 / 2$-footer on the previous hole, gasped before dashing to the 18th tee.
"They weren't too long," Xiong said. "They were simple putts. I don't someone would miss them, and if they did, I don't want to win a hole like that."
"It was very nice of him," Redman said. "That showed the whole day. We don't want to win on gimmicks. We want to play great golf."

Redman lipped out a 20 -foot putt on the 18 th hole for the victory, then conceded Xiong's fourfooter, a return act of sportsmanship that sent the


Big hitter Norman Xiong hammers a tee shot out of sight during the Western Amateur. A few in the field, led by Cameron Champ, reduced Skokie's famed double-dogleg par-5 11 th hole to driver and short iron.
match to the 19th hole.
"That was tough," Redman said of his miss. "It was a great putt, and that's the way it goes sometimes."
"It was super nice of him to give me that putt," Xiong said. "It was longer than any putt I gave him. I think he was the only guy in the field who'd do that."

The turnaround came about when Xiong's accuracy on approaches wavered and Redman's became sharper. Xiong hit every green in regulation on the front side and was 3 -under. Redman, after hitting only six greens in regulation on the front, hit all nine in regulation on the back and was rewarded with a 4 -under score. Both hit three of four in extra holes, but the one Redman missed was costly.
"I got off to a really bad start the first few holes, but I knew I was still playing really well and if I could play how I had, maybe I could get a few holes back," Redman said. "I did. I stuck to my game plan, never pushed anything. I think we both played great."

Redman was 5 -under across 16 holes in his 3 and 2 semifinal victory over Cameron Champ, while Xiong had to come back from 2 down with seven holes to play to oust Derek Bard, 2 and 1. He did so by making only one birdie down the stretch, with Bard bogeying the 12th, 13th and 17th holes, the last to give away the match.

Redman, who made the USGA's Walker Cup team by winning the U.S. Amateur (page 10), thought at the time making the Western Am final helped his cause.
"I played awesome in stroke play, and that's very encouraging," Redman said. "To hang tough and beat some really good players here, and
then to hang tough and come back from 4-down against Norman, I'm right up there with the best of 'em."

As quarterfinal matches go, the one between between Champ and Joaquin Niemann was about as good as it gets.

Both players were in this year's U.S. Open, with Champ finishing in a tie for 32 nd.

Niemann, an 18-year-old Chilean heading into his freshman year at South Florida, is the world's top-ranked amateur. Champ, who will be a senior at Texas A\&M, could be a pro by this time next year.

Champ showed a delicate touch chipping and uncanny accuracy putting to go with his prodigious drives.

The bomber from Sacramento dispatched the rail-thin Chilean, 3 and 2, with a mixture of all of the above, earning the right to play Redman.
"I just grinded it out," Champ said. "I wasn't driving it well. Kind of squirrely."

Champ is a tough judge. For example, take his drive on the 557-yard par-5 11th, which zigs left, then right. To mortals, this is a three-shot hole. To Champ, it's a 381-yard belt straight over a copse of trees behind bunkers guarding the dogleg on the left side of the fairway. From there, with 176 yards to go, Champ smacked a 9-iron onto the left side of the green.

That play displayed not only his brute strength, but his smarts. Niemann, who is also silly long, hit it about 330 off the tee and poked a hybrid into the bunker guarding the right side of the green.

Champ, saying he is "a little more aggressive" in match play compared to stroke play, aimed away from the hazard with his second, since Nie-

# 115th Western Amateur <br> Skokie Country Club $\operatorname{7,091}$ yards, par $71 \cdot$ August 1-5 

## Round of 16

Norman Xiong (270), Canyon Lake, Calif., d. Dawson Armstrong (276), Brentwood, Tenn., 3 \& 2
Brendon Jelley (275), Tulsa, Okla., d. John Pak (274), Scotch Plains, N.J., 2 up
Nick Voke (273), Auckland, New Zealand, d. Dylan Perry (275), Aberdeen, Australia, 5 \& 4
Derek Bard (275), New Hartford, N.Y., d. Ruben Sondjaja (273), Sydney, Australia, 4 \& 3
Joaquin Niemann (276), Santiago, Chile, d. Brad Dalke (271), Norman, Okla., 2 \& 1
Cameron Champ (275), Sacramento, Calif., d. Lee Hodges (274), Elkmont, Ala., 3 \& 2
Min Woo Lee (276), Perth, Australia, d. Nick Hardy (273), Northbrook, 7 \& 5
Doc Redman (274), Raleigh, N.C., d. William Gordon (275), Davidson, N.C., 1 up

Quarterfinals
Xiong d. Jelley, 1 up
Bard d. Voke, 2 \& 1
Champ d. Niemann, 3 \& 2
Redman d. Lee, 2 \& 1

## Semifinals

Xiong d. Bard, 2 \& 1
Redman d. Champ, 3 \& 2
Final
Xiong d. Redman, 22 holes
mann had already found the bunker. It paid off with a 40 -foot two-putt birdie to Niemann's par save, and a 3-up lead. One-up at the turn, Champ had also birdied the par-4 10th.

Niemann cut the gap to 1-down with Champ's double-bogey of the watery 12th and his own birdie of the 13th, but could get no closer. Champ won the 13th with a birdie, and they halved the par-4 15th with birdies, Champ doing so with a flop wedge from the gunch after a 330 -yard drive. Champ closed his foe out with a two-putt par on the par-3 16th.
"The 15th hole was the best hole I played all day, hitting the flop shot to $15-18$ feet," Champ

Stroke Play Qualifying Leaders

| 1 Norman Xiong | $72-67-66-65-270$ | -14 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 2 Brad Dalke | $67-64-68-72-271$ | -13 |
| 3 Nick Hardy | $69-68-67-69-273$ | -11 |
| Nick Voke | $66-70-69-69-273$ | -11 |
| Ruben Sondjaja | $66-64-69-74-273$ | -11 |
| 6 Doc Redman | $72-67-66-69-274$ | -10 |
| Lee Hodges | $70-69-68-67-274$ | -10 |
| John Pak | $69-63-67-75-274$ | -10 |
| T 9 Five way tie at | 275 | -9 |

Top 16 players qualified for match play
said. "That was the key to the match."
He sank his birdie putt after Niemann had rolled in a 20 -footer on the same line.

## Around Skokie

The title match was not only the longest in history - no other championship test had gone more than two extra holes - but matched the fifthlongest of any round since the move to 18 -hole matches in 1961. It was the 13th championship match, and second in three years, to go to extra holes. ... Including concessions, Xiong was 5under over 22 holes, Redman 3-under. ... Doc is Redman's given name, and he said he wasn't named after anyone in his family.

## 68TH ILLINOIS OPEN

# Flavin doubles up 

## First to win Illinois Open and Am in same year since Ogrin

By Tim Cronin<br>Reporting from Glenview

Patrick Flavin didn't win a penny at The Glen Club on Wednesday, Aug. 3.

He won a place in history.
Flavin added the Illinois Open title to July's Illinois Amateur triumph at Calumet Country Club, becoming the second player to score the double in a calendar year, following David Ogrin's achievement in 1980.
"A little more exciting (day) than I was trying to have," Flavin said. "But it was a blast, and so rewarding to get the win at the end.
"To win both of them is crazy."
Flavin's 2-over-par 74 for 13-under 202 earned him a one-stroke victory over fellow amateurs Nick Hardy and Matt Murlick and low professional Brandon Holtz, all of whom landed at 12-under 203.

A Highwood resident entering his senior year at Miami of Ohio, Flavin led by six at sunrise thatnks to opening with back-to-back 64s at Briarwood Country Club and The Glen Club, held that margin through three holes, but saw the lead evaporate thereafter. When Holtz rolled in a 15-


The spoils Just winning the Illinois Open trophy was good enough for amateur Patrick Flavin.
foot birdie putt on the par-4 15th hole, they were tied at 13 -under.

But for a thinned low punch hook on the par-3 17th that floated into the hay on the left, a position from which Holtz was fortunate to make bogey, the football gear salesman from Bloomington would have been in a playoff, or perhaps won the title outright. His 10 -foot birdie putt to tie Flavin on the par-5 18th just missed.

As it was, Holtz's exploits earned him the $\$ 13,886$ first prize. (It had been announced as $\$ 15,250$, but was revised downward several hours after play concluded after the value of amateur prizes were factored in.)

Flavin drew on the experience gained in winning the Illinois Amateur to keep his wits about him when Holtz opened the back nine with three straight birdies to cut the lead to two strokes.
"I was so nervous," Flavin said. "I got these chills down my spine at the state am, and today, I knew it was going to happen, and I was ready for it. To walk off that last green with pretty much everybody I know out there, that was so cool."

By the back nine, eight of his high school buddies - a.k.a. Flavin's Fanatics - were following him around, along with his family, plus girl-
friend Emily, his caddie on Monday. His brother Conor, back from a fishing trip to Canada - and a successful stint at the Illinois Amateur - was on the bag the last two days.

He also had a confident strategy.
"I knew with that six-shot cushion (at the start) if I could make a bunch of pars, they were going to run out of holes," Flavin said. "I did that."

But not easily. A double-bogey on the par3 fourth and a bogey on the sixth - his first of the week - saw Flavin skid to 13 -under. His 15foot birdie putt on the par-4 eighth was key, he thought, in keeping calm.
"It was dead-center, perfect speed," Flavin said. "I knew when I made that, 'I've got this, I can just play my game.' Every putt was huge down the stretch, and I hit a lot of good ones."

Flavin also made a brilliant par save on the par-3 11th from the left bunker, which was populated by ducks, to prevent a two-shot swing in the middle of Holtz' birdie binge, but after both bogeyed the 13th, Flavin had a two-stroke lead on Holtz, defending champion Carlos Sainz Jr., and 2014 winner Brad Hopfinger.

What had been expected to be a parade was suddenly a drag race.

Holtz made another push with birdies on the 14th and 15 th, a 15 -footer on the latter that tied him with Flavin. Both parred the 16th, and it was at this juncture that Hardy was making birdies on three of his last four holes to climb to 12 -under 203 via a 4-under 68. Ahead of him, Murlick was sneaking in with a 5-under 67 for 203 as well.

But Flavin's focus was on Holtz.
"On 17 tee, I walked by the scoreboard and saw it was just us two at the top, and that was nice to know," Flavin said.


Almost there Brandon Holtz just missed a 10 -footer birdie and a tie on the final hole. He tied for second.

Flavin rolled his 25 -foot birdie putt on the 17th just behind the hole, but Holtz' bogey there gave Flavin the ability to play the par-5 18th as a three-shot hole. His 35 -footer for birdie just missed.
"I thought it was in," Flavin said.
Holtz thought his putt at the last, a 10-footer for birdie and a tie, was in as well.
"I tried to put a little pressure on him, but he played solid, making putts all over the place,"

Holtz said of Flavin. "If you keep digging, you never know."

Holtz went back to his day job selling Riddell football gear to youth teams the next day. His competitors mostly went back to college; Flavin to Miami, Hardy to Illinois, Murlick to Marquette..

Murlick fashioned his 67 with a holed-out bunker shot for birdie on the first hole, a holedout fairway shot for eagle on the par- 4 second,
and three more birdies, offset only by a bogey at the third, a comeback that nearly shoved him into a playoff.
"I made good birdie putts on 14 and 15 that gave me some last-minute hope," Murlick said. "I needed a couple more birdies."

He went for the pond-guarded 18th in two from 190 yards, but ended up left of the green, and couldn't made an up-and-down birdie.
"This was a great tournament for me," said Murlick, heading into his sophomore year at Marquette. "Probably my best performance so far."

Hardy recovered from a bogey on the par- 5 14th with his birdie blast at the end to climb back into the scrap, parring only the 17 th.
"I had a lot of good looks (at birdie)," Hardy said. "Looking back, I should have birdied 13, and 14 , I lost two shots with a bogey. That's a three-shot swing right there.
"I'm proud of the way I played this week, I just needed one more round."

Sainz ended up in solo fifth in his title defense with a 3 -under 69 for 11 -under 204, with Hopfinger sixth via a 67 for 205. Web.com Tour regular Eric Meierdierks (73), finally recovered from an elbow injury that hurt his season, and teen Tommy Kuhl (67) from downstate Morton tied for seventh at 8-under 207.

To Flavin, the key to his consistency was simple: "The biggest key is one shot at a time, like today."

Today being the day of the second round at The Glen Club, where he scored his second consecutive 64 , an 8 -under version following an opening 7 -under 64 at Briarwood.

They added up to a gaudy 15 -under 128 and a aforementioned for six-stroke lead over Holtz and Meierdierks, with Sainz and Hardy seven


TOUGH FINISH Eric Meierdierks was in the final group, but finished tied for seventh after a closing 73.
back after matching 65 s for 8 -under 135 . That score would usually lead the Illinois Open with 18 holes remaining. Not this time.
"I'm playing really well and having a lot of fun," Flavin said after his second bogey-free round in succession."

He birdied his first hole for the second straight
round and immediately felt at home. He felt even more comfortable after birdies on No. 5, 7 and 9 to go out in 4 -under 32. Another quartet of birdies, including three straight on Nos. 14 through 16 , followed to complete the 64 . His total of 128 is four strokes lower than Sainz scored in the first 36 holes of his runaway 5-stroke victory last year. He led Christian Heavens and Hopfinger by four strokes and won by five, and has a theory on how pressure could affect the leader.
"Get within three or two, and you'll get in his kitchen sink a little bit," Sainz said. "So go low, and see what happens on the back nine."

Sainz thought his 65 could have been better, and not just because he splashed his approach on the par-5 18th into the pond.
"My proximity to the hole was really close," Sainz said.

Holtz's 4-under 68 was punctuated by an eagle 3 on the par-5 14th, on which the big bomber from Bloomington had only 157 yards remaining for his approach and sank a 25 -foot putt. As unknown as any contender in recent years, Holtz played for Illinois State, but basketball, not golf.
"It was always natural," Holtz said of his golf, which included three years pounding the mini-tour trail before he decided to get a real job, selling helmets and other football gear to youth leagues for Riddell. "I'd be happy if I won, surprised. But you've just got to play good at the right time."

Meierdierks, who recorded five birdies, including a pair of 20-footers, offset by one bogey, played with Flavin all three days, so he knows firsthand what he's up against.
"He's making a few putts," Meierdierks said. "It's really fun to watch. He's making the short ones and sprinkling in 15-footers.
"I'm just going to keep doing what I'm doing. Keep it under the hole. Not do anything stupid. I've had leads like that. You can win by 10 or start thinking."

Hardy revived his game with a competitivebest 10 -birdie outburst, but a double-bogey on the par-4 eighth and a bogey on the par-4 12th crimped his style. Still, firing a 65 pulled him into the tie for fourth.

While the others plotted potential comebacks, Flavin played it cool.
"I'll sleep great," Flavin said.
Those with six-stroke leads tend to do so.
Flavin's bogey-free tour of 64 in the first round at Briarwood set the competitive course record, and was a stroke off the practice-round 63 scored by Brian Bullington the day before. It earned him a one-stroke lead on Kemper Lakes head professional Jim Billiter, whose 6 -under 65 came in the final group of the day and climaxed with a 35 -foot birdie putt at the last.
"I bogeyed 17 and was like, let's just get in with a par," Billiter said.

It rattled in off the back of the cup, a fitting end of an eight-birdie day in what he said was his first Illinois Open appearance in a decade. Tournament play at Merit Club, his previous posting, always interfered.

Billiter jumped ahead of Meierdierks, Hopfinger and Holtz, all of whom scored 5-under 66 to tie for third. Thus the protagonists were immediately set for the final 36 holes.

Amateur Sean Furman of Skokie was among a quartet of players tied for sixth at 4 -under. His came in the form of a 68 at The Glen Club, the more rigorous of the two courses. The DePauw sophomore played four holes in the middle of his round in 5-under, including an eagle on the

## 68th Illinois Open

The Glen Club • 7,088 Yards • Par 72 / Briarwood CC • 6,853 Yards • Par 71

1 a-Patrick Flavin-13 64-64-74-202
T 2 a-Matt Murlick -12 67-69-67-203 a-Nick Hardy -12 70-65-68-203 Brandon Holtz -12 66-68-69-203
5 Carlos Sainz, Jr. -11 70-65-69-204
6 Brad Hopfinger -10 66-72-67-205
T 7 a-Tommy Kuhl - 8 67-73-67-207 Eric Meierdierks - 8 66-68-73-207
T 9 a-Greg Bauman - 7 69-75-64-208 a-Joo-Young Lee - 7 68-69-71-208
T11 a-Quinlan Prchal - 6 69-72-68-209 Brad Marek -6 70-67-72-209
T13 Ian Nelson - 5 72-67-71-210 Tim "Tee-K" Kelly - 5 72-67-71-210 Jeffrey Kellen - 5 70-69-71-210 Bryce Emory - 5 69-69-72-210 Collin Neeman - 5 71-67-72-210 Jim Billiter - 5 65-71-74-210
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first hole, and survived a pair of double-bogeys. Things went south for him after that, with a second round 74 at Briarwood and then an unsightly 86 in the final round at The Glen Club.
"I hit 17 greens, and had a lot of birdie chances," Flavin said after his first round. "Pretty much had a birdie chance on every hole, a lot of 10 -to15 footers. But you can't make 'em all."

Flavin made seven birdies, a good enough percentage to jump ahead of the field. A birdie at

T26 Christian Heavens

- 1 71-72-71-214
a-Ethan Farnam - 1 72-69-73-214
Travis Johns - 1 70-70-74-214
T31 a-Daniel Hudson E 73-71-71-215
Kyle English E 71-72-72-215 1,416.00
Steve Orrick E 73-69-73-215 1,416.00
T34 Rich Dukelow +1 76-67-73-216 a-Zach Burry +1 67-76-73-216 Josh Butterfield + 1 74-68-74-216 1,298.00 Curtis Malm +1 72-69-75-216 1,298.00
T38 Kurtis Luedtke + 2 73-71-73-217 $\quad 1,172.00$
Guy Sciortino + 2 72-71-74-217
a-Brian Ohr + 2 73-68-76-217
41 a-Kevin Paek + 3 70-73-75-218
T42 a-Trent Wallace +4 74-69-76-219
Chris French +4 72-70-77-219
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T44 a-Jackson Bussell
+ 5 72-71-77-220
James Kerr $\quad+5$ 72-72-76-220
T46 a-Riley Bauman + 6 72-71-78-221
Tim Tynan +6 72-71-78-221 930.00
48 a-Timothy Lim +7 72-70-80-222
49 Brandon Suzuki + 8 73-71-79-223 842.00
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his first hole, the 381-yard par-4 10th, and he was off and running.

He birdied seven of his first 14 holes, then parred in, including a three-footer to assure his par 4 on his final hole, for a day that could hardly have been better.
"The key was getting off to a good start and having fun," Flavin said. "And these greens, if you make a good roll, you'll make your share."

He did, three days running.

## 96TH ILLINOIS PGA

## Schumacher bags No. 1 on No. 1

## Indian Hill assistant comes from behind to claim a major



By Tim Cronin

REPORTING FROM MEDINAH

Adam Schumacher had a goal driving into Medinah Country Club on Wednesday, Aug. 23.

Make the top 10 in the 96th Illinois PGA Championship and advance to next year's National Professional Championship, the PGA's club pro fiesta. That would give him a shot at a PGA Championship berth.

Schumacher did much better than that. He won the title, firing a 2 -under-par 69 on Medinah's windblown No. 1 Course to come from six strokes back and pass three players, including overnight leader Jim Billiter, to capture the Jim Kemper Cup, pocketing $\$ 11,700$.
"People were saying that everyone was struggling, so I just kept grinding, getting up and down for pars when I missed the green," Schumacher said. "And it kept paying off."

The 26-year-old assistant at Indian Hill Club totaled 4 -under 209 across the three rounds, and had a little more game than just saving par. He birdied the first and third holes to climb back into the fight while Billiter was stumbling to bogeys

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On The cusp Brett Walker (left) and Doug Bauman (center) shared second place at even par 213, while Jim Billiter (right) finished at 1-over 214.
on the second and third, the beginning of a treacherous 6 -over 42 outward nine.

Billiter would end up with a surprising 9-over 80 for 1 -over 214 , tying for fifth and finishing five strokes in arrears of Schumacher, and yet was still in contention after birdies on the 13th and 14th holes, the first a self-described "miracle."

Schumacher cooled off a bit, bogeying the seventh and 10th holes, but a binge of three birdies in five holes on the 11th, 12th and 15th helped break a tie with Twin Orchard assistant Dakun Chang and carried him to the title.
"I hit one on the water on 10 and knew I had to get a couple back," Schumacher said. "On 11, I hit driver off the tee and had 86 yards to the back
pin, and hit it to 10 feet. The next hole, I hit driver to 120 yards and I hit it to five feet. That got me feeling a little better."

While he was dropping those putts, Billiter was reeling, and so was Chang, who started the day at 6 -under and two strokes behind Billiter. Chang birdied the par-4 third but doubled the par3 fifth and added a bogey on the par- 3 seventh. He turned in 4 -under, but Schumacher soon made up the stroke difference, and when Chang triple-bogeyed the devilish 13th, a 295-yard lure for those trying to make eagle, he was out of the chase.

Walker, who played at a comparative snail's pace at times even though he was well within the pace of play, was still in it despite a double-bo-
gey 7 on the ninth, and birdied the 13th to move to 1 -under, where he stayed to finish second with a 73 for 1 -under 212, three strokes back.

Billiter, quite a bit faster than Walker, tried to stay out of his way as the holes ran out.
"Brett was playing great, so you don't want to rush him," Billiter said. "You're always slower when you walk. I'm an inpatient guy, so I was rushing a little bit. I didn't want to get ahead of him, so out of respect for him I just played when it was my turn."

Chang and Doug Bauman, the 60 -year-old veteran from Biltmore, tied for third at even par 213. Bauman scored 2 -over 73 , including a birdie on the 13th and a tremendous par featuring a sec-
ond shot through a tree on the par-4 16th.
"I knew after about seven holes that we were close, and Adam was playing real well so I knew I had to catch him," Bauman said. "Hooray for the old guys. I've still got a couple years."

Schumacher's final birdie, on the par-3 15th, ended its 20 -foot run tumbled in on the last turn. He hit his tee shot into the water on the par-5 17th, but surrendered only one stroke, so when he parred the 18 th, he had a three-stroke lead. Even if Walker had aced the par-3 18th, Schumacher would have won by a stroke. Walker parred.
"I had no idea until I signed the card that I was on top," Schumacher said.

It's tough to beat the view from there.
Billiter was hoping to experience it for the second time in three years entering the final round, with good reason. His second straight 4 -under-par 67 on Tuesday not only earned him an aggregate of 8 -under 134 and a two-stroke lead, it moved him to 17 -under in five competitive rounds on the layout, which reopened in 2014 after a major redesign by Tom Doak.
"I've played like six times so I'm an expert," kidded Billiter, the head professional at Kemper Lakes, who won at Medinah in 2015, when he was still at Merit Club. "I played (a practice round) and remembered where to miss it. You don't need to aim down the middle of the fairway here, you have to aim at the dead spots. If you aim down the middle and you miss it, there's a lot of doubles. If you aim safe and you miss it, there'a lot of room.
"I purposely aim for the trees on some holes, and aim to miss the green short on some holes. I was super-tentative, because I was nervous, it was blowing ( 18 mph out of the northwest much of the day) and the greens were fast," Billiter said.


Into reverse Dakun Chang opened with a pair of 67 s , but a final-round 77 sank his title hopes.

A chip-in eagle on the par-5 ninth sent him out in 3-under 33, and two birdies coming in, offset by a bogey at the last, brought in an inward 1 -under 34.

But things went in the wrong direction quickly in the third round and Billiter found himself in most of the places Doak added to cause trouble,
the compound difficulty sinking his title hopes.
Chang scored his second straight 68 for 6under 136. Walker, a Conway Farms assistant, added a 70 to an opening 69 and snuck into the final day's final threesome at 3-under 139.
"I had a good game plan," Chang said of his six-birdie, three-bogey adventure. "I had to be aggressive starting on 10 . The wind wasn't as strong."

He birdied five of the first eight holes on that side, including drilling a 9 -iron to within two feet on the 150-yard par-3 15th, sinking a 20 -footer on No. 16 after a 6-iron approach, and two-putting for birdie on the par-5 17th. A three-putt on the par-3 18th left him with 4 -under 31 on the back, and while he toured the front side in 1-over 37 , a 68 cannot be ignored.
"The last couple of days, the strength of my game has probably been my putting," Chang said. "I've made a lot of good putts."

He needed a few more in the final round.

## Around Medinah

On a windy day and with difficult pin placements, the final round scoring average of 77.13 for the 62 players making the cut was higher than the first round average of 76.77 , when all 133 players were on the course. The Round 2 average was 78.44. ... Only three players broke 70, with Glen View Club’s Chris Green scoring 3-under 68 and Schumacher and Flossmoor's Simon Allen carding 69s. ... Matt Slowinski (70) was the only other player under the par of 71.... The purse totaled $\$ 73,975$. ... Defending champion Mike Small shot 3-over 74 and tied for sixth at 2-over 215. He and 10 others advance to the national Club Pro: Schumacher, Walker, Bauman, Chang, Billiter, Rich Dukelow, Kyle Bauer, Matt Slowinski, Brian Carroll and Simon Allen.

## Road Warrior mumbere

 The short of it at Pinehurst's Cradle

## Ziehm on Pinehurst: "There's always something new and exciting in the works."

## REPORTING FROM Pinehurst, North Carolina

There's one thing that you can always be sure of when you visit Pinehurst Resort, the premier golf destination in the sandhills of North Carolina. There's always something new and exciting in the works. This time, though, that's been taken to extremes.

Two courses created by well-respected designers in the early 1990s are - or soon will be - undergoing renovations and a par-3 course is being readied for play. Called The Cradle - Pinehurst fancies itself just that when it comes to American golf, which will come as a surprise to New York's Apple Tree Gang - it'll have nine holes, all measuring between 65 and 117 yards and is expected to open on Saturday, Sept. 30.

Creation of The Cradle has already led to changes at two other courses at the resort. Pinehurst No. 3 and Pinehurst No. 5 each got new starting holes because the 10 -acre space the old holes took up was needed to build The Cradle. No. 3 also got two new par- 3 holes inserted into its rotation and became a par-68 course.

Also at the resort, Pinehurst No. 4 - a Tom Fazio creation - will be closed at about the same time The Cradle opens, contributing to the new look around the clubhouse. The Pinehurst No. 4 renovation will be a big deal if, for no other reason, than it's being directed by Gil Hanse, the hot architect of the day. He was most noticed recently for designing the Brazil course that hosted last summer's Olympic golf competition.

Hanse will be putting in wire-grass, which transformed Pinehurst's famed No. 2 course for the unprecedented back-to-back playing of the

U.S. Open and U.S. Women's Open in 2014. He'll also eliminate many of the bunkers from the original Pinehurst No. 4 design.

As for the renovation just off the resort grounds, Mid South Golf Club - an Arnold Palmer design -- was a favorite of mine off previous visits to the area. It was closed on

June 5 for an extensive upgrade. The greens at Mid South are in the process of being changed from bentgrass to Champion Bermuda, the same procedure that was performed on the companion Talamore course across the street last summer.

The Mid South greens will be enlarged by 20-40 percent by Southport, N.C.-based Shapemasters, a firm that has previously worked with courses designed by Jack Nicklaus, Rees Jones, Pete Dye, Greg Norman and Tom Fazio.

A hard-packed sand base will be installed as part of a cart path improvement and new condos are being built near the Nos. 9 and 18 greens.
Mid South is also adding basketball and pickle ball on one of its tennis courts and putting a new barbecue and hospitality area in near the swimming pool.

That's part of a $\$ 6$ million capital improvement plan initiated by Talamore's parent company at its four resorts in North Carolina and Pennsylvania.

The Cradle ramifications and No. 4 renovation are just part of a bigger transformation at the resort. The greens at Pinehurst No. 7 were converted to Bermuda grass this summer, leaving only Nos. 4 and 9 with bentgrass at the resort.

The Deuce, a chef-driven restaurant, has been a welcome new addition to the clubhouse, and that's not all. Thistle Dhu, the popular putting course, is being moved to a much better location. It'll be in full view of patrons enjoying all that the clubhouse has to offer.

All these changes may not have really been necessary, but they're all for the good. Pinehurst has always been a trendsetter when it comes to golf destinations, and that's been underscored by these latest projects.

## Magic in Michigan

Stoatin Brae, the sixth course at Gull Lake View,


BY NEAL KOTLAREK • REPORTING FROM AUGUSTA, MICHIGAN

Alittle over two years ago, Bill Johnson and Jon Scott peeked over an old wire fence that lined the tee of Michigan's Stonehedge South Golf Course and arrived at a mutual conclusion: There, beneath the wild grasses and weeds and wildflowers, rested a parcel of spectacular, flowing and verdant land that was destined to become a golf course.

The two men knew a thing or two about golf architecture. Johnson had been head professional at Gull Lake View Golf Club \& Resort properties since 1988. Scott had been president of the resort since 1993 and was member of that family that has owned and operated the Augusta-area complex since 1965. Despite the fact that new golf courses anywhere in the country have been a rarity over the past decade, Johnson and Scott had very few apprehensions about tackling the project or taking on the time and financial investment the project demanded.
"We'd been talking for a while about adding a sixth course at the resort," Scott said during a interview earlier this month. "So when we took a closer look at the property and recognized how its location next to our other courses worked in our favor, the only question left in our minds was how quickly we could buy the land and locate the right architects to build the course."

While Scott had the background and necessary skills to perform the design work himself, the natural flow of the land seemed like a natural philosophical fit for northern Michigan's Renaissance Design firm, which had developed an outstanding reputation over the years with acclaimed projects at Bandon Dunes in Oregon, Cape Kidnappers in New Zealand and Dismal River Club in Nebraska.

Tom Doak, founder and lead designer of Re-



PASTEL PERFECT Stoatin Brae offers 18 holes that appear to have always been there, begging to be discovered by golfers.
naissance, had previously committed himself to building The Loop at Forest Dunes in Roscommon, Mich.
"I saw that Jon was thoughtful and committed to doing something good," said Doak. "The project was in-state and we are always interested in stuff close to home. So I was already thinking about having (principal company designers Eric Iverson, Brian Schneider, Don Placek and Brian Slawnik) do the job on their own."

Scott quickly embraced the vision presented him by the team.
"We all agreed that the land would stay pretty much exactly the way nature shaped it," he said. The mission presented by Renaissance was simple: Build an 18 -hole course that moved as little land as possible while ensuring that maintenance costs would allow for a finished course affordable to the thousands of golfers who've been the bread-and-butter of the resort for over half a century.

Opened in October of last year, Stoatin Brae - Gaelic for "grand hill" - is a wonder to behold. Holes weave atop and below a long ridge that provides remarkable views of the Kalamazoo River Valley. Complementing the topography are thoughtful design elements across the course, including unimpeded landing areas in front and around greens on long par- 4 s and putting surfaces on short par-3s that are fiercely protected by sprawling sand bunkers.


Stemwinder Stoatin Brae's Blue Stem Restaurant offers tremendous views of the golf course and sunset in central Michigan, and the food's a treat as well.

## FOR MORE INFORMATION

## Stoatin Brae

- 15579 E. Augusta Drive,

Augusta, Mich., 49012

- (269) 220-3976
- http://www.gulllakeview.com/golf/ golf-courses/stoatin-brae/
- Augusta, Mich., and Gull Lake View's six courses are about $21 / 2$ hours from downtown Chicago.
"I believe," Slawnik said, speaking for the design team, "that we've built something very different ... and different than anything we've done before. We were entrusted with a very good piece of land and really tried to leave it alone as much as possible. Putting a golf course on that site will draw golfers to a really cool part of Southwest Michigan."

The property's treeless landscape and high elevation ensure the course plays differently each day dependent on wind direction. Offsetting at least some of the difficulty are a wide variety of tee lengths, ranging from 6,667 yards from the gold tees to 6,192 yards from the blacks and 4,886 yards from the blues.

That said, do not expect easy pars. The greens are all shaped with both subtle and blatant contours that can cause approach shots to veer off in unanticipated directions. While this challenge is relatively unique in modern day design, it is a hallmark of early Scottish and Irish courses which place a premium on approach angles and the short game.

The Stoatin Brae journey begins from high atop the ridge with two holes meant to energize players with a fast and unabated start. The 355yard No. 1 serves up a wide-open fairway directed toward a huge mounded green that can only be reached with a delicate wedge shot hit short of the flagstick. Indeed, any shot hit to the middle or
back end of this green will result in an tricky chip shot back to the hole.

While intimidating in length, the 218-yard No. 2 is nowhere near as difficult as it sounds as, again, no bunkers rest in waiting to snatch errant tee shots. This massive green serves as a landing strip which can funnel balls toward or away from the flagstick dependent upon the wind as well as the day's hole location.

Even the 435 -yard 3rd hole seems to apologize for its length by offering a tee shot landing area shared with the landing area of the 16th hole. So don't be afraid to whale away toward the right with your driver to set up a delicate long-iron or hybrid approach shot to a small, slightly elevated green protected on both sides by sand.

Following a long par-5 that places golfers smack dab in the middle of the course, make sure to visit the halfway house prior to teeing off on No. 10 if for no other reason to appreciate its architecture. Don't be embarrassed if you have trouble locating the small building as it is literally located within a berm. "We didn't think it was right to spoil the natural views across the entire property with a building," said Scott. "So we decided to make the snack shop as unobtrusive as possible."

The first three holes following the break serve up birdie possibilities. The 333 -yard No. 10 offers an open tee shot landing area to a green protected on the right side by two bunkers. The 157-yard 11th hole is one of three short par-3s on the back nine. While three bunkers rest between the tee and green, the right side of the putting surface is wide-open to provide a bail-out area. The 379 -yard No. 12 is made significantly shorter by the open nature of the green which has no bunkers or water hazards to swallow up approach shots.


Horizon view Several holes at Stoatin Brae are situated on the edge of bluffs, adding to both the beauty and the difficulty.

The 547-yard finishing hole is as challenging as it is scenic. While relatively flat, the hole is protected along the right side of the fairway by a sea of wildflowers planted by the previous owner
of the apple orchard. Fairway bunkers and a massive bunker in front of the green place a premium on accuracy. As on No. 1, the only way to keep the approach shot from rolling past the flagstick is via a good angle toward the front of the green. A huge mound on the right side of this massive putting surface serves as a tournament hole location that will surely lead to three-putts if not worse.

Continue to enjoy the terrific views of the Kalamazoo River Valley following your round by grabbing a cold beverage and meal at the Stoatin Brae's Blue Stem restaurant. Note that some of the items on the menu include traditional Scottish ingredients including leeks, cabbage and caraway seeds to incorporate the British Isle feel of the entire property.
"The best views of the valley can be enjoyed on the 19th hole," said Johnson. "We wanted our guests to enjoy the special Stoatin Brae experience from the moment they tee off until the moment they depart.
"We think," he added, "that while they're enjoying a craft beer or last bite of a sandwich, they'll be planning their next visit back."

Stoatin Brae is the sixth championship course of Gull Lake View Golf Club and Resort. The largest golf complex in the Midwest, the property is divided up into four parcels of land, consisting of Stonehedge South and North courses; Gull Lake View West and East courses; Bedford Valley and Stoatin Brae.

Accommodations include fairway villas and luxury cottages to suit all group sizes. While groups can grill their own meals, do not miss the barbeque at Charles \& Darl's Smokehouse \& Grill at Gull Lake View or the Scottish-influenced menu at the Blue Stem Restaurant adjacent to Stoatin Brae.

## AROUND ILLINOIS Day into night and back

By Tim CRONIN<br>Reporting from Jones Ridge

,f you were at Keller's Crossing at Stone Creek Golf Course in Makanda on Monday, Aug. 21, or any of several other points on the compass with a clear view of the sky from coast to coast on that day, and looked up, you saw a sight absolutely unforgettable.

A total eclipse of the sun is nothing less than that.

The path of totality extended from Oregon to South Carolina, a run across North America that was narrow - $\mathbf{7 1}$ miles wide - but close enough for millions to make the run into the path for the thrill of a celestial moment in, and under, the sun and moon.

Unless you were clouded out, the trip was worth it.

Even those in Saluki Stadium at Southern Illinois University in Carbondale, where a pesky cloud mostly obscured totality, thought the adventure worthwhile.

Those of us happily gifted with a clear view of the predictable magic were agape in wonder at this larger-than-life science project.

The dateline above is likely unfamiliar. Jones Ridge is a hamlet to the west of Carbondale and southeast of Chester, in a broad and fertile plain adjacent to the Mississippi River
and south of Illinois Rt. 3. The center line of the path of totality, which guaranteed the longest time to experience the grand event $\mathbf{- 2}$ minutes 40 seconds - ran right across that plain. A turn off the main road and down Jones Ridge Road - a handful of houses here and there comprise the town - and the best site to sight the eclipse was obvious. On a 92 -degree day with a heat index near 100, parking by the one tree on the roadside adjacent to a cornfield was the place to be. Art Gaerlan of Chicago and his companion Nan had already figured it out. We three would be the cool(er) kids.

Down the road were only a few other enthusiasts. A couple parked right on the center line, a carful looking for the best spot to see the shadow rushing across the plain, a couple of others, plus those who lived there. Maybe 15 people in several square miles. That added to the mystique. The best spot on earth for totality this time around and only a handful of us there.

The moon began to cross the sun's path at 11:52 a.m. It was barely noticeable at first, just kissing the edge of the disc - as seen through protective glasses - at about 2 o'clock. As the minutes ticked by, more and more of the sun disappeared.
"A big cookie bite," Nan said at one point.
That it was. And it got better. At about 70


ON THE VERGE OF тоtality A panoramic view sweeping roughly from southeast to northwest, with totality's darkness looming as Art Gaerlan of Chicago watches.
percent, it was clearly getting dimmer, if not darker. As the minutes went by, it began to cool off, down to 79 degrees. The humidity disappeared. Pesky bees flew to their hive. A rooster crowed - a lot, so perhaps he wasn't looking up.

In the last minutes before totality, the green of the field before us appeared more vivid, not darkening as other colors did. And finally, at 1:20 p.m., the moon's shadow rushed over us as the eastern edge of the sun vanished. The photo above shows the difference between night and day.
"Wow!" we all shouted. We knew what was coming and when it would arrive, and still it was overwhelming.

The photo on the previous page, taken with a Canon 30D with a $250-\mathrm{mm}$ lens at $1 / 30$ th of a second, doesn't do justice to the royal purple of the sky compared to the pitch black of the moon,
nor just how pure white the light of the sun's corona is. Venus was visible to the west. Along the horizon, the sky was bright. Clouds there were white, while the few to the west under totality were dark.

It was captivating. In those 160 seconds, some photos were taken, but mostly the three of us gawked at the beauty of it all. Post-totality was as interesting, the light returning like a lamp slowly coming back to life. The curiosity of one's shadow partly sharp and partly fuzzy was noticed - along with the shadows of leaves warping into mini-eclipses.

Every second was a thrill, and well worth getting caught up in the biggest traffic jam in the history of the state of Illinois thereafter. (Like Fourth of July fireworks, everybody leaves at once after the grand finale. So it was after totality and the
first minutes thereafter, adding two hours to the return jaunt, and that was with short cuts.)

Amazingly, on April 8, 2024, the same area of Illinois will again be under the path of totality, this time for more than four minutes as the sun and moon race each other from Mexico to Canada, and with a wider totality field, so the sky near the horizon will likely be different as well. The sky might go completely dark.

Be there.
Here's a link to a YouTube video of the eclipse from Keller's Crossing: www.youtube. com/watch? $\mathrm{v}=\mathrm{WOfoQEVzwKI}$

## Soblo Scores another title

Jim Sobb isn't resting on his Illinois Golf Hall of Fame laurels. Sobb, the longtime Ivanhoe Club head pro who lives in Lake Barrington, added a third Illinois Senior Open title to his resume on

Sept. 18-19, beating Gary March and Mike Harrigan by five strokes with a total of 7-under-par 135 at McHenry Country Club.

Sobb, who lost the ISO by a stroke in 2016, grabbed definitive control on his front nine on the first day, with five straight birdies beginning at No. 4 , and another birdie on the 10th to go 6 -under. From there, it was a matter of the field trying to catch him, and that wasn't going to happen.

For Sobb, it was his third Illinois Senior Open to go with titles in 2011 and 2014, his 10th state senior major (he's also won four Illinois Senior PGAs and three Illinois Senior PGA Match Plays), and 17th state regular or senior major overall.

## Familiar sight: Bauman in winner's circle

Greg Bauman came from behind with an even-par 72 to beat younger brother Riley in the final round of the 25 th Illinois State Mid-Amateur. Greg scored 2-under-par 214 over three rounds and won by four strokes at Exmoor Country Club for his first win in a state competition, following a top-10 finish at the Illinois Open.
"This is my best win in a while," Greg Bauman said following the victory. "It's always nice to get a victory against a pretty good field."

Greg Bauman opened with a birdie, then bogeyed three of the next four holes. On the par-5 sixth hole, his tee shot found the rough and his second overshot the green. But he put his chip in tight and converted the birdie putt. He again saved par at the ninth after an errant tee shot and leaving his approach short of the green, then birdied the 10th from 5 feet.

From there, Bauman played the final eight holes smartly, playing defense and becoming a par machine, including a deft sand save at the 18th, which played as one of the most difficult holes of the championship.
"It's pretty cool to be the only one under par," Greg Bauman, a former Northern Illinois University golfer, added. "I drove the ball really well and out here, with the fairway bunkering and how deep the rough was, I think that was important."

Jake Erickson carded the best final round with a 70 to climb into a tie for second with Cody Sundberg at 2 -over par 216 . Riley Bauman slipped into a tie for fourth after a final round 78, sharing the spot with two-time Mid-Am winner John Ehrgott and 2014 winner Andrew Price at 217.
"Usually when we play together there's a lot of trash talking, but we kept that to a minimum today," Greg Bauman noted of playing in the final group with younger brother Riley.
"I was pulling for him. I want us both to play well. My ideal scenario would be to get in a playoff and one of us to win, but it was fun to see us go head-to-head."

Greg and Riley Bauman are the sons of Biltmore Country Club head pro Doug Bauman.

In all, 37 golfers made the cut. Among those advancing were five-time Mid-Am champ Todd Mitchell, who finished at 6 -over in ninth place, and 2002 winner Curt Minkel, at 12 -over par in a tie for 18th. The low 20 and ties earned exemptions into next year's championship.

## Kearfott takes Illinois Senior Amateur

Tom Kearfott of downstate El Paso scored a three-stroke victory over Kewanee's Tom Miler in the Illinois Senior Amateur at Senica's Oak Ridge in Ottawa on Sept. 11-13.

Kearfott's final round of 1 -over 73 placed him at 3-over 219 for the three-round route, compared to Miler's 77 for 222 and the 78 for 223 of thirdplace finisher Ed Whitaker of Pekin.

Kearfott bogeyed the 14th and 16th holes coming in, but hung on to triumph.

## TOURGUIDE



Kevin Streelman 138th WGR \$1,313,327 in 26 starts 86th FEC<br>Best: T4 Mayakoba<br>70.873 scoring average


$\begin{array}{ll}\text { Luke Donald } & \text { 113rd WGR } \\ \$ 958,850 \text { in } 18 \text { starts } & \text { 105th FEC }\end{array}$
Best: 2nd Heritage
70.831 scoring average

$\begin{array}{ll}\text { D.A. Points } & \text { 230th WGR } \\ \$ 839,700 \text { in } 22 \text { starts } & \text { 104th FEC }\end{array}$
Best: 1st Puerto Rico
71.315 scoring average


Mark Wilson 899th WGR
$\$ 100,286$ in 15 starts 210th FEC
Best: T26 Sanderson Farms
71.850 scoring average


Scott Langley
595th WGR
\$49,308 in 3 starts ——FEC
Best: T33 RSM
71.348 scoring average


Luke Guthrie Web.com Tour
$\$ 95,567$ in 24 starts 81 st Web
Best: T2 Digital Ally Open
70.490 scoring average


Jeff Sluman Champions Tour $\$ 572,240$ in 22 starts 22nd Schwab Best: T2 Legends of Golf 70.630 scoring average

FEC: FedEx Cup; through Tour Championship= on PGA Tour, World Golf

## THE CALENDAR

## The National Scene

Key national and international championships, WGA, WWGA, USGA, plus tour stops in Illinois and vicinity September
Walker Cup, Los Angeles CC / North, Los Angeles, Calif. 9-10 Walker Cup, Los Angeles CC Mor Wer Le Amatis Portland 14-17 114th BMW Championship (Western Open), Conway Farms GC B Whas
GC, Lake Forest
14-17 24th Evian Championship, Evian Resort GC, Evian les Bains, France
21-24 31st Tour Championship, East Lake GC, Atlanta, Ga.
26-28 USGA Women's State Team, Santa Fe, N.M. October
7-12 U.S. Mid Amateur, Capital City C, Atlanta, Ga.
7-12 U.S. Women's Mid-Amateur, Quail Creek CC, Naples, Fla.

## USEA Qualifying

www.usga.org; generally conducted locally by CDGA September
2018 U.S. Amateur Four-Ball Qualifying, Bolingbrook GC, Bolingbrook
U.S. Mid-Amateur Qualifying, Heritage Bluffs, Channahon October
2018 U.S. Women's Amateur Four-Ball, Glenview Park GC,
Glenview
2018 U.S. Amateur Four-Ball, Twin Orchard CC, Long Grove

## Illinois PGA

www.ipga.com • Key tournaments

> September

Birdies for Charity, River Forest CC, Elmhurst Pro-Women's Club Championship, site TBA Assistant Championship, Mistwood GC, Romeoville Fall Pro-Pro, Bull Valley GC, Woodstock Illinois Senior Open, McHenry CC, McHenry Pro-President, Evanston GC, Skokie
October

2- 3 Illinois PGA Players Championship, Eagle Ridge (North), Galena
Pro-Club Championship, Glen Club, Glenview
Salesman-Pro Invitational, Ivanhoe C, Ivanhoe
Senior Players Champonship, Old Elm C, Highland Park

## Chicago District GA

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5th CDGA Super Senior Championship, Idlewild CC, Flossmoor

19 CDGA Net Better Ball of Pairs, Stonebridge CC, Aurora

2-5 2nd CDGA Senior Amateur Four-Ball, Itasca CC, Itasca Chicago Women's District GA www.cwdga.or September
Tournament of Team Champions, Ruth Lake CC, Hinsdale

## Illinois Women's GA

## http://iwga.org

19-21 48th Illinois Senior Women's Amateur, Rockford CC, Rockford

## Notable Tournaments

## September

6-7 Merit Amateur, Merit C, Libertyville
9-10 Chicago International Amateur, Robert A. Black GC, Chicago 12-13 Pontiac Elks Invitational, Pontiac Elks GC, Pontiac

## NIMAGA

www.nimaga.org • Key tournaments
September

NIMAGA vs. Milwaukee, Evergreen GC, Elkhorn, Wis.

## Weekly Challenge Golif Tour

www.wcgt.com • Key tournaments

## September

Balmoral Woods, Crete
October
Tournament of Champions, Bull Valley GC, Woodstock
Mid-America Junior Golif Tour
www.ijga.org/majgt • Illinois tournaments October
21-22 Autumn Open, Thunderhawk, Beach Park
28-29 Fall Shootout, Bull Valley GC, Woodstock

## Notable Junior Tournaments

15-16 IHSA Championships:
A Girls, Red Tail Run GC, Decatur
AA Girls, Hickory Point GC, Decatur
AA Girls, Hickory Point GC, Decatur
1A Boys, Prairie Vista GC, Bloomington
3A Boys, The Den at Fox Creek, Bloomington

## SCOREBOARD

## 96th Illinois PGA

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|  | Brian Brodell | +17 77-74-79-230 | 280.00 |
| T48 | Wesley Warren | +19 75-78-79-232 | 240.00 |
|  | Adam Steinhofer | +19 74-76-82-232 | 240.00 |
|  | Craig Bertrand | +19 73-74-85-232 | 240.00 |
| T51 | Randy Cochran | +20 77-77-79-233 | 240.00 |
|  | Brian Dalton | +20 79-75-79-233 | 240.00 |
|  | Eric Hoff | +20 73-80-80-233 | 240.00 |
|  | Nick Taute | +20 76-75-82-233 | 240.00 |
|  | Harlan Chemers | +20 72-77-84-233 | 240.00 |
| T56 | Matt Fonner | +21 71-82-81-234 | 240.00 |
|  | Kevin Rafferty | +21 74-78-82-234 | 240.00 |
| 58 | Joshua Upson | +22 77-76-82-235 | 240.00 |
| T59 | Patrick Lenski | +23 76-78-82-236 | 240.00 |
|  | Brandon Wessel | +23 74-79-83-236 | 240.00 |
|  | Derek Swoboda | +26 76-77-86-239 | 240.00 |
|  | Clay Stevens | +31 76-78-90-244 | 240.00 |

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156 (+14) Stan Wiel (78-78), Chris Gumbach (75-81), Cameron Beeler (78-78)
157 (+15) Andrew Moores (74-83), Richard Lorenz (77-80), Jason Hyatt (79-78), Gary Shastal (77-80), Nicholas Haudek (79-78), Tony Feminis
(77-80), Jim Miller (79-78), Nicholas Gonneville (79-78), Daniel Watters
(73-84), Billy Rosinia (74-83), Mark Labiak (80-77)
158 (+16) Marc Woodcock (81-77), Terry Russell (77-81), Gabe Rios (7781), Mike Harrigan (82-76)

159 (+17) Jim Marinelli (81-78), Brad Rouse (78-81), Michael Kinasiewicz (78-81), Ryan O'Connor (78-81), John Platt (79-80), Richard Niedergerke (79-80)
160 (+18) Steven Di Nino (81-79), James FioRito (80-80), Jeremy Anderson (80-80), Nick Papadakes (77-83)
161 (+19) Mike Haase (79-82), Mike Mandakas (81-80), Dave Erickson (79-82), Dick Wagley (82-79)
162 (+20) Andy Shuman (84-78), Gabe Exiner (82-80), Brian Kribs (8082), Gary Groh (83-79), Jamie Nieto (84-78)

163 (+21) Bill Reid (80-83), Mike Camastro (76-87), Quentin Grasso (7984), Derek Osinski (79-84), Michael Strain (76-87), B.J. Paul (81-82)

164 (+22) Zach Miller (79-85), A.J. Shannon (76-88)
165 (+23) Tim Troy (84-81), David Burdick (81-84)
166 (+24) Michael Campbell (83-83)
167 (+25) Patrick Dorgan (84-83), Rick Walrath (80-87), Hans Larson (79-88)
169 (+27) Brian Williams (87-82), Mason Tomlinson (84-85)
170 (+28) Marcus Yado (82-88), Bill McInerney (83-87), Bill Sakas (78-92) 171 (+29) Rick Sargent (89-82)
173 (+31) Dennis Peoplis (85-88)

174 (+32) Brett Packee (84-90), Randy Bolstad (87-87), Jami Brighty (85-89)
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T 7 a-Steve Jacobs + 3 70-75-145 Stan Wiel +3 70-75-145

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T16 Randy Cochran +6 76-72-148 Danny Mulhearn +6 75-73-148 Bob Mack Gary Shastal +6 74-74-148 $\begin{array}{lll}\text { Gary Shastal } & +6 & 74-74-148 \\ \text { Scott Sadler } & +6 & 72-76-148\end{array}$ a-John Finnin + +6 72-76-148 $\begin{array}{ll}\text { a-John Finnin } & +6 \\ \text { Jerry Vidovic } & +6 \text { 72-76-148 }\end{array}$
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Pete Woodcock +17 83-76-159 a-Curt Minkel $\quad+17$ 78-81-159 $\begin{array}{lll}\text { a-Curt Minkel } & +17 & 78-81-159\end{array}$
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81-86-167 Patrick Hickey +27 85-84-169 a-Fred Lukasik +27 83-86-169
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|  | om <br> McCord (GM) |
| Mount Prospect 18: 71/6,305/71.3/135 <br> 600 S. See Gwun Ave. (at Shabonee), Mount Prospect • (847) 259-4200• www.mppd.org/golf.php | Brett Barcel |
| Nickol Knoll 9: 27/1,163/unrated 3800 N. Kennecott Ave., Arlington Heights • (847) 590-6050• www.ahpd.org/programs/golf/nickol | Govern (GM) |
| Old Orchard 18: 70/6,119/70.1 / 130 700 W. Rand Rd., Mount Prospect • (847) 255-2025 ${ }^{\text {www.oldorchardcc.com }}$ | Doug Brezeau |
| Palatine Hills $\quad 18: 72 / 6,800 / 72.5 / 127$ 512 W. Northwest Hwy., Palatine $\cdot(847) 359-4020 \cdot$ www.palatinehills.org | Dan Hotchkin |
| Rob Roy 9: 36/3,022 / 37.8 / 119 <br> 505 E. Camp McDonald Rd., Prospect Heights • (847) 253-4544 • www.ro | c.com |
| Robert A. Black $\quad$ 9: 33/2,361 / 31.7 / 100 2045 W. Pratt Blvd., Chicago $\cdot(312) 742-7931 \cdot$ www.cpdgolf.com | Jerry Losos |
| Schaumburg <br> Tournament / Baer 18: 71 / 6,644 / 71.7 / 130 <br> Players 9: 35/3,189/34.7/124 <br> 401 N. Roselle Rd., Schaumburg • (847) 885-9000 • www.schaumburggolf.com | ton "Pepi" Irwin |
| Sportsman's $\begin{array}{r}\text { Classic 18: 70/6,278/70.4 / } 126 \\ \text { East } 9: 35 / 3,010 / 34.6 / 118\end{array}$ 3535 Dundee Rd., Northbrook $\cdot(847) 291-2351 \cdot$ www.sportsmansgolf.com | Greg Baron |
| Tam O'Shanter $\quad 9: 33 / 2,457 / 63.2$ / 110 6700 W. Howard St., Niles • (847) $965-2344 \bullet$ www.niles-parks.org | Chris Urgo |

Traditions at Chevy Chase 18: 72/6,610/71.9/128
1000 N. Milwaukee Ave., Wheeling • (847) 465-2300 • www.chevychasecountryclub.com
Margie Arnold (GM)

| Twin Lakes | 9: $29 / 1,460 / 35.0 / 113$ |
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Villa Olivia $\quad 18: 72 / 6,510 / 72.4 / 124$

Rt. 20 \& Naperville Rd., Bartlett • (630) 289-1000 • www.villaolivia.com/golfinfo
Walnut Greens 9:27/1,078/unrated
1150 N. Walnut Ln., Schaumburg • (847) 490-7878 • www.walnutgreensgolf.com
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| Weber Park9: $27 / 1,095 / 35.5 / 113$ <br> 9300 Weber Park Pl., Skokie $\cdot(847) 674-1400 \times 3600 \bullet$ www.skokieparkdistrict.org |
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| Willow Hill $9: 35 / 2,895 / 34.2 / 118$ |

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1350 Willow Rd., Northbrook • (847) 480-7888 • wwwwwillowhillgolfcourse.com Adam Kwiatkoski

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Cog Hill

No. 1 / Blue 18: $70 / 6,282 / 69.7 / 118$
No. $2 /$ Ravines 18: 72 / 6,639 / 71.8/124
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No. 42294 Archer Ave., Palos Park • (630) 257-5872 • www.coghillgolf.com
Coyote Run 18: 71/6,478/69.5/123
Practice 3: 9/ 373/unrated
800 Kedzie Ave., Flossmoor • (708) 957-8700 • www.coyoterungolf.com Brian Smith
Dunne National 18: 72/7,262/75.4/142
16310 S. Central Ave., Oak Forest • (708) 429-6886 • www.forestpreservegolf.com
Flagg Creek 9:33/2,493/31.9/104
6939 S. Wolf Rd., Countryside • (708) 246-3336 • www.flaggcreekgolfcourse.com Billy Rosinia
Fountain Hills $\quad 9: 36 / 3,233 / 35.1 / 112$
12601 S . Kedzie Ave., Alsip • (708) 388-4653 • www.fountainhillsgc.com Rich Gottardo (GM)
Fresh Meadow 18: 70/6,283/70.1/116
2144 S. Wolf Rd., Hillside • (708) 449-0000 • www.freshmeadowgc.com Michael Huber
Gleneagles Red / Lakes 18: 70/6,029/68.0/116
13070 McCarthy Rd., Palos Park • (630) $257-5466 \cdot$ www.golfgleneagles.com Gregg Miller
Glenwoodie 18: 72/6,902/71.6/125
19301 S. State St., Glenwood • (708) 758-1212 • www.glenwoodiegolf.com Phil Robbins

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11001 S . Doty Ave. East, Chicago • (312) $782-7837 \cdot \mathrm{mw}$.harborsideinternational.com Joel Voss

|   <br> Hickory Hills $18: 71 / 6,018 / 67.9 / 116$ <br>  $9: 30 / 1,560 /$ unrated | Barrington Park District 5: 15/ 675/unrated 235 Lions Dr., Barrington • (847) 381-0687 • www.barringtonparkdistrict.com |
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| 8201 W. 95th St., Hickory Hills • (708) 598-5900 • www.hickoryhillsgolfclub.com | Bitterswet 18.72/6754/728/130 |
| Jackson Park | 875 Almond Rd., Gurnee • (847) 855-9031 • www.bittersweetgolf.com |
|  | Bonnie Brook 18: 72 / 6,701 / 72.3 / 1282800 N. Lewis Ave., Waukegan • 847 ) $360-4730 \cdot$ www.waukegangolf.org |
| Joe Louis The Champ 18: 72/6,742/71.4/124 <br> 13100 S. Halsted St., Riverdale • (708) 849-1731 •www.forestpreservegolf.com Bryan Carroll |  |
|  | Brae Loch 18: 70/5,876/67.5 / 114 <br> 33600 N. Hwy. 45, Grayslake $\cdot(847) 968-3444 \cdot$ www.lcfpd.org/brae_loch |
| Marquette Park $9: 36 / 3,245 / 35.5 / 119$  <br> 6700 S. Kedzie Ave., Chicago $\cdot(312) 747-2761 \cdot$ www.cdpgolf.com Steve McDaniels (GM) |  |
|  | Buffalo Grove $\quad$ 18: 72/6,693 / 72.1 / 12748 Raupp Blvd., Buffalo Grove $(847) 459-5520 \cdot$ www.buffalogrovegolf.com |
| Meadowlark 9: 36 / 3,404 / 35.9 / 114 <br> 11599 W. 31st St., Oak Brook $\cdot(708) 562-2977 \cdot$ www.forestpreservegolf.com  |  |
|  | Countryside Traditional 18: 72/6,397/70.3/118 <br> Prairie 18: 72 / 6,757 / 71.4 / 121 <br> 20800 W. Hawley St., Mundelein • (847) 968-3466 • www.Icfpd.org/countryside |
| Meadows of Blue Island 18: 71/6,581/71.3/121 <br> 2802 W. 123rd St., Blue Island • (708) 385-1994 • www.meadowsgc.com Jerry Vidovic |  |
| Oak Hills $\quad 9: 34 / 2,520 / 33.0 / 109$ 13200 S. 76 th Ave., Palos Heights • 708 ) 448 - $5544 \cdot$ www.oakhills.com Allan Parkes | Crane's Landing Marriott 18:70/6,290/71.1/130 <br> 10 Marriott Dr., Lincolnshire • (847) 634-5935 • www.craneslandinggolf.com |
| Odyssey 18: 72 / 7,095 / 73.1 / 131 <br> 19110 S. Ridgeland Ave., Tinley Park • (708) 429-7400 • www.odysseycountryclub.com Ed Staffan | Deerfield $\quad$ 18: 72/6,816/72.4/131 1201 Saunders Dr., Riverwoods $\cdot(847) 945-8333 \cdot$ www.deerfieldgolf.org |
|  | Deerpath $\text { 18: } 70 / 6,255 / 70.6 / 130$ |
| Palos Southmoor 9: 35 / 3,154 / 70.4 / 12813100 Southwest Hwy., Orland Park • (708) 448-6550 • www.paloscountryclub.com |  |
|  | Foss Park $\text { 18: } 72 \text { / 6,839 / } 71.9 \text { / } 113$ |
| 9: 35/2,838 / 67.4 / 119Palos Hills7301 W. 105th St., Palos Hills $\cdot(708) 599-0202 \cdot$ www.paloshillsweb.org/golf Gwen Leddy (GM) | 3124 Argonne Dr., North Chicago • (847) 689-7490 • www.fossparkgolf.org Gabe Monroe |
|  | Fox Lake <br> 18: 72 / 6,359 / 71.3 / 126 |
| Ravisloe $\quad 18: 70 / 6,321 / 70.8 / 127$ <br> 18231 S. Park Ave., Homewood $\cdot(708) 798-5600 \cdot$ www.ravisloecountryclub.com |  |
|  | Greenshire 9: $27 / 1,265 /$ unrated |
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|  | Heather Ridge $9: 35 / 3,007 / 35.1 / 117$ |
| Ruffled Feathers 18: 72 / 6,898 / 73.7 / 1401 Pete Dye Dr., Lemont • (630) $257-1000 \bullet$ www.ruffledfeathersgc.com Gordon Acto |  |
|  | Hickory Knoll $\quad 9: 30 / 1,780 / 35.5$ / 113 24745 W. Monaville Rd., Lake Villa $\operatorname{\bullet (847)} 356-8640 \cdot$ www.golfhickoryknoll.com |
| $\begin{array}{cc}\text { Silver Lake } & \begin{array}{c}\text { North 18: } 72 / 6,826 / 72.6 / 124 \\ \text { South 18: } 70 / 6,337 / 70.2 / 124\end{array} \\ \text { Rolling Hills 9: } 29 / 1,587 / 27.1 / \text { unsloped } \\ \text { 14700 S. 82nd Ave., Orland Park }(708) 349-6940 \cdot \text { www.silverlakecc.com Gregg Tengerstrom }\end{array}$ | 24745 W. Monaville Rd., Lake Villa • (847) 356-8640 • www.golfhickoryknoll.com |
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| South Shore $\quad 9: 33 / 2,713 / 32.9 / 112$ <br> 7059 S. South Shore Dr., Chicago $\cdot(312) 955-1892 \cdot$ www.cpdgolf.com Adrienne Carney (GM) | 18: 72/6,589 / 71.3/124 Lake Bluff 355 W. Washington St., Lake Bluff $(847) 234-6771 \cdot$ Www.lakebluffgolfclub.com Ed Heiser |
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| Water's Edge $\quad$ 18: 72/6,904 / 72.9 / 1317205 W. 115th St., Worth • (708) 671-1032 • www.watersedgegolf.com Jim Torloukis (GM) | Libertyville $9: 27 / 1,205 / 35.0 / 113$ <br> 870 Country Club Dr., Libertyville $\bullet(847)$ $362-5733 \cdot$ www.libertyville.com Connie Kowal (GM) |
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| White Mountain 9: 29/1,741/27.1/unsloped <br> 9901 W. 179th St., Orland Park • (708) 478-4653 • www.whitemountaingolfpark.com Mike Camerano |  |
|  | Pine Meadow $18: 72 / 7,297 / 74.8 / 138$ 1 Pine Meadow Ln., Mundelein $\cdot(847) 566-4653 \cdot$ www.pinemeadowgc.com Dennis Johnsen |
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| Antioch 18:71/6,183/70.2/13040150 N. Rt. 59 , Antioch • 847 ( $795-3004 \cdot$ www.antiochgolfclub.com Vince Juarez |  |
|  | Shepherd's Crook $\quad$ 18: 71/6,769 / 72.1 / 128 351 N. Greenbay Rd., Zion • (847) 872-2080 • www.shepherdscrook.org Larry Myers (GM) |
| Arboretum $18: 72 / 6,447 / 71.6 / 137$401 Half Day Rd., Buffalo Grove $\cdot(847) 913-1112 \cdot w w w . a r b o r e t u m g o l f . c o m \quad$ Carmen Molinaro |  |
|  | 23rd St. and Bethesda Rd., Zion • (847) 746-5500, x420 • www.shilohparkgolf.com |



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Apple Orchard 9:27/1,275/unrated
692 W. Stearns Rd., Bartlett • (630) 540-4807 • www.bartettparks.org/Golf/general Tony Nuzzo
Arrowhead South-East 18: 72/6,738/72.5/132
combinations vary West $9: 36 / 3,295 / 35.9 / 130$
26 W 151 Butterfield Rd., Wheaton • $(630) 653-5800 \cdot$ ww.arowheadgolfdub.org
Bruce Stoller (GM)
181 Glen Ellyn Rd., Bloomingdale • 1830 ( $629-6232 \cdot \mathrm{mmw}$.bloomingdalegc.com Dave Shallcross
Cantigny $\quad$ Woodside 9: 36/3,587/37.6/143
18-hole Lakeside 9: $36 / 3,437 / 36.6 / 136$
combinations vary Hillside 9 : $36 / 3,394 / 36.2 / 135$
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Carriage Greens $\quad 18: 70 / 6,395 / 71.4 / 126$
8700 Carriage Greens Dr., Darien • (630) 985-3400 • www.carriagegreens.com
James Sims (GM)

| Country Lakes | 18: $73 / 6,656 / 71.9 / 121$ |  |
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| 1601 Fairway Dr., Naperville $\cdot(630) 420-1060 \cdot$ website inactive | Mike Jablecki |  |
| Eaglewood Resort $\quad 18: 72 / 6,017 / 68.2 / 120$ |  |  |

1401 Nordic Rd., Itasca • (630) 773-1400 • www.eaglewoodresort.com Andy Carr
Downers Grove $\quad 9: 36 / 3,233 / 72.6 / 131$
2420 Haddow Dr., Downers Grove • (630) 963-1306 • www.dgparks.org
Glendale Lakes 18: 71/6,190/69.8/125
1550 President St., Glendale Heights • (630) 260-0018 • www.glendalelakes.com Jennifer Ferrell
Green Meadows $\quad \begin{aligned} & 9: 30 / 1,888 / \text { unrated } \\ & \text { 18W201 W. 63rd St., Westmont } \cdot(630) \\ & 810-5330 \\ & \bullet\end{aligned}$ www.dupagegolf.com Dean Westrom
Klein Creek 18:72/6,701/726/137
1N333 Pleasant Hill Rd., Winfield • (630) 690-0101 • www.kleincreek.com Matte Allman
Links \& Tees $\quad 9: 27 / 1,161 /$ unrated
900 W. Lake St., Addison $\cdot(630) 458-2660 \cdot$ www.addisonparks.org/links_and_tees

Maple Meadows $\quad 18: 70 / 6,438 / 71.0 / 126$
272 S. Addison Rd., Wood Dale • (630) 616-8424 • www.dupage.golf Chris Malek (GM)

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Prairie Landing $18: 72 / 6,950 / 73.8 / 139$
2325 Longest Dr., West Chicago $\bullet(630) 208-7600 \cdot$ www.prairielanding.com Brian King Preserve at Oak Meadows 18: 71/6,718 / 71.9 / 127
900 N. Wood Dale Rd., Addison • (630) 595-0071 • www.dupagegolf.com Ed Stevenson

5900 S. Rt. 53, Lisle • (630) 968-1920 • www.riverbendgolfclub.org Debbie Culbertson
St. Andrews St. Andrews 18: 71/6,920/71.8 / 124
3 N. 441 Rt. 59, West Chicago $0(630) 231-3100 \cdot$ www.standrewsgc.com Dave Erickson Salt Creek 18: 63/3,946 / unrated
701 W. Thorndale Ave., Wood Dale • (630) 773-0184 • www.saltcreekgolfclub.com Tony Perry
Seven Bridges $\quad$ 18: 72/7,111 / 74.6 / 144
1 Mulligan Dr., Woodridge $\cdot(630) 964-7777 \cdot$ www.sevenbridgesgolfclub.com Ben Nachtwey
Springbrook 18: 72 / 6,896 / 73.0 / 130
2220 W. 83rd St., Naperville • (630) 848-5060 • www.springbrookgolfcourse.org Mike Lzyun
Streamwood Oaks 9: 36/3,404/72.9/125
565 Madison Dr., Streamwood • (630) 483-1881 • www.streamwood.org

Twin Lakes 9:28/1,381/unrated
Twin Lakes
400 W. 59th St., Westmont • (630) $852-7167 \cdot$ www.wpd4fun.com Ashley Medley (GM)
Village Greens of Woodridge

Village Links of Glen Ellyn 18: 72/7,208/74.9/138
485 Winchell Way, Glen Ellyn • (630) 469-8180 • www.villagelinksgolf.com Noel Allen

## Western Acres

 9: $35 / 3,052 / 69.2 / 111$2400 W. Butterfield Rd., Lombard • (630) 469-6768 • www.westernacres.com Don Voth
White Pines East 18: 70/6,371/71.1/127
500 W. Jefferson St., Bensenville • (630) 766 We-0304 • wWw.whitepinesgolf.com Mike Huber (GM)
 Zigfield Troy 9:27/1,089 / unrated
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153575 th St., Woodridge • (630) $985-4653 \cdot$ www.zigfieldtroygolf.com Tim Troy, Dennis Troy

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## WILL COUNTY



Tamarack 18: 70/6,901/73.7 / 136
24032 Royal Worington Dr., Naperville • (630) 904-4000 • Www.tamarackgc.com Brett Hafstad (GM)
 University Park 18: 71/6,701/71.4/123
23520 Crawford Ave., University Park • (708) 747-0306 • www.universitygolfclub.com
Bob Geppert

| Wedgewood $\quad$ 18: 72/6,836 / 72.5 / 128 |
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| 5001 Caton Farm Rd., Joliet $\cdot(815) 741-7270 \cdot$ www.jolietwedgewoodgc.com Jason Shook | 5001 Caton Farm Rd., Joliet • (815) 741-7270 • www.jolietwedgewoodgc.com Jason Shook Willow Run $\quad$ 9: 35 / 2,930 / $33.9 / 113$

12600 W. 187th St., Mokena • (815) 485-2119 • www.willowrungolf.net Rich Wisslead (GM) Woodruff 18: 68/5,424/66.1/114
621 N. Gougar Rd., Joliet • (815) 741-7272 • www.jolietwoodruffgc.com Kirk Blakney (GM)

## MCHENRY COUNTY

## Blackstone

18: $72 / 6,734 / 72.8 / 139$
Blackstone
9700 St. Andrews Dr., Marengo •(815) 923-1800 • www.blackstonegc.com Susan Concialdi (GM)

## Boone Creek

Prairie/Creekside 18: 71 / 6,435 / 70.4 / 122
6912 Mason Hill Rd., Bull Valley • $9: 315$ ( 455 -6900 • www.boonecreekgolfclub.com Tyler Wollberg

> | Cary | 18: 72/6,135/69.0/119 |
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| 2400 Grove In Cary • (847) | 639-3161 |

2400 Grove Ln., Cary • (847) 639-3161 • Www.carycountryclub.com Bob Keith
Chalet Hills 18:73/6,877/73.6/137
943 Rawson Bridge Rd., Cary • (847) 639-0666 • www.chalethillsgolfclub.com Brian Smith
Chapel Hill $18: 70 / 6,133 / 70.1$ / 122
2500 N. Chapel Hill Rd., McHenry • (815) $385-3337 \cdot$ www.chapelhillgolf.com Larry Piet (GM)
Craig Woods 9: 34/2,290 / 70.0 / 113
5815 S. Rt. 47, Woodstock • (815) 338-9781 • www.crystalwoodsgc.com
Crystal Woods 18: 72/6,427/70.6/128
5919 S. Rt. 47, Woodstock • (815) 338-3111 • www.crystalwoodsgc.com John Craig
 Golf Club of Illinois $\quad 18: 71 / 7,011 / 74.4 / 137$
1575 Edgewood Rd., Algonquin • (847) 658-4400 • www.golfclubofil.com Robert Lemke (GM) Hunter 18: 72/6,381/69.2/115
5419 Kenosha St., Richmond • (847) 678-7940 • no website
Marengo Ridge $\quad$ 18: 72/6,654/72.5/129
9106 Harmony Hill Rd., Marengo • (815) 923-2332 • www.marengoridgegolfclub.com
Bob Witek (GM)

| Oak Grove $\quad$ 18: 71/7,021/75.0/142 |
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| 16914 Oak Grove Rd., Harvard • (815) 648-2550 • www.oakgrovegolfoourse.com |

Tim Miles Jr. (GM)
Old Top Farm $\quad \begin{aligned} & \text { 9: 37/2,881/300/113 } \\ & 2120 \text { Crystal Lake Rd., Crystal Lake } \cdot(815) 479-9361 \cdot \text { no website }\end{aligned} \quad$ Scott Kerbs
Pinecrest 18: 72/6,604/71.5/123
Pinecrest $\quad$ 18: $72 / 6,604 / 71.5 / 123$
11220 Algonquin Rd., Huntley $\cdot(847) 669-3111 \cdot$ www.huntleyparks.org/parks-facilities/golf/ Mike Yackle

| 9: $36 / 3,029 /$ unratedPistakee <br> 815 W. Bay Rd., McHenry • (815) $385-9854 \cdot$ no website | Jason Whitt (GM) |
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| $\begin{array}{ll} \text { RedTail } & \text { 18: 72 / 6,803 / 72.8 / } 130 \\ 7900 \text { Redtail Dr., Lakewood • (815) } 477-0055 \cdot \text { www.redtailgolf.com } \end{array}$ | Chris Neuhart |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { Waters Edge } \quad \text { 18: } 33 / 1,700 / \text { unrated } \\ & 4005 \text { N. Rt. 23, Marengo }(815) 568-5983 \cdot \text { no website } \end{aligned}$ | Mark Horan |
| Whisper Creek 18: 72/7,103/73.7/133 12840 Del Webb Blva., Huntley • 847 ) $515-7680 \cdot$ www.whispercree |  |

## Kane County

Bliss Creek
18: 69 / 5,592 / 67.0 / 115
1 Golfview Rd., Sugar Grove • (630) 466-4177 • www.blisscreekgolf.com Gordon Pike (GM)
Bonnie Dundee 18:69/6,015/68.1/112
270 Kennedy Dr., Carpentersville • (847) 426-5511 • www.bonniedundeegc.com Jim Opp

1250 Bowes Creek Blva., Elgin $\bullet(847) 214-5880 \cdot$ www.bowescreekcc.com Mike Lehman
Deer Valley 9:29/1,358 / unrated
46W994 Jericho Rd., Big Rock • (630) 556-3333 • www.deervalleygc.net
Fox Valley 18: 72 / 5,937 / 68.6 / 126
2500 N. River Rd., North Aurora - (630) 879-1030 • www.aurora-il.org/operations Jeff Schmidt Highlands of Elgin 18: 72/6,961/73.8/136
875 Sports Way, Elgin • (847) 931 -5950 • www.highlandsofelgin.com Jim Vogt
$\begin{array}{lll}\text { Hughes Creek } & \text { 18: } 72 / 6,506 / 71.6 / 127 \\ 1749 \text { Spring Valley Dr. Elburn • 630) } 365-9200 & \text { •www.hughescreek.com Sam Bradberry }\end{array}$
Mill Creek $18.71 / 6,420 / 71.4 / 135$


| Orchard Valley $\quad 18: 72 / 6,745$ / 72.4 / 134 |
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| 2411 W. Illinois Ave., Aurora • (630) $907-0500 \cdot$ www.orchardvalleygolf.com Jim Tourloukis (GM) |



| Pottawatomie Park $\quad 9: 35 / 3,007 / 69.8 / 122$ |  |
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| 845 N. Second Ave., St. Charles $\cdot(630) 584-8356 \cdot$ www.stcparks.org James Wheeler |  |


| Randall Oaks | $18: 71 / 6,598 / 71.7 / 133$ |
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4101 Binnie Rd., West Dundee | 3: $(847)$ |
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| $428-5661$ |

Settler's Hill $\quad$ 18: $72 / 6,630 / 72.1$ / 130
919 E. Fabyan Pkwy., Batavia $(630) 232$-1636 • www.settlershill.com John O'Connor


Valley Green 10:60/3,841/70,0/113 _
Valley Green 18: $60 / 3,841 / 70.0 / 113$
314 Kingswood Dr., North Aurora $\cdot(630) 897-3000 \cdot$ www.valleygreengc.com

Wolf Run 9: 64/4,229/70.0/113
Wolf Run $\quad \begin{aligned} & 9: 64 / 4,229 / 70.0 / 113 \\ & 1700 \text { Jericho Rd., Aurora • (630) } 906-1402 \cdot \text { www.wolfrungolfcourse.net }\end{aligned}$ Roger Wolf (GM)

## Kendall COUNTY



## Kankakee County

Aspen Ridge $\quad$ 18: 70/6,191 / 69.6 / 119
1763 E. 4000 N Rd., Bourbonnais • (815) $939-1742 \cdot$ ww.aspenridgegolf.com Leo Ciaccio (GM) Cardinal Creek

> Center / South 18: $72 / 6,423 / 70.0 / 122$ North $9: 36 / 3.274 / 35.1 / 122$

615 S. Dixie Hwy., Beecher • (708) 946 - 2800 • www.cardinalcreekgolfclub.com
High Point 9: $27 / 3,263 / 70.8 / 116$
309 High Point Dr., Essex • (815) $365-4000 \cdot$ www.golfhighpoint.com $\quad$ Debra Deegan Kankakee Elks $\quad 18: 71 / 6,430 / 71.1$ / 120
2283 Bittersweet Dr., Aroma Park • (815) 937-9547 • www.elksgolf627.com Kyle Morris
Manteno 18: 72/6,462/70.8/120
7202 N. 4000 E Rd., Manteno •(815) 468-8827 • www.mantenogolf.com C.J. Wade (GM) Minne Monesse $\quad 18: 72 / 6,357 / 70.7 / 126$
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15944 E. Six Mile Grove Rd., Grant Park • (815) 465-6653 • www.minnemonesse.com
15944 E. Six Mile Grove Rd., Grant Park • (815) 465-6653 • www.minnemonesse.com $\quad$ Debra Hurley

| Oak Springs $\quad$ 18: 72/6,260/70.0/122 |
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| 6740 E. 3500 S Rd., St. Anne $\cdot(815) 937-1648 \cdot$ www.oakspringsgolf.com Sam Ortman (GM) |


| Shamrock $\quad 18: 60 / 3,357 / 65.0 / 107$ |  |
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| 6575-B E. Rt. 17, Aroma Park $\cdot(815) 937-9355 \cdot$ golfshamrock.com | Gene Smith |

South Shore $\quad$ 18: $72 / 6,200 / 68.9 / 122$
1727 N. River South Rd., Momence $\cdot(815) 472-4407 \cdot$ website inactive

## LAKE COUNTY / INDIANA

Cedar Creek $\quad 9: 31 / 1,741$ / 66.5 / 104
10483 W. 109th Ave., Cedar Lake $\cdot(219) 365-2902 \cdot$ www.lakecountyparks.com
10483 W. 109th Ave., Cedar Lake • (219) 365-2902 • www.lakecountyparks.com Tom Zimmerman
Centennial Park 9:36/3,300/72.4/132

1005 S. Centennial Dr., Munster • (219) 836-6931 • www.munster.org Matt Meneghetti
Indian Ridge 18:72/6,217/69.1/110

Indian Ridge
6363 Grand Blvd., Hobart • (219) 942 -6850 • www.hegangolf.com Chuck Hegan (GM)
Lost Marsh 18:72/6,872/72.0/128

1001 E. 129th St., Hammond • $\begin{aligned} & \text { 9: } 279 \text { / } 27 \text { / } 932 \text {,-4046 / unrated } \\ & \text { www.lostmarshgolf.com Niko Sullivan }\end{aligned}$
MacArthur 9: $27 / 1,390 /$ unrated
4000 Indianapolis Blvd. (at 140th St.), East Chicago • (219) 391-8362 • no website

Scherwood 18:71/6,849/73.4/125

600 E. Joliet St., Schererville • $\begin{gathered}\text { 9: } 219 \text { ) } 865 \text { / } 1,463 \text { / unrated } \\ \text { ens }\end{gathered}$ South Gleason Park 18: 71/6,312/68.5/108
3400 Jefferson St., Gary • (219) 980-1089 • www.gary.in.us/parks/golf.asp Nymrod Adkins South Shore 18: 70/5,466/67.0/118
14400 Lake Shore Dr., Cedar Lake • (219) 374-6070 • www.golfssc.com/ Dennis Scaggs Summertree $\quad 18: 72 / 6.596 / 71.9 / 124$
2323 E. 101st Ave., Crown Point • (219) 663-0800 • www.hegangolf.com

| Turkey Creek | 18: 70/6,202 / 69.3 / 118 |
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| 6400 Harrison St., Merrillville • $(29)$ 980-5170 • www.turke |  |

6400 Harrison St., Merrillville • (219) 980-5170 • www.turkeycreekgolf.com Chris Cioroianu
White Hawk Grey / Black 18: 72 / 7,011 / 73.9 / 141
1001 White Hawk Dr., Crown Point • (219) 661-2323 • www.whitehawkcountryclub.com
Drew Brining

## Wicker Memorial Park 18: 72/6,887/72.6/122 <br> 8554 Indianapolis Blvd., Highland • (219) 888-9809 • wwwwickermemorialpark.com Bill Springer

## ILLINOIS OUTLYING

## NORTHWEST

## Galena to Rockford / Dekalb




## QUAD CITIES

## Rock Island to Monmouth



| Baker Park | 18: $71 / 6,170 / 68.7 / 112$ | Henry |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| 1095 Cambridge Rd., Kewanee $\cdot(309)$ | $852-2872 \cdot$ http://kewaneeparkdistrict.org/golf/ |  |

Bunker Links 18: 71/6,036/68.7/116 Knox
3500 Lincoln Park Dr., Galesburg • (309) 344-1818

| Byron Hills | 18: 71/6,465/70.5/115 | Rock Island |
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Byron Hills
2331694 th Ave. N, Port Byron • (309) 523-2664 • www.byronhills.com


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## NORTH CENTRAL

## LaSalle-Peru to bloomington



1613 S. Main St., Bloomington • (309) 434-2200
http://4.17.232.139/parks/golf-courses/Highland-Park/general-info.htm



## West Central

 Quincy to Jacksonville




## Greater Metro East Granite City to Cariyle

| 18: 72/6,701/72.7/135 $\left.\begin{array}{l}\text { Acorns } \\ 3933 \text { Ahne Rd., Waterloo } \cdot(618) \\ 939-7800\end{array}\right)$ www.acornsgolflinks.com | Monroe |
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| American Legion Post 9:35/2,652/unrated <br> III. Rt. 157, Edwardsville • (618) 656-9774 • www.edwardsvillelegion.com/golf | Madison <br> lf-course.htm\| |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { Annbriar } \quad 18: 72 / 6,863 / 72.8 / 136 \\ & 1524 \text { Birdie Ln., Waterloo } \cdot(888) 939-5191 \cdot \text { www.annbriar.com } \end{aligned}$ | Monroe |
| Arlington Greens $\quad 18: 72 / 6,907$ / $72.4 / 125$ 200 Arlington Dr., Granite City $\cdot(618) 931-5232 \cdot$ www.arlingtongreens.com | Madison |
|  | Washington |
| Belk Park 18: 72/6,812/71.5/121 880 Belk Park Rd., Wood River • (618) 251-3115 • http://belkpark.com | Madison |
| Bent Oak 18: 36/3,290 / unrated 1725 S. Broadway, Breese • (618) $526-8181 \cdot$ http://breese.org/golf-course/ | Clinton |



| East Fork Par 3 $\quad 9: 27 / 858$ / unrated 5636 E. Branchwood Ln., Olney $\cdot(618) 395-3505 \cdot$ http://eastforkgolf.com | Richland |
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| $\begin{aligned} & \text { Egyptian 9: 36 / 3,042 / unrated } \\ & 4880 \text { US Hwy. 51, Mounds •(618) 745-6412 • www.egyptiancountry } \end{aligned}$ | ulaski com |
| Fairfield 701 NW 9th St., Fairfield $\cdot(618) 847-7222 \cdot$ www.waynecountygolf.com | Wayne |
| Flying M Ranch9: 32 $/ 2,040 / 32.0 / 113$ <br> 6003 Mathis Rd., Centralia • (618) $532-8602 \cdot$ no website | Marion |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { Flora } \begin{array}{l} \text { 9: } 35 / 3,054 / 36.0 / 113 \\ \text { Old Highway } 50 \text {, Flora • }(618) 662-2500 \\ \text { https://m.facebook.com/Flora-Golf-and-Country-Club-165 } \end{array} \end{aligned}$ | Clay <br> 5520246866770 |
| Fore-Way $\quad 9: 36 / 2,910 /$ unrated 16041 N. 1000 th St., Effingham $\cdot(217) 868-5418 \cdot$ www.forewaygolfcour | Effingham <br> m |
|  | ohnson <br> status in limbo |
| Green Hills $\quad 18: 71 / 6,490 / 72.2 / 127$ 3800 E. Fairfield Rd., Mount Vernon $\cdot(618) 244-3961 \cdot$ www.greenhillsgo | Jefferson .net |
| Greenview $18: 70 / 6,150 / 68.5 / 107$ 2801 Putter Dr., Centralia • (618) $532-7395 \cdot$ www.greenviewgolfclub.com | Marion |
| Hardin County (TTI) $9: 36 / 2,657 /$ unrated <br> RR 1, Cave In Rock • (618) 289-4587 • www.hardincountygolfcourse.com | Hardin |
| Hickory Ridge 18: 72/6,863 / 73.3/137 2727 W. Glenn Rd., Carbondale $\cdot(618) 529-4386 \cdot$ www.cpkd.org | Jackson Michael Day |
| 18: 72 / 6,022 / 66.0 / 99 Indian Hills 20 Indian Trail Dr., Mount Vernon. $(618)$ 244-9697 www.facebook.com/Indian-Hills-Golf-Course-Mt-Vernon-IL-175 | Jefferson $5249045826863 /$ |
|  | Jackson |
|  | Williamson |
| $\begin{array}{lr} \text { McLeansboro } & 9: 36 / 3,228 / 70.0 / 112 \\ \text { Golf Course Rd., McLeansboro } \bullet(618) & 643-2400 \bullet \text { www.mclgolf.org } \end{array}$ | Hamilton |
| Mount Carmel Municipal 18:71/6,121/69.2/123 <br> 700 Park Rd., Mount Carmel • (618) 262-5771 • www.mtcarmelgolfcourse.co | Wabash |
| 9: 35/2,842 / unrated 703 W. Market St., Red Bud • (618) 282 -6590 • http://ncclub.weebly.com | Randolph |
| Oak Glen $\quad 18: 71 / 6,086 / 67.7 / 112$ 11234 N. 600th St., Robinson $\cdot(618) 592-3030 \cdot$ www.golfoakglen.com | Crawford |
| Pine Lakes 18: 71/6,003/68.9/123 2705 S . Park Ave., Herrin • (618) 942-6816 • www.pinelakes $18 . c o m$ | Williamson |
| Pyramid Oaks $\quad 9: 36 / 3,100 / 69.9 / 126$ 5500 III. Rt. 4 S., Percy • (618) $497-8484 \cdot$ www.pyramidoaks.com (website | Randolph active) |
| $\begin{array}{ll} \text { Ramsey Lake } & 9: 35 / 2,750 / 62.0 / 103 \\ \text { RR } 1 \text { Box 221, Ramsey } \cdot(618) & 423-2261 \cdot \text { no website } \end{array}$ | Fayette |
| Red Hawk 18: 70/6,273 / 70.5/133 6204 III. Rt. 154, Tamaroa • (618) $357-8712 \cdot$ http://redhawkgc.net | Perry |



## Indiana OUTLYING

| $\begin{array}{l}\text { Aberdeen } \\ 245 \text { Tower Rd., Valparaiso • } 219 \text { ) } 72 / 6,917 / 73.0 / 134 \\ 462-5050 \cdot \text { www.golfataberdeen.com }\end{array}$ | Mike Higdon |  |
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| Beechwood | 18: $72 / 6,657 / 72.8 / 129$ |  |


Birck Boilermaker Kampen 18: 72 / 7,253/76.5/145
1300 Cherry Ln., West Lafayette • $(765)$ 494-3139 • www.purduegolf.com

## Blackthorn 18: 72/7,105/75.2 / 135

6100 Nimitz Pkwy., South Bend • (574) 232-4653 • www.blackthorngolf.com Rich Love
The Brassie 18: 72/7,008/74.3/137
1110 Pearson Rd., Chesterton • (219) 921-1192 • www.thebrassie.com Deane Borcherding
Briar Leaf
3233 N. State Rd., LaPorte • (219)
326-1992
Brickyard Crossing $\quad 18: 72 / 6,994 / 74.5 / 137$
4400 W. 16th St., Speedway • (317) 484-6572 • www.brickyardcrossing.com Jeff Schroeder
Creekside Glen 9: 36/3,270/36.0/125
2335 Clifford Rd., Valparaiso •(219) 531-7888 • www.creeksidegolfcourse.com
Curtis Creek 18:72/6,284/70.6/117
5385 S. 1080 W., Rensselaer (east of) • (219) 866-7729 • www.curtiscreekcountryclub.com
Duck Creek $\quad 18: 70 / 5,338 / 70.0 / 113$
636 N. 700 W., Hobart •(219) $759-5870 \cdot$ www.duckcreekgolfcourse.com Ken Habhan (GM)
Elbel Park 18: 70/6,885/70.7/113
26595 Auten Rd., South Bend • (574) 271-9180 • www.sbparkgolf.org/elbel/
Erskine Park 18:70/6,098/68.5/120
4200 Miami Rd., South Bend • (574) 291-3216 • www.sbparkgolf.org/erskine/


## WISCONSIN

Abbey Springs 18: 72/6,466/71.4/133
1 Country Club Dr., Fontana • (262) 275-6113 • www.abbeysprings.com Jerry Mortier (GM)
Big Oaks 18:72/5,848/unrated

6117 123rd Pl., Pleasant Prairie $\begin{aligned} & 9: 36 / 2,962) \text { 694-4200 • www.bigoaksgolf.com Jose Reyes }\end{aligned}$

## River 18: $72 / 7,404 / 76.2 / 151$ Meadow Valleys 18: $72 / 7,250 / 75.1 / 145$

1111 W. Riverside Dr., Kohler • (866) 847-4856 • www.destinationkohler.com

## The Bog 3121 County Hwy. 1, Saukville • (800) 4844 -3264 • www.golft

## Brighton Dale Links

Bue Spruce 18: 72/6,687/72.0/129
Red Pine 18: $72 / 7,024 / 72.9 / 132$
White Birch 18: $72 / 6,977 / 73.3 / 130$
830 248th Ave., Kansasville • (262) 878-1440 • www.co.kenosha.wi.us/publicworks/golf

| Bristol Oaks | 18: 72/6,319/70.1/120 |  |
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| 16801 75th St., Bristol • $(262)$ | $857-2302 \cdot$ www.bristoloaks.com | Frank Blum (GM) |

Brown Deer Park 18: $71 / 6,716 / 72.6 / 132$
7625 N . Range Line Rd., Milwaukee $\cdot(414) 352-8080 \cdot$ http://milwaukeecountygolfcourses.com
Country Club Estates $\quad 9: 35 / 3$ 011/323/121
365 Pottawatomi Dr., Fontana • (262) $275-3705 \cdot$ www.countryclubestatesgolf.com

| Delbrook | North 9: 35/3,183/ ratings <br> Middle $9: 36 / 3,326 /$ combine |
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Middle 9: 36 / 3,326 / combin
700 S. 2nd St., Delavan • (262) $728-3966 \cdot$ www. delbrookgc.com
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Geneva National Palmer 18: 72/7,171/74.8/140
Trevino 18: 72/7,120/74.5/137
Player 18: 72 / 7,039 / 74.4 / 13
1221 Geneva National Ave. South, Lake Geneva • (262) 245-7000 www.genevanationalresortcom

Grand Geneva Brute 18: 72/6,997/73.8/136
7036 Grand Geneva Way, Lake Geneva • (262) 248-8811 • www.grandgeneva.com

## Hawk's View

Como Crossing 18: 72/7,032/73.1/133
Barn's Hollow 18: 54 / 2,708 / unrated
7377 Krueger Rd., Lake Geneva • (262) 348 -9900 • www.hawksviewgolfclub.com
Johnson Park 18: $72 / 6,703 / 71.5 / 124$
6200 Northwestern Ave., Racine $(262) 637-5068 \cdot$ www.racinegolfonline.com
Lake Lawn Resort $\quad$ 18:70/6,418/69.2/120
2400 E. Geneva St., Delavan • (262) 728 -2347 • www.lakelawnresort.com Jeff Selgren
Lawsonia Links 18: 72/6,853/72.8/130
W2615 S. Valley View Dr., Green Lake •(920) 294-3320 • www.lawsonia.com Jeff Kleinke
Nippersink Resort 18:71/6,652/69.9/119
N1055 Tombeau Rd., Genoa City • (262) 279-6311 • www.nippersinkresort.com Tracy Heim
Petrifying Springs 18:70/5,979/67.8/119
4909 7th St., Kenosha • (262) $552-9052 \cdot$ www.co.kenosha.wi.us/publicworks.golf Chris Adams
Sand Valley $\quad 18: 72 / 6,909 / 72.6 / 128$
1697 Leopold Way, Nekoosa • (888) 651-5539 • www.sandvalleygolfresorts.com
Shoop Park 9:34/2,631/35.5/113
4510 Lighthouse Dr., Racine • (262) 681-9714 • www.racinegolfonline.com
Spring Valley $\quad 18: 70 / 6,354 / 70.1 / 119$
23913 Wilmot Rd., Salem • (262) 862-2626 • www.springvalleyccsalem.com John Wagner
Twin Lakes
1230 Legion Dr., Twin Lakes $\cdot(262)$
877-2500
• www.tlccgolf.com

| University Ridge $\quad$ 18: $72 / 6,888 / 73.2 / 142$ 9002 County Rd. PD, Verona $\cdot(800) 897-4343 \cdot$ www.universityridge.com | Mike Gaspard |
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| Whistling Straits Straits 18: 72/7,790/77.2/152 <br> Irish 18: 72 / 7,201 / 75.6 / 146 <br> N8501 Hwy. LS, Haven • <br> (800) 618-5535 • www.destinationkohler.com |  |

## MICHIGAN

| Angels Crossing 18: 72/7,169/74.3/135 3600 E. West (Schoolcraft) Ave., Vicksburg • (269) $694-2700 \cdot$ www.golfangelscrossing.com |
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| Bay Harbor Preserve / Links 18: 71 / 6,784 / 72.9 / 142 <br> Quarry 9: 36 / 3,341 / 73.0 / 145 (Links to Quarry) <br> 5800 Coastal Ridge Dr., Bay Harbor • (231) 439-4085 • www.bayharborgolf.com |
| 18: 72/6,943/73.7/134 $\begin{aligned} & \text { Belvedere } \\ & 5371 \text { Marion Center Rd., Charlevoix • }(866) 547-2611 \cdot \text { www.belvedereg }\end{aligned}$. |
| 18: 72/7,035/74.8/143 $\begin{aligned} & \text { Black Lake } \\ & 2800 \text { Maxon Rd., Onaway • (989) } 733 \text {-4653 }\end{aligned}$ www.blacklakegolf.com |
| 18: 72 / 7,323 / 75.9 / 145 Eagle Eye 15500 Chandler Rd., Bath • (517) $903-8064 \cdot$ www.hawkhollow.com/eagle-eye-golf-course/ |
| Forest Dunes $\quad$ 18: 72 / 7,116 / $75.2 / 146$ Loop / Red 18:70/6,786 / to be rated - counterclockwise routing Loop / Black 18:70/6,661 / to be rated - clockwise ruting 6376 Forest Dunes Dr., Roscommon • 989 ) 275-0700 • www.forestdunesgolf.com |
| Grand Beach $\quad 9: 36 / 2,955 / 68.6 / 122$ Grand Beach $\bullet(269)$ $469-4888 \bullet$ www.grandbeach.org/pro_shop.htm\| |
| Bear 18: 72/7,078/76.3/148Grand TraverseWolverine 18: $72 / 7,04 / 71.1 / 138$ <br> Spruce Run 18: $70 / 6,304 / 71.1 / 134$100 Grand Traverse Village Blvd., Acme • 231$) 534-6000$https |
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| HawksHead 18: 72/7,003/72.8/129 523 HawksNest Dr., South Haven $(269) 639-2121 \cdot$ wwwhawksheadinks.com Larry Tebelak |
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|  | 801 McHenry Rd., Buffalo Grove | (847) 353-7575 |
| Bushwood Golf | 30 W. Madison St., Maywood | (708) 344-2700 |
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| Diversey Driving Range | 141 W. Diversey Pkwy., Chicago | (312) 742-7929 |
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|  | 500 Park Blvd., Itasca | (630) 773-7997 |
| Harry Semrow Range | 1150 E. Golf Rd., Des Plaines | (847) 296-5764 |
| Highland Park Learning | 2205 Skokie Valley Rd., Highland Park | (847) 433-3422 |
| Lippold Park | 1 E. Crystal Lake Ave., Crystal Lake | (815) 459-0680 |
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| Oakton Range | 2800 W. Oakton Ave., Park Ridge | (847) 692-3580 |
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| Parfection Park | 6215 S. Bridge St., Yorkville | (630) 553-6855 |
| Partner Golf Center | 6615 W. Irving Park Rd., Chicago | (773) 286-2060 |
| Pro Circle | 1810 Rt. 12, Spring Grove | (815) 675-2747 |
| Riedy's Tee Time | 1400 Maple Ave., Lisle | (630) 852-5759 |
| Skokie Sports Park | 3459 Oakton St., Skokie | (847) 674-1500 |
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## NEXT MONTH

Review of The Preserve at Oak Meadows; plus Illinois' most complete course guide

## BMW NOTEBOOK <br> Garcia has one on the rocks

by Tim Cronin

Sergio Garcia's adventure on the final hole at Conway Farms might still be going on if not for a bad ruling. Garcia hit his second shot into the rocky stream fronting the green and wanted a drop because, he said, he couldn't play his third shot backwards with a carom off a rock without hitting the side of a corporate tent. This was nonsense, since he'd had hit the rock and the club would have gone no farther, but rules official Stephen Cox bought it and Garcia got his drop, and eventually made par. ... Ollie Schniederjans was even for 17 holes on Sunday and finished with a 77 , thanks to a septuple-bogey 11 on the 18th hole. He lost one ball in the hay and two in the creek. He whacked his ninth shot on the green and two putted. He finished 66th at 2-over 286. ... Wesley Bryan opened the day with a round of Speedgolf, or something close to it. He whipped around Conway Farms in 88 minutes, scoring 2 -under 69 before most of the estimated 26,000 spectators had assembled. ... Attendance was about 88,000 for four days. ... Don't be surprised if the Tour Championship starts moving about the landscape beginning with the 2018-19 season, though it's anchored at East Lake Golf Club in Atlanta and its two major sponsors, Coca Cola and Southern Company, are headquartered there. ... Next year's BMW will go east to Aronimink Golf Club in Newtown Square, Pa., near Philadelphia, on Sept. 6-9. The 1959 Western Open was at Pittsburgh Field Club, in which Mike Souchak edged Arnold Palmer, was the first.


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