

SWING THOUGHTS

Summer
2009



UPCOMING EVENTS

Please call either Pro Shop to Sign Up for the Following Events

DOWN EAST PIG PICKIN AND NEIGHBORHOOD BASH

JULY 25 @ NE
5:30 PM

LIVE MUSIC, HAPPY HOUR, HORS D'OEUVRES, DINNER AND DESSERTS!

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410-287-0200 EXT. 5

VICTORY COUPLES TOURNAMENT

JULY 25 @ NE - SCRAMBLE FORMAT
11:30 AM

JULY 26 @ RS - BETTER BALL NET & GROSS
10:30 AM

MEN'S & LADIES' SENIOR CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

JULY 29 @ RS - TEE TIMES
9:00 AM

BARBIN CUP

AUGUST 16 @ RS - TEE TIMES
AUGUST 17 @ NE - TEE TIMES
10:30 AM

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PLAYER OF THE YEAR POINTS

As of 7/5/09

Tom Vincenti	242.50
Jim Weinzetl	213.75
Tammy Vincenti	180.00
Pepper Martin	145.00
Joan Martin	126.25
Mike Callanan, Jr.	107.50
Arlene Zamora	106.25
Wendy Webb	95.00
Linda French	87.50
Susan Eichler	86.25
Evelyn Haiber	85.00
Bernie Weed	78.75
Jim Roney	76.25
John Webb	76.25
Gail Cooper	70.00
Dave Layton	70.00
Jim French	67.50
Carlene Jones	67.50
Rich Haiber	57.50
Phyllis Pepper	56.25
Sue Iardella	50.00
Paul Chaney	38.75

HOLE-IN-ONE

Excitement filled the air on Tuesday, July 7, when Kay Shivery got a hole-in-one at the Rising Sun Course. Kay's ace occurred on the 15th hole while she was playing with the Ladies' Association. Congratulations Kay!

WAY TO GO BARBIN BOYS!

Congratulations to Andy Barbin's 8 year old son, Austin, and 10 year old son, Zachary. Both Austin and Zach participated in the U.S. Kids Golf World Championship Qualifier and qualified for the 2009 U.S. Kids Golf World Championship. This year's Championship will take place August 6-8, 2009 in Pinehurst, North Carolina.

Good luck, Austin and Zach. Everyone at Chesapeake Bay Golf Club will be rooting for both of you!

DOWN EAST PIG PICKIN AND NEIGHBORHOOD BASH

Be sure to join us at the North East Course on Saturday, July 25, for an evening of great food and lots of fun. Chef Brandon Gentry will be cooking, pickin and serving a whole pig Down East Carolina style! We start at 5:30 pm with Live Music and Happy Hour / Hors d'oeuvres followed by Dinner and Desserts. A menu is enclosed with this newsletter. Don't miss out on a fantastic feast!

TOURNAMENT WINNERS

Congratulations to the following tournament winners!

LADIES' MEMBER GUEST

Low Gross ~ 153

Ruth Clutter / Janet Wolf /
Liz Clark / Becky Biggs

Low Net ~ 111

Phyllis Pepper / Karen Kitchen /
Sue Iardella / Linda Misetic

LADIES' CHESAPEAKE CUP

First Place ~ 124

Tracie Martin / Joan Martin

FATHER'S DAY SCRAMBLE

18 Hole Division ~ 2 Person

First Place ~ 71

Gordon & Matt Hiltz

Second Place ~ 73

Bruce & Kelsey Diehl

18 Hole Division ~ 4 Person

First Place ~ 63

Tom Vincenti, Sr. / Tom Vincenti, Jr. /
Casey Vincenti / Anthony Vincenti

Second Place ~ 63

Andy Barbin / Andrew Barbin, Jr. /
Zach Barbin / Austin Barbin

9 Hole Division ~ 2 Person

First Place ~ 45

Robert & Casey Pinkerton

9 Hole Division ~ 4 Person

First Place ~ 32

Pepper Martin / Chuck Martin /
Chuckie Martin / Steve Kennedy

Second Place ~ 33

Andy Barbin / Zach Barbin /
Austin Barbin / Evan Barbin

TIP OF THE MONTH

PUTTING

By Brian Kramp, PGA Professional

In this lesson tip, I would like to talk about putting and offer a few drills to try to help you lower your scores on the golf course. Many times when I have a lesson with a golfer who says that they want to try to lower their average score by five or ten strokes, I always try to find out how much time the golfer spends on or around the practice putting green working on their short game and putting. The answer is usually, "Oh, not much," or "Maybe five or ten minutes." I try to make the student realize that the 12 inch putt or the chip shot from just off the green counts just as much as the 300 yard tee shot at the start of any hole.

Most golfers do not realize that if they played a perfect round of golf on a par 72 golf course, that with one club, the putter, 50% of their shots would be on the putting green and that less than 20% of their shots would be with a driver. Think about it...you tee off on all the par 4's and 5's with a driver. That is 14 shots. Your second shot on the par 4's you might use anywhere from a 3 iron to pitching wedge, depending on the length of the hole. On the par 5's, you would lay up on your second shot and then hit a short iron to the green. On the par 3's, you are probably hitting an iron to tee off. Once on the green, if you two putt every hole, that would be 36 putts. Yet most golfers want to continuously hit a driver, 3 wood or long iron when they come for a lesson.

When putting, I basically like my students to stand with the ball in the middle of their stance, arms relaxed and hanging from their shoulders, with their eyes directly over the ball. The stroke should be almost a pendulum type motion keeping the putter head close to the ground. Try to keep the body as still as possible and do not look up to see where the ball is going too soon. Most times when you look up too early, this causes you to open the putter face and push the ball or you hit the ball on the upswing causing the ball to bounce and not take a true roll.

There are a couple of drills that I like to do when I am practicing putting. The first one I call the circle drill. Starting about three feet from the hole, I place six or eight balls around the hole. I then work my way around the circle of balls, putting each one into the hole. If I miss one, I start over again from the beginning. If I make them all, I then move back to five or six feet and do the same thing. I then finish the drill with an eight to ten foot putt. This drill can give you a feel for uphill, downhill and hopefully putts that break both left and right.

The second drill helps me with the pace of the green and my distance control. Find an area of the putting green that is relatively flat. Place a tee next to where your ball is. Take your putting stance and make a putt, taking the putter back to about the middle of your foot. When the ball comes to a stop, pace off the distance from the tee to where the ball came to rest. Now make a second putt from the tee but this time only take the putter back to the inside of your foot. Pace of this distance. It should be shorter than the first putt. Return to the tee again and make a third putt, taking the putter just past your foot. When you pace this distance, it should be farther than the first. Now when you get on the golf course, all you do is pace the distance from your ball to the hole. Based on what you did on the putting green, you should know about how far you have to take the putter back to achieve the correct distance. Remember though to make some adjustment if it is an uphill or downhill putt and for any break in the green. Work on these two drills and it should help take some shots off of your score.



Congratulations!