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## FROM THE EDITOR

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The magazine this month is filled with tournaments. Women and charity tournaments seem to dominate the fairways. I suppose that we men should just enjoy the beauty of it all. The weather has made our favorite landscapes lush and green. The flowers and ladies have surely enhanced this lovely scene.

I recently had the pleasure of playing in a United Way tournament. With a nine under par, our team managed to come in fourth. The winning team consisted of three men, and (you guessed it) a lady. It is a good sign for golf when young men and women are enjoying and mastering this wonderful game.

With that in mind, I encourage all golfers to support these young players and the charities that will benefit from their efforts. Please let me know of any charity golf tournaments in your areas. SCAGMAG will be honored to promote them.



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# LOW COUNTRY

## HILTON HEAD

### Martin Fires 9-Under-Par to Win at Oyster Reef

**HILTON HEAD ISLAND, SC** — This weekend Oyster Reef Golf Club was host to one of the International Junior Golf Tour's (IJGT) strongest fields to date. Each division had low scores, narrow margins of victory, and a wide array of talent. It is the second time the IJGT has visited Oyster Reef this season. This 18-hole Rees Jones design showcases winding lagoons and lush vegetation, but could not tame players as the winners of the boys and girls 15-19 divisions each finished 36 holes under par.



In the Boys 15-19 Division, newcomer Joshua Martin, Pinehurst, NC, took the reigns over the competition during round one and never looked back. Martin fired an opening round 68 followed by 67 on Sunday to finish a total of 9-under-par, 135. Martin finished the weekend with just three bogies, 12 birdies, and a remarkable bogey-free 32 closing nine on Sunday afternoon. With his final round performance he was awarded the hardware along with the Druh Belts low round belt buckle. The battle for second place was won by Poom Pattaropong, of Bangkok, Thailand. Pattaropong bettered his first day total of 75 with a 73 for a 2-day-total of 148. He has yet to shoot above 80 in his past nine rounds with four top five's in five appearances. Ben Dietrich of Conover, NC, finished a close third with a weekend total of 149 after a first round 2-under, 70. Dietrich now has three top-5 outings in as many showings during the IJGT spring season.

After the round we spoke with Joshua Martin discussing why he was so successful in this weekend's tournament, "I was able to shoot nine under this weekends and really played well especially while putting which is why I was able to put together two rounds under par."

In an outstanding display of talent, two players finished under par for the weekend at Oyster Reef in the Girls 19-U Division. Rika Park of Fujieda-Shi-Shizuoka, Japan came out on top by just one with a four-under 140. Park had the first round lead after shooting a girl's best 69. Second place finisher Ayaka Nakayama of Kanagawa, Japan tried to close in on her one shot deficit. Park and Nakayama both had Sunday rounds of 1-under 71 to remain in first and second place from round one. This is Park's fourth consecutive victory and fifth of the 2010-11 season in just six tournaments. Park was awarded the Druh Belts belt buckle after a scorecard playoff settled her as the champion. Pailin Ruttanasupagid of Bangkok, Thailand, had a weekend total of 151 to take home third place. Ruttanasupagid has not finished outside the top five in all her spring IJGT tournaments.

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# LOWCOUNTRY

## HILTON HEAD

### Terriers Take Eighth at SoCon Championship: Rankin, Covar Earn All-SoCon Honors

HILTON HEAD, S.C. — Led by Alex Rankin, who finished tied for sixth with a 231 and earned All-Southern Conference, the Wofford College women's golf team wrapped up their season with an eighth place finish at the Southern Conference Women's Golf Championship with a 975 over the par 72, 6,005-yard Moss Creek Golf Club's North Course.

Rankin, 79-75-77—231 (+15), was the only Terrier in the top 20. She finished 12 strokes off of tournament winner, Emma de Groot from Chattanooga who shot a 74-71-74—219 (+3).

Trailing Rankin for the Terriers was Anne Marie Covar, who earned All-Freshman Team and SoCon Freshman of the Year, shot a 85-88-78—251, and Sarah Hurt who fired a 81-83-89—253. Meredith Few, 93-80-81—254, and Tarah Taylor, 87-88-81—256 rounded out the Terrier scorers for the championship.

Wofford finish in eighth with a 975. They posted scores of 332, 326 and 317 over the three days on the course. Chattanooga took the top team spot with a 303-305-292—900, while College of Charleston finished in second with a 313-312-305—930. Furman rounded out the top three with a 320-311-303—934, and Western Carolina (323-322-302—936) and Elon (320-319-309—949) completed the top five. UNC Greensboro (311-319-326—956), Samford (323-325-319—967), Wofford (332-326-317—975), App State (331-319-329—979), and The Citadel (346-351-352—1049) wrapped up the field



### Men's Golf Takes Sixth at SoCon Championship

FLORENCE, S.C. — The Wofford men's golf team ended their season with an 882 (+18) at the Southern Conference Men's Golf Championship in sixth place at the par 72, 7,062-yard Country Club of Florence. Brent Whitehead and Chandler Brazeal earned All-SoCon honors.

The Terriers opened the championship with a 295 on day one leaving them in a tie for sixth place, but they responded on day two score of 289, which was the third lowest team total for the tournament. In the third and final round, the Terriers shot a 298 to finish six shots behind the fifth place team, College of Charleston, and four strokes ahead of the seventh place team, Elon.

Georgia Southern claimed the championship and NCAA automatic regional bid with a score of 861 (-3). UNC Greensboro finished second, 866 (+2), with Chattanooga taking third, 867 (+3). Samford, 875 (+11), took fourth, C of C, 876 (+12), finished fifth and Wofford took sixth with their 882 (+12). Elon, 886 (+22), Davidson, 887 (+23), Western Carolina, 895 (+31), Appalachian State, 897 (+33) and Furman, 900 (+36) rounded out the field.

On the individual side, Wofford was led by Brent Whitehead who shot a 71-72-72—217 (+1) over the three rounds and finished tied for 11th. Chandler Brazeal, 75-69-75—219 (+3), tied for the lowest round of the tournament on day two with a 69, finished tied for 15th. Zach Capps, 75-74-73—222 (+6) signed his scorecard in a tie for 25th, while Mark Joye, 74-74-77—225 (+9), and Charles Moore, 75-74-76—225 (+9) both finished tied for 37th.

The Terriers placed two members on the SoCon All-Conference Team, Brazeal and Whitehead. Brazeal also earned top freshman honors garnering SoCon Freshman of the Year.

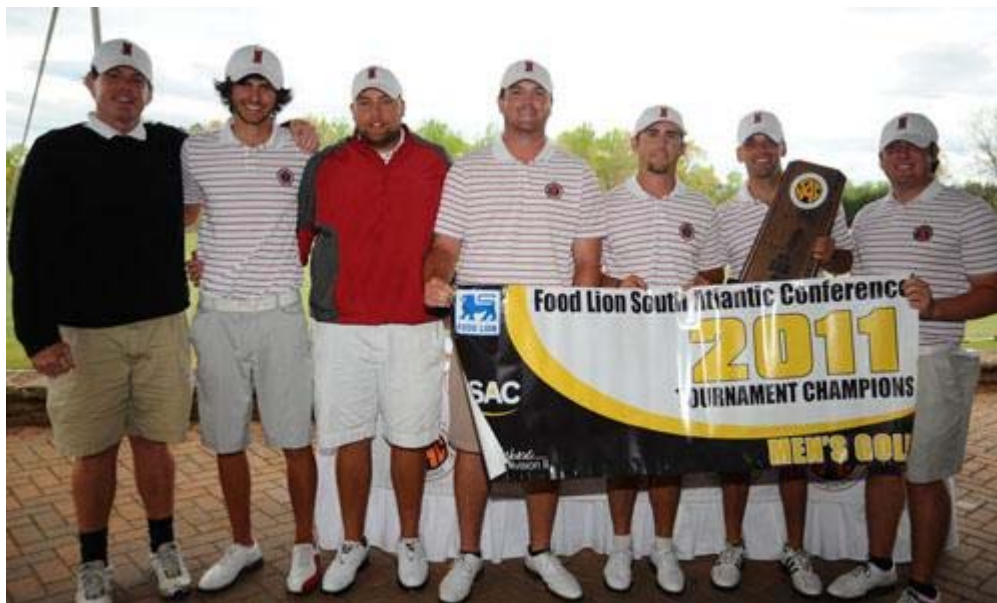


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## Stanley, Wolves claim 2011 SAC Championship



CONOVER, N.C. - Newberry College senior Daniel Stanley (Inman, S.C.) claimed his second consecutive South Atlantic Conference title, shooting a 3-over par 219 as he led the Wolves to the 2011 Food Lion SAC Championship at the Jones Course of the Rock Barn Golf and Spa. The team championship is the third in Newberry history, while Stanley is the third SAC medalist in school history.

Stanley shot an even-par 72 in Tuesday's final round, while Monday leader Clifford Blanquicet of Wingate shot 76 and Catawba's Brad Cline shot 75 to finish two strokes back of Stanley at 5-over for the tournament.

The Wolves carried a 14-stroke lead into Tuesday's third and final round, but had to withstand a furious charge from Tusculum College. The Pioneers trailed Newberry by 23 strokes after Monday, and shot a 291 - the second-best round of the tournament - to finish just five strokes behind the Wolves.

Behind Stanley's medalist effort for Newberry were two other all-tournament honorees. Chandler Gruenemeier (Jacksonville, Fla.) tied for seventh place with an 11-over par 227 and Ben Lown (North Augusta, S.C.) tied for 10th with a 13-over par 229.

Matthew Killen (Yorkshire, England) tied for 12th with a 15-over par 231 and SAC Golfer of the Year Matthew Campbell (Rome, N.Y.) rounded out Newberry players with an 18-over par 234 to tie for 18th. No other school had all five of its competitors finish in the top 20 of the tournament.

**The SAC Championship is the third in program history, with the 2011 Wolves joining the 2008 Newberry College Indians and 2009 scarlet and gray as the top team in the league. The Wolves will make their fifth trip to the NCAA Super Regional Tournament with the league title. This year's senior class becomes one of the most successful sports teams in Newberry history with three league titles and one second place finish and will make four regional appearances.**

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## Four Wolves named all-SAC: Ressler McCants named SAC Coach of the Year

ROCK HILL, S.C. - Four Newberry College women's golfers were named to the annual all-South Atlantic Conference teams and head coach Lauren Ressler McCants earned her second consecutive SAC Coach of the Year award when the league office announced the awards Friday.

A conference record three Wolves were named to the all-SAC first team. Newberry is the first SAC institution to ever have more than two players on the first team since the league

added women's golf in the 1999-2000 season. Maria Luz Besio (Buenos Aires, Argentina), Barbara Castro (Coruna, Spain) and Julia Daneshfar (Trophy Club, Texas) were all named to the first team all-conference.

Besio earns her third consecutive first team all-SAC honor, becoming the first Newberry women's golfer to be named to three all-conference teams. The 2010 NCAA Division II National Runner-Up is averaging 78.9 strokes per round this season, with two top five and four top 10 finishes in eight tournaments this year.

Castro is named to the first team this year after earning second team honors as well as first team all-SAC Tournament honors in 2010. She is averaging 78.6 strokes per round this season, with one top five, four top 10 and five top 20 finishes in eight tournaments.

Daneshfar earns all-SAC honors in her first season with the Wolves. She leads the team with a 77.9 stroke average and has one top five, five top 10 and six top 20 finishes so far this season.

The Newberry trio is joined on the first team by SAC Women's Golfer of the Year Jessica Tarbet of Carson-Newman and Wingate's Ashley Denton.

Natalia Perez (Bogota, Colombia) earned her first career postseason honor as she was named second team all-SAC. Perez is averaging 80.8 strokes per round with two top 10 and three top 20 finishes this year.

She is joined on the all-SAC second team by Erica Ray from Carson-Newman, Katie Thackerson and Brenna Martens from Lenoir-Rhyne and Brittany McCown from Lincoln Memorial.

The golf All-Conference awards are determined by head-to-head rankings as determined by Golfstat, Inc.

Ressler McCants earns SAC Coach of the Year honors for the second straight season. She has led the Wolves to a consistent top 20 or higher ranking in both the coaches' poll and the GolfStat head-to-head rankings. Under her leadership, the Wolves are on pace to qualify for the NCAA Division II South Region Tournament for the second consecutive season and tied the SAC record for lowest round, shooting a 295 in the second round of the Pfeiffer Falcon Cup.



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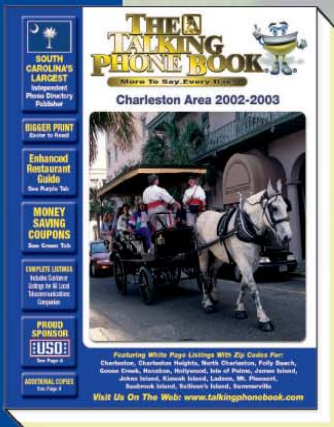
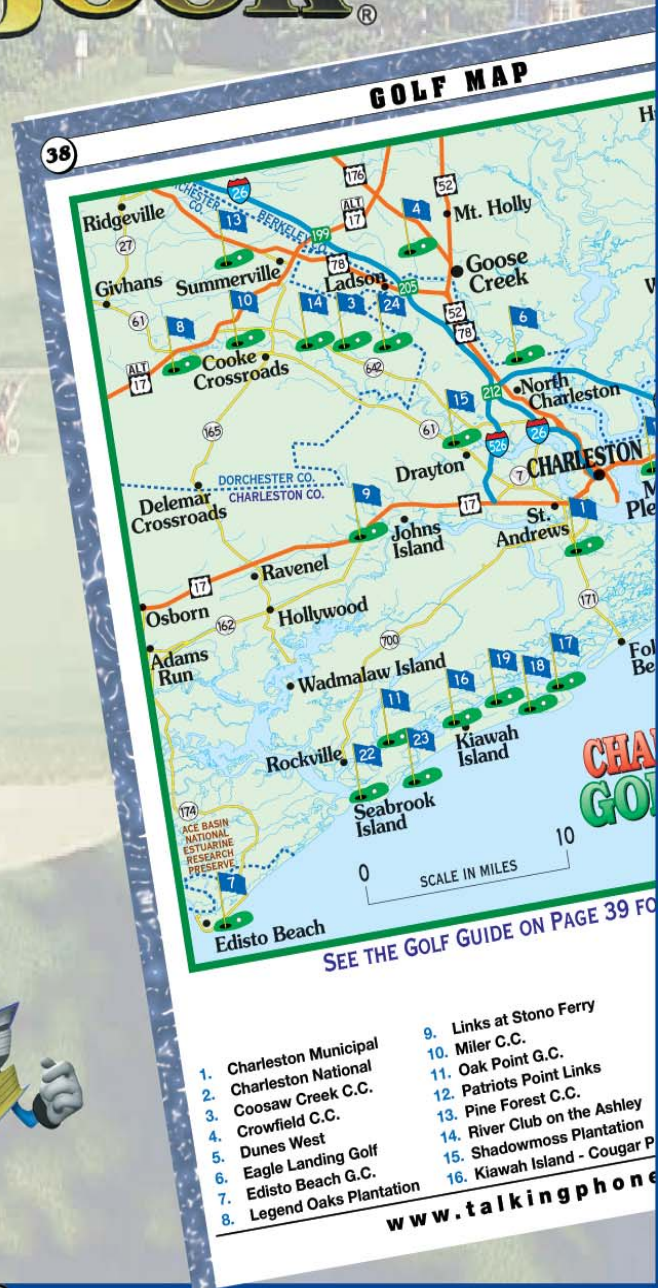
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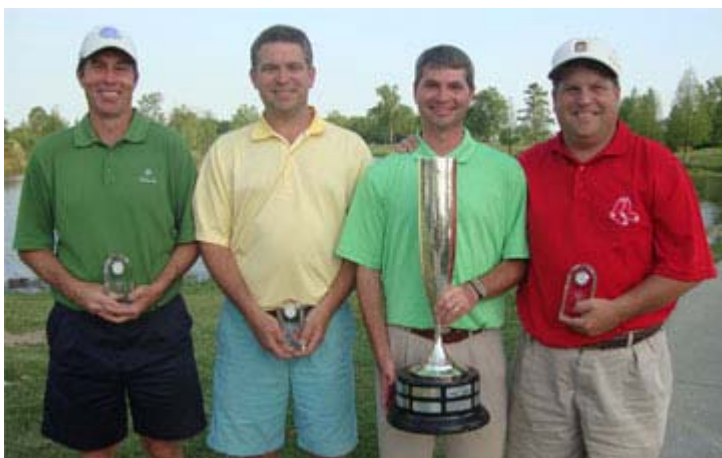


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**Aiken SC - Columbia Country Claims Title for 13th Time** - The team consisting of Eddie Hargett, David Dargan & Robert Dargan combined to shoot a three under par score of 210 and have captured the coveted Trescott Cup for a record 13th time in the history of the event. The event, being hosted by The River GC in North Augusta consisted of 29 teams from across the state playing for the Championship. The Trescott score was determined by the aggregate score of all three amateurs for the team. In the Pro-Am portion of the event, The Creek GC led by professional Mike Byce took first place honors.



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## Women's Golf Selected to NCAA West Regional

**COLUMBIA, S.C.** - South Carolina will compete in the NCAA Women's Golf Championship for the 13th consecutive year, earning a bid to the NCAA West Regional, which runs May 5-7 at Washington National Golf Club in Auburn, Wash. The 72-team, 18-individual field was announced Monday night by the NCAA with 24 schools and six individuals competing in each of three regionals.

The Gamecocks, ranked 36th in the latest Golfstat release, are seeded 12th out of the 24 teams. The West Regional is hosted by the University of Washington. Washington National Golf Club is the Huskies' home course, located approximately 35 miles south of the school's Seattle campus.

"Although a bit longer of a trip than we had expected, we are excited to compete in the West Regional," head coach Kalen Anderson said. "We have come off a needed weekend of rest, and we will be practicing, preparing and playing throughout the week between finals. The team is playing with a lot of confidence right now and we will focus on keeping our games sharp."

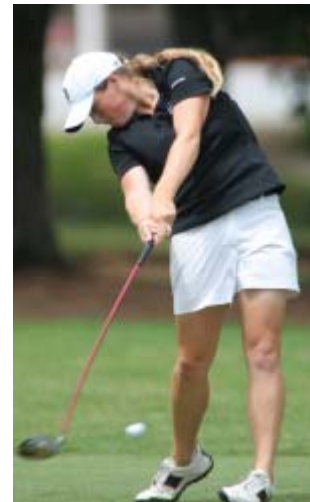
Carolina wasn't the only team from the East Region to be shipped to the Pacific Northwest. The Gamecocks will be joined in Washington by Southeastern Conference mates Georgia and Tennessee, seeded fourth and fifth, respectively; ACC foe Virginia - the No. 2 seed - is the other West regional participant from east of the Mississippi River. Southern California is the region's top seed with Arizona seeded third. Pepperdine, Iowa State, UC Davis, Texas A&M and Oklahoma round out the top 10 seeds. Sixteen teams ranked in the nation's top 50 will compete in the West Regional.

Eleven of the 12 SEC schools received bids to the regional round. Alabama, Auburn, Florida, Mississippi, Vanderbilt and Kentucky will compete in the East Regional in Daytona Beach, Fla., while LSU and Arkansas are set for the Central Regional in South Bend, Ind.

The Gamecocks are the defending NCAA East Regional champions, shooting an even-par 864 over 54 holes to win the program's first regional title last May at Ironwood Golf Club in Greenville, N.C. Katie Burnett, a sophomore at the time, was the tournament medalist at 210 (-6), her first tournament title as a collegian and the third regional championship by a Gamecock women's golfer.

This year marks South Carolina's 13th consecutive appearance in an NCAA Regional, dating back to the 1999 season. It will be the 16th time overall for the Gamecocks to compete in postseason play, but the first appearance in a West Regional. All previous NCAA tournament appearances for the Gamecocks have come in the East Regional.

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One of the highlights of the busy Golf Week schedule is the announcing of the SCGA Club of the Year on Friday, April 15th which is also Club Appreciation Day. The SCGA is pleased and proud to announce that the 2011 Club of the Year is the Country Club of Spartanburg in Spartanburg, SC. The historic club was founded in 1908 at the home of Mr. A.W. Twitchell.

The C.C. of Spartanburg thrives in tradition and supporting the game of golf. The club has had three SCGA Presidents, Mr. Russell Lentz (1950), Mr. Bob by Chapman (1955) and Mr. Doug Smith (2010-11). Four members of the SC Golf Hall of Fame called C.C. of Spartanburg their home: PJ Boatwright, Betsy Rawls, Patsy Johnson and Joe Davis.

In terms of supporting the SCGA tournament programs, the Country Club of Spartanburg has hosted three Amateur Championships (1948, 1953 & 1959). A fourth Amateur Championship is scheduled for 2012. In 2010 the C.C. of Spartanburg hosted the SCGA's Mid Amateur. The C.C. of Spartanburg's support of regional and state associations has also included many CGA championships and USGA qualifiers.

The support by the C.C. of Spartanburg has not been limited just to the tournament programs. In 1995, the club accepted the role as host to the Bob by Chapman Junior Invitational. The Bob by Chapman is not only a premier junior event, but also uses sponsorship funds to contribute to the South Carolina Junior Golf Foundation. Since inception, the Bob by Chapman has donated over \$160,000 to the foundation to support junior education and recreation.

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## **Ford III and Smunk Win 43rd Carolinas Senior Four-Ball Championship With Record Score**

**Spartanburg, SC** - Frank Ford III of Charleston, SC and Bill Smunk of Kingstree, SC birdied the last five holes to win the Carolinas Senior Four-Ball Championship by two strokes over defending champions Paul Simson of Raleigh, NC and Don Detweiler of Raleigh, NC.

Ford and Smunk finished with a three-day score of 193 which is a championship scoring record since the event was expanded to 54 holes in 2002.



Ford III, a 59-year-old financial services vice president, and Smunk, a 60-year-old insurance agency owner, entered the final round only one stroke back of Michael Bivins of High Point, NC and Trip Gentry of Greensboro, NC. A front nine 30 gave them a one-stroke lead heading into the back nine. Simson-Detweiler and Bivins-Gentry gave chase but the five consecutive birdies sealed the victory for Ford and Smunk.

Bivins and Gentry played well as they posted a final round six-under 66—196 but it was not enough to keep pace. They finished alone in third place.

“We played spectacular golf and about as good as we could play”, Ford III said on their round of 62. “Playing against Paul (Simson) we knew that we had to keep our foot to the pedal. Paul’s greatness makes you play your best golf.”

The victory marks the eighth CGA championship crown for Ford III (Carolinas Amateur (1992); Carolinas Four-Ball (1985, 87, 90, 92); Carolinas Mid-Amateur (1998); Carolinas Pro-Amateur (1988)) and the third title for Bill Smunk (Carolinas Four-Ball (1994); Carolinas Senior Four-Ball (2007)).



## **Paul Tucker Wins 31st Carolinas Mid-Amateur Championship**

**Charlotte, NC** - Paul Tucker, the 32 year old vice president of Tucker Lumber Company came from two strokes back to win the 31st Carolinas Mid-Amateur Championship at the Carolina Golf Club. Paul toured the recently renovated Ross gem with three birdies on the front side which turned out to be all he needed after an even par effort on the back.

## **Raleigh Country Club Wins 34th Carolinas Pro-Amateur Club Championship**

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## The Stimpmeter: Friend Or Foe? (continued from April Issue)



Regardless, each golf course needs to establish a reasonable expectation for daily green speed based upon their resources, design characteristics and turfgrass.

In recent years, golfers have trended towards more consistent daily green speeds without severe peaks and valleys depending upon the day of the week. The practice of ramping up green speed for the weekend through aggressive grooming and maintenance, and then backing off during the week, creates more problems with green speed. Consider your average golfer. On Saturday, this golfer tees off during the morning hours and putts on greens that were just prepared for play. During the week, this same golfer may not tee off until after work, when the greens have been growing all day. If the greens were ramped up for the weekend, the disparity in speed for weekend and weekday play can be dramatic. This leads to complaints of inconsistent or slow greens during the week. Maintaining consistent, well paced greens on a daily basis is becoming more common.

So how does the Stimpmeter fit into this context? The Stimpmeter provides knowledge, and knowledge is powerful. The first step to this process is to determine a reasonable daily green speed, taking into account the parameters of your individual golf course. Once this standard is established, efforts can be geared towards maintaining the standard. **Keep in mind that if the standard is reasonable for your golf course situation, by definition the health of the turfgrass will not be compromised.** Some understanding of stressful times of the growing season for your area is required as well.

Stimpmeter readings should be taken frequently to monitor green speed. This is an extra chore. With the knowledge of the actual speed, an educated conversation can be conducted about the greens. Similar areas should be tested by the same person to eliminate variability in measurements. So long as all parties involved know the standard, posting of green speed is not necessary or recommended. If a golfer complains about slow greens, the answer may be as simple as explaining that the green speed has been the same for several days. Perhaps, the greens are slower. Knowing this fact provides the opportunity to explain the factors that are affecting speeds. Maybe the greens were not rolled in the interest of time, or a heavy irrigation or rainfall occurred that prompted mowing to be skipped. If you do not know the actual green speed, your performance may be evaluated based upon the whims of a golfer that had a bad day, rather than the actual conditions that are present.

If you are one of the fortunate few that do not receive pressure for faster greens, count your blessings. For most, green speed is one of the biggest points of comparison between golf courses. In fact, for some, speed of greens and their overall condition is the biggest factor in the evaluation of golf course conditioning. Using the Stimpmeter to measure green speed provides an opportunity to educate golfers about what is being achieved on the greens on a daily basis. This solution may not be necessary for everyone, but the Stimpmeter can take the guesswork out of daily green speeds. How can the speed of greens be discussed if you do not know how fast they are? They cannot. In this regard, the Stimpmeter is definitely your friend!

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## **“R” Handicap Reduction**

Spring is here, and so are the handicap reductions designated by the letter “R” in the handicap index files of many a golfer.

If the letter “R” appears after your handicap index, it means that your handicap is reduced because of exceptional tournament scores in your record of scores.

This is part of the USGA handicap system. It is done automatically.

### **Does this mean the USGA thinks I am a sandbagger?**

No, it means simply that you have had some good tournament scores within the last 12 months.

### **My handicap is based on my last 20 scores. How can a score that is eight months old affect my handicap?**

Tournament scores are retained for up to 12 months. Again, this is part of the USGA handicap system.

### **What exactly has happened?**

The math is simple, but it includes several steps. First, you need two or more tournament scores. Next, the handicap system looks at your second best tournament score. The quality of those scores is evaluated with the course rating and the slope of the tees you played plus the number 113. If the quality of that second best tournament score is three or more shots better than the handicap index you would get from the regular procedure, then your handicap will be determined by the TWO BEST tournament scores in your record. More math is involved to create your tournament-score driven handicap index.

### **How long am I stuck with this reduction?**

That depends on how you play going forward and when those good tournament scores were played. They go away after one calendar year. If your subsequent rounds are relatively good for you, then that three-shot difference between the second best T score and your regularly-calculated handicap will go away. So play better.

### **Why me?**

Most important, your handicap is an evaluation of your potential as a golfer. That’s in the definition of a handicap index. It describes how good you can be as a golfer. You play equal to or better than your handicap only once every four rounds.

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