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TROY ANDREW
Publisher

THE RESULTS ARE IN.

Our PPGA Communications and Marketing team has surveyed our membership, the United States Golf Association (USGA) has done extensive research, the National Golf Foundation (NGF) conducts research on an annual basis, and the PGA of America just recently finished a comprehensive study a couple years ago that produced an initiative called Golf 2.0.

In the forefront of all the data collected from these surveys, there is one common and resounding fact of why people don't play more golf – TIME!

Everybody has a different concept of time as it relates to why they don't play more golf.

Some people are busy raising a family and others have busy lives or jobs that take time away from them playing more golf. For others, it's the time it takes to play a round of golf. In the golf world, we refer to that as pace of play.

At some point every golfer experiences it, that unfulfilling round of golf that takes five to six hours. You're waiting on the tee box of each hole and it feels like an eternity between each shot. The friendly banter among your playing partners starts to fade by the 10th hole because you have completely run out of things to talk about.

To make matters worse, you can't find a way to get back into the groove of your golf swing, and then to top it off you watch someone in the group ahead of you spend 15 minutes to find their ball and another person taking five minutes to actually hit the ball. Yes,

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this example might be exaggerated, but that's how it feels on a slow day of golf and I define this kind of day as "torture."

Most golf courses employ marshals or pace of play monitors to keep everyone on time and keeping up with the group in front of them. However, this can be a thankless job and to have success with a full golf course of golfers, you either have to have a pace of play monitor on every hole or somehow incentivize everyone to play faster. It's much easier said than done – just ask any golf course.

In my opinion, it's the golfer's responsibility. I believe it's a game of honor and respect, and just like we should all take the time to show care for the course by replacing divots and fixing ball marks, we should also be respectful to the others on the golf course and play a round of golf in a reasonable time. I think it makes the game even more enjoyable for everyone.

That is why I was extremely pleased when the USGA unveiled a campaign called "While We're Young." The goal of this initiative is to raise awareness in the golf community of the solutions to pace of play issues. This will be done by encouraging golfers of all skill



levels, and golf courses, to join a movement to improve pace of play and reduce the time it takes to play the game.

I believe this initiative will be effective because it's not just about the golfer playing faster, it's also about golf courses making some minor changes to the their course setup that will contribute to helping reduce the time it takes to play the game.

In addition to the campaign, the USGA has already introduced a Pace of Play Resource Center on their website (www.usga.org) for golf courses and players. The website offers educational information about pace of play, including best practices for golf courses and

tips for golfers on how to improve their pace of play by changing player habits.

The USGA has reached out to the PNGA as well as our allied golf associations to promote and encourage the "While We're Young" initiative. The USGA is also being supported through its partnerships with the LPGA, The PGA of America, and the Golf Course Superintendents Association of America, who are lending the expertise of their members to develop content for the education program.

I encourage you all to join the movement and sign the pace of play pledge. Visit www.thepnga.org and you will see the advertisement for the "While We're Young" initiative. Click on the ad and you will be directed to the section of the USGA website to sign the pledge.

The PNGA along with the Oregon Golf Association, Idaho Golf Association and Washington State Golf Association look forward to working more closely with our members and golf courses to increase awareness on pace of play.

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Bodenhamer chairs Olympic selection committee

John Bodenhamer, USGA Senior Managing Director of Rules, Competition and Equipment Standards, has been named a co-chair of USA Golf, which is the national governing body that will select and manage the men's and women's golf teams for the 2016 Olympics.

Bodenhamer was the CEO and Executive Director of the PPGA for 21 years before leaving for the USGA in 2011.

"All of us at USA Golf are excited to launch the organization that will select and support the men and women who will comprise Team USA as golf returns to the 2016 Olympic Games," Bodenhamer said. "It is an exciting time for our sport and we look forward to its presence on the Olympic stage spurring a renewed interest for the game in our country and around the globe."

Local boy makes good, very good.



Idaho's Masingill new PPGA Board Member

Scott Masingill of Payette, Idaho is the newest member of the PPGA Board of Directors. He is currently the president of Scotch Pines GC, a public course in Payette. Masingill was inducted into the PPGA Hall of Fame in 2003, and is still known for his playing skills, which includes multiple victories in the IGA Idaho State Amateur, the 1997 PPGA Master-40, and being a two-time All-American while playing for Oregon State University. He later turned professional to pursue the challenge of competing on the Champions Tour.



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Hannah Rice was selected as the 2013 Rose Festival Queen in Portland. Rice will be entering the University of Oregon this fall on a full-ride Evans Caddie Scholarship, which she earned by working at Portland's Rose City Golf Course.



Canadian Golf Hall of Fame Induction Ceremonies

Alison Murdoch was officially inducted into the Canadian Golf Hall of Fame at Victoria Golf Club on August 2. Performing as Emcee for Alison's induction was fellow Canadian Golf Hall of Famer, and Pacific Northwest Golf Hall of Fame member, Doug Roxburgh. Earlier this year, Murdoch was inducted into the Pacific Northwest Golf Hall of Fame.

The induction ceremony for John McLaughlin will be held September 30 at Shaughnessy G&CC, where McLaughlin served for nearly 20 years as head professional. The ceremony is being held in conjunction with the PGA of BC's Club Professional Championship. Performing as Emcee for McLaughlin's induction will be fellow Canadian Golf Hall of Famer, and Golf Hall of Fame of BC member, Richard Zokol. Tickets can be purchased online at www.golfcanada.ca.

Golf Hall of Fame of BC Induction Ceremony Set for October 24 at Shaughnessy

The BC Golf House Society has announced that four players and a team will be inducted into the Golf Hall of Fame of BC on October 24 at Shaughnessy G&CC in Vancouver.

The victorious 1994 Dunhill Cup team of B.C. players Dave Barr, Rick Gibson and Ray Stewart, which defeated the heavily-favored U.S. team, is being inducted in the newly-created "Team" category.

Being inducted in the "Player" category are Doug Bajus, Sandy Harper, Jim Nelford and Lisa Walters.

The induction ceremony is open to the public. Tickets are now on sale for \$125 each and sponsorships for \$200 each. Tickets can be purchased online at www.bcgolfhouse.com, or call 604-222-4653 for information.



The 1961 Scottish-themed Sittin' Seagulls tournament featured Egad the mule. Photo courtesy Herron family

Rebirth of the Sittin' Seagulls

Some of the colorful history of Gearhart (Ore.) Golf Links is being reborn this fall with the Sittin' Seagulls tournament. The historic course, founded in 1892 and claiming to be the oldest course west of the Mississippi, had hosted the tournament from 1959-68, which became legendary for its unorthodox themes. Each year, a different theme was selected and participants dressed accordingly – Hawaiian, pirate, kilt-wearing Scots, Spanish bullfighters, and so on.

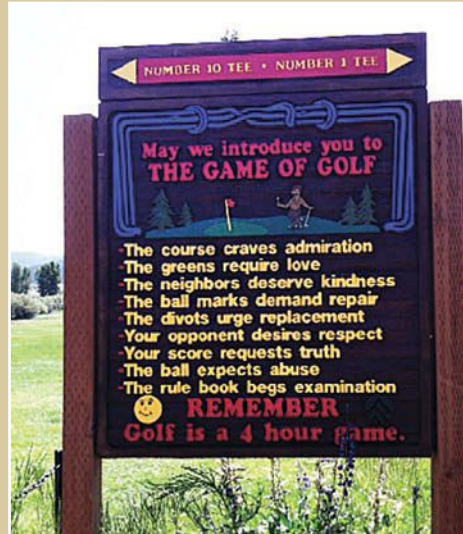
The tournament wasn't really even about golf – it was a festival, about people coming together, having fun, doing silly (even surreal) things on and around the golf course.

Golf was played, and sometimes of a high quality, but more often a laughable one, prompted by trick holes, dummy flags and a refreshment-cart-toting mule named Egad. It was a huge hit, but faded away when the course changed owners.

And now it's back. The dates this year are Sept. 28-30. Call their pro shop at 503-738-3538 for more information.

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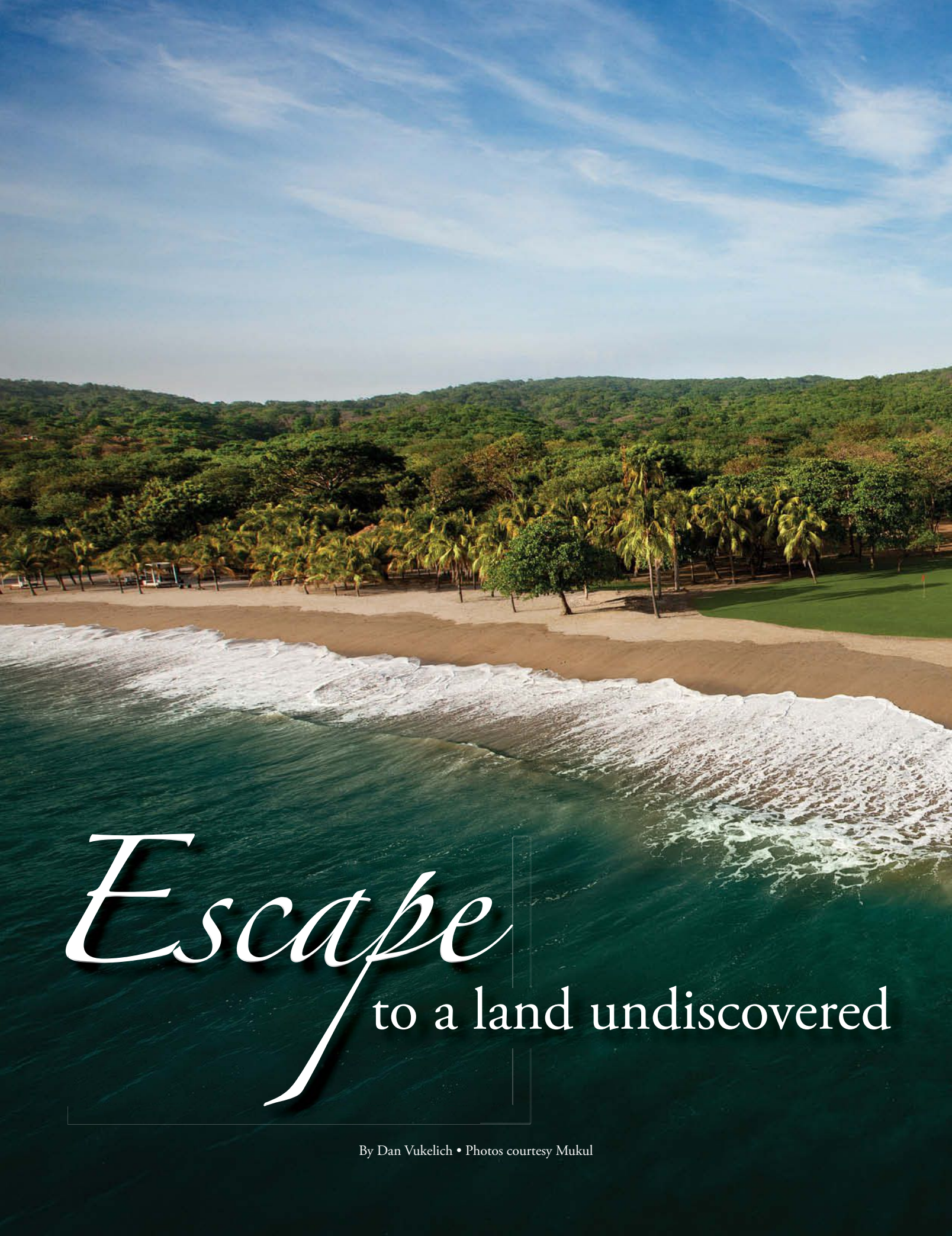
SIGN LANGUAGE

We are believers in signs. They light a dark night, show us the paths in our lives, illuminate that which had been misunderstood, and lead us on our way. They are their own road map, connecting the golf community. They do not, however, improve our score. But no matter. Since the last time we had this section in the magazine, we've had several readers send in their photos of signs. Here are a few. There's no sign of stopping.



WHAT'S YOUR SIGN?

Have you seen any signs along your journey? We'd like to see them. Email them to editor@thepnga.org.



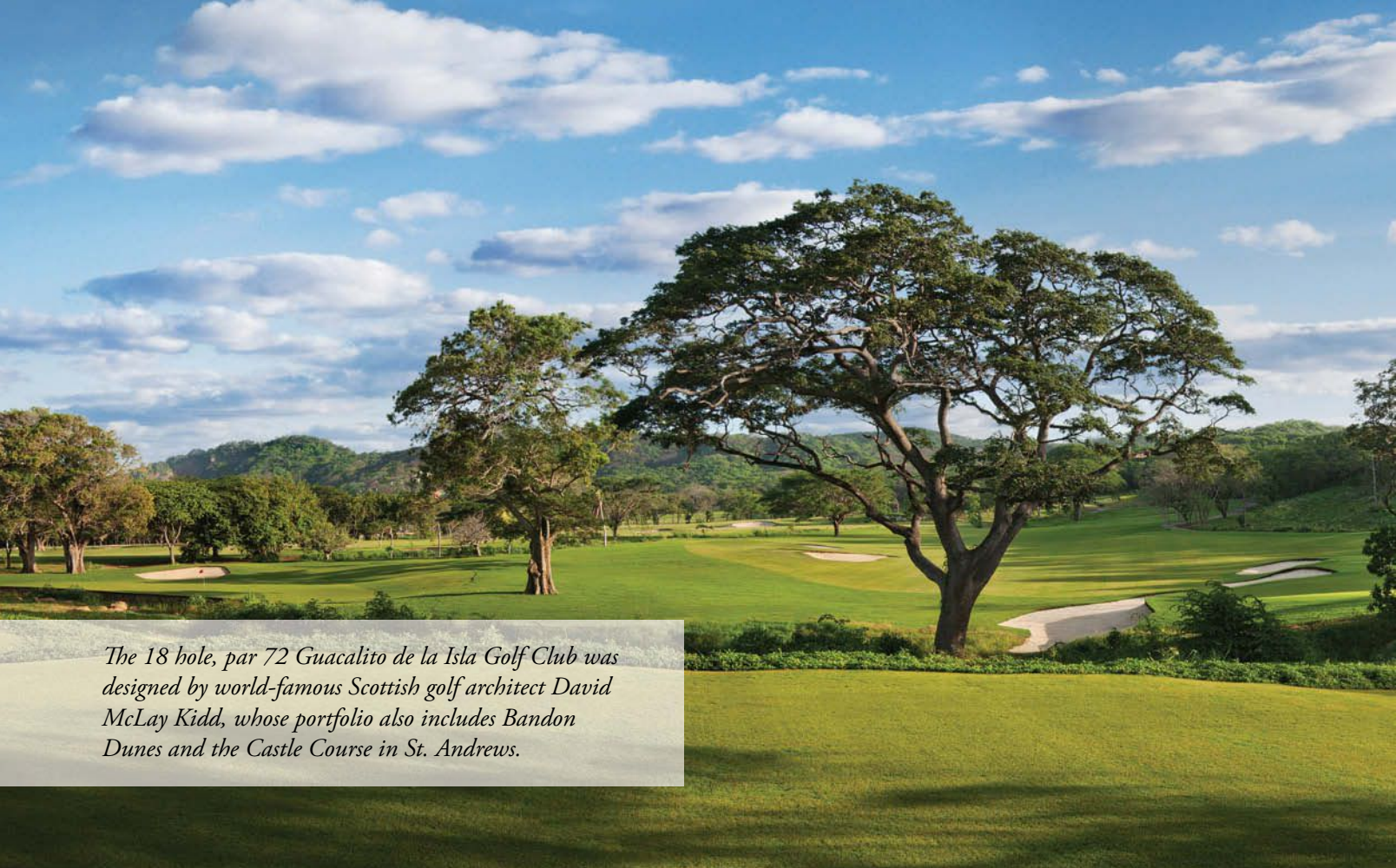
Escape
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By Dan Vukelich • Photos courtesy Mukul



Rivas Nicaragua

Luxury golf tourism recently expanded into this breathtaking, undiscovered land when David McLay Kidd opened a spectacular new golf course here earlier this year. Kidd's newest design, Guacalito de la Isla Golf Club, an amenity of the five-star Mukul Resort, lies above a dramatic stretch of Pacific shoreline known as the Emerald Coast, where howler monkeys lounge in treetops and iguanas laze, unfazed by the crack of Titleists echoing across the jungle.



The 18 hole, par 72 Guacalito de la Isla Golf Club was designed by world-famous Scottish golf architect David McLay Kidd, whose portfolio also includes Bandon Dunes and the Castle Course in St. Andrews.

At 6,676 yards from the tips, Guacalito's generous parkland layout rises and falls across a deciduous tropical forest, winding through, under and around 300-year-old hardwood trees that Kidd absolutely was forbidden to cut down by the resort's owner, Nicaraguan billionaire Carlos Pellas Chamorro.

The result is a golf course perfectly integrated into the land's contours, as Guacalito means "little bowl." Ancient trees – some 100 feet tall – loom in the player's vision across 17 holes until the par-3 18th hole spills spectacularly out of the jungle onto a broad, white-sand beach. In topography and ocean views, the Emerald Coast rivals California's Monterey Peninsula.

Guacalito's eco-friendly routing, which took Kidd four years to meticulously lay out, should remind people why

his first major work – the minimalist, naturalistic Bandon Dunes – blew away the golf world 20 years ago. "I realized that over the years I had gotten away from the concepts that made Bandon so successful, and I've gone back to the idea of not placing obstacles in front of the player," said Kidd, whose portfolio includes such other notables as the Castle Course in St. Andrews and Machrihanish Dunes in Scotland, as well as Tetherow in Oregon.

Guacalito is a part of a new luxury golf and beach resort and residential community that is about to become Central America's next red-hot destination, according to the Wall Street Journal and several other national publications.

Mukul, which means "secret" in a Mayan dialect, has 37 private villas sprinkled across a steep hillside overlooking the ocean. Each has a private pool and deck. Rooms are richly

"We want this place to be an authentic destination for people who want to visit an unexplored destination."

– Carlos Pellas Chamorro

Spa Mukul includes six experiences housed in six individual, private spa casitas, each equally harnessing a different ancient healing tradition, often using local Nicaraguan ingredients. Treatment rooms are like large luxury suites with private steam and tropical showers, changing areas and relaxation spaces with outdoor pools.



appointed with hand-made Nicaraguan furniture and art. The resort's spa offers seven distinct styles of massage, "One for every day of the week," said Federico Spada, the resort's manager.

The first phase of two-story condos are being handed over to their new owners, 96 percent of whom are wealthy Nicaraguans. More luxury condos and single-family home sites are being offered to American and Canadian buyers lured by Nicaragua's natural beauty and low cost of living.

Pellas, the resort's owner and developer, heads Grupo Pellas, a multi-national conglomerate with interests in land development, vehicle dealerships, citrus, sugar mills, ethanol and the highly regarded Flora de Caña rum distillery. Pellas built BAC-Credomatic, Nicaragua's largest bank, before selling it to GE Capital in one of the largest deals ever in Central America.

In the past decade, Nicaragua's once hard-line Marxist Sandinista government significantly loosened business restrictions. Pellas grabbed the chance to take the lead in pushing Nicaragua, the second-poorest nation in the Western Hemisphere, to build a sustainable tourism economy, and he's doing it from the ground up. And there are signs it is working, as extreme poverty, which once included 11.2 percent has dropped to 5.5 percent in the past five years.

"They say I am crazy making huge bets like this, that the country isn't ready, that I'm jumping the gun. But I think it's the right time," Pellas, a Stanford business graduate, said in an interview.

Rather than hiring a golf-resort management company, Pellas recruited a team of veterans of the Mexican hospitality and golf industry to train a Nicaraguan workforce. People from the surrounding municipality of Tola, many subsistence farmers and fishermen, others who never had a job, now make up 70 percent of Mukul's staff.

Pellas established an academy, "Escuelita Mukul," to train workers on the intricacies of hospitality: to teach employees sanitary food handling, how to wait tables, tend bar, clean guest villas and caddie for golfers. Many workers who built the resort's roads and villas, transplanted trees and shaped the golf course had never operated mechanized equipment.

Last year, Mukul's Office of Corporate Social Responsibility (each of Grupo Pellas' business units has one) distributed ceramic water filter/purifiers to 550 families in five nearby villages, said program manager Jon Thompson. Another 550 filters will be distributed this year. Since the program started, "We've seen a drastic reduction in diarrhea and kidney infections," Thompson said.

Pellas' company has made small loans of between \$1,000 and \$5,000 to local small businesses. Recipients have included roadside food and craft stalls, small restaurants, hostels and B&Bs. Businesses that significantly improve standards can be forgiven their loans. "We want this place to be an authentic destination for people who want to visit an unexplored destination, and we want to do it in a sustainable way that benefits Nicaragua through what I call 'inclusive capitalism,'" Pellas said.



Mukul and Guacalito de la Isla are the vision of prominent Nicaraguan entrepreneur Don Carlos Pellas, whose family has roots in Nicaragua that date back to the 19th century. The Pellas family businesses include transportation, computers, sugar, ethanol and Flor de Caña Rum.



Towering trees at Mukul were initially feared to be a problem, especially for tee shots. But thanks to extra efforts by the architect and developer, they were saved, adding challenge and visual drama.

His push for sustainability led Pellas to Kidd, son of a Scottish golf superintendent, who walked Guacalito for months before clearing what Pellas calls “arbusto,” the Spanish word for bushy, low-lying vegetation that obscured the forest’s giant Guanacaste, Madroño, Tamarindo and Genizaro trees.

Faced with Pellas’ “no cut” dictum, Kidd transplanted 1,500 trees from fairways to the course’s turfed margins – an arboreal version of Moses’ parting of the Red Sea. Mukul set a world record for the largest tree ever moved, a 1-million-pound Guanacaste tree dragged and pushed by giant bulldozers to a spot inside Mukul’s front gate.

The towering trees define holes and add challenges and visual drama. Guacalito’s Penn State-trained agronomist and superintendent Chip Caswell agrees, but goes further. Tree limbs high above the 18th tee, for example, were left untouched to allow a band of howler monkeys living on the

hillside above No. 17 to make the aerial commute across 18 to the rest of their territory.

Cutting the limbs would have reduced the band’s habitat by as much as 50 percent. “In two years here, I’ve seen those monkeys on the ground maybe five times – those upper limbs are that important,” Caswell said.

That kind of attention to environmental detail helps Guacalito live up to Pellas’ vision of sustainability. It also makes a course that you could play every day for a week and never tire of it. That being said, whether or not Guacalito’s massive trees, arroyos and ball-gobbling jungle make a monkey out of you – well, that’s another story.

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With Mukul and Guacalito de la Isla, Pellas is establishing his family legacy – a pristine natural sanctuary where guests will enjoy luxurious pampering while connecting to the land, culture and people of Nicaragua in authentic ways, and the surrounding community will benefit from the resulting jobs, schools and improved infrastructure.

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For Mike Carroll, the president of Golf Canada, the mission is to make that number even grander. With that many golfers, representing a 21 percent participation rate in Canada, a solid base already has been built. Now, though, is the time to make that base stronger.

It's the same desire south of the border, and at any golf course in North America that has a cash register in its pro shop.

As president of the governing body of amateur golf in Canada, Carroll, an attorney from Vancouver, has insight on what is being done, and what needs to be done, so it's time to Ask the Expert.

Where are the vital battlegrounds to grow the game for you and Golf Canada?

"I believe the growth of the game starts with juniors," said Carroll, who at 69 took over as the 110th president of Golf Canada at its annual meeting Feb. 9 in Vancouver. "We need to get more kids playing and staying in the game as they grow older."

Carroll, who plays out of Point Grey Golf

and Country Club, is proud of the fact that golf's 21 percent participation rate is arguably the highest rate of any sport in Canada, but he's also troubled by recent data.

"There are some disturbing trends that we have seen over the past few years with fewer junior golfers, particularly on the girls' side," he said.

Golf Canada is committed to the National Golf in Schools Program, which is trying to introduce 4.5 million students to golf.

"The Canadian school physical education system represents the single most concentrated opportunity to bring children of varying backgrounds to the game," said Carroll. "We then need to ensure there's access at the facility or course level for children introduced to the game at our schools to stay engaged with our sport."

One way Golf Canada is trying to do that is with its CN Future Links program, a national junior program that has seen more than one million participants since it started in 1996. The program uses curriculum-based programs and learning benchmarks based on age and skill.

"We have made significant progress in the number of schools we are reaching with Golf in Schools, but we have a ways to go in increasing the number of active sites using Future Links as their de facto junior golf program," Carroll said.



What does the Man on the Street say?

"There is a lot of talk these days about 'growing the game,' and I guess that's okay. But not every kid is gonna play every sport, including golf, and maybe that's okay too. When I was young, I could count on one hand the number of my friends – even of my entire high school graduating class – who played golf. Make it more accessible? I didn't really have any access – rather, I wanted to do it, so I sought it out, made the effort. Maybe the game is a living organism, and those who answer its call are alive right along with it. How, then, do we teach young people to want it?"

What do you think? How best to grow the game? How best to impart its intrinsic and lifelong appeal? Send us a note at editor@thepnga.org.

Is Golf Canada going at this all alone?

Carroll was a key organizer of the Greater Vancouver Open and Air Canada Championship, which had a successful seven-year stint on the PGA Tour at Northview Golf and Country Club in Surrey. And from his time as a senior partner with the Davis LLP law firm he also knows how to bring different people and organizations together in a common cause. That's part of the strategy for growing the game among juniors.

"I believe this is where more cooperation between the PGA of Canada, ourselves, the provincial golf associations and the golf course owners is needed to get kids more involved in the game of golf and learning it through a national, systematic approach," he said. "Together with the owners, pros and club managers, we also need to find ways to make golf more accessible and affordable to greater numbers and to find ways to make it more fun and more attractive for the next generation."

What are some goals you might have as president of Golf Canada?

"I would say my principal goal is to continue to look for ways to more efficiently administer the game as the National Sport Organization and governing body," he said.

To do that, it means more work side-by-side with the provincial associations, the PGA of Canada and the National Golf Course Owners Association.

"As the NSO, we are mindful that we can't do everything – rather, our role is to bring together and work with the key stakeholders that can have an impact on the game. Building trust and strengthening working relationships at the board and staff level with our industry partners goes a long way in working more cohesively and collaboratively as an industry for the betterment of the game."

And being financially strong sometimes starts at home, and Carroll is happy to report success on that front.

"During my time on the board, we have been striving to run a break-even operation at Golf Canada," he said. "I am happy to say that as a result of much hard work by both the board and our staff we have been able to accomplish this without compromising the quality of our programs and services."

- Paul Ramsdell

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We Are All PILGRIMS

To go to Scotland is to go home

BY BLAINE NEWNHAM

IT IS MID-MAY, THE GORSE IS IN GORGEOUS bloom, the rain squalls are infrequent, but the wind is not.

In the beginning, fresh off the flight from Seattle via Newark to Edinburgh, one of our group worried about the weather.

He didn't understand centigrade predictions, and worse yet didn't understand you don't go to Scotland to worry about the weather. Any day it doesn't rain is a good one, and those that it does rain aren't bad either.

Pull on your rain pants and enjoy what I consider the best golf holiday possible.

Golf in Scotland is not so much an adventure as it is in Ireland, but more of a pilgrimage – to the Old Course, to adorably quirky Cruden Bay, to Royal Dornoch, where golfers go to die.

We began our trip for real in St. Andrews, missing our first scheduled round at Craig and left to our own devices to get a starting time at the Old Course.

None of us had played it. We'd tried to gain access via the daily ballot (lottery) but had missed out there. I suggested we do it the old fashioned way – get up early and put our names on the singles list.

Indeed they have one. We got there at 5:30 a.m. I was 12th on the list. We split up and were willing – indeed thankful – to play with anyone. Unfortunately when my time came, the group I was to join – three Italians – rejected me, as was their right.

Finally, two hours later, at 2:50 in the afternoon, three Frenchmen from Bordeaux greeted me with a smile. We kidded about Americans thinking the French were less than welcoming. We had a wonderful time.

From the first shot, probably the easiest in golf, to the last, a three-putt from the Valley of Sin, I was mesmerized, by the design, the stories, the bunkers that were hidden, and those that were famous – the Hell, the Road Hole, the Coffins, the Beardies.

The fact I could successfully extract myself to get within five feet of the cup from a bunker so severe it caused Bobby Jones to tear up his scorecard and walk off the course will be one of my great memories.

There is so much golf in Scotland, more than 500 courses, many of them grouped in the area around

Troon and Turnberry on the West Coast and to the east, past Edinburgh where there are 18 links courses in 30 miles, including Muirfield, the site of this year's Open Championship.

But, strangely, it is on a course and in a town of which we had never heard that opened our minds to what golf in Scotland has meant and does mean today.

On purpose, we bypassed Carnoustie, where Jean Van de Velde lost his dignity and the 1999 British Open, blowing a three-stroke lead on the 18th hole in a comedy of errors.

Our goal was not to play every Open venue, but to find the essence of Scottish golf. To enjoy ourselves, to embrace the brief instructions of the starter at new and quite-wonderful Castle Stuart, who told us, "The ethos here is hope and redemption, not pain."

So instead of getting beat up at Carnoustie – some courses are just too difficult for a 71-year-old 14-handicapper – we headed to Montrose Golf Club, which has hosted qualifying rounds when the Open is at Carnoustie. It is located on the edge of the North Sea that Ben Crenshaw once called a "magnificent stretch of marvelously natural ground which depicts how the game was born."

What Montrose has is history, and it has community. The first shots were taken there in 1562, and by all counts Montrose is the fifth oldest golf course in the world.

What struck me was the infrastructure. The pro shop was a small modest building just across the road from the first tee. Nearby, however, were buildings of consequence that housed three ancient golf clubs – the Mercantile, the Royal and the Caledonia.

Montrose sticks to the model that most Scotland courses do. Charge out-of-towners as much as you can (the green fee for a round during the summer is \$85), while an annual membership (play as much as you want) is in the neighborhood of \$450.

Do the math.

Montrose is a city north of Dundee with a population of 11,000. A thousand of those residents are members of the Montrose Golf Club. Nothing in the village seems more important.

We didn't want to demure in the face of distance

Above: The view from the Macdonald Rusacks Hotel, overlooking the 18th hole at the Old Course in St. Andrews.



Photo by TJC

Below: The par-4 17th hole at the Old Course – the Road hole.



in Scotland. We struck out, driving our small van toward Aberdeen and then on to Inverness and finally Dornoch, site of what I think is the world's most wonderful course. In all, it was about a three-hour drive.

We played the new Trump course, and Cruden Bay, Nairn and Castle Stuart, all wildly entertaining for different reasons, one because Donald Trump virtually proclaimed his course the best in the world, and another, at Nairn, where we kept ahead of the ladies group and played in three hours and 10 minutes.

Cruden Bay offered a completely blind dogleg-left par-3, followed by another par-3 whose green was also hidden.

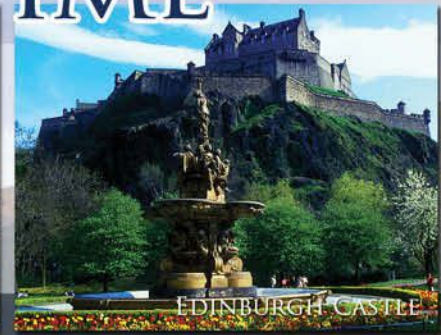
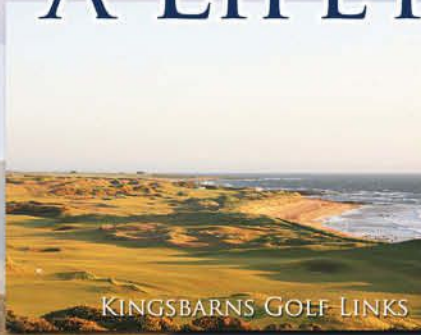
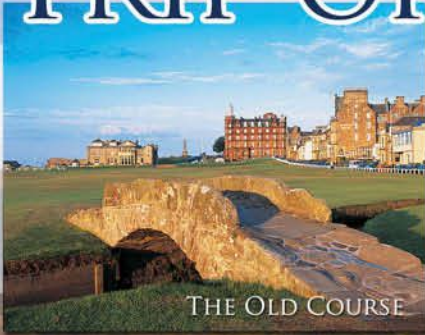
You love golf in Scotland because it is quirky, because it is firm and fast and helps old guys hit longer drives, and because it is as much about brains as it is about brawn.

We met some Canadians and Americans at Royal Dornoch who were members there, who spent two months a year – one in May, the other in September – living in the village of Dornoch, and playing the course where Donald Ross was the first pro and superintendent. Thirty-six holes a day.

Our tour ended at the village of Gullane, near Muirfield. The course, Gullane No. 1, was so wonderful and our trip so precious that we played 36 holes, walking every one of them, as excited at the end of the trip as we were at the beginning.

Blaine Newnham is a former editor and columnist for the Eugene Register-Guard and Seattle Times. He has made several pilgrimages to Scotland, following the way and the truth of links golf.

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Beautiful LINEAGE

Royal Colwood celebrates 100 years as robust as when it was founded

BY JIM SUTHERLAND

THE LIST OF NORTH AMERICAN GOLF COURSES about to enter their second century is short. The list of 100-year-old courses that have required almost no updating is shorter still.

But the shortest list of all is the one of almost untouched, 100-year old courses capable of holding a national amateur championship. In fact, it may be a list of one: Victoria's Royal Colwood.

Between August 6 and 9 the first course ever designed by PPGA Hall of Famer Arthur Vernon Macan played host to the Canadian Men's Amateur Championship (with Gorge Vale Golf Club).

Then, a month later, the membership will gather at a series of galas and commemorations (including, of course, some golf) to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the club's creation.

"It's going to be a little busy," general manager Philip Nurse says with a laugh.

Nurse says that the course needed minimal toughening beyond some extra rough for the national championship. Although less than 6,700 yards, it has shown itself able to resist scoring in other major events, including past Canadian Amateurs.

Future PGA Tour mainstay (and newly minted Canadian Golf Hall of Fame member) Jim Nelford required 287 strokes while winning the last time the course hosted the event in 1976. As recently as 2008 Jordan Irwin's nine-under 271 was good enough for victory in the Pacific Coast Amateur.

Royal Colwood's origins spring from unique circumstances within a long Victoria golf tradition that itself qualifies as unique. By the 1880s, while much of western North America remained a wild and woolly frontier, the little settlement on Vancouver Island was already being marketed as a bucolic retirement destination for British naval officers. In 1893 the Victoria Golf Club was laid out on a seaside site within strolling distance of downtown; subsequently renovated by Macan, it is now the oldest course west of the Mississippi.

The provincial capital's identity as "more British than Britain" was already well established in 1908 when coal baron James Dunsmuir moved from his centrally located Craigdarroch Castle to newly constructed Hatley Castle (now Royal Roads University) in suburban Colwood. This wasn't some Downton Abbey – it was bigger than that. The grounds alone required the service of 100 gardeners.



The fourth tee at Royal Colwood used to navigate the swamp.



The 18th tee at Royal Colwood, in days gone by.

Photos courtesy Royal Colwood

Alas, located several miles west of downtown Victoria, the new place made for an inconvenient golf commute. Or so it would seem, as shortly after the move Dunsmuir and a Colwood co-founder began to plot a golf course on 160 acres adjacent the castle.

By contemporary standards their expectations were probably quite modest. One decade into the 20th century, almost all North American courses remained rather primitive affairs. In the east, A.W. Tillinghast had barely opened his first course, Shawnee, while Donald Ross was just beginning to attract acclaim for his Pinehurst No. 2, even though the putting surfaces still featured oiled sand rather than grass. There were no courses or designers of remotely similar repute anywhere in the west.

But fortuitously, in 1912 a young A.V. Macan arrived in Victoria from Dublin, where he had become familiar with the work of designers like Harry Colt and Alister MacKenzie, who were transforming golf course architecture. Hired to design Colwood, he struck gold with his first shovel. With its light soil, rolling

topography and stands of Garry oak and old-growth Douglas fir, the site was certainly apt.

But it was Macan's clever routing, challenging green complexes and superb playability that won instant acclaim. With Colwood as his calling card, the designer went on to dozens of commissions up and down the west coast, and today every major city from San Francisco north counts one of his courses among its very best.

Colwood currently sits at No. 31 on *ScoreGolf* magazine's list of Canada's 100 best courses.

One of the course's fans was a frequent Hatley Castle visitor named Edward Albert Christian George Andrew Patrick David Windsor, a determinedly hedonistic Londoner who in 1936 ascended to the British throne for 11 months as King Edward VIII, before abdicating to marry American divorcee Wallis Simpson. While still Prince of Wales he presided over the elevation of Colwood to its current Royal status.

The designation is more than a mere honorific: In addition to a typical array of reciprocal clubs, members enjoy privileges at most of the world's several dozen other "Royal" clubs, among them global Top 20s such as Royal Dornoch and Royal Melbourne.

Thanks in part to a 100th anniversary promotion featuring reduced initiation fees, the membership roster is currently full, with a waiting list of more than a year. And the members aren't just hanging out in the clubhouse – they *golf*. The course plays host to 54,000 rounds a year, an average of 150 a day.

"We have a core group of members who just love to play golf," says director of golf Jason Giesbrecht, who, like Nurse,

has been with the club for nine years. (Rounding out the senior management team, superintendent Don Singlehurst has been there for 16.)

Looking to the future, the club has just engaged San Francisco-based golf architect Kyle Phillips to prepare a master plan identifying potential improvements. Among the elements he'll be looking at are three greens that have been altered from Macan's original design.

A decade from now, Royal Colwood may be even more identical to its opening-day form than it is today.



Royal Colwood's Director of Golf, Jason Giesbrecht, and General Manager, Philip Nurse. Photo by Jim Sutherland

Jim Sutherland has been contributing editor of magazines such as Vancouver, Western Living and the Vancouver Sun's weekend Mix section. He now writes for a host of publications and websites on subjects including food and wine, design and architecture, business, travel and, most enjoyably, golf. He recently published a comic novel entitled "Snap Slice." Jim lives in Vancouver, B.C.

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Former LPGA Tour player Cindy Rarick's wine glass is always half full BY ERIC DEGERMAN



Cindy Rarick and longtime partner Gary Seidler.

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CINDY RARICK'S CAREER AS A GOLFER has been about low scores, but the business plan for the five-time winner on the LPGA Tour is just the opposite as director of Silvara Vineyards – her young, critically acclaimed winery in Leavenworth, Wash.

“We get a lot of people coming into the tasting room who have heard that a golfer is part-owner of the winery and they’ll ask, ‘Is the golfer here? I’d like to talk golf with her,’” Rarick chuckled.

“I still travel quite a bit for golf, but I enjoy helping in the tasting room. I’ve always been a people person and being a golfer is a bit

like being an entertainer, so I enjoy meeting people coming in the doors – whether they are traveling through or are from the area – and being able to give them a tour of the winery.”

The wines, made by longtime boyfriend Gary Seidler, are worth the visit.

At the 2013 Seattle Wine Awards, the Silvara Vineyards 2010 Riesling received a double gold and the 2009 Red Blend picked up a gold medal. The 2010 Quartette, another red blend, began earning superlatives from wine judges soon after it was released to the public. And all Silvara wines are made with Columbia Valley grapes.

“Gary is new to the industry, but he’s been an assistant at a couple of wineries, which has introduced him to some well-known winemakers in the state,” she said. “They have been coaching and helping him, and because of them we’re turning out some award-winning wines.”

Seidler neither played golf nor had an interest in the game until meeting Rarick by chance while on a plane traveling to Las Vegas for a NASCAR race. On the other hand, she’s been a wine lover for years, and

her tastes continue to evolve, especially since opening her own winery in 2008.

A career in golf that began as a junior in Glenwood, Minn., led Rarick to the University of Hawaii, career earnings on the LPGA Tour of more than \$2 million and a snowbird home in Tucson, Ariz. None of those locales are viewed as “wine country” in the classic sense, which explains her reaction when Seidler approached her about a new career in Washington state.

“He said, ‘Hey, let’s start a winery,’ and I said, ‘Are you crazy?’ His background is in technology, and mine is golf. It was a crazy idea, but it sounded like fun,” Rarick said. “He showed me this 5-acre pear orchard, and it looked like a perfect spot for a winery. A year later, we found an architect from Montana to build the winery, and within a year and half, we were up and running. It’s pretty exciting.”

Rarick enjoys being able to blend wine with golf while in the Wenatchee Valley. She works on her game between Leavenworth Golf Club, Wenatchee Golf & Country Club and Mount Cashmere during those weeks she’s at the winery. She helps with fundraising for the Leavenworth High School golf program when her schedule allows and talked up the area so much that Jan Stephenson, a former LPGA Tour star and longtime friend, visited for several days.

“She came to Leavenworth and fell in love with it,” Rarick said. “We took her on hikes, introduced her to some of my friends, went to the farmers market and ate some fascinating food.”

After five years, Rarick, 53, talks like a Wenatchee Valley tour guide. She also knows the Puget Sound area well from her days on the LPGA Tour.

“We used to play the Safeco Classic at Meridian Valley in Kent (Wash.), a great course, and while I played for 20 years in the Seattle area, I never had time to explore the state, especially going over the Cascades.”

That connection with western Washington continues via the Legends Tour, which has stopped in July the past two years at Inglewood Golf Club in Kenmore for Swing

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for the Cure.

"Last year, the club was kind enough to allow us to pour at that event, and it was fantastic," Rarick said. "People wanted to be poured wine by Jan and myself, and she was very kind to do that. It was non-stop, people wanting to buy a couple bottles of this or a couple bottles of that, and we had a few people join our wine club after that."

Rarick remains competitive on the Legends Tour and especially looks forward to the Wendy's Charity Challenge on Aug. 11-12 in Jackson, Miss., where she lost last year in a playoff to Barb Mucha but still picked up \$8,000. "It was fun to be in that position and get the juices flowing," she said.

Rarick's best stretch on the LPGA Tour came from 1987 to 1991 when she won at least once each year except in 1988. She won twice in 1987, starting with the Hawaiian Ladies Open, a two-stroke victory over Jane Geddes.

"That first one is always special because it validates the belief in yourself," she said. "Then it becomes, 'I can do this and I want more of it!'"

Many wine lovers tend to forget that what ends up in their glass begins with farming grapes, and Mother Nature makes it a gamble – even though Washington state's climate, soils and irrigation remove some of the risk. It's also a reason why the phrase, 'How do you make a small fortune in the wine industry? Start with a large fortune,' is only a half-joke to Rarick and Seidler.

"It's because of golf that we've been able to do this," Rarick said. "It's given us the wherewithal to buy this property and build the winery, and our timing was great. The Washington wine industry is booming. If I were still playing the regular tour, though, I wouldn't have time to do this, so life is wonderful."

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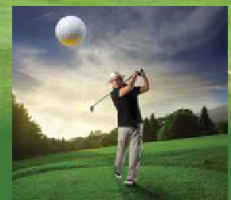
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by Elise Kain
USGA Rules of Golf Associate

DURING A RECENT STROKE-PLAY championship, two boys' tee shots landed near each other in thick rough. Spectators, attempting to help, unknowingly led each player to the other's ball. Both boys then played the other's ball, and these errors were only discovered when they reached the green. Unfortunately, no confession of wrongdoing or appeal by spectators could save the players from the consequences of having played wrong balls. The responsibility for playing the proper ball rests with the player alone. >>>

Rules large.....

In the Quarterfinal match of last month's PPGA Men's Amateur Championship, held at Bandon Dunes Golf Resort in Bandon, Ore., Sulman Raza of Eugene, Ore. had hit his short approach shot onto the green of the short downwind 16th hole on the resort's Bandon Dunes course. The ball rolled to the back of the green, stopping about 45 feet from the hole, which was in the front of the green.

The tee shot of Raza's opponent in the match, Carl Jonson of Bainbridge Island, Wash., had come to rest just off the front fringe of the green and was just 20 feet from the hole. After Raza hit his approach, Jonson stepped up and chipped his ball to within a foot of the hole for what appeared to be a tap-in birdie.

Raza immediately appealed to the match's walking scorer, saying that Jonson had hit out of turn.

Was Raza displaying gamesmanship? The match between the two players had been close all day, and standing on the 16th tee, Jonson held a slim 1-up lead over Raza with just the three holes remaining.

Jonson's ball, although off the green, was indeed closer to the hole than Raza's ball which was resting at the back of the green. And in match play, Raza had the right to hit his own putt first, and then have Jonson replay his chip shot.

Raza's 45-foot birdie attempt came up just short of the hole. Jonson then re-chipped his second shot to within a foot (again) for a tap-in birdie to win the hole.

Jonson would then close out the match on the next hole, 2 and 1.

ONCE MORE, WITH FEELING
Carl Jonson hits his second chip on the 16th hole to within a foot.

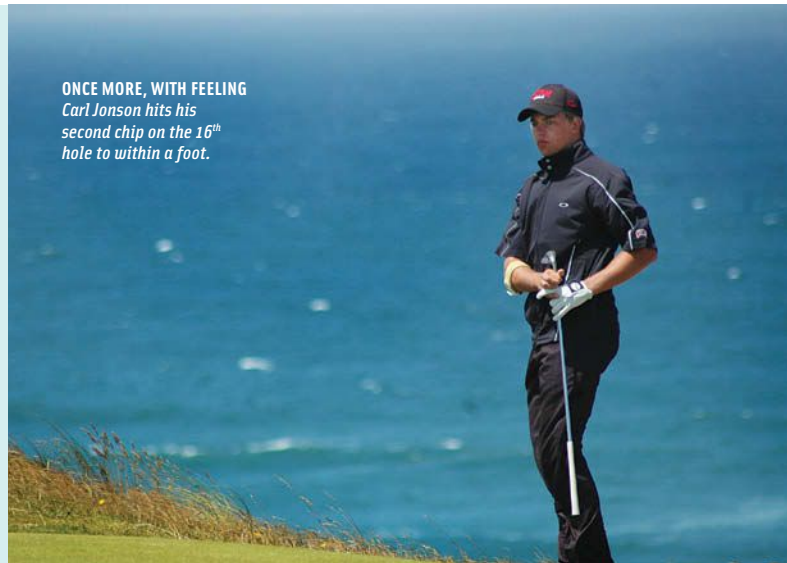


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....and small

At Sagebrush Golf & Sporting Club in Merritt, B.C., a Local Rule on the back of the scorecard states, "With respect to match disputes, common sense must prevail."

Hmm.... There are so many ways to go with this, but we will let it go, because it seems so....relevant.

In fact, though the Rules of Golf have been drafted with a concern for verbal economy, this responsibility is considered so important it is included in both Rule 6 and Rule 12 along with a recommendation to put an identification mark on the ball.

The importance of a unique identification mark is further highlighted when two players play balls, which are identical brands and have no unique identifying mark, into the same area and the players are unable to distinguish one ball from another. Without certainty that either player will be continuing play with the correct ball, *both balls are considered lost* and each player must proceed under stroke and distance.

In the game of golf, the responsibility for playing your own ball is placed squarely on you, the player.

However, a unique permission is available to allow you to be certain you are playing your own ball prior to making a stroke. If you are unsure a ball is yours, the Rules allow you to lift your ball for identification anywhere on the course, provided you properly announce ahead of time your intention to do so, then mark, lift and replace the ball.

What happens if you fail to take advantage of this permission and, like our two young players mentioned above, inadvertently play a wrong ball? In stroke play, because you need a score on the hole, you must add a penalty of two strokes and the mistake must be corrected. Failure to correct this mistake prior to playing from the next tee will result in disqualification. Fortunately, the Rules do provide a hint of generosity and strokes made with a wrong ball do not count in your score. If you make a stroke at a wrong ball in match play it's much simpler – you lose the hole.

While the Rules of Golf establish high standards and a significant penalty for playing a wrong ball, they also provide sufficient privilege to allow you to meet these standards. You have the right to be certain that you are playing the correct ball and would be wise to take caution so others do not accidentally lead you astray.

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Dorf on Golf, Jimmy in Margaritaville, tour players in shorts, and a real live dead birdie. When it comes to the Q&A, all things are within reach

HOW DID YOU GET STARTED IN THE GAME?

ABBY BLACK After playing collegiate tennis at the University of Kansas for four years I was ready for a new challenge that didn't require me to run around a court. My dad has played golf all his life and I knew how much he enjoyed the game. I moved to Idaho in 2001 and didn't know what a handicap was – and now I love (okay, am addicted to) the sport!

CLIFFORD COWLEY Way back, when the earth was young, before metal heads, but after metal shafts, golf was not very popular in the town where I grew up. The general consensus was that if you couldn't play "real" sports, you played golf. I avoided it, although I wasn't good at real sports either. In 1981, my best friend invited me to play. He said, "I'll provide you with clubs. Just play it one time. If you don't like it, I'll never bother you again. If you like it, we'll make a deal on the clubs." I had one good hit that day. Been hooked ever since.

WARD STOFFER I was introduced to the game by caddying for my father on Lower Mainland public golf courses... usually in the early morning. I pulled his squeaky Tru-line cart. I started *playing* the game at the local pitch-and-putts. I started to excel at golf under the watchful eye of Dennis Davies, a Welshman who offered very simple advice that I still use today when I teach.

NEAL WHITE I learned to play golf at Bayshore Golf Course in Shelton when I was in junior high school. My dad was a member there and Ray Walker was the head pro.

THE STRANGEST THING I'VE EVER SEEN ON A GOLF COURSE IS...

ABBY BLACK I killed a bird. I was on a par-5 and on my second shot I hit a screaming 5-wood down the fairway that went right at the bird. The poor little guy had feathers flying everywhere and that was the end.

CLIFFORD COWLEY I was on the golf course before daybreak, even before the maintenance crew. On the second hole, I hit on the green and walked up to take the flag out. Someone had "relieved" themselves, right in the cup. I gave myself a gimmee..

WARD STOFFER I have had the fortune of playing all over the world so I have seen everything from temples in Asia to amorous couples in Burnaby. However, the bogey that Scott Frasier made on the par-5 16th hole at Cowichan G&CC (in Duncan, B.C.) after hitting *two* balls out of bounds is likely the strangest thing I have seen on any golf course. Amazing!

NEAL WHITE I was playing up No. 18 at Wing Point when a cart came shooting down the hill towards the green and flew into the sand trap. There happened to be a person laying on the floor board with his shoulder pinned to the gas pedal. He had slipped down or fainted. He was okay but it was a strange and scary situation.



Jimmy Buffett and the Golf Boys – they weren't separated at birth, but they must be in the same family tree somewhere, and just might make a Dream Foursome (or Fivesome).

We decided not to show a photo of a PGA Tour player wearing shorts because, well, it just seemed.....weird.

IT SHOULD BE LEGAL IN GOLF TO...

ABBY BLACK Accidentally touch your ball without being penalized.

CLIFFORD COWLEY Move your ball from a patch of dirt to the nearest green stuff. Nothing worse than being on a patch of dirt, two inches away from a nice lie.

WARD STOFFER I think the PGA Tour should allow their players to wear shorts. These guys are athletes...let them look athletic. I definitely think it would send a positive message for the game of golf. More fun, even at the top level. The Golf Boys are leading this charge.

NEAL WHITE You should be able to lift and drop out of a divot. There are too many divots not replaced or fixed and too many collection areas on the fairways where balls end up, leaving only divot marks to hit from.

IT SHOULD BE ILLEGAL IN GOLF TO...

ABBY BLACK Play a round that lasts longer than four hours.

CLIFFORD COWLEY Disallow t-shirts, denim, and white socks and sandals on golf courses. Even though I have a tendency to judge others by the clothes they wear on the course, the clothes don't make the golfer. If you are a scratch golfer, you should be able to wear what you want.

WARD STOFFER Wouldn't it be great if it was a penalty to re-address the golf ball? As soon as you step away... that's two! It would speed up play and I predict it would teach players to be more decisive and commit to every shot.

NEAL WHITE It should be illegal to play 18 holes in over four hours. The pros on tour are our worst example. "While we're young" is a great advertisement.

THE OTHER MEMBERS OF MY "DREAM FOURSOME" ARE...

ABBY BLACK Jack, Arnie and Will Black!

CLIFFORD COWLEY My father-in-law, Bill Boerner. He and I played every day for years. I miss our games. My daughters Sarah and Kristen. They both, virtually, grew up on Laurel Hill Golf Course following me and my wife around or riding our bags as we pulled our carts along. They were the only non-golfing kids allowed on the course because they were so well behaved. And my niece, Esther. She has so much potential. She needs to play more. Oh, wait – that's a fivesome! We'll play fast and let others play through.

WARD STOFFER Jimmy Buffett – relaxed and positive; Sophie Gustafson – I think she is awesome and brave; Judy Rankin – so respectful of the game and the players.

NEAL WHITE My mom and dad and my favorite golfer, Arnold Palmer.

YOU'LL NEVER CATCH ME ON A GOLF COURSE WEARING...

ABBY BLACK Denim.

CLIFFORD COWLEY A baseball cap. My bucket hat is my trademark. I started the fad over 30 years ago. It's starting to catch on. I swear it is.

WARD STOFFER A tank-top and a *Speedo*. For obvious reasons, but I would think it could encumber my swing on a sticky day. I have seen this.

NEAL WHITE I wore plus-fours the other day that were borrowed and too big. I looked like Dorf on Golf. No tank-tops or cut-off jeans.

YOUR FAVORITE SENTIMENTAL GOLF COURSE AND WHY...

ABBY BLACK The Club at SpurWing in Meridian, Idaho. Specifically the par-3 sixth hole. I got a hole-in-one while playing with my husband and kids on Father's Day.

CLIFFORD COWLEY It would have to be Laurel Hill Golf Course in Gold Hill, Ore. It's like the *Cheers* of golf. Everybody knows your name. It holds so many memories of my kids growing up, my father-in-law, and friends. It's like home whenever I go there.

WARD STOFFER Burnaby (B.C.) Mountain Municipal Golf Course. I got my start there, both as a player and golf professional. Many great memories of people that supported me as I attempted a playing career and I still have people tell me they remember me hitting the ball out of the range there...over 30 years ago. I am grateful to have worked and learned under Trugve Wenn, Richard Leisen and Jack Westover.

NEAL WHITE My favorite sentimental course has to be Bayshore Golf Course in Shelton, Wash. I played so many times there with my mom and dad it has lasting memories, especially with my dad. We partnered up for a lot of tournaments there.



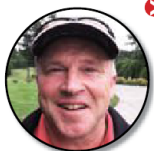
➤ **ABBY BLACK** is from Oklahoma where she was a four-time state tennis champion who played at the University of Kansas. She has a bachelor's degree in education from Kansas and a master's degree from Washington State University. She is the vice president and sales and marketing director for TitleOne in Boise. She chairs her company's golf classic that has raised \$300,000 for children's organizations over the last 10 years. She won the IGA's Tournament of Champions in 2011 and the IGA's Mixed 29 State Championship in 2012. She is married to Dr. Will Black and they have two daughters, Juliet, 17, and Annalea, 13.



➤ **CLIFFORD COWLEY** has lived and worked in Southern Oregon since he graduated from high school in 1973. He "grew up" when he was 30 (sort of) and attended Southern Oregon University, earning a degree in English and a Masters in teaching. He has been a middle school teacher for the past 20 years and enjoys teaching writing and literature. He directs a Young Writers Camp through the Oregon Writing Project and conducts a "1st Tuesday Writers Group" for young writers. He is a contributing editor for Golf Today Northwest magazine, providing a regular column and an occasional article, and is also West Coast Director of Operations for LocalGolfer.com, a golf-focused social media platform.



➤ **WARD STOUFFER** is currently the Director of Golf at Fairwinds Golf Club in Nanoose Bay, British Columbia. He and his wife Shelly raised their two boys on Vancouver Island. Ward has proudly represented Canada in the Eisenhower Cup, the biennial world amateur team championship organized by the International Golf Federation. He has played professionally on the Canadian and Asian Tours and has experienced golf and golfers in countless ways. Now he tries to create memorable golf experiences for others.



➤ Born and raised in Shelton, Wash., **NEAL WHITE** graduated from Shelton High where he played football, basketball and baseball. He went to Central Washington State College in Ellensburg, Wash. where he played football and baseball for four years. White married his high school sweetheart in 1974 and they've been married for 39 years. They have two daughters, Danielle and Allyssa. He taught school and coached for 30 years – in Vancouver, Wash. for two years, Shelton High for five years and Bainbridge High for 23 years, where he was the head football coach for 14 years and head baseball coach for six years, head golf coach for 12 years and athletic director for 15 years. White retired in 2007 and played senior mini-tour golf for three years. He is now a 59-year old PGA apprentice working as an assistant pro at Wing Point G&CC on Bainbridge Island, Wash., where he was a member for 20 years.

ON THE BOOKSHELF

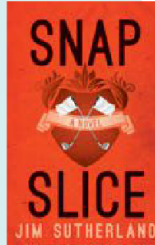
Snap Slice

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Jim Sutherland's first novel, "Snap Slice" (formerly titled "Stack and Tilt"), is a rollicking tale of three months in the life of one Jeff Jones, who is piecing his existence back together after having once had it all. It's a "smart, funny, sexy novel about golf and golfers – and art and architecture, and business and economics, and science and psychology, and men and women, and skirts and skorts!"

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Sutherland lives in Vancouver, B.C., and is a former editor of *Western Living* and *Vancouver* magazines. His novel is available on Amazon, or by visiting www.collingwoodbooks.com.




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Volunteers – Essential to Core Functions of IGA



from the IGA

Genger A. Fahleson, Ph.D.
IGA Executive Director

VOLUNTEERS ARE CRITICAL to the administration of golf events at all levels, from the juniors to professional tours. The Idaho Golf Association is in the middle of that spectrum and has a full-time staff of three with two P.J. Boatwright Interns during the summer months.

Running a full service amateur golf association would be impossible without the support and efforts of volunteers. The IGA is lucky to have individuals willing to give of their time, which enables the organization to conduct competitions, administer the handicapping system which includes rating courses, provide support to member clubs regarding the GHIN system and Tournament Pairings Program, provide opportunities to junior golfers, and conduct educational seminars on the Rules, Handicapping and Course Rating.

When I arrived in Idaho in the winter of 2010, the IGA's core volunteer base consisted of the Course Rating Team headed by Russ Peterson (The Club at SpurWing). Russ's right-hand man at the time was Bruce Martini (BanBury Golf Course) who has since become the Team's course measuring expert.

Filling out the IGA Course Rating Committee is Michael Gee (Ridgecrest Golf Course), John Haskell (The Valley Club), Larry Kirk (Plantation Country Club) and Kitty Roberts (BanBury Golf Course).

In addition to these Committee members, others have gone through training and serve as members of various Course Rating Teams. Over the past several years IGA Course Rating Teams have measured and rated approximately 20 courses per year – that requires a lot of time and work and it has all been completed by volunteers.

The volunteer group that has grown in numbers over the past two years includes those who work IGA Championships and Junior Tour events as Rules Officials, Starters, Scorers, Pace of Play Check-Point

Officials, Forecaddies, etc.

Officials who have attended PGA/USGA Rules of Golf Workshops are essential to the conduct of IGA Championships. These folks made a commitment and paid their own way to attend a 2-day or 4-day Rules Workshop and by doing so have earned a "RULES" sign for their cart at IGA Championships.

The IGA implements the Check-Point Pace of Play system at all its Championships and USGA Qualifiers it conducts. By using this system, finish times at the IGA Men's Amateur, for example, have been reduced by 45 minutes since 2010. We could not use such a system without a volunteer base.

The most visible feature on the IGA website is online "almost real time" scoring for IGA competitions. Scoring volunteers spend long hours on the course taking scores from players and then radio them to another volunteer. The 9-hole Junior Tour competitions could not be offered without a volunteer to walk with each group and verify scores for this stage of the junior program.

Behind the scenes are volunteers essential to the function of the Idaho Golf Association as a non-profit corporation, the Board of Directors. There are nine Directors, three from each of the three Districts within the state. The District 1 (Southwest Idaho) Directors are Jennifer Swindell (Terrace Lakes Resort), Tom South (Crane Creek CC) and Jim Johnson (The Club at SpurWing); District 2 (South Central Idaho) Directors are Jack Dies (The Valley Club), Ed Prater (Blue Lakes CC), Gordon Barry (Jerome CC); District 3 (Eastern Idaho) Directors are Janet Frankos (Oregon Trail CC), Tom Hersh (Idaho Falls GA), Kelly Park (Targhee Village GC); and General Counsel to the Board of Directors is Tim Flemming of Emmett.

Thank you to all who have given of their time to the Idaho Golf Association. Without their contribution the association could not fulfill its mission of serving members by conducting championships, administering a handicap and course rating service, providing support to club staffs and offering educational seminars.

Junior Achievement

Idaho's Gabby Barker is playing well on her summer vacation



Gabrielle "Gabby" Barker is not having your typical teenage girl summer filled with days at the mall or perfecting her suntan at the lake. Instead, Gabby is spending her summer days on the golf course and loves it. "I really like it," says the 17-year old who will be a senior this fall at Caldwell's Vallivue High School.

Up next for her is the Big-I Qualifier which will send the top two golfers to North Carolina later this summer. After that, Gabby begins a month of national tournaments and a dizzying amount of travel starting with the Junior Worlds in San Diego. Then it's on to Indiana, Washington D.C., and hopefully North Carolina.

Gabby cemented her standing as one of Idaho's top women golfers by winning the 2013 IGA Women's State Amateur in June by eight strokes. "That was pretty cool," she said, smiling. Gabby admitted her margin of victory surprised her. "I wasn't expecting it, because I only led by two after the second day."

She was also the medalist at the U.S. Junior Girls Qualifier held at Meridian's Club at SpurWing, and earlier in the spring Gabby and older sister Tyler also won the 2013 IGA Women's Four-Ball. About the only tournament Gabby hasn't won is the Idaho Girls' 5A high school championship, losing out to the eventual winner in a playoff in May.

Gabby's dad Dwight introduced her to the sport when she was six. "I just started hitting golf balls," she says. "I was into soccer and basketball, but about age 10 I decided to focus on golf." Gabby often plays with her family, especially her dad who is "still my coach for everything", and her sister Tyler, who she credits pushing her. "My sister holds me to a higher level when we play together," Gabby explained.

Although she continued to play basketball and volleyball in earlier high school years, Gabby has decided to concentrate solely on golf her senior year. "I don't want to get hurt," she says. "It would just be bad."

So, why the passion for golf? "I just really like it," she replied. "It's more of an individual sport. If you mess up it's your fault. You learn to depend on yourself to keep going and not give up."

Gabby has already verbally committed to attend and play for Texas Tech. "They have an excellent golf team and I love the golf coach (Jo Jo Robertson)," she explained. "They also have good courses in psychology which is what I really want to do."

Kelly Christensen, head professional of Caldwell's TimberStone, Gabby's home course, was full of praise for the teen star. "The sky's the limit where Gabby is concerned," he said. "She's dedicated and has the desire. I also think she has the work ethic. There's a lot of good golf ahead of her."

Although she admits she'd like to become a professional and play on the LPGA circuit some day, Gabby also indicated she's in no big hurry. "I want to go to college before anything else," she said.

And don't forget she's still got to finish high school and win that 5A title.

– Rob Lundgren

'If you build it, I can stay'



from the director

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OVER THE PAST YEAR I have been privileged to visit some wonderful golf facilities that can best be described as destination golf. These facilities include Guacalito de la Isla in Nicaragua, Bandon Dunes on the Oregon Coast, Cabot and Highlands Links on Cape Breton Island and Fox Harb'r Golf Resort in Nova Scotia.

In British Columbia my travels included Sagebrush in Merritt, The Springs in Radium, and Copper Point in Invermere where British Columbia Golf conducted the 2013 BC Amateur Championship.

I would highly recommend each and every one of these courses as must-plays if you are planning a trip to the area. They are all completely different and yet they all share very similar commonalities. The most obvious are that they are upper end, aesthetically pleasing yet environmentally maintained, and for the most part require some time and planning to get to.

The one trait they all have, and what I think may be the most important, is that they provide employment in areas where that is exactly what is needed. I couldn't help but think of the line from the movie *Field of Dreams*, "If you build it, he will come," and wonder if it shouldn't be, "If you build it, I can stay."

Sagebrush for example is the third largest employer in Merritt, and the largest employer of aboriginals in the area. At Copper Point I met young people who grew up in the Columbia Valley, are forced to leave in the fall to go to College or University, but can now come back and live at home in the summer while earning enough to return to school.

Inverness, located on Cape Breton Island, is a quaint fishing village that has been going through a difficult economic time. When I was there it was the height of the lobster season and yet due to over-supply there were days when the buyers did not even show at the docks. The recently-opened Cabot Links resort provided jobs on the maintenance crew, hotel and pubs, all of which are affiliated. Cabot Links has a second course under construction, to be called Cabot Cliffs, that will bring even more golfers and employment to the area. I expect that in time Cabot Links and Cliffs may have the largest caddie program in Canada.

All of these communities were originally built on the natural resources in the area. Lumber mills, mines and fishing all established the communities originally, but going forward it will be tourism and recreation that sustain these communities. A big part of the charm will be that they are difficult to get to so it is likely the character of the area will be preserved.

On each of my trips I always felt more relaxed and that I had been away for a far longer period than I actually was, and that makes each trip special. On your next golf trip, take a look around at the staff that is there to help you and remember that you are helping to preserve a community and a way of life that we cannot afford to lose.

...they are upper end, aesthetically pleasing yet environmentally maintained, and for the most part require some time and planning to get to.



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SURE, YOU LIVE HERE AND PLAY GOLF HERE and you know the quality and diversity of courses we have in Oregon – courses with natural beauty featuring ocean-front views, scenic mountains and high desert plains to historical sites like Waverley CC, Portland GC and Gearhart Golf Links, to the (relatively) newer facilities such as Pumpkin Ridge and Crosswater.

Not only do Oregon courses play host to many state and regional events each year, but recent additions of upcoming championships for both amateurs and professionals are bringing national attention to the state.

The **Portland Classic Presented by Safeway** (August 29-September 1, 2013) is the longest continuously held event on the LPGA Tour. This year the event moves back to Columbia Edgewater Country Club in Portland, Ore. after a four-year stint on the Ghost Creek course at Pumpkin Ridge Golf Club in North Plains, Ore. Prior to 2009, Columbia Edgewater first hosted the tournament in 1974 and was consistently rated as the players' favorite course on tour. The tournament has donated more than \$15 million to local children's charities since 1972.

Past champions include World Golf Hall of Fame members Joanne Carner, Judy Rankin, Donna Caponi, Kathy Whitworth, Sandra Haynie, Ayako Okamoto, Nancy Lopez, Patty Sheehan, Juli Inkster and Annika Sorenstam.

The recently announced **WinCo Foods Portland Open** will be held on the Witch Hollow course at Pumpkin Ridge Golf Club on August 18-24, 2014. Given its position on the Web.com Tour schedule, the tournament will receive national and international focus from players as it represents the final opportunity for players to finish among the top-25 regular season money winners and advance to the PGA Tour.

The **2013 PGA Professional National Championship** was contested earlier this summer at Sunriver Resort's Meadows and Crosswater courses. The competition, which featured 312 PGA Professionals, was won by Rodney Perry, a PGA Professional at Crane Lakes Golf & Country Club in Port Orange, Fla. Oswego Lake Country Club Assistant Professional Scott Erdman, as well as Jeff Coston, Casey McCoy and Corey Prugh, all from Washington, competed in the event.

The USGA recently announced that Portland Golf Club will host

the **2015 U.S. Women's Amateur Championship**, August 10-16, 2015.

"Portland Golf Club holds a very special place in golf history," said Thomas J. O'Toole, Jr., USGA vice president and chairman of the Championship Committee. "The USGA is proud to bring another championship to the club and add another page to the Portland Golf Club history book."

This will be the 33rd USGA Championship conducted in the state of Oregon and the third held at Portland Golf Club. In 1982, the club hosted the first of Miller Barber's record three U.S. Senior Open Championship victories, while Bill Ploeger won the 1999 USGA Senior Amateur Championship.

The **2018 USGA Senior Amateur Championship** will be held August 25-30, 2018 at Eugene Country Club in Eugene, Ore., the site of the 104th Oregon Amateur Championship held earlier this summer. This will be the fifth USGA championship held at Eugene Country Club, the second oldest country club in the state of Oregon. Johnny Miller won the 1964 U.S. Junior Amateur at Eugene Country Club, later becoming the only person other than Tiger Woods to win the U.S. Junior Amateur and the U.S. Open.

The 2018 event will be the third time this USGA championship has been held in Oregon, having previously been held at Waverley Country Club in 1964 and Portland Golf Club in 1999.

And while we can't yet make official announcements, keep your eyes and ears piqued for word to come down from the USGA about a couple of additional national championships to be held in Oregon in the next few years – contracts just need to be signed and a few more details finalized.

In the meantime, do everything to get out and play one of the courses that will soon host the best professional and amateur players in the world. And if even if you can't make it out to one of them, be sure to take time to appreciate the beauty and diversity of the golf courses we're so fortunate to have in our backyard each time you play.



Jeff Sanders (left), who with his company Jeff Sanders Promotions will manage the new WinCo Foods Portland Open, and Pumpkin Ridge co-founder Gay Davis were on hand at the press conference announcing the launch of the Web.com tournament.



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QUIRKY AND BEAUTIFUL GOLF

Traveling through the back roads of our region, the love of the game is displayed in the out-of-the-way courses

by Rob Lundgren

AS THE OLD SAYING GOES, “Where there’s a will, there’s a way.” And that’s just what folks at three Oregon golf courses have done in order to play the game they love.

Some may call these courses quirky or unusual, but I found out that they’re different in a good way. Let’s face it, golfers have always relished a challenge and embraced the unique, and that’s just what **KINZUA HILLS**, **CHRISTMAS VALLEY** and **BEAR VALLEY MEADOWS** offer.

Located near the small town of Fossil in Central Oregon, Kinzua Hills began as a ballfield for a semi-pro baseball team and in 1951 was converted to a six-hole course by a community-minded local businessman. “It’s the only six-hole course sanctioned by the USGA,” noted club member Paul Drake. “I like the course,” he continued. “It’s challenging. It kind of sits in a bowl and the wind swirls. I just love it.”

Tom McNeill, Kinzua Hills’ current club president, explained why the course never expanded. “There’s just no room because there’s timber all around.” McNeill echoed Drake’s comments regarding the course’s toughness. “It’s a lot tougher than what you think,” he said. “Tight fairways. It’s really good.”

The course is a par-22 with two sets of tees, and players who wish to play 18 holes simply use alternate tees. “We go with the long tees, short tees, then long tees again,” Drake explained. Although the course employs a greenskeeper part-time, most projects are handled on a strictly volunteer basis.

“Everything we do is volunteer, including major improvements,” says Drake. One of the major projects for this year was repairing winter damage to the No. 4 green. “Yeah, we’ve added about 300 square feet to the green,” Drake said.

During the summer months, a weekly



The very modest clubhouse at Kinzua Hills Golf Course.

All photos by Rob Lundgren

potluck dinner is held every Thursday evening and there is also limited free camping available for golfers and their RVs.

Driving the last few miles to the course on a somewhat winding road surrounded by trees made me think we were headed to a ski resort instead of a golf course. As we approached the cozy clubhouse, McNeill’s words regarding the course rang true: “It’s beautiful!”

The cost to play Kinzua Hills is a modest dollar a hole and there is an honor box for golfers to put their fees. For more information, call 541-763-2074.

Christmas Valley Golf Course was the brainchild of developer M. Penn Phillips, who laid out the town site including its holiday street names like Candy Lane, Mistletoe Road and Vixen Street. The course itself is appropriately situated on Christmas Tree Road. Phillips envisioned a robust community of hay farmers and retirees and even promoted

free tours to the area.

But since the town is located in the middle of the Oregon Outback, miles from any large city (Bend is over 100 miles northwest), Phillips’ dream child never materialized.

Christmas Valley is large in area—about 60 square miles—with a population today of about 1,200 hardy souls, including more than a few hay farmers.

And the golf course, which is a full-sized nine-hole layout, measuring over 3,300 yards from the back tees.

It’s a flat course, but the sagebrush, which borders every hole, feasts on golf balls. Wildlife also abound. During our



A tee marker at Christmas Valley Golf Course.

round we saw numerous killdeer, red-winged blackbirds, quail, and even spooked a large jackrabbit out of its hiding place in the sagebrush.

The Christmas Valley Parks and Recreation District provide the necessary maintenance, and the golf course is only one of a number of properties it manages; they also take care of the local airport and rodeo grounds, among others.

Green fees are \$15 for nine holes or \$20 for all day, and like Kinzua Hills there is an honor box. For more information, call 541-576-2216, or check them out at cyparkandrec.org.

Squirrels and willows are two of the main hazards on the Bear Valley Meadows course located in the small town of Seneca in eastern Oregon. Actually, it's squirrel holes that are the problem. "You lose balls down squirrel holes all the time," says Pete Walker, a regular at the course who also lives just across the street from the first tee. As for the willows, which are strategically located in the middle of some fairways, Walker said, "We actually took some out."

The course itself resembles a pasture and the area's harsh winters often take a toll on the greens. Despite the tough putting, Walker loves his course. "There are no people," he smiled. "You're not even pushed most days."

Fellow golfer Jim Officer agrees and added, "This is about as pretty a view of the Strawberry Mountains as you could get." Both men agreed it isn't always easy keeping the course up and running. "It's all volunteer help," Officer said. "For everything."

On the Friday afternoon we played the course, there were actually two other groups and their dogs (yes, dogs are allowed on the course). Features that impressed me were an old wigwam burner located off the second tee (Seneca used to be a logging town), an unused helicopter pad, and the Silvies River which comes in to play on at least three of the nine holes.

Bear Valley Meadows is a challenging par-34, measuring over 2,800 yards, and because of course conditions winter rules apply year round. And don't worry – the course gets its name from the valley Seneca is in, not from the wildlife. There are always friendly folks around, and if Pete isn't using his cart, he'll probably let you borrow it.

It costs just \$7 to play nine holes and \$12 for all day, and yes, there's an honor box for golfers to use. For more information, call 541-542-2161.

These three courses are definitely examples of golf off the beaten path, and the golfers that play them show us you need to be creative in order to make golf happen.

In other words, you don't have to be a "city slicker" to play and enjoy golf.

Rob Lundgren is a freelance writer based in Meridian, Idaho, but you're more likely to find him traveling the highways and byways of the Pacific Northwest, golf clubs and wife in tow.



Paying the green fees at the honor box at Bear Valley.

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Robyn Lorain

Prior to coming to the Portland area, Lorain served as an Assistant Golf Professional at Meridian Valley Country Club in Kent, Wash., where she was a three-time Assistant Golf Professional of the Year with the Western Washington Chapter of the PGA. She also earned the President's Plaque in 2009 and 2010 in recognition for player development and growth of the game initiatives. Additionally, Lorain has been recognized by the Pacific Northwest Section PGA numerous times throughout her career.

"I'm excited to begin working as the Director of Junior Golf with the Oregon Golf Association," Lorain said. "Working with juniors and growing our programs to better serve more players is an opportunity I'm looking forward to."

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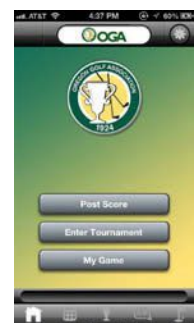
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MACKENZIE TO CAPTAIN SPIRIT TEAM

Yakima native and former University of Washington standout golfer **PAIGE MACKENZIE** will captain the U.S. team at the 2013 Spirit International Amateur Golf Championship, Oct. 30 – Nov. 2 at Whispering Pines Golf Club in Trinity, Tex.



Mackenzie was a member of the 2005 Spirit International U.S. team, which finished in second place to England.

Before turning pro in 2006, Mackenzie won the Washington State Women's Amateur. She was a three-time NCAA All-American at the UW, becoming the school's first female golfer to win the Pac-10 Championship individual title and finished her senior year as *Golfweek's* top woman amateur in the nation.

The Spirit International is a biennial event that alternates years with the World Amateur Team Championships.

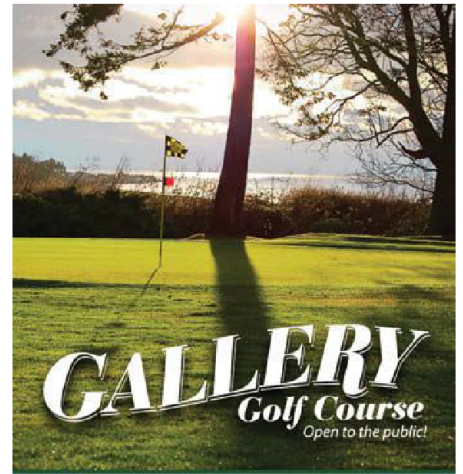
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LPGA Teaching Professional **VAL PATRICK** has been named head professional and general manager at Leavenworth (Wash.) Golf Club. Prior to moving to that position, she was a golf instructor in Seattle where her students included men, women and juniors of all skill levels. In addition to the LPGA, she is a member of EWGA, a not-for-profit organization that connects women to learn, play and enjoy golf for business and for fun.



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With less than two years to go before the U.S. Open comes to Chambers Bay, preparations are in full swing

by Tony Dear

THE NAME ISN'T OFFICIAL YET, BUT "CHAMBERS BASEMENT" IS SLOWLY GAINING TRACTION.

Visitors to the course that will host the 2015 U.S. Open give it a wide berth, but most can't help throwing a ball in to see if they can get out.



Though the decision to build it followed discussions with several parties, it was, essentially, USGA Executive Director Mike Davis' idea.

Depending on where you're measuring from, and who you're talking with, its walls range from about eight to 15 feet. It has become the most talked about quirk of a course preparing for global exposure.

We are talking, of course, about the extravagantly deep bunker 120 yards short of the 18th green that has been in play since the beginning of 2012.

Matt Allen, Chambers Bay's General Manager, insists the feedback has been positive. "The response has been favorable," he says. "It has become a bit of a novelty, with golfers stopping for a picture (or playing) opportunity from inside it."

Hazards like this aren't built without some controversy, however, and it was the course architect himself who first raised concern.

Robert Trent Jones, Jr., the man whose impressive credentials helped him beat out 55 competitors to land the job of designing the course overlooking Puget Sound, had no problem putting a fairway bunker there to give players laying up something to think about. He's just not convinced it needed to be quite so deep.

"It goes halfway to China," he laments. "I had no problem with Mike's notion of putting it there, but it is perhaps too penal for my liking."

Jones also thinks it looks a little out of place. The majority of hazards at Chambers Bay are exposed, sandy waste areas, whereas the pit at 18 is a more traditional-looking bunker, albeit considerably deeper than most. "It doesn't have quite the same character as the other bunkers," says Jones.

But, he notes, it will add a welcome psychological challenge to an otherwise straightforward shot, forcing players who miss the fairway to think

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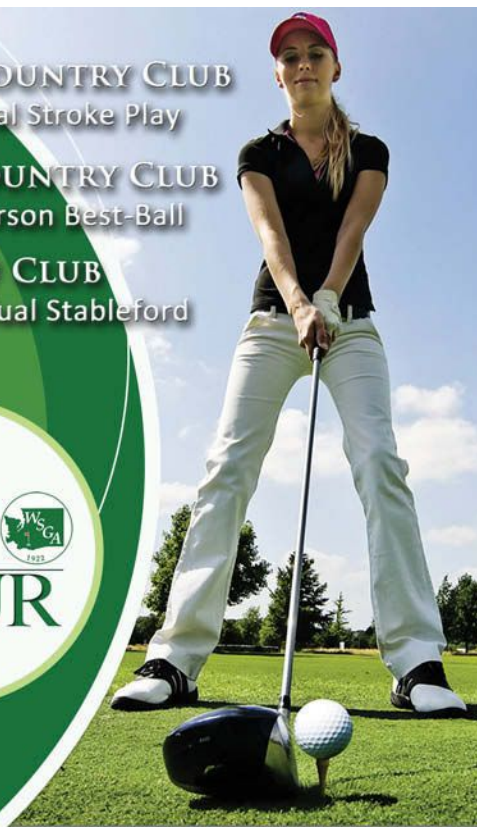
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"I like that they will have to make a very important decision so late in the round," he says, adding it won't be a good shot that avoids the bunker but a poor one that finds it.

The addition of the bunker on the 18th hole is one of several changes that have occurred at Chambers Bay since the 2010 U.S. Amateur Championship, an event that gave Mike Davis a pretty good idea of what worked and what needed to change prior to the '15 Open.

Jones is quick to point out, however, that what happened to the course weren't changes actually, but refinements. Every golf course – except classic period venues like Cypress Point, Pine Valley and Old Warson in St. Louis which should perhaps be left alone – is a work in progress, he says. But it must first be constructed on sound foundations if you want to amend parts of it efficiently and seamlessly.

"Golf is a high state of art," he says. "But this art is in use every day. It needs to be able to adapt to changes in the game. But in order for that to be possible, the skeleton must be strong. You walk into Monet's garden and the overall effect is beautiful, but it's made up of the individual lilies. Capability Brown made such wonderful landscapes, but he obviously worked with a set of solid principles. At Chambers Bay we knew refinements would need to be made at some point."

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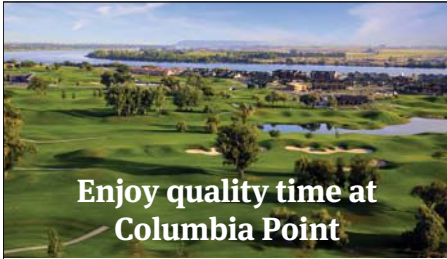


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