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SOUTH PARK GOLF CLUB REPORT



The South Park Golf Club Report is a Newsletter on:

- Results of recent tournaments and special events at the South Park Golf Course;
- Selected Articles on matters of interest to the general membership; and
- Other issues pertaining to the South Park Golf Club.

SEPTEMBER & OCTOBER TOURNAMENTS:

**SOUTH PARK
SHOOTOUT**
Friday Sept. 13th
10 Man Shootout

**SOUTH PARK
FALL CLASSIC**
Saturday Sept. 21st
18 Hole 3-Man Best Ball

**SOUTH PARK
TURKEY SHOOT**
Saturday October 12th

**CONGRATULATIONS
TO CLUB CHAMPION
SEAN McNAMARA
ON SHOOTING A 76
AND FINISHING IN
10TH PLACE AT THE
CHAMPION OF
CHAMPIONS EVENT
HELD SEPT. 8TH AT
EAST AURORA C.C.**

OPENING NINE 30 SECURES 3RD STRAIGHT SCRATCH MATCH PLAY CHAMPIONSHIP FOR MARK POLONCARZ

The finals of the "A" Class Scratch Match Play Championship was expected to be a nip-and-tuck affair between 2 time defending champion Mark Poloncarz and Tom Kozacka. However, Poloncarz took an insurmountable lead early on by birdieing the 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 5th and 9th holes in shooting a 30 for the opening nine. It was the third consecutive scratch match play title for Poloncarz, and his 5th overall.

Kozacka made a spirited comeback by recording birdies on the 11th, 14th and 15th holes to stay alive. However, Poloncarz's lead was too much to overcome, and the match ended 3 & 2 with mutual pars

on the 16th hole.

In the semis, Poloncarz had to fight off a hard challenge from Dr. Richard Zambron, while Kozacka had the come back of the year when he came from 5 down to stun Jim Miller.

Tom Quinn Takes "C" Class

Rebounding after his loss in the finals of the President's Cup, Tom Quinn scratched out a hard fought 3 and 2 victory against Mike Kortash in the "C" Class flight. Last year Quinn lost to Kortash in last year's President's Cup final, but this year the hard firing lefty proved too much for Kortash in the end.

Quinn proved to be the best of "C" Class by defeating Rich Klubek, this year's "C" Class 36 hole medal play champ.

"B" Class Finals On Deck

Jerry Nostrant and Pat Quinn are in the finals of "B" Class, which shall be



Mark Poloncarz relied on solid putting in posting a 30 on the front nine in his final match

ZAMBRON, CONNORS AND HIGGINS WIN A, B, & C CLASS PRESIDENT'S CUP TITLES RESPECTIVELY

Dr. Richard Zambron relied on his usual steady play in winning the President's Cup "A" Class Division. Zambron used his strokes wisely in knocking off Tom Kozacka for the crown 4 and 2.

Zambron never trailed in the match after taking the first three holes, and then played near par golf the rest of the way.

Jim Connors Wins "B" Class

His game peaking at the right time, Jim Connors defeated

Pat Quinn in the finals of the "B" Class President's Cup flight. As usual, Connors solid short game propelled him to victory. Connors road to victory was made easier



**President's Cup B Class
Champ Jim Connors on # 7.**

when he received a bye in the semi-finals due to an unusual rules decision on the outcome of the quarterfinal match between Kevin Hayes and Mark Guarino.

Higgins Takes "C" Class

Riding his way to victory, Paul Higgins defeated Tom Quinn in a thrilling match, 1 up. Quinn had a chance to send the match to extra holes with a birdie, but conceded defeat to his fellow Irishman when his putt rolled just by the hole.

2002 INDIVIDUAL MATCH PLAY TOURNAMENTS BREAKDOWN

SCRATCH MATCH PLAY

A CLASS

Quarter Finals

Mark Poloncarz d. Mike Gulino
Rich Zambron d. Don Buckley
Jim Miller d. Mike Kane
Tom Kozaczka d. Mike Karam

Semi-Finals

Poloncarz d. Zambron
Kozaczka d. Miller

Finals

Poloncarz d. Kozaczka 3 & 2

C CLASS

Quarter Finals

Mike Kortash -Bye
Pail Higgins d. Pat McCann
Rich Klubek d. Marty Cyna
Tom Quinn d. Wayne Cross

Semi-Finals

Kortash d. Higgins
Quinn d. Klubek

Finals

Quinn d. Kortash 3 & 2

PRESIDENT'S CUP

A CLASS

Quarter Finals

Richard Zambron d. Mike Gulino
Mark Poloncarz d. Mike Karam
Tom Kozaczka d. Don Buckley
Jim Miller d. Mike Kane

Semi-Finals

Zambron d. Poloncarz
Kozaczka d. Miller

Finals

Zambron d. Kozaczka 4 & 3

B CLASS

First Round

Jim Connors d. Mike Simonick
Darrin Koepnick d. Tim Sullivan
Kevin Hayes d. Ed Rybak
Mark Guarino d. John Kennedy
Jerry Nostrant d. Dave Sheridan
Frank Vogel, Jr. d. Bob Miller
Steve Scanlon d. Joe Tomoka

Quarter Finals

Pat Quinn - Bye
Connors d. Koepnick
Guarino d. Hayes *
Nostrant d. Vogel
Quinn d. Scanlon

Semi-Finals

Connors Bye *
Quinn d. Nostrant

Finals

Connors d. Quinn

C Class

Quarter Finals

Kortash d. Mike Simonick, Jr.
Paul Higgins d. Marty Cyna
Rich Klubek d. Pat McCann
Tom Quinn d. Wayne Cross

Semi-Finals

Higgins d. Kortash
Quinn d. Klubek

Finals

Higgins d. Quinn 1 up.

* Guarino won match but then withdrew trying to concede to Hayes. However, USGA rules prohibit a winner from giving a match to loser after it was played. Upon the withdrawal of winner, neither player advances. Therefore, Jim Connors received a bye directly into the finals.



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CONGRATULATIONS TO MIKE KARAM

ON RECORDING A
HOLE-IN-ONE
ON THE 6TH HOLE AT
HARRIS HILL G.C.!!

PAUL HIGGINS AND JERRY NOSTRANT WIN GEORGE LESSO MEMORIAL 2 MAN BEST BALL

Paul Higgins and Jerry Nostrant have been friends off the course for many years. But put them together on the course and they take friendship to new heights as they make a formidable best-ball team. Relying upon steady shot-making and clutch putting, Higgins and Nostrant defeated defending champions John Kennedy and Bill Smith in the finals of the George Lesso Memorial 2-Man Best-Ball Match Play Championship 4 & 2.

Every time Smith & Kennedy saw a chance to even up the match, Higgins & Nostrant closed the door with a solid putt, usually for a net birdie. As a result, Higgins & Nostrant took the title of the very popular tournament.

The 2002 Lesso Match Play Bracket

First Round

B. Smith/J. Kennedy -Bye
W. Cross/P. Quinn d. J. Connors/K. Hayes
M. Kane/M. Kortash d. R. Klubek/M. Karam
Buckley/Guarino d. Zawadzki/T. Sullivan
Miller/Miller -Bye
Higgins/Nostrant d. Breen/Simonick, Sr.
Kozaczka/Scanlon d. M. Poloncarz/Gulino
Tomoka/Zambron -Bye

Quarter Finals

B. Smith/J. Kennedy d. W. Cross/P. Quinn
DQ:M. Kane/M. Kortash & Buckley/Guarino
Higgins/Nostrant d. Miller/Miller
Kozaczka/Scanlon d. Tomoka/Zambron

Semi-Finals

B. Smith/J. Kennedy -Bye due to DQ of others
Higgins/Nostrant d. Kozaczka/Scanlon

Finals

Higgins/Nostrant d. Smith/J. Kennedy

Next Club Meeting:
Tuesday September 17th at 7:00 p.m.

On the Agenda:
Nomination of 2003 Officers & Scheduling of 2002 Banquet