Randy Garber wins his Fourth Club Championship Title!
Randy Garber has been on a streak at the U, and with his fourth Club Championship title (2000, 2004, 2007 and 2008) he has tied the record for most wins. His fourth title ties him with Bob Catron (1973,75,76,77), Tom Kollodge (1980,91,92,96) and Rick Ehmanntraut (1972,81,86,88) for most championships. Elite company for the 2007 MPGA Senior Player of the Year. Garber credits his short game for keeping him in the game with the "big" hitters in the championship flight. Randy’s 72/69-141 was three strokes better than Keith Piotrowski (73/71-144). Marc Baumgartner finished third (71/75-145) with Tim Anderson (70/76-146) and Todd Baumgartner (72/75-146) tied for fourth.

Vennerstrom takes Third Flight by one
Michael Vennerstrom 75/82-157 edged Chuck Killian 75/83-158 by one stroke to take the Third Flight championship title. Vennerstrom was tied with Killian after round one as each carded a smooth 75, and were three strokes clear of the nearest competitor. However the final round did not go nearly as well for them, nor the rest of the third flight as no one else was able to go low. Vennerstrom’s one stroke lead over Killian after the front nine held up to be the winning edge!
Club Championship Continued:

Briese shoots 79 on Sunday to take Fourth Flight honors.
Bruce Briese 83/79-162 came from behind to win the Flight by four strokes. Joel Rudloff 81/85-166 and Todd Kramer 76/90-166 tied for second, with Josh Dye 79/88-167 finishing in fourth place. Bruce was the exception among his flight, as he was able to shoot lower on the second day than the first. Briese was tied for fourth after day one, and as the first round leaders faded, he was able to make his move. Highlights of his round include back to back birdies on the ninth and tenth holes.

Hauschild wins Fifth Flight “Wire to Wire”
Jim Hauschild has been a member of our Men’s Club for over 35 years, and the last time he won a flight was in 1982 when he was the third flight co-champion with John Vosejpka (did they play golf that long ago?). Hauschild 78/85-163 led the first round by two strokes, and was just able to hold off the hard charging Jason Meggitt 85/80-165 on the final day. Fellow Board member Dave Engstrom 80/87-167 and Matt McKoskey 86/81-167 tied for third place.

Taylor Takes Sixth Flight in Three Man Playoff
Bernie Taylor’s (85/92-177) first round 85 was his best round ever in tournament play and put him in second place after the first round. Taylor’s second round was not quite as good, allowing both Marv Kaiser (92/85-177) and Dan Romero (92/85-177) to catch him after first round leader John Rode (84) withdrew from the tournament. After the scores were tallied, it was off to the first hole for a sudden death playoff. As has happened in past playoffs, every shot seems to take on the weight of the world. Taylor was able to keep the ball in good positions, even with his third shot running just off the green onto the fringe. Romero struggled to a double bogey and the usually reliable putting of Marv Kaiser let him down as he missed a short putt that would have tied Taylor.

Thank You to the many volunteers that helped at this year’s Club Championship and especially to the following members: Roger Carlson, Jordan Sendar, Eric Vegoe, & Wally Smith. And to the Pro Shop staff and to Josh Dye and Holly Krauter for their help.

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Putting Winner John “Roundy” Vosejpka paid by Putting Official Terry Cooper

Winners of the drawing for the book “A Carrion Death” co-authored by Men’s Club Member Stan Trollip were:
Saturday—Dan Romero Sunday—Kent Duvrivage

2008 Match Play and Four Ball Competition Results

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University Golf Club Junior Girls Team wins fourth consecutive title!

University Wins Girls’ Division Title at the MGA Junior Team Championship

The University Junior Girls Team won the MGA Junior Team Championship at Marshall GC this year. They were led by individual medalist Gretchen Huhnerkoch who shot a 76/74-150 to win by nine strokes. Adding to the team victory were Natalie Samb who tied for fourth with an 81/81-162 and Katie Maurer in sixth place with an 82/83-165. For the fourth time in five years a University Junior Girls Team member won the individual medalist honors. Nice going girls!

Gretchen Huhnerkoch named Junior Girls’ Player of the Year

Gretchen Huhnerkoch of the University of Minnesota/Les Bolstad Golf Course was named the MGA Junior Girls’ Player of the Year at the MGA Annual Meeting and Awards Dinner at Midland Hills Country Club. Huhnerkoch was this year’s winner at the Twin Cities Junior Championship. At the MGA Junior Team Championship, she was both a team and individual champion; she finished second at both the MWPGA Publinks Championship and the Minnesota State Junior Girls’ Championship; and she tied for sixth at the Minnesota University Wins Girls’ Division Title at the MGA Junior Team Championship

President’s Message

As our 2008 season comes to a close, it is great to look back at the spirited competition and great times that we had this past year. It is hard to remember that the year started with a snow cancellation in late April and that the weather steadily improved (as did our play). I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for participating and making our club one of the largest golf club’s and arguably the best in Minnesota. It is through the member participation that we are able to hold the tournaments and sponsor the people and events. A big congratulations to all of our “winners”, and especially to: Randy Garber for his fourth Club Championship; to our 24 Man Team for their 2nd place finish and Senior Teams for their championship wins; to the Junior Girls Team for their record achievement and to Gretchen Huhnerkoch for being named MGA Junior Girls’ Player of the Year; and congratulations to Bill Casey for receiving the 2008 MGA President’s Award for all his work in golf. I would also like to thank Greg Jamison, David DuBord and Josh Dye for their continuing hard work and support of our Club. (We couldn’t do it without them). Also a big thank you to Charlie Pooch, Brent Belanger and Carl Mielke for the course maintenance. (I don’t remember it ever looking better!) Also a thank you to the Executive Board for all their hard work before and during the season. It is through this volunteerism that we are able to do the things we do—and yes, their time is valuable too! I would especially like to mention our appreciation to two individuals that are leaving the Board at the end of this season. First, a big thank you to Mike Rode for his efforts over the past six years on our Board. Mike was often the “glue” that held things together, serving as Secretary for the past five years. And last but not least, Jim Grothaus, our Tournament Chairman for the past two years. Jim put many hours into making our tournaments happen, and we are thankful that Brett Mueller from the Tournament Committee is stepping forward to take Jim’s position. We hope to see both Mike and Jim back on the Board sometime in the future when their schedules allow. I know that they plan to continue to contribute and volunteer. And I would like to suggest that those of you who haven’t taken your turn on our Board, perhaps you might think about serving in the future. And in fact, if you are truly interested we have a current opening for the Member-At-Large position. If you have any suggestions, concerns or questions, please contact any of the Board members via the email or telephone numbers shown on our website. And speaking of our website, another thank you to Jeff Kalvik for his outstanding work this year as both our Handicap Chairman and our Webmaster. And lastly, I would like to thank everyone that has mentioned to me that this year I was not only the President, but the reigning chip-off master of this year’s shootout. However I would like to point out that the terms “lucky” and “playing ugly” can not be found on the trophy. I hope to see all of you and my lower handicap on the course next spring!

Dave Schuh
The 2008 Shoot-Out was played on Sunday, September 21 with the top ten club members that had earned the highest point totals from all this season's events. John Kramer ranked #10 in points was unable to play. Since there was a tie for 11th place, the next two players were invited to the contest resulting in a field of eleven. In this format one player is eliminated per hole using a net score. Ties are settled by a "chip off" where the player furthest from the hole is out of the competition. This year because there were eleven players, two players were eliminated on the 10th hole.

Players eliminated by Hole:
#10 – Dave Engstrom and Keith Piotrowski
#11 – Jeff Kalvik in four player chip-off
#12 – Dan Brink in three player chip-off
#13 – Mike Farbelow
#14 – Dave McIntosh
#15 – John Vosejpka in two player chip-off
#16 – Jim Hauschild in three player chip-off
#17 – Jordan Sendar in two player chip-off
#18 – Jim Schmidt in final chip-off

This year’s Shoot-Out was a tightly contested event with players ranging from one low handicap (Keith Piotrowski 1) and the rest of field from seven to fourteen. After the first 5 holes, the lower handicaps were eliminated leaving Vosejpka, Hauschild, Sendar, Schmidt and Schuh all at either 13 or 14 handicaps. This meant that the last 4 holes were to be played with no one giving or receiving strokes. Also, remarkably the winner of the event, Dave Schuh, was in every chip-off that was played. Perhaps that is why missing his short putt to win on the eighteenth hole didn’t seem to faze him. It sent the contest between a former and the current club president into a chip-off from the low area between the eighteenth green and the parking lot. Schmidt was first to play and landed a shot that ran away from the pin and ended up 14 feet away. Schuh ended the contest using a lob wedge that landed softly and stopped 7 feet from the hole.

From left to right: Runner-up Jim Schmidt, Rules Official Dave Dubord, 2008 Shoot-Out Camp Dave Schuh and Tournament Chairman Jim Grothaus
Fall Four Man Scramble  

October 4

The final scramble event of the year was played in ideal fall golf weather. The four man teams were divided into three flights based on the combined best three handicaps on each team. There were some low scores recorded.

First Flight: (Avg score 61.8)
- 59-Clint Parker-Mike Kelly-Jordan Sendar-Jim Schmidt
- 60-Dave Mitchell-Paul McIntosh-Bob McIntosh-Bruce Briese
- 61-Keith Piotrowski-John Trojohn-Graydon Royce-Jeff Kalvik

Second Flight: (Avg Score 63.6)
- 60-Joe Larson-Steve Larson-Bob Feely-Dave L. Johnson
- 63-Tim Anderson-Bob Peterson-Earl Peterson-George Bowlin
- 64*-Mike Rode-Jim Grothaus-Greg Petryszyn-Jim Kirk
  (* won a scorecard playoff with a birdie on #4)

Third Flight: (Avg Score 66.3)
- 64-Gary Irish-Gene Good-Bob Hames-Mike Friedrich
- 65-Scott Stanley-Jim Hannigan-Doug Tomhave-Scott Ford
- 66-Brad Seguin-Manfred Mielke-Joe O'Brien-Jim Hanson

Team Skins Highlights (All Flights)
- Piotrowski-Trojohn-Royce-Kalvik eagle #12, Anderson-Peterson-Peterson-Bowlin eagle #14 and Rode-Grothaus-Petryszyn-Kirk eagle #12

Team Nearies:
- #2 Cooper-Schuh-Hauschild-Schuh 8', #5 Parker-Kelly-Sendar-Schmidt 7'11", #8 Blanchard-Amundson-Vesley-Blanchard 12'6" and #17 Larson-Larson-Feely-Johnson 4'5"

Chicago Style Tourney  

September 20

This is the second year of the Chicago Style Format that is based on players beginning their round with negative points. The challenge is to get from negative to positive with points awarded for bogeys, pars, birdies and eagles.

1st Flight: John Piatkowski and Dave McIntosh tied for first with 4 points. Followed by Dave Sajevic and Larry Over-skei tied for second at 1 point.

2nd Flight: Kevin McKoskey took first with 4 points. Right behind were Jeff Kalvik and Dave Miller at 3 points.

3rd Flight: Kevin Li won first with an astounding 9 points! He had a great round of 74. Matt McKoskey and Dave Schuh tied for second with -1 points.

4th Flight: Earl Peterson, Jim Hanson and George Green tied for first with 0 points. Another three way tie for second between Dan Flesher, Roger Carlson and Richard Graeff at -1 points.

Nearies:
- #2 Tim Anderson 6'3", #5 Dan Flesher 4'8", #8 Dan Flesher 2'1" (First double this year) and #17 Steve Wyczawski 2'10"

Skins:
- 1st Division (all birdies) #1 & #4 Kevin McKoskey (another double), #5 John Piatkowski, #8 Tim Anderson and #13 Clint Parker (Committee investigating)
- 2nd Division (all birdies) #2 Dave Miller, #3 Brett Mueller, #13 Jim Deline, #15 Dave Schuh and #17 Jesse Zeien
- 3rd Division Earl Peterson birdie #2, Bernie Taylor birdie #6, a pair of birdies on #13 & #17 for Dan Flesher, John J. Kramer birdie #13 and Richard Graeff par #15
Fall Individual Tourney  

September 6

The Fall Individual was a pleasant sunny day for the players in six flights. It's the final tournament of the year to earn Shootout points.

First Flight: Randy Garber and Tim Gamboni tied for Low Gross at 72 right behind was John Barry at 73. Gamboni also won Low Net with a 69 and besting Barry at 70.

Second Flight: Bob Patient, Dave McIntosh and Kurt Carlson tied for Low Gross at 75 followed by Dan Reif and John Trojohn at 78. Carlson took Low Net with a 66. Patient was right behind at 67.

Third Flight: Brett Mueller and Mike Roescher tied for Low Gross at 76. Right behind were Jeff Kalvik and Steve Larson at 78. Mueller and Roescher tied for Low Net at 66 followed by Larson at 67.

Fourth Flight: Jim Schmidt took Low Gross with a 78 followed by John Vosejpka at 81. Schmidt also won Low Net with a 64 besting Vosejpka's 68.

Fifth Flight: Dan Flesher won Low Gross with an 83 followed by Tom Baldwin at 85. Flesher also won Low Net with a 66 followed by Baldwin at 68.

Sixth Flight: Paul Hagen took Low Gross with a 90 right behind was Scott Ford with a 91. Don Vesley won Low Net with a 68. Right behind were Hagen and Ford at 70.

Nearies:
#2 Bob Patient 10" Nice shot Bob! #5 Ted Green 15'3", #8 John Gerstner 5'7" #17 Pat Vincelli 6'4"

Notable Skins: (All Divisions)
Tim Gamboni birdies on #3, # 8, eagle on #9 Best of the year!, Paul Hagen birdies on # 3, #5 & #6 (a flock of birdies!) Mike Vennerstrom birdie #1, Bernie Taylor birdie #13 (can't be right)

Ryder Cup Combo Tournament  

August 23

It was a beautiful sunny day for the 45 teams that played in the Ryder Cup Combo Tourney. The field was divided into four flights. The scores on the front nine use the lowest net score of the two man teams. The back nine scores use a true alternate shot format. The alternate shot format can be a test of true friendship. It's easy to see why even the tour pros feel the pressure when they put their partners in some "unique" and unusual positions.

First Flight (combined team hcps. 3-16)
Skip Schultz-Dan Brink and John Piatkowski-Keith Piotrowski tied for first place with at 68, with Bob McIntosh-Dave Mitchell a shot behind at 69.

Second Flight (combined team hcps. 17-22)
There was a three way tie for first place between Tim Anderson-George Bowlin, Chris Finberg-Mike Kelly and Jordan Sendar-Mike Farbelow at 74.

Third Flight (combined team hcps. 23-29)
Bruce Briese-Bruce Larson won with a 72, followed by Bob Kennedy-John Greig and Kevin McKoskey-Bob O'Donnell at 73.

Fourth Flight (combined team hcps. 30-63)
Jim Schmidt-Dave Raymond took first place with a 76! Dennis Falldin-Milt Bellin had an 81, followed by Todd Harmes-Bernie Taylor at 83.

Nearies:
#2 Skip Schultz-Dan Brink 1'8" So close, #5 John Vosejpka-Bob Payne 67", #8 John Vosejpka-Bob Payne 8'10" Two in a row! and #17 Michael Strand-Brian Tempas 3'7"

Team Skins:
First Division: birdie #3 Lynn Rosvold-Dave Engstrom, eagle #6 Bob McIntosh-Dave Mitchell, birdie #8 Michael Strand-Brian Tempas, birdie #10 John Piatkowski-Keith Piotrowski, birdie #11 Don Sigety-Brad Berberick
Second Division: birdie #1 Moe Ankney-Dan Romero, birdie #4 Jesse Zeien-Brett Mueller, birdie #7 Moe Ankney-Dan Romero Won another prize!, birdie #10 Brad Seguin-Jim Hanson
Senior League Team Wins In Comeback

July 24th was the final Senior League match. We were in second place to Indian Hills by ½ point after the first six events. We used our home course advantage at the University to earn 33 of a maximum 36 points to move into first place. Indian Hills also played well but earned only 31 points for the day. That made our margin of victory 1 ½ points. I can’t imagine there has ever been a much closer finish. I’m also proud of the fact that eighteen different club members participated in the events this year. That could be a record!

Senior 8 Man Team Repeats as Champs!

I’m very pleased to report that we defeated Greenhaven on the morning of September 16th to repeat as 8-Man Senior Champions. This is our fourth consecutive year to win the year long event. In the first half of the match we finished in a 6-6 tie at their place. We came back strong to win 9-3 at home so 15-9 was the final score.

Pat Vincelli and Fred Apple handled their match very easily to get 3 points right out of the blocks.

Mike Ryan and Dave Sajevic also clinched 3 points by winning the 18th to insure a tie.

Brad Berberick and I (Skip Schultz) ran into a couple buzz saws that handed us our lunch, but we did manage to win 18 to halve the back nine and earn ½ a point which put us over the top.

Randy Garber and Brad Englund came back from 2 down to halve the front then swept the back and total to earn 2 ½ points.

( Skip Schultz Reporting)

24 Man Team takes 2nd Place

A valiant comeback fell short as Keller took the AA State 24 Man crown 37.5 – 34.5. Simply put we gave a strong team too big a margin to overcome, even on our home turf. We carried the day – 21.5 – 14.5, but it was not enough as we had spotted them 10 points coming into the final. We have a strong team, but losing 10 of our top players in the first round and 5 in the second round proved too much to overcome.

Unfortunately the remnants of the Roy Griak Cross Country Meet also meant the driving range was closed and it clearly affected us. The only holes without birdies were 1, 4 and 5 and we only had 14 total birdies on the front, versus 22 on the back. The average team score was a 69.66 (range 64-78).

Thanks to the 38 members who made the time and effort to participate in our state runner-up finish.

(Captain John Piatkowski Reporting)

Another Club Member With A New Book

Club member Doug McFarland has been spending a lot of time at a desk instead of practicing golf lately. Our 1st Flight Club Champ has recently published Few Are Chosen: A Campaign Memoir, the story of his campaign for the U.S. Senate here in Minnesota a few years back. Doug says it is not a partisan, political advocacy book; instead it is a collection of stories that show what a candidate really thinks and experiences on the campaign trail. He says its honest, insightful, and downright funny.

The publisher is Beaver's Pond Press and the website is www.fewarechosenbook.com. Doug invites everyone to take a look now that golf season is winding down for another year. Also, he hopes to see some fellow club members at a book signing at Barnes & Noble on Tuesday, December 2—one is at 801 Nicollet Mall, Minneapolis, from noon to 1, and the other is at Har Mar Mall, Roseville, from 7 to 8 p.m.

Bill Casey Named MGA Volunteer of the Year

Bill Casey of our Men’s Club was given the 2008 President’s Award (also known as the Volunteer of the Year award). Bill, who began volunteering for the MGA in 2003, has worked more than 600 hours in the previous six golf seasons. In 2008 alone, Casey volunteered more than 150 hours. He has served as a site captain for numerous MGA qualifying tournaments, attended several USGA/PGA of America rules Workshops to remain current on the Rules of Golf, and has officiated at both the men’s and women’s MIAC conference championships. MGA has stated that “in attitude, actions and rapport with colleagues, staff, tournament players and spectators, Casey truly epitomizes the spirit of the President's Award.”

Congratulations to Bill from all the members of the University Men’s Golf Club!
Clubhouse News

Look in the Pro Shop for the latest on “Fall Specials” and season closeouts at reduced prices - or check-out the latest at their web site at: UofMgolf.com

Tim Traynor, pictured above had a Hole in One during this year’s Warm-up Tournament and was rewarded with a $500 gift certificate to the retailer of his choice. Tim chose Cub Foods for his gift certificate.

Editors Note: Look for Men’s Club information on our website at www.umn.edu/golfclub

Most Rounds Played in 2008
(top 40 in rounds)
Dennis Van Norman  136
Brian Love  101
Brad Berberick  100
Dan Reif  100
Kay Lockhart  98
Richard Dell  95
George Vagher  89
Dave Hoehl  88
Dan Brink  87
Bob Catron  85
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