

KREBS & FORSTER WIN ASSISTANT & SENIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS

The week of August 16th was a busy week for Philadelphia Section Championships and qualifiers. On Monday, August 16th, the Section held its Callaway Golf PGA Assistant Championship at The Philadelphia Cricket Club (Flourtown, PA). On a hot, muggy day, assistant professionals from across the Philadelphia Section were asked to play 36-holes for a chance to earn the title of Philadelphia Section Assistant Champion and a spot in the Callaway Golf National Assistant Championship. Richie Krebs, Hanover Country Club (Abbottstown, PA) combined a first round 2-under-par and second round 1-under-par for a 36-hole total of 3-under-par 139 and a two shot victory. Krebs will be joined by Travis Deibert, Billy Mullen, and Chris Wisler at the 34th Callaway Golf Assistant PGA Championship being held at the PGA Golf Club in Port St. Lucie, FL from November 11-14, 2010.

The second championship of the week was the Section Senior PGA Professional Championship. This 36-hole tournament was held over two days, August 18th – 19th, and two courses, The DuPont Country Club and Wilmington Country Club both in Wilmington, DE. Although he lead from start to finish, George Forster, Radnor Valley Country Club, only managed a one shot victory. Forster matched a 3-under-par 68 in the first round and with a 1-over-par 72 in the second round to outlast Jay Horton, and Cleve Coldwater and earn his second Senior Championship in three years, (2008). Forster, Horton, and Coldwater will be joined by Don Allen, Ken Peyre-Ferry, Brian Kelly, and Nevin Sutcliff at the 2010 Senior PGA Professional National Championship being played at Toscana Country Club in Indian Wells, CA and Rancho La Quinta Country Club in La Quinta, CA from October 7-10, 2010.

The 4th edition of the Jon M. Pritsch Cup, a Ryder Cup style match between junior golfers from both the New Jersey Section PGA and the Philadelphia Section PGA took place on Friday, August 20, 2010 at Metedeconk National Golf Club (Jackson, NJ). Twenty-four players, twelve from each Section, earned their spot by ranking at the top of the Player of the Year points race in each Section's Junior Tour. Juniors played a singles and a four-ball match simultaneously, each match worth 1 point. By earning 12 ½ of the 18 points available the juniors from the New Jersey Section PGA were fortunate enough to hoist the Pritsch Cup for the 4th straight year. The New Jersey Section juniors got off to a quick start by winning four points in the first two matches. Momentum seemed to

switch hands for a brief moment once the third foursome came in and earned 2 ½ points for Philadelphia but ultimately the juniors from New Jersey were too much to handle by claiming eight of the last nine points available. The New Jersey Section PGA and the Philadelphia Section PGA alternate hosting the Jon M. Pritsch Cup year to year. In 2011, Philadelphia has hopes of getting on the board on their home turf at a venue and date to be determined.

- Joe Monforto