



# PGA

Philadelphia Section

## PPGA Newsletter

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*Happy New Year! Welcome to the 2019 Philadelphia PGA Season*

### Helping to Understand the New Rules of Golf

As of January 1, 2019 there have been changes made to the Rules of Golf. To help our Professionals, our junior golfers and the golfing public we have uploaded videos to our [Rules Corner](#) page that are believed to have to most impact on the game and will be of most interest to golfers. These videos will remain on our website and could be a valuable resource for you as you navigate the rules changes.



Additionally, we will be sending out a series of emails over the next few weeks highlighting these significant rules changes. We will also be sharing the information through our social media channels during that time as well.

Please feel free to contact us if you have any questions or for further information on the Rules of Golf, please visit [www.USGA.org](http://www.USGA.org).

[Philadelphia PGA Rules Corner](#)

### Volunteers Needed - Philadelphia Golf Show

Once again the Philadelphia PGA will be attending the Philadelphia Golf Show at the Greater Philadelphia Expo Center in Oaks, PA. We are in need of teachers to donate their time and fill the spots during the show. This is a wonderful opportunity to showcase your teaching talents, promote your brand and help showcase the Philadelphia PGA. All volunteers will earn MSRs for their time spent at the Philadelphia Golf Show.

The show dates and volunteer shifts are as follows:

**Friday, February 8 | 11:00 am - 5:00 pm**

11 AM to 2 PM / 2 PM to 5 PM

**Saturday, February 9 | 10:00 am - 6:00 pm**

10 AM to 2 PM / 2 PM to 6 PM

**Sunday, February 10 | 10:00 am - 4:00 pm**

10 AM to 1 PM / 1 PM to 4 PM

Anyone interested in volunteering for one or more of the shifts please contact:  
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## Tournaments

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### TPD and Hole-in-One Registration Now Open



Online Registration is now open for [Tournament Players Division \(TPD\) Membership](#) and [Hole-in-One Club](#). To register for either of these programs, please click the links above.

Special congratulations go out to last season's Hole-in-One club winners: Dustin McCormick and Kevin Nicholson. Dustin recorded his hole-in-one on the 2<sup>nd</sup> hole at Trump National Golf Club - Philadelphia during the Jack Jolly / Golf Pride Championship on June 11 while Kevin accomplished his feat at the season's first event, the Pro-Pro Scramble following the Spring Meeting on April 9 when he aced the 10<sup>th</sup> hole at Blue Bell Country Club.

The pair split the pot of \$3,060 with each taking home a winner's share of \$1,530.

[TPD Registration Now Open](#)

[Hole-in-One Club Registration Now Open](#)

### 2019 Philadelphia PGA Tournament Information

Online registration for 2019 PPGA tournaments will soon be available. In the meantime please [click here](#) to view the most up to date PPGA tentative schedule, or visit the Tournaments Homepage [www.PhillyPGA.com](http://www.PhillyPGA.com).

### 2019 Sanctioned Event Information

A Sanctioned Event is defined as: Any competition held within the Section Boundaries in which five (5) or more Philadelphia Section Professionals are participating.(see Section 7.01 of the Tournament Rules and Regulations) [Download 2019 Sanctioned Event Form](#)

### 2019 Tournament Withdraw Form

To withdraw from any tournament that you have registered for, please complete the following information and fax back to the Section Office at least 7 days prior to the tournament date. All withdrawals after the 7-day withdraw deadline will forfeit the tournament entry fee. (As per the 2018 Philadelphia Section PGA Tournament Rules & Regulations) [Download Withdraw Form](#)



## Employment

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Congratulations go out to **Fred Pacacha**, PGA, Life Member who has reach a half century with the PGA of America. **Trevor Alexander**, PGA, is the new A-13 at Medford Lakes CC; Trevor was formerly with the New Jersey Section. **Samuel Ambrose**, PGA, is the new A-1 at Chester Valley GC; Samuel was formerly the A-8 at Aronimink GC. **James Brod**, PGA, is the new A-8 at Aronimink GC; James was most recently with the Minnesota Section. **Edward Clark**, PGA, has transferred to the New England Section; Edward was most recently the A-8 at Gulph Mills GC. **Brian Denaro** is the new B-6 at GolfTEC - Lehigh Valley, and he is also new to the PGM Program. Congratulations to **Trevor Freeman**, PGA, who was elected to membership on 12/3/2018; Trevor is the A-14 at TopGolf in Mount Laurel. **Jeff Glatfelter**, PGA, is transferring into the Carolinas Section; Jeff was most recently the A-1 at Bon Air CC. **Evan Grube** is the new B-1 at The Club at Morgan Hill; Evan was most recently the B-8 at this facility. **Zachary Halvonik**, PGA, is the new A-1 at Ledgerock GC; Zachary was formerly with the Western New York Section. **Billy Heller** is the new B-8 at Meadia Heights GC; Billy was formerly the B-8 at RiverCrest Golf Club. **Patrick Keefe**, PGA, is the new owner of Frog Hollow Golf Club; Patrick was formerly the A-1 at this facility before he became the owner. **Kyle Kozak** is new to the PGM Program and the Section; Kyle is the new B-8 at Royal Manchester Golf Links. **Brandon Klakowicz**, PGA, is the new A-1 at The Union League Golf Club at Torresdale; Brandon was formerly the A-8 at this facility. **Jeffrey Massa**, PGA, is the new A-8 at White Manor CC; Jeff was most recently with the Southern California Section. **Mark McCartney**, PGA, is the new A-8 at Little Mill CC; Mark was most recently with the Georgia Section. **Gregg Meyer**, PGA, is the new A-1 at Woodstone CC; Gregg was formerly with The Club at Morgan Hill. **Eric Pevoto**, PGA, is the new A-6 at GolfTEC in Malvern; he was formerly with GolfTEC Bryn Mawr. We have two new Associates to the PGM program and the Section: **Nicholas Lussier** is the B-8 at Northampton CC, and **Wade Sander** is the B-4 at Ramblewood CC.

It is with great sadness that we inform the membership that Life Member, **Michael Ciabattoni's** passed away on January 2, 2019.

## The Fundamentals of Investing

Investing can be complicated and overwhelming. Understanding the fundamentals of investing can help you make sense of the risks and opportunities associated with investing. It can also help you make more informed—and more confident—decisions about your portfolio, so you can put your investments to work toward achieving your goals. [For More Information](#)

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## Education

The Philadelphia PGA Instruction and Education Committees are excited to announce the upcoming additions to the 2018-2019 Education calendar. These programs are designed to give all Philadelphia PGA Professionals ample opportunities to continue their education and earn MSR credits. Please note this calendar will be changing constantly so be sure to check the [Education Page](#) on the Philadelphia PGA [website](#).

## Upcoming Education Events

January 15, 2019 - Junior League Workshop - Commonwealth Nat'l GC - [Register Now](#)

January 30, 2019 - Fundamentals of Investing - Indian Spring GC - [Register Now](#)

## Rules of Golf Seminars

Join Current Members of the PGA Rules Committee in an in-depth discussion on the upcoming changes to the Rules of Golf. With the sweeping changes to the Rules it is imperative that our PGA Members and Associates become familiar with the new language and procedures. Our club members are going to expect their professionals to be able to understand and operate events at each of our facilities. We would like to also invite you to bring a member or two to join the presentation.

February 21, 2019 - Union League Golf Club - [Register Now](#)

## Upcoming District Roundtables

Over the course of the off-season the Philadelphia PGA will hold multiple Round Table Education Events throughout the Section's six geographic Districts. The topics of discussion as well as the round table format proved to be highly interactive and beneficial for the group of participants. The day includes a loose agenda to provide for some great peer to peer conversation on the many different topics facing our professionals, our Section and our industry today. Each event will also have a structured Player Development segment led by Leila Mackie, PGA, the Section's Player Development Director. Each of the 6 Districts will hold their own Round Table Event hosted by their appointed District Director.

January 11, 2019 - District 5 - Moselem Springs Golf Club - [Register Now](#)

January 17, 2019 - District 1 - Riverton Golf Club - [Register Now](#)

February 7, 2019 - District 3 - Out Door Country Club - [Register Now](#)

February 19, 2019 - District 2 - Bidermann Golf Club - [Register Now](#)

February 26, 2019 - District 6 - Philadelphia PGA Offices - [Register Now](#)



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## 2019 KOHLER PRO-AM

OCTOBER 6-9, 2019 | KOHLER RESORT

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### This package will include:

- 3 nights lodging at the Inn on Woodlake. Located on the shore of picturesque Wood Lake, this serene 138-room hotel boasts boutique-style guest rooms. Along with WiFi and flatscreen TVs, you will enjoy the classic comfort and hospitality you would expect from an inn. Not to mention a signature KOHLER® shower experience that is nothing short of sensational.
- Golf: Blackwolf Run® and Whistling Straits challenge the pros while providing the amateur golfer a fair and unforgettable test. All four courses between the two venues were chosen for 2017/2018 America's 100 Greatest Golf Courses by Golf Digest. Created by legendary golf course designer Pete Dye, they have hosted three PGA Championships, the Andersen Consulting World Golf Championships, a U.S. Senior Open and two U.S. Women's Opens. In 2020, The Straits at Whistling Straits will host the Ryder Cup Matches. 1 practice round and 3 tournament rounds of golf. The final tournament round will be played on the Straits Course.
- Course Rotation: Practice Round - Blackwolf Run: The Meadows Valley | Round 1 - Whistling Straits: The Irish | Round 2 - Blackwolf Run: The River | Round 3 - Whistling Straits: The Straits
- Opening night Welcome reception and final day awards lunch, along with lunch each day.
- Tee gift package for all players.
- Team: 1 Professional + 3 Amateurs ( All amateurs must have a valid USGA Handicap)
  - ~Team Pro-Am format of 1 Gross Ball + 1 Net Ball of the Team
  - ~Team Prize Purse
- Amateur pricing:
  - ~\$2,750 per amateur for Double Occupancy—Inn on Woodlake
    - ~Add \$400 for Single Occupancy—Inn on Woodlake
    - ~Add \$300 for Double Occupancy—American Club
    - ~Add \$1,000 for Single Occupancy—American Club
  - ~Deposit of \$1,000 per amateur due by June 1, 2019
  - ~Full payment due by September 1, 2019

If you are interested in putting a team together please contact Brian Schulte at the Section Office (215) 481-9087 or at [BSchulte@PGAHQ.com](mailto:BSchulte@PGAHQ.com). Please click [here](#) for more information and/or to register.