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PPGA Newsletter

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Trevor Bensel Captures National Car Rental Philadelphia Assistant PGA Professional Championship hosted by Dick Smith, Sr.

Trevor Bensel of (Villanova, Pa.), winner of the National Car Rental Philadelphia Assistant PGA Professional Championship hosted by Dick Smith, Sr. August 5-6, 2019 at Chester Valley Golf Club will lead five Philadelphia Section PGA Professionals to compete Nov. 14-17 in the 43rd National Car Rental Assistant PGA Professional Championship.

The national Championship, supported by Srixon, Cleveland Golf, XXIO and Golf Advisor and John Deere will be held at PGA Golf Club, Port St. Luce, Fla.

Bensel turned in a winning total of 6-under-par 134 to capture the National Car Rental Philadelphia Assistant PGA Professional Championship hosted by Dick Smith, Sr. Michael Little of (North Wales, Pa.) finished four strokes back at 2-under-par 138. They are joined by Rusty Harbold of (Abington, Pa.), Mike Furey of (Summit Hill, Pa.), and Chris Filling of (Egg Harbor City, NJ). [More Info](#)

Shawnee's Bergstol Wins Doylestown Open in Playoff

DOYLESTOWN, Pa. – As the calendar turned to August, the Philadelphia PGA once again returned to Doylestown Country Club for the annual Doylestown Open. The one-day stroke-play tournament featured more than 90 Philadelphia PGA Professionals and served as the seventh event in the race for the Omega Player of the Year presented by the Haverford Trust Company.

Early in the day, current Philadelphia PGA Omega Player of the Year points leader Michael Little (Lookaway Golf Club) got things going after posting an impressive 4-under (68). Little posted back to back birdies on his front nine to make the turn at 2-under. As he made his way back to the clubhouse, Little added an eagle on the par-5 14th hole as well as another birdie on the short par-4 16th to reach 5-under. However, an untimely bogey on the par-5 18th hole dropped Little back to 4-under and in the end that proved to be a costly stroke.

As play continued, word started to spread that there was a player on the course who was having an impressive round. Brian Bergstol (Shawnee Inn & Resort) got off to a flat start but was able to turn things around on the par-4 6th hole carding his first birdie of the day. Bergstol added two additional birdies over his next three holes to make the turn at 3-under. [More Info](#)



McNamee and Partners Win 2019 AC Team Stableford Championship

Cape May Court House, N.J. – Nearly two months after its originally scheduled date, the 2019 Atlantic City Team Stableford was played at Union League National, a new venue for the Philadelphia PGA, on a warm and humid summer afternoon. For this rescheduled event, 25 teams traveled down the AC Expressway to the New Jersey shore for the championships that pairs one PGA Professional with three amateur partners playing a stableford points.



In the Net division, Eric McNamee (Golf Galaxy – Montgomeryville) and his amateur partners Joseph Boyle, Walt Hoffner, and Jesse Brookreson combined for a team score of 94 points, four more than their closest opponent. Each member of the team contributed to the overall score including every member of the team carding a natural birdies. [More Info](#)



Hershey CC's Sara Muldoon Named PGA of America's Merchandiser of the Year - Resort

"I am so excited for Hershey Country Club to win this award. My team has worked extremely hard and I can't be more proud of all of them. It's also an honor to be one of the 11 PGA members to win such a prestigious, National, honor in 2019 and it's also bitter sweet to bring such an award to the Philadelphia Section." - Sara Muldoon

Sara, along with the other PGA Merchandisers of the Year, will be recognized next January, in coordination with events surrounding the 2020 PGA Merchandise Show. [Press release](#)

Help Support PGA Reach Philadelphia's 100-Hole Golf Marathon



The banner features the PGA Reach Philadelphia logo on the left, which includes a graphic of two hands holding a golf ball. To the right of this is the text "GOLF MARATHON" in large, bold, blue letters. Below the main title are four logos: PGA HOPE (Helping Our Patriots Everywhere), the PGA of America Philadelphia Section logo, and the PGA Jr. League logo. At the bottom, a green oval contains the text "GOAL: \$25,000" in white.



Tournaments

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Golf Genius TPD and Hole-in-One Registration Information

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.

[TPD Registration](#) / [Hole-in-One Club Registration](#)

Upcoming Tournament Deadlines

August 28 - Summer Pro-Lady Team Championship - Sunnybrook GC - [Register Now](#)

September 9 - TaylorMade Classic - Laurel Creek CC - [Register Now](#)

September 12 - The Arc of Atlantic County Pro-Am - Seaview GC - [Register Now](#)

September 23 - Delaware Valley Open - Radley Run CC - [Register Now](#)

Philadelphia PGA Omega Player of the Year Race to the DeBaufre Scoring Average Title

Please find the below links for the most up to date Player of the Year Standings as well as the current ranking in the Race to the DeBaufre Scoring Average Crown

- [Omega Player of the Year presented by The Haverford Trust Company](#)
- [Robert "Skee" Riegel Senior Player of the Year](#)
- [PAO Player of the Year](#)
- [Super Senior Player of the Year](#)
- [DeBaufre Scoring Average Race](#)

Central Counties Tournament Updates

[Chapter Points List](#) / [Phil Blankert Stroke Average](#)

July 29 - Chapter Championship - Colonial GC - [Results](#)

August 23 - CCC Regents' Glen Pro-Am - Regents' Glen CC - [Register Now](#)

August 26 - CCC Williamsport Pro-Am - Williamsport CC - [Register Now](#)

August 30 - CCC Out Door Pro-Am - Out Door CC - [Register Now](#)

Employment

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John Bartlett, PGA, is the new B-1 at Wild Quail Golf & CC; John was most recently with the Middle Atlantic Section. **Michael Brennan** is transferring to the North Florida Section; he was most recently with Elkview CC. **Matthew Brown**, PGA, is the new A-8 at Philadelphia Cricket Club; Matthew was formerly with Whitemarsh Valley CC. **Sean Duggan**, PGA, is the new A-13 at Great Bear GC; Sean was formerly the A-1 at Great Bear GC. Congratulations go out to **Matthew Ersek**, PGA, for achieving the “Half Century” distinction for being a PGA Member. **Grant Griffith** is the new B-8 at White Manor CC; Grant was most recently with Play-A-Round Golf in Malvern. Congratulations to **Christopher Hutchinson**, PGA, who completed his certification in ‘Golf Operations.’ **Todd Moser**, PGA, is the new A-1 at Honey Brook GC; Todd was formerly the A-8 at Honey Brook GC. **Justin Riegel**, PGA, is the new A-1 at Philmont CC; he was most recently their A-8. **Nick Semuta**, PGA, is the new A-6 at Mayapple Golf Links; Nick was most recently with Lewistown CC. **Josh Strausbaugh** is transferring to the Middle Atlantic Section; Josh was most recently with Carlisle CC.

Congratulations go out to two newly elected members: **Drew M. Marcoux**, PGA, and **Eric M. Mason**, PGA.

Meet Charles Fahy of the SVS Wealth Management Team at Morgan Stanley

Charles Fahy is a Financial Advisor in Morgan Stanley’s Northfield, NJ office. He works with a select group of businesses and individual investors that aspire to a work-optional lifestyle by employing a prudent investment strategy that emphasizes long-term growth, current income and capital preservation. Tax-efficient investing is also a key part of the investment approach.



Prior to joining Morgan Stanley, Charles served as General Manager of the Atlantic City Country Club, one of the most historic clubs in the world. Another one of his passions is golf. In fact, he is a PGA (Professional Golfers Association) member and has been a teaching professional with the PGA for many years. [More Information](#)

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A message from Alex McGann - Director of Golf Seaview: A Dolce Hotel

My team and myself are delighted again to partner with The Arc of Atlantic County and the Philadelphia PGA section, to host The Arc of Atlantic County Pro-Am Golf Tournament, on Thursday, September 12th, 2019 played on the Pines Course at Seaview, A Dolce Hotel.



It's a unique tournament combining 36 Golf Pros competing for a prize purse of \$11,000, and paired with 36 Amateur Foursomes. All proceeds benefit programs and services for individuals living with intellectual and developmental disabilities in our community.

Please support The Arc of Atlantic County Golf Pro-Am—It's a great cause!

VISIT thearcatlantic.org/golf to register.

