



PGA

Northern California Section

GOLFING ACTIVITIES & COMPETITION

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OVERVIEW

A distinctive skill which PGA professionals must possess is the ability to play the game of golf. In fact, because the ability to play is so important to the profession as a whole, membership requirements, including playing ability test to be passed at a high level of skill.

Being an accomplished player provides the basic foundation for developing teaching expertise and knowledge of the game – in swing techniques, course management and equipment characteristics. Playing under competitive conditions with and against colleagues thus becomes a highly regarded professional challenge whereby winners earn the respect of their peers and also determined who among them is the annual “champion.”

EARLY NORTHERN CALIFORNIA PROFESSIONAL TOURNAMENTS

One of the earliest professional tournaments in Northern California was held on January 13, 1900 at Oakland GC. Players, course affiliations, 36-hole scores and winnings were:

- Horace Rawlins, Oakland GC 37-47-44-40: 168, \$100
- Alexander Smith, Coronado GC 45-41-44-44: 174, \$50
- David Stephenson, San Francisco GC 45-46-43-44: 176, \$50
- (won playoff with Melville 44-47 to 45-49)
- James Melville, Del Monte 42-46-43-45: 176
- Willie Anderson, Oakland 46-43-45-43: 177
- T.W. Tetley, San Rafael GC 54-61-53-49: 217

Burlingame CC held a professional invitational tournament on February 22, 1900 at 36 holes.

Results were:

- Anderson 49, 47, 43, 42: 181 \$75
- Stephenson 46, 45, 49, 47: 187 \$40
- Melville 50, 43, 51, 44: 188 \$25
- Rawlins 45, 50, 49, 47: 191 n/a

In 1901, Oakland hosted another professional tournament with the following results:

- Willie Smith, Chicago/Oakland 88-79: 167 \$100
- Horace Rawlins, Oakland 86-88: 174 \$70
- Harry Rawlins, Oakland 87-89: 176 \$30
- David Bell, unknown 88-90: 178 n/a
- Robert Johnstone, San Francisco GC 86-96: 182 n/a
- F. Reilly, Burlingame 96-95: 191 n/a

These same men had played at Del Monte the previous week; Smith, the 1899 U.S. Open champion, won with a 151, Bell was second at 152, and Johnstone third with 159. They also played at the Presidio. Again, Smith was the winner with 165, Horace Rawlins, 176, and Bell, 177.

Competitions among professionals became more prevalent as the popularity of the game increased. Various tournaments featured local professionals and some who traveled from the eastern clubs, competing for cash purses or as exhibitions and benefits for various causes.

In the Northern California area, professionals banded together to promote golf and their mutual interest in 1920. Full accounts of early championships for NCPGA professionals only have not as yet been discovered. Some references found give the following information.

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA PGA SECTION CHAMPIONSHIPS

Club Team Championship

The Club Team Championship, formerly known as the Pro-Assistant Championship and the Bob D. Smith Memorial Pro-Assistant Championship, the event began in the late 1940's and pairs a head professional and assistant together against other teams. The tournament is named after the late Bob Smith, who was passionate about golf, a longtime Titleist representative and a friend to many Nor Cal Section Professionals. In 2011, the Tournament Committee reviewed team eligibility and structure and made a motion to modify the structure as it had been in the past to allow for less rigid structure, equaling more participation. The name change occurred with the 2012 season to the Club Team Championship.

- 2015 Rodney Wilson & Mitch Lowe (Eagle Ridge GC) (68-67-135-9)
Bayonet & Black Horse GC, Seaside, CA (Par 72)
- 2014 Rick Leibovich & Eric Goettsch (Tehama GC) (68 – 68 – 136 – 8)
Bayonet & Black Horse GC, Seaside, CA (Par 72)
- 2013 Joe Moulton & Mitch Thomas (Morgan Creek G & CC) (63-67-130 -14)
Bayonet & Black Horse GC, Seaside, CA (Par 72)
- 2012 Jason Schmuhl & Joe Carlton (Windsor GC) – 135 (-9)
- 2011 Jason Schmuhl & Joe Carlton – Windsor GC, Windsor, CA (68-66--134)
Bayonet & Blackhorse GC, Seaside, CA (Par 72)
- 2010 Shea Rollins & Glen Stubblefield, Spring Creek Golf & CC (*67-71-138)
Bayonet & Blackhorse GC, Seaside, CA (Par 72)
- 2009 Stuart Smith & Rick Christensen, Somerset Country Club (*68-68-136)
Coyote Creek Golf Club, Morgan Hill, CA (Par 72)
- 2008 Rodney Wilson & Jason Stevens, Harding Park Golf Course (*69-66-135)
Coyote Creek Golf Club, Morgan Hill, CA (Par 72)

- 2007 Brad Martin & Chris Stein, Olympic Club (*65-64—129)
Coyote Creek Golf Club, Morgan Hill, CA (Par 72)
- 2006 Brad Martin & Chris Stein, Olympic Club (*69 -69-138)
Bayonet & Blackhorse GC, Seaside, CA (Par 72)
- 2005 Jason Schmuhl & Charlie Gibson (*67-64—131)
Coyote Creek Golf Club, Morgan Hill, CA (Par 72)
- 2004 Eric Costa & Shane Lee, Madera G&CC (136)
Bayonet & Blackhorse GC, Seaside, CA (Par 72)
- 2003 Charlie Gibson & Matt Cohen - Windsor GC (137)
Bayonet & Blackhorse GC, Seaside, CA (Par 72)
- 2002 Charlie Gibson & Matt Cohen - Windsor GC (97)
Poppy Ridge GC, Livermore, CA
- 2001 Mitch Lowe & Casey Haynes - Lockeford Springs GC (96)
Diablo Grande Resort, Patterson, CA
- 2000 Shawn Kelly & Greg French, The Ridge GC (100) *won via playoff
Diablo Grande Resort, Patterson, CA
- 1999 No Record
- 1998 Shawn McEntee & Ken Woods (99)
Poppy Ridge GC, Livermore, CA
- 1997 Mike Paul & Tracy Stansberry (100)
Rancho Murieta CC, Rancho Murieta, CA
- 1996 No Record
- 1995 Bob Borowicz & Jim Knego (67-63--130)
Chardonnay GC, Napa, CA
- 1994 Rod Metzler—Shawn Kelly
- 1993 Gary Bauer—Randy Norvelle
- 1992 Jay Walkinshaw—Jay McDaniel
- 1991 Bob Borowicz—Jim Knego
- 1990 Shawn McEntee—Evan Cornell
- 1989 Bob Borowicz—Jim Knego
- 1988 Steve Elbe—Mike Griggs
- 1987 Gerry Greenfield—Dave Lewis

1986 Ernie George—Ric Burgess
1985 Bob Boldt—Rob Boldt
1984 Steve Caulkins--Dennis Wilson
1983 Bob Badger—Barry Mink
1982 Jim Collart—Dave Bingham
1981 Vic Loustalot—Joel Kuechle
1980 Mike Paniccia—Dennis Nard
1979 Steve Caulkins—Randy Cooper
1978 Rick Rhoads—Ed Campos
1977 Hal Ingram—Paul Fakundiny
1976 Bob Boldt—George Claus
1975 Ted Neist—Jeff Tauscher
1974 Maurie VerBrugge—John Shanley
1973 Bill Brown--Francisco Lopez
1972 Bob Badger—Nelson Hirst
1971 Ty Caplin—Irv Korff
1970 Bill Fritz--Kim Thurman
1969 Ty Caplin—Irv Korff
1968 Tal Smith—Joe Bihl
1967 Eddie Duino, Jr. — Bob Yeazel
1966 John Blasquez—John Joseph
1965 Bob Badger—Thor Holm
1964 Dick Landahl—Len Woodward
1963 Bob Badger—Thor Holm
1962 No Record
1961 No Record
1960 No Record
1959 Bus Pendleton--Paul Farmer
1958 Bud Ward—Gene McLaughlin 1957
1956 No Record
1955 No Record
1954 No Record

- 1953 No Record
- 1952 No Record
- 1951 No Record
- 1950 No Record
- 1949 Art Bell—Frank Johnson

Pro-Scotch Championship

Records date to 1995 and there is record of Senior Division Events having been held not in conjunction with the Section Pro-Scotch Championship. In 2009, a senior division was implemented. The Pro-Scotch Championship boasted a 36 hole format: 18 Chapman Scotch and 18 Scramble. In 2015, after several years not contested, the Pro-Scotch was resurrected and changes included 18-holes of scotch format, a dynamic horse race, one purse for all teams and seniors & women playing from adjusted tees.

- 2015 Scott de Borba (Valley Hi CC) & Brian Thompson (The Olympic Club) 34-33-67 -4
Presented by Yamaha & Oakley
Diablo Country Club (Par 71) - Danville, Calif.
- 2014 NOT HELD
- 2013 NOT HELD
- 2012 Joe Dolby & David Solomon -135 (-9)
*Senior Division: Michael Cook & Michael Paul -131 (-13)
Eagle Vines Golf Club (Par 72) - Napa, Calif.
- 2011 Brett Viboch & Ray Otis - 65-62--127(-17)
*Senior: Chris Bitticks & Al Weinhold - 67-63--130 (-14)
Winchester Country Club (Par 72), Meadow Vista, CA
- 2010 Jason Schmuhl & Joseph Carlton - 67-62--129 (-15)
*Senior: Michael Cook & Michael Paul - 67-63--130 (-14)
Sonoma Golf Club (Par 72), Sonoma, CA
- 2009 Shawn Kelly & Michael Schy - 64-59--123 (-21)
*Senior: Mike Beveridge & Eric Pohl - 66-65--131 (-13)
Green Valley Country Club (Par 72), Green Valley, CA
- 2008 Matt Plumlee & Dana Banke - 128* (*Determined by playoff)

- Cameron Park Country Club (Par 72), Cameron Park, CA
- 2007 Jason Schmuhl & Adam Lewis (Windsor GC) - 123
Sonoma Golf Club (Par 72), Sonoma, CA
- 2006 Matt Plumlee & Dana Banke - 66-61--127
Richmond Country Club (Par 72), Richmond, CA
*Senior: Ron Parsons & Tim Berg - 35-31-34--100
Diablo Grande Resort (Par 72), Patterson, CA
- 2005 Rich Bin & Mick Soli - 126
Richmond CC, Richmond, CA
*Senior: Jerry Thormann & Mike Paul - 98
Brentwood GC, Brentwood, CA
- 2004 Rich Bin & Mick Soli - 131
Richmond CC, Richmond, CA
- 2003 Mark Sherman & Jeff McMillen - 135
Oakhurst CC, Clayton CA
- 2002 Tracy Stansberry & Pat Shea - 130
Oakhurst CC, Clayton CA
- 2001 Mitch Lowe & Tracy Stansberry - (65-62--127)
*Senior: Paul Bioccini & Glen Stubblefield
Brentwood GC, Brentwood, CA
- 2000 No Record
- 1999 No Record
- 1998 Doug Caldwell & Frank Elston (66-62--128)
Marin CC, Novato, CA
- 1997 Bob Borowicz & Jim Knego
Marin CC, Novato, CA
- 1996 No Record
- 1995 Bob Borowicz & Jim Knego

Match Play Championship

“The Champion” of the NCPGA was determined by match play competition through

1950. The first formal NCPGA match play championship was held in May/June 1922. Harold Sampson was medalist during the qualifying rounds. Mortie Dutra defeated Abelard Espinosa on the 37th hole.

- 2015 Jason Schmuhl, Windsor GC
JS def. Joe Moulton (Morgan Creek G & CC) 20 holes
- 2014 Shawn Kelly, The Ridge Golf Club
SK def. Mitch Lowe (TPC Harding Park) 1 up
- 2013 Wayne Clark, Hidden Valley Lake
WC def. Joe Dolby (Palo Alto Hills G & CC) 4&2
- 2012 Mitch Lowe, Half Moon Bay GL
ML def. Colin Campbell 3&2
- 2011 Jerrel Grow, Morgan Creek G&CC
- 2010 Mitch Lowe, Del Rio CC
- 2009 Dana Banke, Poplar Creek GC
- 2008 Rick Leibovich, Tehama GC
- 2007 Rick Leibovich, Tehama GC
- 2006 Bobby Schultze, Oakley Golf
BS def. Mick Soli 21st
- 2005 Mitch Lowe, Del Rio CC
- 2004 Tim Huber, Riverbend GC
- 2003 Kris Moe, Kris Moe Golf Schools
- 2002 Jin Park, Spyglass Hill GC
- 2001 Paul Wightman, Sunnyside CC
PW def. Bobby Siravo 2up
- 2000 Mitch Lowe, Lockeford Springs GC
ML def. Brad Martin 20 holes
- 1999 Bob Borowicz, Bennet Valley GC
BB def. Bob McGrath 2 up
Consolation: Ric Burgess, Colusa CC
RB def. Steve Hummell 2 & 1
- 1998 Bob Borowicz

1997 Steve McMichael
1996 Steve McMichael
1995 Shawn McEntee
1994 Charlie Gibson
1993 Tod Goin
1992 John Joseph
1991 Tod Goin
1990 John Joseph
1989 Tod Goin
1988 Bob Borowicz
1987 Glen Stubblefield
1986 Rick Rhoads
1985 Dick Lotz
1984 Rob Boldt
1983 Brad Schneider
1982 Bob Lunn
1981 Ken Towns
1980 Dick McLean
1979 Jim Langley
1978 Bruce Summerhays
1977 Bruce Summerhays
1976 John Lotz
1975 George Buzzini, Sr.
1974 Ken Towns
1973 Bruce Summerhays
1972 Jim Langley
1971 Ernie George
1970 Gary Loustalot
1969 Ernie George
1968 Scotty McBeath
1967 No Record
1966 John Joseph

1965 Dick Lundahl
1964 Tal Smith
1963 Joe Zakarian
1962 Dave Mancour
1961 No Record
1960 No Record
1959 No Record
1958 No Record
1957 George Buzzini, Sr.
1956 Bob Moore
1955 No Record
1954 George Buzzini, Sr.
1953 No Record
1952 No Record
1951 NCPGA champion to be determined by stroke competition
1950 Eddie Joseph
Fay Coleman def. EJ for state PGA title
1949 John Perelli
Zell Eaton def. JP for state PGA title
1948 Mark Fry
1947 John Perelli
1946 Newt Bassler
NB to play Fay Coleman for state title
1945 Harold Sampson
1944 no event
1943 no event
1942 Ev Goulart
(EG called “Duration Sectional Match Play Champion”)
1941 Ben Coltrin
1940 Art Bell
1939 Mark Fry
1938 Vito Machado

- 1937 Mark Fry
- 1936 Willie Goggin
- 1935 Earl Fry
- 1934 Charles Sheppard
- 1933 Ben Coltrin
- 1932 Ben Coltrin
- 1931 Dewey Longworth
- 1930 Willie Goggin
- 1929 Ben Coltrin
- Charles Guest def. BC in state PGA championship
- 1928 Frank Minch
- 1927 Harold Sampson
- Charles Guest def. HS for Cal pro title
- 1926 Harold Sampson
- Charles Guest (SCPGA) def. HS for state pro championship
- 1925 Joe Novak
- JN def. George Kerrigan (SCGA) for Cal pro title
- 1924 Harold Clark
- 1923 Harold Sampson
- 1922 Mortie Dutra

Northern California PGA Professional Championship (Stroke Play Championship)

Records of early events are not complete. Starting about August 1921, the NCPGA had monthly medal competitions, and players with the highest number of points from finishes in these events throughout the year were medal winners and sometimes called “champions.” In later years, reports indicate that annual stroke play competitions were held. Prior to 1999, the Stroke Play Championship and the Northern California PGA Professional Championship (formerly the CPC - Club Professional Championship), were conducted separately. Records indicate that the 1998 event consisted of the Section Club Professional Championship (CPC) wherein the champion (including top 15 qualifiers) advanced to the Western CPC Regional Championship. This event serves as the

qualifier for the National Championship. Currently, the NCPPC Champion and stroke play champion are synonymous. The NCPPC Champion receives an exemption into the Nationwide Tour Championship event proper.

- 2015 David Solomon, Ruby Hill GC, *69-68-75-212 -4
Winchester Country Club (Par 72), Meadow Vista, CA
**National Qualifiers: Mitch Lowe (Eagle Ridge GC), Ray Otis (Corde Valle GC), Brian Glosser (Round Hill CC), Dave Carr (Teal Bend GC).*
- 2014 Jason Schmuhl, Windsor GC, *66-70-136 -8
Sonoma Golf Club (Par 72), Sonoma, CA
**National Qualifiers: Zack King (Shadow Lakes GC), Michael Duncan (Pebble Beach Golf Links), Stuart Smith (Somerset CC), David Carr (Teal Bend GC), Steve Hummel (Wolf Run Golf Club).*
- 2013 Don Winter, Castlewood CC – 140 (-4)
Mayacama GC (Par 72), Santa Rosa, CA
**National Qualifiers: Ray Otis, Steve Pellegrine, David Carr, David Solomon, Kenny Collins.*
- 2012 Mitch Lowe, Stanford GC – 139 (-5)
**National Qualifiers: Jason Schmuhl, Shawn McEntee, David Carr, Jeffrey Anderson, Marcus Judge, Stuart Smith, Robert Poole.*
- 2011 Stuart Smith, Somerset CC - 139
Lake Merced GC (Par 72), Daly City, CA
**National Qualifiers: Rick Leibovich, Stuart Smith, Kris Moe, Joe Dolby & Jason Owen.*
- 2010 Jason Schmuhl, Windsor GC - 138
TPC San Francisco Bay (Par 72), Hayward, CA
- 2009 Mitch Lowe, Del Rio CC - (*74-70-144 E**)
Mayacama GC (Par 72), Santa Rosa, CA
**National Qualifiers (Advancing to 43rd PGA Professional National Championship): Mitch Lowe, Patrick Clark, Stuart Smith, Robert Poole, Jason Schmuhl, Jason Owen, Eric Lippert & Rick Leibovich.*
- 2008 Jason Schmuhl, Windsor GC - (*73-74--147)
Golf Club at Gray's Crossing (Par 72), Truckee, CA
**National Qualifiers (Advancing to 42nd PGA Professional National Championship): Jason Schmuhl, Eric Lippert, Patrick Clark, Rodney Wilson, Mitch Lowe, Jin Park.*
- 2007 Tim Huber, Sierra Meadows Ranch - 143

Mayacama GC (Par 72), Santa Rosa, CA

**National Qualifiers (Advancing to 41st PGA Professional Championship): Tim Huber, Brad Martin, Rick Leibovich, Dana Banke, Eric Lippert, Jason Schmuhl, Kris Moe.*

2006 Rick Leibovich, Tehama GC - 142

Winchester CC (Par 72), Meadow Vista, CA

**National Qualifiers (Advancing to the 40th PGA Professional Championship): Rick Leibovich, Paul Wightman, Bob McGrath, Tim Huber, Dana Jetter, Don Winter, Steve Hummel.*

2005 Steve Hummel, Wolf Run GC (74-69-143)

Winchester CC, Meadow Vista, CA (Par 72)

2004 Rick Leibovich, Tehama GC (74-65-139)

Winchester CC, Meadow Vista, CA (Par 72)

2003 Jin Park, Spyglass Hill GC (73-68--141)

Winchester CC, Meadow Vista, CA (Par 72)

2002 Kris Moe, Kris Moe Golf School (68-70--138)

Serrano Country Club, Eldorado Hills, CA

2001 Rick Leibovich, Monterey Peninsula CC (66-67--133)

Serrano Country Club, Eldorado Hills, CA

2000 Rich Bin, Palo Alto Muni. GC (71-67--138)

Serrano Country Club, Eldorado Hills, CA

1999 Steve Hummel, Wolf Run GC (70-69--139)

Serrano Country Club, Eldorado Hills, CA

1998 CPC: Mick Soli, Mariner's Point (69-69--138)

Serrano Country Club, Eldorado Hills, CA

Stroke Play Championship: Mick Soli, Mariner's Point (71-69-73--213)

Montreux G&CC, Reno, NV

1997 Steve Hummell, (139 - won via playoff)

Serrano Country Club, Eldorado Hills, CA

1996 Bob Borowicz (70)

1995 Shawn McEntee (68-69-70--207)

1994 Shawn McEntee

1993 Jim Kane

1992 Ed Luethke

1991 Nate Pomeroy

1990 Bob Borowicz
1989 Brad Schneider
1988 Glen Stubblefield
1987 Bob Klein
1986 Bob Lunn
1985 Dick Lotz
1984 Larry Babica
1983 Bob Wynn
1982 Mike Watney
1981 George Buzzini, Jr.
1980 Dick McClean
1979 Bruce Summerhays
1978 Bob Boldt
1977 Steve Taylor
1976 Steve Taylor
1975 Ken Towns
1974 Harold Firstman
1973 Ken Towns
1972 Ken Towns
1971 Ken Towns
1970 Ken Towns
1969 Rick Jetter
1968 Scotty McBeath
1967 John McMullin
1966 John McMullin
1965 Al Mengert
1964 Tony Lema
1963 Tony Lema
1962 Tony Lema
1961 Bob Moore
1960 Dick Stranahan
1959 John Zontek

1958 Bud Ward
1957 No Record
1956 Bob Moore
1955 Bud Ward
1954 George Buzzini, Sr., GB won Cal PGA title
1953 John Geertson
1952 Pat Markovich
1951 Sherm Elworthy
1950 No Record
1949 No Record
1948 No Record
1947 No Record
1946 No Record
1945 Harold Sampson
1944 Mark Fry (One day, Lake Merced, gas conservation measure)
1943 Mark Fry
1942 No Record
1941 Mark Fry
1940 Ben Coltrin
1939 Mark Fry
1938 Mark Fry
1937 Mark Fry
1936 Mark Fry
1935 Mark Fry
1934 Mark Fry
1933 Charles Sheppard
1932 Ben Coltrin
1931 Harold Sampson
1930 John Black, Sr.
1929 Mark Fry
1928 Harold Sampson
1927 Walter Young

1926 Harold Sampson
1925 Harold Sampson
1924 Harold Sampson
1923 Harold Sampson
1922 Harold Sampson

PLAYER OF THE YEAR HONORS

During the early years, the professionals participated in monthly competitions in which points were earned for high finishes. The player with the highest number of points was the “gold medal” winner.

Player of the year laurels on that basis went to Harold Sampson from 1922 through 1925. Bert Wilde was second in the years 1922 and 1923. The exact date the modern Player of the Year awards started is unknown. Throughout the years, different criteria were used: points accumulated in designated NCPGA professional events, or tournaments won, or money winnings during the year or by designation by the Board of Directors. Sometimes two players qualified.

2015 Coming Soon!
2014 Dave Carr, Teal Bend Golf Club, Sacramento, CA
2013 Dave Carr, Teal Bend Golf Club, Sacramento, CA
2012 Mitch Lowe, Stanford Golf Course, Palo Alto, CA
2011 Mitch Lowe, Half Moon Bay Golf Links, Half Moon Bay, CA
2010 Jason Schmuhl, Windsor GC, Windsor CA
2009 Mitch Lowe, Del Rio CC, Modesto, CA
2008 Jason Schmuhl, Windsor GC, Windsor, CA - 860.50
2007 Ricardo Leibovich, Tehama GC, Carmel, CA - 966.84
2006 Ricardo Leibovich, Tehama GC, Carmel, CA
2005 Mitch Lowe, Del Rio CC, Modesto, CA
2004 Stuart Smith, Granite Bay GC, Granite Bay, CA

- 2003 Shawn Kelly, The Ridge GC, Auburn, CA
- 2002 Shawn Kelly, The Ridge GC, Auburn, CA
- 2001 Mitch Lowe, Lockeford Springs GC, Lockeford, CA
- 2000 Shawn Kelly, The Ridge GC, Auburn, CA
- 1999 Shawn McEntee, Pasatiempo GC, Santa Cruz, CA
- 1998 Mick Soli, Links at Mariners Point, Foster City, CA
- 1997 Mick Soli, Links at Mariners Point, Foster City, CA
- 1996 Shawn Kelly, The Ridge GC, Auburn, CA
- 1995 Mick Soli, Links at Mariners Point, Foster City, CA
- 1994 Charlie Gibson, Windsor GC, Windsor, CA
- 1993 Bob Borowicz, Bennett Valley GC, Santa Rosa, CA
- 1992 Ed Luethke, Wawona's Peachwood Golf Resort
- 1991 Bob Borowicz, Bennett Valley GC, Santa Rosa, CA
- 1990 John Joseph, Green Hills CC, Millbrae, CA
- 1989 Bob Borowicz, Bennett Valley GC, Santa Rosa, CA
- 1988 Glenn Stubblefield, Sherwood Greens GC, Salinas, CA
- 1987 Charlie Gibson, Windsor GC, Windsor, CA
- 1986 Bob Wynn, Diablo CC, Diablo, CA
- 1985 Dick Lotz, John Lotz DR
- 1984 Larry Babica, Belmont CC, Fresno, CA
- 1983 Steve Caulkins, Pine Mountain Lake CC, Groveland, CA
- 1982 Bob Boldt, Boundary Oak GC, Walnut Creek, CA
- 1981 Steve Caulkins, Pine Mountain Lake CC, Groveland, CA
- 1980 Paul Biocini, Van Buskirk Municipal GC, Stockton, CA
- 1979 Ernie George, Swenson Park GC, Stockton, CA
- 1978 Bob Boldt, Boundary Oak GC, Walnut Creek, CA
- 1977 Bruce Summerhays, Stanford GC, Stanford, CA
- 1976 Maurie VerBrugge, Burlingame CC, Hillsborough, CA
- 1975 Ken Towns, Tracy G&CC, Tracy, CA
- 1974 Harold Firstman, Laguna Seca GC, Monterey, CA
& Ken Towns
- 1973 George Buzzini, Sr., Turlock G&CC, Turlock, CA

- 1972 Ken Towns, Tracy G&CC, Tracy, CA
& Bruce Summerhays
- 1971 Charles Leider, Crystal Springs GC, Burlingame, CA
- 1970 Rick Jetter, Cambrian GC
- 1969 Gary Loustalot
- 1968 Scotty McBeath
- 1967 Scotty McBeath
- 1966 John McMullen
- 1965 Francisco Lopez & John Zontek
- 1964 Rick Jetter & Al Mengert
- 1960 Gary Loustalot

PRO-AMATEUR TOURNAMENTS

Competitions which featured professionals teaming up with amateurs from their clubs have been used as a means of fostering a close and appreciative relationship between the two groups. Also, pro-am events were used to raise money and support for various community needs.

In 1918 pro-am tournaments were used to benefit the war effort, wounded soldiers at Letterman Hospital, and the Red Cross.

In subsequent years, pro-am competitions have been a very substantial part of fund-raising for many community activities. The professionals in the NCPGA have been leaders in such efforts, and their services to the general community continue.

Pro-Junior Championship

The earliest record found related to a professional-junior championship held in August

1957 at Del Rio CC. Mike DeMassey and his unnamed 17-year-old partner won with a score of 146. There was a girls' division, but no results were printed.

Another pro-junior event was held in December 1957 at Castlewood CC. Lyle Wehrman (Merced CC) and partner Gary Bauer were the overall winners with a 148. In 1959 an annual Harry Hayward Professional-Junior-Ladies Championships was started. The winners in the 4th annual event held in 1962 at the Del Monte GC were:

In the professional-girls divisions: 12-years-and-under age group – George Buzzini, Jr. and Marsha Houghton; 13-and-14 class – Scotty McBeath and Sandy Barath; age 15 category – Art Armstrong and Sue Lance tied with Bud Ward and Janice Ferriaras; 16 and 17 group – Mike DeMassey and Jackie King.

In the professional-boys events: 13-years-and-under class – Russell Dicks and Steve Johnson; age 14 group – Bob Moore and Bruce Thompson; age 15 category – Art Armstrong and Steve Gregoni; age 16 – George Buzzini, Jr. and Steve Condrey; age 17 – Walt Wauhab and Rick Rhoads.

A special competition pairing a professional and one of his junior players was initiated in 1972 by John Fry. It has continued at various locations and competition is conducted in three age groupings – 16-17, 14-15, and 13 and under.

Ty Caplin Pro-Junior Championship was named after PGA Professional Ty Caplin, owner of Elkhorn Country Club and avid supporter of junior golf. The event features an alternate shot format. The last event was contested in 2009.

The following teams have been the overall winners:

2009 Steve Watanabe, Jr. (The Bridges GC) & Justin Haley - 72

Elkhorn CC, Stockton, CA (Par 71)

2008 John Snopkowski & Mark Wylie – 71

Elkhorn CC, Stockton, CA (Par 71)

2007 Jason Schmuhl & Jacob Ruonavaara (Windsor GC) - 70

Elkhorn CC, Stockton, CA (Par 71)

- 2006 John McMillen & Jeff McMillen (Ukiah, CA) - 70
Elkhorn CC, Stockton, CA (Par 71)
- 2005 Charlie Gibson & Scott Strong (15 yrs) - 69
Elkhorn CC, Stockton, CA (Par 71)
- 2004 John Snopkowski & Mark Wylie (12 yrs) - 71
Elkhorn CC, Stockton, CA (Par 71)
- 2003 Mark Rivard & Chris Harris - 70
Elkhorn CC, Stockton, CA (Par 71)
- 2002 Shawn Kelly & Ian Glass - 69 *via playoff
Elkhorn CC, Stockton, CA (Par 71)
- 2001 John Abendroth & Andrew Smothers - 69
Elkhorn CC, Stockton, CA (Par 71)
- 2000 Bill Johnson & Brett Sollers - 70
Elkhorn CC, Stockton, CA (Par 71)
- 1999 Tommy Masters & Dallas Stonhaus- 71
Elkhorn CC, Stockton, CA (Par 71)
- 1998 Tommy Masters & Ryan Peranik (15 yrs) - 66
Elkhorn CC, Stockton, CA (Par 71)
- 1997 No Record
- 1996 Charlie Gibson & Mike Gallagher - 69
Castlewood CC, Pleasanton, CA (Par 72)
- 1995 Shawn Kelly & Terry Parker - 71
Castlewood CC, Pleasanton, CA (Par 72)
- 1994 Rodney Wilson-Jason Ballard
- 1993 Shawn Kelly-Monica Stratton
- 1992 Daryl Parenteau-Gary Glazier
- 1991 Steve Moreland-Jeff Poore
- 1990 Steve Frye-Ryan Mainey
- 1989 Brad Heninger-Brian Walter
- 1988 Ty Caplin-Russ Humphrey
- 1987 Gary Williams-John O'Neill
- 1986 Stuart Smith-Brian Tucker

- 1985 Don DeLorenzo-Andy Santos
- 1984 Bill Butler-Mike Fabian
- 1983 Dick Lotz-Brian Lotz
- 1982 Scott Weir-Larry Silviera
- 1981 Mike Mattingly-Chase Stigall
- 1980 Rick Rhoads-Steve Simpkins
- 1979 Gary Bauer-Greg Loosigan
- 1978 John Abendroth-Ken Harrington
- 1977 Don Rumpf-Vince Baxter
- 1976 Rick Rhoads-Jim McCarthy
- 1975 Ray Claveran-Derek Claveran
- 1974 Ty Caplin-Sam Briggs
- 1973 Bob Moore-Jim Kane
- 1972 Dan Lippstreu-Vic Wolfe
- 1968 Bruce Summerhays - John Abendroth

California State Club Professional Championship

In 2011 the Section took over operations of the TaylorMade-Adidas Champions California State Club Pro Club Champion Championship. The NCPGA California State Club Championship, formerly the TaylorMade-Adidas Maxfli California State Championship, pairs a PGA Club Professional (in some cases non-PGA) and the facilities 2010 Club Champion together against other teams. The inaugural event was presented by the Northern California PGA, Nike Golf and the Eldorado Hotel Casino and was held on April 24-25, 2011 at Arrow Creek Country Club in Reno, Nevada. This long-time event paired a PGA Club Professional with its Club Champion in a two-man better-ball scratch format.

The event format consisted of three divisions with the overall winners from any of the divisions below: Tour Division: Professionals under the age of 50, Mixed Division: Professional is over 50 years of age, and the Club Champion is under 50 years of age &

Championship Division: Professional AND Club Champion are both 50 years of age or older. In this Division, the Senior Club Champion may play.

In 2015, the Tournament Committee voted to change format to include one division and one skins game with competitors playing tees according to age.

Past Champions Include:

- 2015 Tim Loustalot - Brian Ruiz (a), (DeLaveaga GC) - *69-66-135 -9
**Loustalot/Ruiz defeated the team of Shawn Kelly/Ben Ledbetter of Ridge Golf Club (Auburn, CA) in a playoff by paring the first play-off hole to claim the prize.*
- 2014 Overall Champions: Jason Schmuhl – Adam Lewis (a), (Windsor GC) - 68-65-133 (-11)
Tour Division: Steve Pellegrine - Darin Lake (a), (Sunnyside CC) - *71-62-133 -11
Mixed Division: Don Thames - Danny Gums (a), (Rancho Murieta CC), *68-65-133 -11
Champion Division: Charlie Gibson - Chuck Beard (a), (Morgan Creek G & CC) - *63-70-133 -11
Old Greenwood (Par 72) & The Golf Club at Gray's Crossing (Par 72) - Truckee, California
- 2013 Overall Champions: Joe Moulton – Mike Williams (a), (Morgan Creek G&CC) - 71-65-136
Tour Division: Steve Pellegrine - Darin Lake (a), (Sunnyside CC)- *68-68-136 -8
Mixed Division: Mark Wotherspoon - Brad Pendelton (a), (Buckingham G&CC) - *73-72-145 +1
Championship Division: Shawn Kelly - Joe Cox (a), (The Ridge GC) - *72-68-140 -4
Old Greenwood (Par 72) & The Golf Club at Gray's Crossing (Par 72) - Truckee, California
- 2012 Overall Champions: Jason Boldt – Jason Jakovac (a), (Vintner's GC) - 132 (-12)
Tour Division: Dennis Tuhn-Steve Woods (a), (San Jose Municipal GC) - 133 (-11)
Mixed Division: Kacey Tyler, PGA and Earl Cross (a).(Alta Sierra CC) - 137 (-7)
Championship Division: Ed Hester-Jim Sheppard (a) (Cameron Park CC) - 142 (-2)
Hidden Valley Country Club (Par 72) – Reno, Nev.
- 2011 Rick Leibovich - Jerry Ledzinski (a), Tehama GC: Tour Division & Overall

Don Thames - Josh Twist (a), Rancho Murieta CC: Mixed Division
Ted Antonopoulos - Paul Balatti (a) Mayacama GC: Championship Division
Arrowcreek Country Club (Par 72) – Reno, Nev.

Pro-Super-GM-Official Invitational

This event was founded in 2012 in an effort to promote networking and golf with PGA Professionals, Course Superintendents, General Managers and Club Officers from facilities across Northern California and Northwestern Nevada. Teams consisted of an NCPGA Professional in good standing, playing with the Golf Course Superintendent, the General Manager and an Officer from their facility in a four-person team, select-a-drive, two best ball net format. E-Z-GO Textron was the presenting sponsor of this event. In 2013, the event changed its name to the Movers, Shakers & Money-makers.

Winners throughout the years have been [(a) denotes amateur]:

- 2015 Charlie Gibson (p), Wes Leith (a), Cole Gibson (a), Ken Thomas (a) – (Rocklin GC) - *57-58-115 +43
- 2014 John Hughes (p), Lou Silveira (a), Surendra Mistry (a), Gary Schuitemaker (a) – (The Castlewood CC) - *97 (+25)
Blackhawk Country Club - Lakeside Course (Par 72) – Danville, CA
- 2013 Shawn Kelly (p), Scott McCullough (a), Patrick Doppelmayr (a), Morgan Fussell (a) – The Ridge GC - *122 (+50)
Ruby Hill Golf Club (Par 72) – Pleasanton, CA
- 2012 Jason Schmuhl, PGA, Robert Sheets (a), Bill Carson (a), Cory Mish (a) - (Windsor GC) -116 (+44)
Rancho Murieta Country Club (Par 72) - Murieta, Calif.

Pro-President Championship

This event was founded by Eddie Duino, Sr. and first held in 1940 to foster better relations between the club professionals and the club officers.

Winners throughout the years have been [(a) denotes amateur]:

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Pasatiempo Golf Club (Pat 70), Santa Cruz, CA

- 2014 Jason Schmuhl - Ken Rhodes (a) - Windsor GC (*29-31-60 -8)
Claremont Country Club (Par 68), Oakland, CA
- 2013 Mark Wotherspoon - Reggie Osburn (a) - Buckingham GCC (*28-32-60 -8)
Claremont Country Club (Par 68), Oakland, CA
- 2012 Chris Galvin, Steve Siegel (a) - Sierra View CC (*32-33-65 -7)
Orinda Country Club (Par 72), Orinda, California
- 2011 Jason Schmuhl - Ken Rhodes (a) – Windsor GC (*31-32-- 63)
Yocha dehe Golf Club at Cache Creek Casino Resort (Par 72), Brooks, CA
- 2010 Mark Lawless – Ronald Marwin (a), Diablo Grande Resort
Yocha dehe Golf Club at Cache Creek Casino Resort (Par 72), Brooks, CA
- 2009 Joe Carlton – Joe Winkel (a) – Windsor GC
Stockton G&CC (Par 71), Stockton, CA
- 2008 Duke Nicholls – Pam Schmeiser (a) , Mountain Valley Golf Center
Stockton G&CC (Par 71), Stockton, CA
- 2007 Val Verhunce – John O’Connor (a), Adobe Creek GC
- 2006 No Record
- 2005 Larry Babica – Hank Rullhausen (a), Sequoia Woods CC - 61
Hidden Valley CC, Reno, Nev.
- 2004 Mark Wotherspoon – Gerry Mohl (a), Buckingham G&CC
- 2003 Aaron Walker – Bret Prebula (a), Mare Island GC
- 2002 Kenny Collins – Bob Wyrick (a), Belmoct CC
- 2001 Jim Collins – George Sherinian (a), Pajaro Valley GC
- 2000 Bill DeWildt – Don Hake (a), Wilcox Oaks GC
- 1999 Pete Nilles – Rd Muscrove (a) – Salinas Fairways GC
- 1998 Ric Burgess – Jerry Myers (a) – Colusa G&CC
- 1997 Gary Bauer – Bob Byrd (a), Fig Garden GC (Played at Diablo CC)
- 1996 Gary Bauer – Bob Byrd (a), Fig Garden GC (Played at Diablo CC)

- 1995 Shim LaGoy – Jim Ryan (a), Orinda CC (Played at North Ridge CC)
- 1994 Bob Mejias – Doug Luhring (a), Santa Teresa GC (Played at Santa Teresa GC)
- 1993 Pat Gould – Bill Crenshaw (a), Plumas Lakes G&CC (Played at Santa Teresa GC)
- 1992 Val Verhunce – Al Gilmore (a), Santa Rosa CC (Played at Butte Creek CC)
- 1991 Paul Wilcox – Dave Cox (a), Diablo CC (Played at Butte Creek CC)
- 1990 Jeff Piserchio – Terry Truesdale (a), Blackberry Farms GC (Played at San Jose CC)
- 1989 Paul Wilcox – Chuck Henry (a), Diablo CC (Played at Peach Tree G&CC)
- 1988 Shane Balfour – Jack Bailey (a), Turlock CC (Played at Peach Tree G&CC)
- 1987 Gary Bauer – Mike McConnell (a), Fig Garden GC (Played at Elkhorn CC)
- 1986 Tom Goodman – James Bell (a), Gold Hills CC (Played at Elkhorn CC)
- 1985 Dave Anderson – Tom Earl (a), Castlewood CC (Played at Elkhorn CC)
- 1984 John Joseph – Jim Collins (a), Green Hills CC (Played at Elkhorn CC)
- 1983 Brad Schneider – Earl Chinnock (a), Sunset Whitney CC (Played at Mira Vista CC)
- 1982 Gary Loustalot – Harry Coolidge (a), De LaVeaga GC (Played at Mira Vista CC)
- 1981 No event; rained out
- 1980 John Joseph – Paul Diehl (a), Green Hills CC (Played at Del Rio CC)
- 1979 Russ Dicks – Paul Walters (a), Castlewood CC (Played at Del Rio CC)
- 1978 Gary Plato – Bob Cracolice (a), San Jose CC (Played at San Jose CC)
- 1977 George Buzzini, Jr. – Homer Vilas (a), Turlock G & CC (Played at El Macero CC)
- 1976 John Joseph – Ken Friedman (a), Green Hills CC (Played at Sunnyside CC)
- 1975 Ed Vasconcellos – Bob Connors (a), Diamond Lakes GC
- 1974 Gary Bauer – Ken Hopper (a), San Joaquin CC
- 1973 Art Wilson – J. Baker (a), Sunnyvale GC
- 1972 No Record
- 1971 No Record
- 1970 No Record
- 1969 No Record
- 1968 No Record
- 1967 Bob Bissett – Mike McLaughlin (a), Auburn Valley CC
- 1966 Mike DeMassey – Stan Ludoff (a), Elkhorn CC
- 1965 John Zontek – Col. Stephen Henry (a), Mather AFB GC
- 1964 John Zontek – Mjr. Bob Sizemore (a), Mather AFB GC

- 1963 Craig Williamson—Dr. Art Hemphill (a), Silverado CC
 1962 Al Maus—Bob Wake (a), Los Altos CC
 1961 No Record
 1960 Mike DeMassey—Ed Rudolph (a), Elkhorn CC tied with
 John Zontek—Mjr. Bob Sizemore (a), Mather AFB GC
 1959 No Record
 1958 No Record
 1957 Andy Silva—Les Barret (a), Modesto Municipal GC
 1956 George Buzzini, Sr.—R.H. Greer (a), Turlock CC
 1955 No Record
 1954 Pat Patten—Jack McDonald (a), Orinda CC
 1953 Held 10/2/53 SJCC, No results found
 1952 Pat Patten—Lloyd O’Connell (a), Orinda CC
 1951 Pat Patten—George Lauer (a), Orinda CC
 1950 No Record
 1949 Pat Markovich—Ed Fanning (a), Richmond CC
 1948 Bill Fritz—Alfred Jones (a), Green Hills CC
 1947 Joe Moniz—Gifford Sobey (a), La Rinconada CC tied with
 Eddie Duino-Floyd Wilson (a), San Jose CC
 1946 Eddie Duino—Roy Emerson (a), San Jose CC
 1945 Mark Fry—John Lewis (a), Sequoyah CC
 1944 Mark Fry--Hank Hotchkiss (a), Sequoyah CC
 1943 Mark Fry—Hank Hotchkiss (a), Sequoyah CC
 1942 Mark Fry—Jim Parson (a), Sequoyah CC
 1941 Harry Bassler—Walter Grierson (a), Los Altos CC
 1940 Harry Bassler—George Paddleford (a), Los Altos CC

McGladrey Team Championship

Conducted by The PGA of America, The PGA McGladrey Team Championship is the first grass-roots amateur best-ball championship managed by The PGA of America. Following in the tradition of the former Buick Scramble, amateurs will compete in a two best net balls of four formats where all players use their own ball. Teams were determined based upon several qualifying events: first amateurs competed in their facilities Local Qualifying Event facility then the winning team was joined by their PGA Professional to play in the Sectional Championship. The 4 person team that won overall advanced to compete in the National Championship, held at Pinehurst Resort, NC. *This event was held only three years due to lack of participation, thus effecting sponsor retention.*

2009 Scott Prenez (p), Steven Foster, Dev Rahal, Kent Baker (Diamond Oaks Golf Course) - 122 (-20) - D'Andrea Golf Club (Par 71) – Reno, Nev.

2008 Jason Schmuhl (p), Kenneth Rhodes, Mike McCreary, Rene Purugganan (Windsor GC) – 126 - Chardonnay GC (Par 72), Napa, CA

*In the National Championship, held at world renowned Pinehurst (N.C.) Resort, Sept. 10-12, 2008, PGA Professional Jason Schmuhl of Windsor (Calif.) Golf Club, the Northern California PGA Player of the Year, fired a 4-under-par 68, one of the best performances in the 41-team, 164-player field. It was not enough to spark his amateur partners, who had bogeys on the final two holes. They finished the championship with a third place title.

2007 Jason Schmuhl (p), James Sunderland, Eamon Sharkey, Erin Sharkey (Windsor GC) – 131 - Chardonnay GC (Par 72), Napa, CA

*In the National Championship, Windsor Golf Club PGA Head Professional Jason Schmuhl saw a 4-under-par 67 on his own ball fall short after a disastrous closing stretch of three consecutive bogeys for he and his teammates in September 2007 when they placed second in the National Championship. Schmuhl was playing alongside amateurs James Sutherland and brothers Eamon and Erin Sharkey, a 33-year-old, who lost his left index finger in an accident during his sophomore year in college, and who participated in the 1991 U.S. Junior Amateur with Tiger Woods. With a final score of 132-131-131=394; the team fell short of the first place team from New England (391) but walked away with amateur prizes and \$11,000 in professional purse.

Northern California Cup Matches

The earliest mention of a competition between a team of leading professionals from the NCPGA and a team of amateurs was in a May 1923 report which indicated that Arthur East (Lake Merced CC) was fourth and this “wins his place on the team to represent the professionals in a projected team match against the amateurs of the district.” No other information was found.

In 1967 Eugene Selvege, president of General Brewing Company, underwrote the expenses and launched the Lucky Cup Matches as a competition between teams of leading professionals and top amateurs in the Section. The initial event was played at San Geronimo GC in Marin County. In 1969 the event was co-sponsored by the NCPGA and the NCGA and was re-named the Northern California Cup Matches.

The matches became a third-generation affair in 1984 when Tim Loustalot won a spot on the NCGA team. His father, Gary, played on four of the first five NCPGA squads while his grandfather, Ed, was captain of the 1970 NCPGA aggregation.

Participants in 1986 included Ernie George, Rick Jetter, and John Zontek who were members of the first NCPGA unit and Jack Bariteau and Tom Culligan who played on the initial NCGA combine. Culligan teed it up in 15 of the 20 events – playing 11 in a row before missing in 1978. Bob Blomberg has played in nine competitions since 1971. Ernie George has been a member of 15 professional teams, and Ken Towns chalked up 13 appearances.

In 1987 Towns was active in his 14th event as Captain and Senior Representative of the professional squad. Blomberg increased his string of competitions to 10 for the amateurs. In 1988 Towns chalked up his 15th appearance as the Senior Stroke Play Champion, and Jetter, who was a member of the first Cup squad, played as the inaugural Senior Match Play titleholder. Blomberg played in his 11th event.

In 1991, Senior president Rick Jetter and Senior Tournament Committee chairman Ken Towns worked with Rudy Staedler, a member of the Poppy Hills GC board of directors,

to develop this competition at Poppy Hills GC between leading senior professionals and leading senior amateurs. Staedler donated a perpetual trophy.

In 2002, The Hannah-Wehrman cup took place with the playing of the 2002 matches. The name change honors NCGA longtime executive director Bob Hanna and, of course, PGA's Lyle Wehrman. Hanna was the first NCGA executive director, serving from 1955-1979.

In 2006, the Senior Division name change occurred as well, which is now known as the Staedler-Jetter Cup Team.

Hannah-Wehrman Cup Team

Year NCPGA NCGA LOCATION

2015 **X** **X** **X**

Cup Team: Coming Soon!

2014 **9 ½** **10 ½** **Poppy Hills GC, Pebble Beach, CA**

Cup Team: Dave Carr, Jason Schmuhl, Steve Watanabe, Steve Hummel, Shawn Kelly, Mitch Lowe, Don Winter, Stuart Smith, Dennis Tuhn and Michael Duncan. Captain, Paul Wilcox & Co-Captain, Len Dumas.

2013 **8 ½** **11 ½** **Morgan Creek G&CC, Roseville, CA**

Cup Team: David Solomon, Philip Dawson, Dave Carr, Jason Schmuhl, Marcus Judge, Tom Morton, Wayne Clark, Mitch Lowe, Joe Dolby, Don Winter.

2012 **Poppy Hills GC, Pebble Beach, CA**

Cup Team: Mitch Lowe, Dave Carr, Stuart Smith, Shawn McEntee, Jeff Anderson, Ray Otis, Rick Leibovich, Hae Young Lee, Steve Watanabe, Jr., Joe Dolby, Paul Wilcox (Captain).

2011 **9 ½** **10 ½** **Poppy Hills GC, Pebble Beach, CA**

Cup Team: Eric Goetsch (Captain), Mitch Lowe, Steve Hummel, Jason Schmuhl, Rick Leibovich, Lance Johnson, Jeffrey Anderson, Steve Pellegrine, Stuart Smith, Robert Poole and Chris Borrego.

2010 **7** **13** **Poppy Hills GC, Pebble Beach, CA**

Cup Team:

2009 **10** **T** **10** **Poppy Hills GC, Pebble Beach, CA**

Cup Team:

2008 **9 ½** **10 ½** **Castlewood CC, Pleasanton, CA**

Cup Team: Tighe Hammam, Jeff Anderson, Steve Pellegrine, Eric Costa, Rick Leibovich, Greg Rodgers, Lance Johnson, Eric Lippert, Eric Goetsch, Co-Captains Shawn Kelly & Tracy Stansberry

2007 **7** **13** **LOCATION**

Cup Team: Shawn Kelly, Tracy Stansberry, Dennis Tuhn, Steve Hummel, Tighe Hammam, Ed Hester, Dana Jetter, Rick Leibovich, Tim Huber, Eric Lippert.

2006	5		15	LOCATION
Cup Team:				
2005	10	T	10	LOCATION
Cup Team:				
2004	13 ½		6 ½	LOCATION
Cup Team:				
2003	11 ½		8 ½	LOCATION
Cup Team:				
2002	9		11	LOCATION
Cup Team:				
2001	8 ½		11 ½	Orinda CC, Orinda, CA
Cup Team: Bobby Siravo, Tracy Stansberry, Shawn Kelly, Lance Johnson, Ric Burgess, Mike Paul, Rick Leibovich, Kenny Collins, Shawn McEntee (Captain) & Dana Jetter.				
2000	7 ½		12 ½	LOCATION
Cup Team:				
1999	10	T	10	Saddle Creek GC, Copperopolis, CA
33 rd Annual Cup Team: Dana Banke, Bob McGrath, John McGrath, Mark Sherman, Shawn McEntee (Captain), Mike Cook, Steve Humel, Ross Farley, Shawn Kelly, Jason Boldt.				
1998	9		11	Poppy Ridge GC, Livermore, CA
Cup Team: Tracy Stansberry, Steve Snyder, Steve Hummel, Jeff McMillen, Shawn Kelly, Shim LaGoy (subbing for Pat Gould), Rodney Wilson Mark Sherman, Shawn McEntee, John McGrath, Dana Banke.				
1997	10	T	10	Saddle Creek GC, Copperopolis, CA
Cup Team: Dana Jetter, Kenny Collins, Paul Fakundiny, Mike Paul, John Hoag, Shawn Kelly, Jeff Anderson, Marty Davis, Mick Soli, Shawn McEntee, Paul Wilcox (Captain).				
1996	16		4	LOCATION
Cup Team:				
1995	13		7	Lake Merced & Olympic Club, Daly City, CA
Cup Team: Dana Banke, Shawn McEntee, Bob Borowicz, Mike Paul, Charlie Gibson, Shawn Kelly, Mick Soli, Michael Jick, Jeff Anderson, Jeff McMillen.				
1994	10	T	10	Rancho Murieta CC
1993	8		*12	Butte Creek CC
1992	7		13	Castlewood CC
1991	8 ½		*11 ½	Orinda CC
1990	12	T	12	Del Paso CC
1989	*13		11	Poppy Hills/Spyglass GC's
1988	6		*18	Sharon Heights CC
1987	*14 ½		9 ½	Claremont CC

1986	*12 ½	11 ½	Almaden CC
1985	*49	23	Santa Rosa/Oakmont CC's
1984	36 T	36	Olympic Club
1983	32 ½	*39 ½	Orinda CC
1982	*33 ½	23 ½	Castlewood CC
1981	26	*34	Yolo Fliers CC
1980	26	*34	Sunnyside CC
1979	*10 ½	9 ½	Riverview CC
1978	8	*12	Stockton CC
1977	*12	8	El Macero CC
1976	*10 ½	9 ½	Sharon Heights CC
1975	*10 ½	9 ½	San Francisco Club
1974	9 ½	*10 ½	Orinda CC
1973	*12	8	Corral de Tierra CC
1972	*12 ½	7 ½	Pebble Beach GL
1971	10 T	10	Pebble Beach GL
1970	9 ½	*10 ½	North Ridge CC
1969	10 T	10	Sunnyside CC
1968	*11	9	Olympic Club
1967	*11 ½	8 ½	San Geronimo CC

Staedler-Jetter Cup Team

Year NCPGA NCGA LOCATION

2015 X X X

Cup Team: Coming Soon!

2014 19 9 Poppy Hills GC, Pebble Beach, CA

Cup Team: Jeff Anderson, Wayne Clark, Mike Cook, Rick Dudley, Scott Hoyt, Shawn McEntee, Terry Myers, Michael Paul, John Snopkowski, Mitch Thomas, Super Seniors Larry Babica, Chris Bitticks, Glen Stubblefield, Joe Vavra, Captain Al Weinhold.

2013 16 ½ 11 ½ Morgan Creek G&CC, Roseville, CA

Cup Team: Shawn Kelly, Charlie Gibson, Kris Moe, Bob McGrath, Shawn McEntee, Mitch Thomas, Ric Burgess, John Grund, John Snopkowski, Matt Holm, Gerry Greenfield, Raul Quezada, Larry Babica, Glen Stubblefield.

2012 Poppy Hills GC, Pebble Beach, CA

Cup Team: Co-Captains Chris Bitticks & Charlie Gibson, Mike Cook, Dave DeLong, Shawn Kelly, Terry Myers, Mike Paul, Tom Ringer, Mark Sherman, John Snopkowski, Mitch Thomas. Larry Babica, Glen Stubblefield, Gerry Greenfield, Joe Vavra.

2011 8 ½ 19 ½ Poppy Hills GC, Pebble Beach, CA

Cup Team: Rick Dudley, Ed Hester, Dave DeLong, Ron Parsons, Michael Cook, Glen Stubblefield, Al Weinhold, Mitch Thomas, Shawn Kelly, Charlie Gibson, Jim Collart, Gary Plato, Rick Rhoads, and Al Krueger.

2010 12 1/2 15 ½ Poppy Hills GC, Pebble Beach, CA

Cup Team:

2009 14 14 Poppy Hills GC, Pebble Beach, CA

Cup Team:

2008 13 15 Castlewood CC, Livermore, CA

Cup Team: Chris Bitticks, Tom Nelson, Gary Plato (Co-Captain), Doug Cody, Glen Stubblefield, Ron Parsons, Jim Collart, Ric Burgess, Bob McGrath, Mike Paul, Paul Biocini, Mike Cook, Mike Beveridge, Rick Jetter, Al Krueger.

2007 9 1/2 18 ½ LOCATION

Cup Team: Mike Paul, Mike Cook, Rick Jetter, Jim McGrath, Ric Burgess, Al Krueger, Mike Beveridge, John Snopkowski, Bob McGrath, Mike Roberson, Chris Bitticks, Glen Stubblefield, Paul Biocini, Doug Cody, Tim Loustalot.

2006 12 1/2 15 ½ LOCATION

Cup Team:

2005 10 1/2 17 ½ LOCATION

Cup Team:

2004 14 T 14 LOCATION

Cup Team:

2003 6 1/2 11 ½ LOCATION

Cup Team:

2002 8 10 LOCATION

Cup Team:

2001 9 9 Orinda CC, Orinda, CA

Cup Team: Rick Jetter (Captain), Butch Sheehan, Doug Caldwell, Ernie George, Ken Towns, Steve Caulkins, Gary Plato, Francisco Lopez, John Joseph, Jim Collart, George Buzzini, Peter Nilles.

2000 6 12 LOCATION

Cup Team:

1999 11 7 Saddle Creek GC, Copperopolis, CA

Cup Team: George Biocini, Tim Berg, Larry Babica, John Joseph, Paul Fakundiny, Glen Stubblefield, Lyle Wehrman, Al Krueger, Ken Towns, Ernie George, Doug Caldwell, Rick Jetter, Peter Nilles, Rick Jetter (Captain).

1998 13 1/2 4 ½ Poppy Ridge GC, Livermore, CA

Cup Team: Larry Babica, Moon Mullins, Rick Jetter (Captain), Ken Towns, Bob Badger, Lyle Wehrman, Jim Collart, Peter Nilles, Al Krueger, Paul Biocini, John Joseph, Glen Stubblefield, Steve Caulkins.

1997 8 10 Saddle Creek GC, Copperopolis, CA

Cup Team: John Zontek, Rick Jetter (Captain), Moon Mullins, Tim Berg, John Joseph, Lucky Lowman, Al Krueger, Glen Stubblefield, Doug Caldwell, Ernie George, Ken Towns, Eddie Duino, Jr, Paul Biocini.

1996 10 8 LOCATION

Cup Team:

1995 6 ½ 11 ½ Lake Merced & Olympic Club, Daly City, CA

Cup Team: Jim Collart, John Zontek, Paul Biocini, Curt Hammond, Al Krueger, Rick Jetter, Bob Badger, Don Harling, George Bruno, Ken Towns, Lyle Wehrman, Eddie Duino.

1994 *9 ½ 8 ½

1993 6 ½ *8 ½

1992 5 ½ *9 ½

1991 5 ½ *9 ½

NCPGA - SCPGA Team Matches

Early professional inter-sectional team competitions occurred during the 1935 California State Open at Del Monte. The Southern golf professionals defeated the Northern team by a score of 9-6.

The NCPGA competitors included the following teams:

Arthur Bell	--	Willie Goggin
Henry Puget	--	Benny Coltrin
Earl Fry	--	Mark Fry
Harold Sampson	--	Dewey Longworth
Charles Sheppard	--	Rod Munday

Another North-South California PGA team championship was held on April 30, 1952 at the California Open in Sacramento. The North team consisted of Captain Frank Minch and in order of their two qualifying rounds: Eddie Joseph, Glenn Holden, Pat Mahoney, Bob Fry, Pat Markovich, Sherm Elworthy, Everett Goulart, Dewey Longworth, and Art Bell or John Geertsen.

The SCPGA won by a score of 29 ½ to 15 ½. There is currently not a North South competition that takes place amongst the regular division, however the Assistant

Apprentice Division and Senior Division participate in this type of competition annually (see Assistant Apprentice Division North-South Cup Match & Senior Division North-South Challenge Cup).

SENIOR DIVISION

Overview

Senior (age 50 and over) PGA Professionals and apprentices have made significant contribution to golf in Northern California. They have devoted time, effort, and finances to various community activities and in general helped make golf a better game for all.

One accomplishment worthy of specific mention was the founding of the United States National Senior Open Golf Association championship by Joe Mozel, head professional at Green Hills CC during 1957-62.

According to available records, the NCPGA Seniors Division was organized in 1958.

Senior Division Presidents:

2014-15	Al Weinhold, American Golf
2012-13	Gerry Greenfield, Corral de Tierra CC
2011	Al Krueger, Alamo, CA
2008-10	Gary Plato, San Jose, CA
2000-02	Rick Jetter, Spring Valley GC
1991-92	Rick Jetter, Spring Valley GC
1990	John Zontek
1987-89	Al Huber
1981-86	Lyle Wehrman
1979-80	Hap Rose
1976-78	Bob Whitaker

1973-75	Ev Goulart
1970-72	Eddie Duino, Sr.
1968-69	Lyle Wehrman
1967	Mike DeMassey
1965-66	John Geertsen, Sr.
1964	Tom Lo Presti
1963	No Record
1962	No Record
1961	Pat Markovich
1960	Joe Mozel
1959	Bus Pendleton
*1958	Dewey Longworth

Championships

Senior/Super Senior Division Stroke Play Championship

The earliest reference found relating to NCPGA senior participation at the national PGA seniors stroke play championships (which began in 1937) was dated January 1945 reporting that La Rinconada professional Phil Jefferson was third after 18 holes in that Florida event.

Willie Goggin won the NCPGA, the PGA National, and the World Senior Professional titles in 1959. Ex-NCPGA member Mortie Dutra won the World crown in 1955. Goggin also was the 1958 and 1959 National Senior Open champion. E.J. "Dutch" Harrison won the National Senior Open in 1961. Murry Jacobs won the U.S. National Senior Golfers Spring Championship in 1976. Dean Lind captured the National Seniors title at Rancho Canada GC in 1983.

This two day event is the NCPGA Senior Division Stroke Play Championship as well as qualifier for the PGA Professional National Championship. In order to become a qualifier for the National Championship, competitors must also enter through the PGA of America event registration system.

2015 COMING SOON

Half Moon Bay Golf Links, Half Moon Bay, CA

**National Qualifiers: TBD*

Super Senior: TBD

TBD

2014 Stuart Smith, Somerset CC - 138 (-6)

Half Moon Bay Golf Links, Half Moon Bay, CA

**National Qualifiers: Michael Paul, Shawn McEntee, Steve Snyder, Jeffrey Anderson, Mitch Thomas, Rodney Wilson.*

Super Senior: Larry Babica, Redding, CA - 69-72-141

Spring Valley CC, Milpitas, CA & San Jose CC, San Jose, CA

2013 Stuart Smith, Somerset CC - 138 (-6)

Half Moon Bay Golf Links, Half Moon Bay, CA

**National Qualifiers: Matthew Holm, Shawn McEntee, Charlie Gibson, Michael Cook, Michael Paul, Kris Moe, Dana Banke.*

Super Senior: Larry Babica, Redding, CA - San Jose Country Club - 72-80--152

San Jose CC, San Jose, CA

2012 Stuart Smith, Somerset CC - 137 (-7)

Super Senior: Larry Babica, Redding, CA - 143 (-1)

Half Moon Bay Golf Links, Half Moon Bay, CA

2011 Al Weinhold, Placerville, CA (70-72--142)

Super Senior: Jim Collart, Lincoln, CA (147)

Half Moon Bay Golf Links, Half Moon Bay, CA

2010 Mike Cook, Mountain Springs G&CC (76-68--144)

Super Senior: Gary Plato, San Jose, CA (76-72--148)

Half Moon Bay Golf Links, Half Moon Bay, CA

2009 Mick Soli, Links at Mariners Point (68-72--140 -4)

Super Senior: Raul Quezada, Copper River CC (74-76--150)

Sunnyside Country Club (Par 72), Fresno, CA

2008 Ric Burgess, Colusa CC (137)

Super Senior: Al Krueger, Alamo, CA (70-70--140)

Stockton G&CC (Par 71), Stockton, CA

- 2007 Ric Burgess, Colusa CC - 135
 Super Senior: Al Krueger, Alamo, CA - 145
 Spring Creek G&CC (Par 72), Ripon, CA
- 2006 Ric Burgess, Colusa CC - 135
- 2005 Mick Soli, Links at Mariner's Point (75-67--142)
 Super Senior: Al Krueger, Round Hill CC (72-81--153)
- 2004 Larry Babica, Sequoia Woods CC (71-71-142* via playoff)
 Super Senior: David Mancour, Glenbrook, Nev, (86-81--167)
 CordeValle Golf Course, San Martin, CA (Par 72)
- 2003 Charlie Gibson, The Golf Club at Boulder Ridge
- 2002 Chris Bitticks, Saddle Creek Resort (70-74--144)
 Stevinson Ranch GC, Stevinson, CA
- 2001 Butch Sheehan, Spring Creek G&CC
- 2000 Glen Stubblefield, Stevinson Ranch GC
- 1999 John Joseph, Stevinson Ranch GC
- 1998 Larry Babica, Spring Creek G&CC
- 1997 Jim Collart
- 1996 Moon Mullins
- 1995 Jim Collart (69-69--138)
- 1994 John McMullin
- 1993 Al Krueger
- 1991 George Buzzini, Jr.
- 1990 Al Krueger
- 1989 Ken Towns
- 1988 Ken Towns
- 1987 George Bruno
- 1986 George Bruno
- 1985 Jack Laxson
- 1984 Ken Towns
- 1983 Ken Towns
- 1982 Moon Mullins
- 1981 George Buzzini, Sr.

1980 Ken Towns
1979 Ken Towns
1978 Tal Smith
1977 Tal Smith
1976 John Zontek
1975 Hap Rose
1974 Hap Rose
1973 George Buzzini, Sr.
1972 George Buzzini, Sr.
1971 Jack Laxson
1970 Ev Goulart
1969 George Buzzini, Sr.
1968 No Record
1967 Lyle Wehrman
1966 Pat Markovich
1965 John Geertsen, Sr.
1964 Bob Whitaker
1963 Pat Markovich
1962 No Record
1961 Pat Markovich
1960 Mike DeMassey
1959 Willie Goggin*#
Pat Markovich
1958 Willie Goggin**
Joe Mozel
1957 No Record
1956 Ollie Sleppy
1955 Dewey Longwoth
1954 Frank Minch
1953 Harold Sampson
1947 Phil Jefferson
1944 Phil Jefferson

*National Winner**Section Winner #World Seniors Champion

Senior/Super Senior Division Match Play Championship

The inaugural competition was played at Half Moon Bay Golf Links in 1988.

Year	Champion (s)	Final Round
2015	Shawn Kelly, The Ridge GC SK def. John Grund 2&1 Super Senior: Glen Stubblefield, Spring Creek G&CC GS def. Rick Rhoades 1 up	Spring Creek G&CC Pasatiempo GC
2014	Jeff Anderson, Adobe Creek GC JA def. Mike Cook 5&4 Super Senior: Chris Bitticks, Tracy G&CC CB def. Glen Stubblefield 1Up	Pasatiempo GC Spyglass Hill GC
2013	Shawn McEntee, Chardonnay GC SM def. Bob McGrath 7&6 Super Senior: Glen Stubblefield, Spring Creek G&CC GS def Larry Babica	Spring Creek G&CC Spring Valley GC
2012	Kris Moe, Kris Moe Golf Schools KM def. Tom Ringer 1up Super Senior: Gerry Greenfield, Corral de Tierra CC GG def. Larry Babica 1up	Visalia CC Spyglass Hill GC
2011	Bob Klein, Jr, Graeagle Meadows GC BK def. Ed Hester 1 up Super Senior: Rick Rhoades, San Francisco GC RR def. Gary Plato 1 up	Monterey Peninsula CC
2010	Mitch Thomas, Morgan Creek G&CC MT def. Charlie Gibson 5 & 4 Super Senior: Gary Plato, San Jose, CA GP def. Rick Rhoads 21 Holes	Cypress Point Club
2009	Charlie Gibson, Wildhorse GC CG def. Mitch Thomas 3&2	Cypress Point Club

	Super Senior: Al Krueger, Alamo, CA AK def. Eddie Duino 21ST	
2008	Mike Cook, Mountain Springs GC MK def. Michael Paul 2 Up Super Senior: Al Krueger, Alamo, CA AK def. Paul Biocini 5&4	Cypress Point Club
2007	Mike Cook, Mountain Springs GC Super Senior: No Record	Cypress Point Club
2006	Mike Cook, Mountain Springs GC Super Senior: Al Krueger, Alamo, CA	Cypress Point Club
2005	Ron Parsons Super Senior: No Record	Saddle Creek Resort
2004	Larry Babica Super Senior: Rick Jetter	Saddle Creek Resort
2003	Al Krueger Super Senior: No Record	Canyon Lakes CC
2002	Peter Niles Super Senior: No Record	Canyon Lakes CC
2001	Larry Babica Super Senior: No Record	Canyon Lakes CC
2000	Glen Stubblefield Super Senior: No Record	Canyon Lakes CC
1999	Peter Niles Super Senior: No Record	Canyon Lakes CC
1998	Glen Stubblefield Super Senior: No Record	Canyon Lakes CC
1997	John Joseph Super Senior: No Record	Canyon Lakes CC
1996	Al Krueger Super Senior: No Record	Canyon Lakes CC
1995	George Bruno Super Senior: No Record	Canyon Lakes CC

1994	Eddie Duino, Jr. Super Senior: No Record	Canyon Lakes CC
1993	Jim Collart Super Senior: No Record	Canyon Lakes CC
1992	Al Krueger Super Senior: No Record	Canyon Lakes CC
1991	Bob Billings Super Senior: No Record	Canyon Lakes CC
1990	Bob Wynn Super Senior: No Record	Canyon Lakes CC
1989	John McMullin Super Senior: No Record	Canyon Lakes CC
1988	Rick Jetter Super Senior: No Record	Canyon Lakes CC

Senior-Junior Championship

Started in 1989, this tournament is two-pro team event with one senior player (age 50 and older) and one junior player (49 and under). In the morning, competitors play a four-ball stroke play and in afternoon it is a two-pro scramble.

(s) = senior / (j) = junior

2015	Shawn McEntee, Chardonnay GC (s) – Dave Carr, Teal Bend GC (j) -123 (-21) Almaden Country Club (Par 72) – San Jose, CA
2014	Michael Paul, Washoe County GC (s) – Steve Hummel, Wolf Run GC (j) – 123 (-21) Sierra View CC (Par 72) – Roseville, CA
2013	Charlie Gibson, Morgan Creek GC (s) - Jason Schmuhl, Windsor GC (j) -121 (-23) Sierra View CC (Par 72) – Roseville, CA
2012	Stuart Smith, Somerset CC- Joe Dolby, Palo Alto Hills G&CC (j) – 125 (-19) Auburn Valley Golf Club (Par 72) – Auburn, CA.
2011	Shawn McEntee, Marin CC (s) – Joe Dolby, Palo Alto Hills G&CC (j) – Palo Alto Hills G&CC, Palo Alto, CA

- 2010 Mike Beveridge, Rancho Solano GC (s), Jeffrey Anderson, Mill Valley, CA (j) - 125
Spring Valley GC (Par 70), Milpitas, CA
- 2009 Charlie Gibson, Wildhorse GC (s), Jason Schmuhl, Windsor GC (j) - 119
Spring Valley GC (Par 70), Milpitas, CA
- 2008 Charlie Gibson, Wildhorse GC (s), Jason Schmuhl, Windsor GC (j) - 122
Spring Valley GC (Par 70), Milpitas, CA
- 2007 Charlie Gibson, Auburn CC (s) & Jason Schmuhl, Windsor GC (j) - 123
Spring Valley GC (Par 70), Milpitas, CA
- 2006 John Snopkowski, Santa Teresa GC & Shawn McEntee, Coyote Creek GC - 123
Spring Valley GC (Par 70), Milpitas, CA
- 2005 Dave Fowler, Diablo Creek CC (s) – Jason Boldt, Vinters GC (j) – 117
Spring Valley GC (Par 70), Milpitas, CA
- 2004 Jim Knego, Bennett Valley GC (s) – Rodney Wilson, Sunol Valley GC (j) – (129)
Canyon Lakes GC, San Ramon, CA
- 2003 Don Boyle, Fernley GC (s) – Tom Dawson, Hidden Valley CC (j) – (125)
Canyon Lakes CC, San Ramon, CA
- 2002 No Record
- 2001 No Record
- 2000 No Record
- 1999 No Record
- 1998 Jim Collart (s) & Mick Soli (j) - 129
Canyon Lakes GC, San Ramon, CA
- 1997 No Record
- 1996 Paul Biocini & Glen Stubblefield - (121)
- 1995 No Event
- 1994 Ken Towns & Don Boyle
- 1993 Russ Dicks – Bob Borowicz
- 1992 Eddie Duino., Jr – Scott Hoyt
- 1991 Jim Lucius – Jim Kane
- 1990 Bob Wynn – Mike Kieser
- 1989 Russ Dicks – Bob Wynn

Ken Towns Award for Playing Accomplishments

In 2009, the Senior Division awarded PGA Life Member Ken Towns, the inaugural Ken Towns Award for outstanding playing accomplishments in the NCPGA Senior Division. To date, it has not been awarded since 2009.

2009 Ken Towns, Penn Valley, CA

Senior Division Player of the Year

The Senior Board of Directors voted to institute the Super Senior Player of the Year Award in 2009 to be recognized as an official Section Award. With the segment of the senior membership, age 65 and older, growing rapidly the division encourages participation. The Senior Division point season began on February 23, 2009, with the first point event held at Sierra View Country Club.

2015 Coming Soon!

Super Senior: Coming Soon!

2014 Shawn McEntee, Chardonnay GC, Napa, CA
Super Senior: Larry Babica, Redding, CA

2013 Shawn McEntee, Chardonnay GC, Napa, CA
Super Senior: Larry Babica, Redding, CA

2012 Shawn Kelly, The Ridge GC, Auburn, CA
Super Senior: Larry Babica, Redding, CA

2011 Shawn Kelly, The Ridge GC, Auburn, CA
Super Senior: Jim Collart, Lincoln, CA

2010 Michael Cook, Mountain Springs G&CC, Sonora, CA
Super Senior: Gary Plato, San Jose, CA

2009 Mike Paul, Washoe County GC, Reno, NV
Super Senior: Al Krueger, Alamo, CA

2008 Michael Cook, Mountain Springs G&CC, Sonora, CA
Super Senior: Paul Biocini - 117.50

- 2007 Michael Cook, Mountain Springs G&CC, Sonora, CA
Super Senior:
- 2006 Michael Cook, Mountain Springs G&CC, Sonora, CA
- 2005 Larry Babica, Sequoia Woods CC, Arnold, CA
- 2004 Larry Babica, Sequoia Woods CC, Arnold, CA
- 2003 Glen Stubblefield, La Contenta GC, Valley Springs, CA
- 2002 Pete Nilles, Twin Creeks GC, Salinas, CA
- 2001 Larry Babica, Sequoia Woods CC, Arnold, CA
- 2000 Glen Stubblefield, Salinas Fairways GC, Salinas, CA
- 1999 John Joseph, Tri-Valley Golf Center
- 1998 Larry Babica, Sequoia Woods CC, Arnold, CA
- 1997 Glen Stubblefield, Salinas Fairways GC, Salinas, CA
- 1996 Al Krueger, Round Hill CC, Alamo, CA
- 1995 Al Krueger, Round Hill CC, Alamo, CA
- 1994 Al Krueger, Round Hill CC, Alamo, CA
- 1993 Al Krueger, Round Hill CC, Alamo, CA

Senior Challenge Cup: North-South Cup Matches

Senior PGA Professionals from Northern and Southern California gather annually to compete for this coveted title. The 12th Annual Challenge Cup left Southern California 7 victories and Northern California 5 total victories. The two day event, boasting match play format, is held annually at Santa Maria Country Club (team competition) & Rancho Maria Golf Club (singles matches) in Santa Maria, CA

NCPGA vs. SCPGA

2015 Coming Soon

Cup Team:

2014 Coming Soon

Cup Team: Larry Babica, Chris Bitticks, Ric Burgess, Kenny Collins, Michael Cook, Dave DeLong, Richard Dudley, Don Giovannini, Gerry Greenfield, John Grund, Rick Jetter, Al Krueger, Eddie Luethke, Cameron MacGregor, Shawn McEntee, Terry Myers, Michael Paul, Raul Quezada, Richard Rhoads, John Snopkowski, Glen Stubblefield, Mitch Thomas, Jerome Thormann, Joe Vavra.

2013 Coming Soon

Cup Team: John Abendroth, Larry Babica, Tim Berg, Chris Bitticks, Ric Burgess, Stephen Caulkins, Dave DeLong, Ernie George, Don Giovannini, Gerry Greenfield, John Grund, John Hoag, Rick Jetter, Al Krueger, Eddie Luethke, Shawn McEntee, Terry Myers, Michael Paul, Eric Pohl, Mike Roberson, John Snopkowski, Glen Stubblefield, Mitch Thomas, Al Weinhold.

2012 18 ½ 17 ½

Cup Team: John Abendroth, Larry Babica, Tim Berg, Chris Bitticks, Stephen Caulkins, Michael Cook, Eric Costa, Dave DeLong, Richard Dudley, Fred Elliott, Ernie George, Gerry Greenfield, Rick Jetter, Shawn Kelly, Al Krueger, Ron Parsons, Michael Paul, Mike Roberson, John Snopkowski, Mick Soli, Glen Stubblefield, Joe Vavra, Al Weinhold.

2011 17 ½ 18 ½

Cup Team: John Abendroth, Chris Bitticks, Ric Burgess, Stephen Caulkins, Jim Collart, Michael Cook, Eric Costa, Dave DeLong, Richard Dudley, Fred Elliott, Charlie Gibson, Don Giovannini, Gerry Greenfield, Rick Jetter, Al Krueger, Eddie Luethke, Ron Parsons, Michael Paul, Gary Plato, Rick Rhoads, Mike Roberson, John Snopkowski, Glen Stubblefield, Mitch Thomas.

2010 24 11 ½

2009 12 ½ 23 ½

2008 16 20

2007 19 ½ 16 ½

2006 19 17

2005 20 16

2004 16 20

2003 12 ½ 23 ½

2002 19 17

2001 11 25

2000 11 22

ASSISTANT APPRENTICE DIVISION

Overview

Head professionals have as staff colleagues two categories of assistants — those A-8

professionals who have met all requirements for PGA membership and those non-members who are registered in the Apprentice Program to prepare for membership. This latter program was officially instituted by the PGA of America in 1970.

An Assistants' Association was organized in Northern California in 1948 with Bobby Fry (Alameda GC) as President, and Bill Burch (Lake Chabot GC) as Vice-president.

This group evidently soon disbanded because in the late 1950's, Russ Egner and Tom O'Leary put together a group of playing assistants. The association became "official" in 1960 with bylaws adopted and officers elected: Gary Loustalot, president; John Mehigan, vice-president; Jack Cummings, treasurer; and John Fry, secretary. Other charter member included Pat Birdson, Larry O'Leary, Steve Menchinella, Bob Swan, and Craig Williamson.

AA Division Presidents

2015	Michael Merritt, Mira Vista CC
2014	Joe Dolby, Palo Alto Hills G&CC
2013	Joe Dolby, Palo Alto Hills G&CC
2011-2012	Eric Lippert, Del Monte GC
2008-2010	Eric Goettsch, Tehama GC
2007	Tom James, Madera G&CC
2006	Jerrel Grow
2004-2005	Josh Payne & Thomas Fong (co-presidents)
2002-2003	Jim Stewart
2000-2001	Kelly Runkle
1999-2000	Geoff Rookard
1998	Jacob Angel
1997-1998	Sam Bozzo, Ruby Hill GC
1995	Rick Voigt
1994	Steven McMichael
1993	Steven McMichael
1992	Todd Ponti

1991	Rob Bowker
1990	John Dal Corobbo
1989	Brad Heninger
1988	Tim Huber
1987	Mike Green & John Dal Corobbo
1986	Joey Pickavance & Dave Lewis
1983-85	Rob Frederick
1982	Tom Nelson
1981	Al Weinhold
1980	Richard Nelson & Ross Barnes
1979	Bill Trask
1978	Nick West
1976-77	Barry Brumfield
1975	Paul Bullock
1974	Jerry Ray
1973	Steve Adams
1972	Joe Mortara, Jr.
1971	Earl Brown
1970	Gary Plato
1969	Dick Rautmann / Bob Smith
1968	John Fite
1967	Barry Sutherland
1966	Ty Caplin
1965	Budd Osmon
1964	NO RECORD
1963	Gary Loustalot
1962	John Mehigan
1961	Craig Williamson / John Mehigan
1960	Russ Egner / Gary Loustalot

In 1992, the Monterey Bay Area Assistants/Apprentices Association made its debut into the ranks of the NCPGA with its tournaments, educational programs, and other events

open to all northern California assistants and apprentices. To date this association is no longer in existence.

Presidents have been:

1995 Dale Taylor

1994 Chris Pryor

1993 Chris Pryor

1992 Duane Criswell

Championships

Assistant Stroke Play Championship

Newspaper accounts indicate that the assistants' competitions in the early years were held in conjunction with the regular NCPGA championships. One article reported that the first PGA assistant tournament to be held was a 36-hole event at Richmond CC in 1947. TaylorMade-adidas Golf supported the event nationally in 2005-2008. In 2009, Callaway Golf signed on as National Title Partner. They remain the title partner to date. Currently, the event is structured as the AA Division Stroke Play Championship as well as qualifier for the PGA Assistant Professional Championship which consists of separate entries (Section Only & National Qualifier).

2015 Coming Soon!

2014 Scott de Borba, Valley Hi CC – 138 (-6)

2013 Chad Fribley, Chardonnay GC – 142 (-2)

2012 Scott de Borba, Valley Hi CC – 142 (-2)

*Advancing Qualifiers: Scott de Borba (see above) & Kevin Lozares, Palo Alto Muni GC -142 (-2)

2011 Scott de Borba, Valley Hi CC, *69-69-138 -6

National Qualifiers: Ray Otis, CordeValle GC (69-72--141) & Joe Dolby, Palo Alto Hills GCC (73-69--142)

2010 David Solomon, Diablo CC, 139

2009 Steve Watanabe, Jr., The Bridges GC, 147

2008 Chris Mapalo, Davis Municipal GC - 143
*National Qualifiers: Chris Mapalo, Eric Lippert, Adam Lewis
2007 Brad Martin
2006 Jeff Rangel
2005 Jin Park, Spyglass Hill GC – 143
Valley Hi CC, Elk Grove, CA (Par 72)
2004 Jin Park, Spyglass Hill GC – (69-70 – 139)
Ridgemark G&CC, Hollister, CA
2003 No Record
2002 Brad Martin
2001 Brad Martin
2000 No Record
1999 Tracy Stansberry
Saddle Creek Resort, Copperopolis, CA
1998 Brad Martin
1997 Mitch Lowe - (65)
1996 Don Winter
1995 No Record
1994 Tracy Stansberry
1993 Stuart Smith
1992 Ken Jarner
1991 Tommy Masters and Francisco Lopez
1990 Ric Burgess
1989 Bruce Zulaica
1988 Jeff McMillen
1987 Matt Plumlee
1986 Shawn McEntee
1985 Glen Stubblefield
1984 Ric Burgess
1983 Jeff McMillan
1982 Steve Moreland
1981 Nathan Pomeroy
1980 Mike Stoltz

1979 Steve Knotts
1978 Eric Pohl
1977 Mike Watney
1976 Bruce Robertson
1975 Dan Johnson
1974 Arnie Billingsley
1973 Tom Good
1972 No Record
1971 Murry Jacobs
1970 Jess Crawford
1969 Bruce Summerhays
1968 Dan Lippstreu
1967 Jess Crawford
1966 Mike Bellows
1965 John Joseph
1964 Jess Crawford
1963 Paul Biocini
1962 Val Beatriz
1961 Pat Larkin (tied 41 holes)
1960 Hall Wells
1959 Bob Badger
1958 Gary Loustalot
1957 No Record
1956 Paul Farmer
1955 John Zontek
1954 John Zontek
1953 No Record
1952 No Record
1951 No Record
1950 No Record
1949 No Record
1948 Bobby Fry

1947 Bill Fritz
1946 No Record
1945 No Record
1944 No Record
1943 No Record
1942 No Record
1941 No Record
1940 No Record
1939 No Record
1938 No Record
1937 No Record
1936 No Record
1935 No Record
1934 No Record
1933 No Record
1932 No Record
1930 No Record
1930 No Record
1929 No Record
1928 No Record
1927 No Record
1926 Walter Young
1925 Willie Goggin
1924 Walter Young
1923 Walter Young

Assistant Match Play Championship

Early records date back to 1949, the modern series was re-instituted in 1977.

2015 Brian Thompson, The Olympic Club
BT def. Craig Kilcoyne 6&4

- 2014 Scott deBorba, Valley Hi CC
SB def. Chad Fribley 6&5
- 2013 Logan Goulding, Sequoyah CC
LG def David Solomon 2&1
- 2012 Kevin Lozares, Palo Alto Municipal GC & Steve Watanabe, Jr., The Bridges GC
- 2011 Kevin Lozares, Palo Alto Municipal GC
KL def. Steve Watanabe, Jr. 19th hole
- 2010 Joe Moulton, Morgan Creek G&CC
JM def. Steve Watanabe, Jr. 4 & 2
- 2009 Steve Watanabe, Jr., The Bridges GC
SW def. Joe Dolby 2 up
- 2008 Eric Goettsch, Tehama GC
EG def. Joe Moulton 20th hole
- 2007 Brad Martin, Olympic Club
- 2006 Ray Otis, Almaden G&CC
- 2005 Felix Gudino
- 2004 Anthony Battaglia
- 2003 Steve Burrell
- 2002 Brad Martin, Olympic Club
- 2001 No Record
- 2000 No Record
- 1999 Dane Judson
- 1998 Joe Phares, Spyglass Hill GC
- 1997 No Record
- 1996 Dave DeLong
- 1995 Grant Geertsen
- 1994 Frank Elston
- 1993 Dana Banke
- 1992 Chris Stein
- 1991 Mark Sherman
- 1990 Joey Neff
- 1989 No Record

- 1988 John Dal Corrobo
- 1987 Mike Green
- 1986 Glen Stubblefield
- 1985 Stuart Smith
- 1984 Dave Lewis
- 1983 Ric Burgess
- 1982 Ron Hoyt
- 1981 Steve Moreland
- 1980 Achim Steinfurth
- 1979 Steve Wolfe
- 1978 John Abendroth
Ron Hoyt
- 1977 Mike Watney
- 1952 Virgil Shreeves
VS def. Wayne Otis for state assistants' title
- 1951 Virgil Shreeves def. Ralph Lomelli
- 1950 Buddy Porter
BP is state PGA assistant champion
- 1949 Don Whitt
DW def. SCPGA's Herbie Hall for state PGA assistants' title

Assistant Apprentice Player of the Year

Player of the Year generally has been awarded to the assistant or apprentice with the best playing record achieved throughout the year in designated tournaments.

2015 Coming Soon!

- 2014 Scott de Borba, Valley Hi CC - 1,125.50
- 2013 David Solomon, Ruby Hill GC - 959.25
- 2012 Zack King, Shadow Lakes GC - 1,041.00
- 2011 Joe Dolby, Palo Alto Hills G&CC - 869.00
- 2010 Steve Watanabe, Jr, The Bridges GC - 919.50

2009 Joe Dolby, Palo Alto Hills G&CC
2008 Philip Dawson, Cameron Park CC - 864.83
2007 Eric Goettsch, Tehama GC, Carmel, CA - 587.50
2006 Ray Otis, CoreValle GC, San Martin, CA
2005 Felix Gudino, Indian Valley GC, Novato, CA
2004 Jim Stewart or Joey Stockton
2003 J.J. West, Castlewood CC, Pleasanton, CA
2002 Steve Burrell, Elkhorn CC
2001 Kelly Runkle
2000 Tim Pometta-Horn
1999 No Record
1998 No Record
1997 Mitch Lowe
1996 No Record
1995 No Record
1994 No Record
1993 No Record
1992 No Record
1991 Joey Neff
1990 Joey Neff
1989 No Record
1988 Brad Heninger
1987 Brad Heninger
1986 Dave Lewis
1985 Glen Stubblefield
1984 No Record
1983 No Record
1982 Steve Moreland
1981 No Record
1980 Barry Mink
1979 Nate Pomeroy
1978 Ron Hoyt

1977 Ron Hoyt
 1976 Nick West
 1975 Mike Watney
 1974 Jerry Thormann
 1973 No Record
 1972 No Record
 1971 No Record
 1970 Gary Plato
 1969 Dan Lippstreu
 1968 Dick Rautmann
 1967 No Record

Assistant Apprentice Division North-South Cup Matches

This annual event allows assistants and apprentices from the NCPGA and SCPGA to compete and network over two days of individual and team match play. These “Ryder Cup” style matches bring together the top 12 assistant professional players from Northern & Southern California. The event switches venues, and host Section each year.

	NCPGA	SCPGA	LOCATION
2015	Coming Soon		
2014	Coming Soon		
2013	Coming Soon		
2012	11	13	Aviara Golf Club Carlsbad, CA
	<i>NCPGA Team: Kyle Colonico, Scott de Borba, Joe Dolby, Christopher Galvin, Eric Goettsch, Eric Lippert, Michael Merritt, Joe Moulton, Terry Myers, Aaron Sandoval, Timothy Sands, David Solomon.</i>		
2011	No Record		Bayonet & Blackhorse GC, Seaside, CA
2010	No Record		No Record
2009	No Record		Morgan Creek GC, Roseville, CA
2008	No Record		No Record
2007	No Record		No Record

NCPGA Team: Tom James, Matt Uno, Terry Myers, Jason Jackovac, Matt Mores, Eric Lippert, Andrew Richardson, Joe Dolby, Jon Guntrum, Joe Moutlon, Robert Kambourian, Richard Dudley, Eric Goettsch.

2006	No Record	No Record
2005	8 ½	15 ½
		Granite Bay GC, Granite Bay, CA (Par 71)
2004	No Record	No Record
2003	No Record	No Record
2002	No Record	SCPGA Golf Club, Oak Valley, CA
2001	9	8
		Bayonet & Blackhorse GC, Seaside, CA

NCPGA Team: Tighe Hammam, O.J. McCulley, Kyle Narrow, Bill Keller, Jason Schmuhl, Mark Quintel, Brad Martin, Justin Wright, Jin Park, Nick Amen, Steve Burrell, Mitch Thomas, Kelly Runkle
 2000 NCPGA retained Cup - no scores available.

1999 No Record

Pro-Assistant (Member/Assistant) Cup Matches

Annual event consisting of two-teams comprised of class A members and apprentices. The teams are selected by tournament points accumulated throughout the year. ***There is no information beyond what is listed below and no record of events taking place since 1999.***

	Pros	Asst.	
1999	12 ½	2 ½	Saddle Creek GC
Assistants: Geoff Rookard, Kyle Karnow, Joe Phares, Dennis Tuhn, Jerrod Coddington, Brad Martin, Ken Woods, Pat Shea, Dane Judson, Matt Ochs.			
Professionals: Shawn Kelly, Marty Davis, Rich Bin, Tim Skophammer, Ross Farley, Tracy Stansberry, Shawn McEntee, Dana Jetter, John McGrath, Glen Stubblefield.			
1998	14	16	Saddle Creek GC
Assistants: Geoff Rookard (Captain), Mitch Lowe, Doug Hanson, Ray Pennigton, John Snopkowski, Dane Judson, Tracy Stansberry, Robert Warren, Matt Ochs, Don Winter.			
Professionals: Dave Lewis, John Hoag, Terry Myers, Mike Paul, Paul Wrybkowski, Mick Soli, Marty Davis, Mike Cook, Jeff McMillen, Steve Caulkins, Shawn McEntee (Captain).			
1994	11 ½	3 ½	Elkhorn CC
1993	*11	4	Santa Teresa GC

1992	*9 ½	5 ½	Diablo CC
1991	No Record		
1990	No Record		
1989	No Record		
1988	No Record		
1987	No Record		
1986	No Record		
1985	*24	21	Carmel Valley Ranch CC
1984	*23 ½	21 ½	Carmel Valley Ranch CC
1983	No Record		
1982	*18 ½	17 ½	Cypress Point Club
1981	*15	9 ½	Cypress Point Club
1980	*8	5	Las Positas GC
1979	*9	6	Valley Hi CC
1978	*8 ½	4 ½	Del Rio CC
1977	*9	6	Valley Hi CC
1976	*9 ½	5 ½	Burlingame

WOMEN'S DIVISION

Northern California Women's Cup Matches

This annual cup competition brings together the top twelve female competitors in the NCPGA/LPGA to compete against the top twelve WGANC/PWGA competitors in a Solheim Cup style format. The inaugural event began in 1997.

Professionals	vs.	Amateurs
(PGA/LPGA)		(PWGA/WGANC)

2015 x	x	TBD
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Professional Team: TBD

2014 13

11 Bayonet & Black Horse GC, Seaside, CA

Professional Team: Dede Moriarty, Darcy Milligan, Trish Hinze, Shannon Donlon, Katherine Marren, Louise Hall, Chelsa Robison, Shelley McGill-O'Keefe, Carol Gossett, Shawna Richardson.

2013 12 ½

11 ½ Quail Lodge Golf Club, Carmel, CA

Professional Team: Dede Moriarty, Darcy Milligan, Trish Hinze, Shannon Donlon, Katherine Marren, Kelley Spooner (LPGA), Louise Hall, Kristy Park, Shelley McGill-O'Keefe, Carol Gossett, Shawna Richardson, Nancy Maul (NCPGA Staff for Wendy Stuart).

2012 10

14 Quail Lodge Golf Club, Carmel, CA

Professional Team: Wendy Stuart, Jennifer Alexander (LPGA), Dede Moriarty, Sue Fiscoe, Darcy Lake, Trish Hinze, Shannon Donlon, CJ Johnson, Katherine Marren, Christie Quinn (LPGA), Kelley Spooner (LPGA), Angie Rodriguez.

2011 11

13 The Course at Wente Vineyards, Livermore, CA

Professional Team: Sara Lester, Trish Hinze, Kelly Spooner, Angie Rodriguez, Wendy Stuart (Captain), Sue Fiscoe, Cathy Jo Johnson, Jennifer Alexander, Dede Moriarty, Shannon Donlon, Katherine Marren, Kathy Dais.

2010 6

18 Poppy Ridge GC, Livermore, CA

Professional Team: Dede Moriarty, Shannon Sweeney, Denise Fass, Angie Rodriguez, Trish Hinze, Cathy Jo Johnson, Katherine Marren, Debra Jones, Christy Quinn, Jody Lindroth, Krystal Shearer, Wendy Stuart

2009 8 ½

15 ½ Stockton G&CC, Stockton, CA

Professional Team: Angie Rodriguez, Cathy Jo Johnson, Dede Moriarty, Denise Fass, Katherine Marren, Krystal Shearer, Trish Hinze, Sue Fiscoe, Shannon Donlon, Wendy Stuart, Christie Quinn.

2008 9

15 Chardonnay GC, Napa, CA

Professional Team: Emily Ranney, Shannon Sweeney Donlon, Dede Moriarty, Kathy Dais, Jody Lindroth, Kathrine Marren, Denise Fass, Trish Hinze, Cathy Jo Johnson, Angie Rodriguez, Sue Fiscoe, Denise Mazzaferri.

2007 6 ½

17 ½ Alta Sierra CC, Grass Valley, CA

Professional Team: Cathy Jo Johnson, Kelly Westcoatt, Katherine Marren, Carol Pence, Michele Larkey, Shannon Donlon, Kathy Dais, Janet Ortega, Denise Bondurant, Sue Fiscoe, Lee Huntley, Denise Fass & Jody Lindroth.

2006 8

16 Alta Sierra CC, Grass Valley, CA

Professional Team: Janet Davis, Lee Huntley, DeDe Braun, Jody Lindroth, Kathy Dais, Denise Fass, Divina Delasin, Wendy Stuart, Katherine Marren, Deborah Jones, Sue Fiscoe, Kelly Wescoatt.

2005 8 ½

15 ½ Elkhorn CC, Stockton, CA

Professional Team: Kari Williams, Janet Davis, Cathy Jo Johnson, Monica Stratton, Sue Fiscoe, Kathy

Records for this event are few, recorded results are listed below. *There is no record of this event being held since 2012.*

- 2012 Cathy Jo Johnson, Incline Village, NV
Martis Camp Club, Truckee, CA
- 2011 Louise Flemming, Saratoga CC - 75
Half Moon Bay Golf Links, Half Moon Bay, CA
- 2010 Krystal Shearer, Silver Creek Valley G&CC - 72
Quail Lodge Resort & Golf Club
- 2009 Cathy Jo Johnson, GC at Incline Village - 73
The GC at Whitehawk Ranch (Par 72), Clio, CA
- 2008 Krystal Shearer, Silver Creek Valley G&CC - 80
Stevinson Ranch GC (Par 72), Stevinson, CA

PGA OF AMERICA COMPETITION

PGA Professional Championship

PGA Assistant **Eric Lippert** of Del Monte Golf Course in Monterey, and **Mitch Lowe**, PGA Director of Instruction at Del Rio Country Club in Modesto, qualified to compete at the 2009 PGA Championship held Aug. 13-16, 2009 at Hazeltine National Golf Club in Chaska, Minnesota. Lippert and Lowe were among seven NCPGA Professionals competing in the 42nd PGA Professional National Championship. Final scores: Lippert 78 - 84 : 162 & Lowe 84 - 80 : 164. Lippert and Lowe joined 18 other PGA Professionals across the nation to successfully earn a qualifying spot at the 2009 PGA Championship.

Lippert tied for 4th place (73-71-65-70 – 279), and Lowe tied for 16th place (75-67-71-69) in a field of 312 at the 42nd PGA Professional National Championship, which was held June 28-July at Santa Ana Pueblo, NM. Lippert turned Professional in 1998 and became a

PGA Member in 2007. He qualified for the 2001 AT&T National Pro-Am and won four collegiate tournaments including the Western Regional in 1998. He also played on the Canadian tour in 2001 and 2002. He was also chosen as a member of the 24th PGA Cup Team that competed at The Carrick in Loch Lomond, Scotland in September, 2009. The US Team was victorious, USA 17½ def. GB&I 8½. The U.S. returned home with the Llandudno International Golf Trophy, owning a 16-5-3 overall record and having won the PGA Cup for the first time on Scottish soil.

Lowe turned Professional in 1990 and became a PGA Member in 1999. He was awarded the NCPGA Player of the Year award in 2000, 2005, 2011 & 2012. Lowe played in several PGA Tour events including the AT&T in 2001, 2002, and 2006 and the Reno-Tahoe Open in 2001 and 2002. In 2001-2002 he played on the Gateway and Tightlies Tours in Arizona, Texas and Mississippi. Between 1990 and 1995 he played on various tours including: Golden State, California Golf and Hooters. He was also a member of the Canadian PGA Tour in 1991 and a member of the Nike Tour in 1992.

During the 2010 Northern California PGA Professional Championship, **Stuart Smith** from Somerset Country Club in Reno, Nevada was one of our Section qualifiers to be able to compete in the 2011 PGA Professional National Championship, which was contested at the Hershey Country Club in Pennsylvania. He played very well, tied for 12th, and was one of only 20 PGA Club Professionals who qualified for the 93rd PGA Championship. He had a great pairing, playing alongside veterans Scott Verplank, who tied for 4th, and Jerry Kelly, who was tied for the lead after the first round. Not everyone has the opportunity to play side by side with athletes of this caliber. Completing the first round with a final score of 72, Stuart showed just how competitive PGA Club Professionals can be. Stuart was an active competitor throughout his life — first in junior golf, then at UCLA, and later when he turned professional in 1984. During his nine-year pursuit of the PGA TOUR, he went to the final qualifying stage four times, earning him playing privileges on the Ben Hogan Tour and Nike Tour — now known as the Nationwide Tour. Stuart also played overseas on the South African Tour. Stuart switched gears and became an assistant golf professional in 1992 to continue his passion for golf. He worked his way up through the ranks to Director of Golf. In 2007, he moved to Reno

taking on the role of Head Golf Professional at Somerset Golf & Country Club. He captured the 2011 Northern California PGA Professional Championship and earned the title of Stroke Play Champion. He was Northern California PGA Player of the Year in 2004 earning him a spot in the 2005 AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am. Stuart was also named Sierra Nevada Junior Golf Leader (2007), earned Section honors for the same award in 2010, and captured the 2009 Sierra Nevada Chapter Player of the Year award.

In 2012, PGA Professional **Shawn Kelly** from the Ridge Golf Club in Auburn, CA competed in the 73rd Senior PGA Championship by KitchenAid, held May 24-27, 2012 at Harbor Shores in Benton Harbor, Michigan. Shawn placed second in the 2011 Northern California Senior PGA Professional Championship leading him to compete in the 23rd Southworth Senior PGA Professional National Championship in Virginia October 2011. He was one of the low 35 scorers (tied for 13th) in this event which earned him his berth. In Round 1, he scored a 41-37-78 including two birdies and in Round 2 he scored 40-41-81. Roger Chapman of the U.K. won the tournament with a 13-under par finish. Kelly turned Pro in 1986. His golf achievements include placing 3rd in the 2000 PGA Professional National Championship, playing in the 1997, 1999, and 2000 PGA Championship, serving as a member of the 2000 U.S. PGA Cup Team, being a five-time NCPGA Player of the Year award recipient, Senior NCPGA Player of the Year in 2011 & 2012 and the 2005 NCPGA Club Fitter of the Year award winner. If that is not enough, he has recorded two holes-in-one, with one in competition.

The PGA Cup

The PGA Cup originated in 1973 at Pinehurst (N.C.) Country Club as an outgrowth of the PGA Professional National Championship. Structured after the format of the Ryder Cup, with match-play competition between the U.S. and Europe, the PGA Cup features the top PGA club professionals from both sides of the Atlantic. Competition was held annually until 1984, when both countries agreed to hold this event biennially at alternating sites. Proceeds from the PGA Professional National Championship in 1975 at Callaway Gardens, Pine Mountain, Ga., covered the expenses of the U.S. Team for the first overseas PGA Cup. A pro-am event was held prior to the 1975 PGA Cup, which

raised \$12,000 and made it possible for the British PGA to stage the competition. Great Britain & Ireland Captain Christy O'Connor Sr., then 51, did his part to keep the event alive, winning the pro-am.

The teams began with nine players, but the rosters were expanded to 10 in 1988. Qualification for America's team is upon performances in the PGA Professional National Championship. Since 1973, there have been 155 PGA Professionals earning a berth on a U.S. PGA Cup Team, while 129 PGA Professionals have competed for Great Britain & Ireland. From 1973-88, the

European team was comprised of PGA club professionals from Great Britain and Ireland. The format was changed from 1990-94 opening up qualifying spots to professionals throughout Europe. The selection process was revised in 1996 to feature only Great Britain & Ireland players.

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In 2011, The PGA Cup returned to California for the first time since 1977. The 25th PGA Cup, contested Sept. 16-18, was contested at Corde Valle in the countryside of San Martin, CA, just 30 minutes south of San Jose. Feeding off two consecutive hallmark days in four-balls and foursomes, where they won nine of 16 matches and halved four others, the Americans closed out Great Britain & Ireland, 17½ to 8½, on a warm afternoon by capturing six singles matches and halving two others. The United States kept its streak intact of never being defeated on home soil in a competition that began in 1973, and owns a 17-5-3 overall record.

TOURNAMENT OF CHAMPIONS

The inaugural Tournament of Champions was held in 1981 at Ridgemark G & CC. It brought together all the winners of NCPGA tournaments for the previous year. Winners of the TOC have been. *There is no record of this event since 1994.*

1994 Eric Peterson
1993 Tracy Stansberry
1992 Steve Moreland
1991 Dane Judson
1990 Bob Borowicz
1989 Jim Knego
1988 Steve Moreland
1987 Dave Fowler
1986 Ric Burgess
1985 No event
1984 Glen Stubblefield
1983 Robert E. Smith
1982 Mike Watney
1981 Robert E. Smith

LONG DRIVE COMPETITIONS

Long drives are attention-getters and generate excitement. Long drive contests have been a part of the golf scene for some time. In September 1899, David Stephenson, professional at San Francisco Golf Club, hit a wind-aided drive from the Presidio's ninth tee to near the green, a distance of almost 400 yards. In 1920, Mortie Dutra, professional at Pebble Beach, won a long drive contest at the Olympic Club with a 271-yard smash into a strong wind. At the 1922 NC Open, the long drive contest was won by Edie Traube and Mortie Dutra "who both hit screamers of 285 yards." In an exhibition match against MacDonald Smith and Abe Espinosa at Lake Merced CC in January 1925, British star George Duncan, who was partnered with his countryman Abe Mitchell, belted a 310-yard drive on the first hole and a 320-yard drive on the last hole. At the 1951 LPGA Richmond Open, Babe Didrikson Zaharias hit a drive measuring 270 yards.

PGA long drive contests in Northern California started about 1976. The longest drives recorded in the Section at the various qualifying sites are listed below. There are no records available since 1993:

- 1993 Steve Hoke 347 yards 5 inches
- 1992 Karl Probst 354 yards 10 inches
- 1991 Ron Rich 371 yards 31 inches
- 1990 Bill Frederick 371 yards 24 inches
- 1989 Richard Lundahl, Jr. 357 yards
- 1988 Dick Wenzel (amateur) 345 yards
- 1987 Pat Akins 339 yards 30 inches
- 1986 Rick Bridges 330 yards 14 inches
- 1985 Dave Derminio 350 yards
- 1984 Pat McCleary 362 yards
- 1983 Carl Wagner (amateur) 317 yards 21 inches
- 1982 Erin Jergentz (amateur) 348 yards 18 inches
- 1981 Bill Malley (amateur) 299 yards 24 inches
- 1980 Don Wright (Oregon) 297 yards
- 1979 John Joseph, placed second at Regionals, 299 yards.
- 1978 No Record
- 1977 Mike Mitchell 331 yards
- 1976 Pat McCleary 283 yards. John Joseph also qualified for the Western Regionals, which he won with a 363-yard blast.

OPEN AND TOUR EVENTS IN NORTHERN CALIFORNIA

Early Open & Tour Competition

Golf was an amateur affair only in its earliest days in Northern California. Burlingame and San Francisco clubs held tournaments for their members and to determine their champions; inter-club and other competitions were soon arranged.

Handicap tournaments for men and women amateurs from various clubs were held at Del Monte GC in 1898. The San Francisco and Oakland Golf Clubs arranged in 1899 for a Pacific Coast amateur golf championship, open to members of all Pacific Coast golf clubs, from Victoria to San Diego.

Soon, competitions open to amateurs and professionals were held. The Pacific Coast Golf Association – formed jointly by the Northern California and the Southern California Golf Association’s – held its first championships in 1901 – one for amateurs and one for professionals.

Winners of the PCGA professional titles included:

- 1901 Robert Johnstone (San Francisco GC)
- 1902 F.J. Reilly (Burlingame CC)
- 1903 Robert Johnstone

Winners of the Del Monte California Opens included:

- 1914 George Smith (Del Monte GC) and John Black (Claremont GC) tied and divided 1st and 2nd money
- 1913 Abe Espinosa / George Smith 144
- 1912 George Smith; playoff with brother MacDonald
- 1911 Abe Espinosa 1900 Willie Smith (Corona CC)
- 1910 MacDonald Smith (San Francisco GC) 286
- 1901 Alex Smith (Los Angeles CC)

According to another account, the title “Open Championship of California” was first awarded in 1915.

- 1921 Eddie Loos 300
1920 John Black, Sr. 289
1919 John Black, Sr. 295
1918 John Black, Sr. 284
1917 Douglas Grant (amateur) 283
1916 No Record
1915 Charles Thom (amateur) led 1st round with 68;
Harold Sampson was 2nd. Final results not found.

California Open Championships conducted by the California Golf Association subsequently were played at different venues, and the winners included a distinguished list of golfers, such luminaries as “Long Jim” James Barnes ('22), Joe Kirkwood, Sr. ('23), MacDonald Smith ('24, '25), Willie Hunter ('26, '27), Leo Diegel ('31, '33), Horton Smith ('34), Art Bell ('39, '47, '56), Olin Dutra ('40), George Fazio ('45), E.J. “Dutch” Harrison ('50), Ellsworth Vines ('54), and Jerry Barber ('59), and amateurs Ernie Pieper ('44), Tal Smith ('46), and Gene Littler ('53).

Northern California Open Championship

At the January 1919 meeting of the Northern California Golf Association, proposals were discussed to have an annual open tournament for the recognition and encouragement of professionals. There were some 20 professionals in the San Francisco district who welcomes such an event.

The Northern California Open championship inaugurated by the NCGA was the first tournament conducted by the newly formed association of professional golfers in Northern California. It was held at the San Francisco Golf and Country Club on March 12-14, 1920.

Records show that the Northern California Open was conducted under the auspices of the Northern California Section of the Professional Golfers' Association (NCPGA) in

1945 and 1946. It was called the NCPGA Open in 1958 when played at Belmont Country Club. Since about 1962, the event has been sponsored and directed by the NCPGA.

The Senior Northern California Open has also been held, some years in conjunction, other years as separate 2-day events, held at different facilities.

In 2010, The Nor Cal Open moved to Sevillano Links at Rolling Hills Casino after the Casino signed on as the host site of the event and presenting partner.

Past Champions have been [(a) denotes amateur status]:

2015 Coming Soon!

Bayonet & Black Horse Golf Course (Par 72), Seaside, CA

2014 Kyle Souza, Vista, CA, *67-63-66-196 -20

Steven Chung (a), Sacramento, CA, *71-67-69-207 -9

Top NCPGA Professional: David Carr, Teal Bend GC, *71-68-65-204 -12

Almaden Country Club (Par 72), San Jose, CA

2013 John Jackson, Marina, CA, *70-69-69-208 -5

Cameron Champ (a), Sacramento, CA, *68-73-72-213 E

Top NCPGA Professional: Chad Fribley, Chardonnay GC, *77-68-71-216 +3

Whitney Oaks Golf Club (Par 71), Rocklin, California

2012 Anthony Verna, Orinda, CA – 212 (-4)

Top NCPGA Professional – Jason Schmuhl, Windsor GC (212)

Bayonet & Black Horse GC, Seaside, CA

2011 Jeff Rangel

Chris Souza (a)

Top NCPGA Professional, Mitch Lowe: Half Moon Bay Golf Links

Sevillano Links at Rolling Hills Casino, Corning, CA

2010 Ryan Thornberry

Sevillano Links at Rolling Hills Casino, Corning, CA

2009 Todd Fischer – 200 (-16)

Top NCPGA Professional – Steve Watanabe, Jr. , The Bridges GC – 205 (-11)

2008 Boyd Summerhays, Scottsdale, AZ (67-71-67--205)

- Steven Chung (a), Sacramento, CA (71-70-71--212)
Saddle Creek Resort (Par 72), Copperopolis, CA
- 2007 Matt Bettencourt, Modesto, CA (209)
(NCO Am & Overall Champion)
- 2006 Gundy Jones
- 2005 Robert Hamilton, Carmichael, CA (68-69-67--204)
Eric Restrepo (a), Davis, CA (73-70-71--214)
- 2004 John Ellis
- 2003 Matt Bettencourt
- 2002 Matt Bettencourt (a), Modesto, CA (70-70-69--209)*won via first hole playoff.
Top Pro: Ron Ewing, Atwater, CA (69-69-71--209)
75th Anniversary: Diablo Grande Resort, Patterson, CA
- 2001 Brad Martin
- 2000 Shawn Kelly, The Ridge GC, Auburn, CA (213)
Dong Yi (a) (217)
Diablo Grande Resort, Patterson, CA (Par 72)
- 1999 Casey Boyns, Pacific Grove, CA (66-71-71--208)
Jon DeChambeau (a), Modesto, CA (70-73-71--214)
Diablo Grande Resort, Patterson, CA
- 1998 Jon Chaffee (67-69-68--204)
Roger Pineda (a), Atherton, CA (70-70-69--209)
Diablo Grande Resort, Patterson, CA
- 1997 Jon Chaffee (69-70-70--209)
Barry Logar (a), Napa, CA (76-71-73--220)
Chardonnay GC, Napa, CA
- 1996 Patrick Boyd
- 1995 Shawn Kelly
- 1994 Eric Buckelew
- 1993 Todd Spain
- 1992 Ron Parsons
- 1991 Chris Holzgang
- 1990 David Sutherland

1989 Jeff Wilson
1988 Dale Riley
1987 Joey Rasset
1986 Mark Blakely
1985 Joey Rasset
1984 Bill Glasson
1983 Jim Kane
1982 Bob Boldt
1981 Mike Brannon
1980 Pat McGowan
1979 Brent Bonino
1978 Ray Arinno
1977 Rick Rhoads
1976 Peter Jacobsen
1975 Ray Arinno
1974 Bruce Summerhays
1973 Roger Maltbie
1972 Ken Towns
1971 Vic Loustalot
1970 Sandy Galbraith
1969 David Barber
1968 Jerry Heard
1967 George Archer
1966 Dick Lotz
1965 John McMullin
1964 George Archer
1963 George Archer
1962 Tony Lema
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1961 Alex Sutton

- 1960 Tal Smith
- 1959 No event
- 1958 Dick Knight
- 1957 Joe Greer
- 1956 Marvin "Bud" Ward
- 1955 Smiley Quick
- 1954 George Schneiter
- 1953 Eric Monti
- 1952 E.J. "Dutch" Harrison
- 1951 Marvin "Bud" Ward
- 1950 Charles Seaver, amateur
- 1949 Art Bell
- 1948 Bill Nary
- 1947 Tal Smith, amateur
- 1946 Charles R. Sheppard
- 1945 Jim Ferrier
- 1944 Jim Ferrier
- 1943 Art Bell
- 1942 Harry Bassler
- 1941 Mark Fry
- 1940 Mark Fry
- 1939 Charles R. Sheppard
- 1938 No event
- 1937 Harry Bassler
- 1936 Willie Goggin
- 1935 Willie Goggin
- 1934 W. Lawson Little, Jr., amateur
- 1933 Ben F. Coltrin
- 1932 Charles R. Sheppard
- 1931 Charles R. Sheppard
- 1927-1930 (not played until 1931 when it was renewed with support of the Northern California Golf Association which furnished the perpetual trophy.)

- 1926 Frank Minch
- 1925 No Record
- 1924 MacDonald Smith
- 1923 Harold Sampson
- 1922 Jock Hutchinson (British Open Champion)
Jim Barnes (American Open Champion) finished 7th
- 1921 No event
- 1920 John Black

Senior Northern California Open Championship

2015 Coming Soon

El Macero Country Club (Par 72), El Macero, CA

- 2014 Shawn McEntee, Chardonay GC *69-70-139 (-1)
Clifford Smith (a), Denair, CA *72-76-148 (+8)
Super Senior: Glen Stubblefield, Spring Creek G&CC 75-70-145 (+5)
Clear Creek Tahoe (Par 70), Carson City, NV
- 2013 Bob Niger, El Dorado Hills, CA, *66-73-139 -5
Super Senior: Larry Babica, Redding, CA - 145 (+1)
Top NCPGA Pro: Michael Paul, Washoe County GC, *71-72-143 -1
Morgan Creek G&CC, Roseville, CA
- 2012 Robert Niger, Eldorado Hills, CA - 140 (-4)
Super Senior: Glen Stubblefield, Spring Creek GC - 146 (+2)
Morgan Creek G&CC, Roseville, CA
- 2011 Kris Moe, Kris Moe Golf Schools, Sonoma, CA
Super Senior: Rick Rhoades, San Francisco Club
Top Amateur: Jack Anthony, Fairfield, CA (a)
Genoa Lakes GC & Resort, Genoa, Nev (Par 72)
- 2010 Greg Bruckner, Phoenix, AZ (*65-68-133 -11)
Mark Miller, Antioch, CA (*73-70-143 -1 (a))
Super Senior: Raul Quezada, Copper River Country Club (*69-71-140 -4)
Genoa Lakes GC & Resort, Genoa, Nev (Par 72)
- 2009 Ric Burgess, Colusa Country Club (*68-69-137 -7)

- John Enright (a), Montara, CA (*71-69-140 -4)
 Super Senior: Raul Quezada, Copper River Country Club (*75-73-148 +4* - won via
 playoff)
 El Macero Country Club (Par 72), El Macero, CA
- 2008 Greg Galasso, San Jose, CA, *72-70-142 -2(a)
 (Overall Am & NCO Champ)
 Stevinson Ranch GC (Par 72), Stevinson, CA
- 2007 Jeffrey Burda (a) (Modesto, Calif.) - (*70-67-137 -7)
 Top PGA Professional: Michael Paul (Washoe County GC) - (*72-68-140 -4)
 Diablo Grande Resort, Patterson, CA (Par 72)
- 2006 Jeffrey Burda (a) (Modesto, Calif.) - (*70-65-70--205)
 Top PGA Professional: Michael Paul (Washoe County GC) - (*72-69-70-211)
 Diablo Grande Resort, Patterson, CA (Par 72)
- 2005 Pat McDonald, Rocklin, CA (66-69-67--202)
 Gary Vanier (a), Pleasant Hill, CA (70-71-68--209)

 Diablo Grande Resort, Patterson, CA (Par 72)
- 2004 No Record
- 2003 No Record
- 2002 Glen Stubblefield, Salinas, CA (68-68-70--206)
 Top Amateur (TI): Robert Heaton, Antioch, CA & Bob Olds, Brentwood, CA (68-
 73- 74— 215)
 Super Senior: John Joseph, Patterson, CA (69-71--140)
 Super Senior Am: Bob Olds, Brentwood, CA (70-70--140)
 Diablo Grande Resort, Patterson, CA (Par 72)
- 2001 Larry Babica
- 2000 Glenn Stubblefield, Salinas Fairways GC, (145)
 Earl Stewart (a), Fairfax, CA (150)
 Diablo Grande Resort, Patterson, CA (Par 72)
- 1999 Tommy Sanderson, Sun Valley, ID (70-74--144)
 Michael Butler (a), San Francisco, CA (147*) *won via four-way playoff.
- 1998 Glen Stubblefield, Salinas Fairways GC (74-67--141)
 Dennis Younglove (a), El Macero, CA (72-71--143)

1997 Steve Caulkins, Brentwood CC (74-73--147)
Jim McMurtrey (a), Danville, CA (74-74--148)

Sierra Nevada Open

The Sierra Nevada Open was resurrected (however there are no records of the original event held in the Section Office) in 2010, held at The Golf Club at Grays Crossing and ArrowCreek Country Club – Challenge Course through the support of presenting partner Eldorado Hotel Casino Reno. The format of the event was 54-Hole Stroke Play; 36-hole cut to the low 30% of the field & ties, including the low 9 amateurs & ties. The winner of the event received an exemption into the PGA TOUR's Reno Tahoe Open.

After a small field in 2010 and lack of a sponsor, discussion as to the event being held took place in 2011. The Committee determined that the exemption to the Reno Tahoe Open was just as appealing as was the purse, therefore it was re-named the Sierra Nevada Invitational, with the champion receiving an exemption to the 2011 Reno Tahoe Open and a was held once again at Arrowcreek Country Club in Reno, Nevada. The format changed to 36-Hole individual stroke play and the winner received the exemption and a \$1,500 first place guaranteed purse. *This event has not been contested since 2012.*

2012 Gregor Main, Danville, CA – 199 (-16)
Dayton Valley GC & The Resort at Red Hawk, NV
2011 Creighton Honeck (65-68--133)
2010 Ben Fox (66-67-70--203)

Other Open Competitions

Some open events were sponsored by clubs and some were conducted as special events more regional in nature.

In 1909, the city of San Francisco hosted a Gaspar de Portola Festival to honor the leader of the expedition which discovered San Francisco Bay and was California's first governor.

Golf competitions were a part of the week-long activities, and some professional golfers of national prominence participated along with local professionals. Willie Anderson, the national open champion, put a 5-3 defeat on MacDonald Smith, an 18-year-old professional from Claremont CC to win \$750 and the Portola Professional Championship. In the next three days, 36-hole open stroke competitions were held: H.H. Barker, the former champion of Ireland, took the top money at Presidio; Anderson came in first at Burlingame, and Smith won at Claremont.

The first big-money tournament held apart from the U.S. Open was the Panama-Pacific International Exposition Open Championship held at San Francisco GC in May 1915. Walter Hagen won over a powerful field and received \$1,000 – the first such amount going to a winner in the history of American golf.

During the World War I years, many golfing exhibitions and pro-amateur competitions were held as benefits. Locally, a Liberty Tournament was held in 1917 and a number of professional matches for the benefit of the Red Cross and military hospitals were conducted at Northern California clubs in 1918-1919.

After the war, numerous exhibition matches were conducted to promote the game of golf with star “touring” professionals competing against local players (amateur and professional).

Professional Tours in Northern California

Men’s tour events in Northern California have been important attractions throughout the years. The 1994 competitions included the AT&T Pebble Beach National Pro-Am which started as the Bing Crosby National Pro-Am Championship in 1937 at Rancho Santa Fe before moving to the Monterey Peninsula in 1947; the Pebble Beach Invitational Pro-Am originated by Harold Firstman in 1972 and since 1979 has featured professional men and women in head-to-head competition; the Raley’s Senior Gold Rush at Rancho Murieta; the Transamerica Senior Championship at Silverado; the Tour Championship

at the Olympic Club; the Celebrity Golf championships at Edgewood Tahoe; the Golden State mini-tour; and the Hogan and Nike mini-tour events at Sonoma, Reno, Fresno and San Jose.

Golf as a paid spectator sport in the U.S. began during World War I when spectators at Red Cross exhibition matches were required to contribute money and were given tags to wear as evidence of their payments.

Most of the players in early tournaments depended on their club jobs for a livelihood. Many events were held in the winter months in the south, southwest, and west, where the climate was milder. The PGA of America backed the tournament program financially and otherwise. Wives of the tournament committee members wrote letters to potential sponsors, and they produced a coordinated schedule for the winter.

The pioneers in Western winter circuit tournaments from 1926-30 were: Monterey Pebble Beach Open, Sacramento Open, Santa Clara Valley Open, San Jose CC, and the Bay Cities Open (Berkeley CC).

During the 1930s and thereafter, tour tournaments were held in San Francisco, Berkeley, Oakland, Sacramento, Stockton, Fresno, Reno, San Jose, Silverado, Rancho Murieta, and Richmond.

In Northern California in 1940, Mrs. Helen Lengfeld, an untiring worker for women's golf, organized the Northern California Women's Golf Circuit for the purpose of staging a series of golfing events to encourage players to come to California to compete. In 1949, the name was changed to the California Women's Golf Circuit. The first California Women's Open Golf Championship was sponsored by the Circuit and held at Pebble Beach in October 1949. Mrs. James Ferrie was the winner.

In 1950, the Weathervane Women's Open, consisting of four separate events on weekends in four different states (California, Illinois, Ohio, and New York) played its

inaugural round at Pebble Beach. Babe Didriksen Zaharias won the competition with 629 strokes for the 144 holes

Pat Markovich organized and conducted the first Ladies Professional Golf Association open tournament at Richmond CC under the sponsorship of the Richmond Chamber of Commerce in April 1951. Twelve lady professionals competed against a like number of top amateurs from the area. Babe Zaharias carded 224 from the men's tees to defeat Louise Suggs by one stroke. A crowd of 3,500 watched the action on the final day.

The lady golfers played next in a one-day event at Del Paso CC, then in a three-day Valley Open Championship in Fresno, ending with a tourney on the Monterey Peninsula.

Patty Berg won the second Richmond Open (1952) with an opening round 64 from the men's tees – borrowing a putter and setting a women's world competitive record with nine birdies and one three-putt bogey. She finished with a 74-72.

The 1953 event, held in the fall, was won by Betty Jameson with 77-72-71 over a field of 44 LPGA professionals. After this event, Patty Berg and Betsy Rawls gave a series of exhibitions, each making 12 appearances at various clubs in the Bay and valley areas.

John Lundahl hosted an LPGA tournament at Kings River CC in 1968; Kathy Whitworth was the winner. Since then, LPGA competitions were staged at San Jose, 1980-89.

Women's mini-tour events have been a part of the NCPGA golfing scene. The Women's Professional Golf Tour (Group Fore mini-tour) was founded in 1975 by Judy Horst (Cupertino, CA) for the main purpose of preparing players for the LPGA tour. By 1982, Group Fore became national in scope; and with some events in Japan. WPGT offered its tournaments to local charities as fundraisers and these events contributed much to the communities hosting them.

JUNIOR COMPETITION

Early Junior Competition

Tournaments for junior golfers were also started at an early date. In 1914 a caddie tournament was announced for Lincoln Park, then a six-hole course, to be played twice around. The California Junior Championship for Boys was played at Del Monte in 1925. The 1926 Harding Park Inaugural Tournament included competition for boys under 16 and girls under 15 years of age.

The Peter Hay Boys Tournament on the Monterey Peninsula was started in about 1940. A junior tournament in the Stockton area was held at the municipal course in 1950.

Eddie Duino, professional at San Jose CC, and Bill Feist, sports editor of the San Jose News, inaugurated in 1947 what is now known as the San Jose Mercury News Junior Championship. This major junior event has been and continues to be played at San Jose CC and Spring Valley CC.

NCPGA Junior Golf Tour

In the fall of 2009, Section Leadership announced the launch of the NCPGA Junior Golf Tour. The NCPGA Junior Tour offered young golfers an opportunity to experience competition on the best courses in Northern California and Northwestern Nevada administered by our Section PGA Professionals. The NCPGA Junior Tour followed a two-tour model in an effort to allow for maximum playing opportunities for all ages of junior golfers. The eTOUR (Elite Tour) was the most advanced level of competition for boys and girls ages 12-18 years old and players competed in two-day tournaments and had the chance to a points standing and to earn Player of the Year. The iTOUR (Introductory Tour) was structured as the developmental arm, designed to create a friendly and dynamic learning environment for boys and girls ages 11 and under who know the fundamentals of the game but would like to learn the basics of competition. The inaugural season was launched in March 2010.

The 2010 season consisted of two series (Spring & Summer) and a total of eleven events. Seb Crampton of Pacific Grove, CA and Taylor Camany of Salinas, CA captured the inaugural NCPGA Junior Tour Championship title for eTour Boys (age 14-18 years) and eTour Girls (age 12-18 years) respectively.

The Tour achieved its goal of offering a balance of player competition and family involvement in which community outreach, leadership and character development were the foundations for our players' journey, however due to the economic climate in 2010, Section leadership determined to dissolve the Tour in its previous form.

In February 2011, the NCPGA joined forces with the Northern California Golf Association to create the Junior Tour of Northern California. The merger presented an opportunity for the four year of NCGA Junior Tour and the NCPGA Junior Tour, entering its second year, to continue their success in allowing young golfers to develop their skills against the top players in the region. This new Tour featured a series of 18, two-round championships are scheduled at some of Northern California's best courses and administered by top staff and rules-trained volunteers. Utilizing a unique format, all tournaments are flighted by ability using the player's handicaps rather than age.

In testament to the quality of the championships, American Junior Golf Association performance-based exemptions are awarded to the boys and girls winners of every championship flight. Operations for the Junior Tour of Northern California are housed out of the NCGA Office in Pebble Beach.

Shortly after the merger, Capital Insurance Group (CIG), proud supporter of the NCPGA Foundation's premier fundraising event The Langley, A Tribute to Legends, announced their support of the tour by joining as presenting partner.

PGA Junior Championship

Early records of junior competitions sponsored by the NCPGA are sparse. References to NCPGA Junior Championships noted the following:

Boys	Girls
1969 Brian Roach	1969 Diane Buzzini
1968 Brian Roach	1968 No Record
1949 Ken Venturi	
1948 Ken Venturi	

In 1976 the PGA of America inaugurated the premier junior tournament for boys and girls in the United States, the PGA Junior Championship. This event has attracted more than 200,000 competitors since its origin. Past competitors include many of today's lading PGA & LPGA touring pros as well as golf greats Phil Mickelson, Scott VerPlank, Cristie Kerr, Tiger Woods.

Jean Zedlitz of Pleasanton was the Section's champion in 1985 and also won the national title for girls.

Records dating in 2005- show the event renamed as the Northern California PGA Junior PGA Championship. This event is the qualifier for the national Junior PGA Championship. In x, this event was held concurrently with a Junior Tour of Northern California, the tour which is managed by the Northern California PGA & Northern California Golf Association.

Boys	Girls
2015 Coming Soon	Coming Soon
2014 Coming Soon	Coming Soon
2013 Coming Soon	Coming Soon
2012 Coming Soon	Coming Soon
2011 Ryan Han, Hollister, CA (140)	Carly Childs, Alameda, CA (140)

2010	No Record	No Record
2009	No Record	No Record
2008	Stevie Johnson, San Rafael, CA (142)	Lauren Kim, Los Altos, CA (141)
2007	Miguel Camitoc, Hayward, CA (147)	Olivia Ontiveros, Alamo, CA (148)
2006	Eric Picaithley, Pleasanton, CA (135)	Joy Kim, Pinole, CA (147)
2005	Miguel Camitoc, Hayward, CA	Christina Stockton, Auburn, CA
2004	David Leuterio, Sacramento, CA (141)	Christine Corpus, San Leandro, CA (14
2003	Collin Fling, Littleriver, CA (139)	Dacia Dryer, Corcoran, CA (160)
2002	Elliott Wainwright, Hillsborough, CA (144)	Rachel Schwartz, San Jose, CA (152)
2001	Dustin Hall, Sparks, NV (137)	Courtney Clark, Del Rey Oaks, CA (138)
2000	Isaac Weintruab, Santa Cruz, CA (143)	Christina Kim, San Jose, CA (146)* *playoff
1999	Jayne Berkowitz, Weaverville, CA	Lisa Ferrero, Lodi, CA
1998	No Record	No Record
1997	No Record	No Record
1996	Brady Stockton	Dorothy Delasin
1995	No Record	No Record
1994	Todd Rose	Andrea Cordova
1993	Joel Kribel [#]	Jae Jean Ro
1992	Matt Bettencourt	Dodie Mazzura
1991	Robert Pineda	Jeong Min Park**
1990	Matt Bettencourt	Lee Kurmel
1989	Matt Todd	Jeong Min Park
1988	Eddie Davis	Jamille Jose
1987	Brandon Goethals	Dana Arnold
1986	Brian Buzzini	Dana Arnold
1985	Will Tipton	Jean Zedlitz*
1984	Terrence Miskell	Joan Pitcock
1983	Will Tipton	Carrie Arnold
1982	Mark Phillip	Karen Zelinsky

1981	Scott McCarron	Nancy Brown
1980	Scott McCarron	Lynda Bridge
1979	Gregg Von Thaden	Denise Bratzler
1978	Jeff Dingman	Mary Enright
1977	No Record	Nancy Brown ***
1976	Greg Allio	Mary Enright

*National winner

** National runner-up

***Debbie Hall, a junior student of Gary Plato at San Jose CC, won the national title in 1977 representing the South Texas PGA Section.

#National winner in 1994

JGANC/NCPGA Junior Match Play Championship

In 2001, the NCPGA partnered with the Junior Golf Association of Northern California (JGANC) in an effort to run the best possible junior match play championship. The JGANC had operated the event on its own for many years. This inaugural event was held at Diablo Grande Resort in Patterson, CA. Over 300 juniors aged 8-17 competed in the one-day qualifier.

The event consisted of eight different age divisions as well as championship bracket for both male and female competitors. This event has not been contested, jointly since 2007 and the majority of records are incomplete.

Overall champions are noted below:

Male	Female
2006 No Record	No Record
2005 No Record	No Record
2004 No Record	No Record
2003 No Record	No Record
2002 No Record	No Record
2001 Mike Ostrich, Sacramento, CA	Allyson Harvie, Grass Valley, CA

