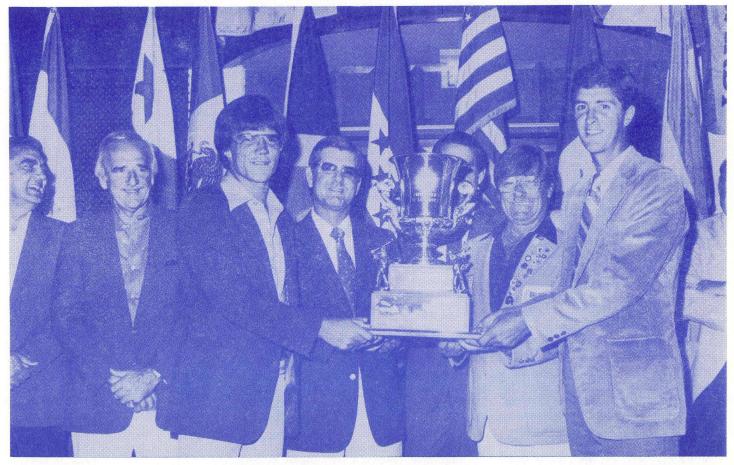
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FSGA REPRESENTATIVES WIN TOURNAMENT OF AMERICAS FOR UNITED STATES



With tournament officials looking on, Scott Dunlap, left, and Jay Townsend, right, of the United States, lift the team trophy triumphantly as winners of the Fourth Annual Golf Tournament of the Americas at Doral Country Club.

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STATE AMATEUR FOUR-BALL CHAMPIONSHIP

TARPON SPRINGS — Terry Crick and Dan Stone displayed a graphic illustration of teamwork as they won the prestigious State Four-Ball Championship at the magnificent Innisbrook Resort.

Crick, a student at the University of South Florida, fired a 5-under-par 67 on his own ball in the first round. Playing the No. 2 and No. 3 nines of the Copperhead course, Crick notched six birdies and suffered two bogeys. Stone made a par on one of those bogey holes, reducing the team's best-ball score to 66 for the day.

That tied Crick and Stone for the lead, as Denny Rouse of Valrico and Don Sayet of Coral Gables posted a remarkable 5-under-par 30 on the demanding No. 2 nine to finish with a 66.

In the pivotal second round, another hero emerged. In the spirit of teamwork, it was St. Petersburg radiologist Dan Stone. Silent through most of the first round, Stone exploded with a volley of extraordinary shots on the second and final day.

Rouse and Sayet took the lead early in the second round and held it through 12 holes. Crick displayed flashes of brilliance but was wild and unpredictable, while Stone showed why the State Four-Ball is a team event. He complemented his partner's erratic nature with a steady, stubborn brand of golf...allowing his team to stay in the hunt. On the 13th hole. Stone moved in for the kill.

One stroke down after five holes, it appeared Crick and Stone might lose another shot at the sixth. But all that was before Stone holed out a rocket shot from a bunker. Facing a 25-yard sand shot, Stone sent his ball crashing against the flagstick. Almost miraculously, it fell down the stick and into the cup for a birdie.

Crick and Stone did drop a shot at the 7th hole, but then Stone got it back with a crucial par at the 8th after Crick had three-putted. The margin remained at one stroke until the 13th.

THEN CAME the big turnaround. While Rouse and Sayet both bogeyed the par-three hole, Stone methodically surveyed and then drained a cross-country putt from the front of the green. The 45-foot birdie effort put his team in front for the first time all day.

It was a margin that would grow.

as Stone birdied the 14th as well to push the lead to two strokes. After the 17th, it grew to three.

Crick and Stone finished with a 66-69—135 total, while Rouse and Sayet had 66-72—138. Bob Bauer and Bill Golson of Belleair finished at 139 to tie Winter Park golfers Mark Bucek and John Reeves for third.

Bauer and Golson had moved within a shot of the lead on the back nine, and Golson actually had an eight-foot birdie putt on 15 to pull his team into a first-place tie. He missed, and then both team members pumped their tee shots into the lake at 16.

The victory was a sweet one for Crick, a student at the University of

South Florida. "It's really the first time I've played like I know I can. Eight birdies (in two days) on this golf course makes me very happy," he said.

Still there was little question that the team's secret weapon was Stone, who ambushed the competition with his fantastic short game.

The tournament's senior division was captured by Mel Waggoner and Thom Nichols, two Clearwater golfers who destroyed all other teams in the first round. An opening 69 gave Waggoner and Nichols and eight-stroke lead and they maintained it in the second round. Their 143 total at the finish was eight better than Bob Graham of Satellite Beach and George Pigott of Tampa.

STATE AMATEUR FOUR-BALL CHAMPIONSHIP

SENIOR FLIGHT

Mel Waggoner, Clearwater, & Thom Nichols, Clearwater	69-74 = 143
Bob Graham, Satellite Beach & George Pigott, Tampa	77-74 = 151
Bob Grossman, Vero Beach & Bill Martin, Vero Beach	77-81 = 158
Manuel Mones, Tampa & Harry Smith, Tampa	82-78 = 160
John Griffin, Maitland & Robert Wilkinson, Longwood	78-83 = 161
Roy Chenderlin, Oldsmar & Nate Schine, Tampa	81-84 = 165
Paul Baiwir, Tampa & Hugh Coates, Tampa	83-86 = 169
John Hockert, Tarpon Springs & William Towle, Tarpon Springs	85-85 = 170

CHAMPIONSHIP FLIGHT

Terry Crick, St. Petersburg & Dan Stone, St. Petersburg	66-69 = 135
Denny Rouse, Valrico & Don Sayet, Coral Gables	66-72 = 138
Mark Bucek, Winter Park & John Reeves, Winter Park	69-70 = 139
Rob Bauer, Belleair & Bill Golson, Belleair	68-71 = 139
Jerry Coren, Tampa & Wayne Rudzewicz	70-72 = 142
Kevin Butler, Jupiter & Bill Erwin, Jupiter	70-74 = 144
Mike Estridge, Lakeland & Randy Jones, Lakeland	68-76 = 144
Bob May, Lakeland & Ken Rogers, Lakeland	68-76 = 144
Richard Hope, St. Petersburg & Dick Stephens, St. Petersburg	70-74 = 144
Mark Norman, Oldsmar & Pipp Patton, Tampa	72-73 = 145
Kerry Schwencke, Boca Raton & Kim Schwencke, Temple Terrace	70-76 = 146
Chuck Reeves, Tampa & Fred Ridley, Tampa	71-75 = 146
Walter Baldwin, Tampa & Bob Cornett, Tampa	73-74 = 147
Bill Geppert, Tampa & Robert Lawrence, Tampa	71-76 = 147
Jim Whittemore, Temple Terrace & Kent Whittemore, Temple Terrace	71-79 = 150
Jim McAnly, Naples & William McAnly, Arcadia	71-80 = 151
Randy Brown, Apopka & Donn Daus, Sanibel	72-79 = 151
Jack Veghte, Clearwater & John Veghte, Clearwater	73-78 = 151
Ralph Ervin, Lakeland & Ken Lindgren, Mulberry	73-81 = 154

FIRST FLIGHT

Sanford Estroff, Lakeland & Gary Stickl, Lakeland	74-70 = 144
Dwayne Roney, Ft. Myers & Mike Womble, Naples	75-70 = 145
Dick Moore, Tampa & Rick Valdes, Tampa	74-71 = 145
Bob Florio, Tampa & Richie McKay	74-73 = 147
Rod Linder, Punta Gorda & Steve Smyers, Mulberry	77-70 = 147
Phil Leckey, St. Petersburg & Bob Rankin, Clearwater	74-73 = 147
Paul Nielsen, Sarasota & Rick Pettit, Sarasota	75-73 = 148
Andy Adcock, Brandon & Skip Lujack, Brandon	76-73 = 149
Jack Doyle, Valrico & Steve Harper, Brandon	76-74 = 150
John Burdin, Lakeland & John Peck, Clearwater	74-76 = 150
Austin Jones, Orlando & John Shubert, Altamonte Springs	74-76 = 150
Brant Martin, Lakeland & Mike Schroeder, Lakeland	77-73 = 150

SECOND FLIGHT

THIRD FLIGHT

Casey Cox, Clearwater & Hal Slaton, Clearwater	81-72 = 153
Dale Anderson, Stuart & Dick Rigabar, Stuart	82-74 = 156
Ray Columbaro, Tampa & Robert Joyce, Tampa	82-75 = 157
John Chazal, Ocala & Howard George, Ocala	81-77 = 158
Frank Boyar, Delray Beach & Ed Gonsky, Boca Raton	84-76 = 160
Gary Doyle, Sarasota & Dave Ruth, Sarasota	83-77 = 160
Larry Barousse, W. Palm Beach & Mitch Drew, Tampa	81-80 = 161
Rick Janaes, Orlando & Rick Mathison, Tampa	87-75 = 162
Norm Donnelly, Sarasota & Tom Scott, Sarasota	81-83 = 164
Jim Adcock, Tampa & Bob Shelnutt, Palm Harbor	87-81 = 168
Jeff Jones, Boca Raton & Scott Park, Boynton Beach	87-81 = 168
Paul Babecki, Palmetto & Earl Huntzinger, Holmes Beach	83-86 = 169
Chuck Osan, Bradenton & Mike Pascuzzi, Bradenton	86-84 = 170

SIGNIFICANT HAPPENINGS

The 1983 Club Championship at Palma Ceia brought out the best in Nate Schine. Nate shot his age (71) to dispose of his opponent. Unfortunately Nate was unable to maintain that level of play and was upset by Fred Ridley in his next match. Congratulations Nate.

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Hume Deming from Citrus Springs has been playing golf for 55 years and had his first hole in one in October 23, 1983. Hume, who is 78 years old and plays to a seven handicap, aced the 176-yard eighth hole at Citrus Springs Golf & Country Club with a 7-wood. Hume heads up the FSGA rating team which covers a large area in the west central part of the state. Congratulations Hume — may you have more in 84.

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Mel Waggoner, who teamed with Thom Nichols for an impressive eightstroke victory in the senior flight of the State Four-Ball Championship, applied his magic touch to Countryside Country Club shortly after his 70th birthday. Waggoner, a prolific birdie-maker who frequently shoots his age, posted a sparkling 69 on the very demanding Countryside layout. Keep it up, Mel.

TOURNAMENT OF THE AMERICAS

MIAMI — Crash! 1983 ended with a bang as the records came tumbling down in the fourth annual Tournament of the Americas at Miami's Doral Country Club. The results provided good news for both the United States and Florida, as the U.S. team — picked by the Florida State Golf Association — romped to an overwhelming victory.

Sarasota's Scott Dunlap and Tequesta's Jay Townsend, both juniors at the University of Florida, led or had a share of the lead throughout the tournament...which featured top amateurs from 22 countries in the Western Hemisphere.

When the birdies were all over, Dunlap and Townsend set three records:

- Lowest team total (557)

 Largest margin of victory (34 strokes)

Highest individual finish (1-2)

Dunlap finished with a 9-underpar 275 total over the White, Red, Gold and Blue courses at Doral. He was the only golfer to break par on the internationally famous "Blue Monster" on the final day, shooting a 1-under-par 71.

Townsend ended up with a 282 total that included only one score over par — a 76 at the "Blue Monster" in the last round.

Raul Fretes of Paraguay, who skyrocketed to an 81 in the final round, was third in the individual competition with a 288 total.

In the team standings, Paraguay (591) edged Argentina and Brazil

(both 593) for second place. Rounding out the top 10 were the Bahamas (594), Panama (598), Chile (599), Venezuela (599), Puerto Rico (601) and Jamaica (603).

"The caliber of play was exceptionally good." said Dunlap, "but a lot of great players didn't play as well as they could. Look at Carbonetti (1982 champion Luis Carbonetti of Argentina). He finished with a 296."

The FSGA's association with the Tournament of the Americas represents just another way in which Florida golf is gained recognition around the globe. Since the inception of the event, each U.S. team has been picked by the FSGA. The inaugural tournament was won by Jack Veghte, now the FSGA president, and Bob Michael.

FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR...

SENIOR FOUR-BALL



Cal Korf

You probably heard a lot about the new USGA Slope System. Golf Digest had an article on the system in its November 1983 issue. Basically it is a procedure to make sure your USGA handicap is portable to any golf course you may play. Without the System you may find that golfers from "Panther Mountain" type courses have a decided advantage over "Perfect Valley" players and a very large advantage over "Open Flats" (and short course) players.

The first step in the implementation of this new procedure is a rerating of all golf courses in our State. FSGA is in the process of re-rating 500 courses. After the first year, we have completed approximately 150 Florida courses. The new USGA Course Ratings assigned by FSGA use the USGA Obstacle System, which provides a uniform yardstick for all courses and will transform easily into the Slope System when authorized by the USGA. The new ratings will certainly make a vast improvement on the equity of the individual handicaps. We expect it will take two more years before this timeconsuming task can be completed.

In the meantime the USGA has completed its first year of a statewide test in Colorado and results are overwhelmingly in support of the USGA Slope System. In 1984 approximately eight additional golf associations will receive authorization from the USGA to test the system. The system is still experimental and we hope that by the time it becomes an integral part of the USGA Handicap System that the Florida State Golf Association will be finished with its rating efforts and will receive authorization to bring the system to you - our members.

DAYTONA BEACH — Holland Aplin of Tampa and Jim Stone of Winter Haven won the State Senior Four-Ball Championship at scenic and demanding Indigo Lakes, but they were forced to come from behind to do it.

Thom Nichols and Mel Waggoner, the Clearwater players who seem to challenge in every team tournament they enter, took the first round lead with a 68 but then fell in the second round to hard-charging Aplin and Stone.

Aplin and Stone had rounds of 70 and 69 for a 139, one stroke ahead of Dick Stackhouse of Boynton Beach and Don Whelan of Deerfield Beach. Nichols and Waggoner finished two shots back at 141.

"We played extremely good team golf," said Aplin. "We didn't have a bogey in 36 holes, and we

81-94 = 175

were really proud of that because it was wet and the wind was blowing quite hard. It was a very tough golf course, but we just teamed well. We had difficulty making birdies, but the key was not making any bogeys."

The battle for the title was very tight, and eight teams finished within four strokes of Aplin and Stone. Tied for third at 141 but losing a tie breaker were defending champions John Miller and Byron Swedberg, along with Tom Draper and Bob Ornitz.

Ed Analage and Graham Gammon won first flight, while former major league pitcher Lou Burdette and his brother-in-law Danny Williams took second flight. John Cooker and Lynn Lee romped to a five-stroke victory in third flight.

STATE SENIOR FOUR-BALL CHAMPIONSHIP CHAMPIONSHIP FLIGHT

	CHAMPIONSHIP FLIGHT
70-69 = 139 71-69 = 140 68-73 = 141 71-70 = 141 72-69 = 141 73-70 = 143 72-71 = 143 72-71 = 143 73-71 = 144 72-75 = 147	Dick Stackhouse, Boynton Beach — Don Whelan, Deerfield Tom Nichols, Clearwater — Mel Waggoner, Clearwater John Miller, Naples — Byron Swedburg, St. Petersburg Tom Draper, Boca Raton — Bob Ornitz, Delray Don McKeever, Titusville — Bernie Powers, Winter Park E. A. MacIntyre, Palmetto — Bob Wells, Daytona Bill Nealis, Ormond Beach — Pat Nealis, Daytona Beach
	FIRST FLIGHT
75-69 = 144 74-72 = 146 74-72 = 146 75-72 = 147 74-74 = 148 76-72 = 148 75-73 = 148 75-74 = 149 75-75 = 150 76-74 = 152 76-76 = 152 75-78 = 153	Ed Analage, Daytona Beach — Graham Gammon, New Smyrna Manuel Mones, Tampa — Harry Smith, Tampa Tom Grady, Winter Park — Bob Robison, Winter Park Jack Coulter, Winter Park — Charles Hurt, Winter Park Lee Brown, St. Petersburg — Al Tidrow, St. Petersburg Pat Patterson, Winter Springs — Jimm Roberts, Casselberry Bud Butler, St. Petersburg — Jimmy Mann, St. Petersburg Ivol Hansen, Melbourne — Earl Morris, Melbourne John Martin, Winter Park — Edward Rubich, Winter Park Bill Parker, Homosassa — Archie Swanson, Crystal River Dan Blaze, Vero Beach — Bill Hilger, Vero Beach Ed Hirst, Daytona Beach — Bob Westerling, Daytona Beach
	SECOND FLIGHT
77-74 = 151 77-75 = 152 79-75 = 154 79-75 = 154 79-75 = 155 79-76 = 155 79-77 = 156 78-78 = 156 79-78 = 157 77-80 = 157	Lou Burdette, Longboat Key — Danny Williams, Sarasota Jack Schwartz, Satellite Beach — Bob Winchester, Melbourne Norm Donnelly, Sarasota — Tom Scott, Sarasota William Martin, Vero Beach — Ernest Miller, Vero Beach Jerry Luttinger, Winter Park — Jack Secor, Winter Spring Roy Chenderlin, Oldsmar — Nate Schine, Tampa Gordon Burnham, St. Petersburg — Frank Sutton, St. Petersburg Clifton Duty, Orlando — Norman Patton, Winter Park Bill Buchanan, Daytona Beach — Dick Meskill, Daytona Beach James Durrance, Tampa — James Young, Temple Terrace
	THIRD FLIGHT
80-71 = 151 82-74 = 156 80-77 = 157	John Crocker, Sebring — Lynn Lee, Sebring Dexter Daniels, Winter Haven — M. T. McInnis, Bradenton Gene Byrne, Oviedo — Charles Smith, Orlando

Thomas Kennedy, Winter Park — Verne Tietjen, Winter Park

90-86 = 176 William Bunch, Lakeland — Edward Henry, Clearwater



Sept. 29-Oct. 4

FLORIDA STATE GOLF ASSOCIATION,

1984 CHAMPIONSHIP SCHEDULE

DATES	CHAMPIONSHIP EVENT	LOCATION	ENTRIES CLOSE
April 28-29	State Senior	Gainesville Golf & CC Gainesville	4/23/84
*June 7-10	State Amateur	PGA National (Champion Course) Palm Beach	5/14/84
June 23-24	State Junior	Frenchman's Creek North Palm Beach	6/18/84
*July 12-15	State Mid-Amateur	Fiddlesticks Ft. Myers	6/18/84
August 11-12	State Team	Sugarmill Woods CC Homosassa	8/6/84
Sept. 22-23	State Four-Ball	Ravines Middleburg	9/17/84
Oct. 20-21	Senior Four-Ball	Lone Palm Golf Club Lakeland	10/15/84
Nov. 9-11	Life Begins At 40	Lehigh Country Club Lehigh	11/5/84
	UNITED STATES GOL	F ASSOCIATION	
*June 14-17	U.S. OPEN	Winged Foot Golf Club Mamaroneck, NY	4/25/84
*July 31-Aug. 4	U.S. Junior Amateur	Wayzata Country Club Wayzata, Minn.	6/20/84
*Aug. 28 - Sept. 2	U.S. Amateur	Oak Tree Golf Club Edmond, Oklahoma	7/18/84
*Sept. 17-22	U.S. Senior Amateur	Birmingham Country Club	8/15/84

U.S. Mid-Amateur

Birmingham, Michigan Atlanta Athletic Club

Atlanta, Georgia

8/22/84

1984 FSGA STATE AMATEUR QUALIFYING SITES

Friday, May 18 Friday, May 18	Daytona Beach Lakeland	Indigo Lakes Lone Palm
Thursday, May 24	Ft. Myers	Cypress Lake
Thursday, May 24	Miami	King's Bay
Thursday, May 24	Tampa	Belleview Biltmore
Friday, May 25	Bradenton	El Conquistador
Friday, May 25	Middleburg	Ravines
Saturday, May 26	Boynton Beach	Hunter's Run
Saturday, May 26	Pensacola	Tiger Point
Tuesday, May 29	Orlando	Cypress Creek

1984 FSGA STATE MID-AMATEUR QUALIFYING SITES

Thursday, June 21	Miami	Turnberry Isle
Monday, June 25	Lakeland	ImperiaLakes
Monday, June 25	Largo	Bardmoor North
Wednesday, June 27	Pensacola	Scenic Hills
Thursday, June 28	Daytona Beach	Spruce Creek
Thursday, June 28	Ft. Myers	Cypress Lake
Thursday, June 28	Palm Beach	Boca Grove
Saturday, June 30	Venice	Plantation
Monday, July 2	Orlando	Errol Estate
Friday, July 6	Middleburg	Ravines

1984 USGA QUALIFYING SITES

U.S. OPEN			
Friday, May 18	Sarasota	Longboat Key Club	36 Holes
Tuesday, May 22	Orlando	Walt Disney World	36 Holes
U.S. JUNIOR			
AMATEUR			
Monday, July 9	Clearwater	Countryside	36 Holes
U.S. AMATEUR			
Tuesday, August 14	Tarpon Springs	Cypress Run	36 Holes
U.S. SENIOR AMATEUR			
Tuesday, September 4	Tarpon Springs	Innisbrook	18 Holes
U.S. MID-AMATEUR			
Friday, September 7	Sarasota	Bent Tree	18 Holes

RULES QUIZ

The following quiz on the Rules of Golf was extracted from the rules quiz given to the Metropolitan Golf Association rules officials. The questions were prepared by Dr. Richard Silver, who is a long time recognized rules authority with the MGA. Answers can be found on page 10.

You will need a 1984 rules book to find the corresponding rule cited

as a reference.

- 1. A player's ball comes to rest on an artificially surfaced road in such a position that the nearest point of relief for dropping would be on a narrow strip of rough that would require the player to stand out of bounds to strike the ball.
- A. The player is permitted to take relief on the far side of the road without penalty to avoid standing out of bounds.
- B. The player is allowed to stand out of bounds to strike his ball which is in bounds.
- 2. In a match, a player is about to chip to a green when his opponent notices that the flagstick is not centered, but leaning against the back of the cup, giving the player a more favorable target. Despite the objections of the player, the opponent goes up and positions the flagstick upright and centered in the hole.
- A. The opponent is within his rights to have the flagstick positioned in the center of the hole.
- B. The player about to play controls the flagstick and can leave it in the position he finds it.
- 3. In a stroke play tournament, a player looks for a lost ball and cannot find it within the prescribed five minutes. Instead of going back to put another ball into play, he insists upon looking for it for several minutes more.
 - A. The player is disqualified.
- B. The player incurs a penalty of two strokes.
- c. The player is within his rights.
- 4. In stroke play, a player drives his ball into an area of high rough and trees and properly announces and plays a provisional ball, which comes to rest in the fairway. After looking for his first ball for about three minutes, he declares it lost, abandons it, and

goes to the fairway and strikes what he believes to be his provisional ball to the putting green. When he gets to his ball on the putting green, he finds that it is not his provisional ball, but his first ball, which must have ricocheted off a tree and landed in the fairway.

- A. After declaring the first ball lost, it is out of play and the player incurs a two-stroke penalty for striking a wrong ball. He must return to and play his provisional ball.
 - B. The player is disqualified.
- C. The player's first ball, which he played to the putting green, is still his ball in play despite his declaration that it was lost. There is no penalty.
- 5. In stroke play, a player, after marking her ball on a putting green, inadvertently replaced it in the wrong place and holed her putt. A fellow-competitor caller her attention to her error; so, she replaced the ball on the correct spot and went down in two putts.
- A. The player must count the score made with the ball played from the correct spot and add a two-stroke penalty for playing the ball from the wrong place.
- B. The player counts her score made with the ball played from the wrong place and incurs a penalty of two strokes.
- C. There is no penalty when the player putted from the correct spot.
- 6. In stroke play, two competitors discover on reaching the putting green that during the play of the hole, they had exchanged balls. Since each had taken several shots to reach the green, it was not possible to determine when the exchange took place.
- A. The players play out the hole with the balls exchanged, without penalty.
- B. The players play out the hole with the balls exchanged, but each one incurs a two-stroke penalty for playing a wrong ball.
- C. Each player should replay the hole from where his second shot was played and add two strokes to his score for playing a wrong ball.
- 7. In stroke play, a player's ball comes to rest in front of a divot which is completely detached and placed in position. He removes the loose divot.

- A. The player has incurred a two-stroke penalty.
- B. The player has proceeded properly.
- C. The player has incurred a one-stroke penalty.
- 8. In stroke play, a player, playing from off the putting green, asks that the flagstick be not attended. He chips his ball toward the hole. A fellow competitor rushes forward to pull the flagstick and is struck by the ball.
- A. There is no penalty for either player and the shot is replayed.
- B. The player incurs a penalty of two strokes and the ball is in play.
- C. The fellow competitor incurs a penalty of two strokes and the ball is in play.
- 9. In stroke play, a player, taking relief from an immovable obstruction, stands within the prescribed one club-length of the nearest point of relief and drops his ball. The ball strikes the ground outside the one club-length limit, but rolls back into the one club-length area.
- A. The player must redrop the ball without penalty.
- B. The ball is in play without penalty.
- 10. In stroke play, a player absent-mindedly lifts his ball on a putting green without marking its position. Upon realizing what he has done, he replaces the ball on the exact spot he had lifted it from.
- A. There is no penalty because the action of lifting the ball was not intentional.
- B. The player incurs a onestroke penalty.
- C. The player incurs a twostroke penalty.

TOURNAMENT ENTRY

We do not mail an acknowledgement that an entry has been received. If the field is full and it is near the closing deadline we will call you to advise you of your status. This is an example of "No News is good news." The pairings will be made and mailed the same day as the closing date of the championship. It is important to note the closing date — especially for the State Amateur and Mid-Amateur. Because of the qualifying, the closing date for entries is significantly before the actual championship.

1984 RULES OF GOLF

This is a year in which new, substantially revised, Rules of Golf become effective. The rules revision was a major undertaking by a joint committee comprised of members from USGA and the R & A. The British are stronger traditionalists and prevailed in the non-revision of some rules. Although USGA officials wanted to eliminate the water hazard (yellow stakes & lines) and make all water hazards lateral (red stakes & lines), this was staunchly opposed by R & A officials. We are privileged this vear to have Sam Smidt serving on our Board of Directors. Sam is one of the ultimate rules authorities in the state and is nationally recognized as an authority on preparation of a golf course for tournament competition and knowledge of the Rules of Golf. Sam provided the summary of the new changes in the 1984 rules, which I have selectively edited and presented for your information. This is by no means all of the changes, merely those which I felt might be of interest and import to our member-

The new rules are arranged in a more logical order, are substantially rewritten and have been changed in a number of ways designed to make them simpler. Following is a summary of some of the most significant changes which are discussed in the order in which they appear in the new rules book.

Ball Unfit for Play: Identifying Ball

Prior to the new rules, if a player wished to lift his ball to identify it, he had to do so in the presence of his opponent in match play or his marker in stroke play, whereas, if a player wished to lift his ball to determine whether it was unfit for play, the player needed only to announce his intention to his opponent or marker. Under the new rules, a player wishing to lift his ball in either circumstance is required to announce his intention to his opponent in match play or his marker or a fellow-competitor in stroke play. He is also required to give his opponent, marker or fellowcompetitor an opportunity to observe the lifting and replacement in the case of the identification rule and examine the lifted ball in the case of the ball unfit for play rule.

Practice

Practice between the play of two holes has been permitted, except

that a player could not play a practice stroke from any hazard or on or to any putting green except the putting green of the hole last played. The new rules limit practice between holes to putts or chips on or near the putting green of the hole last played, any practice putting green or the next teeing ground. Such practice strokes must not be played from a hazard.

The rule prohibiting practice on a competition course before a stroke play round has been expanded to prohibit also the testing of the surface of any putting green on the course before such a round.

The rules prohibit practice on competition course before a stroke play round. However, by decision, chipping and putting around the first tee before starting are not a breach. The decision has been incorporated in the new rules.

Order of Play

Stroke Play. Under the old rules, a player in a stroke play competition who plays out of turn is not subject to any penalty except in the case of deliberately playing out of turn from the teeing ground. In the new rules, there is no penalty for playing out of turn from the teeing ground or elsewhere unless competitors have agreed to play out of turn for the purpose of giving one of them an advantage. This should speed up play.

Searching for a Ball

The rules relating to searching for and accidentally moving a ball during search in a bunker, a water hazard or ground under repair, etc. have been consolidated under one rule. Under the new rules there is no penalty if a ball lying in casual water, ground under repair or a burrowing animal hole is accidentally moved during search.

Ball at Rest Moved

Ball moved without authority and not replaced. The old rules provided that, if a player lifted or moved his ball except as permitted by a rule, he incurred a penalty of one stroke and had to replace the ball. If he failed to replace it, he incurred an additional penalty of loss of hole in match play or two strokes in stroke play. Under the new rules, the maximum penalty in a stroke play is two strokes, rather than three strokes. This change has

been made to reduce excessive penalties.

Ball at rest moved by another ball. The old rules provided that, in singles match play, if a player's ball at rest was moved by his opponent's ball, the player had the option of playing his ball as it lay or replacing it. In all other forms of match play and in stroke play, the player was required to replace the ball. Under the new rules, in all forms of play, if a player's ball at rest is moved by another ball, the moved ball must be replaced and the other ball played as it lies. There is no penalty except that in stroke play, if both balls lay on the putting green prior to the stroke, the player of the stroke would continue to be subject to a penalty of two strokes.

Lifting, Dropping and Placing

Lifting Ball. Until now, the rules required marking the position of a ball before it was lifted on the putting green, but not elsewhere. The new rules provide that, before lifting a ball anywhere on the course which must be replaced, its position must be marked.

Dropping. Under the old procedure, a player required to drop a ball had to stand erect, face the hole and drop the ball over his shoulder. If the ball touched the player before it struck the ground, the player had to redrop. If the ball touched the player after it struck the ground, it had to be played as it lay. If the ball struck the player's equipment, the player incurred a penalty.

Under the new rules, the player is required to stand erect, hold the ball at shoulder height and arm's length and drop it. There is no restriction on the direction the player faces. If the dropped ball touches the player before or after it strikes the ground, the ball must be re-dropped. If the ball strikes the player's equipment, there is no penalty and the ball must be re-dropped.

These changes will simplify the rules, make it easier to drop the ball in the right place and enable the player to know where the ball must be placed when that is required.

Ball Interfering with or Assisting Play

In the new rules, the rules relating to a ball interfering with or Cont. on next page

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assisting play have been consolidated in one place. Formerly, in singles match play, if an opponent's ball was near the hole and the player considered it might be of assistance to him, the player could require his opponent to leave his ball there. Under the new rules, in all forms of play, an opponent or fellowcompetitor is permitted to lift his ball if he considers that it might interfere with his play or assist the play of any other player. This eliminates the last vestige of the stymie rule which was abolished in 1952 and standardizes the procedure in all forms of match and stroke play.

Immovable Obstructions

Under the new rules, if a ball lies in a water hazard, the player is no longer entitled to relief if his swing or stance is interfered with by an immovable obstruction. This permits a simplification of the definition of obstructions by deleting reference to bridges, artificially surfaced banks, etc. On the other hand, if an immovable obstruction on a putting green, such as a sprinkler head, intervenes between a ball on the putting green and the hole, relief will be permitted.

Holes Made by Burrowing Animals
Under the new rules, if a ball lies

in a water hazard, the player is no longer entitled to relief from a hole made by a burrowing animal, reptile or bird which interferes with his lie or stance.

The effect of this change and the similar change in the obstruction rule is that, if a player's ball lies in a water hazard, the player will not be entitled to relief from any object or condition except a movable obstruction and the rare case of ground under repair.

NEW DIRECTORS

BILL BAKER

A life-long golfer, Bill is a member of Jupiter Hills and Tequesta CC. A former food company executive in Chicago, he was also director of two of the most important golf associations in the country — the Chicago District Golf Association and Western Golf Association. A 7 handicapper, Bill also has served as president of the Florida Seniors Golf Association.

BILL BUCHANAN

Bill is a retired Eastern Airlines Captain who has lived in Daytona Beach the past four years. He plays at Indigo Lakes, where his son Bill Jr. is an assistant professional. Born and raised in West Virginia, Bill was once club champion of Woodlawn Country Club in Mt. Vernon, Va. After 35 years with Eastern, he decided to settle down to some serious golf.

MIKE ESTRIDGE

Mike is a former winner of the State Four-Ball, teaming with Ted Huff to capture the event at Mayacoo Lakes. He also played on the University of Florida golf team with such familiar golfers as Andy North, Steve Melnyk, John Darr and Woody Blackburn. A scratch golfer at Lone Palm in Lakeland, Mike manages a Badcock appliance store. He grew up in Mulberry and has lived in Polk County all his life.

GORDON LANGSETH

A stock broker with Robinson Humprey-American Express in Pensacola, Gordon is a 2 handicapper who plays at Scenic Hills. He also belongs to the new Tiger Point course put together by Jerry Pate and Ron Garl. "I don't have a very distinguished golfing career," the

five-year resident of Pensacola says modestly. "I just try hard."

FRED SEELY

The immediate past president of the Jacksonville Area Golf Association, Fred is better known for his journalism career in Jacksonville. The former sports writer and managing editor recently moved to Daytona Beach, though, where he was named director of communications for Daytona International Speedway. Fred is an 8 handicapper who once served on the advisory board of Florida Section of the PGA (before it was split into two sections).

SAM SMIDT

One of the world's leading authorities on the Rules of Golf, Sam was exposed to golf as a caddy in Salem, Mass. He later became president of the same club where he caddied. Since retiring as a leather tanner and moving to Florida nine years ago, he has become one of four people in the U.S. to be acknowledged an accredited rulesmaker with the USGA, PGA and LPGA. Sam is the rules chairman of the South Florida PGA and does rules work for the PGA headquarters. He lives in Lake Worth.

WAYNE SPILKER

Wayne took up golf 30 years ago while in the U.S. Army, where he ultimately advanced from the rank of private to lieutenant colonel. Now retired from the military, he is still a private consultant in operations research and systems analysis. For the past five years, he has been involved in the development of an advanced attack helicopter. A resident of Merritt Island, he plays at Patrick Air Force Base Golf Course. "My golf game is slipping," he says. "In June I was an 8, but now I'm a 12.

ADVISORY BOARD

JIM ACHENBACH is a former champion of the Golf Writers Association of America. He has worked for Golf Digest and is now a sports columnist for the Sarasota Herald Tribune.

MIKE ANGELO is the highlyrespected director of golf at the Plantation Golf & Country Club in Venice. He is a native of York, Pa., and has worked as a golf professional in Pennsylvania, California and Florida.

JIMMY MANN is Mr. Golf in the St. Petersburg area. A well-known golf writer early in his career, Jimmy now runs the Pinellas County Golf Association and is one of the main cogs in the S & H Classic (St. Petersburg's LPGA tournament).

TOM RICH is a former professional basketball player with the Rochester Royals. He played on a 1945-46 championship team with such well-known players as Otto Graham, Chuck Connors, Red Holzman and Bobby Davies. Tom now owns several golf courses, including three (Capri Isles, Foxfire and Forest Lakes) in the Sarasota area. He is also a former New York State Seniors golf champion.

TOM STINE is the assistant publisher of Florida Golfweek, the authoritative voice of golf in the Sunshine State. He is a former quarterback at New Mexico.

FRANK STRAFACI is one of the best-known golf figures in Florida. A great player who once won the North and South Amateur, Frank founded and still directs the Metropolitan Amateur Golf Association of Miami. He also spearheads most of the USGA qualifying events in the Miami area.

RON TUMLIN owns a radio station and Timber Palm in Palatka. The former University of South Florida golfer has won 49 amateur tournament titles.

LIFE BEGINS AT 40

LEHIGH ACRES — Sarasota's Ron Clayton is 44 going on 25. When he won his second straight title in the Bill Carey-Life Begins at Forty tournament, it was no big surprise.

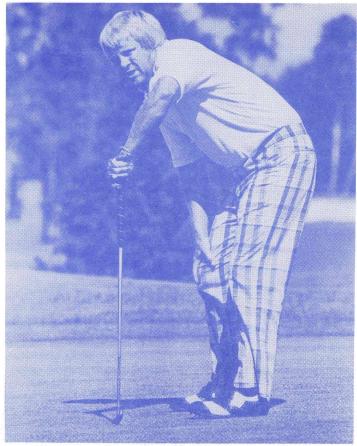
Clayton, a branch manager for the E-Z Go golf car company, opened the 54-hole tournament with a 69 at Mirror Lakes Country Club and added a 71 at Lehigh Country Club in the second round. By that time, heowned a four-stroke lead and decided to play conservatively the last day.

A final round of 75 at Mirror Lakes gave Clayton a 215 total and a two-stroke triumph over Larry Cunningham of Naples. Cunningham won the tournament back in 1974, but came up short this time as the talented Clayton nursed his insurmountable lead.

"I put away my driver after the eighth hole," said Clayton. "Normally I would have used it on all the par-4 and par-5 holes, but I was having trouble keeping the ball in the fairway. So I went to my trusty 3-wood. I can hit it almost as far as my driver."

The first time Clayton won the tournament, he shot 217...so he improved by two strokes in his encore performance.

Mike Yahl of Naples finished third at 222, while Red Henriksen of West Palm Beach finished with a stunning 223 total to run away with the 60-69 age division. The 40-49 and 50-59



Ron Clayton

age groups played two rounds at Mirror Lakes and one at Lehigh, while the 60-69 and 70-79 divisions played twice at Lehigh and once at Mirror Lakes.

Carl Gustafson of Cape Coral was the 70-79 winner with a score of 235, edging Dr. John Mercer of Sarasota by one shot. ●

1984 RULES OF GOLF QUIZ Answer Sheet

QUESTION 1	ANSWER B	APPLICABLE RULE/DECISION Definitions	COMMENT
2	Α	Definitions	The flagstick may be placed upright in the hole by a player, fellow competitor or opponent.
3	В	Rule 6-7	The player incurs a penalty for delaying play.
4	С	Rule 27-2	A ball is not lost if it is found within five minutes, despite a declaration.
5	В	Rule 20-7b	When a ball is holed, even from a wrong place, the play of the hole is over. Player incurred a penalty for playing from the wrong place.
6	С	Rule 15-3	If place of exchange cannot be determined, the Committee is justified in ruling that the exchange took place on the second shot.
7	Α	Rule 13-2	A divot 'placed in position' is an irregularity of surface and not a loose impediment.
8	C	Rule 17-2b	Fellow competitor is penalized for taking an action to influence the movement of the player's ball.
9	Α	Rule 24-2b	The rule for dropping the ball within one club-length implies that the ball must strike the ground within one club-length.
10	В	Rule 20-1	

LIFE BEGINS AT 40

40-49 DIVISION

FIRST FLIGHT

Ron Clayton, Sarasota	69-71-75 = 215
Mike Yahl, Naples	74-72-76 = 222
Ron LeClair, Oviedo	72-78-74 = 224
Lamar Pilgrim, Lakeland	75-72-78 = 225
Dick Rigabar, Stuart	72-77-77 = 226
Jack Collins, Sarasota	72-80-78 = 230
Mountie Bedford, Pensacola	80-76-72 = 232
Andy Moore, Sarasota	76-78-79 = 233
Ralph Raymond, Sarasota	75-76-84 = 235

SECOND FLIGHT

Charles Johnson, Venice	73-85-76 = 234
Chip Anderson, Sarasota	73-85-80 = 238
Stu Molyneaux, Sarasota	84-78-79 = 241
Charlie Walters, Sarasota	79-79-74 = 242
Daryle Larimer, Orlando	80-82-84 = 246
Tom Russell, Sarasota	82-77-86 = 248
Rill Losen Altamonte Springs	79-84-87 - 250

THIRD FLIGHT

Bill Hunter, Naples	84-83-82 = 249
Bob Stebbins, Naples	84-81-85 = 250
Claude Willey, Bradenton	79-92-79 = 250
Richard Morrison, Venice	88-82-81 = 251
Edwin Kamstock, Sarasota	91-90-86 = 267
Don Satterfield, Satellite Beach	82-89-97 = 268

50-59 DIVISION

FIRST FLIGHT

Larry Cunningham, Naples	72-72-73 = 217
Charley McCormick, Casselberry	71-78-75 = 224
Robert Lee, Ocala	75-76-76 = 227
Pete Schwanz, Sarasota	78-73-77 = 228
Jack Deutsch, Clearwater	79-75-78 = 232
Curtis Timm, Sarasota	79-77-77 = 233
Rudy Alabach, Sarasota	81-77-76 = 234
Michael Doyle, W. Palm Beach	78-77-80 = 235
Burwell Jones, Sarasota	76-78-83 = 236
Jim Shelley, Sarasota	82-77-77 = 236
Ray Robison, Winter Park	84-75-78 = 237
Bill Earley, Palmetto	79-80-79 = 238
Jim Ramsbottom, Ft. Lauderdale	81-78-80 = 239
Dan Williams, Sarasota	75-84-85 = 245
Richard Smith, Satellite Beach	78-81-88 = 247

SECOND FLIGHT

Jim Roberts, Casselberry	76-84-77 = 237
Bob Redden, Sarasota	81-80-80 = 241
Edd Gentry, W. Palm Beach	80-80-82 = 242
Ray Sullivan, Casselberry	81-81-82 = 244
Harry Smith, Tampa	75-90-80 = 245
Bob Robison, Winter Park	83-80-83 = 246
Paul Herndon, Ft. Myers	85-82-80 = 247
Jack Secor, Winter Springs	78-85-86 = 249
Tom Scott, Sarasota	78-85-87 = 250
Lou Burdette, Longboat Key	79-87-84 = 250
Herbert Blake, Orlando	80-84-86 = 250
Grady White, Melbourne	83-91-83 = 255
Nester Fernandez, Tampa	77-84-NC =

THIRD FLIGHT

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Alexander Kozak, Palm Bay	81-91-83 = 255
R. V. Wagner, Bradenton	91-81-85 = 257
Del Dring, Myakka	86-87-86 = 259
David Ambrose, Longboat Key	86-88-86 = 260
Joney Adkins, Sarasota	86-90-88 = 264
Clyde Combes, Satellite Beach	82-91-92 = 265
Jerry Luttinger, Winter Park	87-91-87 = 265
Norm Donnelly, Sarasota	85-93-88 = 266
Herbert Hedgecock, Satellite Beach	87-89-92 = 268
Bill Brouillette, LaBelle	86-92-95 = 273

FOURTH FLIGHT

Bob Buntrock, Sanibel Island	88-100-94 = 282
Marvin Langer, Sarasota	89-100-94 = 283
William Fulton, Satellite Beach	102-95-91 = 288
Charles Frazier, Winter Park	95-95-100 = 290

60-69 DIVISION

FIRST FLIGHT

FINST FLIGHT	
Red Henriksen, W. Palm Beach	72-79-72 = 223
Lynn Lee, Sebring	79-73-75 = 227
Lee Brown, St. Petersburg	76-83-73 = 232
Pete Miller, Sebring	79-80-74 = 233
George Thompson, Naples	81-77-77 = 235
Gene Byrne, Oviedo	81-77-77 = 235
Jim Hamilton, Orlando	75-80-81 = 236
Tom Rich, Sarasota	74-82-81 = 237
Earle Paxson, Ormond Beach	79-79-84 = 242
Lynn Morey, Sarasota	85-75-85 = 245
Bill Zody, Clearwater	81-80- = NC
Curley Johnson, Tampa	81-80- = N
Raymond Lewis, Palm Bay	79-82 = WD

SECOND FLIGHT

Robert Harcourt, Sebring	79-83-69 = 231
William Richards, Sebring	78-85-75 = 238
Joe Vergara, Ft. Myers	82-80-78 = 240
John Griffin, Maitland	79-83-79 = 241
M. T. McInnis, Bradenton	85-82-77 = 244
Harry Latos, Ft. Lauderdale	83-81-80 = 244
H. E. Potter, Palm Bay	84-81-80 = 245
Harold Robison, Pinellas Park	81-86-80 = 247
John Haaheim, Sarasota	79-83-86 = 248
Charles Hurt, Winter Park	84-84-80 = 248
Harry Rhode, Palm Bay	83-88-79 = 250
Roy Chenderlin, Oldsmar	81-88-85 = 254
Lee Dixon, Bartow	82-90- = NC

THIRD FLIGHT

Berry Thompson, Palm Bay	88-89-80 = 257
Jack Smith, Bradenton	86-87-90 = 263
M. T. Payne, Palm Bay	88-87-88 = 263
Bob Hall, Palm Bay	88-90-85 = 263
Charles Mitchell, Lakeland	89-87-89 = 265
William Harmon, Indialantic	82-92-91 = 265
Martin Harkavy, Sarasota	87-92-89 = 268
Hugh Coates, Tampa	87-94-87 = 268
Ray Graham, Sarasota	90-89-90 = 269
Bruce Amos, Boca Raton	91-89-89 = 269
Ben Brown, Sarasota	86-91 = WD
Harold Ross, Sarasota	87-94 = WD

FOURTH FLIGHT

Richard Meskell, Daytona Beach	90-92-90 = 272
Harvey Poe, Melbourne	89-94-91 = 274
Richard Kellogg, W. Palm Beach	93-91-91 = 275
William Bunch, Lakeland	89-99-90 = 278
L. D. Daubenspeck, Satellite Beach	99-94-91 = 284
Mose Lyon, South Pasadena	96-96-92 = 284
Ed Elliott, Bradenton	102-116-101 = 319
Ted Weber, Altamonte Springs	104-99- = WD

70 + DIVISION FIRST FLIGHT

78-84-73 = 235
76-85-75 = 236
87-79-77 = 243
88-77-82 = 247
84-87-79 = 250
88-80-83 = 251
81-85-86 = 252
80-91-86 = 257
90-82 NC

SECOND FLIGHT

Elliott Horn, Palm Bay	93-83-87 = 263
Nate Schine, Tampa	88-88-91 = 267
G. B. Walters, Ft. Pierce	93-93-89 = 275
Frank Clark, Pt. Charlotte	95-94-88 = 277
Andrew Thailing, W. Palm Beach	96-90-94 = 280
Lee Wilson, Ft. Myers	93-97-94 = 284
Theodore Littleighn Cleanwater	92-86-NC

THIRD FLIGHT

John Ficicchy, Kissimmee	95-96-97 = 288
Al Wright, Maitland	88-104-97 = 289
H. L. Maxwell, Melbourne	99-114-101 = 314
Maurice Fell, Indian Harbour	121-119-109 = 349
Vaughn Nesbitt, Palm Bay	96-101 WD



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