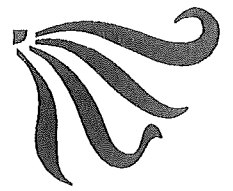




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# Jim O'Hern

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# Pressure cooker

## Schumaker prevails in playoff to win PGA Club Pro title

By MARK NEWMAN  
Herald Sports Writer

The pressure was on. But Bill Schumaker, who nearly missed the \$205,000 PGA Golf Club Professional Championship at PGA National, had a recent lesson on the subject.

Schumaker, a 34-year-old from Columbia City, Ind., learned two weeks ago that his mother has cancer. His father died of leukemia five years ago. When Schumaker's mother was hospitalized, he called the first alternate from his district and advised him to be ready.

Then, doctors told Schumaker that his mother was in no immediate danger, and he flew to Palm Beach Gardens. She was released Sunday, about the time Schumaker beat Gary Ostrega in a one-hole playoff for first place.

"I saw how strong my mother is, and I knew that if I got into a position in the tournament where I might choke, I had to realize this is not a life-or-death situation," Schumaker said.

In the middle of the final round, Schumaker told a friend, "I hope I can win this for her." Schumaker did just that, shooting a two-under-par 70 for a 284 total and calmly birdying the first playoff hole. Ostrega, who had shot a 71 in regulation, two-putted the playoff hole. The triumph was worth \$25,000 and a berth in next year's World Series of Golf at Akron, Ohio. In that PGA tour event, the last-place prize is \$5,000.

Schumaker, who runs the nine-hole Crooked Lakes public course back home, said of his sudden earnings: "That's more than a year's salary."

Ostrega, a 31-year-old from Colonia, N.J.,

provided the drama in the tournament, which featured its largest purse ever. He birdied the last three holes in regulation play, the last one with a pressure-packed five-foot putt. Ostrega stood tall, punched his fist into the air, and looked at Schumaker, who tried to smile but couldn't.

Gesturing later with his arms apart, Ostrega said of his strong finish, "There at the end, the hole looked this big."

Ostrega, who received a check for \$15,000, left his shot 15 feet from the pin on the playoff hole. His putt skidded centimeters right of the hole, and the streak had ended.

Larry Gilbert of Doe Valley Lake, Ky., who took a penalty stroke when his ball found water on the last hole, nevertheless shot a 71 for a third-place 286. He tied Rick Osberg of Paoli, Pa., who had a 68 Sunday — the day's best round.

South Florida's top finisher was Rick Werner of Naples, who shot a 289. Laurie Hammer of Boynton Beach, who won the tournament in 1977, and Jack Seltzer of Stuart finished at 291. Hammer was three strokes off the lead after three rounds but faded with a 76 Sunday.

Schumaker began the day two strokes behind leader Jim White of Council Bluffs, Iowa, who finished with a 76—288. Schumaker began the round auspiciously, birdying Nos. 1 and 2 en route to a 33 at the turn.

Schumaker, who never three-putted nor hit sand in 72 holes over three of PGA National's four courses, two-putted the 18th for an apparent victory. But word then circulated that Ostrega was putting torridly one foursome

behind, and Ostrega's herculean second shot on the 578-yard 18th — it fell just before the green — made a playoff seem likely.

It was the first victory in six tries in this tournament for Schumaker, who is married and has two children. He grew up in Fort Wayne playing against current pro Bill Kratzert, who Schumaker said "killed me" in an Indiana state amateur tournament in 1968.

Schumaker, a 1972 graduate of Miami (Ohio) University, has played in two PGA tour events, both in Pebble Beach, Calif. He missed the cut in the 1982 U.S. Open and the 1977 PGA Championship, the latter by only a shot.

"I don't think I'm quite good enough for the tour," Schumacher said. "I never really made a try for it. I have a good situation. Our place is a small operation, and I can get away a lot."

### Final results

284 — Bill Schumaker (73-69-72-70, won playoff), Gary Ostrega; 286 — Larry Gilbert (69-75-73-71), Rick Osberg (71-74-73-68); 287 — David Glenz (74-74-68-71); 288 — Steven Verbitz (75-71-72-70), Jim White (69-73-70-76); 289 — Ed Dougherty (75-71-73-70), Bobby Helms (70-72-73-74), John Jackson Jr. (72-73-70-74), Jim O'Hern (74-72-70-73), Rick Werner (73-70-72-74); 290 — Jim Albus (72-74-70-74), Mark Gurnow (72-76-71-71), Robert Hoyt (76-72-72-70), Kevin Morris (72-76-72-70); 291 — Bob Ackerman (75-72-71-73), Steve Benson (69-74-71-77), Laurie Hammer (70-71-74-76), Gary Head (73-72-74-72), Druce Johnson (71-71-74-69), Gregg Jones (76-73-69-73), Bob Lendzion (71-75-71-74), Ross Randall (73-73-73-72), Ron Wells (72-72-69-78); 292 — Ken Alford (68-73-76-75), Tommy Aycock (67-76-75-74), Brian Charlier (73-74-71-74), Tim Collins (75-74-73-70), Michael Harrigan (76-72-74-70), Bob Leaver (73-73-71-75), Jack Lewis (78-71-71-72), Benny Passons (76-71-72-73), Jack Seltzer (73-73-72-74), Bob Smith (73-75-73-71), Craig Watson (74-70-75-73); 293 — Mike Ballo (71-69-71-76), Steve Caulkins (71-72-71-73), Craig Clemmons (74-75-68-76), John Elliot Jr. (75-75-70-73), Roger Ginsberg (74-71-73-75), John Godwin (74-73-75-71), Geoff Hensley (73-76-73-71), John Joseph (73-74-73-73), Steven King (73-74-73-73), Jim Logue (72-74-73-74), Bob Makoski (72-69-76-76), Patrick O'Brien (74-76-70-73), Peter Oakley (72-75-73-73), Paul Ryz (75-75-69-74).

## O'HERN TAKES PGA

## He Had to Pick-Up or Pick Up

By JOHNNY CARRICO

Courier-Journal &amp; Times Staff Writer

With eight holes to go in the second round of the 54-hole Kentucky PGA Championship Wednesday, Jim O'Hern was having his troubles.

"I was seven shots back of the leader and I told my playing partner, Ron Hacker, 'If I don't pick up three shots, I just might as well forget it.' I knew I couldn't be any worse than four shots back going into the final 18 holes," O'Hern recalled yesterday.

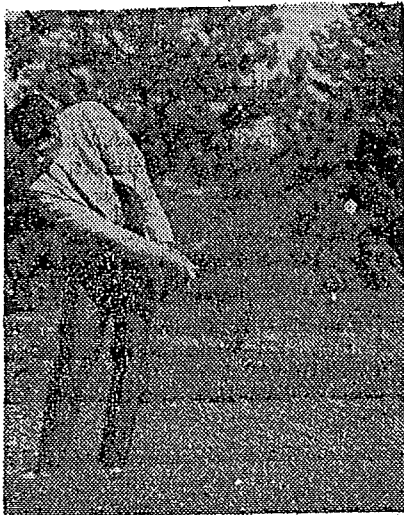
The memory was significant to O'Hern after he had won his second straight PGA title with a birdie three on an extra hole. O'Hern, the pro at Harmony Landing Country Club, made up those four shots to tie Brown Cullen Jr., and Jim Ferriell and force the playoff.

O'Hern fired a final round, four-under-par 68 yesterday after two straight 72's. Cullen, the second round leader, recorded a 72 yesterday while Ferriell, who is the pro at Florence's Boone-Aire Country Club, registered a 70. That left the trio at 212 after 54 holes.

## First Repeat Since 1965

All three were on Standard Country Club's short, par four No. 1 hole in two holes in the first playoff hole. Cullen was at with a 50-foot putt and Ferriell a seven-footer. O'Hern had stobbed a pitching wedge shot six feet from the cup.

Cullen lagged 18 inches short while Ferriell's putt broke to the left. "I had the same putt Jimmy did earlier and I didn't even come close," O'Hern recalled. "When he missed, that made mine easier." O'Hern confidentially rolled it in to win berths in the national PGA championship next summer and the National Club Pro Tournament at Scottsdale,



JIM O'HERN  
Wins three-way playoff

Ariz., next month, and the first prize of \$400.

Al Atkins, who was one stroke back of the leader after 36 holes, fired a 73 yesterday, giving the Ashland pro fourth place at 214 and the senior division title.

O'Hern said he felt the title was won from the 13th through the 16th holes where he played two under par. "I had

a hard four-footer on the 13th and made it. I was in the trap on the 14th, got it out poorly but sank a 30-footer. On the 15th I hit a good shot to save a par and on the 16th I was just trying to lag from 35 feet and it fell in."

O'Hern was three strokes behind Cullen after 45 holes despite a one-under 34. He made up a stroke on the 11th with a birdie four and another on the 13th with a par four. He finally caught Cullen on the 52nd hole with the 35-foot birdie putt. Cullen had a chance to win it by himself with a six-foot putt on the 18th but the putt was a good eight inches short.

## Kentucky PGA Finish

212—Brown Cullen Jr., Louisville; Jim O'Hern, Louisville; Jim Ferriell, Louisville. O'Hern won in playoff.  
214—Al Atkins, Ashland.  
219—Bert Croghan, Louisville.  
221—Eddie Tyree, Louisville; Wayne Kelley, Ft. Mitchell.  
224—Gordon Leishman, Lexington; Pete Doll, Frankfort.  
225—Joe Lally Jr., Louisville; Gene Fawbush, Louisville; Jack Ryan, Louisville; Bill Goldsmith, Maysville.  
226—Sammy Hill, Louisville.  
227—Fithian Shaw, Louisville.  
228—Jim Osborne, Louisville; George Engle, Middlesboro.  
230—Humzey Yessin, Lexington; Ron Hacker, Versailles; Ernie Sampson, Frankfort.  
231—Spud Rawlings, Ft. Knox.  
233—Doug Welck, Louisville; John Huffine, Owensboro.  
234—Gene Hlien, Mt. Sterling; Todd Houck, Ft. Knox.  
235—Ed. Bignon, Morehead.  
236—Gene Swinney, Louisville.  
237—Jim Clark, Danville.  
239—Gene Bond, Richmond.  
252—Bill Meyer Jr., Louisville.  
259—Del Hamner, Henderson.

O'Hern In Rally  
For Kentucky PGA

• Jim O'Hern of Louisville came from behind on the final round to tie Jim Ferriell of Florence and Brown Cullen of Louisville and went on to win the Kentucky PGA Championship in a playoff.

All returned 54-hole totals of 212, four under par, at Standard CC, Louisville, and O'Hern dropped a six-foot birdie putt on the first extra hole.

Al Atkins of Ashland won the senior title on 214.

## LEADERS

212—\*Jim O'Hern, Louisville, 72-72-68, \$400; Jim Ferriell, Florence, 71-71-70; Brown Cullen, Louisville, 71-69-72, \$250 each.  
219—Bert Croghan, Louisville, 68-78-73, \$125.  
221—Eddie Tyree, Louisville, 71-77-73; Wayne Kelley, Ft. Mitchell, 74-73-74, \$92.50 each.  
224—Gordon Leishman, Lexington, 76-78-70, \$75.  
225—Joe Lally, Jr., Louisville, 75-76-74; Gene Fawbush, Louisville, 72-77-76; Bill Goldsmith, Maysville, 71-75-79, \$60 each.  
226—Sammy Hill, Louisville, 79-73-74, \$45.  
228—Jim Osborne, Louisville, 78-76-74; George Engle, Middlesboro, 73-78-77, \$37.50 each.  
230—Humzey Yessin, Louisville, 78-78-74; Ron Hacker, Versailles, 73-81-76; Ernie Sampson, Frankfort, 75-77-78, \$26.65 each.  
\*Won play-off on first extra hole.

## SENIOR DIVISION

214—Al Atkins, Ashland, 70-71-73, \$175.  
224—Pete Doll, Frankfort, 76-76-72, \$150.  
225—Jack Ryan, Louisville, 73-74-78, \$100.  
227—Fithian Shaw, Louisville, 80-72-75, \$75.  
234—Todd Houck, Ft. Knox, 78-81-75, \$60.  
239—Gene Bond, Richmond, 80-79-80, \$40.

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# Jim O'Hern's Win Has Two 'Fringe Benefits'

LEXINGTON — Jim O'Hern had a couple of bonuses today as result of his winning the Kentucky Professional Golfers Association Tournament with a 54-hole total of 212.

The win qualified O'Hern, pro at Louisville's Harmony Landing Country Club, for the National Club Pro Championship at Phoenix, Ariz., Dec. 5-8, and the National PGA tourney at Dayton, Ohio, next summer.

O'Hern's closing round of 172 yesterday at Tates Creek Country Club was the best of the day.

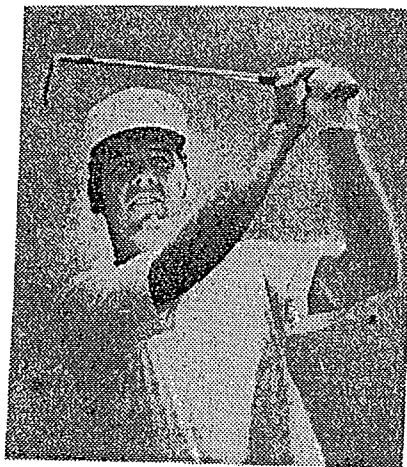
Jim Ferriell, pro at Boone-Aire Country Club at Florence, was a stroke in front of O'Hern and Ashland's Al Atkins entering the last round. Ferriell, with a 75, came in second with his 214. Atkins collapsed with an 82.

The victory was worth \$300 to O'Hern. Ferriell received \$200.

Gordon Leishman, the defending champion from Lexington, finished back in the pack with his 221.

## The Finish

212 — Jim O'Hern, Louisville (69-71-72) \$300.  
 214 — Jim Ferriell, Florence (70-69-75) \$200.  
 219 — Eddie Tyree, Louisville (72-72-75), Brown Cullen, Jr., Louisville (73-70-76), \$125 each.  
 221 — Gordon Leishman, Lexington (70-72-79) \$90.  
 222 — Al Atkins, Ashland (69-71-82), \$80.  
 225 — Pete Doli, Frankfort (74-77-75), \$80.  
 227 — Gary Feldman, Louisville (75-74-73), \$70.  
 228 — Bert Croghan, Louisville (77-78-73), Gene Fawcush, Louisville (73-79-76), Ernie Sampson, Frankfort (75-74-79), Jim Osborne, Lexington (75-75-78), \$45 each.  
 229 — Ron Hacker, Versailles (77-77-75), \$40.  
 230 — Todd Houck, Ft. Knox (74-76-80), \$50.  
 231 — Gene Swinney, Louisville (77-79-81) \$30.  
 232 — George Engle, Middlesboro (74-78-80), Humzeyessen, Lexington (76-78-78), \$30 each.  
 234 — Bill Goldsmith, Maysville (80-75-81), \$30.  
 237 — Spud Rawlings, Ft. Knox (80-77-80), \$25.  
 240 — Gene Hilien, Mt. Sterling (78-79-81), \$25.  
 241 — John Huffine, Owensboro (85-76-80), Joe Lally, Louisville (76-84-81), \$25 each.  
 245 — Bill Meyer, Louisville (81-81-84), \$25.  
 250 — Buck Blankenship, Harrodsburg (86-81-83), \$30.  
 253 — Gene Sullivan, Louisville (83-84-86), \$25.  
 264 — Dale Hamner, Henderson (92-89-83), \$30.  
 — Denotes senior.



Staff Photo

JIM O'HERN

70 points in front of runner-up

## O'Hern in lead, eyes next leg of golf tour

Jim O'Hern, the Kentucky Professional Golfers Association Player of the Year in 1972, is leading the pack again.

Head pro at Harmony Landing Country Club in Goshen, O'Hern moved into first place with his impressive five-stroke victory in the 37th annual Irvin Cobb Championship last weekend at Paducah.

O'Hern now has 515 points — or 70 more than runner-up Alan White of Owensboro — entering the second leg of the Kentucky Golf Tour series Monday at the Bowling Green Country Club.

Ninety golfers — 50 pros and 40 amateurs — will compete in the 18-hole tourney with the pros playing for \$2,000 including \$500 for first place.

State Amateur champion Kevin Proctor of Bowling Green and past amateur division winners (on the Kentucky Golf Tour) Bubba Clements and Steve McMenamin — both of Louisville — head the amateur entrants.

Here are the pro Player of the Year standings going into Monday's tourney: 1 — O'Hern 515 points; 2 — White 445; 3 — Carl Owen, Chenoweth, 222.4; 4 — Eddie Tyree, Iroquois, 185; 5 — Brown Cullen Jr., Hunting Creek, 170.8; 6 — Gordon Leishman, Lexington Idle Hour, 159.9; 7 — Gene Hilien, Mt. Sterling, 150; 8 — Moe Demling, Shawnee, 111; 9 — Gordon Waldespuhl, Florence, 100; 10 — Larry Gilbert, Brandenburg, 91.6.

O'Hern pocketed \$1,000 after shooting 68-67-135 to win the Cobb tourney. Highlighting his triumph was an eagle two on the par four, 411-yard No. 5 hole during the last round. O'Hern holed a 4-iron shot from 175 yards out.

In the first Kentucky Golf Tour event May 14 at Mt. Sterling, Clements beat everybody — including the pros — with his one-under-par 71. White won low-pro honors (and \$500) by beating Hilien in a sudden-death playoff after both had tied with 74s.

O'Hern shot a 77 then, but got back into contention for Player of the Year honors (worth \$1,000) by winning the Glenwood Hall Open at Carrollton earlier this month.

# While Dad's away, son gladly plays

## And golfer Mahan plays it to hilt, tying O'Hern for tourney title

By ED ASHFORD

Courier-Journal Correspondent

LEXINGTON, Ky. — Carle (Buddy) Mahan was all set to play in the second leg of the Kentucky 100 Open series yesterday at the Greenbrier Golf and Country Club when an unexpected business deal caused him to change his plans.

Carle immediately asked his 19-year-old son Cole to pinch-hit and Cole, who had won the Woodford Hills Invitational Sunday, was quick to accept the assignment.

Carle made a good choice. Son Cole, who will be a sophomore at Indiana University this fall, responded by shooting a two-under-par 70 over the 6,602-yard Greenbrier Course.

This score held up until the very last

foursome of the day, when Jim O'Hern, the Harmony Landing pro, matched it to gain the co-championship of the tournament.

Another youngster, amateur Dennis Hurley of Covington, was the only other golfer in the field of 100 that started play to beat par. Hurley, a 19-year-old who will be a sophomore at Louisiana State this fall, shot a one-under 71.

Six pros were bracketed at even-par 72—Ken Boggs, Carl Owen and Bob Simpson of Louisville, George Bernardin of Maysville, Clint Wright of LaGrange and Wayne Kelly of Ft. Mitchell.

State Amateur champion Bill Musselman was at 73 along with Lexington amateur Wally Rose, recent winner of the U.S. Postal Tournament, and three

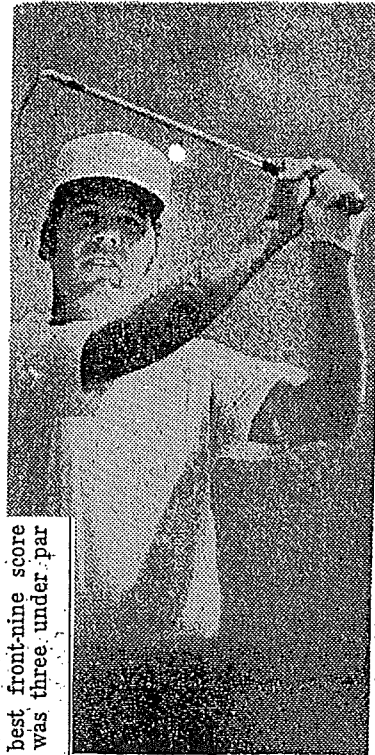
Louisville pros—Moe Demling, Gene Fawbush and Franci Betancourt. Kevin Proctor, the Bowling Green amateur who won the first leg of the series a month ago, had a 76 yesterday.

O'Hern pocketed \$500 in addition to his trophy for leading the professional division. Mahan also got a handsome trophy and a certificate good for \$150 in golfing merchandise.

"I'm sure happy that Dad got that extra business today," a grinning Mahan said.

O'Hern had birdies on three of the first five holes, bogeyed Nos. 7 and 13 and then birdied 17 to tie Mahan. Mahan birdied holes 3, 9 and 16 and had his only bogey on 11.

Hurley had the best front-nine score of the leaders. He was three under par



**JIM O'HERN**  
ning pro pockets \$500

## Kentucky 100 golf scores

(Players from Louisville unless noted.)

X—Denotes amateur.

70—Jim O'Hern; X-Cole Mahan, Winchester.

71—X-Dennis Hurley, Covington.

72—Ken Boggs; Bob Simpson; Carl Owen; George Bernardin, Maysville; Clint Wright, La Grange; Wayne Kelly, Ft. Mitchell.

73—Franci Betancourt; Gene Fawbush; Moe Demling; X-Bill Musselman; X-Wally Rose, Lexington.

74—Danny McQueen, Lexington; X-John Owens, Lexington.

75—Gene Swinney; Jack Ridge; X-Bubba Clements; X-Bill Hoppman, Lexington; X-Westley Martin, Winchester.

76—Bill Pulliam; Shannon Evans, Middlesboro; Gordon Leishman, Lexington; Pete Doll, Frankfort; X-Jim Byington, Lexington; X-Kevin Proctor, Bowling Green; X-Stacey Russell, Scottsville.

77—Brown Cullen; Paul Cline; Benny Hampton; Todd Houck, Ft. Mitchell; X-Dutch Albert; X-Tom Kalbfleisch; X-Terry Hunt.

78—Jim Osborne; Jimmy Arnes; Bob Baldwin, Lexington; Kent Cayce, Madisonville; Norman Head, Bowling Green; Spud Rawlings, Ft. Knox; Gene Hillen, Mt. Sterling; X-Carl Brinley; X-David Cristali; X-Mike Maynard, Murray; X-John Quermous; X-Sonny Tibbs, Lexington.

79—Ted Beisler; Alan Biggs; Bud Brinkley; Chick Yarbrough; Ed Bignon, Morehead; Bob Nelson, London; Charles Rose, La Grange; X-Tom Ellis; X-Paul Schultz; X-Earl Stucker; X-Marvin Lear, Lexington.

80—Sammy Hill; Larry Smith, Lexington; Dave Ryan, Owensboro; John Huffline, Owensboro; Luther Minor, Harlan; X-Charles Albert; X-Dave Glick.

81—Buddy Demling; Ernie Sampson, Frankfort; X-Charles Searneyhough; X-Save McMenamin.

82—Eddie Tyree; Humzey Yessin, Lexington; George Sullivan, Park City; Al Atkins, Ashland; Jim Anderson, Searns; X-John Kaelin; X-Joe Wellman; X-Luther Curry, Lexington; X-Bryan Griffith, Lexington; X-Bob Proctor, Bowling Green.

83—John Howell; X-Charles Pardin.

84—Ron Peterson, Ft. Mitchell; X-Bob Owens, Lexington; X-John Terrill, Lexington.

85—Sam Brinley; 87—G. Wandell; 88—Steve Lackey; Del Hammer, Richmond; 89—Mike Sexton; X-Peter Van Almen; 91—Paul Reuff; 92—X-John Blackwood; 93—Jim Lage.

# O'Hern close to lead—for a change

By MIKE SULLIVAN

Courier-Journal & Times Staff Writer

LEXINGTON, Ky. — Jim O'Hern ended up where he has been too many times after yesterday's first round of the prestigious Kentucky Open Golf Tournament — close to the lead.

"One year I made up seven shots on Jim Ferriell in the last round," O'Hern recalled yesterday. "I started the day six behind, and going to No. 17 I was one ahead. But Jim won. And another time, Moe (Demling) sank a 40-footer on the last hole to beat me."

But if O'Hern was depressed by these reminiscences, it didn't show. The gentlemanly professional from Goshen, Ky., had just shot a one-under-par 71 at Greenbrier Golf and Country Club, tying him with four other players behind Stacy Russell (70) with 36 holes left to play.

That in itself is a promising new wrinkle in the usual O'Hern script. His near-misses have resulted from having too much ground to make up.

"There was a time when I wondered about it, when my attitude was, 'Am I ever going to win?'" O'Hern said. "But I'm not pressing. I'm just doing the best I can. When you're as far behind as I've been in the past, you can't afford even one mistake. I've finished second twice, third three times and fourth two times. In fact, I once had a stretch of 13 straight rounds under par."

O'Hern might have opened up some ground on the field yesterday if he could have parred in after making the turn three-under. He ran into two bogeys after that, but it wasn't enough to shake the confidence of his 6-foot-4 caddie, Kentucky Colonels basketball rookie Jimmy Dan Conner.

"I've never seen a golfer who did so much thinking," Conner said as O'Hern bent over a putt. "He's just as methodical and meticulous as he can be."

When O'Hern finished his round Conner shook his hand and said "Great round, Jim."

"Thank you, James," said O'Hern.

Another Louisville, Shawnee pro, Moe Demling, left himself in position for a run at his second Open title with an even-par 72 that included one birdie, one bogey and 16 pars.

"I had several birdie putts that you might call makeable," Demling noted. "About six of them — some around 18 feet and some 12 or so. But except for No. 9 (his lone bogey), I didn't even come close to a three-putt green."

Demling doesn't expect any scores much better than yesterday's, especially after tournament director Martin Tuler toughens the pin placements.

"It's gonna be even harder when 'The Setter' gets through," Demling said, "and you can quote me, Martin is known as 'The Setter' and I gave him that name. And really, this is the finest Open course I've ever played on. It has no gimmick holes, and the greens aren't hard as bricks like at London last year."

First-round leader Russell, who has won the Open once and finished second twice, played in three phases yesterday.

"I was inconsistent from one through seven," Stacy said. "I had two bogeys and two birdies and missed a two-foot birdie putt. Then I got three straight birdies, from eight through 10, and that really made my round. The rest of it was routine pars, except on 16. A photographer clicked his camera on my backswing there and I missed a 1-1/2-foot putt for par."

Russell's fine record this summer (four

victories in six tournaments) makes him a good bet to hold his lead and claim the winner's share of the \$7,000 purse. He's been pointing for the Open all along, but began to have doubts when he sprained his right hand a month ago.

"I went two weeks without any practice at all," he noted. "I came here hoping confidence would carry me, if necessary, and that I could score even if I wasn't hitting it well. But I felt fine."

Bubba Clements (76) and Chick Yarbrough (75) escaped alternate status at the last minute when two golfers withdrew. Clements made the turn two-under par, but hit two shots out of bounds. After that as he played the back nine in 42.

## Kentucky Open leaders

(Players from Louisville unless noted)

- 70—Stacy Russell, Middletown;
- 71—Bruce Walters, Pikeville; Larry Gilbert, Brandenburg; Jim O'Hern, Goshen; Cole Mahan, Lexington; Ken Hall, Lexington;
- 72—Moe Demling; Joe Lally Jr.
- 73—Mike Perpich; Eddie Mudd;
- 74—Ross Smith, Maysville; Alan White, Owensboro; Chip Montgomery, Kevin Proctor, Bowling Green; Eddie Tyrer, Bill Bewley, Bowling Green; Carl DiCesare, John Tripp, Rich Talavera, Hopkinsville;
- 75—Ralph Landrum, Ft. Mitchell; Johnny Owens, Lexington; Carl Owen; Gordon Leishman, Lexington; Mort Bertram, Vanceburg; Robert Baldwin, Paris; Marvin Lear, Lexington; Jack Ridge, Danville; Larry Smith, Lexington; Rex Bible, Stearns; Jimmy Armes; Clint Wright, Madisonville; Granville Medford, Perry Park; Chrouser, Lexington; Eugene Porter, Ashland; Chick Yarbrough;
- 76—Sammy Levinson, Greenville; Howard Logan Jr., Shelbyville; Bobby Owens, Lexington; Jeff Ellison; John Farner, Middletown; Jack Walters, Pikeville; Steve Hymer, Berea; Tom Hurt, California, Ky.; Jimmy Riddle, Madisonville; Craig Smith, Corbin; Douglas Logan, Shelbyville;
- 77—Al Atkins, Ashland; Jack Freeman, Ashland; Bill Kirkland, Owensboro; Randy Wilkins, Russellville; Sonny Tibbs, Lexington; Skip Welch; Greg Bartlemay, Versailles; Tom Riley, Russellville; Madison Nichols, Owensboro; Gary Feldman, Lexington; John Cook, Hopkinsville; Steve Cox, Elizabethtown; Tom Leonard, Ft. Mitchell; Brad Rives; Tony Hurt, California; Bobby Owens, Lexington; Craig Smith, Corbin;
- 78—Brown Cullen Jr., Prospect; Gene Fawbush, Perry Park; Larry Abell, Hodgenville; Steve Kirkpatrick, Owensboro; John Knotts, Prospect; George Enler, Middleboro; Bill Odden; Steve Montgomery; Mike Smith, Lexington; Luiton Harrison, Ft. Mitchell; Pete Janno, Elizabethtown; Bud Burkley, Valley Station; Jim Wise, Lexington; Bart Mahan, Lexington; John Wright, Brandenburg;
- 79—Wally Rose, Lexington; Sam Brinley; Rick Furman; Terry Hunt, Lexington; Jim Osborne; Ernie Sampson, Frankfort; L. J. Davis, Lexington; Louis DeLuca, Lawrenceburg; Paul Cline, Newton, Mayfield; Steve Mills, Bowling Green;
- 80—Robert Cohn; Bill Wicks, Lexington; Gordon Waldespuhl, Florence; Bernie Smith, Owensboro; Ed Bignon, Morehead; Curt Scott; Michael Osborne, Lexington; Jim McAfee, Berea; Jack Terrill Jr., Lexington; John Baas; Bob Lepping; Jesse Oakley; Charles Adkins;
- 81—Douglas Newman, Lexington; Steve Fawbush; Mike Robbins, Russellville; Doug Wheeler, Elizabethtown; Melvin Schaeffer; James Solter, Morehead; Humzey Yessin, Winchester; Bob Strader, Prospect; Paul Schuchard; Mickey Ray, Somerset; Bob Hillen, Lexington; Bill Oakley;
- 82—W. E. Doll, Frankfort; Jim Suttle, Richmond; Jim Burgess, Stearns; Bill Bush, Lexington;
- 83—Glenn Dorten, Perry Park; Greg McNeal, Perry Park; Danny McQueen, Lexington; Bert Croghan; Gene Hillen, Mt. Sterling; Randy Oates; Steve Hochen, Pendleton; Mike Campbell;
- 84—Steve Frank, Middletown; John Lloyd, Nicholasville; Tip Kocke, Ft. Mitchell; 85—Joe Schoenbaechler, N. H. Nichols, Owensboro; Clay Nelson, Richmond; 86—Bill Fawbush, White Criswell, Mt. Sterling; Tim Philpott, Nicholasville; Keith Buky, Shepherdsville; David Dillon, Lexington; 87—Ken Bobbs; 88—Luther Curry, Lexington; Tony Harris; John Huffine; Scott Miller; 89—Kevin Henry, Versailles; John Yarmuth; Chuck Melvin; 90—William Frost, Springfield; 98—Gene Roberts.



Staff Photo by Melissa Farlow  
Eddie Mudd (left) and Harmony Landing pro Jim O'Hern wait on a tee during yesterday's Kentucky Open golf tournament at Lexington. O'Hern had 71 and trails the leader, Stacy Russell, by one stroke.



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## Demling calls his shot on 40-foot putt

# *There won't be any Moe playoff in Kentucky Open*

By JOHN FLYNN

Courier-Journal & Times Staff Writer

The Kentucky Open took a memorable twist on the last hole yesterday at Wildwood Country Club when Moe Demling made a 40-foot putt to end Jim O'Hern's bid to steal the championship from him.

With that one stroke of the putter the nerveless Demling brought a huge roar from a gallery of over 1,000 packed deep around the 18th green and concluded the 52nd Open on a spectacular note.

As he stroked the putt downhill, his caddie, Mike Perpich, outran the ball down the green and directed it into the

center of the cup. As the ball fell, Perpich raced back up the green, jumped on Demling's back and rode him around the putting surface.

It was learned later that Demling, the cocky pro from Shawnee, had called his shot before he hit it. Walking up the long hill to the final green, he instructed his caddie to line up the putt. "Then I'll knock it into the hole," he added.

### O'Hern signs check

Until the putt fell Demling and O'Hern were heading for a playoff. O'Hern caught Moe on the 17th hole, then made a brilliant chip shot and three-foot

putt for a par on the 18th to finish with a four-under 68.

He then disappeared into the clubhouse and did not see Moe's two-iron to the last green and his drama-packed putt.

"However," said Jim, "I heard it."

Demling, who carried a four-shot lead over O'Hern into the final 18 holes, shot 71 and finished with a 54-hole total of 208. He also picked up the \$1,000 check, signed by O'Hern who is the secretary of the Kentucky PGA, that went to the winner.

Jack Ryan's Open record of 204, set in 1947, escaped him, however. But that

mattered little to the 27-year-old Louisville villian who insisted that the thought he might lose never entered his mind throughout the day.

"I've won too many tournaments and beaten too many good players this summer to think that I was going to blow this one," he declared.

### Good round left

Demling showed his guts on the final hole by using a two-iron off the tee and by charging the putt that won it.

"I wasn't gonna lose this thing by being short—either on the tee or on the green," he said.

O'Hern, who has a marvellous record of consistency but no championships in the Open, took fate's slap in the face in stride.

"I didn't lose it, Moe won it," he declared. "Like I said on Wednesday, I thought I had my good round left in me but it wasn't quite good enough."

"But looking back, I hit only two bad shots all day. Those were tee shots at 13 and 14, and they cost me three strokes. That's disregarding the normal amount of choke-type swings we all make coming home," added O'Hern, smiling.

Defending champion Jim Ferriell, failing in his bid for a third straight Open title, and amateur Kevin Proctor tied for

third at 212. Pro Stacey Russell, who shared the first-day lead with Demling, was another shot back at 213.

Ferriell, playing in the final threesome with Demling, commended Moe for "a great victory."

"When he hit that putt and it started to get close to the hole, I said to myself, 'Gawd, that's a great putt.' When it went in it became a little greater," added Ferriell.

Proctor, who closed with a 70, won amateur honors easily. It was another four shots back to Harcourt Kemp, the second-low amateur, two more to Bill Musselman and another two to Jeff Jones, who shot a closing-round 78.

MOE DEMLING strokes a chip shot toward the flag during yesterday's final round of the 52nd Kentucky Open at Wildwood. A gallery of 1,000 watched Demling win the title with a 40-foot putt.

## Kentucky Open golf finish

X—Denotes professional.	
x—Moe Demling, Louisville	68-69-71—208
x—Jim O'Hern, Louisville	71-70-68—209
x—Jim Ferriell, Louisville	70-72-70—212
x—Kevin Proctor, Bowling Green	72-70-70—212
x—Stacey Russell, Scottsville	68-74-71—216
Harcourt Kemp, Louisville	74-70-72—216
x—Gordon Leishman, Lexington	73-73-71—217
x—Joe Lally Jr., Louisville	71-71-75—217
Bill Musselman, Louisville	73-74-71—218
Jeff Jones, Ashland	70-72-78—220
x—Al Atkins, Ashland	75-71-74—220
George Cadle, Middlesboro	75-73-72—220
x—Bob Simpson, Louisville	71-73-72—222
Paul Cline, Louisville	73-75-74—222
x—Franci Befancourt, Louisville	73-72-77—222
x—Brown Cullen, Louisville	78-73-72—223
Jimmy Armes, Louisville	78-72-74—224
x—Pete Stuntebeck, Covington	74-73-77—224
Jim Hutson, Louisville	75-73-77—225
Terry Shinkle, LaGrange	71-81-73—225
x—Cari Owen, Louisville	75-77-73—225
Nick Pearl, Louisville	74-77-74—225
Bubba Clements, Louisville	74-76-75—225
x—Buddy Demling, Louisville	74-74-77—225
x—Danny McQueen, Lexington	73-74-78—225
x—Dave Ryan, Owensboro	77-79-70—226
x—Eddie Tyree, Louisville	76-72-78—226
x—Ted Hale, Maysfield	75-78-75—226
Cole Mahan, Winchester	76-77-73—226
Dennis Hurley, Ft. Mitchell	76-77-73—226
x—Bill Pulliam, Georgetown	74-76-76—226
Mark Gooch, Ft. Mitchell	76-74-76—226
Chip Montgomery, Louisville	79-75-73—227
Doug Nunn, Louisville	81-72-74—227
Wesley Martin, Winchester	75-75-77—227
Jim Solter, Morehead	78-75-75—228
Jeff McGill, Owensboro	75-77-76—228
x—Jack Ridge, Danville	75-77-76—228
x—Sammy Hill, Louisville	79-77-78—228
x—Terry Lally, Louisville	75-75-78—228
Dave Roberts, Louisville	76-76-77—228
x—Gene Fawbush, Louisville	74-78-77—229
x—Steve Lackey, Louisville	76-77-76—229
x—Bert Croghan, Louisville	75-73-81—229
George Beck, Owensboro	73-85-72—230
Dennis Rice, LaGrange	81-76-73—230
Vaughan Jones, Louisville	79-73-78—230
Charles Albert III, Louisville	79-72-72—230
Jim Laval, Louisville	79-79-73—231
x—Chick Yarbrough, Louisville	72-83-76—231
John Howell, Louisville	81-74-76—231
Rich Furman, Louisville	75-75-77—231
Mike Lowen, Louisville	71-76-78—231
Bud Humphreys, Ft. Mitchell	80-79-73—232
Jerry Gilbert, Vine Grove	76-80-76—232
Jim Spurr, Louisville	76-83-74—232
Jim Saunders, Louisville	76-83-74—233
Bill Elscorn, Louisville	83-73-77—233
Duke Dupre, Louisville	77-78-78—233
Al Gatti, Louisville	77-78-78—233
Eddie Kahn, Louisville	83-72-78—233
Steve Davison, Louisville	75-74-79—233
L. T. Davis, Lexington	76-77-80—233
Buddy Hewitt, Murray	76-75-82—233
x—Jim Osborne, Louisville	81-77-76—234
Forrest Hamilton, Louisville	79-78-77—234
Oris Wright, Lexington	78-77-79—234
Greg Boyles, Louisville	77-78-79—234
Bill Parr, Louisville	79-80-76—235
Bill Hardy, Louisville	79-78-78—235
x—George Sullivan, Park City	78-80-78—236
Norman Barnhart, Lexington	82-77-78—237
Steve Montgomery, Louisville	81-77-79—237
Bob Ferriell, Louisville	75-81-81—237
Pete Von Almen, Louisville	79-78-80—237
Condit Dow, Louisville	77-79-82—238
x—Greg Tabar, Ft. Mitchell	82-77-80—239
Roy Jones, Louisville	76-79-84—239
Bill Long, Louisville	76-82-82—240
x—Ed Bigney, Morehead	80-78-82—240
Bob Barringer, Louisville	76-81-83—241
Joe Schoenbacher, Louisville	76-83-82—241
Jim Culver, Louisville	76-82-83—241
Dutch Albert, Louisville	76-81-84—241
x—Ken Boggs, Louisville	81-78-83—242
x—George Engle, Middlesboro	79-80-84—243
	77-81-85—243



By Jack Sareault

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## Dave Stockton got Bobby Cole a sponsor exemption into the Seattle-Everett Open, so guess who beat who by one stroke?

obby Cole owes Dave Stockton a favor. Stockton arranged a sponsor's exemption for Cole into the 3,000 Seattle-Everett Open, the 11th stop of the final PGA Tournament Series.

But Cole has a strange way of showing his appreciation. He beat Stockton by one stroke for his first tournament win in four years, and first in the U.S. since 1977 Buick Open.

Cole was seven strokes off the pace in his opening 70, got into contention with his second-round, six-under-55 to pull within three shots, then a 66 for a 201 total, 12 under for holes on the Everett G&CC course worth \$36,000.

Stockton, who took a three-shot lead in last year's Seattle-Everett Open, finished up in fourth place, also tied with a 66 for his 202 and took 500 home to Keystone, Colo. His other final-round 66 gave Don Bies Seattle third place and \$13,000.

The 37-year-old Cole, South African, but living at La Quinta, Calif., expecting to get his U.S. citizen-

ship next February, had played in all six previous TPS events, pocketing \$9,573 and standing 26th on the money list. He played in four events on the PGA Tour, making the cut twice and collecting \$3,767.

Cole, the 1966 British Amateur champion, qualified for the PGA Tour in 1967, lost his card at the end of the 1983 season and played in only one tournament last year. "It's a slow grind," he said, "coming back".

At Everett, he didn't have to make a charge, but a steady move, what with at least 10 players within two strokes of each other during the final round. Cole sank an 18-foot birdie putt on the second hole. He missed the third green for his only bogie.

He canned a 25-footer on the fourth and pitched to six feet on the sixth for birdies. On the uphill, 250-yard ninth, he drove the green with a three wood and two-putted for another bird. "That was the first time I hit a good shot today," he said.

Cole was over the 10th green, but chipped to two feet and saved par, then



For Cole it was a long time coming.

chipped to two feet again and birdied the 13th. Stockton, meanwhile, stalked him with birdies on the 10th (with a 22-foot putt), 15th (with a 25-footer) and 17th.

"I was almost panicking when I heard the roars," said Cole. "It was difficult to handle because it's so seldom I'm in contention." Cole, who was two threesomes behind Stockton, gained what became his winning margin with a 15-foot birdie putt on the 17th.

Cole two-putted the 18th from 40 feet, sewing it up with a 15-incher. "My hands were shaking," he said. "It was too close to miss. I didn't feel comfortable over it, but I was too embarrassed to step away."

Mike Gove of Seattle and Joey Rassett of Turlock, Calif., shared the first-round lead with eight-under-par 63s. A shot back were Jeff Sanders of Beaverton, Ore., winner of the Pay Less Victoria Open of the TPS the previous weekend, and Eric Batten of Santa Cruz, Calif.

Jamie Howell of Branchville, N.J., and Bob Wolcott of Dickson, Tenn., both aced the 120-yard eighth hole, both with wedges, in the first round, Wolcott carding a 65.

The 30-year-old Rassett, a PGA Tour regular in 1983 but out of golf for most of last year, had the lead all to himself after a second-round 69 for 132.

The 36-hole cut was two-under 140, tying the lowest in the three years of the TPS. Bruce Crampton, starting a comeback after eight years away from tour golf, was right on the cut after a birdie-eagle finish.

## Seattle-Everett Scoreboard

Cole	70-65-66-201	136,000.00	Mike Gove	63-70-75-208	1,607.50
Stockton	70-66-66-202	20,500.00	Dale Douglass	69-69-70-208	1,607.50
Bies	70-67-66-203	13,000.00	Dillard Pruitt	66-73-70-209	1,150.00
Perot	69-65-70-204	8,850.00	Baker Maddera	69-69-71-209	1,150.00
Wart	67-69-68-204	8,850.00	Andy Dillard	71-67-71-209	1,150.00
Sanders	64-73-68-205	7,500.00	Ed Dougherty	69-68-72-209	1,150.00
Thr	65-68-72-205	7,500.00	Steve Hart	65-69-75-209	1,150.00
Milne	68-70-68-206	4,772.23	Bill Tindall	68-71-71-210	885.56
Mc	67-68-71-206	4,772.23	Bob Lunn	67-67-76-210	885.86
Moore	66-70-70-206	4,772.22	Vic Tortorici	68-71-71-210	885.56
Issett	63-69-74-206	4,772.22	Mike Morley	67-73-70-210	885.56
Perry	71-65-70-206	4,772.22	Dave DeLong	69-71-70-210	885.56
Rnette	68-69-69-206	4,772.22	Ken Mattiace	71-68-71-210	885.55
Alpos	70-69-67-206	4,772.22	Ted Schulz	72-67-71-210	885.55
Ger	71-69-66-206	4,772.22	Mike Malaska	70-70-70-210	885.55
Ink	69-69-68-206	4,772.22	David Hobby	68-71-71-210	885.55
Idcock	71-67-69-207	2,658.34	Steven Veriato	70-70-71-211	720.00
Armour III	65-69-73-207	2,658.34	Keith Parker	71-69-71-211	720.00
Zarley	65-71-71-207	2,658.33	Bob Wolcott	65-74-72-211	720.00
erman	67-70-70-207	2,658.33	Jim Hallet	66-69-76-211	720.00
Kestner	70-68-69-207	2,658.33	Jon Chaffee	71-67-73-211	720.00
iten	64-72-71-207	2,658.33	Bruce Crampton	72-68-71-211	720.00
msen	66-72-70-208	1,607.50	Frank Fuhrer	66-71-74-211	720.00
ern	67-71-70-208	1,607.50	Rick Pearson	69-71-72-212	610.00
ost	68-71-69-208	1,607.50	Steve Lowery	68-68-76-212	610.00
vi	68-69-71-208	1,607.50	Jamie Howell	67-73-72-212	610.00
es	66-68-74-208	1,607.50	Doug Campbell	68-72-72-212	610.00
lake	68-70-70-208	1,607.50	Chris Mitchell	70-69-74-213	541.67
akely	67-70-71-208	1,607.50	Jim Rutledge	70-69-74-213	541.67
anipe	66-67-75-208	1,607.50	Fred Couples	70-70-73-213	541.66

# Match Play Championship to give O'Hern a tuneup for Senior Tour

By STAN SUTTON  
Staff Writer

## GOLF

Life may begin at 40, but for a golfer, dreams can begin at 50.

Take Jim O'Hern, a fixture for about 30 years in Kentucky golf circles. Never having had a crack at the Professional Golfers' Association Tour, O'Hern has set his sights on establishing himself as a Senior PGA Tour regular.

O'Hern turns 50 May 16, the day he will attempt to qualify for his first senior tournament, the Golf Digest Commemorative near New York City. Next come stops in Albuquerque, N.M.; Dallas; Oklahoma City; Sacramento, Calif.; Seattle; and Salt Lake City.

Since golfers do not have no-cut contracts, O'Hern's venture falls somewhere between perilous and merely expensive.

"There are maybe 15 guys doing what I'm going to do full time," he said. "In the past there have been about 60-75 guys each Monday trying to qualify for four spots. So far this year, there have been over a hundred."

Before any winnings can be real-

ized, a golfer must qualify for the tournament. With 16 events left after he turns 50, O'Hern figures he must qualify perhaps 11 times and then cash some good checks in order to reach a goal of \$55,000 this season.

He believes that figure will gain an exemption for next year, although there has been talk on the tour of increasing the starting fields from 72 to 104 in 1989.

O'Hern has a safety net for the weeks he doesn't qualify. He's a representative for LaMode, a national clothing firm founded by Louisville native Eddie Kahn. He will fulfill obligations to the company when the golf game comes up empty.

O'Hern, a native of Louisville, has won the Kentucky PGA three times and been the state's Player of the Year three times.

"I've qualified for four U.S. Opens and nine PGA Championships and made the cut a few times in the PGA," he said. "Other than that, I

haven't played more than three tour events ever."

O'Hern prepped for his Senior PGA Tour career by finishing 12th on the PGA Club Pro Series money list last winter. He will compete Tuesday through Thursday in the Yamaha Kentucky PGA Match Play Championship at Hunting Creek Country Club in Prospect.

Ralph Landrum of Covington will defend his title against 31 other pros, including former champions Larry Gilbert of Lexington and John Phillips of Frankfort, in the \$10,000 event co-sponsored by Cunningham Golf Cars.

Landrum is automatically in the field, and the other competitors will be determined in a qualifying round tomorrow involving 39 pros.

"Hunting Creek is a tough golf course, especially at this time of year when it plays very long," O'Hern said. "Since we've had the Match Play at Hunting Creek, we've had some of our dominant players win it."

First- and second-round matches will be held Tuesday, with the quarterfinals and semifinals Wednesday. The title match begins at 8 a.m. EDT Thursday.

# O'Hern finds fun starts at 50 on Seniors Tour

The final scoreboard from the British Seniors Open confirmed that the legends of golf still were sticking the ball deep into the fairway — Player, Casper, Henning, Charles, O'Hern, Palmer, Devlin.

O'Hern?

"To walk into the clubhouse and have a guy like Gary Player compliment you on the way you hit the ball, it's hard to describe what that means to a guy," Jim O'Hern said, smiling.

"To finish fifth in a field like the British Seniors has got to be the greatest thrill I've had in golf."

Perhaps the Jim O'Hern thrillboard,



**RICK BOZICH**  
SPORTS  
COLUMNIST

which also includes four appearances in the U.S. Open and three Kentucky Golfer of the Year awards, will become more crowded this week.

Two days after winning \$1,600 at a Seniors event in Syracuse, N.Y., O'Hern shot a two-under-par 70 (37-33) to place himself three strokes off the lead in the first round of the Kentucky Open at Midland Trail Golf Club.

The Kentucky Open has been to the barrel-chested O'Hern what the Super Bowl has been to the Denver Broncos. He's been second three times — in 1966, 1971 and 1978. His breath has been on the championship trophy, even if his fingerprints haven't.

"The pressure on me to win this thing is past," O'Hern said. "I'm past the age they expected me to win. They're looking to the younger guys now. The way they knock the ball down the fairway, they've got all the advantages."

The truth is, the only age that's worth noting in golf these days is 50, the cutoff age for participation on the splendid Seniors Tour. And that's the age Jim O'Hern turned May 16 when he decided to make a charge onto the Seniors scene with Chi Chi Rodriguez, Al Geiberger, Orville Moody, Tommy Aaron, Player, Arnold Palmer and other golf heroes.

Trying to win the Kentucky Open is Fun City com-



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Jim O'Hern has never captured the Kentucky Open, but at 50, he says, "I'm past the age they expected me to win."

## ALISTER NICOL AT TURNBERRY

**G**ARY PLAYER fulfilled a life-long ambition at Turnberry yesterday...

He shot a final 69 to win the Volvo British Seniors Open by a shot from Billy Casper (68) to complete the Grand Slam of Seniors golf.

And Player beamed: "It makes me so proud to be the first man ever to have achieved that as well as my three Opens, three US Masters, two USPGA s and one US Open which comprise the regular Slam.

"As far as I am concerned I have now won 14 Majors - plus five World Matchplays. To me the Seniors Slam is the USPGA Seniors which I have won twice, the USGA Seniors Open and the Seniors Tournament Players Championship.

"And I am also the first man to have won the British Open and the British Seniors Open."

Gary began the final round one ahead of defending champion and playing partner Neil Coles.

But the Englishman's hopes were blown away as he toiled to a 79 to finish joint sixth with Arnold Palmer whose 71 yesterday included a super homeward 33.

### Determined

"I felt sorry for Neil today but these things happen in golf," added the new champ who notched up the 132nd victory of one of sport's most amazing careers.

IT WAS ALSO HIS FOURTH OF A YEAR IN WHICH HE HAS NEVER FINISHED OUTSIDE THE TOP 10 IN 11 STARTS.

Player got off to a flier yesterday, birdieing the second then holing a 10-yard bunker shot at the third.

Coles made a disastrous start with three dropped shots in the first four holes to trail the determined Man in Black by six.

The running, though, was taken up by Casper who also birdied two of the first three.

After the third of Gary's three-putt greens - he missed from two feet at the 8th and less than that on the previous hole - bulky Billy had caught him.

Player's fellow-South African Harold Henning joined them at seven under after 10. Then Casper bogeyed the 11th, and when Player birdied the 12th he was never caught.

He three-putted at the 13th to drop back level with Henning before Turnberry's treacherous 16th took a hand.

Henning three-putted to go six under, Player birdied to go eight under and only birdies by Casper at 17 and 18 moved him one ahead of Henning.

Player needed a par four at 18 to win - he made it.

Colin McLachlan of Glenbervie (77) took the amateur prize.

Gary's last words: "I have always loved Turnberry but this is the first time I have played worth a damn here."



BILLY CASPER  
... gave chase

### CARDS

(GB and Ireland unless stated):

- 272 - G Player (SA) 65, 66, 72, 69 (£25,000).
- 273 - B Casper (US) 68, 65, 72, 68 (£16,400).
- 274 - H Henning (SA) 70, 68, 68, 68 (£9,150).
- 277 - B Charles (NZ) 70, 69, 68, 70 (£7,350).
- 281 - J O'Hern (US) 70, 70, 68, 73 (£6,150).
- 283 - A Palmer (US) 69, 70, 73, 71; N Coles 70, 65, 69, 79 (£4,720 each).
- 284 - B Devlin (Aus) 69, 70, 76, 69.
- 286 - G Will 70, 73, 73, 70; C O'Connor 70, 73, 71, 72.
- 287 - T Westbrook (SA) 70, 70, 71, 76; A Silverstrone (US) 72, 70, 69, 76.
- 291 - H Muscroft 73, 74, 75, 69.
- 293 - D Butler 74, 69, 76, 74.
- 294 - P Gill 74, 75, 73, 72; Liang Huan Lu (Tai) 74, 71, 74, 75; R Sota (Sp) 76, 73, 69, 76.
- 296 - P Skerritt 75, 76, 73, 72; E Jones 75, 71, 75, 75; M Moussa (Egypt) 72, 76, 70, 78; L Garrison (Can) 68, 72, 76, 80.

**T**HE Volvo British Seniors Open will remain at Turnberry...

Despite this week's bad weather and poor attendances.

Most of the stars of the booming American seniors circuit are keen to return to the Ayrshire resort.

AND THEY WILL PRESSURE US TOUR COMMISSIONER DEANE BEMAN TO ALLOW THEM TO DO SO.

### Progress

Beman is highly protective of his tour and players need his permission to appear in events which clash with US tournaments.

Last night Alastair Johnston, of IMG - promoters of the Turnberry event - said: "I have had several discussions with Beman and I think we are making progress.

"His worry is that because of Turnberry's attraction, everybody will want to play here.

"However, I made the point that already he is leading 51-1 as regards weeks available for seniors golf, and why does he insist on wiping me out 52-0."

Such is the power of Beman that he refused British PGA seniors champion Peter Thomson the chance of going for the double at Turnberry.

But Johnston added: "Seniors golf in Europe is further advanced than the US Tour was eight or nine years ago.

"Then Arnold Palmer and I travelled more miles drumming up interest than Mike Dukakis or George Bush did in their American Presidential campaigns.

"Now the seniors over there are looking at \$15 million next year.

"There is potential for a seniors tour here."

Billy Casper, runner-up yesterday, said: "I had a great week and would love to come back next year - if Deane Beman agrees."

ALISTER NICOL

GRAND SLAM DOUBLE GLORY

# GARY'S DREAM GOALS TRUE!



★ Grim and bear it... Arnold Palmer doesn't look too pleased but he really did have something to smile about at Turnberry yesterday when his 71 final round included a best-of-the-day inward half of 33. Good shootin' Arnie!

## We'll come back!

YANK STARS AIM FOR  
TURNBERRY RETURN

# O'Hern finds the fun begins at 50 on Seniors Tour

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pared to what O'Hern endures every week on the Seniors Tour. Without a full-time spot in the playing group, O'Hern must drive, chip and putt his way into every event at a qualifier.

Typical Seniors scene: About 100 players compete for four tournament spots in a Monday morning 18-hole qualifier. All ties immediately turn to playoffs. O'Hern figures his traveling expenses average \$1,500, so between rounds he works as a representative of LaMode golf apparel.

O'Hern's odyssey on the Seniors Tour began in upstate New York on

his birthday. He failed to qualify. Then he flew to Albuquerque, N.M. Nope. Dallas. Uh-uh. Oklahoma City. Not yet.

His breakthrough came in Sacramento, Calif., but after playing the qualifier and a two-day pro-am, his game flattened out. He won only minimum money.

"I sort of had a little letdown after doing so well in the qualifier and the pro-am," said O'Hern, who was the club pro at Harmony Landing Country Club for 19 years until he left in 1979. Today, he plays as a member at Hurstbourne Country Club.

The little letdown was followed by the huge liftoff O'Hern enjoyed at Turnberry, Scotland, site of the British Seniors in mid-July.

With only seven holes to play, he found himself only two strokes behind the leader, Gary Player. A double bogey on No. 14, followed by a triple bogey on No. 15, followed by a talk of an O'Hern victory. Still, he won \$11,100 and finished two strokes ahead of Palmer. And that is something that will glow from any golfer's résumé.

"I've really enjoyed myself on the Seniors Tour because it's very competitive golf," he said. "And I still feel like I'm enough of a competitor that I want to go out there and put up a good number every day."

Next year O'Hern's goal is join his former St. Xavier High School pal Frank Beard as a regular on the Seniors Tour. Beard will arrive via an exemption because of his lifetime PGA earnings. O'Hern must play his way onto the list.

The odds are tougher than those you'll find in Las Vegas. Only eight of 128 make it, and the best must prove themselves over eight rounds of golf.

It's worth the effort. As the regular PGA Tour plays Name That Winner every Sunday, the Seniors Tour continues to add playing dates, television dates and prize money. The numbers for 1989 are 42 events, 22 television appearances and more

than \$20 million in purses. The popularity of the older players will be on display when the tour moves into Lexington next week.

"Two things are happening," O'Hern said. "There's more camaraderie with the crowd at a Seniors event because you play a two-day pro-am. You have more interaction with the local people."

"And the second thing is so many of the company executives who decide to sponsor the Seniors events grew up with guys like Gary Player and Arnold Palmer."

Which means those executives are at least 50, the age when life begins on the Seniors Tour for guys such as Jim O'Hern.



# Floyd destroys seniors in Japan

*49-year-old goes wire-to-wire in convincing seven-stroke victory*

BY HIROSHI (DUKE) ISHIKAWA

**K**URIMOTOMACHI, JAPAN—Ray Floyd, the 49-year-old American wunderkind, is singing a lonesome song. After all, nobody wants him. The young bucks on the PGA Tour want the old man out of their pockets and the Senior PGA Tour fears he'll soon be in theirs. So what's a world-class golfer to do? Simple. Go to Japan and lead wire-to-wire while winning the \$461,000 Fuji Electric Senior Grand Slam.

Floyd's victory, which came over an international field including Gary Player and Lee Trevino, marked Floyd's senior golf debut. Although the Senior PGA Tour is restricted to players who have celebrated their 50th birthday, the Japanese senior circuit is open to players who are in

their 50th year. Floyd, only four months shy of his 50th birthday, took full advantage of the loophole.

The winner of 22 events on the regular tour served notice to his elders by jumping out to a first-round lead and maintaining it through Sunday, a feat unmatched this year on the Senior PGA Tour. Floyd's rounds of 65-66-66 for a total of 19-under-par 197 beat Player by seven strokes on the 6,657-yard, par-72 Oak Hills CC course.

For both Floyd and Player, the Fuji was something of a homecoming. Last August, Floyd won the KBC Daiwa Championship here, but for Player the Fuji was his first tournament in

Japan since 1974. For 18 years Player and other South Africans were denied Japanese visas due to their government's apartheid policies. Recent easings in those policies made Player's trip possible.

Apparently Floyd was happy to be back. Fresh from his regular tour victory at Doral three weeks ago, Floyd marched to a two-stroke first-round lead over Player, scoring an eagle, six birdies and a bogey en route to a seven-under-par 65. Floyd was followed by Player and Canadian Bob Reith at 67.



Floyd easy winner

One key to Floyd's victory was his spectacular play on the par 5s, which he played in an amazing 14 under. In his opening round alone, Floyd two-putted for birdie at the 493-yard third, eagled the 569-yard seventh and birdied the 510-yard 10th after a 3-iron shot to 20 feet. At the par-5 16th, the long-hitting Floyd reached the narrow green over a pond with a 2-iron for birdie.

Floyd set the pace again on Saturday, this time with a bogey-free, six-under-par 66. Player also fired a 66 to stay two strokes back. Trevino came on with a 66 as well, but a first-round 73 proved too much for the Senior PGA Tour's leading money-winner to overcome. He remained eight shots out of the lead and never threatened.

After bobbing in Floyd's wake for two rounds, Player, who has yet to win in 1992, slipped to a closing 71. Floyd then was never pressured, and ran away from the field with a 66.

As his regular tour career wanes, a cash-lined senior career looms, but that will have to wait until Sept. 4. In the meantime, a rich and lonely Raymond Floyd will continue to whistle his lonesome tune, *See You in September*.

#### SUMMARY

197—R. Floyd, 65-66-66, ¥9,000,000.  
204—G. Player, 67-66-71, ¥4,200,000.  
208—H. Ishii, 71-69-68, ¥3,300,000.  
209—L. Trevino, 73-66-70; J. O'Hern, 68-67-74; A. Proctor, 68-71-70, ¥2,100,000.



## JAPAN SENIOR PGA TOUR

# FLOYD ON SONG FOR AUGUSTA

Evergreen Raymond is another player with Georgia on his mind, writes Hiroshi 'Duke' Ishikawa

Raymond Floyd, who won't officially join the senior ranks until his 50th birthday on September 4, won on his senior debut by taking the Fuji Electric Grandslam at Kurimoto, Japan. The former US Ryder Cup captain was eligible because in Japan a player qualifies if his 50th birthday falls during the current season.

Floyd has now won twice-in-a-row in Japan — he took the KBC Daiwa tournament last August — while this latest victory, coming hard on the heels of his Doral Ryder Open in Miami in early March, puts him in high spirits for next week's Masters.

Floyd finished 19 under par, 14 of these coming on the par-5s including two eagles, and he recorded only one bogey in three rounds.

In his opening 65, Floyd two-putted for birdie at the 493-yard 3rd, eagled the 569-yard 7th after hitting a 3-iron to four-feet, and birdied the 510-yard 10th after a 3-iron to 20-feet. At the 16th he reached the narrow green over a pond with a 2-iron for another birdie.

Floyd, who added two equally impressive 66s, won by seven strokes from Gary Player, who, because the Japanese government had refused to issue visas to South African passport holders for the past 18 years, was making his first appearance in Japan since 1974. After staying in Floyd's wake for two rounds, he slipped to a closing 71, but still finished four shots ahead of Hiroshi Ishii, the 1991 Japanese Senior PGA champion and leading money winner. Lee Trevino was joint fourth on seven under.

## FUJI ELECTRIC GRANDSLAM SENIOR TOURNAMENT

Oak Hills, Kurimoto, Japan,  
March 27-29

R Floyd	65 66 66 197	Yen9,000,000
G Player	67 66 71 204	4,200,000
H Ishii	71 69 68 208	3,300,000
L Trevino	73 66 70 209	2,100,000
J O'Hern	63 67 74 209	2,100,000
A Proctor	68 71 70 209	2,100,000
Selected score		
A Palmer	72 73 70 215	722,000
£1 = Yen228 (approximately)		



# O'Hern ready to have go at Senior Tour

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"I'm really looking forward to playing. There will be a lot of family and friends coming in and that's enough right there to make you a little excited," said O'Hern, who was contacted at his home in Louisville yesterday. "I really want to do well. This means a lot to me."

"I guess it was about two or three years ago that I first started to think about trying the Senior Tour. I took some time and started playing the mini-tour down in Florida during the winter. I tried to get my game together. I knew it would be tough to go right out there and get my players card and start on the Tour."

Like we did has dreams of playing on the Tour. I guess you could say that my dream was joining Bobby and Frank on the big tour."

Jim O'Hern is 50 years old now. He's got a few gray hairs and his pace has slowed a bit but he's still got the same dreams.

This time around he's living them. Next week, O'Hern — who finished fifth in the British Senior Open three weeks ago and was the low senior in the Kentucky Open last week — will join Nichols and a host of others in the Bank One Senior Golf Classic at Marriott's Griffin Gate Resort.

Beard won't be eligible for the Senior Tour yet until next year when he reaches his 50th birthday.

(Turn to O'Hern, C6)

## O'Hern out of shadows and on to Senior Tour

Gene McLean  
Lead-Staff writer

When he was attending Louisville St. Xavier High School in the mid 1950s, Jim O'Hern was surrounded by golf stars.

Bobby Nichols, who went on to play on the PGA Tour, was a couple of years older. Frank Beard, who went on to win over \$1 million in the Tour, was a couple of years younger. Poor O'Hern was left out there, er, rough.

"I never did make the team," O'Hern says, with a chuckle. "Bob- y was a great player. Frank was a great player. We had a heckuva team."

"But even though I never made on the team, I always played. and I think any kid who plays golf

played in four United States Opens. He got exemptions to play in three or four other events.

He liked what he saw. "When I was secretary of our PGA in Kentucky, Jim Cochran was the secretary in Missouri. We always wanted to play the Tour but we never could. There were others, too. Guys like Joe Jimenez. There were some good players as club pros. We loved to play so much that we never quit."

"Then, when the Senior Tour came around, we had a new opportunity, a fresh start. This was like a second chance."

It was a chance Jim O'Hern was not going to pass up. After leaving Harmony Landing, O'Hern has had several jobs. For a while, he sponsored trips and golf tournaments abroad. Then he went to work for La Mode, a national clothing brand that specializes in golf apparel.

When his 50th birthday neared, O'Hern started to spend more and more time on the practice tee.

"I knew that I had to do some work to get my game back together. That's why I played the mini-tour. I wanted to have some tournaments under my belt. And, it worked out OK. I started to play pretty good."

On May 16, O'Hern turned 50. He turned to the Tour. "I knew that it was going to be tough, jumping in after the season had already begun. But I was pretty realistic. I knew it would be tough qualifying for tournaments and trying to get some sponsor exemptions. I looked at this year as a learning year. I just hope I can make enough money to make it worthwhile and stay out there."

It has not been easy. So far, O'Hern has played in three events. His best finish was a tie for 32nd in The Showdown at Salt Lake City, Utah, when he earned \$2,850.

For the year, he doesn't have any top-10 finishes, has won \$4,950 and has a stroke average of 74.46. "I haven't played as good as I can, I know," he says.

But the turning point might have come about a month ago. When playing at Park City, Utah, he started to play better. Then he went to Scotland to play in the British Senior Open. "I had tried to qualify for the British Open a couple of times and had played fairly well, even though I hadn't qualified. I thought it was worth a shot."

Going into the final round, he had a chance to win. He finished the tournament in a tie for fifth place. Although it doesn't count in the U.S. Senior Tour statistics, it counted for O'Hern.

"I really thought I had a chance to win. I took one gamble and it backfired. Then I made a couple of big humbers. But I was in the hunt. I was paired with the likes of Al Geiberger and Bruce Crampton and Chi Chi Rodriguez. It was a big thrill for me. And it did wonders for my confidence."

Next comes the Bank One.

"I hope I can play well. I'm playing only so-so right now. I can play better, I know. But I like that golf course. The last two years, I won the Boy Scout Tournament at Griffin Gate. I just hope I can do it again."

# O'Hern fires a 66 for one-shot lead in senior tourney

Associated Press

Louisvillian Jim O'Hern fired six birdies and no bogeys yesterday for a 66 that gave him the first-round lead in the \$500,000 Ameritech Senior Open golf tournament at Acme, Mich.

"You know, if you put the ball in the fairway, this isn't a bad golf course," said O'Hern, who leads Chi Chi

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Rodriguez and Don January by one stroke. "I missed only two greens, but I got it up and down."

Jim Dent, a three-time winner this year and the winner last week of the Kroger Senior Classic near Cincinnati, is in a group of four tied at 4-under 68.

The 6,679-yard Bear course, designed by Jack Nicklaus, is considered the most difficult in Michigan with its woodlands, marshes and deep bunkers. Last month Bob Proben won the Michigan Open on the Bear course at 1-over. His best 18-hole score in four rounds was 67.

Senior PGA Tour officials moved the tees up to shorten the course by nearly 500 yards, mowed the rough and set up fairly easy pin placements for the Ameritech. As a result, 28 golfers shot par or better yesterday.

"I am surprised, but I think I know why," January said. "The greens are so soft because of the heavy rains the last two nights. If it wasn't for that, the balls would be ricocheting every which way."

Rodriguez, who won at Las Vegas in May, is eighth on the senior money list with \$317,796, January is 44th with \$61,023 and O'Hern 52nd with \$44,777.

Rodriguez pulled into a tie with O'Hern with a birdie on 16, but he hit a fat tee shot into the rough in front of the par-3 17th to bogey that hole, and missed a 9-foot birdie putt on the last hole.

"I hit the worst shot I've ever seen in my life on No. 17," Rodriguez said. "If I'd been eating ice cream, I would have knocked my eye out."

Top seniors Nicklaus, Lee Trevino, Gary Player and Arnold Palmer are playing in the British Open.



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Jim O'Hern, right, conferred with caddie Michael Green about his second shot on the 15th hole.

11 and 12. She had no bogeys.

The low scores were unexpected because of swirling wind and intermittent showers throughout the day.

"I'm surprised we made it through," said Daniel, who tied for sixth in the rain-plagued Open last week. "The first storm came up while I was in my eagle-birdie binge. I was saying, 'Stay away, Stay away!'"

First prize in the 54-hole event is \$60,000, but the sponsor, the Phar-Mor drugstore chain, has offered a \$1 million bonus to anyone winning both the Phar-Mor Youngstown and the Phar-Mor Inverrary in the same year. Jane Crafter, who won at Inverrary in Florida in February, shot a 3-over 75 yesterday, leaving her 10 strokes from the lead.

■ Louisville's Jim O'Hern shot a six-under-par 64 yesterday to win low-pro honors in the second day of the Senior Classic Pro-Am. Starting on the back side, the 50-year-old O'Hern played his first nine holes in four under. His 64 was one shot better than Lexington native Gay Brewer and two ahead of Gary Player.

Not counting his \$500 prize yesterday, O'Hern has played three Senior Tour tournaments and won \$4,950. In his most recent event, the MONY Syracuse Seniors Classic, O'Hern had rounds of 72-71-73 to lower his season scoring average to 74.44. He hasn't been over 73 in his last five competitive rounds.

# O'Hern tied for Senior lead with 66

Louisvillian overcomes rain delay;  
he and Zembriski are 1 shot ahead

By Mike Fields  
Herald-Leader staff writer

It will take more than a wicked thunderstorm to rain on Jim O'Hern's parade this week.

O'Hern, whose brief career on the Senior PGA Tour hasn't held much sunshine, has found a silver lining. And not just because he endured a lengthy rain delay to shoot a 4-under-par 66 yesterday and tie Walt Zembriski for the first-round lead in the Bank One Senior Classic at the Marriott's Griffin Gate Resort.

O'Hern, a former club pro from Louisville, is also getting to spend some time with his daughters, a new grandson, other family and friends, not to mention a golf course that he can burn up.

"This is like a break for me," O'Hern said. "It's been sort of a mediocre year, so now I'm just trying to grind it out. To get back home and see familiar faces is nice and relaxing."

If O'Hern and Zembriski look over their shoulders they'll see some familiar faces chasing them in this 54-hole tournament.

They are 1 shot ahead of Orville Moody, Lou Graham and Ben Smith, and 2 in front of Bob Boldt, Harold Henning, Rives McBee and Larry Ziegler.

Among those at 69 are Gordon Waldespuhl of Erlanger,

## Bank One Classic

### LEADERS

Player	Score
Walt Zembriski . . . .	33-33—66
Jim O'Hern . . . . .	34-32—66
Lou Graham . . . . .	35-32—67
Orville Moody . . . .	34-33—67
Ben Smith . . . . .	35-32—67
Bob Boldt . . . . .	34-34—68
Rives McBee . . . . .	34-34—68
Larry Ziegler . . . . .	36-32—68
Harold Henning . . .	32-36—68

Complete scores, Page D4.

Miller Barber and Billy Casper.

Defending champion Bruce Charles started off with a 1-over 71 and 1987 winner Bruce Cran- ton had a 70.

Lexington native Gay Brewer who won this event in '84, shot 75 yesterday. Former Louisvillians Frank Beard and Bob Nichols shot 70 and 72, respectively.

O'Hern knows Beard and Nichols. When he was in high school at Louisville St. Xavier, he tried out for the golf team that included Beard and Nichols. O'Hern didn't make it then, but he's rubbing elbows with them now on the Senior Tour.

He even outplayed them yes

(Turn to SENIOR, D4)

## LEADERS' SCORECARDS

Player	Hole Par	OUT									IN									TOTALS		
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O'Hern	P	P	P	P	Bi	P	P	P	P	34	P	P	Bi	Bi	P	P	P	Bi	P	32	66	66
Zembriski	DB	Bi	Bi	P	P	P	Bi	Bi	P	33	P	Bi	P	P	Bi	P	P	P	P	33	66	66
Smith	P	P	Bo	Bi	P	P	P	P	P	35	P	Bi	Bi	P	P	P	P	P	Bi	32	67	67
Moody	P	P	Bi	P	P	P	P	P	P	34	P	Bo	Bi	P	P	P	P	P	Bi	33	67	67
Graham	P	P	Bo	P	P	Bo	P	Bi	Bi	35	P	P	P	Bi	P	Bi	P	P	Bi	32	67	67

P = Par, Bi = birdie, Bo = bogey, DB = double bogey □ Herald-Leader

# Senior

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terday with a solid 4-birdie, no-bogey round. That was no surprise. O'Hern shot a 67 and 69 in Wednesday and Thursday's program at Griffin Gate.

"I hit the ball a little more solidly than I have in a while," he said. "And I had a couple of breaks that I took advantage of. I made all my key putts, too."

"When I've gotten under par before, I've had a tendency not to keep it there. But then I don't have 30 years of tour experience. I'm trying to learn out here."

O'Hern was 1 under par and ready to tee off on No. 8 when play was suspended because of lightning. After two hours and 40 minutes of waiting, he got back in the groove with birdies at the 12th, 13th and 17th.

One of the last nine golfers on the course, O'Hern could look at the scoreboard and tell he was tied with Zembriski coming to No. 18.

He almost didn't make it into the clubhouse in that position. His third shot on the par-5 finishing hole flew the green. He chipped on from a downhill lie and had to make an 8-foot putt to save par.

"You don't want to go to bed at night after bogeying the 18th," he said, "especially when you haven't had a bogey all day."

And especially when you're in position to win some important money. O'Hern has won \$42,000 this year and ranks 53rd on the money list. He needs to finish the season in the top 60 to retain his exempt status.

Zembriski has no such worries. Here's a guy who says he's already "living happily ever after," which is easy to understand since he's won almost a million bucks swinging through his 50s.

He made a big breakthrough last fall when he won the Vantage Championship and collected the \$135,000 first prize. That victory fortified his confidence.

It showed yesterday. The 55-year-old former steelworker double-bogeyed the first hole, but he didn't let it bother him. He promptly birdied the next two.

"I proved to myself that I don't give up," he said. "Two or three years ago if I made a double bogey, God knows what I'd shoot. I probably would have double-bogeyed the next two holes."

"Today I got two quick birdies and got things under control."

Zembriski's only concern was that his good round might be wiped out by rain. He was 4-under with only four holes to play when the bad weather hit. If all the golfers didn't at least make the turn, the round would have been canceled.

"Another 66 would be hard to come by," Zembriski said.

But he got to finish, knocking in 5-foot par putts on the last two

holes to save his score.

Zembriski, who was second here in '85 and third last year, wasn't the only one saving strokes on the greens. Moody was simply magnificent as he used only 24 putts all day.

"That's what really made my round," Moody said of his 67. "I didn't miss anything really makeable."

That was a necessity, though, because Moody hit only eight fairways and nine greens.

"But the wind was a big factor out there, too," he said.

The rain delay should have been irritating to Graham, who was in the 18th fairway when the suspension came. But the long wait didn't affect him. He wound up rolling in a 10-foot birdie putt to get to 3-under.

"I'm pleased with the way I played," he said. "And in a way I was glad to see the rain. The fairways have been hard and baked out, and this is bound to help them."

Smith, like Graham, needed a birdie on the last hole for his 67.

Henning was one player who didn't weather the delay well. After leading earlier in the afternoon, he bogeyed the 16th and 17th, and needed a birdie at the 18th for his 68.

In the 36-hole Super Seniors competition for golfers 60-and-over, Mike Fetchik is the leader with a 1-under 69. Billy Maxwell is second at 71.

Walt Zembriski	33-33—66
Jim O'Hern	34-32—66
Lou Graham	35-32—67
Orville Moody	34-33—67
Ben Smith	35-32—67
Bob Boldt	34-34—68
Rives McBee	34-34—68
Larry Ziegler	36-32—68
Harold Henning	32-36—68
Gordon Waldespuhl	35-34—69
Bob Erickson	36-33—69
Jimmy Powell	36-33—69
Mike Hill	34-35—69
Mike Fetchik	35-34—69
Miller Barber	33-36—69
Billy Casper	36-33—69
Ralph Terry	36-33—69
Bill Johnston	33-37—70
John Paul Cain	36-34—70
Tom Shaw	37-33—70
Bruce Crampton	37-33—70
Frank Beard	34-36—70
Dick Rhyan	36-34—70
Al Kelley	36-34—70

Rafe Botts	36-35—71
Lou Garrison	37-34—71
George Lanning	34-37—71
J.C. Goosie	35-36—71
Bob Charles	36-35—71
Bert Yancey	36-35—71
Billy Maxwell	36-35—71
Tommy Aaron	35-36—71
Dan Morgan	34-37—71
Deray Simon	36-36—72
Jack Fleck	36-36—72
George Bayer	35-37—72
Bobby Nichols	37-35—72
Gene Littler	35-37—72
Freddie Haas	36-36—72
Dale Douglass	36-37—73
Lee Elder	38-35—73
Jim King	36-37—73
Chick Evans	37-36—73
Don Bisesi	35-38—73
Chuck Jones	36-38—74
Jim Cochran	38-36—74
Quinton Gray	39-35—74
Gordon Jones	38-36—74

Bill Collins	36-38—74
Dave Hill	37-37—74
Doug Sanders	37-37—74
Bob Goalby	39-35—74
Joe Jimenez	35-39—74
Phil Rodgers	37-37—74
Henry Brown	36-38—74
Gay Brewer	37-38—75
Charles Sifford	39-36—75
Doug Ford	37-38—75
John Knight	37-38—75
Chuck Mehok	37-39—76
George Bernardin	39-37—76
Buddy Demling	37-39—76
John Schlee	39-37—76
Dick Hendrickson	39-37—76
Howie Johnson	39-37—76
John Brodie	39-38—77
Fred Hawkins	37-40—77
Al Chandler	39-38—77
Ed Tyree	39-39—78
Jesse Whittenton	40-38—78
Jerry Barber	41-37—78
Rex Chaney	42-40—82

# SPORTS BEAT

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## Jones leads Texas Open field; Edberg, Lendl gain semifinals

Steve Jones shot a 7-under-par 63 and took a two-stroke lead yesterday at the halfway point of the Texas Open golf tournament in San Antonio.

Jones, a four-time PGA Tour winner, posted a 12-under total of 128 on the Oak Hills course.

He toured the front side in 29, but his tee shot glanced off a tree on the par-5 10th hole, leading to his only bogey of the day. "I did a lot things right on that hole and still made a bogey," he grumbled. "If I ever put two good nines together, I might be dangerous."

Duffy Waldorf shot a 63—130 and is alone in second. Lance Ten Broeck shot a 64—131 and is tied for third with Nick Price, who shot a 66.

Louisville's Jodie Mudd shot a 65 and is another stroke back at 132, Russ Cochran of Paducah, Ky., is at 66—136, Brad Fabel of Madisonville, Ky., at 67—137, and Louisville's Ted Schulz at 68—138. Brian Tennyson of Evansville, Ind., withdrew after a first-round 71.

■ Rives McBee shot a 6-under 66 to take the first-round lead in the \$1.5 million Vantage championship in Clemmons, N.C., the richest event on the Senior PGA Tour.

Al Kelley and Charles Coody are a stroke back. Lee Trevino is tied for third place at 68 with Dale Douglass, Larry Mowry and Charles Owens.

Louisville's Jim O'Hern shot a 69, former Louisville resident Frank Beard a 71, Louisville native Bobby Nichols a 73 and former Lexington, Ky., resident Gay Brewer a 79.

■ Beth Daniel's hole-in-one on the 174-yard 14th hole capped a sizzling 63 as she pulled within two shots of leader Patty Sheehan in the \$1 million LPGA Centel Classic in Tallahassee, Fla.

Sheehan turned in a 7-under 65 for a two-round total of 132.

Daniel's 63, her career best on the tour, matched the course record and LPGA season best. First-round leader Cathy Gerrin, who shot a 63 Thursday, slumped to a 78 on the 6,332-yard Killbuck Country Club course and is nine strokes off the pace.

Nancy Lopez, Missie McGeorge and Joan Pitcock are tied for third place at 137. McGeorge shot a 68 while Pitcock recorded a 70. Lopez shot a 67. Myra Blackwelder of Lexington, Ky., shot a 73 and missed the cut at 149.

# Trevino Wins Pride by Four

By Toby Smith

JOURNAL STAFF WRITER

On a day hot enough to bake snakes, Lee Trevino proved too slippery to catch.

By shooting a conservative 69, Trevino coasted to a four-shot victory Sunday in the Charley Pride/Sunwest Bank Senior Classic at Four Hills Country Club.

Trevino's three-day total of 200, 16-under par, broke the tournament record of 14-under set five years ago by Gene Littler. The win was worth \$52,500 to the champion. By winning here, Trevino notched his third Senior PGA Tour title of the year and 10th in all.

Finishing in a tie for second at 204 were defending champion Chi Chi Rodriguez and Jim O'Hern. Each collected \$27,500.

Trevino started Sunday with a two-shot lead and there were a few moments on the humid, 90-degree day when it appeared someone might stop him. But those were brief moments. When Trevino sank an 8-foot birdie putt on No. 18, it seemed to cap what the 23,000 fans on hand had sensed for a couple of hours.

It also seemed to cap for Trevino a week of being under more pressure than he liked. After sinking that last putt, Trevino lifted his cap and putter in exaltation, hugged his caddie Herman Mitchell, then kissed his wife Claudia.

"This is like a second homecoming here," Trevino said afterward, happy that he had won in front of many old friends he had known in New Mexico, some since the mid-1960s.

"I won here with that flat stick," said Trevino, speaking of his putter. Indeed, he seemed to make long, twisting putts every other hole each day.

On every other hole Sunday, it seemed, new challengers appeared. But none could trap Trevino. Don January, who started two shots back, wilted badly in the heat and staggered in with a 74. "Old

but never on the right side of the hole."

Bobby Nichols made an early charge, but faded on the back nine and finished tied with January and others at 207.

Others who tried but couldn't snare the wily Trevino were O'Hern, Tom Shaw, Jim Dent and Rodriguez.

"I couldn't make anything happen," said Chi Chi, who still managed to shoot 67. "The only thing wrong with this tournament this year was that Trevino showed up."

The second-biggest story on Sunday surely belonged to O'Hern, who, along with Dudley Wysong, shot the day's best score at 65, and had his best finish ever on the Senior Tour.

At one point, the 11th hole to be exact, O'Hern was only two shots back of Trevino. On the 12th, however, O'Hern put his tee shot behind a cottonwood, taking his only bogey of the day.

O'Hern, who had only won slightly more than \$50,000 before coming to Albuquerque, said he's been helped lately by Bob Rotella, a University of Virginia sports psychologist who has been working with several Senior Tour members.

"I've been learning to be more deliberate when I putt, to slow myself down and to believe in myself."

■ **NOTES:** Attendance for the entire tournament was estimated at more than 70,000, a record. . . . Pride director Paul Bannock said efforts are being made with the PGA to hold the 1992 tournament the week of Aug. 10 and that prize money be substantially increased. . . . Albuquerque Country Club pro Joe McDermott finished at 2-over 218, while host pro Don Klein wound up at 222. . . . Jerry Barber, 75, shot his age or better in all three rounds. . . . Lee Trevino nearly missed the tournament. Last Tuesday he burned the tip of his left thumb while repairing a golf

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### Sunwest Pride Classic

Final scores and prize money Sunday from the \$350,000 Charley Pride Senior Classic on the par-72, 6,722-yard Four Hills Country Club course:

Lee Trevino, \$52,500	66-65-69-200
Chi Chi Rodriguez, \$27,500	67-70-67-204
Jim O'Hern, \$27,500	70-69-65-204
Tom Shaw, \$18,588	69-68-68-205
Jim Dent, \$18,588	70-67-68-205
Miller Barber, \$13,840	67-72-67-206
Dick Hendrickson, \$8,351	70-71-68-207
Billy Casper, \$8,351	67-72-68-207
Bobby Nichols, \$8,351	68-70-69-207
Jim Ferree, \$8,351	72-67-68-207
Terry Dill, \$8,351	72-65-69-207
Don Bies, \$8,351	64-73-70-207
Larry Laoratti, \$8,351	74-64-69-207
Don Massengale, \$8,351	69-67-71-207
Don January, \$8,351	67-65-74-207
Jack Kiefer, \$8,351	70-65-71-207
Jimmy Powell, \$5,258	68-71-69-208
Jim Colbert, \$5,258	68-71-69-208
Charles Coody, \$5,258	72-66-70-208
Bob Reith, \$4,438	72-69-68-209
Gene Littler, \$4,438	68-71-70-209
Babe Hickey, \$4,438	64-72-73-209
George Archer, \$3,509	70-71-69-210
Dick Rhyon, \$3,509	69-72-69-210
Harold Henning, \$3,509	70-70-70-210
Gibby Gilbert, \$3,509	66-73-71-210
Bob Charles, \$3,509	73-66-71-210
Rocky Thompson, \$3,509	71-67-72-210
Doug Dalziel, \$3,509	70-68-72-210
Ben Smith, \$2,905	69-74-68-211
Simon Hobday, \$2,490	72-71-69-212
Robert Gaona, \$2,490	72-69-71-212
Joe Jimenez, \$2,490	71-70-71-212
Bob Wynn, \$2,490	69-71-72-212
Al Geilberger, \$2,490	68-69-75-212
Dudley Wysong, \$1,970	75-73-65-213
Paul Moran, \$1,970	71-74-68-213
Orville Moody, \$1,970	72-72-69-213
Chuck Workman, \$1,970	72-70-71-213
Ken Still, \$1,660	75-70-69-214
Chick Evans, \$1,660	71-72-71-214
Frank Beard, \$1,660	68-74-72-214
Bob Brue, \$1,660	67-74-73-214
Charlie Sifford, \$1,660	73-69-72-214
Bob Rawlins, \$1,385	69-74-72-215
Gary Cowan, \$1,385	70-73-72-215
John Brodie, \$1,385	70-72-73-215
Lloyd Moody, \$1,149	68-77-71-216
Rolf Deming, \$1,149	73-71-72-216
Rives McBee, \$1,149	74-70-72-216
Al Kelley, \$1,149	74-69-73-216
Jerry Barber, \$635	70-75-72-217
Bert Yancey, \$635	72-73-72-217
Fred Hawkins, \$635	70-72-75-217
John Paul Cain, \$635	76-66-75-217
Bob Verwey, \$500	70-75-73-218
Joe McDermott, \$500	72-72-74-218
Doug Ford, \$500	74-73-72-219
Billy Maxwell, \$500	74-72-73-219
Ray Beallo, \$500	73-71-75-219
Al Balding, \$500	72-74-74-220
Jack Fleck, \$500	73-73-74-220
George Johnson, \$500	72-71-77-220
Bob Goalby, \$500	76-74-71-221
Bob Erickson, \$500	76-74-71-221
R.H. Sikes, \$500	74-78-72-222
Gay Brewer, \$500	76-73-73-222
Don Klein, \$500	75-73-74-222
Dan Morgan, \$500	76-75-72-223
Steve Spray, \$500	78-75-71-224
Tommy Aaron, \$500	75-77-72-224
Mike Fetchick, \$500	74-81-71-226
Steve Reid, \$500	76-78-74-226
Bill Collins, \$500	78-74-74-226
Ted Hayes, \$500	72-74-81-227
Howie Johnson, \$500	72-78-80-228



# Face It: Lee Trevino Is Class of Senior Tour

Enjoy it while you can, Lee Trevino; your days of dominance on the Senior PGA Tour are numbered. John Daly will be eligible in 2016, Lee, and boy, will you be in trouble.

But until then . . . As expected, the Big Dog ate Sunday — but he ate politely. Easing to a round of 3-under-par 69, Trevino mastered the 1991 Charley Pride/Sunwest Bank Senior Golf Classic field without embarrassing it. His total of 16-under-par 200 broke the tournament record by two shots, but didn't subject Four Hills Country Club to the sub-200 violation that seemed



**Rick Wright**

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## Trevino May Be in Trouble in 2016

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the kind of credentials Trevino has. And Trevino's game, never one that relied on brute force, will continue to win as long for him as long as he can putt.

"I won this tournament," he pointed out Sunday, "with the flat stick."

Trevino, unlike Nicklaus, is totally committed to the Senior Tour. He expresses no desire to tee it up with Daly or Nick Faldo or Payne Stewart until sometime next century.

"I don't play the regular tour," he said Sunday, responding to a question about his future. "I'm a senior, and my job is to play and promote the Senior Tour."

Fair enough. Lee Buck Trevino was born Dec. 1, 1939 in Dallas, and he has the gray hair under his golf cap to prove it. Still, his constant presence on the same circuit with 61-year-old Don January and 74-year-old Jerry Barber would seem unfair — if it weren't so obvious that each and every player out there benefits from his presence. People would pay to see Trevino clean the grooves in his

able after rounds of 66 and 65 the first two days.

Face it: Trevino simply is the class of the Senior PGA Tour. He's the man to beat any time he tees it up, a fact he merely underscored this weekend.

That Trevino is not the leading money-winner at the moment — Chi Chi Rodriguez is — doesn't really tell the tale. What does tell it is Trevino's 10 tournament titles and more than \$1.5 million in earnings since he joined the Senior Tour just 20 months ago.

And while '91 thus far hasn't been quite

to bet that Trevino won't be the leading money-winner by a sizable margin at year's end?

He's likely, in fact, to be the leading money-winner for years to come.

Trevino is the second-best over-50 player in the world, and the best, Jack Nicklaus, is too busy being a walking conglomerate ever to play the Senior Tour full-time. Between now and 1995, only Raymond Floyd and Hale Irwin will bring to the Senior Tour anywhere near

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everybody wins.

There was little doubt as to who would win Sunday, even when the Big Dog didn't immediately chow down. As Trevino played the front nine at Four Hills in even par, without a single birdie, Rodriguez, Bobby Nichols and Jim O'Hern inched within striking range.

But Trevino, an inveterate leader-board watcher, saw what was happening and responded with a four-birdie (and one-bogey) back nine. He punctuated the victory with a birdie at 18, sinking an 8-foot putt after his approach had hit the flagstick.

Meanwhile, as if according to the script, his challengers fell away. O'Hern, a former club pro, started from too far back (eight off the pace entering the final round) and simply ran out of golf holes. Nichols shot a sensational 31 on the front, but then a birdie putt lipped out at No. 10. Drives started catching roughs, approaches zeroed in on sand traps, and his challenge was over.

For Rodriguez, the end came as a firmly stroked birdie attempt bounced out at the par-5 15th — leaving him at 12-under for the tournament. At about that mo-

under. And, as usual, it was Rodriguez who said it — or, actually, sung it — best.

"Que sera, sera," Chi Chi warbled from his golf cart during a delay on the 12th fairway. "Whatever will be, will be."

What will be on the Senior Tour is a Trevino victory — unless Trevino, by sub-par play or by his absence, dictates otherwise.

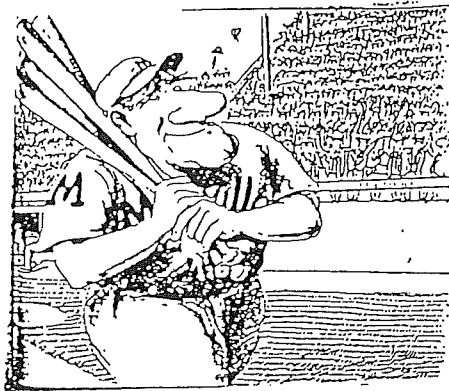
Trevino announced Sunday he'll be back at the Pride next year, partly because he has friends here, partly because he loves everything — well almost everything — about the tournament.

"All they need," he said, "is about 17 more beer stands. Those were the longest beer lines I've ever seen."

Mostly, however, he'll be back because the PGA dictates that tournament champions must defend.

And unless John Daly can get some kind of special, older-than-his-years exemption to play in next year's Pride, don't be surprised to see the Big Dog eat again in '92.

Rick Wright's column appears Mondays, Wednesdays and Fri-



For Casey, mighty Casey,  
was advancing to the ball.

A Communication  
From Casey's brother

JIM MORRISSEY

9/3/91

Dear Jim & Rita:

GREAT GOING, JIMBO!!!

What a super tournament.  
Kay and I know, somewhat, of what  
this means to the two of you. Anyone  
who has struggled and clawed to  
grab the success ring knows how much  
it means to "hit a big lick."

So many people in  
Louisville have commented to me  
about the Charley Pride finish, Jim.  
Knowing human nature as I do, I  
doubt that many took the time to  
write. So just accept my word  
for the fact that you have  
a whole passel of loyal fans in  
Kentucky. We follow your progress  
in every tournament and rejoice  
with you on the good ones and  
commiserate on those that aren't  
as satisfying to you.

Kay and I will get in touch  
when we come to Florida in late December.

All best wishes,

*Jim + Kay* (over)

## Jim O'Hern—Senior Tour Player

### pro file

"It has been the dream of a lifetime to play with great golfers from the regular tour like Palmer, Player and Trevino and to play in Japan and Scotland," Jim O'Hern said smiling, "and after three years on the Senior Tour, I believe I'm ready to win one this year."

Jim O'Hern is a confident, articulate man of medium build, who looks to be closer to 45 than his age of 54. Even though, as a golf professional, he was good enough to qualify for the U. S. Open, play in five PGAs and win the Kentucky Open, Jim never played on the regular golf tour. "I didn't even make my high school golf team in Louisville. First off, I wasn't really a strong player then and second, I was competing for a spot on the team with Bobby Nichols and Frank Beard. After graduation I went to Bellarmine College and, during my freshman year, played golf all winter for the first time, made the golf team and played my first college match against John Y. Brown, Jr. (the University of Kentucky golfer who later made a fortune with Kentucky Fried Chicken, married former Miss America, Phyllis George, and was elected Governor of Kentucky)."

"My Dad drove a beer truck and played on Crescent Hill and other public courses in Louisville. He qualified for the 1933 National Public Links and I made it in 1958. We may be one of the few father-son combinations to do that. My father taught me my golf and also about business and family. When I finished Bellarmine College, I was going

to get into the insurance business but Jack Ryan, who was the pro at Big Springs in Louisville, gave me a ride out to the Kentucky PGA tournament where he was going to play and I was going to caddy. On the way, Jack said I should give the golf business a try. In those days you could work in a golf shop until you were 21 and still retain amateur standing, so that fall of 1958 I started work with Ryan. Later that fall I sent in my entry to the Kentucky Open as a professional and I've been in the business ever since," Jim said.

"But I was not a very good player in those days. I hadn't won anything as an amateur and I managed one win in an assistant pros tournament. It wasn't until the 1965 Kentucky Open when I beat Al Atkins in a playoff that I began to feel some confidence in my game because Al was the best around and had won many times. I stayed with Ryan for two years and

then got a job at Harmony Landing which was a new club and I stayed there 19 years. I learned how to really play in weekly little gambling games with Elliot Phillips, Bill Musselman, Moe Demling, and young Fuzzy Zoeller. Frank Beard also played with us when he was home from the tour. Fuzzy was the easiest to beat until he went to the Florida mini tour. Then he came

back and broke up the game overnight and just became a great player.

"Some of my club members wanted to send me out on the tour but I didn't want to give up my job or be away from my family. We were raising three daughters by then and I was playing in all the local tournaments and making a good living. I was runner up in the Kentucky Open three or four times, won the Kentucky PGA three times and was Kentucky Player of the Year three times, in 1973, '74 and '77. In 1980 I gave up the club professional job and started in the golf travel business and chartered flights and set up tournaments at Casa de Campo in the Dominican Republic. I still stayed active by playing in Kentucky tournaments and got to be a better scorer. That's the real secret to tournament golf that I am still learning from the great players on the Senior Tour. Even when they don't play well, they score low.

"A year or two before I turned 50 I played in the Florida Winter Club Pro Series and competed against younger kids.

My friend Jim Barber, the pro at Indiana's Jeff Elks club, was seventh at the first Senior qualifying school. They only took the four top scorers at that time but Jim told me all about it and when he did so well I thought I would give it a try and devote full time to getting ready. I was working as a La Mode 'rep' in this region for the company owner and my friend Eddie Kahn and I was able to combine business and playing time. The first time I tried qualifying school, I missed by two

shots at Sleepy Hollow Club near New York, but the next week I stayed on for U. S. Open qualifying at the Rockaway Hunt Club and was medalist. That gave me renewed confidence and I started traveling the Senior Tour with about twenty other guys who tried to get in each tournament through the Monday qualifiers. I went seven weeks before qualifying for one but later in the year finished 5th in the British Seniors which was won by Gary Player. I'll never forget how I felt when Gary came into the locker room at the next tournament and after receiving congratulations from a room full of tour players told them that I was a really good player who could have won it too. That fall of 1988 I went to qualifying school again and made it. They took eight players. And as Babe Hickey said once, "The last nine holes of qualifying school were the hardest I ever played in my life. It means the whole year."

In 1989 Jim played well and finished 5th in Lexington in front of his Kentucky fans and 6th at Melbourne where he played the last round with Gary Player and played well for another confidence boost. But he finished 52nd in earnings and since only the top 31 with alternates down to the number

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*"I didn't even make my high school golf team in Louisville. First off, I wasn't really a strong player then and second, I was competing for a spot on the team with Bobby Nichols and Frank Beard."*

## Cern concludes...

50 spot could be on the exempt list, it was back to qualifying school where he made it again. In 1990, he finished 44th on the earnings list and had to go back to qualifying school where he just missed. Jim said, "I've got some sponsor exemptions and will be able to play in about 20 tournaments. I'll have to do better to stay out there and I have the feeling I will."

"Some amateurs are doing it too. John Paul Cain was a stockbroker. Bob Rawlings won the USGA Senior Amateur at age 57, turned pro and got his card at age 60. Agim Bardha, an Albanian who used to run beauty salons is out there, and he cuts the players' hair and plays out his golf dream," Jim said. "One of my good friends and teachers has been Dick Hendrickson who was runner-up to Orville Moody in the Paine Webber Invitational at Charlotte in June where Jim finished tied for tenth, two shots behind Palmer and Player but one shot ahead of his high school classmate, Bobby Nichols). Phil Rodgers, Jerry Barber and Jim Feree have also taught me a lot. Jody Mudd really helped me when I was moving in front of the ball and even got to shanking a few. Jody had spent a lot of time with Mac O'Grady learning his system which is called the MORAD system (Mac O'Grady Research and Development). O'Grady, who isn't charging for lessons, has a book coming out and is training young professionals certified in the MORAD system. Bob Betley is a MORAD trained senior who I predict will win a tournament soon."

Jim explained the player selection process for the Senior Tour: "Each tournament has 78 places—62 players are taken from two separate lists that have some overlap. One list is the top 50 Senior Tour money winners from the previous year. The other list is made up of the top 70 seniors ranked by all time earnings. They take 31 players from each list and then round out the field with the eight successful qualifying school players, four sponsor-exempt players and four Monday qualifiers. There is more emphasis on the all-time earnings list which makes it tougher on newcomers like me. It would be more fair if the two lists were even—say 60-60 or 70-70."

When asked about the real highlights of his recent playing career Jim said, "The fans on the Senior Tour are fabulous and it has opened a lot of doors for me. And playing with Palmer. He is still the most intimidating to play with. It's the atmosphere around the King. And playing with Trevino at the advantage when I was in contention. I gave myself a B on that round. The pressure of the \$1.5 million purse was huge. Why couldn't it have been a \$300,000 purse? And watching Roberto Di Vincenzo play and practice. He is still one of the most respected and admired players and can still hit it long. And he is 67. I'm still young and in good condition and this year I feel more positive and definitely feel like I can win."

*Editor's note: As we went to press, Jim finished tied for 7th in the King Island Classic.)*

## Tidewater concludes...

The 16th is the last real chance for a birdie—a 570 par five that can be hit with two big shots only when the wind is favorable. It is the first hole that begins in the pines and ends by the marsh. A good drive sets up a downhill second shot to a green with a safe and large landing area and a fairly easy pitch to a nicely contoured green. But here again the marsh is hard by the green to the right.

We turn for home and face the great 17th hole with our back to the marsh. We must shoot into the pines over a large swale of tall marsh grass with a long iron. The cathedral green, surrounded by pines, sits in the shade and when the wind blows off the marsh the golfer will have a hard time selecting the right club for this 210 yard shot (from the beginner tee it is 145 yards). The hole is the reverse of Neville's 17th at Pebble Beach. Neville has the golfer shooting at a green by the ocean. But the two holes have much in common and are both great holes at this point in the round, as is Wilson's 17th, a 225 yard par 3, at Merion. The green is very long and large and making it to the green surface will be only the beginning of your adventure.

The 440 yard 18th hole is a beautiful and very difficult finishing par 4. From the first look you know it will be murder. The marsh is to the right and the fairway slopes right as the hole swings left. The pines are close on the left. The good tee shot leaves the golfer with a long iron to a green protected by the marsh on the right and long grass to the left. "I asked Hale about having a tough finishing hole and he said that Winged Foot's 18th called for everything a golfer could do to make a par," Tomlinson said. And we all know of Merion's great 18th through the photograph of Hogan hitting a 1 iron to that far away green after a good drive and making a par on his way to the 1951 Open title. Tidewater's finish is a classic ending to a great golf course. How could it have been here only a year or so? It looks timeless and beautiful. It is Tomlinson's masterpiece. He has spent the long hours tramping the ground that amateur designers Crump, Wilson, Fownes and Neville spent with their masterpieces and which Ross gave to Pinehurst #2. And his five sets of tees making the challenges of the course accessible to all golfers is a great contribution to course design. When I asked Tomlinson if he wanted to do more course designing he said, "I am interested, but it will have to be someone who wants an original."

In his chapter, "The Course of Architecture," in *Golf in America, The First One Hundred Years* by George Pepper and the Editors of *Golf Magazine*, Tom Doak says of modern course design, "One sometimes wishes that more amateurs had become involved in the business of design. Surely there would have been some lunatic layouts, but possibly also one inspired course in the tradition of George Crump's Pine Valley or Jack Neville's Pebble Beach." Amateur Tomlinson has given golfers an inspired design. I can't wait to get back.

Louis DeLuca  
Frankfort, Kentucky



**BOB  
GILLESPIE**

*Senior  
Writer*

## Seniors 'Wait and See' Tour

**T**wenty-four years ago, Bruce Summerhays took his one and only shot at the PGA Tour. When he failed to make it through qualifying school, he re-routed his life, raising a family of eight, teaching, coaching and playing in local tournaments.

But he never quite lost the itch to try his game against golf's best. So three years ago, Summerhays did what it seems every 50-something golfer does these days. He began playing every tournament he could find, honing his skills for a shot at the Senior PGA Tour.

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"Life's ultimate mulligan," the Senior Tour has been called. A one-event nostalgia tour that evolved into the second-richest enterprise in golf. A place where careers dulled by age are reborn.

It's a warm, fuzzy image. The reality is something else.

This weekend, the top 28 seniors, the names you know, are playing in Myrtle Beach. Summerhays and a bunch of names you never heard of are in the Senior Series at The Woodlands Country Club, playing to tiny crowds for less than a tenth the money.

This is reality. There are a lot more wannabe Senior Tour players than spots available. Think it's hard for a 20-something to make the PGA Tour? The PGA Tour has 125 exempt spots each year; the Senior Tour has 50.

The Senior Series is where the rest go. It beats going home.

'A godsend.' Summerhays shot 5-under 67 Thursday to tie Bob Rose for the lead after the first of three rounds. He's just glad for the chance. "This (Senior Series) is a needed thing," he says.

John Brodie thinks so, too. The San Francisco 49ers' quarterback in the 1970s, Brodie played the Senior Tour until he lost his exemption. "This is a godsend," he says.

Jim O'Hern founded the Senior Series. The Louisville native saw an increasing number of players being squeezed off the Senior Tour. If they had no place to compete, he says, most would never make it back.

At The Woodlands, players such as Summerhays get all the trappings of a Senior Tour event: good competition, tough course, tournament pressure. Just not the galleries — or the payoff.

"They call us the 'wait and see' tour," O'Hern says.

**Share the wealth.** Two factors made the Senior Tour a success. One is name recognition: Trevino, Palmer and Rodriguez are more popular than many PGA Tour stars, especially with an aging golf audience.

The other is accessibility of the seniors, who sign autographs and chat with galleries. More and more, PGA Tour players tend to hide in locker rooms.

O'Hern can't match names with the Senior Tour; Brodie and ex-Yankees pitcher Ralph Terry are names, but in other sports. But friendly? Senior Series guys will schmooze with anyone.

Probably, that's not enough to turn the Senior Series into a viable entity. O'Hern's outfit needs a tie-in with the Senior Tour similar to the Nike Tour's with the PGA Tour, where the top five get a year's exemption on the big tour. But the Senior Tour isn't necessarily inclined to share the wealth.

But O'Hern and his players remain hopeful. "It's a natural idea," Brodie says. And if the Senior Tour doesn't think so? "They should," he says.

# Senior Series success proves need for 2 tours

**G**ULFPORT — Jim O'Hern likes to call the golf tour he founded the "Wait and See" Tour.

Wait and see is the response O'Hern received when he approached then-PGA Tour commissioner Deane Beman about the possibility of the PGA Tour sponsoring his new tour for seniors who are unable to qualify for the Senior PGA Tour.

"He told me, 'Jim, we're already operating three tours right now. Let's wait and see how our tour goes.'"

O'Hern's brainchild, known as the Senior Series, arrived on the coast this week for the 14th stop of its inaugural 15-event season. The tour concludes next week at Pensacola, followed by the tour's qualifying school, which also will be held in Florida.

## SLIM SMITH



The Sun Herald

Those who are skeptical about the prospects of a seniors tour that operates independently of the PGA Tour need only show up at any of the tour's open qualifying to measure the enormous popularity of the fledgling circuit.

Thursday, 140 players jammed Windance Country Club in a

daylight-to-dusk scramble for 16 playing spots in the 54-hole tournament proper, which begins today.

Not bad, when you consider that the tournament is largely unknown outside the ranks of the graying professionals who have descended on tournament sites from Galveston to Gulfport for a chance to tee it up for a share of the guaranteed \$100,000 weekly purse.

Any discussion of the new tour's success must begin and end with the players. Global Sport Management, the group put together to finance the tour, must keep one eye on the economic realities of the tour. But in the purest sense, this is the players' tour.

You can't get within five miles of Windance this week without hearing a testimonial from the

players on the new tour. O'Hern, 56, is a veteran of both the PGA Tour and Senior PGA Tour. As the new tour's top-ranking administrator, he brings his perspective as a player to the tour. In fact, he's played in all 13 of the tour events this season.

"My game has suffered for it," O'Hern says. "But I enjoy the competition. Beyond that, I think playing gives me a sense of what the players want and need from the tour."

O'Hern, who at one time or another has found himself in almost every exempt category on the Senior PGA Tour, recognized the need for an alternative tour years ago.

"The idea came to me when I was in Florida for a Senior PGA Tour event," O'Hern says. "There were 125 players playing for

three spots in the tournament. Obviously, the Senior PGA Tour was, and is, a closed shop. In fact, most of the players don't even understand how their fields are put together."

What O'Hern saw was a growing pool of talented senior players who were practically locked out of the Senior PGA Tour.

O'Hern began work on putting together an alternative tour in 1993. Thirteen months later, the Senior Series played its inaugural tournament at Galveston.

Among seniors, the tour has developed a solid reputation. Outside of the players' ranks, the tour is still fighting for name recognition and trying to clarify its mission.

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which costs approximately \$2 million to conduct each year, O'Hern doesn't rule out the possibility that the PGA Tour may someday get involved.

"If the PGA Tour wants to take over the tour, we would welcome that," O'Hern says. "Of course, there is a significant investment that has to be addressed. But in the future, the PGA Tour recognizes the value of our tour and wants to get involved, that would be fine."

Until then, the PGA Tour will wait and see.

Based on its debut season, the PGA brass can't help but like what it has seen already.

## Smith

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One of the biggest misconceptions is the tour's portrayal as a renegade tour, competing against the Senior PGA Tour.

"We're not in competition," O'Hern says. "We see ourselves as a supplemental tour. Basically, we're trying to fill the void left by the Senior PGA Tour. What we provide is an opportunity for players to play competitively, make expenses and move on to the Senior PGA Tour."

## SENIOR SERIES PAIRINGS

■ Pairings and tee times for the opening round of the Senior Series at Windance, which begins today, are as follows:

### NO. 1 TEE

**8 a.m.** — Donnie Lindsey, Stewart, Fla.; Gaylor Burrows, Monroe, La.; and Bruce Summerhays, Heber, Utah.

**8:10** — Doug Dalziel, Naugatuck, Conn.; Babe Hiskey, Galena Park, Tex.; and Johnny Pott, La Quinta, Calif.

**8:20** — AL Kelley, Eustis, Fla.; Bob Menne, West Palm Beach, Fla.; and Jim Benning, Conway, S.C.

**8:30** — Bill Wright, Los Angeles, Calif.; Bruce Lehnhard, Fairfax, Va.; and Ken Scott, Marietta, Ga.

**8:40** — Bill Johnston, Phoenix, Ariz.; Joe Kriznusi, Smyrna, Del.; and Snell Lancaster, Jacksonville, Fla.

**8:50** — Gordon Jones, La Quinta, Calif.; Buddy Allin; and Al Balding, Sebring, Fla.

**9:00** — Tony Perla, Collegeville, Pa.; Bill Hardwick, Clearwater, Fla.; Don Davis, Houston, Texas.

**9:10** — Rafe Botts, Cathedral City, Calif.; Al Cotton, Las Vegas, Nev.; and Bob Gaona, Tucson, Ariz.

**9:20** — Jim O'Hern, Louisville, Ky.; Agin Bardha, Birmingham, Mich.; and Walt Morgan, New Bern, N.C.

**9:30** — Fred Ruiz, Mission, Texas; Quinton Gray, Richmond, Va.; and Roger Kennedy, Pompano Beach, Fla.

**9:40** — Larry Laoretti, Jupiter, Fla.; Orville Moody, Sulphur Springs, Texas; and Bob Wynn, La Quinta, Calif.

**9:50** — Jack Eckenrode, West Palm Beach, Fla.; David Jimenez, Palm Beach Gardens, Fla.; and Pat Baker, Hanshire, Texas.

**10:00** — Steve Wilkenson, Tavares, Fla.; Bob Rose, Ontario, Canada; Deray Simon, Altadena, Calif..

**10:10** — Bob Schmitz, Columbus, Ohio; Trask Buxton, Fairfax, Va.; and Terry Carlson, Wheaton, Ill.

**10:20** — No. 11 qualifier; No. 13 qualifier, No. 15 qualifier.

### NO. 10 TEE

**8 a.m.** — Jim Stefanich, Joilet, Ill.; Wayne Carey, Conyers, Ga.; and Steve Reid, New York, N.Y.

**8:10** — Ben Smith, Orlando, Fla.; Bob Irving, Carefree, Ariz.; and Ed Dalton, Logan, Ohio.

**8:20** — Wayne Morris, St. Louis, Mo.; Denny Felton, Lake City, Fla.; and Gustavo Giraldo, Miami, Fla.

**8:30** — Bobby Mitchell, Danville, Va.; Bob Thatcher, West Chester, Pa.; and Bill Kennedy, Cape Coral, Fla.

**8:40** — Bill McDonough, Wellington, Fla.; Ted Hayes, Rex, Ga.; Ken Kreutz, Ft. Myers, Fla.

**8:50** — Gary Cowan, Ontario, Canada; Chick Evans, Lake Park, Fla.; Jim Blanks, Melbourne, Fla.

**9:00** — Paul Desjardins, Wayneville, N.C.; Bob Rawlins, Dallas, Texas; and Fred Hawkins, Sebring, Fla.

**9:10** — Jacky Cupit, Plano, Texas; Lloyd Moody, El Reno, Okla.; and Bob Reith, Palm Beach Garden, Fla.

**9:20** — Bert Greene, Lake, Miss.; Jesse Vaughn, Reston, Va.; Chuck Montalbano, Toluca Lake, Ca.

**9:30** — Jim Tuller, Palm Beach Garden, Fla.; Bob Leaver, Kernersville, N.C.; and Paul Moran, Plaision, N.H.

**9:40** — Mike Joyce, Amelia Island, Fla.; Terry Dill, San Antonio, Texas; and Ralph Terry, Larned, Kansas.

**9:50** — Charles Sifford, Kingswood, Texas; George Johnson, College Park, Ga.; Art Silvestrone, Winter Park, Fla.

**10:00** — Pat O'Brien, Indianapolis, Ind.; Bucky Henry, Charlotte, N.C.; and Richard Martinez, Kapalua, Hawaii.

**10:10** — Skip Pace, Evansville, Ind.; Sam Williams, Naples, Fla.; and Don Butzin, Waukesha, Wisc.

**10:20** — William Fry, Lincoln, Neb.; No. 14 qualifier and No. 15 qualifier.



# Medellín, sede de Parada Mundial del Senior Tour

## Directivo norteamericano aprobó canchas colombianas de golf

Por Oswaldo Bustamante E.

Jim O'Hern, Paul D'Jardins y Jim Benning son tres norteamericanos que aceptaron la invitación del Club Campestre de Medellín -por intermedio de su gerente Luis Fernando Arboleda-, para competir en el III Abierto de Golf-Moviline, en la sede de Llanogrande, que extosamente terminó ayer.

Complacidos con la atención de los antioqueños y el buen nivel del certamen, manifestaron que Colombia tiene excelentes canchas para esta práctica, aunque se les debe poner un poco más de atención para convertirlas en verdaderos escenarios de torneos mundiales.

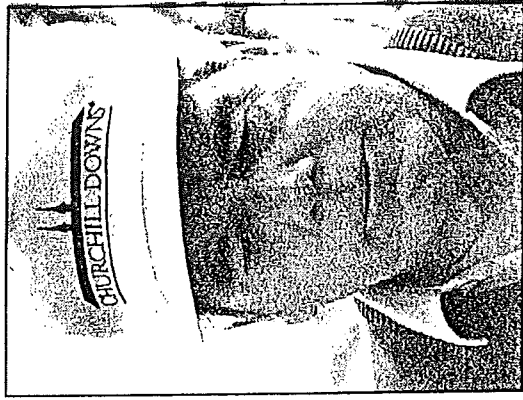
Paralelamente llegaron para determinar si los escenarios colombianos son aptos para celebrar varias paradas del torneo P.G.S.T. (un certamen internacional para profesionales de la categoría Senior). Por lo pronto, el Club Campestre será una de las plazas que albergará este duelo por primera vez en el país, en el mes de agosto.

### DIALOGO

Uno de ellos, Jim O'Hern, jugador del American Senior Tour y alto directivo de la esa entidad que agrupa a golfistas profesionales con edades superiores a los 50 años -en auge en los Estados Unidos como quiera que los torneos semanalmente se transmiten por una prestigiosa cadena de televisión-, explicó que "nuestra visita a Colombia básicamente se produce para certificar el estado de las canchas y la posibilidad de celebrar una o dos paradas del Tour Senior-95".

¿Pasamos la prueba?

"Indiscutiblemente que sí, aquí hay muy buenas canchas. El único detalle que hemos visto en ellas



### Visto bueno

Jim O'Hern, directivo mundial de la Senior Tour de Golf.

embargo, hemos asesorado a la gente de los clubes para que lo corrijan. Por lo demás, no hay inconveniente".

¿Qué requisitos requiere una ciudad para realizar este certamen?

"Los normales de una cancha oficial, pero además que los participantes estén clasificados mundialmente y que los organizadores brinden las facilidades del caso".

¿Dónde se harán esas paradas?

"Inicialmente en Medellín y Bogotá, cuyos clubes están bien dotados".

¿Cómo observa el nivel del golf colombiano?

"Por lo visto en este viaje y en la competencia que hemos cumplido, el nivel es alto, lamentablemente los golfistas colombianos no se conocen en el exterior".

¿A qué se debe eso?

"Pienso que les falta competen-

tipo abierto. Pero además no les gusta salir y muchos otros carecen de facilidades económicas para hacer esas giras".

¿Es la primera vez que viene a Colombia?

"En 1967 estuve en una competencia en Cali. Esta es la segunda vez que juego aquí".

¿Qué tal la ciudad de Medellín, cambia en algo la imagen que a ustedes les llega

por los medios de comunicación?

"Realmente estoy asombrado, hay gente muy cordial y la ciudad es bonita. No he tenido ningún contratiempo. Lamentable esa imagen que tiene en el exterior, creo que la agrandan".

¿Qué conoce de Alberto Rivadeneira, uno de los buenos golfistas colombianos?

"Es un golfista de talla mundial para el Senior Tour".

¿Y de Eduardo Herrera?

"Conozco muy poco sobre él. Por los datos que manejo es un jugador que se promueve más en el Japón que en nuestro país. Trataré de ayudarlo para que vaya a mostrarse en Estados Unidos".

### LOS PROFESIONALES

Ayer se cumplió la última ronda para profesionales. Competencia bien pareja que sólo se definía en el último hoyo.

La lucha se centró entre Anai Fuentes, Gustavo Mendoza, Armando Redondo, todos del Club Country de Bogotá, Robert Herrera, por los Farallones de Cali, Diego Serna, de La Macarena, Eduardo Martínez, del Bogotá Golf, Jesús Amaya, Juan Pinzón y Fredy Luna, de la Aprogolf.

Tomaron parte medio centenar de golfistas en representación de los clubes Andes, Rodeo, Mede-

Medellín, lunes 13  
de febrero de 1995

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HELD AT RADLEY RUN COUNTRY CLUB IN PHILADELPHIA

LOUISVILLE, KY. (September 26, 1983)--Professional golfer Tom Mastroni (second from left) shared the winner's circle with amateur Mrs. George Neslie in the Philadelphia PGA Pro-Lady Championship held September 3 at Radley Run Country Club in Philadelphia, PA. The event was sponsored by Amaretto di Saronno, America's largest-selling Italian liqueur.

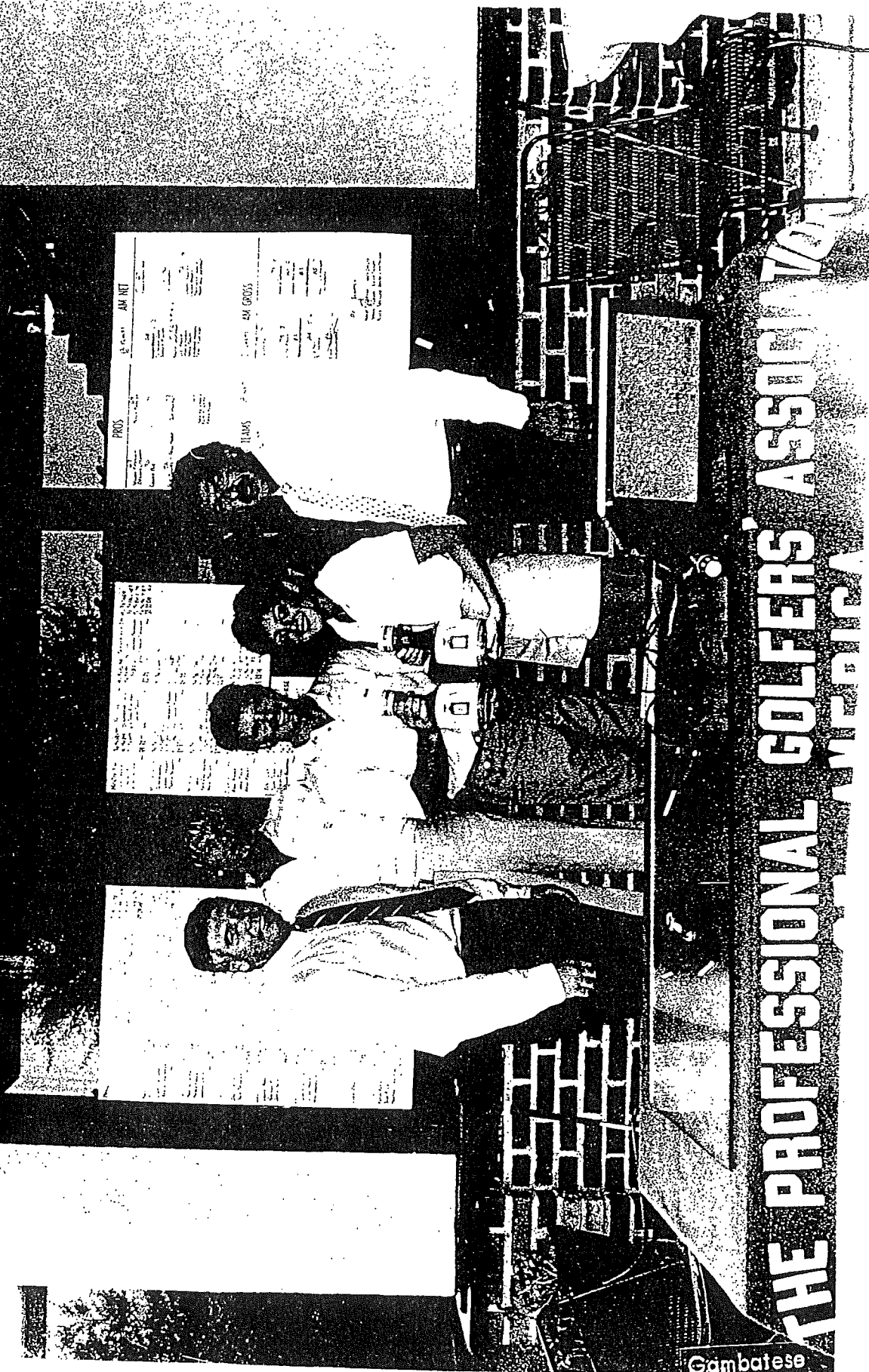
The winning Pro-Lady team, which represented Huntingdon Valley Country Club shot a 73 to lead the field in the alternate shot, low gross best ball team competition.

Jim O'Hern (far left), Amaretto di Saronno Tournament Director, and Jack Klein (second from right), Executive Director, Philadelphia PGA, were on hand to present the winners' prizes. Also pictured is Jerry Brazinski (far right) of Margolis Wine & Spirits, local distributor of Amaretto di Saronno.



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