

Golf 2010

A beautiful sight



Jason Kapusta/Herald

A golfer tees off on the first hole, as seen from No. 18, at Avalon Golf and Country Club at Buhl Park in Hermitage.

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The First Tee of Sharon will begin its 12th year

The First Tee of Sharon, one of the first programs developed through the national First Tee organization, will begin its 12th year. Registration is set Saturday.

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Area golf courses help bring in tourists from Canada and other states to enjoy great layouts and low prices.

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Herald-Tamie Jr. tourney set June 16-17

By Lynn Saternow
 Herald Sports Editor

Kennedy Catholic High golfer Dante Vetica is back to defend his 2009 Herald-Tam O'Shanter Junior Golf Championship this season, seeking to become one of 11 repeat winners in the prestigious event.

This year — June 16-17 — marks the 62nd edition of the annual event which was first won by Bob Wise in 1949. Since then, many of the top golfers from the Shenango Valley area have taken home the first-place trophy.

But while winning is special, repeating as champion is event tougher. Last year, Vetica edged out 2008 champ Eric Grasso for his title, sparked by a spectacular chip-in birdie on No. 14 "Death Valley" hole.

The all-time top winner is Michael Klaric III, who won four titles in 2002, '03, '06 & '07. Three-time winners were Bob Thomas (1961-62-63) and Dave Chuba (1981-83-84).

Two-time champs were: Pat Rielly (1952-53), Andy Klutcher (1967-69), John Zebroski (1972-73), Dennis Dolci (1976-78), Brent Blaus (1987-88), Lew Rosa (1992-93), Pete Sirianni Jr. (1996-97), Mike Kasula (1998-99).

The tournament was the brainchild of the late Tamie owner Jack Kerins and Herald Sports Editor Johnny Pepe and has provided many thrilling finishes over the years. It is a 36-hole event, with the leaders after Day 1 advancing to the final day.

Thanks to the generosity of the Kerins family, it is a free tournament for Shenango Valley boys and girls who don't turn 18 prior to Sept. 1 of that year.

Following is a list of winners:

- 2009 — Dante Vetica
- 2008 — Eric Grasso
- 2007 — Michael Klaric III
- 2006 — Michael Klaric III
- 2005 — Ryan Miller
- 2004 — Steve Killa
- 2003 — Michael Klaric III
- 2002 — Michael Klaric III
- 2001 — David Gibb
- 2000 — John Matune
- 1999 — Mike Kasula
- 1998 — Mike Kasula
- 1997 — Pete Sirianni Jr.



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Chipping in

Dante Vetica hits a chip shot that found the hole for a birdie on No. 14 "Death Valley" hole that helped spark a victory in the 2009 Herald-Tam O'Shanter Junior Golf Championship. Vetica can become a two-time champion this year if he wins the 62nd annual event, set for June 16-17.

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| 1996 — Pete Sirianni Jr. | 1982 — Scott Gladysz | 1968 — Eddie Wells | 1958 — Lou Rotunno |
| 1995 — Matt Kolbrich | 1981 — Dave Chuba | 1967 — Andy Klutcher | 1957 — Mickey Alexander |
| 1994 — Phil Puleo | 1980 — Mark Alexander | 1966 — Howard Bolotin | 1956 — Pat Wildman |
| 1993 — Lew Rosa | 1979 — Ed Zebroski | 1965 — Joe Thiel | 1955 — Dave Gingold |
| 1992 — Lew Rosa | 1978 — Dennis Dolci | 1964 — Jim Wildman | 1954 — Bud Swogger |
| 1991 — Paul Reichard | 1977 — Rich Volansky | 1963 — Bob Thomas | 1953 — Bill Rielly |
| 1990 — Robert Liptak | 1976 — Dennis Dolci | 1962 — Bob Thomas | 1952 — Pat Rielly |
| 1989 — Josh Galicia | 1975 — Jim Kirsch | 1961 — Bob Thomas | 1951 — Pat Rielly |
| 1988 — Brent Blaus | 1974 — John Kerins | 1960 — Johnny Kahl | 1950 — Bob Savko |
| 1987 — Brent Blaus | 1973 — John Zebroski | 1959 — Ron Kurtz | 1949 — Bob Wise |
| 1986 — Jim Wassil | 1972 — John Zebroski | | |
| 1985 — Andy Wagner | 1971 — Lynn Jones | | |
| 1984 — Dave Chuba | 1970 — Nick Dzurinda | | |
| 1983 — Dave Chuba | 1969 — Andy Klutcher | | |

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First Tee clinic

Ed Vietmeier, pro at Shenango Lake Golf Club, talks at a 2009 golf clinic for The First Tee of Sharon, while Oak Tree Country Club pro Bob Collins and PGA pro John Cook look on. Cook, who enjoyed great success on the PGA tour, now competes on the Champions Tour. He is a brother-in-law of local First Tee director Carole Barker.

The First Tee of Sharon to begin 12th season

The First Tee of Sharon will hold registration at The First Tee teaching facility at Buhl Farm Golf Course and Driving Range, Hermitage. Students can sign up for classes Saturday from 10 a.m. to noon.

The fee is \$15. Students ages 7 - 17 are eligible to register. Returning students can also register at this time.

The First Tee is participating in The First Tee Military Affiliate Program through a congressional appropriation. The First Tee will provide life skills education and character development to children of men and women of the United States Armed Forces. The program will bring the experience to 100 installations in the United States from 2009-2011.

The program will be delivered by The First Tee Chapters located within close proximity to the installations.

Locally at The First Tee of Sharon, children of National Guardsmen and Reservists will be able to attend the golf sessions, free of charge, at the facility at Buhl Farm Golf Course and Driving Range.

Information may be obtained from The First Tee Office 724-962-9197, 724-962-1947 or 724-962-4280. A military parent or guardian must complete an instruction voucher, show a valid military ID and present them at the time of registration. The vouchers can be obtained at the Buhl Farm Park

Office or The First Tee of Sharon Office.

The First Tee of Sharon affiliated with the national youth development program in May 1998. The first instructional sessions began in June 1999 and since that time has reached about 300 students per year.

The Player, Par, Birdie and Eagle levels must be completed to be certified and be eligible for the many benefits The First Tee offers. Nominations are made to the National Office for academies and scholarships.

Many of the local First Tee students have received educational scholarships, played on high school golf teams and

served as mentors assisting with our program. Life skills as honesty, integrity, sportsmanship, respect, confidence, responsibility, courtesy learned through the game of golf serve to prepare youth to be productive people in their homes, schools, churches and communities.

Carole Barker, director of The First Tee of Sharon, says

“It has been so rewarding to see so many of our younger participants growing up and becoming excellent students and skilled golfers.”

Plans are under way for the 12th Annual Ladies Tee-Off Golf Tournament to be held September 15. Proceeds benefit The First Tee of Sharon program.



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UPCOMING GOLF EVENTS

May 1 — Greenville Transfer Kiwans Scramble, Spring Valley Golf Club; Info: Spring Valley, 724-662-1999; www.springvalleygolfcourse.net

May 12 — Tam O'Shanter Senior Amateur, 9 a.m. shotgun; Info: Tamie, 724-981-3552; www.tamoshanterpa.com

May 14 — Tri-State PGA Tam O'Shanter Pro-3 Am. Info: Tamie, 724-981-3552; www.tamoshanterpa.com

May 15 — Play Golf America Day, Tam O'Shanter Golf Course driving range; 11 a.m.; Info: Tamie, 724-981-3552; www.tamoshanterpa.com

May 15 — Immaculate Heart of Mary Church Scramble, Info: Spring Valley, 724-662-1999; www.springvalleygolfcourse.net

May 22 — Boy Scouts of America, Spring Valley Golf Club; Info: Spring Valley, 724-662-1999; www.springvalleygolfcourse.net

May 24 — Titleist-FootJoy Pro-Scratch Am, 9:30 shotgun. Info: Tamie, 724-981-3552; www.tamoshanterpa.com

May 29 — Tam O'Shanter \$15,000 5-Man Amateur Scramble, 7:45 a.m. and 1:45 a.m. shotguns. Info: Tamie, 724-981-3552; www.tamoshanterpa.com

June 5 — Hermitage FOP 4-Man Scramble, Tam O'Shanter, 7:30 a.m. shotgun. Info: Tamie, 724-981-3552; www.tamoshanterpa.com

June 5 — Golden Hill Championship Scramble, Tam O'Shanter, 1:45 p.m. shotgun. Info: Tamie, 724-981-3552; www.tamoshanterpa.com

June 6 — Grove City Little Eagles Football/Cheerleading Golf Outing, Pine Grove GC, noon registration, 1 p.m. shotgun; 4-person scramble; dinner, prizes, optional skins, new car in hole-in-one contest, \$240 per team. Register by May 22. Info: littleeaglesgolfouting@hotmail.com

June 12 — 2nd annual Sokol USA Farrell Open, 4-person scramble, Shenango Lake Golf Club, 9 a.m. shotgun, \$50 per person advanced registration, \$55 at outing; prizes, skins, dinner. Info: Tim Brandt, 724-866-8553 or 724-347-3478.

June 14 — Tri-State PGA/Tam O'Shanter Open. Info: Tamie, 724-981-3552; www.tamoshanterpa.com

June 16-17 — Herald-Tam O'Shanter Junior Championship. Info: Tamie, 724-981-3552; www.tamoshanterpa.com

June 20 — 14th annual District X Golf Scramble, Spring Valley Golf Club, 8:30 shotgun; big skins games, prizes food; Info: Bo Bell, at 724-456-5828, bobell737@hotmail.com

June 25 — Hooly Golf Outing, 1 p.m., Pine Grove GC, dinner, silent auction; benefits Grove City Eagles football; sponsorships available. Info: Sandy Phipps, 724-866-3241.

June 26-27 — Sharon Kiwanis Hole-In-One Contest, 10 a.m.-8 p.m., Buhl Farm Golf Course Driving Range. Info: Maury Keaveny, 724 342 5567 or 724-866-7425.

June 27 — Kress Auto Center Benefit Couples Scramble, Spring Valley Golf Club; Info: Spring Valley, 724-662-1999; www.springvalleygolfcourse.net

June 27 — Hickory VFW Golf Course Michael Marzano Memorial Scholarship; \$55 a person; hole donations \$50; 8:30 a.m.; food, beverages, dinner at Golden Corral. Info: Lori Sherman, 724-588-0816

July 10 — Hickory High 1964 & 65 graduates, reunion golf outing, free to all grads from those years, Avalon at Buhl Farm Golf Course, 1 p.m.. Contact Chuck Frankel (65) 412-448-4196 or chuckfrankel@yahoo.com.

July 10 — Grove City Collge Baseball Outing, Spring Valley Golf Club; Info: Spring Valley, 724-662-1999; www.springvalleygolfcourse.net

July 14 — Children's Aid Society 20th annual Outing, Yankee Run GC, 8 a.m. registration, 9 a.m. shotgun; 4-person scramble, \$300 per team; food, beverages, buffet lunch, prizes, more. Sponsorships available. Info: 724-662-4730.

July 15 — KPGA Junior Tournament, Tam O'Shanter, 9 a.m.. Info: Tamie, 724-981-3552; www.tamoshanterpa.com

July 17 — Meghan Urey Memorial Scramble, Spring Valley Golf Club; Info: Spring Valley, 724-662-1999; www.springvalleygolfcourse.net

July 22 — Kings Family Restaurant/Ti-State PGA Junior Open, tee times start 8 a.m. Info: Tamie, 724-981-3552; www.tamoshanterpa.com

July 24 — Grove City Police Association Scramble, Pine Grove GC, \$300 per 4-person team; noon registration, 1 p.m. play; prizes, lunch, dinner, re-

freshments. Info: Patrick Krumpak 724-458-7925, ext. 125.

July 24 — Pinehill Golf Course Hempfield Volunteer Fire Dept. Outing, \$60 a person; hole donations \$50; 8:30 a.m., food, beverages, dinner. Info: Lori Sherman, 724-588-0816.

July 25 — JAM Memorial Scraamble, Spring Valley Golf Club; Info: Spring Valley, 724-662-1999; www.springvalleygolfcourse.net

Aug. 4 — 12th annual Lifetime Scramble, Tam O'Shanter, 2-men, 2-women teams. Info: Tamie, 724-981-3552; www.tamoshanterpa.com

Aug. 6 — Tam O'Shanter Junior Open. Info: Tamie, 724-981-3552; www.tamoshanterpa.com

Aug. 8 — Links and Leisure Travel Scramble, Spring Valley Golf Club; Info:

Spring Valley, 724-662-1999; www.springvalleygolfcourse.net

Aug. 13 — Shenango Lake Golf Club 3rd annual Junior Tournament, ages 12-18: Info: www.shenangolakegolfclub.com.

Aug. 15 — Bloody Mary Open, 9 a.m. shotgun. Info: Tamie, 724-981-3552; www.tamoshanterpa.com

Aug. 15 — Sidebar and Grill Outing, Spring Valley Golf Club; Info: Spring Valley, 724-662-1999; www.springvalleygolfcourse.net

Aug. 15 — Bridgestone Golf Ball Challenge, call for tee times, Spring Valley Golf Club; Info: Spring Valley, 724-662-1999; www.springvalleygolfcourse.net

Aug. 21 — YMCA Strong Kids Benefit 4-person teams, Deer Creek Golf Course. Info: Shenango Valley YMCA.

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Spring Valley is one of the few courses that can provide actually sleeping facilities right on the course, which is attractive to golfers who travel here from outside Mercer County to take advantage of the local rates and great courses offered here.

Terry Mills, president of Spring Valley, predicts that this will be the busiest tourist season on record. He said lodging deposits there are up 90 percent for the first 105 days of 2010. He pointed out that there has been a steady increase in golfers taking advantage of the facilities there.

Spring Valley is just one of the courses and motel facilities listed in the pamphlet entitled "Mercer County PA Golf" provided through the Mercer County Convention and Visitors Bureau in Sharon.

Among the other Mercer County area courses in the

colorful pamphlet are The Greens of Greenville, Green Meadows, Hickory VFW, Oak Tree, Pine Grove, Pine Hill, Pine Lakes, Shenango Lake, Tam O'Shanter, Willow Hills and Yankee Run. It also includes numerous businesses that provide sleeping arrangements for package deals.

The theme of the pamphlet is "Visit Mercer County PA, Everyone Needs An Escape Plan."

Being close to the Prime Outlets in Springfield Township as well as other businesses, also helps attract golfers and their families.

Golfers come here from Canada, Pittsburgh, Erie, Cleveland, Akron-Canton, Buffalo, Niagara Falls, Lancaster, Rochester and even New Jersey.

One golfer from New Jersey, playing at Tam O'Shanter in Hermitage last summer, told The Herald: "We can drive here, stay and play golf all weekend cheaper than we can just play golf in New Jersey. It's a great time here."



David E. Dale/Herald

Lube Golf show

John Dunch, Hubbard, talks with John and Kim Kerins of Tam O'Shanter Golf Course at one of the booths set up at the Quaker Steak & Lube during the restaurant's annual Golf Show recently. Several local courses participated in the event.

Upcoming events

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Aug. 21 — Jefferson Twp. Vol. Fire Department Scramble, Spring Valley Golf Club; Info: Spring Valley, 724-662-1999; www.springvalleygolfcourse.net

Aug. 28 — Hickory VFW Golf Course David Veverka Memorial Scholarship, \$60 a person; hole donations \$50; 8:30 a.m., food, beverages, dinner, chineases auction. Info: Lori Sherman, 724-588-0816

Aug. 29 — Mark Fleming Memorial Scramble, Borland Golf Center, 4-person teams, \$240 per team; 8:30 a.m. shotgun; food, refreshments; optional skins. Deadline Aug. 21. Info: Frank Lenzi, 724-699-7678; Josh Fleming, 724-734-1205.

Sept. 2 — United Way of Mercer County 32nd annual Pro-Am Classic, Avalon at Buhl Park, 4-person & pro regulation handicap event; 12:30 p.m. shotgun, lunch, dinner, concert; \$700 per team (\$600 early registration); sponsorships available. Info: 724-981-1884, www.uwmercercounty.org.

Sept. 3 — Slippery Rock U. Women's Soccer Outing, Spring Valley Golf Club; Info:

Spring Valley, 724-662-1999; www.springvalleygolfcourse.net

Sept. 18 — Spring Valley Golf Club and Lodge 16th annual benefit scramble. Info: Spring Valley, 724-662-1999; www.springvalleygolfcourse.net

Oct. 7 — 29th annual Tam O'Shanter High School Invitational, 11 a.m. shotgun.

Oct. 13 — Tam O'Shanter Pro-Pro, 9 a.m. shotgun.

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1 Shenango Lake Golf Club
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Holes: 18
Par, yards: men 72 - 6,150; women 78 - 5,950

Greens fees: 7 days a week, walking \$8/15 (with cart \$14/27), seniors & juniors \$6/\$11 (with cart \$12/23). First Tee golfers, \$5.

Tee times needed? No

Chip shots: The course, formerly called Birchwood, is operated by Tri-State PGA pro Ed and Annette Vietmeier. It opened its new 9 in 1997, expanding to current 18-hole layout. May/June/July special: pay regular rate with 18/cart receive sleeve of Noodle balls with course logo. West Penn Golf Association now has rating. email: shenangolakegolfclub@gmail.com, www.shenangolakegolfclub.com

2 Buhl Farm
 1290 Forker Blvd., Hermitage
Phone: 724-962-1943

Holes: 9
Par, yards: men 34 - 2,378; women 34 - 2,378

Greens fees: none (donations will be accepted)

Tee times needed? No

Chip shots: Only free public golf course in the world thanks to benevolence of the late Frank H. Buhl. Also has driving range. Home for The First Tee of Sharon and its teaching facility, a prototype for others in the country. First Tee info: 724-962-9197

3 Hickory VFW
 4586 E. State St. (Route 62), Hermitage

Phone: 724-346-6903
Holes: 18
Par, yards: men 71 - 6,405; women 72 - 5,708

Greens fees: 18-and cart, \$18 through end of April; starting May, M & F, \$20 18 & cart before 10 a.m.; regular fees 18 and cart, 7 days, \$29.50; seniors \$24 during

week. Seniors and Juniors \$11 for 18 weekdays walking. Regular walking \$16.50. Specials: Mondays, 18-holes/cart, \$20; same for Saturdays and Sunday after 2 p.m..

Chip shots: Tee times required weekends and holidays.

4 Mercer
 281 Golf Road, Mercer (off Route 58, halfway between Mercer and Greenville)

Phone: 724-662-9951
Holes: 18
Par, yards: men 72 - 6,194; women 72 - 5,366

Greens fees: Walking - weekdays \$10/20; weekends \$11.50/23; seniors \$8/16 weekdays. Carts \$6/12. Monday & Thursday specials, \$25 18 and cart.

Tee times needed? Not required.

Chip shots: Scenic layout offers variety of challenges, including drive over Golf Road on No. 16.

5 Pine Grove
 38 Fairway Drive, Grove City (off 208 East)

Phone: 724-458-8394
Holes: 18
Par, yards: men 72 - 5,891; women 72 - 5,051

Greens fees: weekdays 18 riding, \$28; 9 \$17; seniors \$10/16 walking, weekends, 18, \$25 walking, \$37 riding; Saturday and Sunday after 2 p.m., 18 riding \$28.

Tee times needed? Daily recommended.

Chip shots: While not long, course offers tough choices because of 8 ponds. Offers driving range and some elevated grass tees.

6 Pine Hill
 Leech Road, Greenville

Phone: 724-588-8053
Holes: 18
Par, yards: men 72 - 6,013; women 72 - 5,430

Greens fees: weekdays \$8.50/\$15, seniors \$7.50/15; weekends \$9.50/\$19, seniors \$8.50/17. Carts, \$6.50 half for 9 holes.

Tee times needed? Recommended weekends/holidays

Chip shots: Have pre-paid 9 holes, buy-4, get 1 free golf card. Specials, Monday 18 riding, \$19 before 1; W-F, 18 riding \$22, 27 holes riding \$27, 36 riding \$33. W-F, twilight walk, \$5 after 5 p.m. for 9 holes.

7 Spring Valley
 496 Bestwick Road, Mercer

Phone: 724-662-1999
Holes: 18
Par, yards: men 72 - 5,797; women 72 - 4,863

Greens fees: walking, weekdays \$11/22. 18 and cart, weekdays \$34, weekends \$34. Weekday specials, 18/cart \$25, seniors \$23.

Tee times needed? Suggested weekends and holidays.

Chip shots: Lodging available (22 rooms); bar and restaurant. Challenging hills and wooded layout. USGA handicap system installed. Big draw for Canadians. Several wooded areas cleaned out to speed play, more landscaping.

8 Tam O'Shanter
 South Hermitage Road (Route 18), Hermitage

Phone: 724-981-3552
Holes: 18
Par, yards: men 72 - 6,504; women 76 - 5,385

Greens fees: weekdays \$12/24, weekends \$15/\$30; seniors, M-Th, \$9. Carts \$5/\$10.

Tee times needed? Recommended

Chip shots: Tamie Tuesdays \$22 for 18/cart. Driving range is popular with area golfers. Annually recognized as one of Pennsylvania's finest public courses. Known for promoting junior programs; offers junior instruction. Lessons available, beginner to advanced. Cut down several trees. Home of the annual Herald-Tam O'Shanter Junior Championship. Director of Golf John Kerins was former National Merchandiser of the Year. Web: www.tamoshanterpa.com.

10 Willow Hills
 109 George Junior Road, Grove City (behind Pine Grove Square Plaza)

Phone: 724-748-3375
Holes: 9 (Par 3)
Par, yards: men 27 - 1,100; women 27 - 1,100

Greens fees: weekdays and weekends \$7/\$13; seniors weekdays \$6.50/\$12

Tee times needed? No

Chip shots: Family-oriented center for all ages. Also offers driving range and 18-hole miniature course. Added batting cages.

11 Greens of Greenville
 Mercer Road (Route 58),

Greenville
Phone: 724-588-6020
Holes: 18

Par, yards: men 72 - 6,306; women 72 - 5,151

Greens fees: Summer rates: weekdays \$33, weekends \$37 with cart. Seniors \$31 during week. Season passes: adult, \$1,350; seniors (60-up) \$1,150; juniors (18-under), \$200. Doesn't include carts.

Tee times needed? Recommended

Chip shots: The former Greenville Country Club course was bought by Greenville natives Howard and Bob Weyers and is open to the public. Danny McMillen remains as club pro. Home to Greenville Business and Industry Day/Greenville Chamber Day, celebrating its 60th anniversary this summer. Clubhouse has been completely renovated and full-service restaurant is operating, open to the public.

12 Grove City Country Club
 73 Country Club Road, Grove City

Phone: 724-748-3493
Holes: 18
Par, yards: men 72 - 6,335; women 72 - 5,193

Greens fees: Private Club
Tee times needed? Members only

Chip shots: Opened new 9 in 1996. Renovated the pro shop last year and purchased new carts. Head pro is David Altemus.

13 Oak Tree Country Club
 State Line Road and Route 318, Shenango Township

Phone: 724-528-9984
Holes: 18
Par, yards: men 71 - 6,236; women 74 - 5,427

Greens fees: Semi-private club. Non-members fees: regular rate weekdays \$54 for 18 and cart, senior/junior rate \$35. Saturday/Sunday before noon \$64, after noon \$54. Everyday before 7:30 a.m. and after 3 p.m., \$44. Check specials at www.oaktree-cc.com

Tee times needed? Yes.

Chip shots: Scenic layout is one of the most beautiful in western Pennsylvania. Offers some of area's toughest holes. Lot of tree clearing this year. Bob Collins is director of golf. Tom Roskos is golf professional. Couples night, \$35 per cou-

ple. Friday, after 4 p.m., 9 and cart. Family night, after 3 p.m. Sundays, \$32 for two members 9-holes/cart, \$12 each additional member, children 15-under free. "Play Golf America" nights Tuesdays after 4, 9 holes/cart, finger foods, beverage specials, \$22 per person. Junior golf mornings, M&T, tee off 7:30-8:30, \$16 for 18 holes walking, \$8 9 holes.

14 Avalon Golf and Country Club at Buhl Park

1030 Forker Blvd., Hermitage

Phone: 724-981-6705
Holes: 18
Par, yards: men 70 - 6,185; women 72 - 5,595

Greens fees: membership or public (\$100, 18 and cart)

Tee times needed? Yes

Chip shots: Formerly Sharon Country Club. Now part of the Avalon group, which includes Avalon Lakes and Squaw Creek. Owned by Ron Klinge, the clubhouse has under gone major renovations and features a fitness center, large banquet hall and other amenities. Adam Scott is the director of golf; Adam Schuster supervisor.

15 Borland
 172 Borowicz Road, New Wilmington (off Route 18)

Phone: 724-946-2371
Holes: 18 (9 regulation, 9 Par 3)

Par, yards: Regulation course: men 36 - 3,193; women 36 - 2,709; Par 3: men 27 - 1,366; women 27 - 1,098

Greens fees: Regulation: weekdays \$7.75, weekends \$8.50, seniors, \$1 off for 9 holes; full cart \$13; Par 3: weekdays \$5.75; weekend \$6.25; seniors 50 cents off 9; full cart \$9.

Tee times needed? Recommended weekends and holidays

Chip shots: Par 3 is challenging layout and requires use of several different clubs. Specials: Weekday, 9 holes and cart \$11.50 per person until 2 p.m. on regulation, \$17 for 18 holes. Par 3, \$9.25 weekdays until 2.

31 Pleasant Acres
 240 Tower Road, Jamestown
Phone: 724-932-5907
Holes: 18 holes
Par, yards: men - 71, 6,351;

women - 72, 5,495

Greens fees: weekdays special, \$22 for 18 and cart, \$20 for seniors; weekends, \$29 for 18 and cart, or \$16 for walkers. Wednesday, \$17 for 18 and cart, before 2 p.m.

Chip shots: This marks the 11th year of operation for the course; 6 on back.

LAWRENCE COUNTY

16 Castle Hills

110 W. Oakwood Way, New Castle

Phone: 724-652-8122

Holes: 18

Par, yards: men 72 - 6,160, women 72 - 5,543

Greens fees: 18 and cart, weekdays \$26, weekends \$34, seniors weekdays \$22.

Tee times needed? Recommended daily, required weekends

Chip shots: Minor touch-ups to course. After 1 p.m. weekends, \$26, 18/cart.

17 Green Meadows

Route 19, Volant, 8 miles south of I-80

Phone: 724-530-7330

Holes: 18

Par, yards: men 72 - 6,142, women 72 - 4,746

Greens fees: weekdays, golf and cart, \$26; weekends \$34 for 18/cart, after 1 p.m. \$26; seniors \$22 during week.

Tee times needed? Required weekends

Chip shots: No major changes this year on course.

18 Mohawk Trails

Route 551, New Castle

Phone: 724-667-8570

Holes: 18

Par, yards: men 72 - 6,324, women 72 - 4,500

Greens fees: weekdays \$29.50 18 and cart; \$31.50 weekend. Walking, \$8.50/\$17; weekends walking \$9.50/\$19; seniors \$6.50/\$13 weekdays; carts \$6.50/\$13.

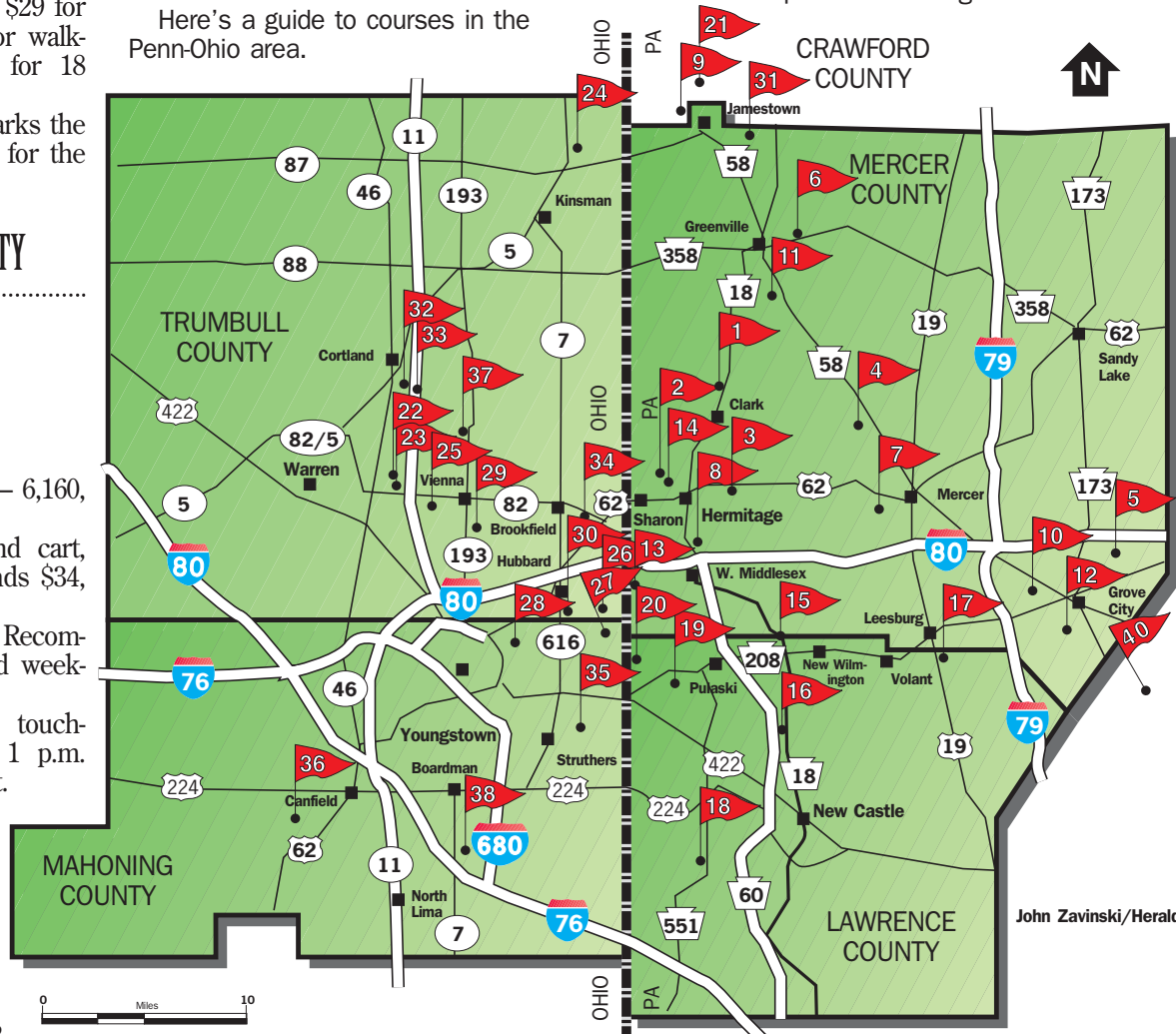
Tee times needed? Recommended for weekends or 18-hole specials.

Chip shots: 18-hole special during week, M-W-F before 1 p.m., \$23 for 18 holes, cart and \$4 food voucher. T-Th, 18-cart \$20. Wednesday after 4 women free with purchase of cart. M-F after 7 p.m., kids age 6-11, golf free accompanied by paying adult (limit 2 kids per

Greens that are just a short drive away

Golf enthusiasts in the Mercer County area can play a different course every day for a month and still not hit them all. And one - at Buhl Farm park in Hermitage - even is free.

Here's a guide to courses in the Penn-Ohio area.



adult). Saturday 2-for-1 after 2 p.m. Friday after 3 p.m., children 12-up golf free with paying adult.

19 Rolling Hills

Pulaski RD 1, Route 208

Phone: 724-964-8201

Holes: 18

Par, yards: 71 - 6,000, women 73 - 5,000

Greens fees: 18 with cart: Weekdays before 2 p.m., \$21, seniors \$17; after 2, \$26 and \$22. Weekends, \$33 before 2 p.m., \$24 after 2.

Tee times needed? Weekends/holidays recommended, but always available

Chip shots: No major changes.

20 Tanglewood

Pulaski RD 1, Tanglewood Road (just off Route 208)

Phone: 724-964-8702 or 800-GOLF-610

Holes: 18

Par, yards: men 72 - 6,060, women 76 - 5,600

Greens fees: Weekdays \$15/\$25 with cart, walking \$8.50/\$17; weekends

\$16.50/\$33 with cart, 10/20 walking. Seniors/juniors before 2 p.m. during week, \$9/\$18. Carts, \$13/\$26. Mondays, \$5/\$10 walking; \$7.50/\$15 riding until 3 p.m.

Tee times needed? Weekends and holidays

Chip shots: No major changes on course this year.

CRAWFORD COUNTY

21 Hartstown

Route 322 West, Hartstown

Phone: 724-932-3017

Holes: 9

Par, yards: men, 36 - 3,245, women 36 - 3,055

Greens fees: Walking - weekdays: 9 holes \$7.50, with cart \$12.50; 18, \$14, with cart \$24.; senior discount, \$1 off. Weekends: \$8/\$13 with cart; 18, \$15/\$25. Seniors \$1 off daily. Monday, 9 holes riding til noon \$9.

Tee times needed? No

Chip shots: Operating pro shop, with restaurant. Tuesday-Wednesday special 9 holes \$5.50 walking; cart \$10.50; 18 walking \$11, with cart \$16.

9 Walnut Creek

3277 East Lake Road, Jamestown

Phone: 724-932-5219

Holes: 9

Par, yards: men 36 - 2,852, women 36 - 2,456

Greens fees: Weekdays \$8; weekends \$9; seniors \$1 off nine holes. Carts, \$5.50.

Tee times needed? No

Chip shots: No major changes this year.

TRUMBULL COUNTY

22 Avalon Lakes/Squaw Creek

1 American Way, Howland, Ohio

Phone: 330-856-8898

Holes: 18 at both courses

Par, yards: Avalon: men 72 - mid tees 6,491, pro tees 7,551; women 72 - front tees 4,904, mid 5,458

Greens fees: Public: \$100 at Squaw Creek, \$150 at Avalon Lakes (includes cart and driving range privileges)

Tee times needed? Yes; call at least a week ahead.

Chip shots: Semi-private club. Various memberships available; contact membership director Jeff Shaffer, 330-856-8410. GPS all 3 courses. Nick Dinsmore is golf operations manager.

23 Old Avalon

9794 E. Market St., Howland, Ohio

Phone: 330-856-4329

Holes: 18

Par, yards: men 71 - 6,224, women 71 - 5,038

Greens fees: regular season - Weekdays, \$9/\$18 walking, \$12/\$24 riding (seniors \$10/\$20 riding, \$7/\$14 walking). Weekends and holidays \$13/\$26 before 2 p.m., \$16/\$32 riding. After 2, weekday rates.

Tee times needed? Recommended

Chip shots: Formerly called Avalon South. Owned by the city of Warren, leased by operator John Kouvas. Clubhouse manager is Roger Bartlett.

24 Bronzwood

Kinsman-Pymatuning Road, Kinsman, Ohio

Phone: 330-876-5300

Holes: 18

Par, yards: men 70 - 5,658; women 70 - 4,773

Greens fees: Various daily rates and specials, check with course.

Tee times needed? Recommended during summer

Chip shots: No major changes

25 Candywood

765 Scoville North, Vienna, Ohio

Phone: 330-399-4217

Holes: 18

Par, yards: men 72 - 6,149, women 73 - 5,257

Greens fees: Various specials and daily rates. Check with course.

Tee times needed? Recommended

Chip shots: Gold tee boxes added for seniors. Bar and full-service restaurant. Web: www.candywoodgolfclub.com

26 Deer Creek

7691 E. Liberty S.E. (Route 304), Hubbard

Phone: 330-534-1395

Holes: 18

Par, yards: men, 71 - 5,665, women 71 - 4,979

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Greens fees: Check with course on daily prices and specials.

Tee times needed? Recommended for weekends

Chip shots: No major changes. Check website for info: www.deercreekgolfhubbardoh.com

27 Donnybrook

3265 Schotten S.E., Hubbard

Phone: 330-534-1872

Holes: 9

Par, yards: men 35 - 3,059, women 37 - 2,667

Greens fees: Check course for rates and specials.

Tee times needed? No

Chip shots: No major changes. Bunker-free layout

28 Doughton

2600 Seifert-Lewis, Hubbard

Phone: 330-568-7005

Holes: 18

Par, yards: men 70 - 5,677, women 72 - 4,943

Greens fees: Weekdays \$10/\$20 walking; weekends \$11.50/\$23. Special after 2 Saturday and Sunday, \$26 includes 18/cart, \$23 seniors. Seniors \$20 during week until 1, 18/cart.

Tee times needed? Recommended

Chip shots: Other specials to be announced.

29 Hidden Oaks

903 Sodom Hutchings Road, Vienna, Ohio

Phone: 330-856-6872

Holes: 9

Par, yards: men 36 - 3,061, women 36 - 2,735

Greens fees: Weekdays \$8.50; weekends \$9; seniors \$7.50 during week, \$8 weekend. Carts \$5 per nine. Wednesday, Friday \$5 walking, \$10 riding 10 a.m. until 2.

Tee times needed? Weekends and holidays recommended.

Chip shots: Clubhouse includes bar and grille. Driving range to be completed soon.

30 Pine Lakes

6233 W. Liberty S.E., Hubbard

Phone: 330-534-9026 pro shop/330-534-1553 range

Holes: 18

Par, yards: men 72 - 6,159 (black tees, 6,542); women 73 - 4,884

Greens fees: Daily specials, rates vary. Check course for rates.

Tee times needed? Recommended daily

Chip shots: Website special: join e-club and get free golf on your birthday other specials at www.golffpinelakes.com. Formerly Hubbard Golf Course. Open 365 days a year. Heated practice facility open with lights and grass tees; lessons provided. Chris Carfangia is head pro.

37 Prestwick

4096 Cadwallader-Sonk Road, Cortland, Ohio

Phone: 330-637-7901

Holes: 9

Par, yards: men 36 - 3,315, women 36 - 2,720

Greens fees: Check course for rates and specials

Tee times needed? Recommended on weekends

Chip shots: Monday-Tuesday specials.

32 Tamer Win

2940 Niles-Cortland Road N.E., Cortland, Ohio

Phone: 330-637-2881

Holes: 18

Par, yards: men 71 - 6,275, women 74 - 5,623

Greens fees: Weekdays \$9.75/\$19.50; weekends \$11/\$22; seniors, juniors weekdays, \$8/\$16. Carts \$5/\$10 per person

Tee times needed? Taken 7 days a week.

Chip shots: Celebrating

49th season. Senior tees around entire course. New driving range nearly completed.

33 Walnut Run

601 E. Main St., Cortland, Ohio

Phone: 330-638-4653

Holes: 18

Par, yards: men 72 - 6,338, women 72 - 4,907

Greens fees: Weekdays 18 riding \$26 cash, \$28 credit, seniors, \$24/\$26; weekends 18 with cart \$30 (\$28 cash); Replay all day, extra \$12. Carts \$6/\$12.

Tee times needed? Recommended on weekends, holidays.

Chip shots: Special membership league rates. Other memberships available, \$300 regular; \$250 senior 62-older. \$225 league. Have liquor license. Cutting out trees.

34 Yankee Run

7610 Warren-Sharon Road (old Route 82), Brookfield

Phone: 330-448-8096

Holes: 18

Par, yards: men 70 - 6,1093 (6,501 blues), women 73 - 5,140

Greens fees (18 holes): Daily specials vary, check with course on rates.

Tee times needed? Daily recommended

Chip shots: Regarded as one of top public courses in state of Ohio. Celebrating 79th year. Pro is Paul McMullin, greens superintendent Gary McMullin. Web: www.yankee-run.com; e-mail: kmcmul3492@yahoo.com.

@yahoo.com.

MAHONING COUNTY

35 Knoll Run

1421 Struthers-Coitsville Road, Lowellville, Ohio

Phone: 330-755-2499

Holes: 18

Par, yards: men 72 - 6,600, women 72 - 6,034

Greens fees: Weekdays before 3, \$27, 18/cart, senior \$18.with cart. Weekends, \$30 18/cart. Check with course about specials.

Tee times needed? Recommended, but not necessary.

Chip shots: Formerly Countryside Golf Course. Clubhouse finished and have 2 large pavillions to hold groups.

36 Diamondback

9399 Leffingwell Road, Canfield, Ohio

Phone: 330-533-3053

Holes: 18

Par, yards: men 72 - 5,773, women 72 - 4,634

Greens fees: M-F, before 3, \$21 for 18 with cart, \$12 for 9; walking \$10, seniors \$8. After 3 and on weekends, \$16/32 with cart, walking \$11/22.

Tee times needed? On weekends and holidays; recommended during week.

Chip shots: Hilly layout, features challenging lies and lakes. No major course changes this season.

38 Reserve Run

625 Western Reserve Road, Boardman, Ohio

Phone: 330-758-1017

Holes: 18

Par, yards: men 70 - 6,162, women 70 - 4,505

Greens fees: weekdays \$30 for 18 and cart, seniors (60-over) \$25; weekends \$36 includes cart; seniors \$32.

Tee times needed? Required daily

Chip shots: Challenging layout, doglegs and water.

39 Bedford Trails

713 Bedford Road, Lowellville, Ohio

Phone: 330-536-2234

Holes: 18

Greens fees: Various daily rates and specials. Check with course.

Tee times needed: Recommended

Chip Shots: Have restaurant and remodeled bar, added wines and liquors. Four pavillions available.

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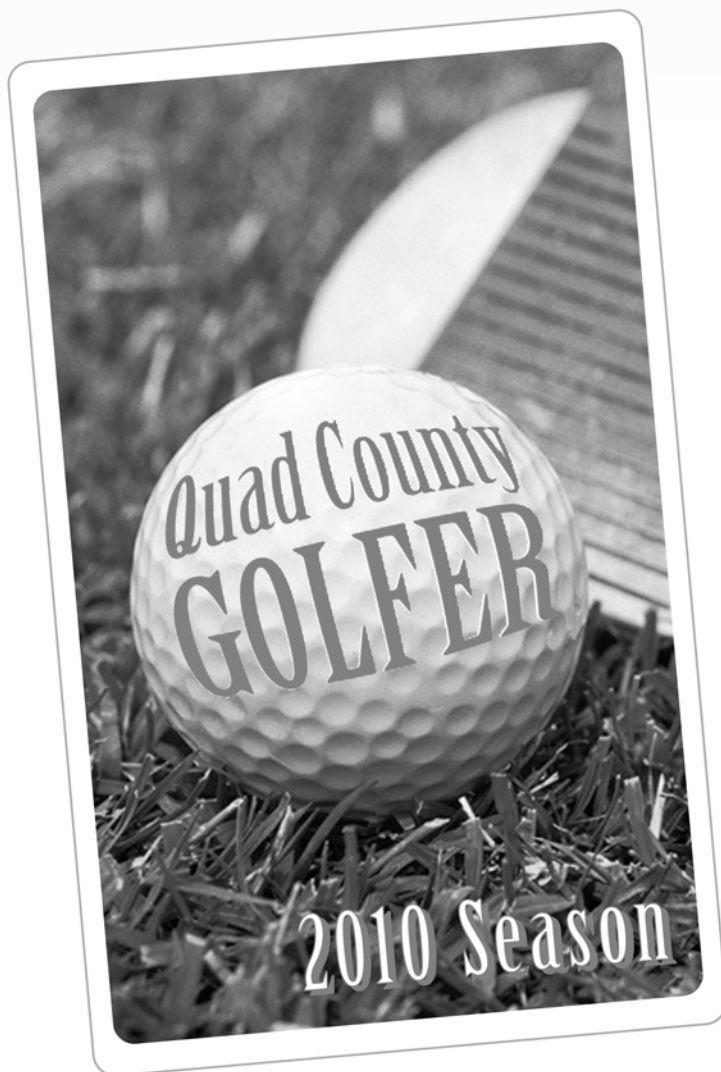
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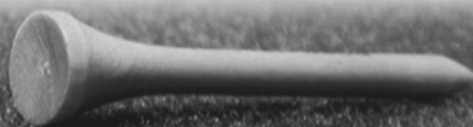
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The Greenville Business and Industry Day has undergone a lot of changes since it first began in 1950 as a brain-storm of Norman Mortensen, Luther Kuder, Jesse Dart and Sy Moss.

Founded by those early leaders of northern Mercer County, it spotlighted business and industry in the entire area. Needless to say, business and industry has declined in this area and so have the crowds at the annual gathering at the Greenville County Club, now a public course labeled The Greens of Greenville.

At one time 800 to 900 people attended the events which included some of the top professional golfers in the country, including the likes of Arnold Palmer, Gary Player and Curtis Strange.

Each year the B&I Day Committee gets creative in still providing a great day for those in attendance.

This year on Aug. 2, it marks the 60th anniversary of the event, believed to be the longest consecutive running

event of its kind in the United States. It is cosponsored by the Greenville Area Chamber of Commerce and the Greenville Area Economic Development Corp.

It is a fundraiser for both of these organizations and all proceeds will be used to promote our area for business development.

The event has become a scramble each year for local golfers. But this year it also features something special — a competition for the Long Drivers Tour of America.

Tom Roskos, a golf pro at Oak Tree Country Club, has performed long-driving exhibitions a few times in the past, but this year brings with him several compatriots who will thrill the crowd with their “bombs-away” approach.

The saying if golf used to be “drive for show, putt for dough.” But with these athletes, they drive for dough on a big-time level.

So make sure you get your tickets, either to play golf and enjoy the entire day, or just to

come out and watch the long-drive tournament and help celebrate the 60th anniversary of a great event.

Past B&I guests

- 1950-55 — No Pros
- 1956 — Joe Kirkwood
- 1957 — Paul Hahn
- 1958 — Joe Kirkwood
- 1959 — Arnold Palmer
- 1960 — Arnold Palmer
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- 1963 — Doug Sanders
- 1964 — Tony Lema
- 1965 — Chi Chi Rodriguez
- 1966 — Doug Sanders
- 1967 — Dave Marr
- 1968 — Tom Wieskopf
- 1969 — Ray Floyd
- 1970 — Harold Henning, Bobby Cole
- 1971 — Miller Barber, Harry Toscano
- 1972 — Tom Aaron, George Bellino
- 1973 — Dave Marr, Michael Daschbach
- 1974 — Bert Yancey, John Baker
- 1975 — Brian “Buddy” Allin
- 1976 — Lanny Wadkins

- 1977 — David Graham
- 1978 — George Burns
- 1979 — Ed Snead
- 1980 — Curtis Strange
- 1981 — Evan “Big Cat” Williams
- 1982 — Bob Rosburg
- 1983 — D.A. Weibring
- 1984 — Harry Toscano, John Baker
- 1985 — Scott Hoch
- 1986 — Gary Koch
- 1987 — Bobby Watkins
- 1988 — Doug Sanders
- 1989 — Blaine McCallister
- 1990 — Orville Moody
- 1991 — Andrew Magee
- 1992 — Bill Glasson, Tina Barrett
- 1993 — Bobby Friend, Michele Berteotti
- 1994 — Willie Wood, Scott Verplank
- 1995 — Vicki Goetze, Evan “Big Cat” Williams
- 1996 — Billy Ray Brown, Carin Hjalmarsson Koch
- 1997 — Kelli Kuehne, Taylor Smith
- 1998 — Catriona Matthew, Kelly Gibson
- 1999 — Marisa Baena, Jenny Chuasiriporn

- 2000 — Fuzzy Zoeller
- 2001 — Mark Brooks
- 2002 — Beth Bauer, Tom Scherrer
- 2003 — Natalie Gulbis
- 2004 — Carol Semple Thompson, Bob Ford
- 2005 — Danny Luirette, Tom Roskos
- 2006 — Denny Dolci, Bob Collins, Dan McMillen, John Kerins, Tom Roskos
- 2007 — Dan McMillen, Tom Roskos, Terry Danko, Denny Dolci
- 2008 — Dan McMillen, Tom Roskos, Denny Dolci, Bob Meyer
- 2009 — Tom Roskos

PGT, KPGA JUNIOR TOURS

PGT Tour

The Pittsburgh Golfers Tour is a popular competitive golf tour of western Pennsylvania courses that is enjoyed by several local golfers.

The handicap-division tournaments began in March and will continue until the end of August in the western Pennsylvania area. More information can be found at the Web site www.pgtgolf.com.

Eric Mount is the director of the northern part of the tour and he can be reached at mount_eric@yahoo.com.

Following is this year's remaining tour schedule:

MAY

- 1 - Match Play tourney
- 2 - Birdfoot, Freeport, Pa.
- 8 - The Madison Club, Madison, Pa.
- 15 - Williams Country Club, Weirton, W.Va.
- 23 - Olde Stonewall, Ellwood City
- 30 - The Links at Spring Church, Apollo, Pa.

JUNE

- 6 - Mystic Rock, Farmington, Pa.
- 13 - Club at Shadow Lakes, Aliquippa
- 20 - Tom's Run, Blairsville.

- 27 - Avalon Lakes, Warren

JULY

- 5 - Match Play tourney
- 11 - Shannopion County Club, Ben Avon Heights, Pa.
- 18 - Squaw Creek, Vienna
- 24 - Ligonier County Club
- 30-Aug. 1 — Ryder Cup vs. Boston Tour, Binghamton, NY

AUGUST

- 8 - Quicksilver, Midway.
- 15 - Avalon at Buhl Farm
- 22 - Seven Oaks, Beaver
- 28 - Butler County Club
- 29 - World Amateur Championship, Myrtle Beach, S.C.

SEPTEMBER

- 5 - The Kennington Club, Canfield
- 12 - Lodestone Golf Club, McHenry, Md.
- 25 - Williams Country Club

OCTOBER

- 3 - Oak Tree Country Club
- 17 - Pittsburgh National, Gibsonia, Pa.

- 24 - Montour Heights Country Club, Coraopolis

KPGA Junior Tour

The Keystone's Premier Golf Association junior tournament schedule has been announced by local director Richard Yauger. For further information contact Yauger at 724-588-8819 or go to the Web site, www.kpga.com.

JUNE

- 7 - Oakland Beach, Conneaut Lake
- 14 - Murrysville Golf Club
- 15 - Mohawk Trails, New Castle
- 16 - Lindenwood Golf Club, McMurray
- 17 - Pine Grove, Grove City
- 21 - Butler's Golf Course, Elizabeth

- 23 - Pittsburgh National, Gibsonia
- 23 - Cederbrook, Belle Vernon
- 24 - Venango Valley, Venango
- 29 - Birdsfoot, Freeport

JULY

- 6 - Meadowink, Murrysville
- 7 - Mt. Hope, Guys Mills
- 12 - Cherry Creek, Youngwood
- 15 - Tam O'Shanter, Hermitage
- 26 - 19th annual P.J. Boatwright Challenge Cup, 3 Lakes Golf Club, Pittsburgh



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Thursday, April 29
2pm to 6pmPing

Wednesday, May 12
3pm to 7pmCleveland Wedge Fitting Day

Thursday, May 13
2pm to 6pmCallaway, Nike

Saturday, May 15
12pm to 3pmTitleist, Cobra

Tuesday, May 18
2pm to 7pmTaylor Made Fitting Day

Friday, June 11
3pm to 7pmPing Tour Van

Saturday, June 12
10am to 2pmTitleist, Cobra, Mizuno

Saturday, July 31
10am to 3pmBridgestone Golf Ball Challenge

2010 GOLF EVENTS

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May 14Tri State PGA Tam O'Shanter Pro-Am
May 15Play Golf America Day
May 24Titleist-FootJoy Pro-Scratch Am
May 29Tam O'Shanter \$15,000 5-AM Scramble
June 5Hermitage F.O.P. 4 Man Scramble
June 5Golden Hill Championship Scramble
June 14Tri State PGA/Tam O'Shanter Open
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18 Hole Greens Fee
(Both Players Must Ride)
Good Monday-Friday anytime, Sat.-Sun. after 12:00
VALID UNTIL MAY 21, 2010
Based on regular greens fee rate.
Not good with senior rate, Tuesday Special, league
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