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Call 604-531-4653 or email

admin@morgancreekgolf.com for more information.

FOR SALE

Royal Colwood Golf Club has 1000 dozen Toplite Limited Flight range balls for sale at a price of \$1000. If interested, contact Jason Giesbrecht at 250.478.9591 or jgiesbrecht@royalcolwood.org

PGA of BC Tournament Registration Now Open Online

Registration is open and on-line entry forms are now available for a number of 2010 PGA of BC Championships.



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Please visit the tournament page at www.pgabc.org to enter the:

- TaylorMade & adidas Golf Tournament of Champions** (May 31st at Crown Isle)
- Links Golf Café Assistants' Championship** (June 7 & 8 at Chilliwack GC)
- Peregrine Plastics Seniors' Championship**(June 7 & 8 at Chilliwack GC)
- Links Golf Café Women's Championship** (June 7 & 8 at Chilliwack GC)
- Yonex Pro-Lady Championship** (June 15 at Seymour G & CC).

On-line registration will be available soon for the remaining 2010 PGA of BC Championships.

Please note the new dates for the PGA of BC Seniors' Championship.

Instead of being contested as part of the PGA of BC Championship in August, the Seniors' Championship is now being staged in June concurrently with the Women's and Assistants' Championships. This will give those seniors who wish to do so the chance to compete in two major championships separately this year.

[Click here to visit the Tournament page on the PGA of BC website](#)

Jeff Paterson is the new PGA of BC Tournament Coordinator

The PGA of BC is proud to announce the appointment of Jeff Paterson as the association's Tournament Coordinator for the 2010 tournament season.

In addition to an extensive background in print and broadcast sports journalism, the North Vancouver native brings experience in professional sports event management with Tennis BC and the Odlum Brown VanOpen tennis tournament.

He is a short-off-the-tee, but keep-it-in-the-fairway left- hander who is fighting valiantly to maintain a mid- single-digit handicap. He looks forward to planning and executing all aspects of each of the 2010 PGA of BC Championships.

"Jeff is a quality guy who knows the sports environment in B.C. thoroughly and knows our association and many members very well," said Brian Butters, Executive Director. "I know he'll do a fabulous job for us on our events this year and we're delighted to have him aboard as part of the team."

Jeff may be reached at jeff@pgabc.org



PACE Proposal Approved

Members of the CPGA have voted to approve the Professional Advancement and Career Enhancement (PACE) proposal, a measure that will change substantially the manner in which CPGA members are educated and categorized.



By an approximate count of 320 in favor and 57 opposed, the national membership gave "thumbs up" to a proposal that has been in the works within the CPGA for several years. An earlier version of the proposal was defeated by the membership when it came up for ratification two years ago.

The revised PACE proposal will have the effect of making the process of becoming a CPGA professional more comprehensive and valuable. It will also allow for CPGA pros to be recognized within the industry and their association for specialized training they achieve during their careers in order to make them more valuable to specific employers.

Current ELITE apprentices within the CPGA will need to make a choice of whether to continue within the ELITE program or switch over to the PACE

program to complete their apprenticeships. Both programs will run in parallel for a fixed number of years.

More information about the implications of PACE on all CPGA members will be communicated in the next week or so. Watch for a special information blast from the PGA of BC office.

Congratulations to outgoing CPGA President Lindon Garron and other members who played a role on the CPGA's Membership and Education Committee for their very hard work in developing the PACE proposal and getting it approved.

[Click here to view the full PACE Proposal](#)

Eclipse Awards Returns as the Official Awards Provider of the PGA of BC

The Professional Golfers' Association of BC is proud to announce Eclipse Awards will be returning as the Official Awards Provider of the PGA of BC for the second year.



In 2009, Eclipse Awards provided elegant crystal trophies and awards to the winners of each PGA of BC Championship.

"We are very happy to have Eclipse Awards once again involved with the PGA of BC," said **Brian Butters, PGA of BC Executive Director**. "The quality and craftsmanship of the awards Eclipse provides are unparalleled. And we love the fact that Eclipse is highly committed to environmental sustainability. This just adds to the beauty of their awards."

Eclipse Awards has introduced a green golf product line to their collection of brilliant crystal and glass awards for the 2010 season. From tee off to the 19th hole, they have a golf award to suit every tournament.

"We at Eclipse Awards are very excited to continue our partnership with the PGA of BC," said **Nelson Borges, the Recognition Guru at Eclipse Awards**. "We look forward to taking PGA of BC members' golf events to the next level with 16 new crystal golf awards, including three new Golf EcoAwards."

Beautiful craftsmanship, responsive service and reliability are the fundamentals of Eclipse Awards' company mission. Yet how they treat the environment, the way they contribute to their community, and the health and happiness of their team are all equally important considerations.

Eclipse Awards believes their role is to consistently deliver on the promises they make to their clients, and in doing so, make decisions that respect the environment, use resources efficiently, and minimize waste. Eclipse Awards strives for simplicity over complexity every time.

Eclipse Awards joins a distinguished list of companies with their continued corporate sponsorship of the PGA of BC. The PGA of BC looks forward to a rewarding green 2010 golf season with Eclipse Awards as a valuable member of the team.

To view Eclipse Awards' full range of golf awards visit www.eclipseawards.com/golf

[Click here to view the full news release](#)

The 2010 BC Pro-Am/Open Schedule now online at the PGA of BC website

The **2010 BC Pro-Am/Open Schedule** is now available online in the Tournaments & Events section of the PGA of BC website (www.pgabc.org).

If you have any tournaments to add, tournament changes or any questions, please contact the PGA of BC Tournament Coordinator, Jeff Paterson at jeff@pgabc.org

[Click Here to Download the 2010 BC Professional Tournament Schedule by Region](#)

2010 Canada Cup July 26-August 1 in Quebec

The Quebec PGA, a zone of the CPGA, has revitalized a major Canadian golf championship to which it invites PGA of BC professionals in all membership categories to compete in 2010.

The Canada Cup will feature a minimum purse of \$100,000 and will be contested over 72 holes (cut to low 60 and ties after 36 holes). It will be hosted by the prestigious Vallée du Richelieu Golf Club.

The dates run from July 26 to August 1, 2010:

- July 26: practice round
- July 27: practice round
- July 28 a.m.: VIP Pro-Am
- July 28 p.m.: Executive Pro-Am
- July 29: First round
- July 30: Second round (cut)
- July 31: Third round
- August 1: Final round

PGA of BC pros are being allocated a total of 18 spots in the field of 156. The spots will be filled on a first-come-first-served basis. So **any PGA of BC members interested in entering should contact Executive Director Brian Butters to get their names on the list.** Reach Brian at (604) 303-6766 or brian@pgabc.org.

More information is available from the link below.

[Canadian Zones 2010 Canada Cup](#)

[Images from 2009 Quebec PGA Tournaments](#)

Follow the PGA of BC on TWITTER

Following Jeff Ciecko's informative session on the power of social media at the Spring Education Seminar, the PGA of BC has created a Twitter account to keep members and the



public informed of the latest association news and event details.

Please follow us at twitter.com/pgaofbc

Chad Linsdell Memorial Golf Tournament - May 8th

This year's 'Chad Linsdell Memorial Golf Tournament' will take place Saturday, May 8th.

Registration begins at 12:30, shotgun start at 2 pm.

Where:

Myrtle Point Golf Club, in good old Powell River

Cost:

\$75 for 9 holes of golf and dinner, or \$40 for dinner alone

There will be prizes, contests, auctions, and other zany antics. You don't need to know how to golf to play in the tournament, just how to have a good time (the format is Texas Scramble).

Proceeds from this year's event will be split between Ryan Bentson, who is currently in Toronto waiting for his new lungs, and Joey Whitford. It will help both with all of the medical expenses they have and will be incurring with everything that's been going on: frequent trips to Vancouver to get Joey's liver assessed, and for after his transplant, when they will have to move to Vancouver for a few months.

Any help is appreciated; whether it is attendance at the event, a financial donation, or a prize donation to be used in the auctions or prize draws.

Please help to honor the memory of Chad, while raising awareness of the importance of organ and tissue donation.

If you want to register for golf and dinner, or dinner alone, please contact:
Joey Whitford
(604) 487-4262
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2010 NIKE Club Fitting schedule now available

The country-wide 2010 NIKE Club Fitting schedule has been released and is now posted on- line (www.cpga.com).

As you may or may not already know, as of November, 2008, the Canadian PGA partnered with NIKE to have them deliver the Club Fitting component of the ELITE program **FREE of CHARGE** to all new Canadian PGA Apprentices, thereby exclusively offering Apprentices a club fitting experience with NIKE Golf and standardizing the learning outcomes.

It is now mandatory for the following Apprentices to complete the recognized club fitting program through NIKE Golf:

- All new Apprentices (who played-in as of 2008)
- All other Apprentices in the National database (pre-November 2008) who have yet to complete their ELITE Fitting component

Currently, the workshops are not designed for Apprentices who already have the ELITE Fitting component completed (as per the National database) or Canadian PGA Class "A" Members.

Please log-on to the Members section of the Canadian PGA website (www.cpga.com) to register for one of the country-wide workshops.

2010 Schedule:

- **Seymour (BC)- April 12**
- **Seymour (BC)- April 19**
- Heritage Pointe (Alberta)- April 26
- Windermere (Alberta)- May 3
- Whistle Bear (Ontario)- May 3
- The Rock (Ontario)- May 17
- Wascana (Saskatchewan)- May 17
- Angus Glen (Ontario)- June 1st
- Elmhurst (Winnipeg)- June 1
- Piper's Heath (Ontario) - June 7
- Lionhead (Ontario)- June 14
- Rosemere (Quebec)- July 5
- Fox Creek (Atlantic)- July 12

If you have any questions or concerns, please free to contact Craig Watson at the National Office.

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[Click here to go to the CPGA website](#)

Coach New Competitor Workshop (CNC) scheduled for Vancouver

A Coach New Competitor Workshop (CNC) has been scheduled for Vancouver, BC.

*****This optional coaching stream is open to all CPGA Apprentices and Members in good standing*****

CNC Workshop

April 25, 26 and 27 (2010)
University Golf Club (Vancouver, BC)
Facilitator: Glenn Cundari

The upcoming deadline for registration is April 11th, 2010.

This workshop is designed for coaches currently working with players who are just beginning the competition phase of their golf experience, either at a club or regional

level.

Please log on to the "Members" section of the CPGA website (www.cpga.com) to register for the Workshop.

Contact Craig Watson (craig@cpga.com) at the National Office should you have any questions or concerns.

2010 CPGA Scholarship Application Form Available Online

To learn more about 2010 Scholarship Opportunities for CPGA Members, Apprentices, Registered Candidates, Sons/Daughters or Grandchildren of CPGA Members (alive or deceased) to help further academic achievements - [Please click here for 2010 Scholarship Application Form](#) or view online in the members online section under benefits and 2010 Scholarship.



[Click here to go to the CPGA website](#)

Members on the Move

As of March 24, 2010

Scott Lejeunesse has transferred to Ontario and is now at Cedar Brae Golf & Country Club as an Apprentice Professional

Justin Manderson has transferred to Ontario and goes to Diamond in the Ruff Golf Course in Muskoka as an Apprentice Professional

As of March 19, 2010

Mike Dern has transferred to the Manitoba Zone and goes to St. Boniface Golf Club in Winnipeg

Matt Matheson has gone to Arbutus Ridge Golf & Country Club as an Apprentice Professional

David Aarts is now at Nicklaus North Golf Course as an Apprentice Professional

Gavin Eckford returns from England and goes to Nicklaus North Golf Course as an Associate Professional

Cory Schommer has transferred to the Alberta Zone and is now an Associate Professional at Pinebrook Golf & Country Club in Calgary

Greg Pidlaski is the new Head Professional at Twin Lakes Golf Resort

Gary Campbell has transferred to BC from the Alberta Zone and goes to Tobiano as an Apprentice Professional

Paul Farkas returns to BC from the Manitoba Zone and is now an Apprentice Professional at Victoria Golf Club

Lee Alarie has transferred to the Alberta Zone and is now an Apprentice Professional at Fairmont Banff Springs

Mark Aven is now an Apprentice Professional at Vernon Golf & Country Club

Pete Hancox has transferred to the Ontario Zone and goes to Otter Creek Golf Club as an Apprentice Professional

Trevor West has gone to Valley Golf Centre as an Apprentice Professional

Chris Doyle is now a Teaching Professional at Pitt Meadows Golf Club

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

NEW

Assistant/Associate Professional
Marine Drive Golf Club

NEW

Pro Shop/Retail Assistant
Royal Colwood Golf Club

NEW

Head Professional
Myrtle Point Golf Club

Head Professional
Arrowsmith Golf & Country Club

Apprentice/Assistant Professional
Revelstoke Golf Club

Apprentice/Associate Professional
The Golf Club at The Rise

Pro Shop Assistant Professional
The Golf Centre - Kelowna

Assistant/Associate Professional
Meadow Gardens Golf Club

2 Seasonal Customer Service Reps
Eaglequest Coquitlam

2 Proshop Customer Service Reps
Eaglequest - Coyote Creek

Assistant Professional
Vernon Golf & Country Club

[Click here to view careers listed in the Members Only section at www.pgabc.org](#)

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