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THE SUMMIT

16TH ANNUAL MILLENNIUM INVITATIONAL GOLF SUMMIT

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After years adrift, an old sailor finally shakes the albatross' curse and navigates an ocean of worthy opponents to the safe harbor of Summit glory. Aided by foul weather and an outbreak of SCD (Spontaneous Collapse Disorder) amongst his opponents, Chris Colton returns to port with his first SMC Title. Alas, years of solitude at sea have taken their toll as the effects of cabin fever may have warped his mind while loneliness seems to have blistered his left hand.



A Word from the Director

*By Bart Edmunds
Summit Founder & Director
Two-Time SMC Champion*

Snow is falling silently outside my window while I sit, sipping my coffee, safe in the warmth and comfort of my home. As I watch the wintry mix through the window, I can't help but be reminded of the Summit of '14 and those twelve brave souls that endured what is now recognized as an ordeal of epic proportion. It started like any other Summit with a pre-dawn rendezvous and departure full of excitement and anticipation – no one suspecting how their lives would change over the course of the next four days.

The Myrtlewood practice round was uneventful, as participants scraped the rust off idle clubs and Tin-man-like swings. Afterward, the group scuttled to the condos to shower and prep for dinner – then things took an ominous turn. The group was divided with John, Phil, Ryan, and another lobbying for adherence to the Friday night tradition of Capt. George's Seafood Buffet, while the remaining eight splintered into two dramatically different rebel factions. While Bart, Steve, Chris, Ken, and Jeff headed to King Kong Sushi in search of uncooked seafood and the beautiful Evangeline Lilly lookalike, Nicole, Bo, Joe, and Woody endeavored to satisfy their more refined palettes and flaunt their wealth at the Bonefish Grille. In an odd twist, Jeff drove to the wrong King Kong Sushi, and, out of spite, refused to join the rest of us at the 'right' one by saying, "You guys go ahead. I think I'm just going to go to bed." which came out of his mouth sounding more like, "You guys go ahead and play your silly game. I'm taking my ball and going home." The four of us shrugged, and proceeded to spend a small fortune on mounds of sushi and 48 oz. rum punch drinks, but alas, no Evangeline Lilly.



Saturday is Play-in day. John "Iron Byron" Bradberry knocked-off former Champion, Sir Bo; Phil vanquished Jeff in a Match that more closely resembled Rocky Balboa and Apollo Creed in *Rocky II* with both combatants so 'punched-out' by the end that Phil's sheer determination to remain standing was the difference in the Match. In the other two matches, Bart thumped Joe, and Chris won, 1-up, to advance to the Quarter-Finals. Bart's team won the Four-man Stableford with an impressive 143 points, followed by Steve's team at 134. Skins were dispersed liberally amongst eight different players. After a relatively uneventful Calcutta, a new tradition may have been born, as the group wandered over to Mellow Mushroom for dinner before scattering in search of various after-dinner treats.



Sunday afternoon was gloomy and cool – and then the rain came. Rain is one thing, and cold is another, but combined, they spell MISERY. Grande Dunes was a fantastic layout, but due to the

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weather, it ended up being an upsetting day full of upsets with all low-handicappers eliminated by their, apparently, not-so-hapless opponents. Bart lost to Woody in a heartbreaking tie-breaker after leading for 17 holes; Chris edged-out Ryan with a 3/2 come-from-behind victory; Phil laid the wood to Steve, 4/3; and, in the worst shellacking of the day, Ken throttled John, 6/4.

[Sidebar]

'You can't judge a book by its cover.'

Many people look at Ken and his golf swing and figure he's a pushover, but a quick glance at the record books reveals a dramatically different story. Like Brad Pitt's classic character, Mickey O'Neil from *Snatch*, this little fella' packs a punch, and those caught unaware, will be packing their bags.



[End Sidebar]

Ryan's team captured victory in the Four-man, 2 Best Balls event with a score of +3, followed by Bart's team at +5. Phil raked-in the dough by accumulating 9 of the 17 skins won that day. After Day 1 of the Calcutta, Chris had jumped-out to an early lead, followed closely by Ken, but it was to be all for naught. By the time the last group rolled in, we were the only fools left on the property with the exception of the poor kid assigned to stay and collect the outstanding carts. We were all wet and frozen to the bone, and couldn't even get into the locked clubhouse to thaw-out.

Monday was cold and windy, and after spending our gift certificates in the pro shop on water-proof shoes, new gloves, and hand warmers, we decided to shorten the round to nine holes and postpone Day 2 of the Calcutta to the final day in hopes of more agreeable weather. Phil dispatched Ken, and Chris eaked-out a win over Woody to advance to the Finals. Joe and Bart won the Two-Man Stableford racking-up 32 points, followed by Bo/Ryan with 22. Joe collected six of the nine skins awarded that day, and Chris and his partner captured one stroke lead in the Dual-Day Double-Dude Duel by posting even par. Then the fun began. . .



Everyone slogged back to the condos to change and warm-up. Afterward, Steve and Ken pulled out their guitars and began to play as we all sat, relaxed, drank beer, and enjoyed the show. Not too deep into their first set, Steve announced, "Rolling Rock goes down like water, to me. I could drink ten of these!" as he proceeded to chug the 12 ounces already in his hand. I know. . . many of you are shaking your head right now thinking, "Now, that just doesn't sound like Steve to make such a bold proclamation in front of a group of people." – especially, when his own beloved daughter, Rachel, has denounced him publicly as (and I quote) a 'two-beer queer' (not that there's anything wrong with that). From that point forward, Steve's world began to unravel and word was spread amongst the people to hurry, lest they miss the spectacle unfolding before our eyes. For the next hour or so, eve-

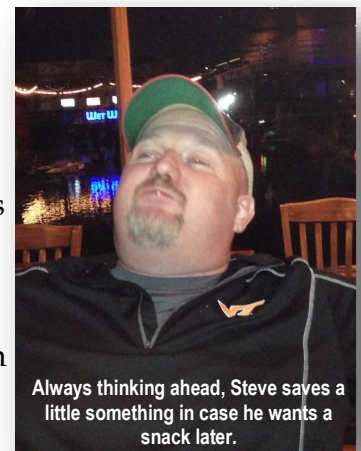
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ryone joined in song as Ken accompanied while Steve played and sang his heart out until they ran out of songs, beer, or both – no one is exactly sure.

At dinner, Mr. Sandman sprinkled his magic dust, and Steve got a little sleepy as his eight beers worked their way through his system. Not wanting his food to go to waste and recognizing the importance of good nutrition, everyone encouraged Steve to delay his nap until after he had eaten and we were no longer in a restaurant full of people. To that end, it was decided that it would be easier for Steve if his food was cut into smaller bites and he was not responsible for actually lifting his fork to his mouth. So, like a baby bird, Steve obediently opened his mouth and accepted whatever morsels were pushed between his lips. Steve was as good as new after filling his little tummy, and immediately began to make friends as only he can do. First, he announced to our waitress, Ava, that it was his birthday, and was immediately rewarded with Oreo cheesecake which was promptly devoured by the rest of the table. After satisfying his sweet tooth, he craved companionship, and his prey that night was an unsuspecting bald man with a miniature St. Patrick's Day hat secured to



its perch atop its shiny head by a thin rubber band. It became Steve's mission to have that hat. On our way home the next day, we reflected on the previous evening's activities and a reference was made to his new friends. Steve gave a quizzical look and assured me that he had made no new friends last night, and that, surely, I had him mistaken for some other bald, goateed, former athlete. It wasn't



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until he saw the picture on his phone that he remembered the, clearly, forgettable man and his two female companions with whom he was yucking it up the night before. Oh, did I say 'remember'? Actually, the mysterious photo on his phone of him cozied-up to three strangers with a tiny green hat on his head not only did not evoke memories, but rather presented itself as a semi familiar curiosity more like one of your parents' prom photos discovered at the bottom of an old shoebox in the back of their closet. That is the moment when Steve came to Jesus and quit drinking forever.

I awoke Tuesday with Annie Lennox's haunting 'Here comes the rain again . . .' echoing in my head. It was a frigid 39° with a brisk 20 mph wind that resulted in a bone-rattling 26° chill factor. Adding insult to injury, there was a steady mist to ensure frozen fingers had nothing but slick, damp grips to hold. If one were asked to imagine the worst golf conditions conceivable, something very similar to this day would undoubtedly come to mind. With the SMC Finals Match at stake along with a variety of other prizes, contests, and Titles, the thought of cancelling altogether was anathema. After a fierce debate and quite a bit of whining, it was decreed that everyone would slip off their skirts, take a shot of testosterone, and play nine holes, Eskimo style, in order to post a Final Round and complete the 15th SMC. It was decided, however, that, given the shortened round, brutal conditions, and amount of money at stake, the Calcutta would be cancelled and all money returned to its rightful owners.



Ryan makes his way to the first tee for the final Round of the 2014 Summit.

[Sidebar]

This decision did not sit well with a faction of the group— specifically, John and Ryan who had been lobbying hard for a kinder, gentler day of scrapbooking followed by a spirited game of Bunko with mugs of hot cocoa all round. In protest, they barely got out of their carts in nine holes and flatly refused to smile. To an outsider, they appeared to be playing something more akin to polo than golf and, I think, even surprised themselves with how quickly a group can play if players focus on reading only their own putts and only from one angle.

[End Sidebar:]

Despite the abbreviated round, there were several interesting storylines. John discovered his 'Senior Swing' and why an 80 year old never plays from the rough or makes a big number. On the final hole while fishing for balls, Steve slipped in mud on the bank of a pond and tweaked his knee. From the reaction of those around him, you'd think the President had been shot, but, in the end, it turned out to be just more 'Steve-drama'. He managed to hobble-in, but, truth be told, he was prob-

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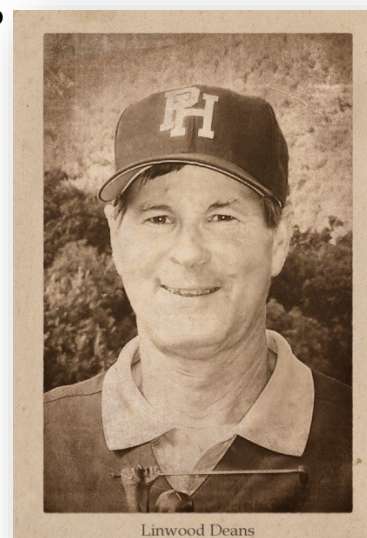


ably more pained by the skid marks on his trousers and the awkwardness of the spectacle than any actual physical 'injury'. And finally, speaking of hobbling-in . . . after jumping out to an early lead, Phil, apparently, suffered some sort of seizure or minor stroke and, in the course of nine holes, managed to whiff on his first (only?) crack at an SMC Title and lose 2 down to Chris who captured his first (only?) SMC Title in a perfect storm of fortuitous matchups and favorable weather for an old salt such as he.

Chris, who has spent more time wrestling the elements at sea than the rest of us have checking the Weather Channel to see if we need a jacket, couldn't understand what all the fuss was about as he stood by his prediction that 'the heavy stuff wasn't gonna come down for quite awhile'. So, as Chris hoisted the SMC Trophy, Ben captured Low Net honors and secured a bye in the first Round of Summit 16 as did Joe for his Individual Team Championship. Alas, Steve, still wet and muddy from his final Round ordeal, slogged forward to accept his first High Net (aka: Hapless Sap) award. In other news for the day, the two-man team of Chris and Ben secured the 2014 Dual-Dude Double-Day Duel Title by 3.5 shots over Ken and Joe by posting an impressive .5 shot under par in the rain-shortened event, while the Black team edged the White team 3.5 to 2.5 in the Face-Off. The leading money winner for the Trip was, of course, Chris who collected \$161 in prize money followed by Joe at \$114.

Despite the weather, and some may argue *because* of it, the 2014 Summit was a memorable one. Unfortunately, 2014 will also be remembered as the year that separated the wheat from the chaff or men from boys (whichever you prefer), as we said goodbye to two of the Summit's founding 'Great Eight', Joe Assaid and Woody Deans. 2015 will represent the first Summit missed by either of these two great past Champions. With Woody gone, others may finally have a chance at the Crown that he took to wearing every four years or so over the last fifteen years. Without his supervision and fatherly admonitions, chaos and mayhem may finally break down the wall of prudence and restraint that he so vigilantly defended. Who won't miss Woody 'Two-Gloves' with his towel hangin' out the backside, only on the right side, yeah, that's the Crip side, his salad plate ball-marker, slicing jab of a putting stroke, and occasional, 'You booger!' Losing Woody from the trip is like losing our father.

In Joe's absence, others may actually get a word in edgewise, though many a golf game will undoubtedly suffer without his ubiquitous and incessant on-course tutelage. Who can forget Joe's beautiful, rhythmic practice swing immediately followed by his rapid-fire convulsion once a ball was placed in the path of the club head, or his 'tell' as the pressure mounted and he began to spit constantly until his mouth was so dry you could strike a match. Without Joe's Chihuahua-like ener-



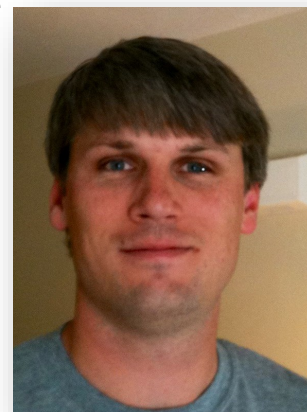
Linwood Deans

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gy, the general stress level will be reduced by 30%, but, unfortunately, so will the childlike excitement he brought to the group.

The third casualty of the brutal Summit of '14's psyche-scarring weather was Ben's protégé, the affable Phil Dick. Phil wasn't with us long, but, in his brief stint, he made an indelible impression on those who witnessed him in action. From his Daly-esque pace of play to his bi-polar ball-striking, it seems almost impossible that anyone with so much natural athleticism could hit a ball so solidly so far in the wrong direction, only to re-tee and pipe one down the middle before the first had landed – only Silent Phil. You will be missed, my friend (especially by Ryan, who will not have a 'lock' to purchase in the Calcutta. Instead, he'll just have to flush his money down the toilet. I guess, that way, at least he has some small chance of getting it back.).



However, as the old saying goes, "Out with the old, in with the new!" The 2015 Summit debuts three shiny, new faces:

Dr. Greg Beato (pronounced bee-AH-doe not BEAT-oh); J. Samuel Flint (or, just Sam – he's not that fancy); and the age-defying Mike Kurtz who is actually much older than he looks. Steve was Greg's nominator/sponsor, so any complaints should be filed first with Steve to afford him the opportunity to rebut or deal with the problem internally and administer any disciplinary action he deems necessary before bringing it before the Committee. Steve has been advised of this policy and the Committee is not anticipating any problems out of Greg who has also been warned. Having said that, we'd like to extend a warm welcome to Greg. I gather that he has a tendency to be the nervous type, so I'd like everyone to do their level best to make Greg feel as if he's just like to the rest of us and not in any way 'special'. By the way, Greg is not Oriental despite his use of a clearly Oriental last name. The standard Summit background check revealed that his practice was established under a minority status in order to take advantage of substantial tax credits offered to business owners that are female, a member of a class of covered minorities, or engage in an alternative lifestyle – he is not a minority.

Sam, who was nominated by me, the Summit Director, is a non-traditional golfer in that his is pretty much just a non-golfer. Sam's talents lay in other areas such as computers and gaming. His hobbies include pool and partying. Supposedly, he was athletic when he was younger, and is surprisingly good with the ladies (I know, right?). He may tell you that he can eat 10 McDonald's double-cheeseburgers, that he can do 55 pushups, or that his is 14' tall. Do not believe him. Simply take whatever he tells you, multiply it by 40%, and you will have the true number. Doctors have determined that he suffers from a psychological disorder know as Napoleon, or Little-

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Man, Syndrome. HGH is the only known cure, but it must be administered as a child for maximum effectiveness. He's only got a few more years before he'll be forced to abandon this treatment regime, so, in the meantime, take him with a grain of salt. We're 125% happy Sam will be joining us at the Summit this year.

Our final Rookie comes to us by way of John Bradberry from the north side of the tracks. You will find Mike to be very likeable and easygoing, unless you make the mistake of wandering into his world and attempt to negotiate with him. Negotiate what, you say? It doesn't matter—shots, teams, choice of restaurant— it just doesn't matter. Rumor has it that Mike has a Masters in Trickinology and was leader of a crack, hostage negotiation team. Just when you think you've made a friend, 'POW!' — bullet to the head. Over the years, he's garnered nicknames such as Medeco and 'The Locksmith' for his ability to 'get the game right'. If Mike has a wager with you, rest assured, friend, you have way the worst of it— you just don't know it yet.

With the stage set, and our departure less than two weeks away, the 2015 Summit holds great promise and potential to be one of the most exciting ever. A request has been submitted for favorable weather, and, based on the extended forecast, it's impossible to tell if our prayers will be answered since anything beyond five days is a notch above meaningless. Weather aside, all the pieces are in place, the air is filled with renewed hope as everyone dreams that this may be their year. Even the Rookies, who don't yet realize that they have almost no chance of winning a Match, much less a Championship, are like kids anticipating Christmas' slow, inexorable approach. But, fear not, my friend, the Summit will be here soon, and with the crack (or thud) of the first tee-ball, let the games begin!

See you at the Summit!

Bart Edmunds

Summit Founder/Director



Always about the 'kids', Steve spends some quality time with his best buddy, 'Bart'

Interview with a Champion

The Chris Colton Story

In a World of His Own

By S. Nasar

On a balmy Sunday afternoon in early September, staff writer, Sylvia Nasar, best known for 1998 Pulitzer Prize nominated book, *A Beautiful Mind*, caught up with the 2014 Summit Matchplay Champion, Chris Colton, as he battened-down the hatches on his newest project – the renovation of his Swan 43, Mabel's Casse Tete [*Editor's Note: We're pretty sure that two out of three are not real words, and the third is misspelled*]. Between patching holes, gluing rudders, and nailing down the mast, she was able to pick Chris' brain on his shocking SMC victory, the Summit in general, and his controversial lifestyle choices. We think his responses will surprise readers almost as much as him winning the SMC Title.

SN: How does it feel to join the ranks of Summit Champions?

CC: Sylvia, as you know, this is, possibly, the greatest achievement of my life! I have reflected upon the comparison between this win and my other golf tournament wins and it's as if the other wins don't even exist! The other wins wane into obscurity when confronted by the prodigious respect people pay the Summit! I am profoundly humbled. I can't say any more; I'm getting teary.

SN: Were you surprised that '14 was your breakthrough year? Why or why not?

CC: Sylvia, as you know, I'm never surprised. If I had won the Hapless Sap award, my surprise would be equally limited by my knowledge that anything can happen on a golf course. For example, do you remember when that raccoon stole our cookies (yes, cookies not lunch or barf.) That was low point for me. That raccoon ruined my entire trip, well, that and Joey constantly giving me advice. I guess, since we're at it, that may have been the year when Eric-the-Red and his assistant, Ken R., also decided that they were PGA champion coaches and provided useful tips like, "Chris, hit the ball" and "Chris, hit the ball straight." Very helpful advice! So, to answer your question directly [*Editor's Note: Too late.*], no, I was not surprised.



After explaining to Chris why he was receiving it, the Director presents the Summit Cup to the 2014 SMC Champion., Chris Colton

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The Summit Hall of Fame

*Introduced at the Summit's 15th anniversary, the Committee proudly presents
The Millennium Invitational Golf Summit Hall of Fame*

In an effort to maintain objectivity, the Committee has established an elaborate scoring system for accumulating Hall of Fame points. Hall of Fame induction requires an individual to accumulate 110 HoF points. Points are accumulated as follows:

MIGS Attendance	1
Contribution to the Summit	1
Each SMC Individual Match Victory	1
Short Game Championship Title	1
Calcutta Win	2
SMC Runner-up	2
High Net	2
Individual Team Champion	4
Low Net	6
SMC Champion	10

Current Standings

Steve Hale	121
Woody Deans	94
Bart Edmunds	79
Ken Rogich	76
Bo Blankenship	74
Joe Assaid	61
Chris Colton	40
Ben Fry	36
Ryan Crush	30
John Bradberry	26
Phil Dick	10
Jeff Parker	8

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Steve shares a moment with the two sons around which his world revolves – his wife, Mary, and his mentor, Frank Beamer.

Steve Hale

As one of the founding “Fabled Eight”, Steve has never missed an Event through the first 15 years of the MIGS. For many years, Steve helped Woody in selecting and procuring the annual Tournament Gift. He has accumulated 17 Matchplay victories, 3 Calcutta wins, 2 SMC Runner-ups, 1 High Net, 1 Individual Team Championship, 4 Low Nets, and 3 SMC Titles. His 2013 Low Net pushed him over the top to receive the honor of being the first Summit Hall of Fame Inductee. In 2014, Steve became only the second Player in Summit history to pass \$1,000 in career earnings.

Steve is a family man and pharmaceutical rep for Pfizer Pharmaceuticals. He is deeply involved with his church and, in particular, shaping the lives of young people through his senior youth group leadership. In addition to his role as Virginia Tech football’s ‘Red Hat’, he manages to find time to referee Volleyball and Wrestling for which he was recently inducted into the Roanoke Valley Wrestling Hall of Fame. The Summit Hall of Fame represents Steve’s 3rd hall of fame induction, as he is also a member of the Patrick Henry High School Sports Hall of Fame for his exploits on the mat and gridiron. In his spare time, Steve excels, not only in golf, but pool, bowling, and, much to his surprise, darts. He is also, possibly, the 3rd or 4th best Cornhole player at the Summit. Please take a moment to extend your congratulations to Steve on attainment of this tremendous milestone in his life.

Lodging & Arrangements

The Brighton Tower at Kingston Plantation

9800 Queensway Blvd.

Myrtle Beach, SC

Participants will share one of three luxury high-rise 3-bedroom condos conveniently situated in the heart of Myrtle Beach, SC. Each condo comes with 9-foot ceilings, a private balcony, and gourmet-style kitchen. Also, guest may enjoy access to The Sport and Health Club located at the nearby Embassy Suites Hotel.

Plan to arrive at the Grand Strand by noon on the afternoon of Friday, March 13, 2015 for a complimentary practice round arranged and negotiated specifically for Summit Participants by the Committee. We will checkout prior to the final round on the morning of Tuesday, March 17, 2015.

In addition to the aforementioned accommodations, tournament entry fee includes a practice round on Friday plus four Tournament rounds of golf with cart on four luxurious Grand Strand area courses, some free range balls, tournament banquet, tournament gifts/souvenirs, taxes/tips, and over \$1,000 in daily and tournament cash prizes.

Balance of entry fee is due one month prior to the event— February 13, 2015 (As in AWHILE AGO!). Final payment of \$600.00 should be made payable to Bart Edmunds via Paypal at jedmunds@cox.net or a check can be mailed to P.O. Box 20392, Roanoke, VA 24018.

Over \$100.00 in prize-money will be awarded each day with another \$250 awarded to the individual winners on the final day of the Summit.

Afternoon rounds are the responsibility of individual participants for those interested in prolonging the experience. The only additional expenses relate to out-of-pocket expenditures for food, drinks, souvenirs, the Calcutta, wagers and side-action, and/or entertainment (if you like that sort of thing).

Handicapping, etc.

The Summit Handicap System®

Initial handicaps have been determined by calculating 90% of last year's tournament ending handicap. Individual handicaps will be adjusted daily by one-third (33%) of the difference between a participant's actual score and his most recent handicap.

EXAMPLE: 2014 Ending Handicap = 11. 2015 Initial Handicap: $11 \times 90\% = 10$. 10 handicap-per shoots 14 over par. Adjustment would be $1.33 ((14-10=4)/3=1.33)$, rounded down to 11.

Amendment 2014-01: Participants receiving a bye in the Play-in Round, will receive only 1/2 of the customary handicap adjustment as a result of their Day One score.

Amendment 2012-01: Participants receiving a bye in the Play-in Round, will neither suffer nor benefit from a handicap adjustment as a result of their Day One score. In other words, their handicap will not change for Day Two.

Amendment 2010-01: FOR HANDICAPPING PURPOSES ONLY, once a match is closed-out, neither competitor may score more than a bogey on any remaining hole in that round

Amendment 2009-01: FOR HANDICAPPING PURPOSES ONLY, no more than a double-bogey will be counted on any individual hole for single-digit handicappers, and no more than a triple-bogey will be counted on any individual hole for double-digit handicappers.

General Information

1. USGA rules prevail
2. No mulligans
3. Ball may be moved one club-length in *own* fairway
4. When in doubt about lost or out-of-bounds ball, play provisional
5. Double-par stroke limit per hole (No limit for match play purposes)
6. In case of rules disagreement, play second ball. Committee will decide after the round
7. Tie breaking procedure:

Where permitted by PRIOR approval of Pro Shop, matches tied after 18 holes will be decided by sudden death playoff to begin immediately following completion of the 18th hole at the sole discretion/direction of the Pro Shop. If a playoff is not permitted and/or reasonable for completion IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE ROUND, the classic Summit tie-breaker will be applied as follow:

- A. Last three holes
- B. Last six holes
- C. Back nine
- D. Low net for round
- E. Low net on *randomly* drawn hole(s)
- F. Two out of three "Rock, Paper, Scissors" (no dynamite... that's silly).

Daily Contests

SKINS

TOTAL PURSE: \$144.00

- Classic \$2.00/hole skins game with carryovers
- Skins awarded for winning a hole outright versus the field.
- Orphaned skins at the end of a rounds 1-3 will be carried to the next day
- Orphaned skins at the end of the round 4 will be awarded to the individual winning the most skins for the tournament
- Skins will be paid at the end of each round
- Full handicaps will be used in this event.

STABLEFORD (4-Man/2-Man)

TOTAL PURSE: \$100.00

- Points are awarded to team based on individuals' scores as follows:

DOUBLE EAGLE:	16
EAGLE:	8
BIRDIE:	4
PAR:	2
BOGIE:	1
DOUBLE BOGIE:	0
TRIPLE BOGIE+:	-1

- Team accumulates points throughout round
- Highest cumulative point total wins
- No tie-breaker. All ties split purse
- Full handicaps will be used in this event.

Daily Contests

FOUR-MAN BEST BALL

TOTAL PURSE: \$60.00

- Best 2 individual scores from four-man team on each hole used for team score.
- No tie-breaker. All ties split the purse
- Full handicaps will be used in this event.

DUAL-DAY, DOUBLE-DUDE DUEL

TOTAL PURSE: \$90.00

(1st: \$60/2nd: \$30)

- At the conclusion of Round 2, two-man teams will be objectively determined for the final two rounds in this net best ball event.
- Best individual score each hole is used to determine team score. Team with the lowest total net best-ball team score for the final thirty-six holes wins.
- No tie-breaker. All ties split the purse.
- Full handicaps will be used in this event.

Daily Contests

FACE-OFF

TOTAL PURSE: 6 Sleeves of Pro-V's

- Based on final day pairings, two teams will face-off in a series of six head-to-head matches.
- Low net score wins the hole.
- Each match is worth 1 Team point.
- Competitors in matches ending 'all square' will each receive 1/2 Team point.
- Full handicaps will be used in this event.

(Bring both a solid BLACK and a solid WHITE shirt for this Event.)

The Calcutta

Participation optional. . . but encouraged

This is the only event that requires additional monetary commitment. Not for the faint of heart, this auction style event allows you to profit from the success of others – regardless of your own abilities.

ENTRY FEE: \$10.00

How It Works

- Contest is based on individual scores over two-day period consisting of Sunday and Monday morning rounds only
- Adjusted Summit handicaps will be used for this event.
- Calcutta participants bid on Summit contestants based on their anticipated performance.
- Calcutta participants must open bidding on themselves at \$20.00. Bidding then proceeds in \$5.00 increments.
- Calcutta participants are required to own at least 25% of themselves.
- Purchaser is obligated to sell up to 50% back to contestant at his request.
- Purchaser will receive a 20% discount on total amount invested in participants other than himself.
- Purchaser is responsible for all money related to their transactions.
- All purchases must be settled in cash at conclusion of auction.
- Prize-money will be paid as follows:

		2014	2014	2014
		<u>Prizes</u>	<u>Winners</u>	<u>Owners</u>
1st Place:	55%	\$1,005	DNF	DNF
2nd Place:	30%	\$548	DNF	DNF
3rd Place:	15%	\$274	DNF	DNF

(Note: Due to inclement weather conditions, the 2014 Calcutta was cancelled and all money returned to owners)

The Majors

The Majors are multi-day events designed to distinguish individuals with extraordinary talent and tenacity. Major events are printed in **ORANGE**.

SUMMIT MATCH-PLAY CHAMPIONSHIP (SMC)

REIGNING CHAMPION: Chris Colton

'14 Runner-up: Phil Dick

PURSE: \$100.00

Runner-up: \$50.00

- Series of three (or four) individual matches beginning Day 1 (or 2)
- All individual matches will be match-play format
- Seeding determined by combination of prior year finish and Round 1 results
- Full handicaps will be used in this event

LOW NET

DEFENDING CHAMPION: Ben Fry

'14 Runner-up: Joe Assaid

PURSE: \$50.00

- Awarded to individual with lowest four-day net score using full handicap

INDIVIDUAL TEAM CHAMPION

DEFENDING CHAMPION: Joe Assaid

'14 Runner-up: Bart Edmunds

PURSE: \$25.00

- This oxymoronic title is awarded to the individual collecting the most team points over the four-day event

HIGH NET

DEFENDING CHAMPION: Steve Hale

'14 Runner-up: Woody Deans

PURSE: \$25.00

- Awarded to hapless sap with the *highest* four-day net score using full handicap

NOTE: Player can win only one major. Prizes awarded as follows: SMC Champ, Low Net, Individual Team Champ, High Net Chump.

The Courses

Wild Wing Avocet

1000 Wild Wing Blvd.
Conway, SC

Par: 72 Yardage: 6,658 Rating: 72.4 Slope: 127

Wild Wing Plantation stands out as one of the most unique golf courses in Myrtle Beach. The Avocet course which was designed by two-time PGA Champion and 1983 U.S. Open winner



Larry Nelson and Jeff Brauer was recognized by Golf Digest as one of "The Top 10 Best New Courses in America" for 1994 as well as being consistently rated in Places to Play as a 4-Star Award Winner beginning in 1996. All 18 holes are challenging, but a fair test of a player's skill. Creative contouring presents elevated tees and greens, double fairways, grass bunkers and even a double green serving two holes.

Named the South Carolina Golf Course Owners Association's "Golf Course of the Year" in 2002 and 2003, Avocet offers some of the most cleverly conceived holes you'll find anywhere. From the par-4 No. 6 features a triple-tiered double green that is shared with the par-3 No. 17, to No. 9, considered the Avocet's signature hole, that features a double fairway divided by a grass line and deep bunkers, the Avocet offers something for all skill levels.



The Courses

Grand Dunes Golf Club

8700 Marina Parkway
Myrtle Beach, SC

Par: 72 Yardage: 6,737 Rating: 72.3 Slope: 131

The spectacular Resort Club at Grande Dunes with its seven holes that play along the Intracoastal Waterway, represents Myrtle Beach golf at its very best. It's no wonder PGA Magazine called Grande Dunes "one of the great golf clubs in the world."



The Grande Dunes Resort Club is an 18-hole golf course which was recently named the "National Golf Course of the Year" by the National Golf Course Owners Association of America. Its spectacular Roger Rulewich Group design is positioned on a high bluff creating a spectacular view of the Intracoastal Waterway, Grande Dunes Marina, and the four-diamond resort, Marina Inn at Grande Dunes. This Myrtle Beach golf course itself is known for its superior links-style design, which offers expansive Bermuda grass fairways with subtle undulations onto large, modestly contoured greens featuring brand-new Champion Bermuda.

Grande Dunes Golf Club is a course that truly lives up to its name. A pure slice of golfing heaven located right here on the Grand Strand. You'll find that nothing falls short of greatness here, from the landscaping to the layout. It is easy to see why Golf Magazine selected Grande Dunes as a part of its "Top 10 You Can Play" and Golf Week named it the "Best Course You Can Play" in 2007.

The Courses

Myrtlewood Palmetto

48th Avenue North & Hwy 17 Bypass
Myrtle Beach, SC

Par: 72 Yardage: 6,516 Rating: 71.4 Slope: 130

The Palmetto Course at Myrtlewood was the club's original layout and it has been one of the most popular courses in the area for over 30 years. The Palmetto Course has been continuously ranked as one of the top repeat-play courses along the Grand Strand.

Myrtlewood Palmetto golf course has a traditional design that offers gently sloping fairways lined with ancient pines, a variety of hazards and bunkers, and large, subtly undulating greens. There are strategically placed water hazards throughout the course, and the plentiful bunkering guarantees that you'll definitely be utilizing your sand game.



The accommodating slope of the fairways, trueness of tiftwarf Bermuda grass greens, and, of course, the hazards offer a challenge to golfers at every level, while the course is landscaped for optimum play. The stunning views provided by its prime location along the Intracoastal Waterway are another big draw.

The Courses

The Long Bay Club

350 Fox Tail Drive
Longs, SC

Par: 72 Yardage: 6,565

Rating: 72.1

Slope: 130

Long Bay Golf Club, a renowned signature design by "The Golden Bear" himself, Jack Nicklaus, provides a unique challenge to all golfers. Wide fairways surrounded by rolling mounds provide ample room off the tee.

The course's undulating elevated greens are what set this course apart from others. Most of the greens have two to three tiers. In addition to the unique greens, Long Bay has many numerous memorable holes including the par-4 10th - one of the most photographed golf holes in the Myrtle Beach area with its stunning arrangement of waste bunkers that surround the entire fairway leading to an elevated green - and the island green, par-3 13th. While out on the course chasing birdies, guests may encounter the two resident eagles! With five sets of tees to choose from, all skill levels can enjoy



the course.

Located just a few minutes from Myrtle Beach on Highway 9, Long Bay golf club will challenge your game and create great memories.

The Players

In Memorial

To our happy-go-lucky companion and fellow competitor whose manhood was
stolen from him far too young.

(Rest assured, dear friend, when a spot comes available on the Summit, Mary will be the first person we ask.)

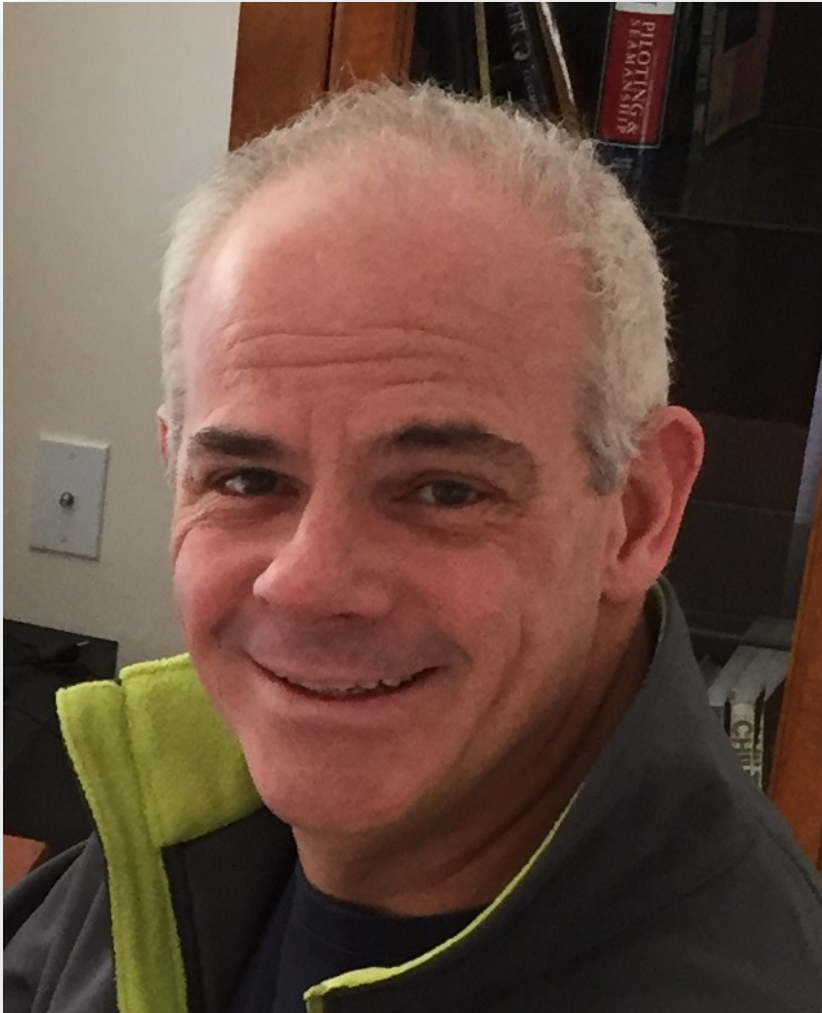


Phil Dick

'14 SMC Runner-up

2014 SMC Runner-up
2013 High Net
2012 Ind Team Champion

The Players



Chris Colton

**Defending SMC
Champion
& #1 Seed**

**2014 SMC Champion
2009 High Net
2006 High Net
2001 Ind Team Champion**

Handicap: 18

Day 1 Matchup: Bye

**Assignment:
Coffee & Snacks & Such**

SMC Record:	12-9(.571)
Rank:	4
Average Gross Round:	106.98
Rank:	17
Average Net Round:	83.92
Rank:	15
Average Net Summit:	+48
Rank:	15
Career Earnings:	\$699.00
Rank:	6
Average Earnings:	\$69.90
Rank:	5

**Roommates:
Bart, Ken, Sam**

The Players

Chris Colton

Professional golfer, past or present, he most epitomizes

Chris on Chris

Phil Mickelson: For me, it's got to be Phil Mickelson, and here's why: Remember when I beat Kevin Dill during match play several years ago, to his and others' astonishment, using a flop shot on the 16th. He moaned, "...and now he has a flop shot!" [Editor's Note: *That might have been a good shot to use against his other competitor that year from two steps off the 18th green to win his match. Just sayin'*] And, I'm not confrontational – I'm really nice.



Others on Chris

Rory Sabbatini: The golfer that epitomizes Chris is Rory Sabbatini. Physically, they are carbon copies – both are 5' 10" 165 lbs. with similar build and features (although Chris is currently using gray highlights in his hair, and Rory is not). As you can see in the pictures below, the resemblance is uncanny – including Rory's spikey hair days (remember the trip when Chris was spiking his hair!). I have even included a picture of Chris hitting out of a bunker during the 2013 MIGS – it looks like it could be Rory! Additionally, both Chris and Rory are fighters on and off the course. On the course, they both are deadly serious about their play, and off the course they are both always willing to voice their opinions and engage in verbal sparring matches at any time. [Editor's Note: *Believe it or not, sources tell The Summit that Chris is not nearly as confrontational as he once was.*]



The Players

Ben Fry

Defending Low Net
& #2 Seed

2014 Low Net
2012 SMC Runner-up
2008 Low Net

Handicap: 4

Day 1 Matchup: Bye

Assignment:
Golf and Lodging
Arrangements

Roommates:
John, Mike, Ryan



Unaccustomed to touching it, Ben naively uses the Grudge Cup as a drinking vessel while proudly displaying the Edmunds/Hale 2-0 lead as represented by 'Victory Stars'

SMC Record:	8-9(.471)
Rank:	11
Average Gross Round:	87.69
Rank:	8
Average Net Round:	79.97
Rank:	1
Average Net Summit:	+33.38
Rank:	1
Career Earnings:	\$447.50
Rank:	10
Average Earnings:	\$49.72
Rank:	12

The Players

Ben Fry

Professional golfer, past or present, he most epitomizes



Ben on Ben

Ernie Els: It must be Ernie Els. The only golfer on tour who is as big as me and, to be honest, the only one who is as ugly [*Editor's Note: Recent polls indicate that people do not find Ernie Els all that ugly.*]. If it weren't for Ernie's immense talent, multiple majors spanning two decades, and ridiculously large bank account, we would be about the same.

Others on Ben

John Daly: For Ben, it has to be John Daly: Both are big, strong guys who drive the ball a long way [*Editor's Note: In reality, they are not built exactly the same – Ben is actually 5" taller than John Daly.*], but have faced periods of erratic golf play that has ultimately led to negative performance issues. And, like John Daly, Ben has the ability to be a Champion!



The Players

Bart Edmunds

#3 Seed

(As runner-up to and in the wake of the untimely and unexpected departure of J.Assaid: 2014 Individual Team Champion. Joe will be missed)



1st 2-Time SMC Champion
2008 Ind Team Co-Champ
2006 SMC Runner-up
2005 High Net
2004 SMC Champion
2001 SMC Champion
2000 High Net

Handicap: 4

Day 1 Matchup: Bye

Assignment:
MIGS Director;
The Summit Editor-in-Chief;
Handicapping Chairman

SMC Record:	17-13(.567)
Rank:	5
Average Gross Round:	85.97
Rank:	6
Average Net Round:	80.84
Rank:	5
Average Net Summit:	+36.88
Rank:	6
Career Earnings:	\$547.75
Rank:	8
Average Earnings:	\$36.52
Rank:	16

Roommates:
Chris, Ken, Sam

The Players

Bart Edmunds

Professional golfer, past or present, he most epitomizes

Bart on Bart

Bruce Leitzke: *Per Wikipedia:* Lietzke was well known for not practicing a great deal, and not playing in a large number of tournaments compared to his fellow competitors, electing to spend more time with his family. He did not play more than 25 events in any PGA Tour season and never played more than 20 tournaments in a single season after 1988. Despite this he never finished below 74 on the money list. He also won 13 PGA Tour events and 7 Champions Tour events including one major— 2003 U.S. Senior Open. Of the 47 PGA Majors in which he participated, he finished in the top 25 an astonishing 26 times. Like Bart, he's also a super nice guy (*not per Wikipedia, but true, nonetheless*).



Others on Bart



Arnold Palmer: To millions of adoring fans he was simply the King, the most popular golfer of all time, who did much to create the modern game and its huge following with his swash-buckling golf style and charismatic personality. Most people remember the drink more than the golfer. I think this sums Bart up pretty well. *[Editor's Note: While there is not yet a drink named after Bart, a crack team of scientists, in conjunction*

with the world's greatest mixologists, is working feverishly in hopes of debuting the elixir next holiday season. To all of you thinking, 'It's about time!', we here at The Summit will keep you posted.]



The Players

Bo Blankenship

#4 Seed

(As Low Net runner-up and in the wake of the untimely and unexpected departure of Phil Dick: 2014 SMC Runner-up. Phil will be missed)

2012 SMC Champion
2009 SMC Runner-up
2007 Low Net
2007 Short-Game Champ
2005 Short-Game Champ
2004 Low Net
2004 Short-Game Champ
2003 High Net
2000 Low Net

Handicap: 3

Day 1 Matchup:
Bye

Assignment:
Gaming Coordinator

Roommates:
Greg, Jeff, Steve



SMC Record:	13-12(.520)
Rank:	7
Average Gross Round:	85.34
Rank:	5
Average Net Round:	80.70
Rank:	4
Average Net Summit:	+34.86
Rank:	3
Career Earnings:	\$793.25
Rank:	4
Average Earnings:	\$52.88
Rank:	10

The Players

Bo Blankenship

Professional golfer, past or present, he most epitomizes



Bo on Bo

Gary Woodland/Charles Barkley/Kevin Na: Woodland is athletic, but currently is having trouble scoring. When I say currently having trouble scoring, that means the last 15 years for me. Charles Barkley has all kinds of swing issues. Kevin Na is so mentally



disturbed he may never recover. It's hard to pin me down to one professional golfer. Thankfully Parker is on the trip, and on a good day, I can sneak in a win against him [Editor's Note: Jeff has not been shutout in SMC play. He recorded his sole SMC win with a 4 and 3 clocking of Ken in the 2011 Play-in round.]. I'm disappointed Joe is not on the trip because that's one less guy I can beat, but I've heard if I can beat Joe, I can beat Beato. See you in Myrtle.



Others on Bo

Charles Barkley/Kenny Perry: As recently as 18 months ago, it wouldn't have been unfair to say that Bo's golf swing was only a slight improvement on that of Sir Charles Barkley. There were reports of fellow competitors having to help him get the club back down from the top. Truthfully, the fact that Bo could even get the club face on the ball was an athletic accomplishment in and of itself [Editor's Note: Not since Chester swooned

over his big bulldog friend, Spike, has there been such an outpouring of sycophantic man-love as in that last statement.]. Bo has worked on his swing recently, taking inspiration from the also aging Kenny Perry. He said, "If Kenny can double clutch it and still play borderline respectable golf, then so can I dagnabit!". It will be exciting to see what some hard winter work has accomplished as the transformation from Chucky to Kenny continues.



The Players

Steve Hale

Hall of Fame

Defending High Net (aka: Hapless Sap)

Bless his heart!



SMC Record:	17-12(.586)
Rank:	3
Average Gross Round:	81.75
Rank:	2
Average Net Round:	81.16
Rank:	7
Average Net Summit:	+38.00
Rank:	7
Career Earnings:	\$1,007.25
Rank:	2
Average Earnings:	\$67.15
Rank:	7

2014 High Net
2014 Hall of Fame Inductee
2013 Low Net
2011 Ind Team Champion
2011 SMC Runner-up
2010 SMC Champion
2006 Low Net
2005 SMC Champion
2003 Low Net
2002 SMC Champion
2001 Low Net
2001 SMC Runner-up

Handicap: 4

Day 1 Matchup:
Mike (1)

Assignment:
Designated Driver

Roommates:
Bo, Greg, Jeff

The Players

Steve Hale

Professional golfer, past or present, he most epitomizes

Steve on Steve



Allen Doyle: The professional golfer that most epitomizes me is Allen Doyle. The most obvious similarity would be the abbreviated backswing we both possess. No one before or since has been able to generate "as much power from such a shortened swing plane". Another similarity would be our chosen paths to the professional golf ranks. Nicknamed "The Grip", Doyle had 20 wins as an amateur before turning pro at the age of 46. His professional career netted 3 Nike tour wins and 15 Senior PGA wins, including the 2005 Senior U.S. Open. He has inspired me to change my career path. My plan is now to follow up my 3 Summit wins with a successful Senior PGA career. I have two years before I turn 50 so I am actively looking for sponsors and a part-time caddy. If Allen

can do it, why can't I? *[Editor's Note: For clarification, if you look closely, you will realize that that's actually a picture of Allen to the left, not Steve. The similarity really is uncanny.]*

Others on Steve

Seve Ballesteros: When I think of match play golf events, there are only two people, past or present that would make me nervous to play: Steve Hale and Seve Ballesteros. Gamesmanship you say? I think Seve must have taught Steve how to get under the skin of his competition. A 'gimme' you say- no way! These two all-world competitors wouldn't give an inch...but they'll take a mile, for sure! Just when you think he's your best friend Steve "Seve" Hale will take you for all your Diet Mt. Dew's- and you better not think he won't collect. Seve was also on the cutting-edge of fashion, which Steve is trying to be by owning over 20 golf shoes *[Editor's Note: Is that the same as 10 pairs?]*, 20 watches, and 20 pairs of sunglasses. Both Seve and Steve are much loved and adorned by their playing partners and teams, but hated by their rivals. That's a true compliment. *[Editor's Note: Sign-ups for the Steve Hale Fan Club will be in the rear after dinner and a few drinks, but get there early... apparently, someone's already in line.]*



The Players

John Bradberry

2010 SMC Runner-up
2009 Low Net

Handicap: 4

Day 1 Matchup:
Sam (21)

Assignment:
Calcutta Treasurer

Roommates:
Ben, Mike, Ryan



SMC Record:	7-9(.438)
Rank:	12
Average Gross Round:	84.23
Rank:	4
Average Net Round:	80.94
Rank:	6
Average Net Summit:	+35.43
Rank:	4
Career Earnings:	\$405.50
Rank:	12
Average Earnings:	\$45.06
Rank:	14

The Players

John Bradberry

Professional golfer, past or present, he most epitomizes

John on John



Tiger Woods: Professional golfer that embodies me: Current Tiger Woods. I can't activate my glutes and my back is tight. Granted, I don't get those cool muscle spasms, but I'm sure it will get there one day. I have a two way miss like Tiger, I can't make a putt, I have the occasional shank, and "it is what it is." Finally, my most similar characteristic to Tiger Woods is that I've barely played in months.



Others on John

Jason Dufner/Ernie Els: John most resembles Jason Dufner and Ernie Els. with the Auburn connection and the pure ball striking ability of each of the pros!



The Players

Ryan Crush

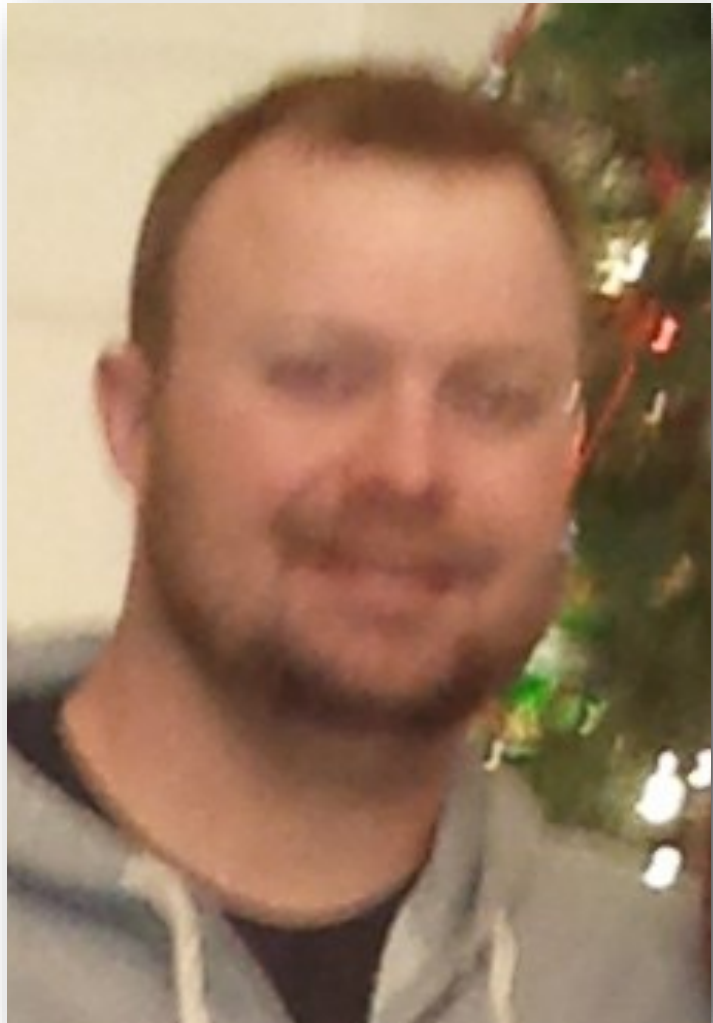
2013 SMC Runner-up
2012 Low Net Champion
2011 Low Net Champion
2010 Low Net Champion

Handicap: 0

Day 1 Matchup:
Jeff (23)

Assignment:
Fitness and Performance Coach

Roommates:
Ben, John, Mike



SMC Record:	5-5 (.500)
Rank:	8
Average Gross Round:	80.35
Rank:	1
Average Net Round:	80.35
Rank:	2
Average Net Summit:	+34.6
Rank:	2
Career Earnings:	\$445.50
Rank:	11
Average Earnings:	\$89.10
Rank:	2

The Players

Ryan Crush

Professional golfer, past or present, he most epitomizes

Ryan on Ryan



Tiger Woods is the player that most epitomizes my golf game. Like Tiger, I once used to be a decent player; however, due to off course obligations, no practice, and lack of general interest in the game, I have experienced a downshift in performance. From a technical aspect, I would go with Craig Stadler (I like his action).

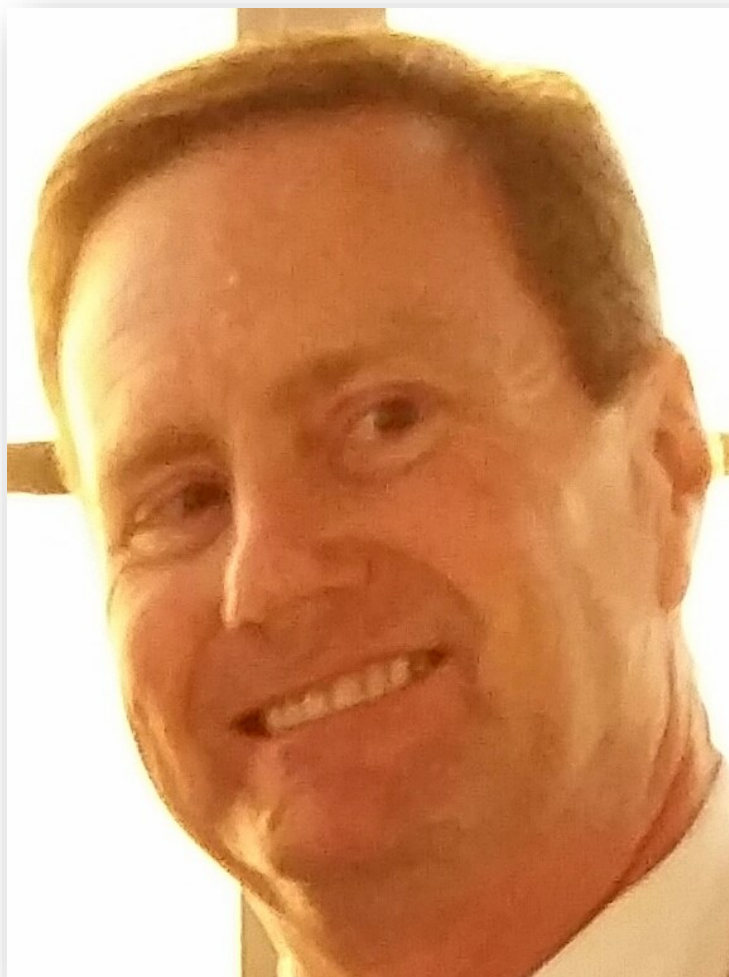


Others on Ryan

Harry Vardon: Ryan Crush reminds me of Harry Vardon – both deadly accurate shot-makers and gallery favorites. As one studies the swings of Crush and Vardon, one is reminded of an era gone by – when men were men and sheep were scared of men. Vardon, "The Stylist", played on courses that little more than sheep pastures. Crush, like Vardon, is merely a sheep wandering through the courses of the new world – led by his favorite shepherd, Bart Edmunds (it's a good thing I wasn't asked to write about Ben Fry. Who, you might wonder, would his shepherd be? . . . Duh!) I, for one, will never forget the inspirational words of Crush (and Bradberry) last year as they courageously saddled up their clubs and obediently headed towards the first tee at Pine Lakes Golf Club for the final Round of the 2014 MIGS. As the temperature dipped downward towards 50°, they huddled together (kinda like sheep) and defiantly uttered there now infamous bellow – "baaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaa"! Bart, the good shepherd, tried to herd his favorite sheep, but it was to no avail, they had become "black sheep" – departing from the "let's just do whatever Bart says" mindset that we've all come to know and love. But, I must warn

Crush (and Bradbury) that there is a wolf amongst our flock; a wolf who hunts the sheep, but also helps the shepherd and will aid any "shearing" plans that Bart may have. Yes, beware the big bad wolf also known as "Hale". [Editor's Note: It is a widely held belief that Lewis Carroll wrote *Alice's Adventures in Wonderland* while under the influence of opiates. Just food for thought.]

The Players



Jeff Parker

2010 High Net

Handicap: 23

Day 1 Matchup:
Ryan (0)

Assignment:
Course Relations

Roommate:
Bo, Greg, Steve

SMC Record:	1-5(.167)
Rank:	14
Average Gross Round:	111.65
Rank:	18
Average Net Round:	85.00
Rank:	16
Average Net Summit:	+53.13
Rank:	16
Career Earnings:	\$158.00
Rank:	15
Average Earnings:	\$31.60
Rank:	18

The Players

Jeff Parker

Professional golfer, past or present, he most epitomizes

Jeff on Jeff

Natalie Gulbis: I remind myself most of professional golfer Natalie Gulbis (you didn't state gender in your instructions) with my blonde flowing hair, muscular long legs and let's not even mention the "T and A" (time and attendance). *[Editor's Note: Coincidentally, when asked the same question at a PGA event last summer, Bruce Jenner also responded Natalie Gulbis.]*



Others on Jeff

Steve Stricker: The PGA Tour player that most epitomizes Jeff is



Steve Stricker. Although their body type and skill sets are

completely different, both have a reputation of being one of the "nice guys". Some would say they are both the "friendly dolphin" type. Everyone on the Summit always enjoy being around Jeff and, for a select few, his companionship. *[Editor's Note: Googling 'Friendly Dolphin' yielded the following: "Of the 29 well-studied dolphins just mentioned, 13 of them exhibited 'misdirected sexual*

behavior towards humans, buoys, and/or vessels', which means the dolphins (mostly males) occasionally sported an erection and attempted to mount swimmers. It's not always possible to interpret what 'sexual' behavior might mean in this context, but by all accounts it was dangerous for the humans. Women often seem to be the victims of these aggressive encounters. Some jealous dolphins reportedly chased male humans out of the water, so that they could keep their human female prizes all to themselves. A number of these dolphins made a habit of abducting people – dragging them out to sea, preventing them from returning to shore, even pinning them to the seabed. Two-thirds of the 29 dolphins directed overtly aggressive behavior at humans, resulting in ruptured spleens, broken ribs, people being knocked unconscious, and worse. In 1994, the Brazilian dolphin Tião managed to send 28 people to hospital during his visits before eventually killing the swimmer João Paulo Moreira (who was reportedly drunk and possibly trying to restrain Tião, or maybe even attempting to force a cigarette into his blowhole)." For the record, we at The Summit have never thought of Jeff as a 'friendly dolphin'.]

The Players



Ken Rogich

2013 Ind Team Champion
2012 High Net
1st to Reach \$1k in Career Earnings
2011 High Net
2008 SMC Runner-up
2006 Ind Team Champion
2003 SMC Champion
2002 Low Net
2002 SMC Runner-up
2000 Ind Team Champion

Handicap: 17

Day 1 Matchup:
Greg (7)

Assignment:
Skins calculations

Roommates:
Bart, Chris, Sam

SMC Record:	12-13 (.480)
Rank:	10
Average Gross Round:	103.02
Rank:	15
Average Net Round:	83.59
Rank:	14
Average Net Summit:	+47.88
Rank:	14
Career Earnings:	\$1,207.15
Rank:	1
Average Earnings:	\$86.27
Rank:	3

The Players

Ken Rogich

Professional golfer, past or present, he most epitomizes

Ken on Ken

Davis Love III: The golfer that most epitomizes me is Davis Love III. Similarities: Pure golf swing; long hitters; one major championship each (PGA and MGS); both ride motorcycles; both love Hilton Head; Davis was born in Charlotte, and Ken lives in Charlotte; Davis is current Ryder Cup captain, and Ken is future Ryder Cup captain. *[Editor's Note: According to HollywoodRepublican.net, Davis is also a staunch Republican. The similarities never end!]*



Others on Ken

Maurice Flitcroft: Maurice dressed like Ken in the 1976 British Open qualifier with the cigarette in the mouth and the Bill Murray hat. He spent the better part of the day in the weeds on his way to 121 in that qualifier. During that '76 qualifier, he was said to have made a 12 on a par 5.

"Twelve?", (which was thought to be higher) recoiled a fellow golfer. "He took that many shots behind the sand dune." That's our Ken! In addition, Maurice was seen asking for yardages on his 8th and 9th shots inside of 50 yards as well as taking excessive time on numerous occasions to read putts for quadruple bogies. He was known for taking extra time to put his glove on, taking several practice swings before actually striking the ball and, on several occasions, hitting his right foot/leg on the downswing causing bodily harm. At one point, even running full speed into a parked cart, to try and spark his adrenaline to get his game headed into a positive direction – but I digress. The real comparison between the two is in their political philosophies. Ken, and Maurice, subscribe to the modern liberal philosophy which has 3 basic tenets:

1. We can confiscate your money and give it to those who are more deserving (think Solyndra)
2. The Federal government should act as our mommies and daddies and tell how us how to live
3. If you disagree with anything we say, you're a racist.

I think one of the reasons Ken plays slower than the average golfer is his insistence on reading at least 10 pages of the unconstitutional legislation know as Obamacare. He has stated that his goal in life is to become the first liberal in history to read through the entire document. Although if pressed on the issue, he sheepishly admits, "No one can understand it, but at least there will be one liberal in the world that has read it." Amen to that brother, Amen to that!!

[Editor's Note: In a 2013 practice round experiment, a foursome containing Ken, Chris, and Jeff teed-off first to determine if it would be possible to finish before nightfall. In an unexpected turn of events, Ken's group finished 2.5 holes and 45 minutes ahead of the second group. Ken's group had actually showered, dressed for dinner, and was pouring a drink as the others dragged into the condo. The debate on the common denominators rages to this day, but let's just say that the culprits have been narrowed down to a handful of players with single-digit handicaps that wear XL (or larger) shirts.]



The Rookies



Dr. Greg Beato

Handicap: 7

Day 1 Matchup:
Ken (17)

Assignment:
Medical Services &
Entertainment Containment

Roommates:
Bo, Jeff, Steve

Born: August 12, 1979 in a van on Avenue D down by the Genesee River in Rochester, NY

Current Residence: Blacksburg, VA

Education: Mercyhurst College/Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine

Status: Married to Susan w/2yr old Marco & 6mo old Dominic

Nicknames: G-Money, Doc, G-Funk, GCB, Hammer, Beetoe *[Editor's*

Note: 'Sir' to Steve]

Hobbies: Golf, Reading, Yardwork, Changing diapers, Playing with his boyz

Beverage: Jack & Ginger w/lime; Diet Mt. Dew

Snack: Cliff bars & Steve's pride

Superstition: None

Personal Strength: Modesty

Personal Weakness: Modesty

Golf Strength: Consistent fade

Golf Weakness: Buying too many Polos

The Rookies

Dr. Greg Beato

Professional golfer, past or present, he most epitomizes

Greg on Greg

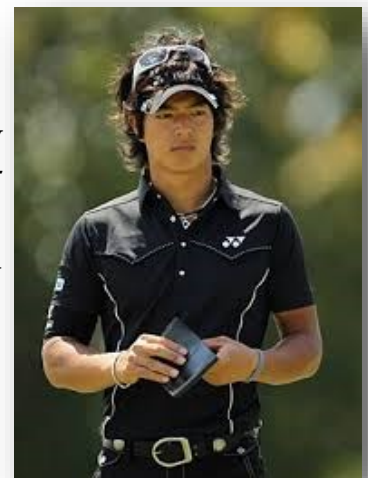


Dustin Johnson: The PGA golfer that most epitomizes me both on and off the course is Dustin Johnson. On the course, DJ's smooth swinging and easy-going nature is almost a carbon copy of my persona. He might be a 'touch' farther in distance, but that is easily made up for in looking the part as well as I do. He and I own about the same number of golf shirts- approximately 200. We both spend countless hours in the gym working on our golf fitness, which allows us both to have smoking hot wives. Off the course DJ and I can be found in similar establishments with similar addictions- that is until this past year when he officially became a quitter and went into rehab. We used to enjoy similar hobbies- he was into cocaine and booze, I'm currently still battling a Diet Mt. Dew and Mickey Mouse Clubhouse addiction. Both of us

are very much anti-wet blankets, to say the least. [Editor's Note: 'Me thinks thou doth protest too much.']

Others on Greg

Ryo Ishikawa: The professional golfer that most epitomizes Greg Beato is Ryo Ishikawa. The Japanese born PGA Tour star and our tender rookie have many things in common beginning with their fashion sense. Ishikawa has been among the PGA Tour's Top 10 Best Dressed for three years running. Sponsored by Callaway Golf Collection. Golf Digest describes the collection as "Trend-forward and the fit is absolutely perfect for a trim, athletic, young man". Greg has collected over 150 polo golf shirts and will compete for best dressed at The Summit for years to come. Note: They also wear the same size, P/S (What does that stand for?). Secondly, they both have near perfect swings that produce decent distance, despite their diminutive frames. Greg's game is consistency. High fade down the center with very few big numbers. Steady like Ishikawa. The final glaring similarity is that they are both good enough to get to the show, just not good enough to get to the leaderboard. Like Ishikawa on tour, if you wanna see Beato play, you better get there on Friday because he'll be in the cheering section for weekend play. [Editor's Note: *Ishikawa has never won a PGA Tour event, but has made several cuts.*]



The Rookies



J. Sam Flint

Handicap: 21

Day 1 Matchup:
John (4)

Assignment:
Talent Scout & Entertainment

Roommates:
Bart, Chris, Ken

Born: May 18, 1984 in a trailer by the oil tanks in Montvale, VA
Current Residence: Manhattan
Education: Staunton River/Lynchburg College
Status: Single; No kids(?)
Nickname: Casanova; 40%
Hobbies: Billiards & women
Beverage: Vodka with anything
Snack: Sunflower seeds
Superstition: N/A
Personal Strength: Social skills
Personal Weakness: No filter when speaking
Golf Strength: Drinking
Golf Weakness: Everything else

The Rookies

J. Sam Flint

Professional golfer, past or present, he most epitomizes

Sam on Sam

John Daly: The chain-smoking, supremely gifted, double major winner has been through acrimonious marriages and divorces, alcoholism, fights, and more. I think this sums me up pretty well.



Others on Sam

Al Czervik: Though technically not a professional golfer, Al did make money on the golf course. According to IMDB, Al was the rich, fun-loving, real estate and construction mogul in the movie *Caddyshack*, who is visiting Bushwood with the possible intention of buying it and/or using the land for condos. Al, like Sam, believes in poking fun at anyone/everyone – he is somewhat obnoxious/boorish, but is not prejudiced or snobbish. He is a below-average golfer who is more concerned with gambling and fun on the course. His golf bag has a radio, TV, beer tap and hydraulic club lifter. His putter has a scope and line-detection device. He has a red convertible Rolls Royce and a large yacht. While Sam does not actually own a Rolls Royce or yacht, I have no doubt that he has claimed to have owned both – or at least 40% of both. Like Al, Sam is larger than life



The Rookies



Michael Kurtz

Handicap: 1

Day 1 Matchup:
Steve (4)

Assignment:
Oddsmaker & Resident Locksmith

Roommates:
Ben, John, Ryan

Born: May 3, 1967 in a cabin in CT
Current Residence: Roanoke, VA
Education: Northside/Ferrum College
Status: Single w/18 yr old daughter, Jordan
Nickname: Kurtzy, Medeco
Hobbies: Golf, basketball, & watching football
Beverage: Bourbon
Snack: Get your popcorn ready
Superstition: Don't walk under ladders
Personal Strength: Ability to perform under pressure
Personal Weakness: Discipline
Golf Strength: Ball striking
Golf Weakness: None (that I care to share)

The Rookies

Michael Kurtz

Professional golfer, past or present, he most epitomizes



Mike on Mike

Phil/Bubba/Nick: I would say that I have a little Mickelson, Bubba Watson, and Nick Price. Phil-wish full thinking, Watson- quirky lefty, Price-quick tempo.

Others on Mike



Phil Mickelson: Like Phil, Mike is a lefty. While Phil might be the greatest lefty in golf history, Mike is definitely the best lefty on the Summit. Steve won't admit this, but he was thrilled to learn that Ryan wasn't going to be able to make our trip this year allowing Steve to return to top (even though his Summit handicap wouldn't support this theory). Then comes Mike....not only is Steve still NOT the best player on the trip, he now has to be second fiddle to the sweet swinging lefty, Mike. Like Phil, Mike's long iron play is that of legends. I would take Mike with a 4

iron before I would take Ben Fry from 100 yards with a wedge (Bo I know you hear me). With all the similarities to Phil, you'd think Mike would stand a better chance. However, just like Phil, it'll take a few years before he wins his first major.



Practice Round

Friday, March 13, 2015

Wild Wing Avocet

Myrtle Beach, SC

Blue Tees

Cart & Green Fees Included!!

Tee times are 12:34, 12:42, and 12:50

Confirm your spot with Ben Fry by Thursday, March 5, 2015

bfry@metlife.com

(540) 525-0314

Day 1

Grande Dunes Resort Blue Tees

SMC Play-in Matches/Qualifying

Stableford Teams and Round 1 Matchplay Pairings (Blind Draw)
(Play-in matches in boxes)

9:06

Chris (18)
Bo (3)

Steve (4)
Mike (1)

9:15

Ben (4)
Bart (4)

John (4)
Sam (21)

9:24

Ryan (0)
Jeff (23)

Greg (7)
Ken (17)

The Twist

On the par-4, hole #7, all players will tee off from the 271-yard Silver Tee— commonly referred to as “the Senior tee”

Four-man Stableford

\$40.00/Team

Team Points: 2/1

Skins

Daily Purse: \$36.00

Day 2

Myrtlewood Palmetto

White Tees

Round 2 of SMC

12:12

A

1 Chris

8 _____

9 _____

11 _____

12:30

B

2 Ben

7 _____

10 _____

12 _____

12:59

C

3 Bart

6 _____

D

4 Bo

5 _____

Skins

Daily Purse: \$36.00

2 Best Balls (Four-man Teams)

\$60.00/Team

Team Points: 4/2

Calcutta

Day One

The Calcutta

PLAYER	HCP	OWNER	BID	POT	DAY 1	DAY 2	TOTAL
PARKER							
FLINT							
COLTON							
ROGICH							
BEATO							
FRY							
EDMUNDS							
BRADBERRY							
HALE							
BLANKENSHIP							
KURTZ							
CRUSH							
		ENTRY FEES					
			TOTAL				

Day 3

Wild Wing Avocet

Blue Tees

Round 3 of SMC

10:26

L(A) _____

L(D) _____

(10) _____

(11) _____

10:34

a W(A) _____

W(D) _____

L(B) _____

L(C) _____

10:42

b W(B) _____

W(C) _____

(9) _____

(12) _____

Skins

Daily Purse: \$36.00

Two-Man Stableford

\$60.00 (Pays 1st & 2nd)

Team Points: 6/3/1

Dual-Day Double-Dude Duel

Day One

Calcutta

Day Two

Summit Dinner

Chuck's Steak House

9695 N. Kings Hwy

Immediately Following Round

Dual-Dude Double-Day Duel

Teams:

L (A)^I/L (B)

W(C)^{III}/(10)

W (A)^V/(12)

L (C)^{II}/L (D)

W (D)^{IV}/(9)

W (B)^{VI}/(11)

Leaderboard

TEAM	DAY 1	DAY 2	TOTAL
I			
II			
III			
IV			
V			
VI			

Day 4

The Long Bay Club Blue Tees

Final Round of SMC

Payout to Winner of Championship Match:

\$100.00

8:33

8:42

8:51

I

II

V or IV

L(A) _____

L(C) _____

9 or 12 _____

L(B) _____

L(D) _____

W(a) _____

IV or V

III or VI

III or VI

L(a) _____

L(b) _____

W(b) _____

9 or 12 _____

10 or 11 _____

10 or 11 _____

Skins

Daily Purse: \$36.00

Dual-Day Double-Dude Duel

Day Two

\$90.00 (Pays 1st & 2nd)

Team Points: 8/4/2

Face-Off

Pro-V's

Day 4

Face-Off

Black

L(a) _____

9/12 _____

L(C) _____

L(D) _____

9/12 _____

W(a) _____

White

L(B) _____

L(A) _____

10/11 _____

L(b) _____

10/11 _____

W(b) _____

Awards Presentation

SMC Champion (\$100): _____

SMC Runner-up (\$50) _____

Low Net (\$50): _____

Individual Team Champion (\$25): _____

High Net (AKA: Hapless Sap)(\$25) _____

Straight from Hale



Steve Hale is a freelance writer from southwest Virginia. He is also one of only two 3-time SMC Champions on the planet earth. This is the 3rd annual installment of Steve's column in *The Summit*.

Boozin' and Losin'

Welcome to the third installment of Straight From Hale where I peel back the curtain and discuss behind the scenes water cooler topics that are typically not mentioned in *The Book*, but can certainly be heard in the whispered conversations held by members of *The Summit*. This past year had its moments as the weather was the primary topic of discussion during the week. A rain soaked Championship Match that lasted 9 brutally cold and wet holes determined the eventual Champion, Chris Colton. (who was pissed that we didn't play the full 18!)

Other than the weather, there wasn't a lot of locker-room gossip for me to work with for this piece. I was losing confidence that I would find anything worthy until this past summer when I happened to pick up a copy of *Golf Magazine*, which featured an article on legendary PGA Tour player, John Jacobs. His legend wasn't derived from his play so much as his penchant for wine, women, and song. Jacobs played on tour from 1968 to 1980. He NEVER won an event and never finished better than 80th on the money list. Here's a guy, seemingly not fit for a spread in a golf mag until you hear him described by the likes of Arnold Palmer and Lee Trevino. "I think John Jacobs had more raw talent than anyone I ever saw," Arnold Palmer has said. To that, Lee Trevino now adds: "If J.J. had my brains, the SOB wouldn't have just won majors, he'd have won everything. J.J. could have been the biggest of them all." "His is a tale of drinking, hookers, convertibles, hell-raising, and bags of loot. Sometimes all of the above." The original "Booze-hound".

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Straight from Hale

I finished the article, and my mind raced as I made the connection between John Jacobs and the talent-rich group of young guns that have joined The Summit lineup over the past decade. As we tee it up on the first day each year, we've all wondered if this would be the year that the long hitting, broad shouldered troop of young guns consisting of Fry, Bradberry, Dick, and Crush would finally play to their potential and run away with the crown. Why haven't they claimed a single Title among them? It's not like they haven't had the opportunity. Each of them has made it to the Final Match over the last four years with almost identical results. Phil was pummeled by Colton in last year's Final; Ryan was crushed by Woody in the previous year's Final; Ben was never in the match against Bo in the Final 3 years ago; and John was easily handled by me in the Final 4 years ago. What IS the major hurdle for the young guns and why can't they close the deal? The answer came to me from an unlikely source.....

The first step in my quest for answers was to start at the top. Who better to discuss what it takes to win than the winningest player in Summit history, Woody Deans. I sat down with Woody to pick his brain about his secrets to success and why some guys struggle.

Me: Coach, as the winner of four Summit Titles, to what do you attribute your success over the years?

Woody: "The first thing that comes to mind is that the handicap system has favored me in several matches. I have been somewhere in the middle of the pack handicap-wise which allowed me enough strokes to hang with the lower handicap players. I remember playing some stroke holes well and being able to win some of those holes. The other thing that comes to mind is some of the better players have gotten upset before I had to play them."

ME: Do you feel like your focus may have been more on golf while some may have focused more on the social aspect?

WOODY: "I think that is a definite. The fact that I don't drink and, at my age, I need to go to bed early, or I will fall asleep. Case in point was my last victory over "the best player on the trip", Ryan Crush (Sorry, Steve). I didn't go out the night before and got a good night's sleep. Ryan (my favorite golfer from Patrick Henry days. Sorry, Bo) fell prey to the piano bar and, after a few too many, barely got to the tee on time. He was not himself, and no way I could have beat him any other

Straight from Hale

day. There also have been days when some guys went out for another 9 and I stayed at the green and worked on my short game which paid off the next day.”

As I was wrapping this interview up, it all began to come together. The common denominator among the young guns’ four losses was that they had all gotten hammered the night before the finals! I had discovered the Holy Grail, the Crystal Skull, the elusive answer to why the young guns hadn’t won. They’re not the super human ball strikers we’ve all feared for years. They’re a small band of booze-hounds, set out to defile their reputations and livers while claiming they are here for the golf tournament. John Jacobs would’ve been proud! History will show that prior to their joining the Summit, we’d never heard the term “case-race”. We had never needed an aluminum recycling bin placed inside the condo. There were no late night trips to the piano bar. No, we had card games, movie nights, and group trips to the outlet malls.

The importance of this article becomes clearer as we welcome three young rookies to this year’s event. Time will tell whether they’ve joined for the golfing experience or the social pitfalls offered by most beach golf trips. I, for one, am in hopes that this discovery will benefit our younger participants by giving them the insight and wisdom handed down by the great players before them. They are indeed the future of this prestigious event and I would like to think that 10 years from now, at the 26th Annual Millennium Invitational Golf Summit, we will still be battling each other for the coveted Summit Cup with integrity and honed golf skills in the same matchplay format we’ve used for over a decade. And, here’s hope that by then, in the hands of our youngsters, the Summit hasn’t turned into a two-day, beer-a-hole captain’s choice that ends with the winning team streaking naked, hand-in-hand around the 18th green.

Good Luck, Summiteers!

Steve Hale

Summit Hall of Famer

Disclaimer: There may have been one or two instances over the years where I have appeared to be one of the ‘booze hounds’ I’ve just described. I would like to state for the record that on each of those occasions, I had already been eliminated from the matchplay, so those aforementioned instances cannot be used against me.

Interview with a Champion

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SN: What does it take to win the Summit?

CC: Sylvia, as you know, for almost every player, winning comes down to: consistent and long tee shots; a good, consistent swing on the fairway; trouble avoidance; a good short game; and solid putting. For me, the key to winning is bad weather. I suspect that future winners will depend upon the former set of criteria, not the latter.

SN: Describe your game. What are your strength/weaknesses? When do you feel you have an advantage?

CC: Sylvia, as you know, I like numbers, specifically, inferential statistical analysis when used to describe behavior that exists but is not seen [Editor's Note: Don't we all?].

SN: How do you respond to those that say you don't take the game seriously?

CC: Sylvia, as you know, Steve is a really good guy who can hold his liquor [Editor's Note: Clearly, in this instance, Chris is referring to another Steve, but, for the record, our own Steve Hale is a really good guy, too.]. Further, when he drinks and sings and plays the guitar, he seems to really accept himself for the emotional, compassionate person he wants to be. Ben is a lover, not a fighter. My



Chris poses with Bart before Saturday's Play-in Round.

meaning is obvious by now; who would be so nasty as to accuse me of this sophomoric behavior? As I think I made clear when we discussed the first question, I definitely take this Tournament seriously, else, why would I have said that winning was, POSSIBLY, the greatest blah blah blah. Well?

SN: How do you respond to those who say they're not sure you're aware you're even in a golf Tournament?

CC: Sylvia, is this a serious interview? Do you really want me to stay? I know the moon isn't made out of cheese, but if it were I'd take a bite and wash it down with a Bud Light! [Editor's Note: At this point in the interview, the orderlies edged closer to Ms. Nasar as the corner of Chris' mouth began to twitch. A break was requested, during which Chris was given some applesauce which seemed to calm him enough to resume.]

SN: Do you think the weather or the shortened format contributed to your victory and why?

CC: Sylvia, as you know, the weather never affects me. I like rain and cold as much as the next guy. Last year's weather did not affect the quality of my play nor my happy-go-lucky attitude...and yet, I won. So, yes it did. "Shortened format" is a euphemism you're using to describe a collapse of power at the very pinnacle of this Tournament when confronted with the slightest pressure by a group of "men" who worried they might melt in the rain. So, euphemistically, no, the "shortened format" did not have an impact on anything other than, possibly, my winnings' total!

SN: What is different about you from the other Summit competitors?

CC: Sylvia, as you know, I'm easy-going and relaxed about most things. You alluded to this in previous questions, "do I take the tournament seriously..." Of course I do, but the fact that I'm so relaxed obviously comes through. When you're relaxed, you swing better because you don't tighten up under pressure! They don't call me "CC\$" for nothing! [Editor's Note: The Summit

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staff is not aware that 'they', or anyone for that matter, calls him CC\$.]

SN: Tell us what you remember about your path to the Championship as you defeated Ben, Ryan, Woody, and, finally, poor Phil for the Title.

CC: Sylvia, as you know, I remember everything! With regard to this particular question, however, I remember only one thing; cheering Phil on to victory. He had the Match won and when he determined to lose, I promoted his positive spirits to no avail. I was playing beside a whipped Labrador puppy who just wanted his mommy's teat and a warm, dry blanky. He was a terrible spectacle to witness. I have nightmares to this day. When I play in the Finals this year, I may need emotional support.

SN: Which was your most difficult match?

CC: Sylvia, as you know, Woody has always represented my toughest Match, and this past year, during my rise to the Championship, was no exception. I can't really put my finger on the reason, it just seems like the rules become more complicated, and I find myself taking penalties, even when the penalty hasn't been suggested; it's like a provisional ball, you know? Anyway, he's tough.

SN: Which victory was the most gratifying?

CC: Sylvia, as I have already stated, the least gratifying was against Phil; I still feel bad. Beating Woody was best.

SN: If given a choice, which of those competitors would you be most anxious to face again?

CC: What? What do you mean? Anxious as worried or anxious as eager or keen? You confuse me with your silly, southern accent and use of words and switching words; I mean, a pen is a pen and a pin is a pin. Enough of that. I'll assume keen. Phil. Playing Phil again would provide me an opportunity to give him the succor he obviously needs in the form of a win for him. I can only imagine the magnitude of relief he would feel and, in turn, I could participate in his happiness. Don't get me wrong, I would play to win, as always, you know how seriously I take this Tournament, but my heart would be with Phil.

SN: Which least, and why?

CC: Sylvia, as you know, it's Woody.

SN: Talk about your rematch with Ben after suffering that bitter loss to him a few years back.

CC: Sylvia, as you know, I remember chipping 17 times to get onto the green to lose to Ben [*Editor's Note: It was actually a chilly-dip, a skull, and a three-putt. But, who's counting?*]; this after hearing from Steve 17 times — "PUTT!" I don't remember the Match against Ben this



For the fourth, and possibly, last time, as defending Champion, Woody passes the Summit Cup to his successor and, in this case, vanquisher, Chris.

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past year; I hope he's okay. I should have sent him flowers or something. Ben is sensitive.

SN: Were you nervous facing the perennial Low Net Champion, Ryan?

CC: Sylvia, as you know, Ryan is a true gentleman and I always look forward to playing golf with him.

SN: Why hasn't Ryan been able to win the Title?

CC: Sylvia, as you know, when Ryan decides to win, he'll win. This is becoming boring. Do you have a problem with Ryan? If so, call him out! Personally, I like Ryan and always look forward to seeing him. What's your problem with Ryan? [Editor's Note: Time for another applesauce break.]

SN: Did you notice any of his famous gamesmanship in your Match against Woody?

CC: I didn't notice a lot; I was too nervous about the rules I might break.

SN: Describe what happened in your Finals Match against Phil. Apparently, he took an early lead, yet somehow managed to lose 2 down, though it was only a 9 hole match.

CC: Sylvia, as I mentioned earlier, Phil was a whipped puppy caught in the rain with no collar and no one to love him. I tried to love him as I have been taught, but he just couldn't find his way to happiness. It's a sad story and I deeply regret my part in it. I only hope I have the opportunity to make it up to him some day.

SN: Give us your take on your old friend Ken's political leanings. What do you think happened to him?

CC: Sylvia, as you know, Ken is misguided. I have seen it happen frequently to guileless, honest, well-meaning people. The foundation of his confusion is built upon the belief that everyone is as capable and kind-hearted as he is. Marx also misapprehended the reality of humanity, their intentions, motivations and emotions which he presented in three volumes called "Das Kapital." His thesis that workers would rule and that wealth would be equally divided didn't work very well, but, like Ken, his naiveté was touching. Sylvia, for the record, I like Ken a lot more than I think I would have liked Karl Marx. Ken is a nice guy who's just been brainwashed by the liberal media which presents straw man arguments like, "don't you want every person in this country to have insurance, a warm bed, food, money, a Lamborghini; etc., and of course the answer to the question is yes, I do! But who's gonna pay for that Lamborghini? I don't have one, do you? No, you don't, and neither does Ken, but Ken wants the unemployed to have a brand new, red, Lamborghini. Sylvia, did you know that President Obama recently said that the U.S. and Western Powers are responsible, in part, for the aggression of ISIS because we haven't treated them well. We need more public outreach programs. He's from Illinois, if you didn't know.



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[Editor's Note: At this point, Chris retreats to a happy place somewhere within his head and began to carry on a conversation himself.]

Sylvia: "What's up with ISIS anyway; we don't get news in Roanoke. I really haven't heard of them. And if they're brainwashing people, do you think they can brainwash Ken? You believe he's been brainwashed by the liberal media, right? I'm getting a little worried about Ken."

Chris: Actually, Sylvia, so am I. Let's take a look at ISIS and how they could radicalize Ken. First off, we need to understand that ISIS is attempting to create the first Caliphate in many hundreds of years. A Caliphate is a state in which a political and religious successor to the prophet Muhammad would lead the entire Muslim community. The goal of ISIS is simple; create a Caliphate which, by their definition, creates a utopia as things were at the time of Mohamed; you guessed it, the 7th century!



Ken drop-kicks his tee shot up the middle en route to a 6/4 thumping of John on Day 2.

Secondly, Ken is a pacifist, so no, Sylvia, Ken would not cut anyone's head off. Ken will categorically not join ISIS. Having said that, I come to the third point: Yes, Sylvia, I suppose that if Ken can be brainwashed by the liberal media, he could possibly, and I say possibly, be brainwashed by a group of people from a Caliphate that is represented as utopia, but only after the utopia has been achieved, and that's a very important point; Ken will not participate in any violence. So, okay, yes, Ken is gullible and will believe a lot, but there is no Caliphate now, so I think we're okay.

Sylvia: "What about President Obama?"

Chris: Sylvia, as you know, that's an open-ended question. Yes, I do think that when President Obama leaves office, unlike the Clintons who tour daily on private planes and get paid millions to spout their liberal views, he will finally admit he is a true believer in Islam and join ISIS, or a Caliphate, if one exists. So, In conclusion, Ken is a great guy, and we need to intervene on his behalf to save him from himself.

[Editor's Note: This is where Chris suddenly began to look around in confusion and seemed to emerge from his fugue state.]

SN: If

you were putting together a crew of Summiteers to sail around

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Cape Horn, which two would you choose to leave on the dock?

CC: Sylvia, as you know, that's a strange question given the response of our group to mildly bad weather last year. I think the only one who wanted to continue play was Ken, so Ken can come, but only after he denounces his intentions to join a Caliphate.

SN: Who's more confrontational, you or Bo?

CC: Sylvia, as you know, Bo and I are both warm-hearted, generous, spiritual people.

SN: Was Phil McQuain the most intelligent and well-read Summiteer ever, and were you intimidated by him?

CC: Sylvia, as you know, I'm not intimidated by anyone..., but Phil did come close. Phil did tell me, in a public conversation, so I think I can repeat it here, that he was the "best-read" member of our crew and he also said that "The Life of Pi" was his favorite book. So, I think it likely that he reads more John Grisham than I or others who play in this Tournament, and that this is the likely reason that "The Life of Pi" is his favorite book and also the basis for his significant intellectual confidence.

SN: Who talks more, Steve or Joe?

CC: I enjoy listening to Steve.

SN: In last year's Interview, Bo flat-out accused you and Ken of being the two slowest players on the trip. How would you respond to that?

CC: Sylvia, as you know, Bo is the slowest player in the group and I think there may even be a rule against his Buddha-like contemplation of every single shot. Further, 15 practice swings, even if he's not yet addressed the ball formally, is just too many. And, although professional players are allowed 5 minutes to search for a lost ball, the assumption is that they don't lose balls! On this tour, it seems that our "professional" players revel in this rule and search frequently and fruitlessly; Bo is not alone on this last point — but he is involved.

SN: What advice would you give this year's Summit Rookies?

CC: Gentlemen, this is a very serious event.

At this point in the interview, Chris seemed to drift off to a place that only he knows. Is he operating at a higher level with which the rest of us are unfamiliar, or is there simply a short in his wiring? We may never know exactly what goes on inside his head. Then again, we may not want to — some things cannot be unseen.



Just back from La-La Land where he, apparently, did some clothes shopping. Chris began his pre-round warmup ritual with a cup of coffee.

Summit Scorecard

PLAYER	ROUND 1			ROUND 2			ROUND 3			ROUND 4			STATUS
	HCP	GROSS	NET	HCP	GROSS	NET	HCP	GROSS	NET	HCP	GROSS	NET	
BEATO	7												
BLANKENSHIP	3												
BRADBERRY	4												
COLTON	18												
CRUSH	0												
EDMUNDS	4												
FLINT	21												
FRY	4												
HALE	4												
KURTZ	1												
PARKER	23												
ROGICH	17												

Summit Matchplay Championship

Seedings

1. Colton
2. Fry
3. Edmunds
4. Blankenship
5. _____
6. _____
7. _____
8. _____
9. _____
10. _____
11. _____
12. _____

	<u>ROUND 2</u>	<u>ROUND 3</u>	<u>ROUND 4</u>	<u>ROUND 3</u>	<u>ROUND 2</u>
1	Colton	L(C) II		9 IV	Fry 2
2		W(A) V		W(B) VI (DDDDD: 11)	B 7
3	Edmunds	A (DDDDD: 12)	(9 or 12)		
4	Blankenship		W(a)	b	Edmunds 3
5	D (DDDDD: 9)		W(b) (10 or 11)	W(C) III (DDDDD: 10)	C 6
6		W(D) IV		12 V	
7		L(B) I	L(b) (10 or 11)		10
8			L(C)		12
9			L(D)		
10		10 III		11 VI	
11		L(A) I	L(a) (9 or 12)	L(D) II	
12			L(A)		
			L(B)		

NOTE: Green tees-off first; Yellow second; Blue last
Two-man teams in rounds 3&4 grouped by shading

DDDDD Teams are in Red.