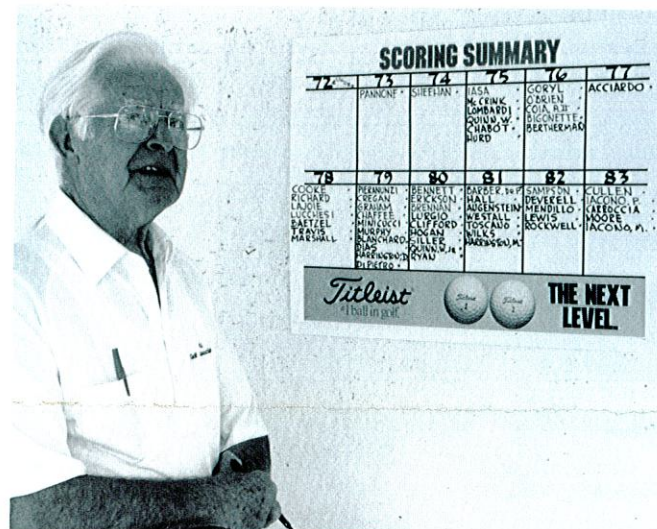




RIGA NEWS

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— FRED MALCOLM — “THE RIGHT HAND MAN”



Lee Danielian, a pro from Framingham, was standing around the scorer's tent at the end of this year's RI Open. "I've played in tournaments all over," he declared, "and nobody keeps a better scoreboard than you people." He was, of course, referring to the handiwork of Fred Malcolm, the official RIGA scorer. Tournament after tournament, whether it's the State Open or the Caddy Championship, Fred is there diligently at work with his score sheets.

This is Fred's 14th year with RIGA. Before retiring he worked as a draftsman for 41 years, 31 with General Electric. Now you know why he's so good at what he does. Fred is nothing short of the "right hand man" of the organization when it comes to conducting tournaments. And don't think he wasn't a player in his day. He holds the West Warwick Country Club course record with a 63 (which included a 29).

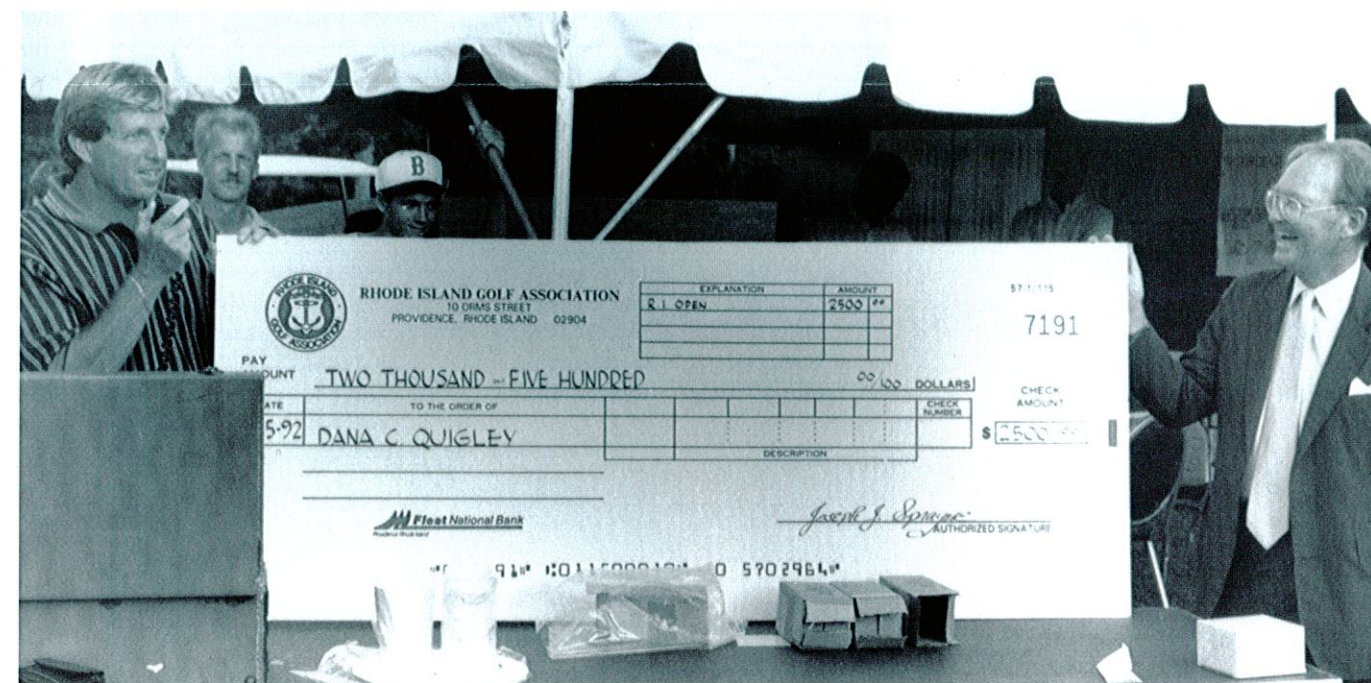
So a tip of the visor and many thanks to Fred Malcolm for all his years of dedication to the Rhode Island Golf Association.

Regardless of how many state championships we conduct during the summer, more golfers play in the Weekly Invitationals than any other RIGA sponsored event. To say golf is thriving in Rhode Island would be a bit of an understatement. It's absolutely booming! Despite the regional economic recession, there have been record entries in 1992 for all the state championships. And more golfers than ever have signed up to play in the Weekly Invitationals. The RIGA would like to thank everyone who's played and supported the Association.

The Ol' Faithful: Pictured (left to right) are John "Duke" Schlageter of Triggs, Bill Schlageter, Herm Paolucci, and Fred Hamel of Valley. They rarely miss a week playing in the RIGA Invitationals.



DANA QUIGLEY CAPTURES 3RD STATE OPEN



Dana Quigley (left) accepts R.I. Open Winner's check from A.T. Cross C.E.O Brad Boss.

Dana Quigley put together rounds of 73, 69, 73 for a one-under-par total of 215 to win the 1992 Rhode Island Open Championship at Quidnessett Country Club. The three shot margin of victory was good for his third Open title. He also won in 1973 and 1981. This win makes for three State Opens in three different decades. Pretty impressive.

Also impressive was Dana's play, especially during the morning round of the second day. He was limping along at two over par through 11 holes when he sank a 30 footer for birdie at the 12th. "For awhile I was just in a zone," remarked Quigley, "and everything was going right." The birdie at the 12th led to birdies at 13, 14, 16 and 18. He finished with a 69 and a 36 hole total of 142, one stroke behind Pawtucket Country Club pro Steve Napoli.

In the afternoon round Napoli looked to be in command early but a double bogey on his eighth hole derailed him and he was not able to hold on. Still, Napoli finished in a tie for second, a great showing for someone who doesn't play a lot of competitive golf.

Quigley, 45, seems to be playing as well as ever. Earlier in the summer he finished 2nd in the Massachusetts Open. Last year he won the New England PGA. It's no wonder he's anxious to try his luck on the Senior PGA Tour. He's got the game. He's got the confidence. Just a few more years, Dana.

Low amateur for the tournament was two-time Massachusetts Amateur champion, Steve Tasho, of Thorny Lea. Tasho's 224 total was good for solo 11th place. Low Rhode Island amateur was Metacomet's David Herzog with a 226 total.

This year's RIGA Open was sponsored by the A.T. Cross Company. C.E.O. Brad Boss along with his brother and company president, Ron Boss are in their first year of sponsorship of the tournament. The RIGA was delighted to have such a fine company agree to support the Open. Previously, Jack Kilmartin, sons John and Paul, and their International Packaging Company had been the primary sponsor of the tournament for four years running.

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BUTCHER DICES FIELD IN STATE AMATEUR



Rodney Butcher

Rodney Butcher went out in style at Crestwood Country Club in his last tournament as an amateur. In the 36 hole final Butcher defeated Mike McCormick of Triggs by a margin of 9 and 8 to win the 1992 State Amateur Championship. But it wasn't just McCormick who Butcher cruised past. In the semi-finals he beat Wanumetonomy's Bill Campbell 6 and 5. He beat

Tom Goryl 5 and 4 and Brad Adamonis 4 and 3. In fact, Butcher's 2 and 1 victory over veteran Norm Lutz in the quarter-finals was the only close match for the newly-crowned champion. Butcher, an NCAA Division II All-American, turned pro the week after winning his first RIGA championship. He will try his chances at the PGA Tour Qualifying School later this Fall.

Butcher was never out of control in his match against McCormick. After the morning round Butcher was 5 up. And not because McCormick was playing poorly. Rodney was just playing that well. He seemed to crank it up yet another notch in the afternoon. With birdies at 1, 2, 5 and 7 he dashed any hope of a McCormick comeback. "I had 10 straight pars (in the afternoon)", he said. "I don't feel too badly. Rodney played excellent and that was something I couldn't change." At the award ceremony Butcher offered some consolation

to Mike by stating, "This is the best I've ever played."

Other exciting matches in the tournament included a 22 hole marathon between David Herzog and Norm Lutz. Lutz, the 1970 State Amateur Champ, used his deft putting touch and magical short game to edge out Herzog. In the semi-finals, Pat Sheehan and Mike McCormick were fighting neck and neck down the home stretch. Rodney Butcher had already won his semi-final match and had come out to watch his buddy Sheehan who also turned pro right after the tournament. Many were hoping for a Butcher-Sheehan final — two friends about to turn pro squaring off in their final amateur tournament. But that was not to be as McCormick showed true grit and steel nerves to gain his first berth to the Amateur finals.

In the qualifying medal, unknown Gary Leroux, playing out of New England Country Club, erupted with a second round, eight-under-par, 63 to easily grab medalist honors. A self-described 75 shooter, Leroux made eight birdies, knocking in field goal length putts for his Cinderella round. Leroux's round overshadowed the other stellar round of the day — a 67 by Jim Stallman of Rhode Island Country Club which included a triple bogey.



Gary Leroux: "Mr. 63".

NOT TO BE FORGOTTEN

David Herzog of Metacommet and Brad Adamonis of Pawtucket both qualified for the USGA Amateur at Muirfield Village Golf Club in Dublin, OH — proof positive that the quality of golfer coming out of Rhode Island is second to none.

Matt Lynch of Woodland Greens beat Steve Pieranunzi of Triggs for the 1992 State Junior Championship held at Kirkbrae Country Club.

The team at Valley Country Club won the State Caddy Championship at Gloucester Country Club. Troy Pare, also of Valley, was the individual champion.

In the Father-Son Tournament at Point Judith, Hank and Greg Richard of Kirkbrae took low gross honors in the Senior Division with 69. Low net went to Bob DiFilippo of Triggs and his son, Bob, Jr. of Crestwood. They had 66. In the Junior Division Tom and Bob Acciaro shot 72 to take gross honors. Peter and Stephen Hallas from Triggs took low net with a 67.

RIGA SCOREBOARD AT A GLANCE

Stroke Play Championship		Fourball Championship		Mixed Foursomes		State Open		
June 16-17: Wanumetonomy		July 20-21: Alpine Country Club		July 31-August 1: Agawam Hunt		August 4-5: Quidnessett Country Club		
P. Quigley, RICC	70-73-68—211	P. Barber Jr.-J. Giguere	68-66-68—202	J. Stallman-M. Picerelli	75-81-78—234	Dana Quigley	73-69-73—215	
C. Hayes, Wanumet.	73-75-66—214	B. Grossguth-B. Johnson	68-67-68—203	D. Herzog-S. Mouchon	79-78-80—237	Steve Napoli	70-71-77—218	
C. Wojtowicz, Mont.	72-73-71—216	D. Chabot-A. Chabot	68-69-67—204	J. Fogarty-C. Schreve	76-85-81—242	Jeff Bailey	72-74-72—218	
R. Butcher, Potowomut	73-74-70—217	N. Cioe-T. Acciaro	67-68-71—206	S. Post-D. Warner	78-83-88—249	Frank Szymkowicz	72-73-73—218	
B. Edgerton, Wanumet.	73-73-71—217	G. Pannone-J. Fogarty	68-69-70—207	M. Carrier-C. Petrone	80-82-82—244	Jack Bohman	73-73-72—218	
M. Forbes, Wannam.	73-71-73—217	C. Moore-P. Edes	69-66-72—207	D. Najarian-D. Squizzero	83-82-81—246	David Baluik	76-69-75—220	
B. Cook, Potowomut	71-72-74—217	M. Harrington-M. Brocato	71-70-66—207	J. Tobojka-D. Armstrong	83-81-88—252	Ed Kirby	69-77-75—221	
J. Giguere, Potowomut	75-73-70—218	R. Sharpe-M. Battista	66-73-69—208	G. Pannone-E. Pannone	82-83-87—252	Mike Ryan	72-74-76—222	
M. Lucchesi, Kirkbrae	72-76-71—219	G. Peters-D. Cohen	68-72-70—210	1st Division				
B. Bigonette, Kirkbrae	73-73-73—219	J. Ryan-M. Hall	69-72-70—211	J. Davis-J. Field	88-82-83—253	Scott Trethewey	71-77-75—223	
E. Cooney, Wanumet.	74-73-72—219	J. Iacofano-R. Ainsworth	69-70-73—212	2nd Division				
J. Curran III, Lincoln	76-76-67—219	C. Gardner-B. Edgerton	71-75-66—212	B. Grossguth-P. Gil	93-80-86—259	Mike San Filippo	73-74-76—223	
T. Goryl, Wannam.	76-73-72—221	P. Carney-T. Kearney	68-72-73—213	3rd Division				
B. Clendenen, Pt. Judith	73-72-75—220	M. Lombardi-C. Baetzel	70-71-73—214	M. Dounetos-P. Doyle	94-89-89—271	a-Steven Tasho	76-77-71—224	
J. Davis, Sakonnet	73-74-75—222	S. Cole-T. Danella	72-71-71—214	Medalist				
J. Iacofano, Metacommet	72-75-76—223	R. Challoner-D. Kydd	72-72-70—214	J. Stallman-M. Picerelli	75	John Frizzell	73-77-75—225	
N. Lutz, Pawtucket	73-79-71—223	J. Occhi-G. Sykes	70-73-72—215	Lee Pincince				73-77-75—225
G. Pirie, Valley	75-78-70—223	B. Vigeant-J. Smalldone	72-73-70—215	Lee Danielian				71-75-79—225
		J. Clifford-M. Kelly	72-74-69—215	Al Vallante				77-72-76—225
				Lee Bishop				68-81-76—225
				Charles Smith				75-72-78—225
				a-David Herzog				74-76-76—226
				Russ Coon				74-78-74—226
				a-Dr. George Pirie				75-75-76—226
				Dan Neary				75-76-75—226

1992 STROKE PLAY



Paul Quigley, 1992 Stroke Play Champion, being interviewed by Channel 12 sportscaster Bob Halloran.

For the fourth time in five years Paul Quigley has won the RIGA Stroke Play Championship. With rounds of 70, 73 and 68 Quigley finished at 1-over par and three shots ahead of his closest pursuer at Wanumetonomy Golf and Country Club. "I guess I'm a pretty good front runner," quipped Quigley. He was a virtual machine over the final 18 holes, hitting 16 of 18 greens in regulation. Defending champion, Charlie Hayes, made a run but even with a closing 66 he could not catch the unflappable Quigley.

Paul Quigley was always a top contender but never a winner during what's supposed to be a tournament golfer's prime years — 30 to 40. So maybe it's true that life begins at 40. Quigley, 47, has been on fire since 1986, winning three State Amateurs and four Stroke Play Championships. "Not bad", said Paul "for someone who's washed up."

NORTHEAST AMATEUR



Victory Smile: David Duval of Georgia Tech relaxes after signing scorecard for final round 65 at 1992 Northeast Amateur Invitational.

David Duval came to the 1st tee before the second round of the Northeast Amateur after a disappointing 1st round 74. RIGA Executive Director, Joe Sprague, told him to "hang in there." Duval replied, "Don't worry, I'll be there on Sunday." Well those words proved just a tad prophetic as the 1st Team All-American and Walker Cup member finished with rounds of 68, 69 and a blistering final round 65 to win his first Northeast Amateur title. Duval's 276 total, even par for four rounds at Wannamoisett, was good enough for a four stroke victory. Other past champions who've shot even par to win include Jay Sigel and Scott Hoch — not bad company. In fact, only three players have ever broken par to win — Ben Crenshaw in 1973, John Cook, 1979 and Dick Von Tacky, 1981.

"This has to be the high point of my career so far", said an elated Duval after the tournament. On August 1st he won the Porter Cup for his second national amateur victory of the summer. He also competed in the U.S. Open at Pebble Beach and led the PGA Tour Atlanta Classic after three rounds. So will David finish school or turn pro? We shall see...

RULES CORNER

Q: A player whose ball lies in the rough close to the fairway is entitled to relief from an immovable obstruction. In obtaining relief under that rule, may the player drop the ball in the fairway?

A: Yes. There is no distinction in the Rules between fairway and rough; both are covered by the term "through the green."

Q: A player finds his original ball and his provisional ball out of bounds. The balls were played from the tee. When the player returns to the tee and plays another ball, has he taken 3 strokes or 5?

A: The player will have taken 5 strokes when he plays the third ball from the tee. A stroke played with a provisional ball and any penalty related to it are not disregarded unless the provisional ball is abandoned as provided in Rule 27-2c ("When Provisional Ball To Be Abandoned").