



The Coach Approach

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From the Clubhouse

Preparations set for next season

Preparation is essential for all successful teachers and coaches. The key factors in preparation are clarity, commitment and composure. Clarity is having a vivid image of both the target and the path. Commitment is being free from second-guessing, doubt or hesitation. Composure is being calm and focused, poised and at ease. When these concepts are implemented they produce confidence. Confidence will allow us to be fearless in the moment, regardless of what we encounter.

Have you checked our web site recently at www.wmsgca.com? The site has grown and developed under John Loneragans watchful eye.

We are once again promoting an Ireland trip for late June, featuring some of the worlds oldest and finest venues, such as Ballyunion Old, Lahinch, Waterville, Tralee, Fota Island Cork, and possibly Old Head. This trip which will be put together for just about \$2100 per person is an incredible value and will help our Association to provide our coaches with top notch service, education and welcome gifts.

The welcome gift for all summer clinic and meeting attendees in Hayward will be a first class executive attache in tan or black embroidered with our logo.

Mary Beth Nienhaus and myself have put our Spring Clinic together. The clinic will be held at Western Lakes Golf Club in Pewaukee on Saturday, March

15th. This is always a worthwhile seminar to attend.

The WIAA Coaches Advisory Committee meeting took place in Steven's Point on Wednesday, October 30th. Six coaches along with WIAA Golf Chairman, Tom Shafransky, met to discuss the following issues:

1. In tournament play, scores must be posted hole by hole on a scoreboard for all to see.
2. Each host manager will mark the starting time on a designated card for each group, with one card marked per group. Golf tournament hosts shall determine the time needed to play the course. The recommended amount of time is 2 hours and 15 minutes for 9 and 41/2 hours for 18. Faster play is encouraged. Any group over the time limit or out of pace with the group ahead of them shall be penalized one stroke when reporting to the scoring area. After holing out on the last hole, all players shall go to the designated scoring area. Ready golf will be implemented to expedite play.
3. The host manager will be asked to relocate as many forward and men's tees as necessary to create a women's length course that is 15% shorter than the men's.
4. There shall be no practice putting after the completion of a hole. Penalty of 2 strokes for noncompliance.
5. Unsportsmanlike conduct issues will be addressed at the meeting prior to the start of a match. A warning is issued to all golfers at the meeting. First infraction on the course is a 2 stroke penalty. The second infraction on the course is disqualification. Players must report all alleged violations

at the end of the meet at the designated scoring area to the meet manager.

6. The possession and use of cell phones and electronic devices are prohibited on the golf course during play.

The site for our annual meeting, clinic and tournament is the Hayward Golf and Tennis Club. Look for the hole by hole description of the course in this newsletter. The Hayward area has been a major resort and tourist destination since the 1950's. Consequently, there are accommodations galore, with many fine eating establishments in the area as well. Here is a brief list of some of our area hotels:

1. Comfort Suites - 715-634-0700
2. Best Western - 715-634-4959
3. Country Inn and Suites - 715-634-4100
4. AmericInn - 715-634-2700
5. Super 8 - 1-800-800-8000
6. Telemark Resort - 715-798-3811

Have an enjoyable winter and we will look forward to seeing you at the Spring Clinic.

Dave Blake, President

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The Practice Tee Golf, A Compass For Life

By David Gates

I had arrived at a crossroads in my life, similar, I am sure, to what numerous others had already experienced. My life seemed at ebb. Besides a recent downturn in my economic status, my golf game had lately revolved around an unhealthy combination of missed drives, bladed iron shots and lipped putts. It seemed that I was being tested to the very depths of my soul. Confused and a bit desperate, I looked for solutions, but none seemed readily apparent. It was easy to see the cause of most of my problems. I had a bad boss who surely hated me, and my golf partners were most annoying. Their actions caused me to lose focus, which resulted in higher scores. Even my friends, if you can call them that, seemed to hate me. No wonder I was experiencing such difficulties.

Thinking that taking a different job would renew my batteries and alleviate my stress, I made a work change, but the new occupation only muddled the picture to a greater degree. It produced longer hours and lower wages, and because of the reduced opportunity to spend time on my game, my handicap had gone from an 8 to a 15. My frustration and stress levels seemed at an all time high. It was a bit more than I could tolerate.

Was I going to continue living as a miserable, faceless member of the business community, a seemingly decent player who at age 45 now seemed headed only for the senior tees while in the prime of my life? I was determined to change my compass, but was unsure how precisely to accomplish this task.

As it happened, a long lost high school friend and teammate happened to be in town on business and we ran into each

other. Promising to meet that evening for a libation (or two) at a local pub frequented by many a golfer in town, we parted, business deals pressing for the moment.

An evening drizzle had begun to fall, bringing that wonderfully soft spring feeling to the air as I arrived at the pub. Jack had not yet arrived so I ordered a chardonnay and took a sip. The oak barreling gave this fine wine a vanilla flavor that spiraled smoothly down my throat, stirring my taste buds. Well, I thought, at least something was stirring in my body. As I finished my drink, Jack announced his presence, excited to see me after many years.

He possessed an energy level that excited people who made his acquaintance. It was easy to see why he was a success. So positive and confident. When had I lost those traits, if ever I had them to begin with? We had been close high school friends because we were so similar back then, but now it seemed that I had aged more than he. I was curious. Why? Why had this happened? I admired the powerful feeling of confidence in his speech and mannerisms. His personality seemed magnetic. You wanted to listen to him all night long. What was his secret?

As the evening progressed, our talk turned to golf. Jack was a member of a club back home, but rarely played competitively. During our conversation that evening I learned that he had gone through a very difficult divorce. It had come close to destroying him, but he was fortunate to have been befriended by an older club member, a Scot, who had lost his wife to cancer. The widower had learned, during his time of dilemma, some secrets of life that made him a stronger person. Jack learned from his new friend that difficult times strike all of us, but it was your response to these challenges in life that could either see you through, or destroy you.

This wise old golfer instilled in Jack a belief that it was necessary to make time to discover yourself. Only by truly understanding your innermost feelings and beliefs can a person expect to overcome the difficult times in our lives.

Well, I was certainly going through one of those difficult times right now. As Jack and I continued our conversation,

I pressed him for more details regarding the methodology he employed to bounce back from his divorce. Although reluctant to divulge details that he considered too personal, I did learn that Jack took some time to get away from his every day existence in order to do some soul searching. I was able to extract enough information to begin thinking about possible solutions to my dilemma. Jack indicated that because of his love for the game, he involved golf in his attempts to get in touch with himself and suggested that I might indeed consider similar solutions to my problems.

As we left the pub, I pried from Jack a promise to meet tomorrow for dinner so we could continue our conversation. During my walk home, the light mist still falling softly, I had a feeling that maybe, with Jack's help, I would be able to set my compass in a new direction. I was puzzled by Jack's mysterious behavior. He seemed to have an inner glow, an inner confidence that allowed him to handle, in a calm and peaceful manner, anything that life would throw in his direction. What, I wondered, could Jack have discovered that gave him such inner peace and confidence?

Work, the next day was a chore. My mind wondered frequently to the conversation the previous evening with Jack. I was excited at the prospect of meeting with him for dinner tonight, hoping to learn more about how he had developed such a calm but purposeful approach to life. What could his secret be? It surprised me when I realized that my enthusiasm was more elevated than it had been for a long time.

At dinner that evening I had the opportunity to share with Jack the frustrations I was experiencing. He listened intently, every so often nodding as if he truly understood my plight. "I've been in your shoes" he finally stated. "I've had the same feelings of inadequacy, stress and frustration with my life, but there is hope for a brighter future. You will need to find a way to search your very being, to open your soul, to understand who you are and what is important in life."

And how, I wondered, does someone go about doing this? The solution seemed so nebulous. How does one go about searching their soul? Jack explained that he asked the same questions of his

Scottish friend. Now Jack was about to share his secrets with me.

"Leave the country. Go someplace you have never been before. A new experience will help begin taking the focus off of your problems. Use golf, a game you love, to help you reach for a new level of understanding." What Jack was suggesting seemed to make sense. I vowed to look into a golf trip of a lifetime the following day.

Next morning at work, I went online to begin a search for a place to experience. Never having been out of the country before, all this was new to me, but I found a sense adventure that had been too long nonexistent in my life. I researched the many available options. Australia, New Zealand or Singapore seemed like wonderful opportunities. They sounded like exotic, far away places to experience. And then there was Scotland, home to golf. This seemed a logical choice because Jack had indicated that it would probably be more effective if I were to make golf an important part of my search to discover myself. Finally I looked at Ireland.

While Australia, New Zealand and Singapore seemed exciting, they were also expensive and far away. Scotland would be a logical choice, but I had heard from friends who had visited that, while the people were extremely friendly, the famous courses were crowded and it was sometimes very difficult to secure a tee time. Ireland looked like a better choice with great golf courses, lower costs than Scotland, and the opportunity to possibly be alone with my thoughts. Yes, Ireland seemed the best option for my adventure. I chose the month of June and began to develop a vacation plan.

Although it was only April, I had much to do in order to be ready. June 18th would be my day of departure. A trip lasting ten days surely would be long enough to allow myself the opportunity to think, and begin an understanding of my life. But, there was much to accomplish prior to leaving.

As I look back on my experience, I now realize that the days before departure seemed to fly. I was in a state of excitement as I prepared. Even work took on a new meaning. Much reading needed to be done in order to familiarize

myself with the country. Where would I play? Where would I stay? I finally selected the western portion of Ireland. Brochures indicated that it was off the beatentourist path. A number of courses were quite isolated, just the situation, which Jack had indicated, would best benefit my search. In addition, during Jack's search for himself, he had been to this lonely part of Ireland. Here he had found the true Jack. Could I also do the same?

Departure day arrived. I was experiencing an equal mix of excitement and trepidation. What would it be like to leave the United States for the first time? What would Ireland really be like? Passport and tickets in hand, I eagerly boarded the plane and settled into my seat. Although I had flown before, it was always work related. I had other things on my mind this time.

We had a two-hour layover in Newark, and then took off for Dublin about 8:00p.m. The following morning we arrived in Ireland. After going through customs, I picked up my reserved rental car and headed north to Royal Portrush, one of the most famous old courses in Ireland. I had an afternoon tee time arranged and was paired with two locals. What a course. There are two courses at Royal Portrush, the Dunluce and the Valley, but 36 holes that day was simply out of the question. Besides, I was most eager to proceed on to my eventual destination, and I had a long drive ahead of me.

The next morning I arose from my hotel and preceded the rest of the way to Westport, which I had decided to use as my vacation center. Westport is a quaint seaside town, truly Irish in nature. From here I could circulate among any number of Irish courses. Westport is in western Ireland, and I was determined to stay away from the more famous courses further down the coastline in favor of the more isolated and unknown courses in the area. My first stop would be Carne Golf Links. The hotel proprietor had assured me that securing tee times would be quite easy because of the isolation of the courses.

Carne is located on a spit of land so removed from civilization that it has been called the "single most remote great course in the entire British Isles."

Remote it was, as I arrived on a beautiful Irish day to find the first tee empty. The golf professional suggested that I wait for a game as the course routing could be somewhat confusing to a first time guest. It wasn't long before an elderly gentleman arrived, a game was made and off we went. This was rugged links golf. We never saw another golfer during the entire round.

Links golf is certainly different from the parkland courses back home. I had to hit bump-and-run shots that I had precious little experience with back in the states. But what enjoyment as we never had a wait and never had someone hitting into us. Now this was the way golf could really be enjoyed. After a wonderful Irish dinner in a local pub, I settled into bed, secure in the knowledge that this was certainly going to be my trip of a lifetime.

The following morning found Irish dew falling in a light but steady fashion. Today's round was to be played at Ballycrone, again north of Westport, and along the coast. Back home I would have begged off playing on such a day, as inclement weather simply added another level of frustration to my golf game. But, here in Ireland, the drizzle seemed appropriate. The challenge of another remote seaside links course excited me.

Arriving at Ballycrone, I noticed only two cars in the parking lot. One belonged to the golf professional and the other to the club captain who was here to work, not to play golf. Nevertheless, I was determined to test my 'abilities against the weather and what proved to be a rigorous links test. As I headed to the first tee, assured that in all probability I would be the only player on the course for the entire day, I didn't realize that this was to be the most momentous round of my life.

Ballycrone is situated on a rugged, windswept coastline, just as you might picture an Irish Links course to be. As I teed off, the beauty of the landscape had an affect. The majority of the holes were nestled down into little valleys somewhat protected on either side by sand hills covered with gorse. Tough stuff, that gorse, if you hit your ball off line. The clouds overhead were dark, fearsome things, with the wind whipping down the valleys from time to time. After

completing the outward nine, the holes turned back towards the clubhouse. I was at the furthest point from civilization I had ever been, but the beauty of the inward nine, hard by the sea, was stirring.

The sea, a deep brooding menace, made me pause and contemplate my life and situation. At times the clouds opened up briefly and the sun shone brilliantly on the rugged landscape. I stopped to wonder in amazement at the feeling of loneliness that had come over me and then I realized that this was the situation I had been hoping to experience.

As I gazed out to sea, the contrast between the brightly lit rugged course and the angry, raging sea affected me, yet I felt an amazing calm. I began to see golf and life with a much clearer perspective. I realized that during a round of golf you are presented with challenges of various types and degrees of difficulty. Success is measured more by how you handle the various obstacles thrown into your path, than by winning or losing. Today I was fighting a remote, rugged but awesomely beautiful links course, by rain and wind inherent to a seaside location in addition to a balky driver. Could I accept the challenges thrown my way and measure my successes not by my final score, but by my ability to negotiate what the golf gods had laid out before me?

With this feeling of peace and calm, I began to realize, for the first time, what life was really all about. Happiness and satisfaction are truly dependent upon the little victories in life. What difference did it make that my handicap had escalated? What difference did it make that I was not the highest paid employee at the company? Those kind of things are important only if you are trying to impress others. Self-satisfaction truly comes from the little victories over personal impediments presented to us.

As I completed the finishing holes that day, I began to really notice sights around me. The rough, previously a mass of green came into clearer view. The long grass intermixed with the gorse was beautiful and I had not even noticed it before. I was better able to focus on the fairway prior to my shots, which resulted in straighter drives and more accurate

iron play. As I finished that round and added up my score I was shocked to discover that I had shot a 37 on the inward nine after a 47 on the outward nine. The 37 was the first round under 40 in over a year. It all seemed so easy. I had mentally made all kinds of excuses for the 47, but in reality, I had not done a proper job handling the adversities thrown my way. With a clearer focus, the inward nine was much easier. I was feeling calm and confident. Not every shot was perfect, but I accepted the flaws in my game and, instead of making excuses, I had tried to focus on the next shot. I was determined to face challenges at home in the same manner. Don't blame others, but look to yourself for solutions.

There would be five more rounds of golf to follow. Each presented me with various difficulties, but as I calmly accepted these challenges, I was more frequently rewarded with success. I began to understand why Jack had seemed so calm and confident. He also had met with hardships and had learned to deal with them in a confident manner, taking on each small challenge as it presented itself. Each hurdle overcome was self-

pleasing. He understood that life was about satisfying yourself, not trying to impress others. So what if others didn't know how successful he was. In the end, the only person you really need to please is yourself. Impressing others is a hollow victory, but self-satisfaction is long lasting and complete. Nobody else's impression of you really matters.

I thought back to what my high school golf coach, a grand old man, had tried to teach us. Set personal goals and keep them private. If you achieve or exceed the goals, be proud of yourself, but keep those successes to yourself. If others are truly interested in your successes, the scoreboard will give them their answers, you don't have to. How right he was, and at age 45 I finally comprehended his message.

With that simple formula understood, my life would change dramatically, and for the better. That vacation to Ireland would remain with me for the rest of my life. I will never forget the day at Ballycrone. It was to be the most satisfying and enlightening day of my life.

WHSGCA Competition Hole in One Award

Name: _____ School: _____
 Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____
 Course: _____ Hole # _____ Club: _____
 Date: _____ Event: _____ Score: _____

Please enclose a photo for the *Coach Approach*.

Requirements: Any player on a high school boys or girls team making a hole-in-one during competition. Coach **must** be a member of the WHSGCA at the time of the hole-in-one. Please use this form to report the hole-in-one. Send to TJ Dieck, Milton High School; 114 W. High Street; Milton, WI 53563

25 Years of Coaching

Name _____ Total years coaching golf _____
 Home phone: _____
 School _____ Years _____
 School _____ Years _____
 School _____ Years _____

Present school address:
 School _____
 Address _____
 City _____
 Zip _____
 Principal _____

Return by March 1, 1997
 The Wisconsin High School Coaches Association is presenting plaques to all high school golf coaches that have coached for 25 or more years. If you have coached for 25 or more years please fill out the following form and mail it to:

T.J.Dieck; Milton High School; 114 W. High Street; Milton, WI 53563

Wisconsin High School Golf Coaches Association

Spring Clinic 2003

March 15th

Western Lakes C.C.



Schedule of activities:

8:00-8:30 Registration, rolls and coffee (The registration table will remain open until 9:10)

8:35-11:30 Featured speaker: Michael Riggs

11:30-12:30 Lunch and Association Business

12:30-3:15 Carol Rhoades

3:15 Follow-up

Particulars:

When & where: On Saturday, March 15th, The W.H.S.G.C.A. will present its annual *Spring Clinic* at *Western Lakes G. C.* in

Pewaukee, WI.

Cost: \$25.00 for members, or \$50.00 for non-members. (Includes WHSGCA membership for the 2002-2003 school year.)

Michael Riggs is a Performance Consultant, with a Masters Degree in Applied Sport Psychology from The University of Virginia, Charlottesville, 1991. The UVA, Sport Psychology program, formerly directed by Robert Rotella, Ph.D., is esteemed worldwide as being on the cutting edge of research and innovation within the growing field of Sport Psychology and Performance Enhancement Consulting.

Michael is a multi-sport athlete, educator, and entrepreneur himself, with many years of teaching and coaching experience at many different competitive levels working with elementary-school-age through adult performers. He brings his personal experience and passion for performance to athletes, coaches, parents, business people, and performers from all walks of life, as a

Performance Consultant. Among his present institutional clients are The University of Illinois and Northwestern University. Michael is regularly called to consult with nationally and internationally ranked junior amateur athletes, adult amateur and professional competitors, and a variety of non-athletic performers, artists, and businessmen and women. His creativity and guidance have benefited those from the small "Mom and Pop" operation to those within the Fortune 500, from the high-handicapper to the *Sunday Star*, and from the young dreamer to the battle-tested veteran competitor.

Michael has developed a holistic view of the total performer. It is his belief that the athlete, artist, entrepreneur, coach, and business person enters *into* daily competition as an entire self: the

combination of their physical readiness, as well as their mental preparedness and emotional equilibrium. And, the closer the performer can come to a preparedness and balance of these core components, the greater their chances of success.

Carol L. Rhoades is a Class A Member of the PGA of America and the LPGA who believes that the golfer is the ultimate challenge. Carol says, "Every golfer is unique requiring an individual student centered experience. My diverse experience affords me the opportunity to create an atmosphere conducive to fun while maximizing student development. My passion is golf instruction or as I prefer, golfer development. I believe in an individual model that is supported by the laws and prin-

ciples of the golf swing as well as mental and emotional theories that are endorsed by the LPGA and PGA of America."

Carol is currently the Head Golf Professional at Golf Galaxy. She has worked as the director of instruction and head golf pro at Stony Creek Golf Course. Carol has also been a professional at Olympia Fields Country Club and The Ridges. She has also been the head golf coach at the College of William and Mary.

With a bachelors from Longwood College, and a Masters from Slippery Rock University, Carol has been named to the top 50 of Women Teachers, the winner of the Illinois PGA Bill Strausbaugh Award, and the Midwest LPGA Golf Professional of the year for 2002.

All attendees will receive 5 free raffle tickets! A few raffle prizes will be drawn at this clinic!

Name _____ Coaching at _____ H.S.
Home Address _____ City _____ Zip _____
2002-2003 WHSGCA Member? Yes No Is your check enclosed? _____

Please make the check payable to the WHSGCA and mail to:

Steve Lein
S3629 Pine Knoll Dr
Baraboo, WI 53913

(Registration limited to the first 110 coaches)

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: MARCH 4TH!

At the Turn

WHSGCA Executive Board

Meeting Minutes

Winnegama GC, Neenah, WI
November 3, 2002

1. President Blake called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. Members present included Dave Blake, Bill Berkholtz, Chuck Menzel, Steve Lien, Kaz, Brian Scrobel, Mark Rechlitz, Roger Prickette, Don Marx, Sandee Johnston, Dick McKichan, John Lonergan, Bob Lehninger, MaryBeth Nienhaus, and new member Mikki Duran.

Discussion centered on current board membership. All 17 members will return. We do need to cover each of the districts. Districts 2, 3, and 12 are currently without representation. Chuck M. agreed to represent Dist. 11, Mary Beth and Mikki will represent Dist. 10. Two possibilities for additional board members were discussed.

2. **The June minutes** and annual meeting minutes were approved unanimously. (Prickette/Lehninger)

3. **Ireland Trip-** Doug Thorn of Westosha Central HS drove up to work on the details of the Ireland trip. We have a \$1500 deposit with the travel company. This sum is enough to reserve our trip for the coming summer of 2003. The package is the same as last time. The cost for that package would be approximately \$2245, depending on airfare. The courses are the same. Doug and Roger suggested making Old Head an option, replaced by a good local course, which would then drop the cost of the package to less than \$2000. We need to have more than 20 people by the end of January.

Roger and Doug think that a three-fold flyer should be circulated to golf courses and coaches to get the requisite number of travelers. It was moved and seconded to send out a mailing and cover the cost of same, to golf coaches, members and non-members, alike. Motion passed unanimously (Kaz/Lonergan)

There was a suggestion to look

at additional sites (domestic and foreign) for possible future trips.

4. **Treasurer's Report-** TJ reported via long distance that we are doing OK this year. We have spent about \$1000 more than we've taken in this year. However, our expenses have gone back to the membership. Treasurer's report was unanimously accepted. (Berk/Lonergan)

5. **Membership Report-** Steve Lien, our new membership chair, reported that there are currently 249 members. Based on past numbers that is an excellent figure. A suggestion was made to somehow get to the different conferences early in each season so that membership increases. Also, we need to approach assistant coaches. Membership report was accepted unanimously. (Menzel/Marx)

6. **Girls All-State Report-** The committee (Roger, Sandee, Mary Beth, and Mikki) worked very hard on the nomination forms. They seemed to think that there were natural breaks among nominees. After discussion among the board a motion was made and seconded to accept the committee's recommendations. (Lonergan/Kaz) Unanimous. **See associated article for selections!**

7. **Raffle Report-** This year it was reported that the prizes will include Titleist equipment due to a change in vendors. The process for the raffle at the spring and summer clinics will be the same- 5 tickets for each participant with the option to purchase additional tickets.

8. **Spring Clinic-** Speakers for this coming spring clinic are set. The clinic will begin at 8:00 a.m. and will include the luncheon as usual.

9. **Summer Clinic and Tournament-** The host next June will be Hayward Golf and Tennis. Dave Blake is the host pro and is looking forward to the clinic being at his course. The cost will be \$80.00 as it has been in the past few years. The board also approved the appointment of Brian Scrobel as committee chair. There will be descriptions of the holes as well as lodging accommodations in an upcoming *Coach Approach*. The clinic will be held on June 17, 2003.

10. **Web Site-** John Lonergan (and others) have the web site up and Running. John is asking the membership

and the board to send him pertinent information to include on the site. There have been over 160 hits to the site so far. Good job, John!

11. **Awards-** Dick McKichan reminds everyone that forms for nominating people for the various awards can be found in the *Coach Approach* or on the web site. Please have forms submitted by February 15.

12. **Welcome Gift-** The board has decided to give a leatherette attaché case, crested with the association's logo at the summer clinic and tournament. It will come in black or tan.

13. **College Report-** None.

14. **WIAA Report-** **Most of the items listed need approval by the WIAA Staff and Board of Control before implementation!**

Dave reported that the main issues discussed and acted upon by the WIAA Rules Advisory Committee were issues brought up by our board. They included:

a. Posting hole-by-hole scores on a big board during tournament play. (Unanimous)

b. Pace of play was another topic. Each meet manager will mark the starting time on each group's scorecard. The host coach, in conjunction with the course management, will determine the pace of play (2 hrs 15 min for 9 holes/ 4 hrs 30 min for 18) Groups that are not within 10 min of the group in front will be warned, then penalized. Penalties will include 1 stroke for all members of the group that is off pace. **The WIAA and WHSGCA are encouraging faster play!**

c. Girls playing in the spring was a third topic. The committee advised that host coaches set up the course so that girls are playing a course that is essentially 15% shorter than the boy's distance.

d. No practice putting after the completion of any hole.

e. Unsportsmanlike conduct should be warned on the first tee. The first infraction on the course will be penalized with two strokes. The second infraction will lead to disqualification.

f. Possession and use of cell phones, pagers, and other electronic gadgets is prohibited for everyone on the golf course.

g. Conference rules for dress code apply in golf.

h. The committee recommended the

alternative plan for weather-related delays devised by our board, at the state tournament.

i. The rules committee is trying to devise a plan to separate the eight girls' sectionals into two divisions. Recommendations include five Division 1 sectionals and 3 Div 2 sectionals. At present the split might be at about 600 students, although that could change slightly.

15. **Old/New Business-** Mark reminds coaches to be aware of the conflict between the girls' competition date and the Junior PGA. There was also discussion concerning lost balls at the state tourney.

16. **Adjournment-** Marx / McKichan- 2:01 p.m. (Unanimous)

The Scoreboard

Koth Named "Player of the Year" in Close Vote.

The 2002 Girl's All-State Team was recently selected with Madison Edgewood's Lindsay Koth named as the WHSGCA "Player of the Year." While the vote was extremely close, Koth, a senior edged fellow Edgewood teammate Katie Elliott for the honor. Elliott, a junior, was the number one player on the team with Koth playing number two, but Koth won the State Tournament going away with a 150 total on scores of 76-74 while her teammate finished in a distant tie for eighth place at 169.

Lets take a closer look at these extraordinary young ladies who were selected to the All-State First Team and the tremendous season that each fashioned.

Lindsay Koth, a senior at Madison Edgewood hit her peak at the most oportune time, the State Tournament at University Ridge. Only three players, recorded scores in the seventies during this year's event, and she was the only player to accomplish the feat both days. In addition, Lindsay recorded 10 of 12 eighteen-hole tournament scores in the

seventies and two nine holes scores in the thirties. She was medalist in four events and second in another seven tournaments. In all, certainly a great season by any standard.

Katie Elliott also played some extraordinary golf this fall. Her stats include 9 of 12 eighteen-hole tournament scores in the seventies and three nine-hole scores under 40. She was medalist in eight tournaments with six-second place finishes. Without question an outstanding record by an outstanding young lady. Only a junior, she figures to be one of the leading high school players in the 2003 season.

Nicole Morse, a senior at Arrowhead finished her high school career with a third place finish at University Ridge after finishing second in 2001. One of the finest players to come along in many years, Nicole will be taking her considerable talents to the University of Wisconsin golf program this coming fall. As a senior Nicole shot 80-81=161 at University Ridge. In addition, Nicole was the Classic Eight Conference Player of the year in 2001 and 2002. She recorded five eighteen-hole tournament scores in the seventies and five nine-hole scores in the thirties. She was medalist seven times with five-second place and three third place finishes. We look forward to seeing her play for Wisconsin.

Senior Tina Kocinski of Homestead is a wonderful young lady and a future Nittany Lion, as she will be playing golf for Penn State in the fall. She finished fourth at University Ridge. Included in her five eighteen-hole tournament scores in the seventies was a women's course record 74 at the very difficult Old Hickory Club in Beaver Dam. She also had two scores under 40. Homestead plays a series of very difficult courses many of which show an average length of between 5500 and 5750. Her play was largely responsible for Homestead establishing a new tournament record score of 63 at the Waukesha South Scramble. We wish her the best of luck in future college tournaments except, maybe when competing against Wisconsin.

Senior Jennifer Young of Westosha Central finished her fine high school career in a tie for sixth place at University Ridge on scores of 90-78. She was medalist 11 times, with one-second place

finish. She shows five scores in the seventies and four scores under 40. She was certainly the class of the far southern part of the state. Because of her length off the tee and accurate iron play, Westosha Central finished second at the Waukesha South Scramble with a 66.

Completing the All-State First Team are two very talented freshman, Kelsey Verbeten from Green Bay Preble and Heidi Hinnners of Middleton. Kelsey finished her first year with a 169 tie for eighth place at University Ridge. Her season summary shows 11 medalist finishes and two-second place finishes. Certainly the class of the northeastern portion of the state, she recorded five scores under 80 and four scores under 40. Her highlight may have been a 73 medalist round at the Appleton West Inv., the only score in the seventies at this year's invitational. A most charming young lady, she hails from a famous Green Bay golfing family. Her future looks mighty bright.

Heidi Hinnners also comes from a famous golfing family. A fifth place finish at University Ridge on 83-84 was certainly one of her year's highlights. She had two scores under 80 and two scores under 40. Playing against the ever-tough competition in the Madison area, Heidi was a three-time medalist and saw her score finish second five times. She finished first in her Conference Championship. The future seems to be in good hands with these two 14 year olds.

That completes the All-State First Team. There were seven girls named to the All-State Second Team and 17 girls named Honorable Mention. Team on Page 10.

Watertown Invitational

Medalists:	
1. Edgewood	338
2. Arrowhead	350 T Kocinski, Hm
3. Homestead	351 K Elliott, Edge
4. Fond du Lac	363 L.Koth, Edge
5. Brookfield Central	371 N Morse, Arrow
6. Brookfield East	384
7. Waukesha N/W	385
8. Madison Memorial	391
9. Watertown	392
10. DSHA	397
11. Kenosha Tremper	404
12. Oconomowoc	412
13. Kettle Moraine	418
14. Mukwonago	421
15. Waukesha South	423
16. Madison LaFollette	436
17. Milton	446
18. West Bend East	465
19. Sun Prairie	467
20. Beaver Dam	DQ

WIAA 2002 Girls State Tournament

BELOIT Jerry Hoey 399 390 789
 1 Julia Gabrielson (12) 50 45 95 50 42 92 187
 2 Anne Wiersgalla (12) 51 57 108 45 43 88 196
 3 Joan Murphy (11) 40 47 87 50 48 98 185
 4 Kitty Rounds (12) 59 50 109 56 56 112 221
 5 Kristen Witting (12) 66 65 131 57 58 115 246

BROOKFIELD CENTRAL Brian Scroble 389 367 756
 1 Jessie Tiffe (11) 45 46 91 46 46 92 183
 2 Jacque Blocher (11) 50 53 103 49 51 100 203
 3 Martha Elson (11) 49 55 104 45 44 89 193
 4 Laura Ashpole (10) 49 44 93 44 42 86 179
 5 A. Sullivan /A. Hurley (10) 56 46 102 56 52 108 210

FOND DU LAC Sara McDowell 368 350 718
 1 Ann Marie Sztukowski (10) 45 43 88 46 38 84 172
 2 Maggie Bertram (10) 52 47 99 48 46 94 193
 3 Maggie Freund (12) 49 43 92 41 39 80 172
 4 Alison Spaude (12) 52 46 98 50 46 96 194
 5 Laura Baker (12) 44 46 90 44 48 92 182

GREEN BAY PREBLE Jay Hill 403 399 802
 1 Amy Simons (11) 41 48 89 42 47 89 178
 2 Kelsey Verbeten (9) 41 47 88 41 40 81 169
 3 Sarah Sincoc (12) 59 57 116 61 56 117 233
 4 Abbie Withbroe 56 54 110 50 60 112 222
 5 C. Ford (11)/A.Reivitis 61 67 128 66 73 139 267

HOLMEN Anna Curtis 387 380 767
 1 Lindsey Johnson (12) 44 41 85 48 44 92 177
 2 Sara Mullenback (0) 50 45 95 46 40 86 181
 3 Gretchen Johnson (2) 55 45 100 48 47 95 195
 4 Alesha Hutchison (12) 60 54 114 53 54 107 221
 5 Britta Odgen (12) 51 56 107 55 55 110 217

HOMESTEAD John Krueger 366 354 720
 1 Tina Kocinski (12) 40 43 83 42 40 82 165
 2 Ali Tock (12) 52 47 99 41 44 85 184
 3 Erin Langeberg (12) 44 52 96 47 49 96 192
 4 Megan Barragry (12) 45 46 91 48 43 91 182
 5 Monica King (11) 50 46 96 49 47 96 192

HUDSON Jay Wollan 415 408 823
 1 Jenny Schutts (11) 50 45 95 45 45 90 185
 2 Jenna Peterson (12) 54 46 100 56 43 99 199
 3 Megan Givens (9) 52 47 99 50 53 103 202
 4 Ashley Rose (10) 64 61 125 63 64 127 252
 5 Tiffany Frank (11) 62 59 121 60 56 116 237

KENOSHA TREMPER Nancy Phipps 405 374 779
 1 Alyssa Pacetti (12) 46 44 90 40 53 93 183
 2 Ashley Zander (12) 50 51 101 50 44 94 195
 3 Kelsey Olson (11) 59 50 109 50 50 100 209
 4 Kate Borman (9) 50 55 105 47 49 96 201
 5 Sarah Pallin (9) 54 56 110 47 44 91 201

MADISON EDGEWOOD Mark Rechlicz 337 328 665
 1 Katie Elliott (11) 45 44 89 40 40 80 169
 2 Lindsay Koth (12) 38 38 76 38 36 74 150
 3 Marci Hill (10) 43 37 80 48 40 88 168
 4 Kristin Elliot (10) 58 47 105 48 45 93 198
 5 Stephanie Hird (10) 46 46 92 40 46 86 178

MADISON LA FOLLETTE Sara Urben 444 416 860
 1 Amber Haack (12) 46 48 94 54 43 97 191
 2 Molly Garczynski (11) 64 59 123 51 51 102 225
 3 Cassie Veith (12) 51 54 105 51 50 101 206
 4 Chelsea Neitzel (11) 63 66 129 62 56 118 247
 5 Jody Bonjean (12) 55 67 122 58 58 116 238

MIDDLETON Bill Curtin 357 343 700
 1 Heidi Hinners (9) 44 39 83 41 43 84 167
 2 Monika Dehnert (11) 46 48 94 41 40 81 175
 3 Katie Di Piazza (12) 44 41 85 44 40 84 169
 4 Bridget Gerner (12) 46 49 95 52 42 94 189
 5 Katie Stolper (10) 48 49 97 45 53 98 195

NORTHWESTERN Gary Swanson 416 403 819
 1 Ashley Johnson (12) 57 48 105 49 50 99 204
 2 Tara Corbin (11) 55 59 114 58 49 107 221
 3 Samantha Abrahamson (11) 58 53 111 57 50 107 218
 4 Carey Kroll (10) 46 52 98 50 45 95 193
 5 Ashley Alexsson (10) 51 51 102 50 52 102 204

NOTRE DAME Brian Bobinski 404 417 821
 1 Kathryn Mohr (10) 46 40 86 45 49 94 180
 2 Annie Brusky (12) 56 49 105 55 53 108 213
 3 Sarah Walsh (11) 53 47 100 54 52 106 206
 4 Maggie Madson (12) 61 52 113 55 54 109 222
 5 Carrie Renard (11) 60 53 113 0 0 0 0

OSSEO-FAIRCHILD Mona Jacobson 420 389 809
 1 Torie Ives (9) 43 45 88 49 42 91 179
 2 Danika Hong (10) 64 50 114 53 51 104 218
 3 Alyssa Anderson (10) 59 61 120 48 49 97 217
 4 Lindsey Merritt (9) 53 57 110 47 50 97 207
 5 Kyrrah Larson (12) 54 54 108 57 66 123 231

SHEBOYGAN Bill Braatz 367 364 731
 1 Sarah Swanson (12) 45 41 86 43 43 86 172
 2 Kallie Tiboris (11) 45 45 90 43 47 90 180
 3 Meredith Forsterling (11) 48 44 92 48 43 91 183
 4 Heide Larson (12) 52 47 99 47 50 97 196
 5 S. Liebl (10)/K. Prigge (12) 55 52 107 52 50 102 209

First Team

NAME	SCHOOL	YEAR	COACH
Lindsay Koth	Madison Edgewood	Senior	Mark Rechlicz
Katie Elliott	Madison Edgewood	Junior	Mark Rechlicz
Nicole Morse	Arrowhead	Senior	Mike Breaker
Tina Kocinski	Homestead	Senior	John Krueger
Jennifer Young	Westosha Central	Senior	Dan Peterson
Kelsey Verbeten	Green Bay Preble	Freshman	Jay Hill
Heidi Hinners	Middleton	Freshman	Bill Curtin

All-State Second Team

Jessie Hauser	Arrowhead	Soph	Mike Breaker
Katie DiPiazza	Middleton	Senior	Bill Curtin
Sarah Swanson	Sheboygan N/S	Senior	Bill Braatz
Ann Marie Sztukowski	Goodrich	Soph	Sarah McDowell
Marci Hill	Madison Edgewood	Soph	Mark Rechlicz
Monika Dehnert	Middleton	Junior	Bill Curtin
Jessie Tiffe	Brookfield Central	Junior	Brian Scrobel

Honorable Mention All-State

Becky Allen	Stanley-Boyd	Soph	Jerry Allen
Laura Ashploe	Brookfield Central	Soph	Brian Scrobel
Meggie Bertram	Goodrich	Soph	Sarah McDowell
Kendall Egnarski	Watertown	Senior	Roger Prickette
Martha Elson	Brookfield Central	Soph	Brian Scrobel
Maggie Freund	Goodrich	Senior	Sarah McDowell
Bridget Gerner	Middleton	Senior	Bill Curtin
Karla Heim	Spooner	Senior	Kathy Tonnar
Elise Hein	Madison Memorial	Junior	Jeremy Schlitz
Lindsey Johnson	Holmen	Senior	Anna Curtis
Samara Kluever	Oconomowoc	Junior	George Faherty
Emily Kuiper	Racine Case	Freshman	Pete Berry
Katherine Meinel	Whitewater	Senior	Trudy Brokmeier
Rachel Roberg	Rice Lake	Junior	Paul Thurston
Holli Severson	Eau Claire	Senior	Terrie Hanke
Meghan Sobotta	Arcadia	Junior	Mike Sobotta

WESTOSHA CENTRAL Dan Peterson 418 385 803
 1 Jennifer Young (12) 47 43 90 38 40 78 168
 2 Carli McNeil (12) 59 58 117 52 48 100 217
 3 Kim Shike (12) 55 55 110 53 53 106 216
 4 Erin Lampe (12) 50 56 106 48 56 104 210
 5 Sydney Sneed (12) 57 55 112 52 51 103 215

Individual Qualifiers

AMERY Renae Kuhl (11) 51 50 101 55 50 105	206
ARROWHEAD Nicole Morse (12) 42 38 80 43 38 81	161
ARROWHEAD Jessie Hauser (10) 37 43 80 38 39 77	157
ASHWAUBENON Mandy Madson (11) 57 63 120 52 49 101	221
BLOOMER Nikki Wilson (12) 47 46 93 50 38 88	181
EAU CLAIRE NO Holli Severson (12) 47 45 92 47 47 94	186
ELKHORN AREA Sarah Paul (9) 52 48 100 50 48 98	198
KAUKAUNA Kamy Bootz (12) 50 46 96 48 47 95	191
LACROSSE CENT Emily Sturm (12) 47 43 90 44 44 88	178
MAD EAST Alicia Stauffacher (10) 51 61 112 53 46 99	211
MAD MEMORIAL Elise Hein (11) 44 44 88 45 50 95	183
MAD MEMORIAL Marissa Falk (10) 64 59 123 52 50 102 225	
MARINETTE Alesha Nordahl (11) 49 49 98 48 45 93	191
OCONOMOWOC Samara Kluever (11) 43 46 89 48 44 92 181	
OSHKOSH WEST Allie Simon (12) 49 54 103 47 46 93	196
RACINE CASE Emily Kuiper (9) 51 50 101 47 52 99	200
RACINE CASE Emily Ryan (12) 52 49 101 47 43 90	191
RACINE PARK Brittany Bendtsen (12) 49 49 98 44 42 86 184	
RICE LAKE Rachel Roberg (11) 45 41 86 53 44 97	183
SPOONER Karla Heim (12) 52 46 98 47 44 91	189
STANLEY-BOYD Becky Allen (10) 51 43 94 48 40 88	182
WAUPACA Katelyn Olson (9) 50 55 105 54 47 101	206
WHITEWATER Katie Meinel (12) 47 49 96 49 49 98	194
RAPIDS LINCOLN Trisha Schill (12) 51 50 101 45 48 93 194	

Mukwonago Invitational

Fond du Lac	339
Homestead	358
Brook Central 1	361
Waukesha N/W	371
Kenosha Tremper	376
Catholic Memorial	390
Arrowhead	392
Westosha Central	404
Brookfield East	406
Oconomowoc	410
Mukwonago Blue	411
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Kettle Moraine	417
Thomas More	421
Waukesha South	422
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Kewaskum	439
Racine Case	444
West Bend West	444
Racine Park	448
Racine Horlick	448
Beaver Dam	459
Mukwonago Gold	478
Hartford	479
East Troy	508
Waterford	529
Wauwatosa	INC

Medalists

Tina Kocinski, Homestead	78
Ann Marie Sztukowski, FL	79
Meg Bertram, FdL	81
Alyssa Dacetti, Tremper	82
Erin Langenberg, Homes	83
Jessie Hauser, Arrowhead	84
Samara Kluever, Ocono	84
Brittany Bendtsen, Park	
Emily Kuiper, Case	
Jennifer Young, Westosha	85

SUMMER MEETING/CLINIC/ TOURNAMENT DESTINATION

Welcome to Hayward Wisconsin with its abundant lakes and forests, natural scenic beauty, and one of a kind area attractions. Our Hayward Golf and Tennis Club was established in 1924, became an 18 hole facility in 1970, and was redesigned by architect Ken Killian in 1997. This 6680 yard golf course is known for its pristine playing conditions and fun to play lay-out. Here is a hole by hole description of the course.

#1. This 383 yard slight dogleg left par 4 requires a slight draw to set up your 2nd shot. The green slopes from back to front. Leave your approach shot below the hole.

#2. This hole is a slight dogleg right. At 337 yards a tee shot hit to the left side of the fairway will allow for the best approach. Avoid the bunkers both right and left with your approach.

#3. Be aware of the pin position on this 177 yard par 3 as the green is 33 yards deep.

#4. This par 5 at 512 yards provides a landing area that is guarded by 2 fairway bunkers. The second shot will give you a view of the fairway below and the pine forest backdrop. A well placed 3rd shot should be below the hole.

#5. Amidst the pines, this strategic slight dogleg right plays 375 yards, and requires a tee shot in the center to left side of the fairway. Your approach must carry the well placed front bunkers. Remember, this green runs from front left to back right.

#6. This 444 yard #1 handicap par 4 dogleg left, features Out of Bounds along the left side and severely lipped bunkers at the dogleg. A draw down the right center will serve you well. Big hitters, aim over the right side of the fairway bunkers. A long to mid Iron must carry the front bunkers and be directed to the pin placement.

#7. 426 yards. This long par 4 requires a well struck drive down the center. Avoid the front right bunker with your approach. The green slopes from back left to front right.

#8. This picturesque 189 par 3 requires a forced carry over water or a well placed shot past the lateral water hazard on the right. A putt from above the hole could be costly.

#9. Par 5, 531 yards. This wide green is guarded by a water hazard and a beach bunker, making it difficult to reach this par 5 in two. The best strategy here is to lay up at the 100 yard marker leaving a short approach.

#10. This 451 yard par 4 is tree lined and plays longer because of the depression in front of this green. A fairway wood or long iron to the front of the green will provide for an

uphill putt, chip or pitch.

#11. Aim left of the right fairway bunker for the shortest route to this dogleg right 392 yard par 4. The green side bunker on the right is taken out of play when the tee shot is placed on the left. Take aim at the pin as this is a monster size green.

#12. Reach back and swing. This long 212 yard par 3 plays uphill to the green. The severely pitched green requires an uphill putt.

#13. 500 yard par 5. Take aim at the water tower. Aim your 2nd shot to the right side of the fairway to avoid the fairway depression on the left. Your 3rd shot will require accuracy to avoid the sand and fairway mounds. This two tiered green can be dangerous.

#14. This 164 yard par 3 is our signature hole and requires a forced carryover water from tee to green. The wide but shallow green will test your skills.

#15. This north woods dogleg left par 5 plays 516 yards and requires an accurate drive down the middle. The tree lined fairway from the tee requires accuracy to the green with your lay-up as far left as possible.

#16. This 290 yard par 4 is a short dogleg left that offers the option of carrying the trees on the left toward the green or a well placed wood or long iron directed at the fairway bunkers on the right. The challenging green requires an approach from below the cup, unless the pin is in zone 3 or 6.

#17. This wonderful 395 yard par 4 suggests that a drive placed right of the lone Norway Pine in the fairway will leave a medium to long iron from the fairway plateau to a green surrounded by trees.

#18. Par 4, 391 yards. This challenging uphill dogleg left par 4 can be played by aiming right of the left fairway bunker, lay up or go for it, as your 2nd shot must avoid the water hazard guarding this undulating green. The depth of this green requires a lofted shot toward the pin location.

Leo Kerschitz Playing A Very Special Golf Course.

Leo Kerschitz, long time Boy's Golf Coach at Union Grove High School and an honored WHSGCA Hall of Fame member has passed on to that big golf course in the sky. Leo died of cancer recently.

As a coach Leo was loved by his players, fellow coaches and opposing players. He was truly a gentleman and friend to all in the game. For over 40 years Leo served as a head and assistant coach at Union Grove high. To local pro's he offered a challenge because he played the game crosshanded.

A finer man and friend the folks in Union Grove could not have had. He will be deeply missed by all who knew him.

Happy birdie hunting Leo!

Madison Invitational

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Oconomowoc	390
Mad Memorial	396
Nicolet	400
Waukesha South	413
Waukesha N/W	419
Mad LaFollette	423
Janesville Craig	426
Mukwonago	431
Verona	445
Madison East	447
Sun Prairie	470
East Troy	477
Kettle Moraine	Inc
Madison West	Inc

Medalist	
Katie Elliott, Edgwd	72
Lindsay Koth, Edgwd	76
Sarah Swanson, Sheb	78
Nicole Morse, Arr	79
Ann Sztkowski, FdL	80

Appleton West

Waukesha N/W	332
DSHA Gold	362
Brook East	364
Gr Bay Preble	369
Waukesha South	375
Appleton East	378
Racine Case	385
Brook Central	387
Thomas More	391
Milw Lutheran	394
Bonduel	395
Appleton North	395
Kewaskum	396
Racine Park	408
DSHA Red	411
Sheboygan N/S	421
Racine Horlick	423
Fox Valley Luther	433
Menomonee Falls	435
Appleton West	448
Wauwatosa E/W	448

Medalists	
K. Vergbeten, GB	73
J Bodis, W/N/W	80
K Herzog, W N/W/83	
E Vukmir, DSHA	84
L Badger, W N/W	84

Oconomowoc Invitational

Madison Edgewood	326
Waukesha North/West	327
Homestead	331
Arrowhead	342
Middleton	347
Brookfield Central	366
Catholic Memorial	373
Kenosha Tremper	377
DSHA	377
Oconomowoc	384
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Madison East	433
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Beaver Dam	438
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Medalist	
J Bodis, Waukesha N/W	75
Katie Elliott, Edgewood	76
Tina Kocinski, Homestead	76
Nicole Morse, Arrowhead	76

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