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## **29<sup>th</sup> UNDERWOOD CUP - RECAP & MATCH RESULTS**

**-Strong Singles performance propels *Amateurs to 16 to 8 Win over Northern PGA Chapter Professionals* -**

JACKSONVILLE, FL - Five wins and one tie in the first six matches of Tuesday's Singles competition propelled the Amateur team to a 16 to 8 victory in the 29<sup>th</sup> Underwood Cup at Timuquana Country Club, their ninth win in the last ten Cup matches.

Down by just two points (7 to 5) entering Singles, the day began in promising fashion for the Professionals with six either leading or tied in their matches. But that seemed to change over a matter of only 30 minutes.

A hot back nine by Jeff Golden in the first match turned the tide for Captain Andy Purnell's amateur squad. One down through 11 holes to Oak Bridge Golf Club professional Mike Miles, Golden birdied the next three holes and closed out his opponent on No. 16, 3 and 2.

Wins by Steve Carter (2 and 1), Matt Kleinrock (2 and 1), Michael O'Neal (4 and 3) and Chris Henderson (2 and 1) would soon follow, with Devon Hopkins gaining a tie in Match No. 3.

The Cup was officially theirs when Amateur rookie Aaron Badz went dormie over Aaron Russell with four holes to play, ensuring his team would reach and pass the 12 points required to retain the Cup.

The Professionals, captained by Richie Bryant of Pablo Creek Golf Club, jumped to a 4 to 2 lead in the opening Four-Ball play on Monday morning only to see the Amateurs get wins in five of the six Foursomes matches in the afternoon and grab a 7 to 5 lead.

The Amateurs now lead the series, which pits the club professional members of the Northern Chapter of the North Florida PGA vs. North Florida's top amateurs, 15-11-3.

The matches are conducted by the Northern Chapter of the North Florida PGA and are supported by the Jacksonville Area Golf Association (JAGA) and Florida State Golf Association (FSGA). Timuquana Country Club has hosted the Underwood Cup all 29 years.

The matches have been sponsored since their inception in 1992 by Underwood Jewelers, with Clayton Bromberg of Underwood serving as the Honorary Starter and Host of the post-event luncheon and awards ceremony.

Cup partners are Underwood’s, Cutter & Buck, Club Car, Chip Holcombe (Srixon, Cleveland Golf, XXIO, Bushnell) and Devant Sport Towels.



*2020 winning Underwood Cup Amateur Team - tournament sponsor Clayton Bromberg of Underwood Jewelers holds Underwood Cup, with captain Andy Purnell seated to his right.*

**AMATEUR TEAM**

**PROFESSIONAL TEAM**

Andy Purnell - Captain		Ritchie Bryant- Captain	
Steve Carter- Assistant Captain & Team Member	Billy Varn - Assistant	Tim Peterson - Assistant Captain & Team Member	
			Sean McGauley
David Anthony	Chris Henderson	Clint Avret	Mike Miles
Aaron Badz	Devon Hopkins	Spencer Brown	Tim Peterson
Duke Butler IV	Matt Kleinrock	Dillon Board	Charles Raulerson
Steve Carter	Michael O’Neal	Chris DeBusk	Will Rehberg
Michael Del Rocco	Len Schonfeld III	Hayes Farley	Aaron Russell
Jeff Golden	Michael Smith	Gerry James	Cary Splane

Alternate: Andrew Stewart

**DAY 1 MATCHES (MONDAY, FEB. 17)**

Four-Ball (a.m.)

- 1 - Carter & Henderson (A) tie Rehberg & McGauley (P)
- 2 - Miles & Splane (P) def. Anthony & Badz (A), 3&2

- 3 - Golden & Butler IV (A) **def.** Raulerson & Avret (P), 3&2
- 4 - O'Neal & Del Rocco (A) **tie** Peterson & Brown (P)
- 5 - Farley & DeBusk (P) **def.** Schonfeld III & Smith (A), 2&1
- 6 - James & Russell (P) **def.** Kleinrock & Hopkins (A), 2&1

*Summary: Professionals win 3 matches, Amateurs win 1 match and 2 matches are tied; Professionals lead 4 to 2 after morning matches.*

Foursomes (p.m.)

- 1 - Avret & Raulerson (P) **def.** Anthony & Carter (A), 3&1
- 2 - Del Rocco & O'Neal (A) **def.** Miles & Splane (P), 3&2
- 3 - Badz & Golden (A) **def.** McGauley & Rehberg (P), 3&2
- 4 - Henderson & Hopkins (A) **def.** Brown & Peterson (P), 7&5
- 5 - Kleinrock & Smith (A) **def.** Russell & Board (P), 3&2
- 6 - Butler IV & Schonfeld III (A) **def.** DeBusk & Farley (P), 3&2

*Summary: Amateurs win 5 matches, Professionals win 1 matches; Amateurs claim 5 points and take 7 to 5 lead after Day 1.*

**DAY 2 MATCHES (TUESDAY, FEB. 18)**

Singles (a.m.)

- 1 - Golden (A) **def.** Miles (P), 3 & 2
- 2 - Carter (A) **def.** Farley (P), 2 & 1
- 3 - Hopkins (A) **ties** Board (P)
- 4 - Kleinrock (A) **def.** Avret (P), 2 & 1
- 5 - O'Neal (A) **def.** McGauley (P), 4 & 3
- 6 - Henderson (A) **def.** Rehberg (P), 2 & 1
- 7 - Splane (P) **def.** Del Rocco (A), 6 & 4
- 8 - Smith (A) **ties** Raulerson (P)
- 9 - Badz (A) **def.** Russell (P), 4 & 3
- 10 - Schonfeld III (A) **def.** DeBusk (P), 2 & 1
- 11 - Butler IV (A) **ties** Brown (P)
- 12 - Anthony (A) **ties** Peterson (P)

*Summary: Amateurs win 7 matches, Professionals win 1 match and 4 matches are tied, earning Amateurs 9 points to 3 points for the Professionals; Amateurs retain Underwood Cup, 16 to 8.*

**MATCH SUMMARY**

	<u>Amateurs</u>	<u>Professionals</u>
Four-Ball	2	4
Foursomes	5	1
<u>Singles</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>3</u>
TOTALS	16	8

**YEAR-BY-YEAR UNDERWOOD CUP HISTORY**

Conducted by the Northern Chapter of the North Florida PGA, supported with volunteers and promotion by JAGA, hosted by Timuquana Country Club and sponsored by Underwood Jewelers all 29 years.

1992 - Professionals 16 ½, Amateurs 7 ½	2007 - Amateurs 12, Professionals 12 (Tie)
1993 - Professionals 14, Amateurs 10	2008 - Amateurs 12, Professionals 12 (Tie)
1994 - Professionals 13, Amateurs 11	2009 - Amateurs 13 ½, Professionals 10 ½
1995 - Professionals 12, Amateurs 12 (Tie)	2010 - Professionals 15, Amateurs 9
1996 - Professionals 13, Amateurs 11	2011 - Amateurs 12 ½, Professionals 11 ½
1997 - Professionals 15 ½, Amateurs 8 ½	2012 - Amateurs 15, Professionals 9
1998 - Amateurs 13 ½, Professionals 10 ½	2013 - Amateurs 15 ½, Professionals 8 ½
1999 - Professionals 16, Amateurs 8	2014 - Amateurs 13 ½, Professionals 10 ½
2000 - Amateurs 12 ½, Professionals 11 ½	2015 - Amateurs 17, Professionals 7
2001 - Amateurs 12 ½, Professionals 11 ½	2016 - Professionals 13, Amateurs 11
2002 - Professionals 13, Amateurs 11	2017 - Amateurs 14, Professionals 10
2003 - Amateurs 16 ½, Professionals 7 ½	2018 - Amateurs 13, Professionals 11
2004 - Professionals 13 ½, Amateurs 10 ½	2019 - Amateurs 17 ½, Professionals 6 ½
2005 - Amateurs 17, Professionals 7	2020 - Amateurs 16, Professionals 8
2006 - Amateurs 12 ½, Professional 11 ½	<b>AMATEURS LEAD CUP 15-11-3</b>



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The Northern Chapter is governed by Officers elected by the membership. The Core Purpose is to deliver the member programs and services of the North Florida Section PGA. The Northern Chapter provides continuing education, pro-only and pro-am tournaments. In addition, Northern Chapter Members & Associates are involved in the community by providing volunteers and funding to youth and military organizations and initiatives.

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