

14th Hole at Cobbs Creek GC

2010 PPGA Better-Ball Championship Results

Limerick, PA - Brian Fisher, Jeffersonville GC, and Jeff Nocella claimed their first ever PPGA title on Monday and bested a field of 57 teams with a bogey-free round of 5-under par 67. The conditions were ripe for scoring as the wind was down and the course was there for the taking. Fisher and Nocella started fast with birdies on the 528 yard par-5 and and followed three holes later with back-to-back birdies on holes five and six. The pair posted 3-under on the front-nine before again posting back-to-back birdies, this time on holes twelve and thirteen. In the end that proved to be all the winning duo needed as they finished with five consecutive pars to claim the victory.

There was a five-way tie for second, one shot back of Fisher and Nocella, at 68. Among the group at 4-under par were 2008 champions Roger Stone, Downingtown CC and David Kimbley, Spring Hollow GC. The former champions had lots of opportunities to go low but had trouble cashing in. A bogey at the 424-yard, par-4 17th ended their chances for a second title in three years.

Also at 68 were Brian and Mike Creghan. Brian, a senior at Guilford, is coming off an All-American performance last week at Hershey Golf Links in the NCAA Division III National Championships with a T-10 finish. The corunners-up, playing alongside Fisher and Nocella, started the round with two bogies on holes one and two but answered with two birdies, then an eagle at the par-5 eighth to turn in 2-under. After a bogey at the 203-yard uphill par-3 11th, back-to-back birdies at 13 and 14 and another on 16 got them to within one of the winners but that was as close as they would get.

David Aglira and Rich Godshall, also playing in their first PPGA event, started fast and looked as if they would be the ones to catch Fisher and Nocella. The Chester Valley GC pair, playing in the afternoon, posted five birdies against one bogey on the outward nine to turn in 4-under. After slipping back to 3-under with a bogey at the short 283-yard, par-4 10th, the duo birdied the par-5 13th to get back in contention. A string of five straight pars to end the round left Aglira and Godshall one stroke back.

Bill Serody and Keith Evans from John F. Byrne GC were also part of the log jam, one stroke back at 68, as were Matt Foust and Ryan Pfeifer from Bensalem GC. Serody and Evans birdied the first three holes and five in total but a bogey at the 197-yard, par-3 9th left them one shy of the winners.

Defending Champions Buck Jones of Blue Bell CC and Jim Yenser, Honeybrook GC struggled in their title defense. The defenders couldn't get it going on this day as they ended the day with a score of 1-over par 73 and a T-19 finish.

This year was also the first time for the Senior Division in the PPGA Better-Ball Championship. The wining duo, Naz Gagliardi and Jack Donnelly from Bensalem turned in 1-under par 35 but birdied four of the next five holes to get to 5-under. Pars from fifteen through eighteen meant a score of 67 which proved to be just enough. Gagliardi has been in the winner's circle before capturing the Philadelphia Senior Open Amateur Championship in 2007.

One shot behind Gagliardi and Donnelly were Rick Umani and Jeff Lysek. The runners-up birdied four of the first six holes but could manage only pars from there to finish at 68. Umani will be making a return trip this summer to the Senior British Amateur Championship by virtue of his T-6 finish at that event last year.

Solo third at 69 was 2008 Philadelphia Open Amateur champion Tony Carroll teamed with Bob Fritz of Kimberton GC. Jerry Haas, Cobbs Creek GC and Bill Horan, Middletown GC finished fourth with a score of 2-under par 70.



Brian Fisher and Jeff Nocella - 2010 PPGA Better-Ball Champions

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1	Brian Fisher, Jeffersonville GC - Jeff Nocella, Unaffiliated	33-34	67
2	Brian Creghan - Mike Creghan, PPGA	34-34	68
2	Roger Stone, Downingtown CC - Dave Kimbley, Spring Hollow GC	34-34	68
2	Bill Serody - Keith Evans, John F. Byrne GC	34-34	68
2	David Aglira - Rich Godshall, Chester Valley GC	32-36	68
6	Lonnie Taylor, Rancocas GC - Marvin Owens, Unaffiliated	35-34	69
6	Mike Owsik - Jeff Owsik, Cobbs Creek GC	35-34	69
6	Mike Carr, PPGA - Bob Weisbecker, Meadowbrook GC	32-37	69
9	Steve Owens, Sr., Ravens Claw GC - Steve Owens, Jr., John F. Byrne GC	36-34	70
10	Ansley Jessup - Luis Diaz, Rancocas GC	35-36	71
10	Mark Graham, Hickory Valley GC - Doug Arnold, Honeybrook GC	35-36	71
10	Joe Campisano - Walt Stankus, Center Square GC	34-37	71
10	Dave Shields - Dan Osada, Walnut Lane GC	35-36	71
10	Blake Slawecki, Unaffiliated - Jim Predergast, Brookside CC	34-37	71
10	Paul Cornely - Greg Jarmas, Cobbs Creek GC	34-37	71
16	Joe Herner - Ken Hayman, Kimberton GC	36-36	72
16	Bill Albertus, Penn Oaks CC - Ryan Foell, Hickory Valley GC	37-35	72
18	Ari Flaisher, Jeffersonville GC - Randy Kruse, Sandy Run GC	36-37	73
18	Bill Rolli, Lederach GC - Derrick Garman, Four Seasons GC	37-36	73
18	Kent Weymouth, PPGA - Tom Urban, Club at Shannondell	38-35	73
18	Buck Jones, Blue Bell CC - Jim Yenser, Unaffiliated	36-37	73
18	Darren Gleason - Hank Church, Cobbs Creek GC	38-35	73
18	Curt Oberparleiter - Lance Oberparleiter, Wedgwood GC	34-39	73
24	Will DeGothseir - Andrew DeGothseir, Cobbs Creek GC	38-36	74
24	Jim Conway - Mike Tremonte, FDR GC	36-38	74
24	Mike Dutill - Mike Schubert, Horsham Valley GC	37-37	74
24	John Baumgardner - Matt Wolf, Cobbs Creek GC	35-39	74
24	Arnold Young - Mike Holland, DelVal GC	37-37	74

24	John Jester - Bill Lawrence, John F. Byrne GC	35-39	74
30	Sean Flynn, Center Square - Keith Flynn, Unaffiliated	37-38	75
30	Pete Boylan - Bob Campbell, FDR GC	37-38	75
30	Phil Juhring - Bill Houston, FDR GC	35-40	75
30	Domenic Ritorto, Unaffiliated - Dominic DiPrinzio, Bellewood CC	38-37	75
34	Kevin Eill, Unaffiliated - Jason Zelesnick, Talamore CC	38-38	76
34	Rick Ames, Reading CC - Nathan Baynes, PPGA	37-39	76
34	Brian Degnan, Cobbs Creek GC - Jerry Davidse, St. David's GC	36-40	76
34	Andrew Repetto, GC at Glen Mills - Bruce Schaffer, Pitman GC	36-40	76
34	Greg Solley - Rich Cipollone, Cobbs Creek GC	38-38	76
39	Fred Hartwell - Joe Martin, Torresdale-Frankford CC	40-37	77
39	Andrew Derbyshire - Joe Tiberi, Rancocas GC	38-39	77
39	Ralph Gariano, Commonwealth National GC - Dominic Castagna, Bensalem CC	39-38	77
39	Mike Wilhelm, Unaffiliated - Jack Scholz, Cobbs Creek GC	38-39	77
39	Kevin Koch - John Brittain, Linfield National GC	38-39	77
44	Kevin Gallagher - John McFarland, Unaffiliated	36-42	78
45	Mike Harms, Cobbs Creek GC - Caesar Caramanico, Talamore CC	38-41	79
45	Ted Nunez - Mike Millar, Cobbs Creek GC	40-39	79
45	Brian Smyth - Scott Heffentrager, Bella Vista GC	41-38	79
48	Bill Kelly - Chris Christman, PPGA	37-43	80
49	Matt Moosbrugger - Bryan Wisnewski, Unaffiliated	37-44	81
49	Matt Rocchino, Worcester GC - John Poole, Makefield Highlands GC	41-40	81
51	Matt Reusche - John Reusche, Unaffiliated	40-42	82
52	Charles Ortlip - Scott Ruddy, Island Green GC	41-42	83
52	Dan Falcone - Ken Wonika, Unaffiliated	44-39	83
54	Bruce Doherty Middletown GC - Shawn Doherty, Concordville GC	41-44	85
55	Jordan Beacher - Palmer Roop, Unaffiliated	42-46	88
	Eric Galm - Barrett Young, Blue Bell CC		DQ
	Matt Foust - Ryan Pfeifer, Bensalem CC		DQ



Jack Donnelly and Naz Gagliardi - 2010 PPGA Better-Ball Senior Champions

SENIOR Division

1	Naz Gagliardi - Jack Donnelly, Bensalem CC	35-32	67
2	Richard Umani, Unaffiliated - Jeff Lysek, Five Ponds GC	32-36	68
3	Bob Fritz, Kimberton GC - Tony Carroll, Unaffiliated	32-37	69
4	Jerry Haas, Cobbs Creek GC - WD Horan, Middletown GC	36-34	70
5	Paul Hicks - Chris Dunham, Juniata GC	35-36	71
5	Jim Durante - Harry Giannopoulos, Meadowbrook GC	34-37	71

7	Ken Gaskill - John Paul, Rancocas GC	34-38	72
8	Bill Erskine - Stewart Clark, Walnut Lane GC	35-38	73
8	Frank Treml - Tom Conboy, Sandy Run GC	35-38	73
10	Tom Mallouk, Lookaway - Greg Gaul, Merion GC	38-36	74
11	Gary Valley - Tom Faro, John F. Byrne GC	38-37	75
12	Rick Ames - Robert Agran, Reading CC	39-38	77
13	Walt Humphries - Jack Coffman, Linfield National GC	40-41	81
14	Dave Tompkins - Tom Tompkins, Island Green GC	43-39	82
	Eric Weed - Bob Dilks, Wedgwood GC		WD