



14th Hole at Cobbs Creek GC

2011 PPGA Better-Ball Championship Results

Limerick, PA - Roger Stone and David Kimbley topped a talented field at the first event of the PPGA season yesterday at Turtle Creek GC in Limerick. This is the second championship at Turtle Creek for Stone and Kimbley as the pair also won in 2008. The winners started slowly with a bogey on the 373 yard first, but after the slip-up, they would make up 10 strokes in relation to par over the remaining 17 holes. Stone struck on the 2nd hole, sinking a clutch eagle putt that quickly got the winning duo in red numbers. But that was just the beginning. Kimbley played steady golf all day, carding a 1-under par 71 to top all match play qualifiers. Along with his eagle, Stone would add six more birdies on the day to help the winning pair to a record setting performance of 9-under par 63.

After birdies at the 3rd, 5th and 7th holes, the 2008 champions turned in 4-under par 32. They would add birdies on ten, twelve and thirteen. But the tournament was far from over. Playing alongside Stone and Kimbley was 2010 PPGA Publinks Champion, Steve Owens, Jr., John F. Byrne GC and Chris Thude from Torresdale-Frankford CC and they were trying to keep pace. After Owens converted a birdie on the 376 yard, par-4, fourteenth, the eventual runners-up were at 6-under par, one stroke back of Stone and Kimbley. But Stone and Kimbley proved too much as they posted birdies on the final two holes to complete their stellar round.

Buck Jones and Jim Yenser, looking for their second PPGA Better-Ball Championship in the last three years, were poised to make a charge after starting with birdies on each of the first four holes. A bogey at the 533 yard, par-5 eighth would only set back Jones and Yenser momentarily as they quickly followed with a birdie on the 197 yard, par-3, ninth to turn at 4-under par 32. Jones and Yenser managed two birdies on the back nine but struggled to get enough momentum going to make a serious charge. A bogey at the home hole would drop Jones and Yenser into a third place tie with Mike Brown, Lookaway GC and Robert Galbreath, Jr of Huntingdon Valley CC.

Brown, coming off arguably the most dominant year of any PPGA player, was eager to return to action on the Publinks circuit. In 2010 Brown captured an unprecedented double by winning the "Player of the Year" award in both the PPGA and the Golf Association of Philadelphia. In addition to winning the Philadelphia Open Amateur Championship at Cobbs Creek GC and the Fall Classic at Jeffersonville GC, Brown won the Philadelphia Open, qualified for both the US Amateur and the US Mid-Amateur, advancing to match play in the US Mid-Am and also posted a 4th place finish at the Canadian Mid-Amateur Championship. Teamed with Brown, Robert Galbreath, Jr. made his PPGA tournament debut and looked to capture his first PPGA title to go along with his already decorated resume which includes four GAP Junior Amateur titles. Brown and Galbreath got off to a slow start, standing at one over par for the round after a bogey at the 449 yard par-4, sixth. That bogey seemed to flip a switch as Brown posted birdies on the next two and the team birdied six of the last twelve to get to 5-under par and settle for a T-3 finish with Jones and Yenser.

David Shields and Dan Osada posted a 4-under par round of 68 to finish fifth. Shields, narrowly missing advancing out of the US Open sectional qualifier at Applebrook GC last week by one shot, looked to carry over the solid play to Turtle Creek. Shields and Osada started fast with birdies on one and two. After stringing together ten straight pars, Shields and Osada gained some momentum after an eagle at the 512 yard, par-5, 13th and a birdie at the 169 yard, par-3 fifteenth. A bogie at the last would drop Shields and Osada out of a tie for third with Jones and Yenser, and Brown and Galbreath.

In the senior division, Jim Durante and Harry Giannopoulos, both of Meadow Brook GC, played steady golf all day and carded a round of 4-under par 68 to win by 3 shots over Mike Harms and Hank Church, Cobbs Creek GC. Durante and Giannopoulos, starting on the back nine, posted consecutive birdies on 13 and 14, combined with seven pars to turn in 2-under par, 34. A bogey at the third followed a birdie at the second and the eventual champions were back to 2-under par. After pars at four through seven, Durante and Giannopoulos felt they needed to finish strong to have a chance. With birdies at the last two, the winning duo secured their winning margin.

In the Super Senior division (60+) Ken Gaskill, Ramblewood GC and Jon Mabry, Moorestown Field Club posted a round of even par 72 to sweat out a one shot victory over defending champions, Naz Gagliardi and Jack Donnelly, Bensalem CC and Bob Fritz and Tom Daymont of Ble Bell CC.



2011 Champions, Roger Stone and David Kimbley

PPGA Better-Ball Championship

1	Roger Stone, Downingtown CC - David Kimbley, Spring Hollow GC	32-31	63
2	Steve Owens, Jr., John F. Byrne GC - Chris Thude, Torresdale-Frankford CC	33-33	66
3	Mike Brown, Lookaway GC - Robert Galbreath, Jr., Huntingdon Valley GC	35-32	67
3	Buck Jones, Blue Bell CC - Jim Yenser, Raven's Claw GC	32-35	67
5	David Shields - Dan Osada, Walnut Lane GC	34-34	68
6	Bill Serody - Bruce Clifford, John F. Byrne GC	35-39	69
6	Zachary LaVoie, Mercer Oaks GC - Stephen Meier, Hickory Valley GC	36-33	69
8	Bob Britton - Ken Mangin, Hickory Valley GC	34-36	70
8	Ansley Jessup - Luis Diaz, Rancocas CC	33-37	70
8	Jim Muehlbronner, Sandy Run CC - Joe Kinsman, Downingtown CC	33-37	70
8	Mitch Stead, Meadow Brook GC - Mark Baker, St. David's GC	35-35	70
12	Chris Fuga, Phoenixville CC - Todd Cappelli, PPGA	37-35	72
12	Matt Welsh, Stonewall - Marc Grabuski, Unaffiliated	37-35	72
12	Joe Bartenbach, Unaffiliated - Drew Guaraldo, Waynesborough CC	37-35	72
15	Ryan Foell and Stephen Foell, Hickory Valley GC	37-36	73
15	Todd Joseph, Unaffiliated - Eric Frampton Little Mill CC	37-36	73
15	Domenic Ritorto, Unaffiliated - Dominic DiPrinzio, Bellewood CC	36-37	73
15	Mike Haney - Jeff Biggins, Horsham Valley GC	38-35	73

15	Andrew Derbyshire - Joe Tiberi, Rancocas GC	36-37	73
15	Mike Carr - Pat McCusker, Plymouth CC	36-37	73
15	Rich Godshall - Dave Aglira, Chester Valley GC	37-36	73
22	Phil Juhring - Bill Houston, FDR GC	36-38	74
22	Joe Campisano - Walt Stankos, Center Square GC	38-36	74
22	Caesar Caramanico, Talamore CC - Chuck Scalzott, Huntingdon Valley CC	37-37	74
22	Dan Falcone - Ken Wonica, Unaffiliated	40-34	74
26	Will DeGothseir, Cobbs Creek GC - Andrew DeGothseir, Unaffiliated	38-37	75
26	Jim Conway - Pete Boylan, FDR GC	39-36	75
26	Lance Oberparleiter, Little Mill CC - Curt Oberparleiter, Wedgwood GC	38-37	75
26	Kent Weymouth, PPGA - Tom Urban, Club at Shannondell	38-37	75
30	Ari Flaisher, McCall G&CC - Randy Kruse, Sandy Run CC	39-37	76
30	Bill Rolli, Lederach GC - Derrick Garman, Four Seasons GC	38-38	76
30	Tim Burns, Saucon Valley CC - Jared Balas, Woodstone GC	38-38	76
30	Sean Flynn, Center Square GC - Keith Flynn, Unaffiliated	38-38	76
30	Gordon Dunlop III, Bensalem CC - Steve Owens III, John F. Byrne GC	38-38	76
30	Doug Arnold, Unaffiliated - Mark Graham, Hickory Valley GC	41-35	76
30	Derek Isbrandt - Matt Moosbrugger, Unaffiliated	37-39	76
37	Rick Wright, Unaffiliated - Chuck Kim, Pennsauken CC	40-37	77
37	Mike Dutil - Mike Schubert, Horsham Valley GC	39-38	77
37	Kevin Artz - CJ Bell, Unaffiliated	39-38	77
37	Kevin Koch - Josh Keyser, Linfield National GC	39-38	77
37	Tim McNerney, Westover GC - Bill Kelly, Hickory Valley GC	39-38	77
37	Jack Scholz, Cobbs Creek GC - Mike Wilhelm, Unaffiliated	40-37	77
37	Barrett Young, Trenton CC - Fred Hartwell, Middletown CC	39-38	77
44	Kevin Eill, Unaffiliated - Jason Zelesnick, Applecross CC	40-38	78
44	Greg Solley - Dante Fulginiti, Unaffiliated	36-42	78
44	Jim Wallace, Jr. - Jason DiDamico, FDR GC	39-39	78
47	Joe Saltarelli, Bensalem CC - Patrick Lennon, Unaffiliated	40-39	79
47	Charles Ortlip - Scott Ruddy, Bensalem CC	37-42	79
47	Steve Gillmor - Lee Johnson, Downingtown CC	39-40	79
47	Mike Tremonte - Steve DiMatteo, FDR GC	42-37	79
51	Mike Millar - Ted Nunez, Cobbs Creek GC	40-40	80
51	Andrew Repetto, GC @ Glen Mills - Bruce Schaffer, Pitman GC	40-40	80
51	Bill Albertus, Penn Oaks CC - Tom Conboy, Sandy Run CC	41-39	80
54	Devin Kirlin - Matthew Zahora, Unaffiliated	42-40	82
54	Bryan Smyth - Scott Heffentrager, Bella Vista GC	40-42	82
56	John Reusche - Matt Reusche, Unaffiliated	40-43	83
57	Matt Rocchino, Jeffersonville GC - Mike Shirk, Unaffiliated	40-46	86



Jim Durante and Harry Giannopolous - 2011 PPGA Better-Ball Senior Champions

SENIOR Division

1	Jim Durante - Harry Giannopoulos, Meadow Brook GC	34-34	68
2	Mike Harms - Hank Church, Cobbs Creek GC	35-36	71
3	Walt Humphries - Jack Coffman, Linfield National GC	35-37	72
3	Tom Mairone, PPGA - Bob Stewart, Westover GC	36-36	72
3	Richard Timbrell, Plainfield West - Jim Predergast, PPGA	38-34	72
3	Tony Carroll - Steve Hanson, Unaffiliated	36-36	72
7	Bob Weisbecker - Doug Surine, Meadow Brook GC	35-38	73
7	Bob Gaeta - Dave Sansone, FDR GC	36-37	73
7	Mike Owsik - Rick Wineberg, M Golf	35-38	73
10	Paul Cornely, Cobbs Creek GC - Bill Erskine, Walnut Lane GC	39-35	74
11	Eric Weed - Bob Dilks, Wedgwood CC	37-38	75
11	Bob Campbell - John Scirrotto, FDR GC	36-39	75
13	Dennis Begley - Cory Etchberger, Lederach GC	37-39	76
14	Kurt Choutka - Kurt Wohlgemuth, Gilbertsville GC	38-38	77
14	Steven M Owens, Links - Ted Pendergrass, John F. Byrne GC	39-38	77
16	Jerry Haas, Cobbs Creek GC - WD Horan, Middletown CC	39-39	78
17	Gary Valley - Tom Faro, John F. Byrne GC	42-43	85
17	Chet Coupe, Pinecrest GC - Bill Cormier, Jeffersonville GC	48-37	85
19	Rick Ames - Dennis Tadeo, Unaffiliated	42-48	90



Ken Gaskill and Jon Mabry - 2011 PPGA Better-Ball Super-Senior Champions

SUPER-SENIOR Division

1	Ken Gaskill, Ramblewood GC - Jon Mabry, Moorestown Field Club	35-37	72
2	Naz Gagliardi - Jack Donnelly, Bensalem CC	38-35	73
2	Bob Fritz - Tom Daymont, Blue Bell CC	36-37	73
4	Greg Gaul, Merion GC - Tom Mallouk, Lookaway GC	41-33	74
4	Edward Riordan, Unaffiliated - Terry Law, Yardley CC	38-36	74
6	John Paul - Dave Goldberg, Ramblewood GC	41-39	80
7	Michael Gerhardt - George Bennett, Penn Oaks CC	39-43	82
8	Ken Curtis, Paxon Hollow GC - Jerry Scally, PPGA	41-42	83
9	Jim Wallace, Sr. - Joe DeMuro, FDR GC	41-43	84
10	Robert Agran - Richard Misher, PPGA	42-43	85