



14th Hole at Cobbs Creek GC

2012 PPGA Better-Ball Championship Results

Limerick, PA - As darkness fell at Turtle Creek GC, Tom Timby holed his 12-foot birdie putt on the 5th playoff hole giving him and partner Mike Brown the 2012 PPGA Better-Ball Championship over defending champions Roger Stone and David Kimbley. Both teams tied at 4-under par 68 to force the sudden-death playoff.

With 79 teams competing on the day, teams were sent out off the first and tenth tees in both the morning and afternoon. After the morning wave was complete four teams were tied atop the leaderboard at 2-under par 70, Tom Meredith and Craig LaBarbera, John Stark and Frank Savarese, Bruce and Sean Clifford and four-time Philadelphia Open Amateur Champion, Chris Fieger paired with son, Chris, Jr.

Early in the afternoon wave, 2011 USGA Mid-Amateur qualifier Dave Fardon, paired with Drexel standout Ben Feld, claimed the clubhouse lead with a score of 3-under par 69. The third-place finishers capped a bogey free round with a birdie on the 18th to secure their strong finish.

Runners-up, Stone and Kimbley, who set the tournament scoring record a year ago with a blistering round of 9-under par 63, looked to become the first repeat winners since Byron Whitman and Bill Schultz accomplished the feat in 2007 and 2008. The duo started quickly as Kimbley knocked in a birdie on the first and Stone birdied the 528 yard, par-5 second. Stone then followed with a birdie at the 533 yard, par 5, eighth. Kimbley would pour in the team's last birdie on the 376 yard, par-4, fourteenth to give the team the clubhouse lead with only a few groups left on the golf course.

Brown and Timby were in the final group of the day and unlike Stone and Kimbley, the winners had a tough time getting going. With all pars and a birdie by Brown on the 424 yard, par 4, fifth, the eventual winners made the turn in 1-under par. Knowing they had some ground to make up if they wanted to win, Brown and Timby knew they would have to hit some clutch shots and get hot to get into contention. And get hot they did with three consecutive birdies on twelve, thirteen and fourteen, setting the stage for the dramatic five hole playoff, the longest in tournament history.

Both teams traded pars on the first four playoff holes with each side having opportunities to end the playoff, most notably, Timby, as his birdie putt hung on the lip on the fourth playoff hole, the 197 yard, par 3, ninth, but did not drop. The two teams would go back to the ninth tee as darkness was falling and light was at a minimum, Stone and Kimbley putted first, both narrowly missing. Stone's attempt lipped out, setting the stage for Timby's heroics. The playoff started on hole 1, then went to hole 8, then 9 before playing the ninth two more times before the outcome was decided.

In the Senior Division, Denis Johnson and Richard Timbrell, of Plainfield West Nine GC in Plainfield NJ, were the story as they captured the senior crown with a score of 4-under par, 68. The winning pair would make six birdies on the day, including one at the 530-yard, par-5 home hole, against two bogies to win by two over Rick Custer and Jim Prendergast, and Mike Harms and Hank Church. Prendergast and Custer played steady golf all day with 3 birdies against one bogey. Starting on the back-9, Harms and Church seemed poised to make a run at the winners and got withing one stroke with three to play, but a bogey at their last dropped them into a tie for second.

Ken Gaskill and Jon Mabry wrapped up the Super Senior Division (60+) with a round of 1-under par 71. Gaskill and Mabry prevailed by one stroke over two teams, Tom Mallouk and Greg Gaul, and 2010 Senior Division Champions, Naz Gagliardi and Jack Donnelly.



2012 PPGA Better-Ball Champions, Tom Timby and Michael Brown

PPGA Better-Ball Championship

1	*Mike Brown, Unaffiliated - Tom Timby, The Bucks Club	35-33	68
2	Dave Kimbley, Spring Hollow GC - Roger Stone, Downingtown CC	33-35	68
3	Dave Fardon, Saucon Valley CC - Ben Feld, Blue Bell CC	35-34	69
4	Tom Meredith, Unaffiliated - Craig LaBarbera, Rivercrest GC & Preserve	36-34	70
4	Chris Fieger, Sr. - Chris Fieger, Jr., Foxchase GC	34-36	70
4	John Stark, Valleybrook GC - Frank Savarese, Riverwinds GC	36-34	70
4	Bruce Clifford - Sean Clifford, John F. Byrne GC	36-34	70
4	David Shields, Walnut Lane GC - Dan Osada, Philadelphia Cricket Club	35-35	70
9	Lance Oberparleiter, Little Mill CC - Curt Oberparleiter, Wedgwood GC	36-35	71
9	Jim Meuhlbronner, Sandy Run CC - Joe Kinsman, Downingtown CC	37-34	71
11	Steve Owens III - Nick Vendetto, John F. Byrne GC	37-35	72
11	Matthew Welsh, Stonewall - Marc Grabuski, St. David's GC	35-37	72
11	Ken Mangin - Bob Britton, Hickory Valley GC	36-36	72
11	Mike Owsik - Jeff Owsik, M-Golf	36-36	72
11	Mark Czerniakowski - Adam Leifer, Blue Bell CC	36-36	72
11	Mike Carr - Pat McCusker, Plymouth CC	37-35	72
17	Steve Owens, Jr. - Chris Thude, John F. Byrne GC	38-35	73
18	Tim McNerney - Bob Walsh, Westover GC	36-38	74
18	Mike Valentine, Spring Mill CC - Bryan Durkan, Unaffiliated	39-35	74
18	Philip Rothermel - Ryan Kline, Berkleigh GC	37-37	74
21	Scott McNeill, Cobbs Creek GC - Travis Gahman, Bridgewater	36-39	75
21	Ryan Riviezzo, Applecross - Tripp Durham, Jeffersonville GC	34-41	75
21	Joseph Perese - Joseph Shaw, Unaffiliated	38-37	75
21	Mike Dutil - Mike Schubert, Horsham Valley CC	38-37	75
21	Ed Housal - Ed Donegan, Linfield National GC	38-37	75
21	Ansley Jessup - Luis Diaz, Rancocas GC	36-39	75
21	Bill Serody - Keith Evans, John F. Byrne GC	40-35	75
21	Eddie Westley, Hawk Valley GC- Frank Nattle, Kimberton GC	37-38	75
29	Domenic Ritorto, Unaffiliated - Dominic DiPrinzio, Bellewood GC	40-36	76
29	Doug Arnold, Unaffiliated - Mark Graham, Hickory Valley GC	37-39	76
29	Charles Ortlip - Scott Ruddy, Bensalem CC	38-38	76
29	Brian Fisher, Jeffersonville GC - Jeff Nocella, Unaffiliated	38-38	76
33	Nick Kouchoukos, Bellewood GC - Mark Baker, St. David's GC	37-40	77

33	Sean Flynn, Center Square GC - Keith Flynn, Unaffiliated	36-41	77
35	Jim Conway - Pete Boylan, Riverwinds GC	36-42	78
35	Will DeGothseir - Andrew DeGothseir, Cobbs Creek GC	38-40	78
35	Jack Scholz - John Brooks, Cobbs Creek GC	41-37	78
35	Caesar Caramanico - Fran Sacchetta, Talamore GC	39-39	78
39	Ari Flaisher, McCall GC - Randy Kruse, Sandy Run CC	39-40	79
40	Joe Bartenbach, Unaffiliated - Drew Guaraldo, Waynesborough CC	41-39	80
40	Greg Solley - Dante Fulginitti, Unaffiliated	42-38	80
40	Bruce Schaffer, Pitman GC - Andrew Repetto, Cobbs Creek GC	39-41	80
43	Harry Proietto - Tim Carr, Jeffersonville GC	38-43	81
44	Ted Nunez - Rick Wright, Cobbs Creek GC	42-40	82
45	Mike Millar, Jeffersonville GC - Bill Rolli, Raven's Claw GC	41-42	83
45	Kevin Seaman, Jeffersonville GC - Jeff Benne, Golden Oaks GC	42-41	83
45	Joe Saltarelli, Bensalem CC - Patrick Lennon, Unaffiliated	38-45	83
45	Matt Moosbrugger, Unaffiliated - Derek Isbrandt, Meadow Brook GC	44-39	83
49	Schuyler Wickes - Scott Lash, Unaffiliated	44-42	86
49	John Reusche - Matt Reusche, Unaffiliated	43-43	86
51	Dave Tompkins, Makefield Highlands GC - Fred Hartwell, Middletown CC	43-45	88
51	Ryan Morrison - Doug Morrison, Unaffiliated	42-46	88
53	Matt Rocchino, Club at Shannondell - Drew Mantey, Rivercrest GC & P	43-47	90
54	Bill Kelly, Unaffiliated - Damian Anzaldo, Kennett Square CC	49-47	96
	Todd Joseph, Bala GC - Rod Gouge, Unaffiliated		NC



PGA Senior Better-Ball Champions Denis Johnson and Richard Timbrell

SENIOR Division

1	Denis Johnson - Richard Timbrell, Plainfield West 9 GC	34-34	68
2	Jim Prendergast, Gilbertsville GC - Rick Custer, Brookside CC	34-36	70
2	Mike Harms - Hank Church, Cobbs Creek GC	34-36	70
4	Ken Mangin - Bob Britton, Hickory Valley GC	36-36	72
5	Dennis Tadeo - Don McDaniels, Unaffiliated	37-36	73
5	Bob Weisbecker, Meadow Brook GC - Tony Carroll, Unaffiliated	36-37	73
5	Bob Wheeler - Bill Giulian, Juniata GC	36-37	73
5	Jeff Lysek, Five Ponds GC - Kevin Davies, Stonewall	37-36	73
9	Tom Faro - Garry Valley, John F. Byrne GC	37-37	74
9	Buck Jones, Linfield National GC - Jim Yenser, Raven's Claw GC	38-36	74
11	Bob Kowalski - Randy McNulty, Linfield National GC	39-36	75
11	John Blackmon - Michael J. Fox, Juniata GC	37-38	75
11	Ed McAdoo, Jeffersonville GC - John Marshalek, Whitford CC	37-38	75
14	Jim Durante - Harry Giannopoulos, Meadow Brook GC	38-38	76

15	Walt Humphries - Jack Coffman, Linfield National GC	36-41	77
16	Chet Coupe, Pinecrest GC - Bill Cormier, Jeffersonville GC	39-39	78
16	Tom Mairone, Cobbs Creek GC - Bob Stewart, Westover GC	38-40	78
18	Jerry Haas, Cobbs Creek GC - WD Horan, Middletown CC	42-38	80
19	Edward Grunenwald, Broad Run GC - Bill Grunenwald, Totteridge GC	43-42	85



Ken Gaskill and Jon Mabry - 2012 PGA Better-Ball Super-Senior Champions

SUPER-SENIOR Division

1	Ken Gaskill, Ramblewood GC - Jon Mabry, Moorestown FC	34-37	71
2	Naz Gagliardi - Jack Donnelly, Bensalem CC	36-36	72
2	Tom Mallouk, Lookaway GC - Greg Gaul, Merion GC	37-35	72
4	Bob Agran, Reading CC - Terry Law, Yardley CC	34-39	73
5	Ken Hayman, Kimberton GC - Steve Owens, John F. Byrne GC	37-38	75
6	Ken Curtis, Paxon Hollow GC - Jerry Scally, PPGA	39-45	84