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ALBATROSS CLUB



On Sept. 7, **Mike Harrison** not only recorded a double eagle, but registered one of the rarest of shots when he started his round at Bay Pointe Resort and Golf Club (Brandon, Miss.) with an ace on the 225-yard par-4 opening hole. Harrison is a member at Bay Pointe and used his driver for the albatross.

Jim Mire had a very exciting round on Oct. 20 at LaTour Golf Club in Mathews, La. Mire (Houma, La.) recorded a double eagle on the 452-yard par-5 third hole. He is a member at LaTour and completed the hole with two shots. After his 285-yard drive, he holed out from 167 yards with a 6-iron while playing with Jerome Mire, Jack Henderson, Monty Logue and Raymond Richard. This was Jim's first-ever albatross. He has been playing golf for 22 years.



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COVER STORY

WHAT A YEAR!

Yancy Methvien accomplished the title of World's Most Avid Golfer by playing an astounding 911 rounds of golf in 2019

By John Price

How many rounds did you play last year?
Fifty? One-hundred? Two-hundred?

On Planet Earth, there was only one person that recorded 911 rounds and that accomplishment belongs to Yancy Methvien.

The Springfield, La. native and Brookhaven, Miss. resident just didn't play because he had time on his hands. The United States Coast Guard and Mississippi Air National Guard Veteran had two primary goals when he started this extremely ambitious goal about a year ago — to raise awareness about his fellow veterans that suffer from Post Traumatic Syndrome Disease (PTSD) and to raise awareness for the Veteran Golfers Association.

The VGA has chapters in Louisiana and Mississippi. Both chapters host tournaments for five months out of the year and Veterans and their families can qualify for a prestigious national tournament located at a top-flight golf facility (this year's National Tournament is at Trump Doral near Miami). PTSD affects hundreds of thousands of veterans and sadly an average of 22 veterans per day take their own lives.

Methvien, 43, plays in the VGA Louisiana and VGA Mississippi events and also suffers from PTSD. As stressful as the game of golf may be, he found that playing golf allowed him to get his mind off the often heavy burdens of everyday life and has been improving his PTSD symptoms. He is hoping that fellow veterans suffering with the disease perhaps take up the game of golf or play more golf in order to get a positive impact on the disease like he has.

"You know I did this because I wanted people to feel something about what I'm doing," said Methvien. "I just want anyone to know that is suffering with PTSD that you are not alone."

To drive home that point as much as he could, Methvien wore golf shoes with a giant number '22' on the right foot and the phrase 'You Are Not Alone' for his 911th round, which was at his home course of Brookhaven (Miss.) Country Club on Dec. 28.



Yancy Methvien (second from left) poses for a picture with Bill Caldwell (far left), Andre Caldwell (second from right) and Cody Nunn just before teeing off on Dec. 14 at Carter Plantation in Springfield, La. The round was Methvien's 789th of the year and set the World Record for most rounds played in a calendar year. Methvien, who finished with 911 rounds for the year, walked them all and is a Springfield, La. native.

To accomplish an average of 2.5 rounds per day every day for an entire year is anything but easy. Methvien had some challenges like anyone would have but seemed to take on all obstacles that came his way. He had to battle a nagging hip injury daily that resulted from a dislocation back when he was in college and then again in the military.

"There were occasions where I had to stop and stretch or move certain ways so I didn't get the sharp pains," he recalled about the hip issue. "It is a daily issue and something you just have to deal with. When you think

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about it now, there were so many things that could have happen to derail me like a bee sting or snake bite or something like that.”

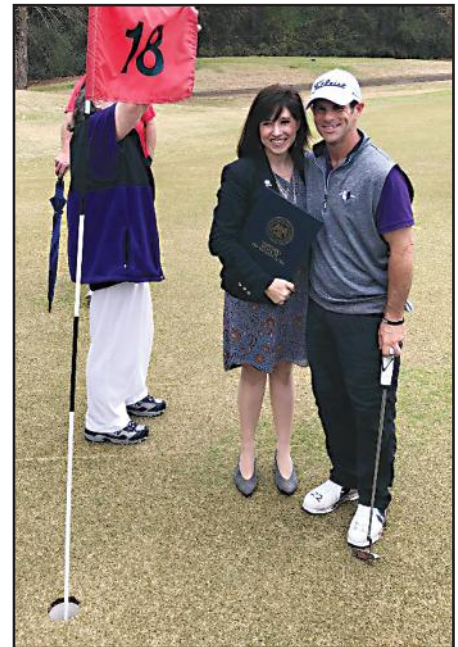
One issue that did almost sideline Methvien was a staph infection early on in his quest. At the end of February as the result of wearing a face shield to block the wind, he got an infection inside his nose and on his neck that required taking anti-biotics for just over a week to reduce the swelling and pain.

Despite that potential set-back, Methvien just kept charging on and racking up rounds in the winter when most golfers take a break.

“If there is a test put in front of Yancy, he's going to pass it,” said Cody Nunn, the VGA Louisiana Assistant Director that carried Methvien's bag for the record-breaking 879th round at Carter Plantation on Dec. 14. “At the VGA, we always say it is more than just a game and when you fully connect the dots of what Yancy is doing, you will see what this record and the VGA is all about. Me carrying his bag made this even sweeter. It was like a higher being aligned all this together. It's a whole lot more than golf.”

Methvien served the United States until retiring in 2015 and has lots of achievements including for his assignments for post 9/11 work. In fact, his most productive day on the golf course was Sept. 11 when he played 91 holes (five 18-hole rounds plus a one hole) at Middlefork Country Club (Meadville, La.), which is about 30 miles west of Brookhaven.

A total of 847 rounds were played at his home course of Brookhaven Country Club, which is where his last round of 2019 was played on Dec. 28.



Yancy Methvien is presented with a proclamation from the Mississippi House of Representatives shortly after finishing the final hole of his 911th round at Brookhaven (Miss.) CC. At left is Alderman Shelley Harrigill.

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Lots of options in Lake Charles area

It is no secret that Lake Charles is the fastest growing city in the state of Louisiana.

Since the addition of The Golden Nugget in 2014 and the opening of The Country Club at the Golden Nugget in 2015, the Lake Charles Metro Area has seen steady growth in the petrochemical, gaming and hospitality industries.

The area's golf scene has also dramatically improved as the city's two high-end casinos (L'Auberge and Golden Nugget) each have top-flight resort courses on property.

The Country Club at the Golden Nugget, Contraband Bayou Golf Club — opened in 2005 and owned by L'auberge Casino Resort — coupled with The National Golf Club of Louisiana in nearby Westlake, Gray Plantation (a charter member of the Louisiana Audubon Golf Trail) and the public Mallard Cove Golf Course, Lake Charles has a golf scene that rivals much bigger cities in Louisiana like New Orleans and Baton Rouge.

"It's a great time to be a golfer in the Lake Charles area. The area offers all different types of play from links style to a tree-lined country club all at different price points," said Danny Engel, a 34-year-old Moss Bluff (city just north of Lake Charles) resident that has been playing golf for almost 24 years. "A new course is being built (the new Mallard Cove Golf Course) and over in Westlake, they are building a new clubhouse and the Korn Ferry Tour is coming here so as you can see it a great time to be a golfer in Southwest Louisiana."

Lake Charles is the fifth largest city, but that ranking may move up to fourth when the 2020 census is complete. Behind New Orleans and Baton Rouge is Shreveport and Lafayette in those rankings. Lake Charles does have one

private facility in Lake Charles Country Club, which has been open since 1919.

The Country Club at Golden Nugget was named one of Golf Digest's Top 10 New Golf Courses in 2015. The facility was also recently named as a host of a March

26-29 Korn Ferry Tour stop in Lake Charles. The Todd Eckenrode Design is a par-72 resort layout featuring spacious fairways, but a back-tee yardage of 7,007 yards. There are only a few holes where water doesn't come into play. A pair of par-5s (Nos. 5 and 18) are the toughest holes on the course according to handicap. Both nines start out with easier holes as the first hole is a

relatively short par-5 with two large hazard areas on the right to deal with and the 10th hole is drivable par-4 with an enormous fairway but a two-tiered green. Both holes feature no water. This course is always well manicured and there are discounts for players that stay at the Golden Nugget, which is a few steps away from the resort's pool and lazy-river area.

Contraband Bayou Golf Club derives its name for the body of water that runs on the north side of the course and then east through Lake Charles. This resort course borders The Country Club at the Golden Nugget. In fact, the two courses share the Contraband Bayou Golf Club driving range since there is no room for one next door at Golden Nugget. The Tom Fazio par-71 design captures south Louisiana perfectly and from the back tees plays at 7,077 yards. The course itself is protected by lots of water but lots of fun if you play the correct tee box. This facility has garnered lots of national and regional accolades. There are reduced rates if you stay at the L'auberge Casino Resort.



The Country Club at The Golden Nugget

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This year marks the 10th anniversary of **The National Golf Club of Louisiana**, which is the only golf course in Westlake, a city just west of Lake Charles. The public par-72 layout is challenging but fair and plays anywhere from 5,297 yards to 6,946 yards depending on which one of the five tee-box complexes you play. The new clubhouse is expected to open in the fall of 2020 and it will feature a 140-seat restaurant, pro shop, offices and a back patio overlooking the 18th green.

The course's front nine starts and ends with a par-5. According to NGCL Head Professional Joey Wancewicz, the fourth hole — a par-4 that plays between 302-394 yards — might be the toughest hole in Calcasieu Parish. There is water left and right, the fairway isn't very wide and there are bunkers protecting the green. On the back nine, the facility has its version of Amen Corner with Nos. 14-16. The last hole of that stretch being the toughest hole handicap wise on the course. The course features 14 lakes and 65 bunkers.

Gray Plantation Golf Club opened in 1999 and is the only Lake Charles course part of the Louisiana Audubon Golf Trail. Gray Plantation has gotten national accolades for its par-72 layout, which plays at just over 7,000 from the tips.

The course features pine trees, 60 acres of lakes and marshlands. The Rocky Roquemore design has water coming into play on 12 holes and features over 90 bunkers. The facility is known for its visually appealing par-3 holes. Two of the course's four par-3s feature island greens. The raised-plantation clubhouse is a perfect backdrop for the 18th hole.

Mallard Cove Golf Course is Lake Charles' only municipal course and was opened in 1976. It has played host to a few professional tournaments on the Adams Golf Tour Series a handful of years ago. Located on Chennault AirPark and very convenient to the I-310 loop, Mallard Cove is known for its great affordability especially on its twilight rates.

The oldest course in Lake Charles is **Lake Charles Country Club**, which celebrated its 100th year in existence last year. LCCC is located just down the road from Gray Plantation and it's a tight course that is not as long as the modern courses.

Despite those attributes, the facility still attracts members and guests alike as the Louisiana Golf Association had its annual four-ball championship here. The course is always well-conditioned and has some great views being situated on Prien Lake.



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History and golf aplenty in North Mississippi

By John Price

During a week-long trip to North Mississippi with a bunch of golf writers in the fall, we visited five distinct and different courses. While there are lots of options, the five facilities we played I would all put on a must-play list while in this part of the state.

We started off at **Cherokee Valley Golf Club**

(Olive Branch), which is a family owned and operated public course that is fun and challenging. CVGC features 11 lakes and 52 bunkers on gentle rolling hills. On the surface that may seem intimidating, but with wide fairways and clean roughs, the tract feels more like a resort course. From the tips, the course plays at 6,751 yards and can also play as short as 4,422 from the forward tees. There is a three-tiered driving range, two practice putting greens and a chipping green. The lodge-style clubhouse has views of Nos. 9 and 18 from the snack bar or the banquet hall, which comes in handy for tournaments.

Next up was a trip to **North Creek Golf Club** (Southaven). The links-style course has lots of mounding and the same owner as Wedgewood Golf Club in nearby Olive Branch, but the courses are vastly different as Wedgewood features wooded terrain.

North Creek plays between 6,433 and 4,559 yards depending on which of the four sets of tees you select. There is trouble to be found if your club selection is off or if you find the above-average amount of water on the course. This facility is known for its unique dual green, which features a cart tunnel that passes underneath the green. The course has played host to the NGA Hooters Tour, the John Daly Make-A-Wish Tournament and many of the Mississippi and Tennessee junior-tour events. North Creek also features an island 18th green.

Our third stop was in Oxford at the **Ole Miss Golf Course**. This is not your typical college course. The Ole

Miss Golf Course features a tract of just over 7,000 yards from the tips and 4,849 yards from the forward tees.

Located a couple of miles from the Ole Miss campus, the public course is carved through a natural environment coupled with some interesting shot challenges as well as elevation change common to this part of the state. The course conditioning is always top notch as well as the customer service.

Our final two playing venues (River Bend Links and Tunica National Golf and Tennis Club) were in Robinsonville.

Both are uniquely different and complement each other in more ways than just being eight miles apart. **River Bend Links** is right on the Mississippi River and can play at 6,900

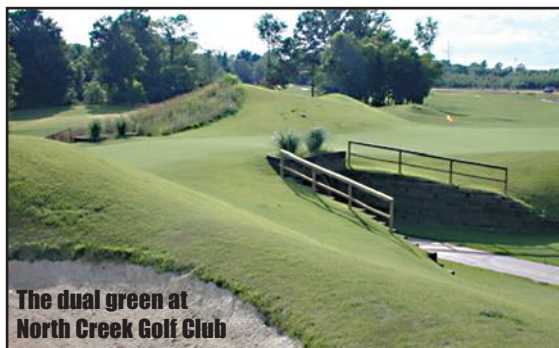
yards from the tips. It features a great mix of lakes, bunkers (grass and sand) and strategically placed mounds.

The Scottish link-style course is known as a field of dunes. The former cotton field is also home to numerous wildlife like deer, fox and turkey.

Tunica National is a championship resort course that plays as long as 7,204 yards or as short as 5,180 yards depending on which of the five tees you select.

Most of the holes have generous landing areas and some of the unique features of this course are holes along side cotton fields and sand native areas you can drive your cart through. The back-nine features the only two par-3s in the first four holes and finishing four holes with a par-4, a par-5 and two par-4s.

The Golf Academy at Tunica National is one the best training and practice areas in the state. The huge clubhouse features four clay tennis courts in a climate-controlled area.



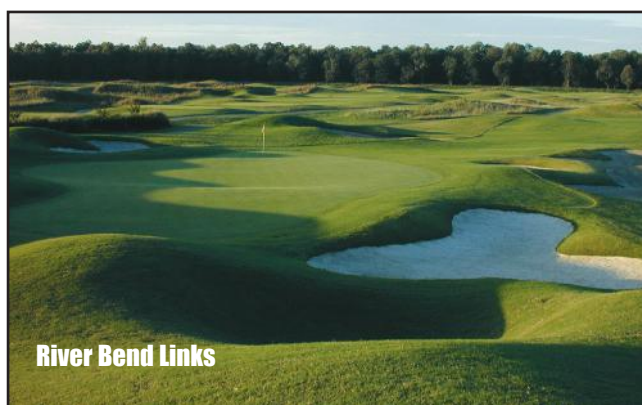
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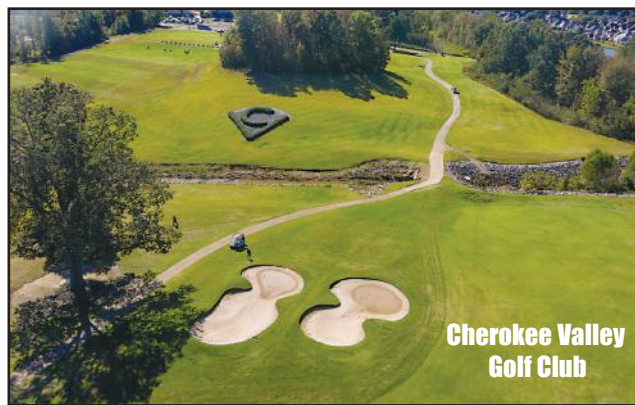
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River Bend Links



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Headrick wins national award

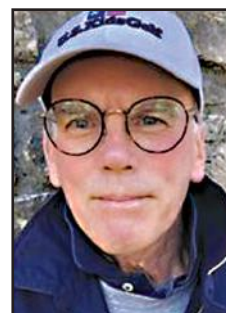
U.S. Kids Golf Gulf Coast Tour Director Jimmy Headrick received another award this fall.

The Slidell, La. resident was named 2019 Tour Director of the Year by U.S. Kids Golf, which has 78 local tours in the United States. Last year's World Championship in Pinehurst, N.C. had 1,550 participants representing 52 countries, marking the largest junior golf championship ever held.

Locally, Headrick took over the Gulf Coast Tour in 2015 when it was on the break of folding (and called the Southeast Louisiana Tour) because of lack of participation. Having over 40 years of experience on the Gulf Coast, he has built the local tour to one of the top ones in the country in just four short years. The Gulf Coast Tour includes a three-state area of Louisiana, Mississippi and Alabama.

In addition to a U.S. Kids Tour Director, Headrick is also on the staff at Diamondhead (Miss.) Country Club and also the golf coach at Holy Cross High School in New Orleans. He has been a PGA member since 1979 and won numerous awards from the Gulf States PGA Section. In 2018, U.S. Kids Golf honored Headrick with the National Award for Junior Golf Development. He was also a Top Four U.S. Kids Golf Local Director in 2017 and in 2013 designated a Certified Master Golf Master Golf Instructor for Life by U.S. Kids Golf. Headrick has won the Louisiana Golf Association's Distinguished Service Awards in 2011 and the 2018 Kelly Gibson Foundation's Dr. John and Helen Moore Distinguished Service Award. One of his other numerous awards was the 2008 All State Sugar Bowl New Orleans Sports Hall of Fame Humanitarian Award.

Headrick is President of the BC Cup Foundation, which has given out over \$300,000 in the form of 78 scholarships in a 26-year period. The foundation is in memory of his son Colin and fellow PGA Member Tim Hogan's son (Barry).



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8	Reed Hughes	1,077.50
9	Nick Ellison	1,065.00
10	Clay Weems	967.50
11	Blaine Palm	815.00
12	Alex Abbuzzo	802.50
13	Gavin Vegas	745.00
14	Rick Getz	740.00
15	Marie Gately	675.00
16	Rory Nelson	675.00

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1	Reed Hughes	1,405.00
2	Blaine Palm	1,295.00
3	Kenny Hughes	1,037.50
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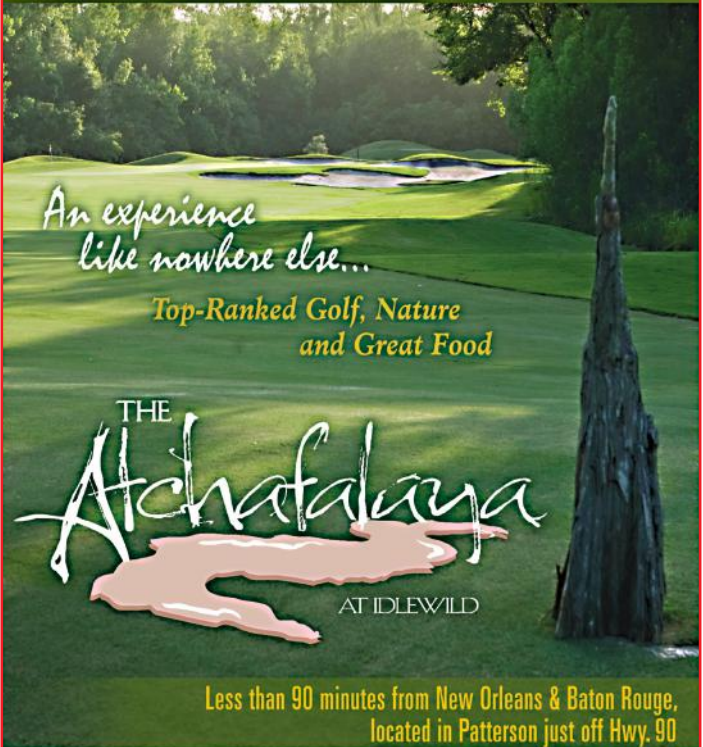
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ACES



TOM ALEXANDER

Aug. 31...Whisper Lake Country Club (Madison, Miss.)...No. 3 (116 yards)...Pitching wedge

TOM AMEDEE

Nov. 3...Diamondhead (Miss.) Country Club...Pine No. 15 (156 yards)...6-iron...Tom resides in Madisonville, La.

D.J. AUCOIN

Dec. 29...St. Mary Golf and Country Club (Berwick, La.)...No. 14 (140 yards)...7-iron

DON BALES

Dec. 26...Timberton Golf Club (Hattiesburg, Miss.)...No. 6 (140 yards)...6-iron

WICK BARFIELD

Dec. 20...Greystone Golf and Country Club (Denham Springs, La.)...No. 7 (99 yards)...9-iron...first ace for Wick!

COREY BATSON

Sept. 18...Tupelo (Miss.) Country Club...No. 8 (156 yards)...9-iron

BRAD BENNETT

Sept. 16...Carter Plantation (Springfield, La.)...No. 12 (146 yards)...8-iron

MIKE BERTUCCI

Sept. 11...Sunkist Country Club (Biloxi, Miss.)...No. 11 (107 yards)...Pitching wedge

BOB CASH

Sept. 3...BREC's Santa Maria Golf Course (Baton Rouge, La.)...No. 17 (129 yards)...7-iron

CRAIG BRADFORD

Sept. 11...Beau Pre' Country Club (Natchez, Miss.)...No. 7...8-iron

Sept. 18...Beau Pre' Country Club (Natchez, Miss.)...No. 4 (174 yards)...4-hybrid

CHARLES BRANN

Dec. 1...Diamondhead (Miss.) Country Club...Pine No. 6 (110 yards)...Gap wedge...Brann resides in Diamondhead

THOMAS BROWN JR.

Oct. 18...Hebert Municipal Golf Course (Lafayette, La.)...No. 6 (135 yards)...Pitching wedge...Fifth career ace!

PAUL CAIN

Nov. 24...Diamondhead (Miss.) Country Club...Pine No. 15 (146 yards)...5-hybrid...Cain resides in Diamondhead

BLAKE CALDWELL

Oct. 23...Carter Plantation (Springfield, La.)...No. 5 (175 yards)...6-iron...This was Caldwell's first-ever hole-in-one

TONY CHAISSON

Nov. 26...Diamondhead (Miss.) Country Club...Pine No. 2 (128 yards)...8-iron...Tony resides in Diamondhead

MICKEY CLEMENT

Dec. 31...Royal Golf Club (Slidell, La.)...No. 17 (138 yards)...Mickey now has seven lifetime aces!

CHRIS DAKE

Nov. 30...BREC's Beaver Creek Golf Course (Zachary, La.)...No. 17 (165 yards)...7-iron...Dake's third ace!

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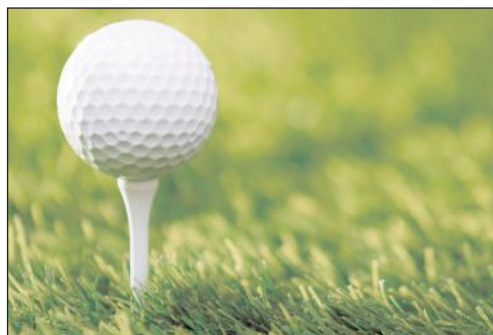
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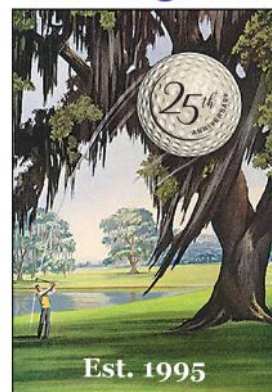


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ACES



CHARLES DAVIS

Sept. 11...BREC's Santa Maria Golf Course (Baton Rouge, La.)...No. 17 (118 yards)...8-iron

JACK DELANEY

Nov. 4...Lake Caroline Golf Club (Madison, Miss.)...No. 4 (131 yards)...9-iron...Delaney now has 11 career aces!

GRIFFIN DORR

Dec. 28...TPC Louisiana (Avondale)...No. 9...9-iron...ace was during the Tommy Moore Memorial Invitational

BRIAN DWYER

Sept. 20...Farm d'Allie Golf Club (Carencro, La.)...No. 3...This was Dwyer's first-ever ace!

STEVE EAVES

Nov. 29...Beauregard Country Club (DeRidder, La.)...No. 6 (141 yards)...6-iron...Eaves' second lifetime ace!

TANNER EDNEY

Sept. 8...The Wetlands Golf Course (Lafayette, La.)...No. 8 (209 yards)...6-iron

DENNIS ELFERT

Sept. 13...The Country Club of Louisiana (Baton Rouge)...No. 17 (147 yards)...This was Elfert's first-ever ace

GEORGE FOLLETT

Oct. 26...Northwood Country Club (Meridian, Miss.)...No. 13...This was the first-ever hole-in-one for Follett

ROWDY FOSTER

Oct. 23...Diamondhead (Miss.) Country Club...Pine No. 2 (125 yards)...7-wood. Foster is a member at DCC

WADE A. GAUTREAU

Sept. 13...Trump National Doral (Miami, Fla.)...Red Tiger Course No. 11 (174 yards)...6-iron...second lifetime ace for Gautreau, who resides in Baton Rouge, La. His two aces are 28 years apart...Hole-in-one helped card an 84

FERDI GENRE

Nov. 19...Greystone Golf and Country Club (Denham Springs, La.)...No. 3 (105 yards)...7-iron

MIKE GOODWIN

Nov. 19...Grand Bear Golf Club (Saucier, Miss.)...No. 7...ace was during the Folds of Honor Patriot Day Tourney

JERRY GOSS

Dec. 6...The University Club (Baton Rouge, La.)...No. 5 (123 yards)...Pitching wedge

CLARK GORDON

July 16...Northwood Country Club (Meridian, Miss.)...No. 2...Gordon shot 69 on this round with three birdies

HUDSON GREENE

Nov. 25...David Toms 265 Academy (Shreveport, La.)...No. 5 (98 yards)...8-iron...Second ace for 9-year-old Greene

MIKE HARRISON

Sept. 7...Bay Pointe Resort and Golf Club (Brandon, Miss.)...No. 1 (225 yards)...driver...shot was an albatross ace!

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Steve Eaves



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ACES

TOM HAYES

Sept. 22...Bayou DeSiard Country Club (Monroe, La.)...No. 15 (103 yards)...Pitching wedge...Hayes lives in Monroe

ROY HILL

Sept. 26...BREC's Webb Memorial GC (Baton Rouge, La.)...No. 15 (111 yards)...Pitching wedge...Fifth career ace!

HARPER HINCKLEY

Oct. 16...Lake Caroline GC (Madison, Miss.)...No. 8 (137 yards)...Was during the Randy Watkins Jr. Championship

CATHERINE HODSON

Oct. 20...The University Club (Baton Rouge, La.)...No. 8 (96 yards)...Gap wedge...Hodson is a member at U Club

KEN HORNSBY

Sept. 5...BREC's Webb Memorial Golf Course (Baton Rouge, La.)...No. 5 (137 yards)...8-iron

KEN HOWELL

Oct. 5...Windance Country Club (Gulfport, Miss.)...No. 4 (134 yards)...8-iron...Third ace in 20 years of playing

BOB HIGGINBOTHAM

Nov. 15...Whisper Lake Country Club (Madison, Miss.)...No. 14

DENNY 'D.L.' HOWELL

Nov. 17...Castlewoods Golf and Country Club (Brandon, Miss.)...No. 15



JON JACKSON

Oct. 26...Northwood Country Club (Meridian, Miss.)...No. 7...this was the third career ace for Jackson!

CHARLOTTE JOHNSON

Oct. 29...Canton (Miss.) CC...No. 9...The ace was during the Jackson Women's Golf Association's Interclub tournament

JEDD JOHNSON

Nov. 2...Greystone Golf and Country Club (Denham Springs, La.)...No. 3 (147 yards)...8-iron

Nov. 3...Greystone Golf and Country Club (Denham Springs, La.)...No. 3 (147 yards)...8-iron

Johnson, 56, is a member at Greystone and has been playing for 25 years...he never had an ace before Nov. 2.

SCOT JOHNSON

Nov. 1...Greystone Golf and Country Club (Denham Springs, La.)...No. 13 (173 yards)...6-iron

JEREMY JONES

Sept. 7...Patrick Farms Golf Club (Pearl, Miss.)...No. 8 (142 yards)...9-iron...first ace on the new greens

JOHN KORA

Dec. 15...The Country Club of Louisiana (Baton Rouge)...No. 13 (148 yards)...7-iron

LEE KOSCHEL

Dec. 13...The Country Club of Louisiana (Baton Rouge)...No. 17 (152 yards)...9-iron

BRAD LANDRY

Nov. 6...Windance Country Club (Gulfport, Miss.)...No. 15 (146 yards)...6-iron...Third career ace for Landry!

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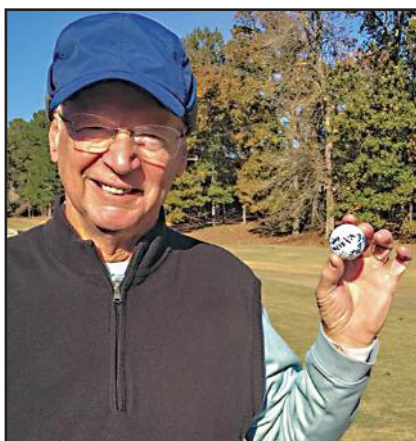
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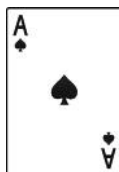
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Charlotte Johnson

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CHRIS LANDRY

Sept. 24...BREC's Santa Maria Golf Course (Baton Rouge, La.)...No. 17 (151 yards)...9-iron

MICHAEL LEE

Oct. 9...Shell Landing Golf Club (Gautier, Miss.)...No. 17 (125 yards)...Pitching wedge

BRUCE MARCEV

Oct. 3...Bartholomew Memorial Golf Course (New Orleans)...No. 14 (144 yards)...7-wood...First ever ace

BARRY MARX

Nov. 17...The Country Club of Louisiana (Baton Rouge)...No. 17 (122 yards)...9-iron

MIKE MASSEY

Sept. 20...Whisper Lake Country Club (Madison, Miss.)...No. 12

DANNY McDILL

Sept. 16...Lake Caroline Golf Club (Madison, Miss.)...No. 4 (131 yards)...Gap wedge

Oct. 28...Lake Caroline Golf Club (Madison, Miss.)...No. 4...Danny now has five lifetime aces!

MIKE McGOWAN

Dec. 11...Greystone Golf and Country Club (Denham Springs, La.)...No. 13 (140 yards)...6-iron

JUSTIN MORRIS

Sept. 13...BREC's Beaver Creek Golf Course (Zachary, La.)...No. 3 (125 yards)...Pitching wedge...first-ever ace

ROD MORRIS

Nov. 29...BREC's Beaver Creek Golf Course (Zachary, La.)...No. 3 (131 yards)...9-iron

HOWARD MULLINS

Dec. 14...The University Club (Baton Rouge, La.)...No. 8 (167 yards)...7-iron

CARL NAPOLI

Sept. 2...Carter Plantation (Springfield, La.)...No. 17 (148 yards)...8-iron

RICHARD NEAL

Sept. 11...Bay Pointe Resort and Golf Club (Brandon, Miss.)...No. 13 (115 yards)...7-iron...Third lifetime ace!

BRANDON NUTT

Oct. 5...Deerfield Golf Club (Canton, Miss.)...No. 14 (150 yards)...8-iron

LEE OWENS

Dec. 6...BREC's Santa Maria Golf Course (Baton Rouge, La.)...No. 17 (132 yards)

MARI PASTOR

Sept. 12...The Country Club of Louisiana (Baton Rouge)...No. 17....Ace was during the Lady Scot Member-Guest

KEN PASTROICK

Dec. 30...Carter Plantation (Springfield, La.)...No. 17 (141 yards)...8-iron



Mike Massey



Richard Neal



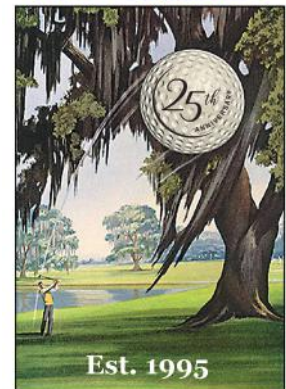
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Brandon Nutt (second from right) celebrates his hole-in-one with some friends

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BLAINE PATIN

Sept. 27...Greystone Golf and Country Club (Denham Springs, La.)...No. 3 (139 yards)...Gap wedge

STEVEN PERKINS

Sept. 14...Leesville (La.) Municipal Golf Course...No. 4 (216 yards)...4-iron...First-ever ace for Perkins

DWAYNE PERRON

Sept. 12...Greystone Golf and Country Club (Denham Springs, La.)...No. 3 (117 yards)...8-iron

SCOTT PICKETT

Sept. 25...Country Club at Frenchman's Bend (Monroe, La.)...No. 8 (121 yards)...Ace was first shot of the day!

WAYNE PIERCE

Sept. 2...Les Vieux Chenes Golf Course (Youngsville, La.)...No. 17 (108 yards)...9-iron



STEPHEN PIERRE

Sept. 13...BREC's Webb Memorial Golf Course (Baton Rouge, La.)...No. 15 (121 yards)...Pitching wedge

HANNAH PITRE

Sept. 8...Carter Plantation (Springfield, La.)...No. 5 (116 yards)...7-iron...Pitre was 15 at the time of the ace!

RICHARD POCHE

Sept. 1...The Wetlands Golf Course (Lafayette, La.)...No. 13 (130 yards)...6-iron...Poche, 83, lives in Lafayette

HAROLD RAY

Nov. 18...Shell Landing Golf Club (Gautier, Miss.)...No. 8...Ray now has an impressive nine lifetime aces!

CHUCK REA

Oct. 8...Northwood Country Club (Meridian, Miss.)...No. 7...this was Rea's fifth lifetime ace!

PAT RENEGAR

Sept. 11...Bay Pointe Resort and Golf Club (Brandon, Miss.)...No. 17 (138 yards)...Pitching wedge

JUSTIN ROLLINS

Sept. 17...Mississippi State University Golf Course (Starkville, Miss.)...No. 2 (198 yards)...first-ever ace for Rollins

FRITZ ROTH

Oct. 21...Diamondhead (Miss.) Country Club...Cardinal No. 7 (147 yards)...7-iron...Roth resides in Brookfield, Wisc.

MIKE SCURRIA

Dec. 24...Greystone Golf and Country Club (Denham Springs, La.)...No. 7 (125 yards)...Pitching wedge

CLARK SEARLE

Oct. 19...Bayou Oaks at City Park South Course (New Orleans)...No. 17 (183 yards)...6-iron...First-ever ace

WILBERT SHELTON

Oct. 3...BREC's Dumas Memorial Golf Course (Baker, La.)...Hole 3 (148)...7-iron...Shelton, 67, lives in Baton Rouge



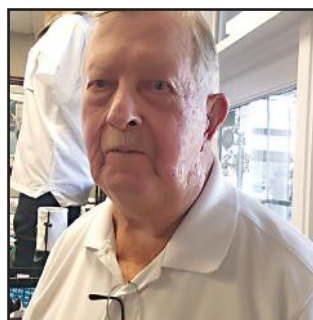
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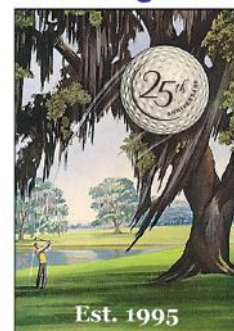


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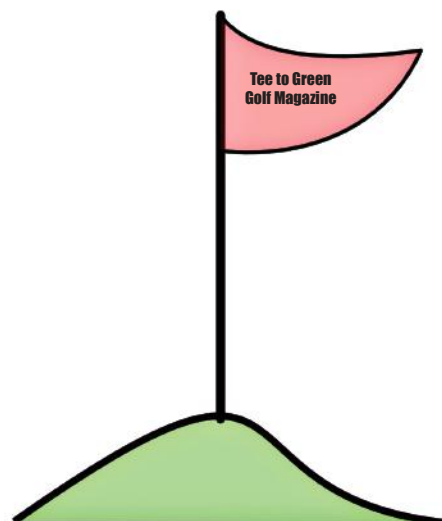
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Sam Whittington



DUKE SIMMONS

Oct. 5...Castlewoods Country Club (Brandon, Miss.)...No. 15

ALLEN SMITH

Oct. 19...The Country Club of Louisiana (Baton Rouge)...No. 13 (132 yards)...9-iron

MIKE SOMMERS

Dec. 4...BREC's Webb Memorial Golf Course (Baton Rouge, La.)...No. 15 (130 yards)...9-iron...Second lifetime ace

TIM TOWN

Dec. 22...BREC's Webb Memorial Golf Course (Baton Rouge, La.)...No. 15 (113 yards)...9-iron

MITCH WALL

Dec. 5...The University Club (Baton Rouge, La.)...No. 16 (166 yards)...7-iron

ANDY WARNER

Nov. 11...Diamondhead (Miss.) Country Club...Cardinal No. 7 (115 yards)...9-iron. Warner lives in Diamondhead

SAM WEEMS

Dec. 20...The Country Club at Oxford (Miss.)...No. 11

STAN WHITTINGTON

Nov. 6...Patrick Farms Golf Club (Pearl, Miss.)...No. 8

DEBBIE WOLF

Oct. 28...Diamondhead (Miss.) Country Club...Pine No. 6 (108 yards)...7-iron...Wolf resides in Diamondhead

TODD WRIGHT

Sept. 6...Mallard Pointe Golf Course (Sardis, Miss.)...No. 4 (183 yards)

LANCE YATES

Nov. 6...The University Club (Baton Rouge, La.)...No. 16 (191 yards)...5-iron..Yates is a member at The U Club

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Methvien, who is not-anti cart, walked all of his rounds last year for a grand total of 4,701.4 miles, which is more miles than if you walked from New Orleans to Anchorage, Alaska. There were less than 15 days Methvien didn't play golf in 2019. His best score during the record-playing feat was a 63. He is the son of Alice Monroe and Wayne Methvien. Both of them were on hand to witness his record-breaking round of 879 and the final round of 911.

Long before Yancy went through six pairs of golf shoes and over 600 golf balls, he had to get a plan together for nutrition/body maintenance. In 2017, he weighed 203 pounds and got down to 181 on Jan. 1, 2019. During round 911, he weighed 146.8 pounds. Methvien credits John Paul 'JP' Guidry for staying relatively injury-free and getting the right things in his body. Guidry, a doctor of Physical Therapy, is the owner and founder of Barbells and Birdies and Guidry Golf and Sport.

"I lost 20 pounds really fast at the beginning and then found out I may have underestimated this part of the challenge especially in the summer-time," Methvien said. "JP Guidry helped out and recommended a great plan for me. The winter was much better as I got in a few cheat days."

During his feat of playing 16,398 holes in a year, Methvien had three double eagles, but no hole-in-ones. He came within an inch of one 35 times with 20 of those times coming in the months of September and October. He started playing golf in the later part of 2006.

"What I did is overwhelming sometimes when I stop and think about it, but it was just another mission to me," Yancy said. "To see emotion in people's faces when shaking their hand was special to me. The heavy lifting is done so now I can make myself more accessible."

Methvien has lots of goals for



Yancy Methvien poses for a picture with some of his VGA buddies on the 18th green at Carter Plantation (Springfield, La.) just after playing his then-record 879th round in 2019.



2020 and beyond, but right now they don't include setting any more world records anytime soon.

"I can't wait to get out of bed and not feeling like I've been run over by a truck," he said a couple of days after playing his 911th round. "I want to do lots of things that continue bringing awareness to PTSD and how golf can help with that as well as promoting and playing in more VGA events. To be honest, I've just barely got my toes in the water in regards the awareness that can be brought to just those two things."

Brookhaven Country Club, which was established in 1935, has honored Methvien with a plaque near the first tee honoring his 911 rounds in

2019. A nice touch for someone that spent so much time on that course in a 365-day span and will likely play a lot more rounds there in the future.



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Publisher's note: This is the third story Tee to Green Golf Magazine has done about Methvien breaking the World Record for rounds played in a calendar year. The other two stories were published on our e-newsletters, which can be found on our Facebook Page. To also get free PDF copies of the e-newsletter, email Publisher John Price at TTGmagazine@yahoo.com.

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