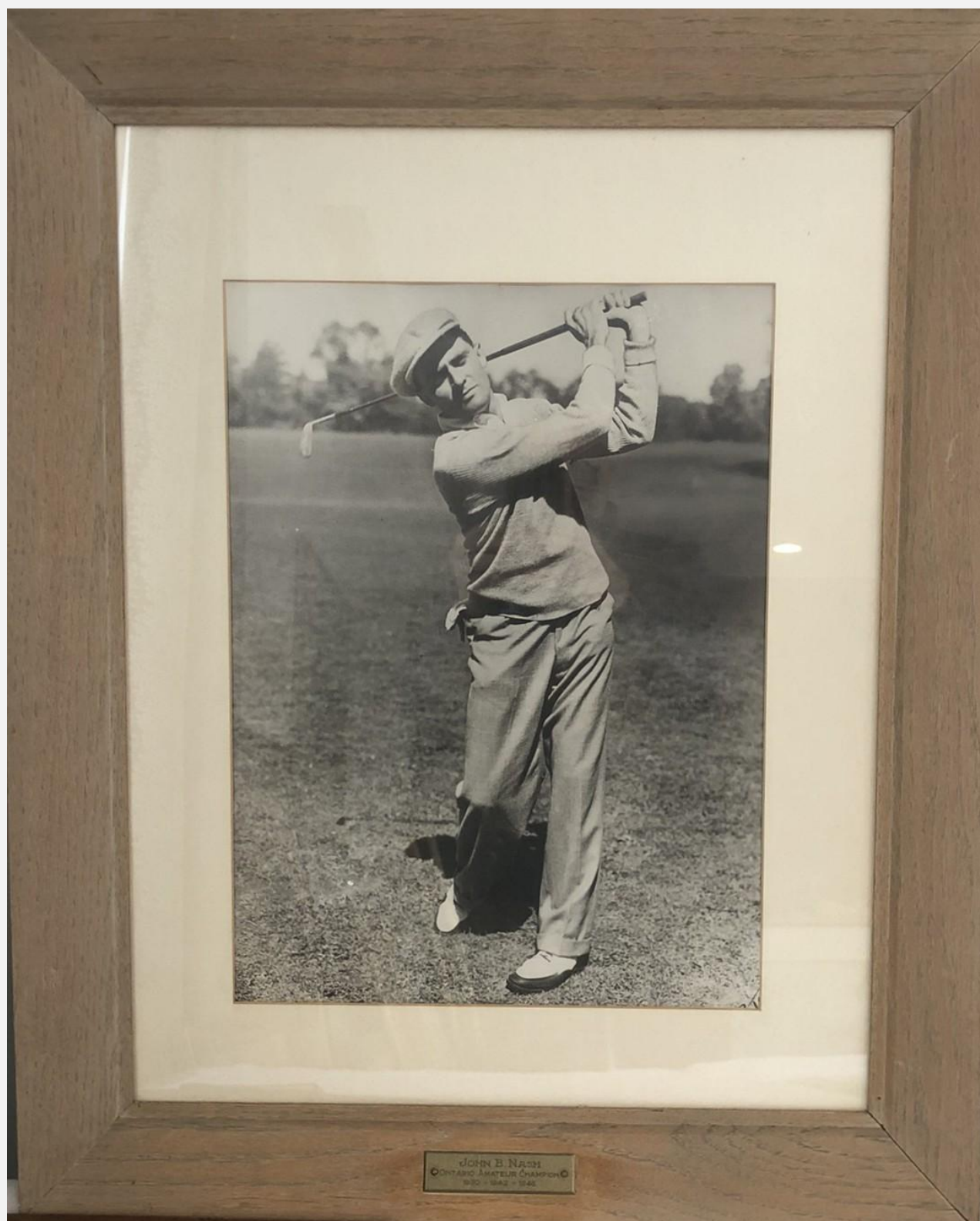


## London Hunt & Country Club – Jack Nash



[Jack Nash in his own words Audio File](#)

## London Hunt & Country Club – Jack Nash

### Jack Nash

- Ontario Junior Championship Runner-Up (1929-30)
- Ontario Amateur Champion (1930, 1942, 1946); Runner-Up (1931, 1947)
  - Ontario Senior Amateur Champion (1965); Runner-Up (1972-73)
    - Canadian Senior Amateur Champion (1970)
  - Canadian Senior's Golf Association Champion (1969-70)
- Ontario Father & Son Champion: with father John A. (1935); with sons, David (1967, 1971); Robert (1959, 1963); and John C. (1961)
  - British Amateur Championship Quarter-finalist (1933)
    - Prince of Wales Trophy Winner (1933)

## The Inter-Collegiate Championships

**Toronto Wins Team Matches and "Bob" Lee, of North Bay, the Individual Championship, Defeating Jack Nash by One Stroke.**

THE last of the Canadian golfing fixtures for the season of 1931 was decided the last week in October at Kingston, when the two-day Inter-collegiate Championship was staged. Six years ago the late Dr. Ruttan, of McGill University, Montreal, instituted this competition and donated a handsome cup. At first only McGill and Toronto were represented but this year four colleges sent teams—Toronto, McGill, Queens and the Royal Military College. In the individual championship, Queens supplied the winner in R. G. (Bob) Lee, son of Mr. G. W. Lee, of North Bay, chairman of the Temiskaming and Ontario Railway, who with the fine score of 155 for 36 holes, nosed out Jack Nash, of London, former Ontario champion, playing for U. of T. This was quite a surprise and shows that Lee, who is Northern Ontario champion, is a young golfer who will have to be reckoned with in the future. Lee is also a noted hockey player. He has been centre forward for the Tri-Colour team for three years. The Toronto Varsity team eventually on the two days play won the Ruttan Cup with a score of 21 points, McGill 17, Queens 11, and R.M.C. 4.

Last year McGill won the championship with Toronto Varsity in second place and Queens third.

It is very gratifying to note the increased interest taken in these Inter-collegiate matches. In the years to come other Canadian Universities, both in the East and West, will undoubtedly be represented. The late Dr. Ruttan, who was an enthusiastic golfer and who was a former president of the Royal Canadian Golf Association, did a great thing for golf when he instituted this competition. In the United States the Intercollegiate Championship is one of the most important fixtures of the year and is participated in by colleges from Coast to Coast. In Canada in the future it should also be one of the season's most outstanding golfing events.



The Intercollegiate Cup, donated by the late Dr. Ruttan, of McGill University.

In 1933, the Grand opening of Thames Valley Golf Club featured an exhibition match with Gene Sarazen, Jack Nash, Sandy Somerville and Joe Kirkwood. [Video of the day is in our archives and linked here.](#)

## London Hunt & Country Club – Jack Nash

**Family consultation: Veteran golfer Jack Nash of London; Ont.; helps son; David; read line of putt d**

CANADA - AUGUST 17: Family consultation: Veteran golfer Jack Nash of London; Ont.; helps son; David; read line of putt during father-son section of Ontario Parent and child golf championships. Pair put the Nash name on trophy for sixth time. (Photo by Ron Bull/Toronto Star via Getty Images)





1930 Ontario Amateur

## Nash, Brilliant Young Londoner

**Is Newly Crowned Amateur Champion of Ontario. Defeats Don Carrick in Final. Ross Somerville Wins Qualifying Round, So London "Cleans Up".**

**T**HE same day that Jones was making records at Interlachen, an 18-year-old Londoner, Jack Nash, was in a lesser degree doing the same thing on the Scarboro course, Toronto. In the classiest field ever recorded in an Ontario Amateur Championship, this youth, he is only 18 years of age, with a perfect swing, flashed into the limelight and reaching the final in an impressive manner, proceeded to account for the doughty Don Carrick, twice Canadian Amateur Champion, by the decisive score of 4 and 3. It looks as though the Forest City, which already boasts its Sandy Somerville, more or less the newly crowned Ontario champion's mentor, has a Bobbie Jones in the making. Nash, who is the youngest player ever to win a Provincial championship in Canada, has all the hall-marks of a coming player of International calibre. He may yet put Canada decisively on the golfing map.

The Scarboro course was in superb shape for the Championship. It has the past few years been greatly improved and to-day boasts a fairway unsurpassed in Ontario and cleverly trapped greens which call for carefully played and placed pitch-up and approach shots. Scarboro is now a real test of high-class golf as the leading entrants were a unit in testifying. The field was easily the most representative in the history of the Championship and President L. M. Wood, of the Ontario Association, and his executive were naturally delighted as a result. It was the opening championship of the Ontario season and bodes well for future events to be held under the auspices of the Association.

Ross Somerville, of the London Hunt, who has won the event the past three years, was called upon to defend his title against a trio of former champions, Don Carrick, R. M. Gray, and W. J. Thompson, besides a threatening entry of young players and also Jack Cameron, of Ottawa, fresh from



"Jack" Nash, all-round 18-year-old athlete of London, Ontario, winner of the Ontario Championship.

winning five events in the Province of Quebec. In the qualifying round Somerville played some of the best

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golf in his notable career and with a 72 equalled the course record of Scarborough, which was set last year by Arthur Hulbert, professional of the Thornhill Golf Club, Toronto. Somerville was out in 39, but came back with a par-breaking 33. Two strokes back of the champion was his young clubmate, Jack Nash, with a 38 and 36 for a 74. Three putts on the home green was the undoing of Nash for tying for medal honours.

Sixteen players only qualified to play off for the championship instead of the regulation 32. The scores of the qualifiers:—

C. R. Somerville, London Hunt...	39-33—72
J. B. Nash, London Hunt .....	38-36—74
J. R. Curry, Scarborough .....	38-37—75
R. M. Gray, Rosedale .....	39-37—76
T. L. E. Everitt, Rouge Hills.....	40-36—76
George Boeckh, York Downs.....	37-39—76
Don D. Carriek, Scarborough .....	39-38—77
Phil Farley, Cedar Brook .....	38-40—78
Jack Cameron, Mississauga .....	39-39—78
F. G. Hoblitzel, Lambton.....	38-40—78
Dr. A. Elliott, Scarborough .....	39-39—78
A. C. N. Gosling, Toronto Golf.....	41-37—78

Ken Ashman, Lakeview..... 41-38—79  
Joe Thompson, Uplands ..... 43-36—79 || W. J. Thompson, Mississauga ..... | 41-38—79 |
| J. Armitage, Glendale ..... | 49-39—79 |

Scarboro Club won the team prize with 309, with London Hunt Club in second position with 314.

The surprise of the Championship came in the very first round. Somerville, the champion and medallist, and generally fancied to repeat, was drawn against George Boeckh, of York Downs, and had to bow to a 1 up defeat on the 18th hole. Somerville was distinctly off his game and his clever young opponent took advantage of this fact to put him out of the running. It was a notable win for Boeckh, one of the best of the Toronto younger players. With Somerville also went into the discard two other former champions, R. M. Gray and W. J. Thompson, whilst Jack Cameron, another serious threat was eliminated by Don Carriek.

First Round results:—

Phil Farley, Cedar Brook, defeated T. L. E. Everitt, Rouge Hills, 7 and 6.  
J. Armitage, Glendale, defeated R. M. Gray, Rosedale, 4 and 3.  
F. G. Hoblitzel, Lambton, defeated J. R. Curry, Scarborough, 6 and 5.  
Don D. Carriek, Scarborough, defeated Jack Cameron, Mississauga, 4 and 3.  
Jack Nash, London Hunt, defeated Ken Ashman, Lakeview, 6 and 5.  
George Boeckh, York Downs, defeated C. R. Somerville, London Hunt, one up.  
A. C. N. Gosling, Toronto Golf, defeated W. J. Thompson, Mississauga, 4 and 2.  
Joe Thompson, Uplands, defeated Dr. A. Elliott, Scarborough, 3 and 2.

Then in the afternoon the second round resulted as follows:—

J. Armitage defeated Phil Farley, 2 and 1.  
Don D. Carriek defeated F. G. Hoblitzel, 2 and 1.  
Jack Nash defeated Boeckh, two up.  
Joe Thompson defeated A. C. N. Gosling, 5 and 4.

The match which carried the gallery in this round was that between Carriek and Hoblitzel, Lambton's leading player and a member of the Ontario Inter-Provincial team. It was a hard-fought encounter but the former champion was in fine form and registered a 2 and 1 victory.

In the semi-finals Don Carriek had little difficulty in defeating Jack Armitage, of Glendale, Hamilton, who



learned his game in the Old Country and who has a lot of good shots in his bag. The match terminated on the 13th green.

In the other half it was a battle of juniors, Joe Thompson and Jack Nash having an interesting struggle, all in favour of the Londoner from the first hole which he won and he was never headed afterwards, recording a 3 and 2 victory.

Then in the final "the veteran" Carrick was stacked up against Nash and was greatly fancied to again win the championship but the youth from "Somerville town", or should it be called Nashville?, was in a brilliant mood. This was by way of being a return match as at the Canadian Amateur at Jasper Park last year in the second round Carrick defeated Nash, but only 1 up. At Scarboro the young London lad had his revenge by the rather convincing decision of 4 and 3. Driving straight and far and approaching and putting well Nash was 1 up on his seasoned opponent at the turn. He then proceeded to win the 10th and the 11th with a birdie 2. The next three holes were halved. Both were about 40 yards short of the green on the 286-yard 15th hole. Nash chipped on, within 15 feet of the pin, and Carrick's approach came to rest but a foot further away. Carrick placed his first putt four inches from the cup, but instead of playing safe for a half this time young Nash ran down the 15-footer to win the hole and the match. A fine performance which deservedly brought unstinted acclaim to the newly crowned and unassuming young Ontario champion.

Nash began his golf some five years ago at the Highland Golf Club, London, under the supervision of Chas. Nixon, who was the pro at the Highland Club, but the last three years has played all his golf at the London Hunt and Country Club, and has been under the capable guidance of Kiernie Marsh, who has put the finishing touches on his game.

He has not devoted all his time to golf for while he attended the London Collegiate Institute he was one

of their outstanding athletes. Three years ago he was their champion tennis player, and in the Wossa games which are held in the campus of the University of Western Ontario for Western Ontario Collegiates, he entered twelve events in one day, estab-



Don Carrick, Scarboro Golf and Country Club, runner-up in Ontario Championship.

lishing a record for pole vaulting; and took his share of the prizes in other events.

This is only his second year of real competitive golf. Last year he was runner-up in the Ontario Junior Championship for which he is eligible to compete again this year but as it is scheduled for the same week as the U.S. Amateur Championship at Philadelphia he will not enter as he intends to take part in this outstanding event and it will be a great experience for him and he is well advised to participate in it. Incidentally, and in this respect he resembles Don Carrick, he is also a very good piano player. Even now although golf takes so much of his time he is very enthusiastic regarding the piano; and spends his three or four hours in practice each day.

Results in the other competitions in this particularly brilliant tournament were:—

Championship Beaten Eight—Semi-finals—Jack Cameron, Mississauga, defeated R. M. Gray, Rosedale, 2 and 1. Ken Ashman, Lakeview, won by default from W. J. Thompson, Mississauga.

Final—Jack Cameron defeated Ken Ashman, 4 and 3.

Second Flight—Semi-finals—C. M. Jones, Scarboro, defeated Len H. Biddeil, Lakeview, 2 and 1. Basil Morphy, Summit, defeated Alex. C. Carrick, Scarboro, 3 and 2.

Final—C. M. Jones defeated Basil Morphy, 2 and 1.

Third Flight—Semi-finals—George S. Lyon, Lambton, defeated Harry W. Phelan, Scarboro, one up. J. G. Hyghland, York Downs, defeated B. W. Anderson, Simcoe, one up.

Final—George S. Lyon defeated J. G. Hyghland, 4 and 2.

Following the completion of the finals the prizes were presented by C. E. Edmonds, president of the Scarboro Golf Club; Gordon Cassels, vice-president of the O.G.A.; George S. Lyon and W. J. Thompson.

## Canadian Amateur Championship at London will have Record Field

THE Canadian Amateur Championship scheduled for the week of August 4th at the London Hunt Club is being eagerly anticipated by all the leading golfers of Canada and many from the United States. The winner last year at Jasper Park, Alta., Eddie Held, of New York, and the runner-up, Gardiner White, of New York, from present indications will not be at London to defend their titles. Already entering for the event, with Mr. B. L. Anderson, secretary of the Royal Canadian Golf Association, from the United States are "Ducky" Corkran, of Nobla, Penn., who made such a fine showing at Jasper; F. W. Ryan, and W. A. Ryan, of Detroit; Brice S. Evans, and James E. Healey, of Boston, and E. S. Knapp, of the National Golf Links, Southampton, L.I., a very fine player indeed. Evans, it will be remembered, was the runner-up in the Championship to George S. Lyon at the Royal Ottawa in 1914, the last time the "Grand Old Man" of Canadian golf for the eighth time annexed titular honours. It is interesting to note that Mr. Lyon, who celebrates his 73rd birthday this month, and who is still "going strong", is an entrant at London.

Other well known Canadians who will tee-up on August 4th are Ross Somerville, London, twice champion; Don Carrick, Toronto, also "two-times" winner of the event; C. C. Fraser, Montreal, champion 1922; Jack Cameron, leading player of Quebec; Jack Nash, recently crowned Ontario champion; Norman M. Scott, Montreal; F. G. Hoblitzell, Toronto, and a flock of young players from Ontario and Quebec. In addition to these and many more outstanding players, all the players in the Inter-Provincial match on Saturday, August 2nd, at the Royal York Golf Club, Toronto, from British Columbia, Alberta, Saskatchewan, Manitoba, Ontario and Quebec, are eligible to enter and will provide colourful competition. Altogether it looks like a record-making championship.

Dr. W. T. Brown, chairman of the Tournament Committee of the London Hunt, writes the "Canadian Golfer" that the course is in fine shape for the stellar event of the Canadian golfing season and that nothing is being left undone to provide a setting worthy of the Amateur Championship of the Dominion, which of recent years has taken on an International complexion.

FORE! Mr. B. L. Anderson, secretary of the R.C.G.A., has just received a wire that Held will be at London to defend his title.



## London Hunt & Country Club – Jack Nash



After Sandy Somerville's win in the 1930 Canadian Amateur, the Hunt Club held the rare title of both Ontario and Canadian Champions. A dinner in their honour was held that fall.

## London Hunt & Country Club – Jack Nash

### WILLINGDON CUP SIGNIFICANT

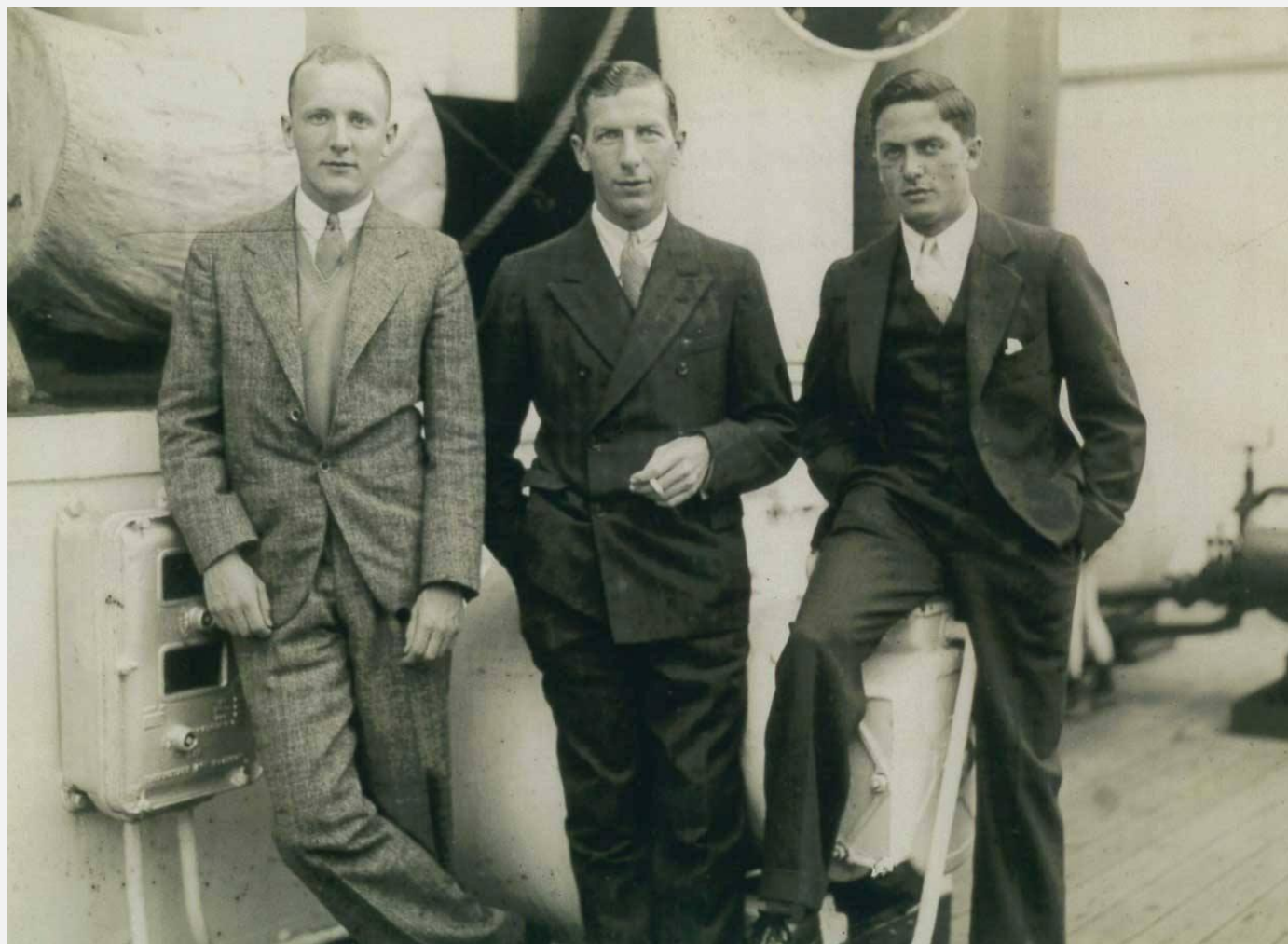
To the Willingdon Cup matches (representing the Inter-provincial Team championship) goes Ralph Reville's vote as perhaps the most important single organization step in the history of Canadian golf. Here, above, a great president of the R.C.G.A. Mr. Alfred Collyer, Montreal (1930 and 1931) presents one of the finest of Willingdon Cup teams with the trophy presented by the popular former Governor General, Lord Willingdon. The team was Ontario's in 1931 and is composed of (left to right) C.R. Sandy Somerville London six times Canadian Amateur titlist and once American champion, Phil Farley, Toronto, Fred Hoblitzell, M.P. Toronto and Jack Nash of London.



That next years 1931 Willingdon Cup team for Ontario was particularly strong featuring the Hunt's Somerville and Nash along with Phil Farley and Fred Hoblitzell. Governor General Lord Willingdon presented them with the championship trophy.

## London Hunt & Country Club – Jack Nash

### British Amateur and British Open



In 1933, Don Anderson, Sandy Somerville and Jack Nash travelled to the UK to play in both the British Open and British Amateur. Their story is outlined below.

Jack and Sandy made the trip again in 1935, with a strong contingent of Canadians.



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*Note: This article is the result of information obtained from a doctor's visits with local golfing great, Don Anderson.*

In the spring of 1933, Londoner C. Ross (Sandy) Somerville, fresh from winning the United States Amateur Championship the previous year and having already won four Canadian

venture further afield and compete in the British Amateur.

Sandy discussed this intention with his good friend and fellow Londoner, Jack Nash, who in 1933 had won the Ontario Amateur Crown and Jack enthusiastically agreed to go along. Another good friend and scratch handicap player, Don Anderson of St. Thomas, was invited and thus the triumvirate was formed.

Jack 21 and Don 23.

Prior to their departure in May, the London Kiwanis Club held a bon voyage luncheon and presented Somerville and Nash with silver rabbit paws as tokens of good luck.

The trio crossed the Atlantic on the S.S. Alunia and the voyage to Britain took seven days. The ship was a combined passenger-cargo craft and was returning to England with no freight. When the captain ascertained that there were three championship golfers on board, he had a practice net set up in the hold and Anderson recalls that, if the small net happened to be missed, the golf ball would ricochet precariously off the inner walls of the ship. Incidentally, the Alunia was torpedoed by a German submarine early in World War II.

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*left: Don Anderson playing a shot from the typical rough at Saunton in North Devon.*  
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On their arrival at Plymouth, England a seven passenger Ford automobile was waiting for the travellers; this arrangement had been made by a London, Ontario Ford dealer. Sandy, the epitome of an amateur golfer, had to be assured that accepting this gesture would not jeopardize his amateur status and after his concern was allayed, he appointed Nash as the official chauffeur. The car

England, Scotland and Wales and the only road hazard was one flat tire and they ran out of petrol once.

They were invited to participate in the Prince of Wales Trophy tournament at Deal, one of the Cinque Ports in Southern England. Jack Nash finished in a tie with T.A. Torrance, a British international champion and the play-off had to be postponed because the players had to journey to Hoylake, the site of the British Amateur. Arrangements had been made to hold the play-off at Wallesy, a course adjacent to Hoylake.

Mr. Torrance picked Jack Nash up in a Rolls-Royce and drove to Wallesy and Nash triumphed to become the recipient of a silver cigarette box engraved with the Prince of Wales crest; this trophy is currently in the Jack Nash trophy case at the London Hunt Club.

In the first round of the British Amateur, Don Anderson encountered Louis Y. Arana Ybena, the Spanish Amateur Champion and Anderson recalls that the audience for their match consisted of only one person, the extremely attractive Senora Ybena. Although he claims he was not distracted by the audience, Anderson lost his match. Nash advanced to the quarter-finals and Somerville gained the semi-finals.

Sandy's opponent was George Dunlap and the match was quite close with Dunlap enjoying some phenomenal putting. On the 12th hole, Sandy played Dunlap a stymie and, in his attempt to negotiate the stymie, Dunlap knocked Sandy's ball into the hole leaving Sandy



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one down. The match ended 2 and 1 in Dunlap's favour but he was defeated in the final round the following day.

After the Amateur, having proved their mettle, the Canadians were invited to play in the British Open being contested at St. Andrews. In that era, qualifying was not necessary and the only requirement to have their entries accepted was payment of a nominal fee.

Anderson remembers that, in his initial round of medal play, an errant shot ended up in a steep bunker in a ridge of windswept sand. He took several strokes before extricating the ball and the following day the by-line in one of the

above: The seven passenger  
Ford touring car:

newspapers read "boy in white cap takes eleven". There was no 36-hole cut so the amateurs played all four rounds but their scores could not be found. Harry Vardon, Ted Ray, Henry Cotton, Gene Sarazan and Olin Dutra were among the entrants. Dunsmore Shute and Craig Wood were tied at 292 and Shute won the 36-hole play-off 149 -

154.

During their six week junket, Sandy, Jack and Don played a great many courses including Sandwich, Sunningdale, Saunton, North Birkenhead, Glen Eagles and Westward Ho. In a letter home, Sandy commented that browsing sheep kept the fairway grass short at Westward Ho and frequently led to a distasteful stance.

The nomads returned to Canada in July on a regulation passenger liner and thus the homeward crossing was in

more comfortable style than the outgoing one. It was an incomparable experience occurring in an era which could not be duplicated today. Memories are better than dreams. T.B

below: (l to r) Don Anderson,  
Sandy Somerville and Jack Nash  
on board as they travel  
to Britian.



## We Played Abroad For Canada

By  
JACK NASH

The greatest thrill I ever had in my life came when I learned I was to go to England with the Canadian Golf Team. I didn't realize quite what was in store for me but I expected a wonderful trip. Let it suffice that the trip was far greater than I anticipated. Since returning the more I think of the trip the more I realize a real honor was bestowed upon me.

Teams of all kinds have invaded England in the past, but this was the first visit of a Canadian Amateur Golf Team, our seniors excepted. Some years ago the British Walker Cup Team played several matches in Canada and it was felt a return visit was in order. The idea of the trip was essentially one of goodwill not a pot-hunting expedition as was charged by a certain ill-informed English Golf Writer.

The occasion of the King's Jubilee seemed a very opportune time of expressing Canada's Loyalty to the Crown and further strengthening the bonds of the Empire. The tour was sanctioned by the Royal and Ancient and the Royal Canadian Golf Associations. Our activities in England and Scotland were entirely under the supervision of the Royal and Ancient.

Mr. Gullen, the very competent Secretary of the R. & A. had made all the plans before we landed. At Southampton he gave us each a booklet telling exactly where to go and what was arranged for each day. Our accommodations were all previously arranged so that all we had to do was follow instructions.

From Southampton we went to London where we spent about a week playing matches at Sandwich and Woking. From London we then went North to Liverpool where we played a match at the Hoylake Club. Then on to St. Annes for the Championship. We spent about ten days there and then continued North to Scotland playing matches at Muirfield, St. Andrews and Prestwick. In the six matches played we tied the first, lost the next two, and won the last three.

In each of the matches the morning round was played in two-ball four-somes in the afternoon a best ball match. We soon found ourselves sadly lacking in the two-ball matches owing to our inexperience in this type of game. It is a pity that we do not play more of this kind of match here in Canada.

One of the most interesting incidents on the trip was the dinner tendered us by the Honourable Company of Golfers of Edinburgh at the New Club. We played a match with the Honourable Company at Muirfield and were given a sound trimming. In the evening we were entertained at the New Club. The name is rather misleading as this is one of the oldest Clubs in Scotland dating back to the 1400's. It is "The" Club of Scotland. Each of the former Captains of the club is allowed to wear a red coat which along with the silver trophies and Medals spread around the table made a very impressive setting. Along the centre of the table were three sterling Silver Golf Clubs attached to which were a number of Sterling Silver Golf Balls on which were engraved, the names of the former Captains. These balls date back to the 1700's and are exact replicas of the balls in use at the time that the captain was in office. The first ones represent the old feather balls, then the gutty ball and so on down to the present type.

We will remember St. Andrews above all the courses we played, not that it was the best course, for we played several that impressed us more but because of all the traditions that lay behind it, because of the Grand Old Club House with all its Old Relics, including the minutes written away back in 1757, old clubs used by famous golfers, the old belt, won three times in succession by Tom Morris somewhere back in the late 1800's which resembles closely the belt for which old pugilists used to fight, Henry Gullen the Secretary for the past twenty five years or so who dictates from his office decisions on golf problems from Australia



*JACK NASH, member of the Canadian team and one of the most respected of the Canadian Team by the British critics. His story is expressive in every sense of the feeling of the other members of the team. His home is in London, Ontario.*

to New York, to Vancouver, and who is so steeped in Golf Tradition that he talks of nothing else and is proud of it, because of the town itself whose every occupant from the youngest to the oldest thinks, talks and dreams golf. Any day of the week except the Sabbath on which day it is against the law to play, you will see after supper or in the early morning hundreds of Artisans from the age of 6-60 out playing over the Old Course. It costs them nothing to play for old St. Andrews belongs to the town and only certain hours of the day are restricted to the members alone. Last but not least we will always remember St. Andrews because on the morning of our match there, we were greeted with our own Union Jack flying from the Club Flag Pole.

Our tour we hope was a success. Time alone will prove that.

Under the quiet but sincere and competent leadership of our much admired Captain Sandy, each and every member of the team conducted himself as an Honourable Canadian should. Each member appreciated the Honour bestowed upon him in representing his country. The impression left throughout England and Scotland I feel certain is that Canadians can give and take, and play the game as well as any true Britisher. Canada can well be proud of her team.



# Surveying the Coming Golf Year

By W. Hastings Webbing

**B**ON Voyage! Nine Canadian stalwarts of the links are sailing at the end of this month to seek the British Amateur crown at St. Anne's, England, and while one hesitates to prophesy as to their chances it is quite obvious that any one of the nine might prove the "dark horse" in this event. For them to carry off the crown on their first attempt is almost too much to expect although in 1921 the United States Professional team captured the British Open

All in all given a few breaks in the early rounds Somerville and his cohorts will take some beating unless weather conditions prove too big a stumbling block. Lawson Little, of California, will of course be defending his title, and three other Americans will be in the lists but Lawson is the one to beat, in fact Tommy Armour goes so far as to say, "Anything can happen in a golf championship, but I think Little is a cinch to sweep both British championships, and, incident-

## Pen Pictures of Canada's Team who will seek the British Amateur Championship Next Month



**CHARLES  
ROSS  
SOMERVILLE  
OF  
LONDON**

Age: 31; Born at London, Ont.; Weight: 155 lbs.; Height: 5 ft. 8½ in.; Parents: Canadian.

### HIS RECORD

British Amateur: 1933 reached the 5th round where he was defeated by George Dunlap Jr., of New York.  
United States Amateur: 1932 winner over Johnnie Goodman; 1934 lost in 4th round to A. Smith; 1933 lost in 3rd round to Lawson Little; 1931 lost in 2nd round to Fay Coleman; 1928 lost in 2nd round to John Beck; 1930 lost in 1st round to Bobby Jones. Canadian Amateur: winner in 1926, 1928, 1930 and 1931; runner-up in 1924, 1925 and 1934; semi-finalist in 1927 and 1932; lost in 1st round in 1929; did not qualify in 1919, 1922 and 1923; did not compete in 1933. Ontario Amateur: won in 1927, 1928 and 1929; semi-finalist in 1925 and 1926; lost in 2nd round in 1934; did not compete in 1930, 1931 and 1933. Somerville won the Manitoba Amateur in 1926 and was semi-finalist in Canadian Western Amateur the same year.



**RICHARD  
LANGRISHE  
MOORE  
OF  
VANCOUVER**

Age: 26; Born at Victoria; Weight: 158 lbs.; Height: 5 ft. 11 in.; Parents: English; Lived in Victoria until 1927 with the exception of one year in England and two in California; was a resident of Vancouver 1928, of Philadelphia in 1929 and San Francisco in 1930, returned to Vancouver in 1931. His father has always been an enthusiastic golfer, and made him a junior member of the Oak Bay Club, Victoria, Vancouver, when he was thirteen.

### HIS RECORD

Canadian Amateur: 1933 qualified in 2nd place and lost to Ken Black in 2nd round; 1934 lost in 1st round to Collin Rankin. Inter-Provincial Match: Member of British Columbia team in 1934 and was second low-scorer with 72-75-147. Moore won the British Columbia Amateur in 1927 and 1934 in addition to a number of minor events.  
Up to the time he entered college in 1926 he played rugby, soccer and hockey and was a member of the British Columbia champion high school soccer team. He now plays badminton in the winter and occasionally does some revolver shooting.



**GORDON  
BAXTER  
TAYLOR  
OF  
MONTREAL**

Age: 25; Born at Montreal; Weight: 160 lbs.; Height: 5 ft. 10 in.; Parents: Canadian; Started playing golf at the Hermitage Golf Club, Lake Memphigog, during holidays with his chum, "Bud Colby," who is also one of Quebec's low handicap golfers.

### HIS RECORD

Canadian Amateur: 1932 won, defeating Jack Cameron 5 and 3 in the final; 1931 beaten in 2nd round; 1933 beaten in 2nd round; 1934 beaten in 1st round. Quebec Amateur: 1934 won. Runner-up several times. He has also won a number of invitation tournaments including the Manoir Richelieu, at Murray Bay, and the Kent House, at Quebec.  
Taylor is one of Canada's finest all-round athletes, having played throughout his school days on football, basketball and hockey teams, and was this year a member of the Montreal Royals, who were runners-up for the Allan Cup at Halifax.



**FRED  
HOBLITZELL  
OF  
TORONTO**

Age: 44; Born at Rahway, New Jersey; Weight: 165 lbs.; Height: 5 ft. 10½ in.; Parents: American.

### HIS RECORD

Canadian Amateur: Ten times semi-finalist. Inter-Provincial Match: Member of Ontario team six out of the last seven years. Also member of two international teams against the United States. 1922 winner Detroit and District title; 1932, 1934 Prince of Wales tournament winner.  
"Hobby" as he is popularly known, has a record for consistent low medal scoring unequalled by any other Canadian Amateur, but for some unknown reason, seems to find match play not his forte.



**PHIL  
FARLEY  
OF  
TORONTO**

Age: 23; Born at Toronto, March 27, 1912; Weight: 140 lbs.; Height: 5 ft. 9½ in.; Parents: Irish and English; learned golf as a caddy; joined Cedarbrook Club in 1925.

### HIS RECORD

Canadian Open: low scoring amateur 1931 and 1934; Canadian Amateur: 1931 lost in quarter finals to Arthur Yates by 4 and 3; 1932 lost in second round to Stan Leonard on 38th green; 1933 did not qualify; 1934 lost in 4th round to Jess Gullford on 22nd hole. Ontario Amateur: 1931 won title from Jack Nash in final; 1934 won title from Ollie Galen; Qualified every year from 1929 to 1934 inclusive and reached semi-finals in 1932 and 1933. Inter-Provincial Match: Member of Ontario team 1931, 1933 and 1934, scoring 148 each time. He has also won the 1930 Ontario Junior, the 1930 and 1933 Fall, the 1933 Willie Park, 1933 Prince of Wales, 1933 Niagara Falls, New York, and several other minor tournaments as well as qualifying in the 1934 United States Amateur championship after winning the Buffalo District Sectional Medal honors with a score, 73-67-146, which was the second lowest qualifying score in the U.S.



**KENNETH  
MCKENZIE  
BLACK  
OF  
VANCOUVER**

Age: 22; Born at Montreal; Weight: 153 lbs.; Height: 5 ft. 8½ in.; Parents: Scotch and Canadian; First played golf at Ottawa, at the age of four years, when his father, the well-known professional David Black, made him his first set of clubs.

### HIS RECORD

Canadian Amateur: 1933 runner-up to "Scottie" Campbell; 1934 lost in quarter finals to C. Ross Somerville; 1932 lost in 2nd round to Edward Innes; 1929 failed to qualify by two strokes. Inter-Provincial Match: Member of British Columbia team 1933 and 1934, leading field both times with 144 and 146 respectively. 1929 runner-up in British Columbia Amateur; 1932 winner British Columbia Open; 1933 winner British Columbia Amateur.



**EDWIN  
ALEXANDER  
INNES  
OF  
MONTREAL**

Age: 28; Born at Dufftown, Scotland; Weight: 175 lbs.; Height: 5 ft. 8½ in.; Parents: Scotch.

### HIS RECORD

Canadian Amateur: 1931 beaten in 3rd round; 1932 beaten in 2nd round; 1933 beaten in 1st round; 1934 beaten in 2nd round. Inter-Provincial Match: Member of Quebec team in 1932, 1933 and 1934, and tied in 1934 for low medal honors with 146. 1931 winner Quebec Amateur; 1933 runner-up Quebec Amateur; 1932 winner Quebec Spring tournament; 1934 low Amateur in Quebec Open. Holder of Amateur course records at Grand Mere, St. Andrew's East and Islesmere.



**DANIEL  
JAMES  
DONOVAN  
OF  
WINNIPEG**

Age: 26; Born at Winnipeg; Weight: 140 lbs.; Height: 5 ft. 11 in.; Parents: Father, Irish-Canadian. Mother, Irish. "Bud," as he is more familiarly known, learned to play golf at the Niakwa Golf Club, where George Daniels instructed him in the intricacies of handling driver and mashie.

### HIS RECORD

Canadian Amateur: 1933 beaten in first round by "Dick" Moore; 1934 beaten in second round by "Sandy" Somerville; 1933 winner of Manitoba Open; 1933 and 1934, winner of Winnipeg City and District.  
"Bud," as the youngest member of the team, has been active in school sports including rugby, hockey and track.

the first time, Jock Hutchison doing the trick. On the other hand it took the United States Amateurs two trips before they were successful, Jess Sweetser bringing the coveted laurels home in 1926. Whether this past performance "dope" means anything or not remains to be seen but at least the experience which "Sandy" Somerville and Jack Nash gained in 1933 should stand them in good stead. Nash's decision to go at the last minute was a happy one and the sportsmanship of his father in financing his second venture across the pond is to be commended. As anticipated, "Bud" Donovan won his right to a place on the team in the playoff at Winnipeg.



**JOHN  
BRYANT  
NASH  
OF  
LONDON**

Age: 22; Born at London, Ont.; Weight: 135 lbs.; Height: 5 ft. 8 in.; Parents: Canadian.

### HIS RECORD

Canadian Amateur: Every year he has played he has qualified, and several times been in the last eight players. British Amateur: In 1933 he reached the fifth round. Ontario Amateur: 1930 winner over Don Carrick by 4 and 3; 1931 runner-up to Phil Farley, one down. While in England in 1933 he won the Prince of Wales trophy at Deal, and among other minor events in Canada he has triumphed in the London Invitation.

ally, Bobby Jones thinks the same way about it. You know what he's got—everything. There isn't a weakness in his game, every shot in his bag is equally fine, although his tremendous tee shots are the blows that usually break his opponents' hearts. He has great strength in those shoulders and legs, an asset that counts so much in such hard grinds as those in England. He is a tireless worker and a thorough student who can correct a fault quickly and completely when one does arise. Naturally, I know Lawson's game pretty well as I have put in many an hour teaching him what I know, but I was surprised by his showing in the Augusta national. (Continued on page 31)

*Bridle & Golfer, April, 1935*

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## The Canadians are Coming!



*With apologies to Franklin Collier*

### THE SUN NEVER SETS ON THE BRITISH EMPIRE

But a son of Canada may set on British golfing hopes in this year's British Amateur championship by bringing the coveted title to the Dominion. Nine Canadian stalwarts will seek new laurels at St. Anne's-by-the-Sea next month for Jack Nash, of London, was added to the team at the eleventh hour, and John Bull is much perturbed for, just as he has recaptured the British Open crown, and finds only four United States players seeking the Amateur, a new threat arises in the Canadian nineosome



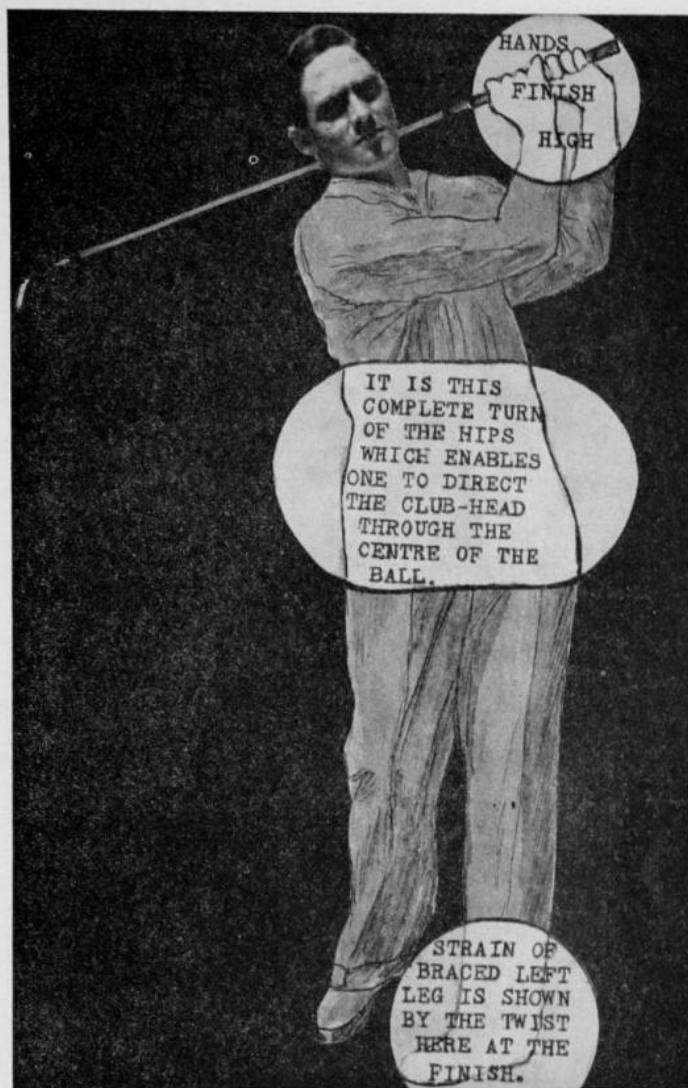
## Learning From A Canadian

Learning things about golf from sources that are close at hand is a none-too-practiced feature of Canadians. Rather we would turn to the world generally for our golf instruction, feeling, no doubt, that there is no authority on the game as complete as that which comes from a few famous names of big-time professionals. Even our own professionals we do not class with the greats of other countries and for evidence one has but to observe the articles and features appearing in papers.

Of course these men who do written instructions for the golfing public for the most part, know what they are talking about, but they are not necessarily great golf writers or teachers merely because they have made names for themselves as players. In a recent questionnaire which was answered for CANADIAN GOLFER at the Canadian Open Championship, there was not one pair of answers coming from the stars which corresponded when the matters of mental attitude or technique was questioned. This means these fellows are all getting at the same thing from individual points of view. They all think of different things just before hitting the ball, and they all hit it a little differently.

The point behind this is that we Canadians may well take our own players as examples, and from their swings build up the facts which may be most beneficial towards a better understanding of the game.

There is one player in Canada who has not been as prominent in golf in his own land as he has been abroad. That is Jack Nash, the young London, Ont. player who this year made such a splendid showing in the American Amateur Championship. Both in England and U.S.A. Nash has built up a fine reputation for himself, and is, next to Somerville, the best known Canadian player when important tournaments in other countries get under way. When the Canadians visited Great Britain this year as a team all of the boys who were present entered the British championship. According to the writers of the Old Country there could be no doubt of



### A Study of Jack Nash's Swing

Nash's impressiveness. They praised his swing, his temperament, and his general effectiveness. This fall when Nash got to the last sixteen from a field of 128 in the American Amateur Championship it was the London Hunt Club player's swinging that was most praised.

"Fine-swinging" or "smooth-swing" or "stylist"—such were the epithets which were given to the last Canadian in the American tournament this year. Nash has conquered such men as Max Marston, former champion, and Charley Yates, one of the favored of Amer-

ica's great amateurs. He was in no way lucky in finding his opponent's "off," for in every match Jack had to play practically par or better to win. Getting as far as he did was a marvelous achievement for which Canadians well may be proud of the dark-haired youngster. There is probably no player in the Dominion who is much sounder than Nash in his method and swing. He is a very dependable sort of player as evidenced by his fine showings on strange courses and under strange circum-

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## Learning From A Canadian

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For this reason a sketch of Nash, swinging, was made and from this sketch some of the very important features of his well-appointed style may be noted and used as a check.

It must be remembered that in such a feature it is not our aim to over-emphasize such points as are brought out here, for if the player *thinks of these when he is hitting, the chances are that the shot will come to grief*. The fundamental concept that must always come first, if the player is to be good at golf, is *that of hitting the ball squarely and through the middle*. Our idea in segregating such individual points as are done here, merely serve as hints which should be incorporated into the golfer's swing in practice in order to check-up on position. Correct position is helpful because only from it can the ball be struck squarely and through the middle with the minimum possibility for error.

Thus it is that we use the exceptionally sound swing of Jack Nash, a Canadian amateur, to illustrate three points of the position at the finish. These are points that (unless you have built up a satisfactory method of your own) should be found in your swing after you have hit a good shot. If you are not hitting the ball well, slow up the swing and go through it building these points in naturally (not as forced movements)—gradually speed the swing up as these features become more natural, but when you actually drive a ball forget about them. Merely concentrate on hitting the ball allowing the practice to bring these features into the stroke without effort. The result will be a better shot!

## Thumbnail "Sketches"

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the clubs there. This is the first time a President of The Royal Canadian Golf Association has ever visited the Maritimes golf courses. Mr. and Mrs. Gould were given a most enthusiastic reception by golfers "down by the sounding sea" and incidentally personally report a most delightful and informative trip.



The death occurred on November 4th of Mrs. E. A. Moore Crowe one of the oldest residents of Ontario and a pioneer resident of the town of Dundas. Mrs. Crowe who was 98 years of age was in possession of all her faculties. She was a skilled musician and to the last was able to play the piano—which surely must constitute a musical record. She was the mother of Mrs. Alfred S. Jones of Brantford and mother-in-law of Magistrate Jones, K.C. both of whom have been very prominent members and officers, alike of the Brantford Golf & Country Club and the Ava Golf Club. Mrs. Crowe herself took quite a keen interest in golf's activities.

## The 1001st Use of Voodoo

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*will ask you to recall the incident of the Voodoo boy in Pretoria seven years. You will remember that you spurned the very existence of Voodoo and laughed in my face.*

*I could never forget, however, that it was you who took the shackles from my hands—shackles which meant death for a crime which I knew no better than to commit.*

*You did not believe it possible to kill a man with mere thoughts, and so you let me go. Perhaps now you regret my release, for I was guilty. Nevertheless, you can no longer laugh at Voodoo—or as you Englishmen might call it "advanced psychiatry."*

*There are a thousand and one uses of Voodoo—perhaps the thousand and first was the transformation of a polo player into a golfer, but sometimes these little changes spell a great deal of difference even in the most ordered lives. I'm sure you agree with me, Captain.*

*Incidentally my cell in Pretoria overlooked the compound of the polo field.*

Signed.

TRANEL, The Dog.

*P.S. Definite assurance of my identity may be had by spelling my name backwards."*

I make no excuse for failing to recognize Tranel, the Dog, as Lenart Doggerie, for the man had lost every trace of the heavy black hair that he had when I pardoned him in Pretoria, South Africa, seven years earlier.

## How Far Should the Club go Back

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before impact with the ball. The average player, however, loses control by going back too fast. This fault will cause overswinging whether one tries to stop the club parallel to the ground or after the back swing has progressed only a foot or so.

This is because one does not over swing until he loses control on the club head. This still applies even if the club is swung clear around the player's neck, going back—in this case the player has not really overswung unless he has lost club control.

## The R. C. G. A. Nominates

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prizes proved himself a clever convincing speaker. He has served the game in various capacities for many years and it is a fitting culmination to his record to be called upon to take over the reins of Golf in Canada when the ever-popular E. C. "Eddie" Gould completes his term at the head of the association in February—a term of office which we hasten to say along with golfers across the continent has passed all too quickly. . .

the quite serious illness which has kept him from partici-







London Hunt & Country Club – Jack Nash



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**WINNER OF THE NEW TROPHY** presented by Dr. W. J. Brown at the London Hunt Club's Ten-Holer golf tournament yesterday was Ralph McPhillips with a 40. Shown above are some of the principals of the tourney. Left to right: C. R. "Sandy" Somerville, Dr. Brown, George Mitchell, president of the Hunt Club; Mr. McPhillips and Jack Nash. 1951



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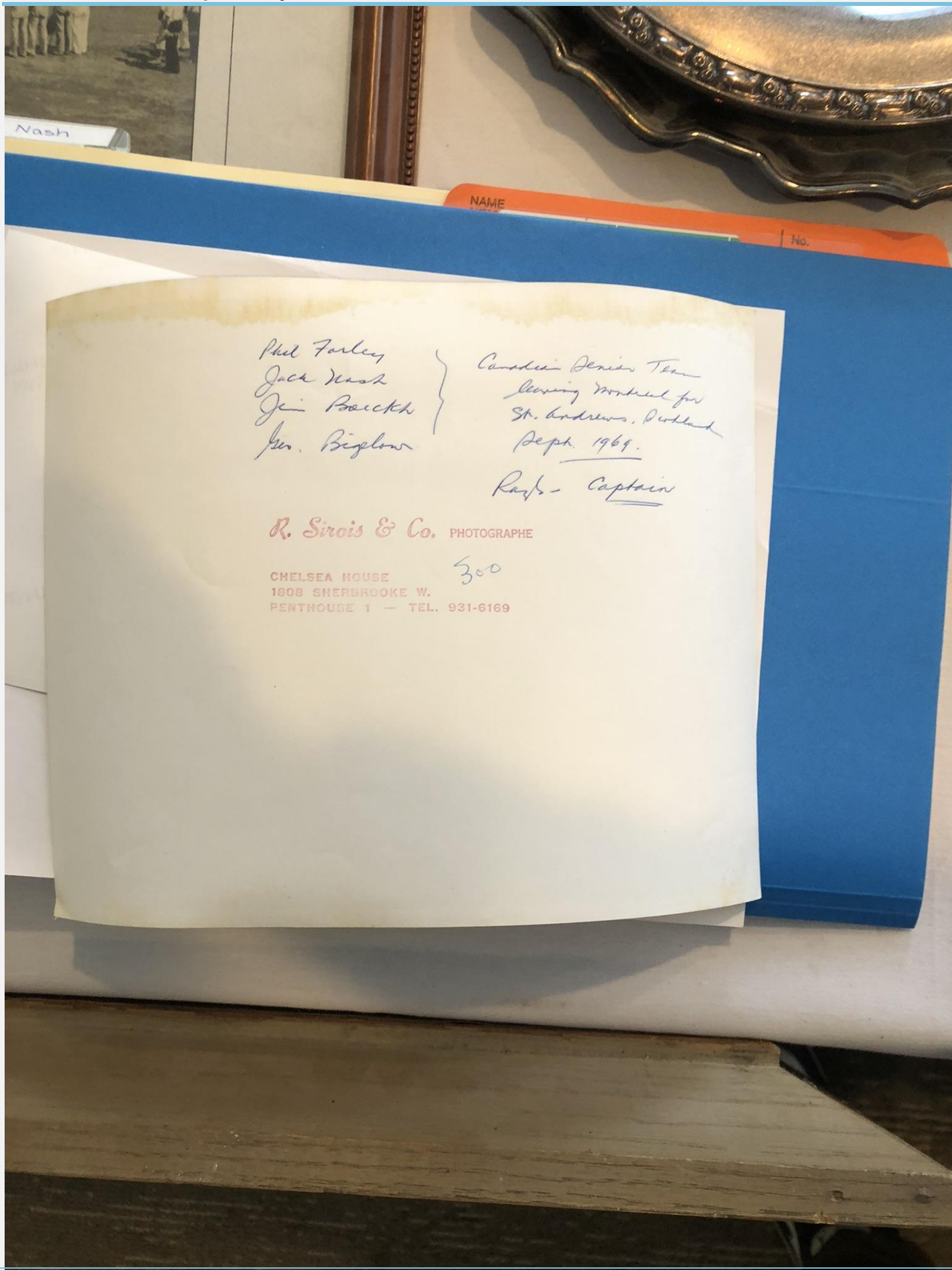
Winners of the father and three sons tournament at the St. Thomas Golf Club recently was the London Hunt foursome of Rob, John, David and Jack Nash Sr.



London Hunt & Country Club – Jack Nash



London Hunt & Country Club – Jack Nash



Phil Farley  
Jack Nash  
Jim Boeckh  
Gen. Bigelow

Canadian Tennis Team  
leaving Montreal for  
St. Andrews, Scotland  
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Roy - Captain

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London Hunt & Country Club – Jack Nash





**Exhibition Round, Thames Valley, London, July 29, 1934**

L-R Gene Sarazen, Joe Kirkwood, Jack Nash, C. Ross Somerville

[Video of the matches](#)



# Nash possessed magic stroke

He is remembered as a man who could sink putts from anywhere on any green.

**A**S BOTH the unfortunate victim and grateful beneficiary of Jack Nash's unrelenting golf excellence, Emerson Creed has more than an informed opinion on the rival and friend who died Monday at 81.

Like all better golfers, Nash's was a sound game with a glittering strength — when it came down to the short strokes, the ones on the greens, Nash could drop them from any distance. And when those putts lengthened with the shadows in playoff golf, the putter became a magic wand.

"The greatest competitive putter I've ever seen in amateur golf," Creed said of London's three-time Ontario Amateur champion, 12-time Willingdon Cup team member, Royal Canadian Golf Association senior champion, twice Canadian Seniors Association champion and, in the period spanning 1929 and 1971, 15-time London Hunt Club champion. "If he had a 10- or 15-foot putt, I knew it was in. Most players preferred him as a partner."

Former Sunningdale pro Jim Windsor summed up Nash's remarkable success through a quote from Lee Trevino, a pro tour great.

"Trevino once said The Man Upstairs never gave one individual everything and while Jack wasn't long off the tee, He sure gave him a short game," Windsor said.

Windsor should know. He was present for one of the most remarkable playoffs in Ontario golf history, a seven-hole battle between Nash and Moe Norman in the late 1950s at Sunningdale.

"They tied at 71s. At the time Moe had gone 63 holes of competitive golf without a bogey. And Jack was as fierce a competitor as then was. There were four birdies in the seven playoff holes."

Norman was consistently closer to the pin.

"On the first, Norman was four feet from the cup and Jack dropped a 25-footer. Moe was on in two on the fourth hole, two-putted and Jack sank a 15-footer. On the sixth, he dropped a putt of 18-20 feet against a 2½-footer."

Once the youngest player ever to win the Ontario Amateur title (17 years of age) Nash won it again in 1946 by forcing a playoff with a 40-foot putt on the final hole and sank another from about the same distance to go on and win the championship. He was in his 50s when he eliminated Gary Cowan one-up in both 1965 and 1966. After that the championship format was changed to medal (stroke by stroke) play from match play (hole by hole).

For all his victories, which included a championship of some sort at virtually every course in Southwestern Ontario, Nash's proudest achievement was the Ontario Golf Association parent-child championship. He won it with his father in 1935 and then with his sons, Rob, David and John, twice each with Rob and David.

When his influence on them is brought up, his sons speak of his concentration and focus but also of his balance in life. Jack Nash was head of the United Way, president of the Kiwanis, of the OGA, and also was an accomplished curler and badminton player.

Initially, he played at Highland. His father would drop him off en route to the family jewelry store and he'd play all day. Later, he was lured to the Hunt Club by the family of another teenager who had nobody in his age group to play.

Competitive into his 70s, a remarkable feature of Nash's golf was his ability after a long winter layoff to score 75 or better the first day. That and his putting. To hear his colleagues tell it, the



**JIM KERNAGHAN**  
The London Free Press



**JACK NASH**

green might just as well have been the scene of a sword-fight.

With Jack Nash wielding his putter like an epee. Pain or pleasure depended only upon whether you were teamed with him or not.

Jim Kernaghan's column appears Tuesday through Saturday.



# **INDUCTION CEREMONY**

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**OFFICIAL PROGRAMME**



The Ontario Golf Hall of Fame was founded in the year 2000 by the Ontario Golf Association and the Ontario Ladies' Golf Association to help perpetuate the memory and acknowledge the contributions and accomplishments made by Ontarians to the game of golf.



### RALPH H. REVILLE

Inducted into Ontario Golf Hall of Fame 2001

Born in 1867 in Witney, England and died in 1957. Ralph Reville immigrated to Canada in 1887 and settled in Brantford, Ontario. He is considered the pioneer of golf journalism in Canada. Mr. Reville was the Founder, Publisher, Contributing and Managing Editor of Canada's first golf periodical, The Canadian Golfer. The magazine was highly regarded throughout North America and Europe and

brought international recognition to Canadian golf with readers around the world. From 1918 to 1926 Ralph Reville served as Governor and Honourary Secretary of the Canadian Seniors Golf Association, an organization he helped found. He also held the position of Honourary Secretary of the first Rules of Golf Committee of the Royal Canadian Golf Association from 1916 to 1921. He was inducted into the Canadian Golf Hall of Fame in 1986.



### JOHN BRYAN NASH

Inducted into Ontario Golf Hall of Fame 2001

John Bryan 'Jack' Nash was born December 18, 1911 in London, Ontario. He died January 5, 1993. Jack was Ontario Amateur Champion in 1930, 1942 and 1946. He was a member of Ontario's Willingdon Cup team ten times, having won on seven occasions. Mr. Nash won the 1965 Ontario Senior Amateur. He has won the OGA's Father & Son Championship six times; once with his dad John A. twice with sons

David and Robert, and once with son John. Jack was victorious at the 1970 Canadian Senior Amateur at St. Charles CC in Winnipeg and was Runner-Up the following year. He captured both the 1969 and 1970 Canadian Seniors Golf Association championships. Jack was Quarter-Finalist in the 1933 British Amateur at Hoylake GC. Mr. Nash was an Honourary Lifetime Member of London Hunt & CC, Highland CC, Sunningdale G&CC and St. Thomas G&CC. He served with Royal Canadian Navy from 1943-45 and was a Reserve from 1945-49. Jack was President of the OGA in 1960.

### GORDON McINNIS SR.

Inducted into Ontario Golf Hall of Fame 2001

Gordon McInnis Sr. was born December 14, 1919 in Fonthill, Ontario. He died May 29, 1993. Mr. McInnis joined the Professional staff at the Lookout Point Country Club in 1938; after serving in the RCAF for five years he was appointed the Head Professional, a position he held until his death in 1993. Gordon's participation in tournaments included the Canadian Open and a number of CPGA & international events. Winner of the 1978 and 1988 Ontario Senior/Junior

PGA Championships. 'Senior' as he affectionately became known as, was essentially self-taught. He set the Lookout Point course record of 65, a feat he would repeat seven times. A renowned and respected golf instructor, Gordon was a mentor to Canadian golfing greats Marlene Stewart-Streit, Cathy Sherk and Moe Norman. He was honoured for his contribution to the game of golf by the CPGA in 1977 and by the OGA in 1973.



### KATHERINE HELLEUR

Inducted into Ontario Golf Hall of Fame 2001

Katherine 'Kay' Helleur was born in Kenogami, Quebec, February 1, 1921. She represented Ontario a number of times at national events having won the CLGA National Team Trophy in both 1956 and 1958. Her teams also claimed numerous CLGA National Senior Team titles (1972-73, 1978-80, 1982). Kay was twice an Ontario Senior Amateur Champion (1974, 1977) and twice a Runner-Up (1972, 1978). Ms. Helleur captured the CLGA Senior Amateur Championship in 1974 and was Runner-Up three times (1972-73, 1980). In

addition to her playing achievements Ms. Helleur was also instrumental in developing the first CLGA Senior Ladies' Golf Championship in 1971. Kay designed, owned and managed the Woodbridge G&CC for 16 years. She founded the 'Ada Mackenzie Memorial Foundation,' a charitable fundraising organization named in memory of Canada's first outstanding female golfer. She was the Foundation's first President and served as a Director for 18 years.





## Tournament of Champions

# Lehman Wins by One Stroke

By PETER CUNNINGHAM

Chris Lehman of Sunningdale Golf Club shot an even par 70 on the second 18 to win the 36-hole annual Tournament of Champions golf tournament at Thames Valley Golf Club yesterday.

Lehman shot a 75 on the first 18 to finish with a total of 145, one stroke ahead of Bill Hall, of Highland who had a 71-76-146.

Lehman, a second year business student at the University of Western Ontario, fired five birdies, eight pars and five

bogies on the last 18 after an eight on the par-five 18th pushed his first round score to 75.

Mrs. Lucy Little of the London Hunt and Country Club won the Barbara Hays Trophy for the women's championship with an 89.

Jack Nash Sr. of the Hunt club shot a 147 for third place and was followed by Larry Bissell, Thames, 148; Don Bulloch, Fanshawe, 157; Jack Samways, Thames, 158, and Murray Boulton, Hunt, 161.

Miss Marion Jenkins was runnerup in the women's division with a 91, followed by Mrs. George Self, Highland, 94; Mrs. C. D. Willson, Sunningdale, 95; Mrs. Peter Insole, Highland, 98; Mrs. G. O. Robertson, Sunningdale, 100; Mrs. W. G. Delaney, Hunt, 102, and Mrs. Mabel Austin, Thames, 104.

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## O. Golfers Among Best Amateurs



NICK WESLOCK

- named best amateur



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JACK NASH



GERRY KESSELRING

Rankings:  
1. Nick Weslock, Essex Golf and Country Club, Windsor.  
2. Gerry Kesselring, West-Golf and Country Club and Wy Golf Club, Kitchener.  
3. Jack Nash, London Hunt and Country Club.  
4. Phil Farley, Scarborough Golf and Country Club, Toronto.  
5. Moe Norman, Rockway Golf Club, Kitchener.  
6. Tony Matlock, Rockway Golf Club, Kitchener.

7. R. J. Amell, Lambton Golf Club, Toronto.  
8. Emerson Creed, London Hunt and Country Club.  
9. Gordon Ball, Westmount Golf and Country Club, Kitchener, and Summit Golf Club, Toronto.  
10. Bobby Fair, Scarborough Golf and Country Club, Toronto.

Highly commended: Bruce Castor, Toronto Summerlee; John Koval, Sarnia Golf Club; Bill

Moreland, North Bay Golf Club; Jim Boeckh, Toronto Lambton; Bernard Johnson, Hamilton Chedoke; John Watson, Chatham Golf Club; Keith Kirkpatrick, London Highland; D. S. (Sonny) Morse, Toronto Mississauga.

Veteran At 21  
Kesselring, one of four Kitchener players in the rankings, is a golfing veteran at 21. He was semi-finalist in the Canadian amateur, second low with 143 in the Well-

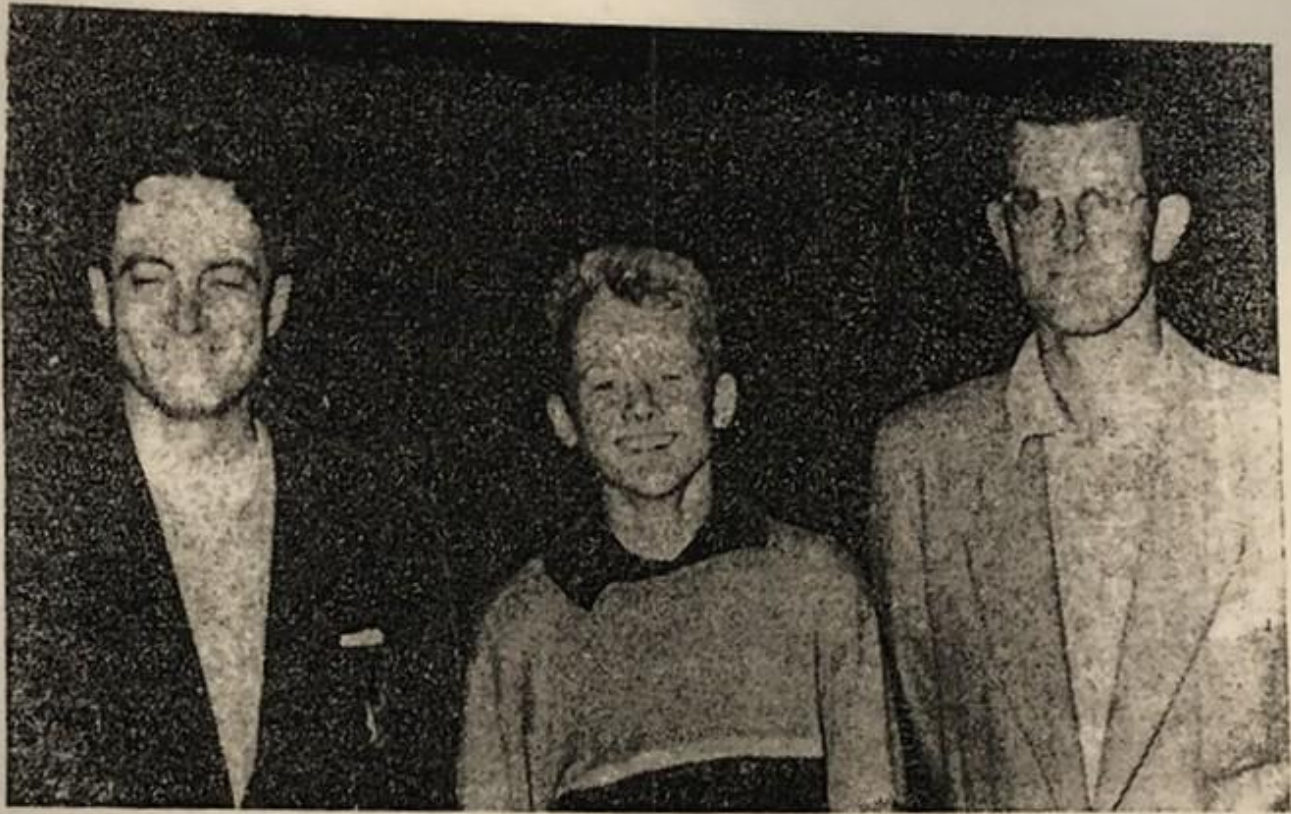
ington Cup and semi-finalist in the Ontario amateur and won the Kesselring Field Day in his honor at the Rockway Club with a 64. He qualified in the United States amateur and reached the fourth round.

Nash, a former Ontario amateur champion who made a strong comeback in 1950, reached the quarter-finals of the Canadian amateur and won the London Hunt Club championship. Farley, a great

competitive golfer for 22 years was third amateur in the Canadian open with 299.

Norman was semi-finalist in the Ontario amateur. Matlock was runner-up in the Ontario amateur, giving Weslock a stiff battle. Amell won a spot on the Ontario Willingdon Cup team and scored 151 in the matches. Creed, Ball and Fair turned in impressive performances in a number of competitions.





**JACK NASH**, sharp-shooting linksman from the London Hunt and Country Club may have his eyes closed in the above photo, but while out on the Maitland Golf Course yesterday, the London ace had eyes of a hawk in firing a three under par 67 to take top honors in the Third Invitation Goderich Golf Tournament. Others in the photo are Charlie Eglestone, of London Hunt, right, and Bob Louch, of St. Marys, who had an 87 and was the youngest golfer at the tourney. Eglestone is the defending champion.

16 Aug. 1951



# CANADIAN Golfer



Jack Nash, London's handsome, neat-stroking player whose greatest golfing virtue is stern match play, first won the Ontario Amateur crown in 1930 beating the great Don Carrick. He was finalist again the following year to a player by the name of Phil Farley. Twelve years later July 1942 Jack trimmed this same Mr. Farley for Ontario's crown by the identical reversed score—1 up.

JULY 1942



## NASH TURNS UP AFTER 12 YEARS

**B**ACK in 1930 a slim, serious-visaged young London, Ont. player strode off the 15th green at Scarborough in Toronto with the Ontario amateur title. He had just trounced the redoubtable two-time Canadian amateur champion, Don Carrick to the tune of 4 and 3. The dark-haired youth had only arisen from the junior ranks. In fact he still was a junior and his greatest feat up to that time that of reaching the runner-up position in Ontario's Junior championship 1929 and 1930.

The player in question was Jack Nash. In 1930 he had bowed to a sliver of an ex-Cedar Brae caddy by the name of Phil Farley for the junior title by three strokes—148- to 151. In 1931, now the defending Ontario champion, Jack again had to cross niblicks with this same mite of a fellow in the finals—this time at glorious Royal York in Toronto.

That was a memorable struggle. Both youths in their teens were obviously superior, natural golfers. Phillip, the more fluent swinger and at that time a valiant tireless "scrambler"; Jack, a stiffer swinger not quite so long off the tees, but boasting a solid, straight-forward iron game and a deadly putter. Added to this Jack Nash, even then, was a determined, settled type of bulldog at match play. Never inspirational like the gifted Farley, Nash fought the good fight by dint of pure doggedness—a feature of his game which still predominates. Alas someone had to win and the Farley somehow caught the smile of the gods to turn back Ross Somerville's young protege. Sandy Somerville and Jack both played from the famous old London Hunt Club and a most formidable duo they were. But in the 1931 finals Phil dethroned Jack, one up.

The wheel of golfing fate brought this pair together many times in friendly and deadly serious combat. During their respective impressive careers neither has known a more feared opponent than the other. Both "made" the team of eight which represented Canada abroad in 1935.

In the interesting decade Phil has become Canada's greatest amateur medalist of all time. Jack has gone on playing solid golf and winning in a somewhat lesser way. Both are married and achieved the estate of parenthood.



### ONE OF CANADA'S MOST POPULAR GOLFERS

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Nash of London. It took the likeable Jack 12 years to repeat his Ontario Amateur championship triumph, but this time the popular Mrs. Nash, better known as "Kelly" can share the satisfaction. Jack was a bachelor when he first won in 1930.

The 1942 Ontario amateur championship called together a great field despite the clouds of war. The constant rise of new talent in Canada's foremost golfing province assured officials once again that there will always be sufficient numbers to keep the championship alive and interesting. Brantford's narrow, testing Country Club was the venue, but when the finals had been reached some faithful old gallerie might have had to rub his eyes to be certain this was not Royal York, 1931. Indeed there were Jack and Phil . . . once again blocking each other's path to ultimate victory.

No longer the caddy-boy of 1931, Farley, fresh from an amazing victory in the Ontario Open retained a measure of his jaunty self. Now fully 30 pounds heavier, a trifle portly by comparison with himself of eleven years ago, he stood as the most formidable opponent any Canadian amateur might meet this bright July afternoon. Moreover he had been medalist with a 70 in this event and won his way

into the final with a 68 against a 69.

Nash, now heavier slightly, still carries that appealing, boyish, seriousness of expression. He was plainly pleased and eager for this "crack" at the resurgent Farley. Jack had to play well to get that far, but by comparison his trip to the final had been a "coast", for Farley had met everyone at his best.

But first let us go back and obtain some of the background of this tournament itself. It was curly-headed Farley who slashed around the course in two-under par 70 to win the medal. Then came the thunderous-hitting Whiting Lathrope, better known as "Whitey" from Lookout Point Ont. It was this same Lathrope who drove neck and neck with the great Jimmy Thompson back at the 1935 General Brock Open at Fonthill. Whitey shot 71 to top three tough players in the persons of Jack Nash, Nick Wisnock, Hamilton, and the home-clubber, former champion, John L. Lewis.

The defending champion, Bruce Bradley of Oshawa was in with a borderline 76. Bill Duckworth of Summit certainly deserved credit for his fine 73. Other qualifiers included just

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# NASH TURNS UP AFTER 12 YEARS

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about the cream of Ontario golfing as will be noted from the following list:

Phil Farley, Scarboro	36-34-70
W. Lathrop, Lookout Point	36-35-71
N. Wisnock, Burlington	37-35-72
Jack Nash, London, Hunt	38-31-72
John Lewis, Brantford	38-36-72
W. Duckworth, Summit	38-37-73
R. Horvath, Windsor	38-38-73
W. Black, Windsor	35-40-75
G. Boeckl, York Downs	38-37-75
W. Kazak, Lookout	40-33-75
J. Twiss, Mississauga	38-38-76
L. Bissell, Highland, London	39-37-76
B. Bradley, Oshawa	41-35-76
Bob Bennett, unattached	38-38-76
Sergeant P. Gauld, R.C.A.F.	36-40-76

The first round of match golf produced no upsets except one close one when Farley had to stymie young Bill Ezinicki, 18-year-old Polish Canadian who came to Oshawa to play the Generals Hockey team from Winnipeg. Phil was only one up and one to play and Ezinicki had a 15-footer to tie it up, but Phil's ball blocked the road and the young westerner had to admit defeat after which he immediately asked for Phil's autograph . . . a remarkable request, in essence, coming from a fellow competitor who had almost upset the star in the case.

Best performer of the first day of match play was Nick Wisnock, Burlington. He downed two opponents and both times was three under par at the fifteenth hole Wisnock's wizardry ousted blasting Whitey Lathrop, Lookout Point, 5 and 4.

Wisnock is a 24-year-old tool designer from Hamilton. He hasn't been in a big tourney since he qualified in the Canadian Open two years ago. He is originally from Windsor. Along with Wisnock and Farley, Jack Nash of London and John Lewis of Brantford, were the other semi-finalists. Both Nash and Lewis were one-time Ontario amateur champions. They had a comparatively easy time, Lewis defeating Rudy Horvath, Windsor, Ontario junior champion, 3 and 2, and Nash ousting the defending champion Bruce Bradley, Oshawa, 3 and 1.

Farley got into the final by shooting a 68 in the semi-final with a precision player, Nick Wisnock, 24 year-old of Burlington. Wisnock had a 69 and Farley had to work to get on top one up. This tough round with Wisnock following the almost-as-tough battle with Bill Elzinski of Oshawa the day before may have taken the edge off Farley.

Meanwhile Jack Nash was getting better all the way. He clicked well enough in the qualifying round, did a little better the next time out, was improved when he nosed out John

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Top Left: Nick Wisnock, hottest golfer in the O.G.A. 1941 amateur tourney at Brantford G. and C.C. Nick shot par 72 in the qualifying round was three under par of 72 in three rounds after that in match play but lost in the semi-finals to Phil Farley one up. He shot the round in 69 with Farley 68. It was this tough match and one of Friday that exhausted the Scarboro golfer. Wisnock is said, by Farley, to be one of the up and coming players of the Dominion. He learned the game at Windsor, Rosedale, and now resides in Hamilton.

Top Right: "Whitey" Lathrop, Lookout Point, who won the low gross prize in the qualifying round of the O.G.A. tourney, Brantford, July 11. He's a long driver and looked a distinct threat but rain on the second day handicapped him. He was beaten by Nick Wisnock.

Lower Centre: John S. Lewis former Ontario amateur champion who in 1941 was champion of Brantford and at Ancaster and then won the champion of champions match in which seven clubs of the Hamilton district sent their champions. He was put out in the semi-finals of the O.G.A. at Brantford by Jack Nash.

Top Centre: Bill Landry, Lookout Point, and Fred Hunt Sr. Brantford Ave as they stood previous to the final in the Second Flight O.G.A. at Brantford, July 11. Hunt won the final match.

Bottom: Gil Walker (Right) and W. Gilhooley former first flight winner O.G.A. tourney at Brantford 1942. Hails from London. W. Gilhooley was runner up to Walker. Plays at Royal York.





## NASH TURNS UP

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Lewis, Brantford, one-time amateur champion, in the semi-final, and hit his peak when he met Farley in the final. It was a progressive kind of golf Nash played. He rose higher each step he got nearer the final. And so they came to the final these two youthful veterans, Nash and Farley. Last time they met, that was in 1938 at the Ottawa Hunt Club in the quarter-finals of the Canadian amateur, they provided the crowds with possibly the greatest game of the whole tournament. At the 18th Nash was one down. He was trapped playing to the green, but came out remarkably only to be stymied for his final putt. Whipping out a No. 6 iron he chipped into the cup to tie up the game. It wasn't until Phillip dropped a fine long putt for a deuce at the 22nd that Jack bowed out.

But this time the going was different.

Nash never smiled until the last putt on the 18th. Farley was grinning on the greens. But he was "hexed" right from the start. The first hole was lost on a miserable short putt. The second went the same way. On the third he smashed one deep into the rough, drove a provisional ball, found the first and played it out from in front of an interfering pine tree for a fine lie on the fairway without penalty, but still lost the hole. That was the find of recovery Farley was making all the way through as difficulties hit him repeatedly.

Nash only once got into serious trouble. He landed behind an oak tree. Throwing in the towel with the hide he decided to blast right through the tree. He did, clipping off a leaf or two and sending the ball away up near the green. It was a beautiful play and the gallery burst into applause.

Finally when Farley had a chance to even the count on the 18th, Nash stymied him on the putt. Farley's ball struck Nash's. That one putt would have evened the match as Farley was well on the green while Nash was off the edge.

The 17th was one of Farley's worst green performances, after he had blasted two of his longest to the edge of the green. Nash, too, had three to reach the green. Farley had the hole in his hands when one of his bad putts just rimmed the cup. He swung his club in exasperation.

Nash was doing a precision-like job all the way, going out he was 35. Coming in he was 38. Farley was 38 going out and 35 coming in, trying hard on those last nine to catch up. Nash didn't make a bad play at any time. He never batted an eye at any obstacle and when Farley's ball got in the way on the green he was cold as ice as he putted by it. This was his ace-in-the-hole. His ability not to get rattled. Farley's bad start seemed to rattle Phil and reddened him a little and, with the first three holes gone it was obvious effort for him to keep steady. He came through well, however, to push Nash to the eighteenth.

Farley was the favorite going out. They said at the clubhouse that the golf he had been playing was better than Nash's. Actually it had been throughout the tournament. But it was a definitely steadier and superior Nash that afternoon. Once Jack copped that lead, it seemed that nothing could shake him.

### First Round Results

Phil Farley, Toronto-Scarboro, defeated L. Bissell, London Hunt, 3 and 2.  
J. Lewis, Brantford, defeated B. Bennett, unattached, 5 and 4.  
W. Wisnack, Windsor, defeated J. Twiss, Toronto-Mississauga, 5 and 3.  
W. Elginicki, Oshawa, defeated G. Boeckh, York Downs, 2 and 1.  
W. Lathrop, Lookout, Point Fonthill, defeated R. Gould, R.C.A.F., 4 and 3.  
R. Horvath, Lakewood, Windsor defeated W. Duckworth, Toronto, Summit, 3 and 2.  
Jack Nash, London, defeated T. Kazack Lookout Point, 3 and 2.  
R. Bradley, Oshawa, defeated W. Eluck, Windsor, 2 up.

### Second Round Results:

N. K. Wisnack, Windsor, defeated W. Lathrop, Lookout Point, 5 and 4.  
Phil Farley, Scarboro, defeated W. Elginicki, Oshawa, 1 up.  
John S. Lewis, Brantford, defeated Rudy Horvath, Windsor, 3 and 2.  
Jack Nash, London, defeated Bruce Bradley, Oshawa 3 and 1.

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