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## Smith Wins State Am

The game was golf, not football, but David Smith played it as skillfully and tenaciously as the Super Bowl champion New York Giants.

Smith was clearly the superior player in the Florida State Amateur, finishing with a 10-under-par total of 278 at the beautiful Bonita Bay Club in Bonita Springs. His closest pursuers were nine strokes back.

Smith's father, H. Allen Smith, was a professional football player. Following World War II, he was an outstanding defensive end with the Chicago Bears of the National Football League.

Some of that aggressiveness rubbed off. "I like to make things happen on the golf course. I like to be aggressive, but today I wasn't," Smith said following the final round.

"The one thing the lead did was give me the luxury of playing away from trouble," added the 37-year-old Smith, an investment planner who lives in Longwood. "I didn't want to do anything stupid."

He didn't. Two-time State Amateur champion Tom Knapp tied for second with Hillsborough Community College student Miles McConnell, but neither offered much of a challenge on the final day. It was a walk in the park for Smith, who last fall won the Florida State Mid-Amateur Championship.

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Longwood resident David Smith chips, above, and cashes in his chips, left, with a 9-stroke victory in the Florida State Amateur. Tom Knapp of North Palm Beach and Miles McConnell of Tampa tied for second at the Bonita Bay Club in Bonita Springs.

## Bo Strikes Again

Ocala resident Bo Williams shot a final round 70 to capture the Florida State Senior for the second consecutive year.  
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# Bo Williams Wins Second Straight State Senior

Bo Williams is a 57-year-old Ocala automobile dealer whose golf game definitely has accelerated into the fast lane. There is no speed limit in his bag of birdies and eagles.

Williams, the reigning U.S. Senior Amateur champion, won his second straight Florida State Senior title by beating a strong field at Grenelefe Resort outside Haines City.

It was an eagle that propelled Williams to the crown, as he staged a great comeback on the last day of the 54-hole tournament. After 3 great holes, Williams stood at 153—five back of leader Charlie Lentz and in a three-way tie for fourth.

Williams fought his way through a rainstorm and a lengthy delay to finish with a 2-under-par 70 on Grenelefe's West Course, and his 223 total was good for a one-stroke victory over Buzz LeTourneau of Sebring. Bill Whitaker of North Palm Beach and Chris Kappas of Ponte Vedra Beach finished three back.

After a 1-under-par 35 on the front nine of the final round, Williams birdied the 10th hole and then eagled the par five 11th. He did it by hitting a 5-wood shot within six feet of the cup and sinking the putt. Using his highly disciplined putting style, Williams kept his head riveted steady until the ball hit the bottom of the cup.

"I really wanted to make that one," he said. "It was important to keep it going."

He did, although his eagle at 11 wasn't the first in his group that day. Nor the second. It was the third, for Dick Stackhouse and Howard Derrick eagled it before him.

"I've never seen anything like that," said Derrick, a former North-South Senior champion.

The eagle moved Williams to 4-under for the round and gave him the cushion he would need later in the day. When rain interrupted the round, it also interrupted his assault on par. When he returned to the water-saturated course, Williams had trouble. He bogeyed the 16th and 18th holes and lost his opportunity to break 70.

Williams got some unexpected help when 36-hole leader Lentz, a Winter Haven resident, withdrew from the tournament because of eye problems.

A calm golfer with a workmanlike approach to the game, Williams assessed his round with typical understatement.

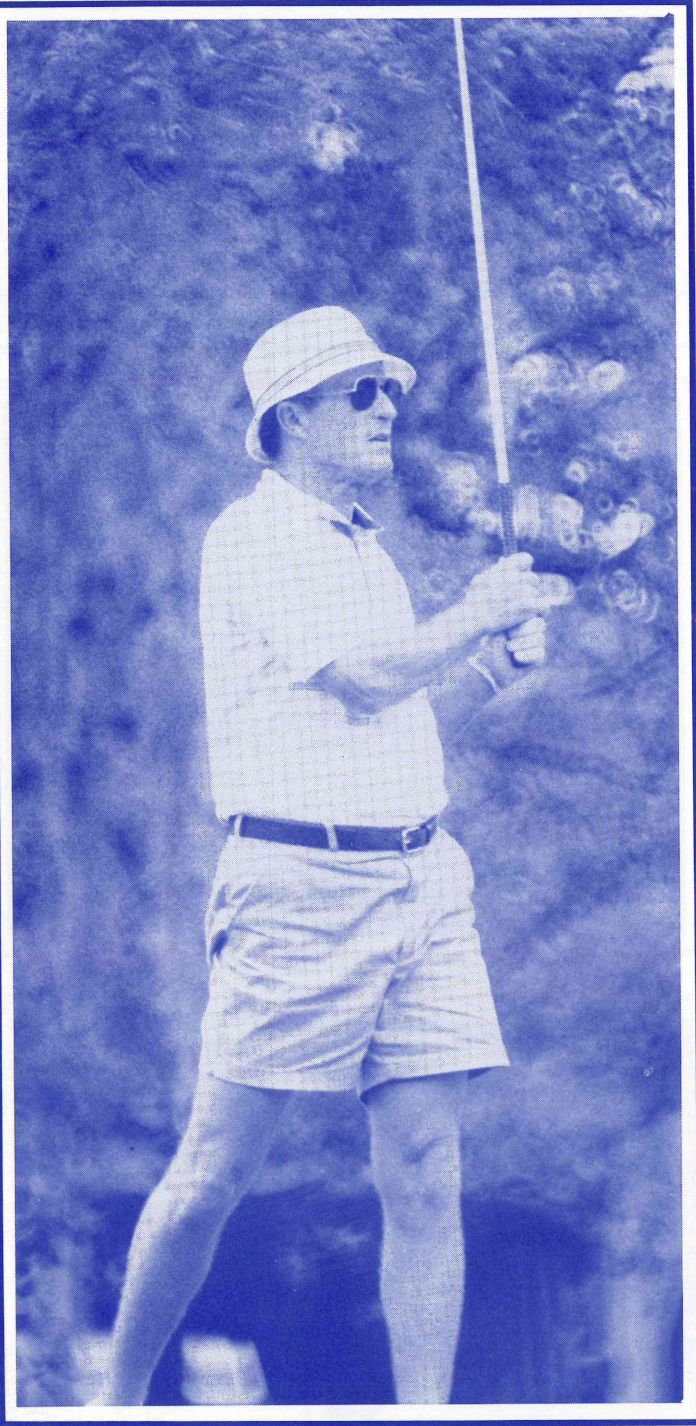
"I felt like I just needed to come out and shoot under par," he said. "That's about all there was to it. I knew I had to go out and play hard because there were a lot of people in front of me."

No problem. The man with the hot game just shifted into overdrive and zoomed past them all.

Derrick, who moved to Palm Beach Gardens a year and a half ago from Huntsville, Ala., was impressed by Williams.

"That's really the first time I played with him," said Derrick, who tied for sixth. "In fact, I hadn't ever heard of him until last fall (when Williams won the Senior Amateur). I guess a lot of people hadn't.

"He certainly plays well under pressure, I'll tell you that. He's very tough." ■



Bo Williams

## State Senior Scores

Championship A Flight		First Flight		Fourth Flight	
Bo Williams, Ocala	77-76-70 — 223	Jim Adamson, Juno Beach	230	Bud Hamar, Boynton Beach	246
Buzz Le Tourneau, Sebring	76-77-71 — 224	Maynard Miller, Sunrise	232	Norm Donnelly, Sarasota	248
Chris Kappas, Pointe Vedra Beach	78-76-72 — 226	John Miller, Naples	233	Bob Grossman, Vero Beach	248
Bill Whitaker, North Palm Beach	74-75-77 — 226	Ted Ritter, Ft. Myers	234	Bob Head, Gainesville	250
Dick Stackhouse, Boynton Beach	76-77-74 — 227	John Yates, Plantation	236	Tom Scott, Sarasota	254
Bob Ornitz, Delray Beach	76-78-74 — 228			W.B. Stevens, Bartow	257
Howard Derrick, Palm Beach Gardens	75-76-77 — 228			John Dougherty, Tamarac	259
Don Whelan, Deerfield Beach	72-79-77 — 228				
DNF — Billy Napier, Winter Haven;					
Paul Demick, Boynton Beach					
WD — Charlie Lentz, Winter Haven					
Championship B Flight		Second Flight		Fifth Flight	
Jack Brick, Riviera Beach	79-76-73 — 228	Robert Brown, LaBelle	233	Harry Latos, Ft. Lauderdale	266
Walter Baldwin, Tampa	76-79-75 — 230	Emie Miller, Vero Beach	235	Bill Fulton, Satellite Beach	269
Larry Cunningham, Naples	77-78-77 — 232	Julian Serles, Temple Terrace	240	Del Dring, Bradenton	276
Bill Scarbrough, Jacksonville	78-80-75 — 233	C.F. Patterson, Winter Springs	240	Sam Codomo, Melbourne	277
Bill Futch, Lake Wales	78-82-73 — 233	Jim Hamilton, Orlando	241	Bob McClelland, Haines City	282
Dexter Daniels, Jr., Winter Haven	76-85-73 — 234	Arnold Horelick, Delray Beach	242	Ray Graham, Sarasota	285
		Third Flight			
		Bob Harcourt, Sebring	239		
		Hugh Bitter, Winter Haven	240		
		Hank Thode, Englewood	241		
		Jim Ramsbottom, Ft. Lauderdale	241		
		Miles Dean, Jacksonville	248		
		Paul Valdez, Kissimmee	249		
		James Hainline, Lantana	249		

# Cornell Takes State Junior In 3-Way Playoff

Fred Cornell of Clearwater won the Florida State Junior in his first attempt, although he had to survive a wild sudden-death playoff to do it.

Playing at PGA National's Haig Course in Palm Beach Gardens, Cornell beat Patrick Bates and Greg Krak on the first extra hole.

Cornell birdied the par five hole after hitting a 106-yard wedge shot within three feet of the cup. "I paced it off, and I felt confident," he said. "The ball landed about a foot behind the hole and spun back. It left me with a putt that was pretty much straight-in."

All three golfers finished the 36-hole tournament with 148 totals. Cornell posted scores of 75-73 in windy conditions, while Bates had 74-74 and Krak made the event's biggest comeback by going 78-70.

"It was a surprise to me that Greg was in the playoffs," said Cornell. "I had no idea, I thought it was just the two of us."

It wasn't, and the three-way playoff became a strategic battle.

Bates, who lives in Boca Raton, went for the

green with his second shot. He missed and paid the price, his ball striking a road to the side of the green and bouncing out of bounds.

Krak, a Palm Beach Gardens resident who is the son of well-known professional Mike Krak, decided to lay up. "I had been hitting my short wedge well all day," he said, "so that seemed like the smart way to do it."

This time, however, his 60-yard wedge shot ended up on the fringe, 15 feet from the hole, and his putt was unsuccessful.

"He (Cornell) hit a real great wedge shot in there and put the pressure on me," said Krak, "He deserved to win."

All three golfers are 17, and two are headed to college on scholarships—Cornell to the University of Tampa and Bates to the University of Florida. Krak has one more year of high school.

Cornell and Bates battled each other fiercely throughout the final rounds and Cornell was candid about his performance.

"I was two shots ahead going to 15," he said,

"but I kind of rushed my routine and blocked my drive right into the water, I was really pumped up, so then I hit a 180-yard 7-iron to the green and two-putted for a bogey.

"Pat made a par, and I was up by one.

"At 17, I decided to punch a 9-iron, I hit it fat, and it went into the water. On my next shot I chunked a sand wedge, but I got lucky—it ended up six or seven feet short of the hole. I caught more of the ball than you can expect when you hit it that bad.

"I made the putt for bogey. Before that, Pat missed a 10-foot birdie putt. We were even going into 18 (which both parred)."

Meanwhile, Joe Shahady birdied 14 and 15 to tie for the lead at that point. But, pointed out Cornell, "he got real emotional, and bad things can happen when you get that way."

Bad things, in this case, were four putts from 50 feet at the 16th green, Shahady finished with a 151 total, three shots out of the playoff.

Krak was in the top 10 for the third straight year, but again was unable to win. ■

Fred Cornell, Clearwater	75-73 = 148
Patrick Bates, Boca Raton	74-74 = 148
Greg Krak, Palm Beach Gardens	78-70 = 148
Jon Whittemore, Sarasota	77-72 = 149
Joe Shahady, Plantation	74-77 = 151
Ted Eilbeck, Brandon	75-76 = 151
J. D. Oneal, Winter Springs	77-75 = 152
Sandy Davison, Ponte Vedra	78-76 = 154
Ricky Quick, Miami Lakes	79-75 = 154
Danny Albert, Altamonte Springs	81-74 = 155
Mark Baggarly, Rockledge	76-79 = 155
David Rowley, Boynton Beach	76-79 = 155
John Jones, Sarasota	80-76 = 156
Brad Lanning, Sarasota	82-74 = 156
Chip Johnson, Bradenton	77-80 = 157
Kevin Misischia, Largo	82-75 = 157
John Pettit, Winter Springs	76-81 = 157

George Thayer, Sarasota	82-75 = 157
Keith Albritton, Lakeland	80-78 = 158
Chris Allen, Virginia Gardens	77-81 = 158
Chad Wade, Bradenton	79-79 = 158
Scott Brody, Lauderdale	80-79 = 159
Scott Ford, Lake Worth	77-82 = 159
David Knighton, Jr., Homosassa	79-80 = 159
Billy Speckman, Jacksonville	80-79 = 159
Darrell Bryant, Daytona Beach	88-72 = 160
Derrick Cox, Safety Harbor	83-77 = 160
Brian Johns, Lakeland	79-81 = 160
Ryan Konkus, Stuart	80-80 = 160
Steve Nocerini, Plantation	78-82 = 160
Charles Walters, Jr., Sarasota	78-82 = 160
Michael Calomeris, Sarasota	85-76 = 161
Chris Chuck, Jacksonville	82-79 = 161

Robbie Davis, Lakeland	83-78 = 161
Corey Doel, Clermont	81-80 = 161
Bret Mumford, Melbourne	78-83 = 161
Steve Pochis, Crystal River	79-82 = 161
David Holt, Ormond Beach	85-77 = 162
Drayton Summers, Deland	83-79 = 162
Paul Tynan, Longwood	85-77 = 162
Adam Gutman, Mt. Dora	80-83 = 163
Guy Hill, Lakeland	82-81 = 163
Ronald Klocko, II, Sebring	81-82 = 163
John Adcock, Valrico	84-80 = 164
Niels Murphy, Fernandina Beach	85-79 = 164
Joseph Goth, Stuart	83-82 = 165
David Poteet, Tequesta	78-87 = 165
Todd Simpson, Kissimmee	85-80 = 165
Bryan Veith, Sarasota	88-77 = 165

James Assad, Sebastian	86-80 = 166
Bruce Bodine, Lakeland	86-80 = 166
Bobby Doolittle, Lighthouse Point	79-87 = 166
Peter Galvano, Sebring	90-76 = 166
Howard Koff, Okeechobee	86-80 = 166
Randy Pitts, Jacksonville	86-80 = 166
Will Roberts, Sarasota	85-81 = 166
Darrell Roland, Ocala	89-77 = 166
Andy Spears, Palm City	82-84 = 166
Bryan Nye, Valrico	82-84 = 166
Dirk Arace, Palm City	80-87 = 167
John Lisi, Longwood	84-83 = 167
Tommy Knapp, Jupiter	88-80 = 168
P.J. Navaretta, Palm City	82-86 = 168
Michael Burr, Coral Springs	85-84 = 169
Kent Wetherell, Daytona Beach	87-82 = 169

## Chenderlin Dominates State Handicap

Roy Chenderlin of Oldsmar was an FSGA director for three years. He knows a lot about golf.

Take, for example, the art of putting.

Chenderlin traveled to Howey-in-the-Hills and won the Florida State Handicap Championship at Mission Inn Resort...despite a putting performance that would make most grown men cry.

"I had a lot of trouble getting used to the greens," Chenderlin said. "They were incredibly fast. They were faster than Memorial's greens when Jack Nicklaus plays that tournament up there. They were unbelievably fast.

"I hit six straight greens to start the tournament, and when I walked off the sixth green I was 7-over-par. I four-putted the first one and three-putted the next five, I finally got to a point where I was afraid to draw the putter back."

The rest of the way?

"Well, I was fortunate enough to not let them eat me alive. I probably had only three more three-putt greens, I finally conquered that deal."

The greens weren't the only thing he conquered.

Chenderlin, who finished the 36-hole competition with a plus-2 total on the point quota

system, was playing in the tournament just six weeks after major surgery.

"I had three-quarters of my colon taken out," he related. "I don't know what happened to my golf game, but I started playing much better. I lost some weight, about 20 or 25 pounds, so maybe that was it."

The colon problem was just the latest in a series of physical battles for Chenderlin, who retired to Florida in 1981 after a career with what is now U.S. Plywood Corp.

"I've had three malignant melanomas removed," he said. "I've had a triple heart bypass.

### Championship

Doug Snoap, Apopka, minus-9; Joe Ondo, Orlando, minus-10; Jim Keedy, Leesburg, minus-11; Jeff Hutchinson, Altamonte Springs, minus-13; Fred Weiler, New Smyrna Beach, and Joe Eubank II, Daytona Beach, minus-15.

### First

Charles McCormick, Winter Springs, minus-3; Kevin Downing, Jupiter, minus-6; Chip Landon, Longwood, Fred Favreau, Delray Beach, and Tom Keller, Fedhaven, minus-11; Mark Gillylu, Bradenton, minus-12; John Hacker, Port Orange, and Malcolm King, Gainesville, minus-13; Ken Young, Fort Myers, minus-14.

### Second

Loren Howard III, Longwood, minus-5; Bill Epps, Sanford, minus-7; Hugh Bitter, Winter Haven, and Jerry Luttinger, Winter Park, minus-10; Paul McCown, Sarasota, minus-11; Ron Ulrich, Indialantic, and Bob Lindsley, Ocala, minus-12; Bob Soupiset, Winter Haven, and Bobby Bryant, Palm Beach Gardens, minus-13.

I had another heart attack besides that."

But he continues to play golf—continues to play very well, in fact.

His handicap at Innisbrook Resort was 14 at the time of the State Handicap, but has since gone down to 7. "It's lower than it's been in 20 years," the 66-year-old Chenderlin bragged recently.

Charles McCormick of Winter Springs finished second in the tournament with a minus-3 total. Next best was Jeff Goddard of Orlando at minus-4. ■

### Third

Ed Rubich, Winter Park, and Frank Gerould, Englewood, minus-6; Herb Hedgecock, Satellite Beach, minus-8; Michael Boylan, Apopka, and Ned Searcy, Jacksonville, minus-11; Bob Miller, Bradenton, J. W. Bolton, Deerfield Beach, and Stan Caruthers, Pembroke Pines, minus-12.

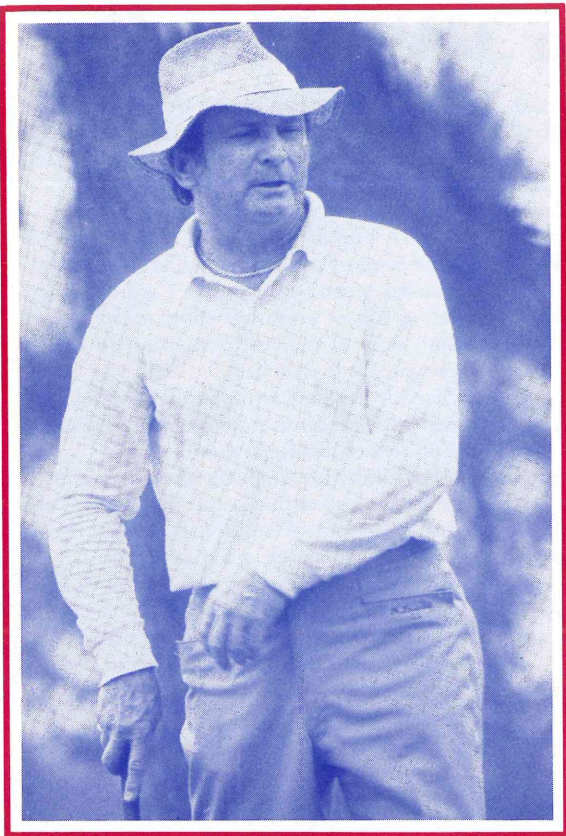
### Fourth

Roy Chenderlin, Oldsmar, plus-2; Jeff Goddard, Orlando, minus-4; Frank Mace, West Palm Beach, and Ron Kaminski, Boca Raton, minus-6; Bob Hylander, Kissimmee, minus-7; Dan Koladje, Winter Springs, minus-8; Raymond Fischel, Englewood, and Bob Wilkinson, Longwood, minus-9; Bill Fulton, Satellite Beach, minus-10.

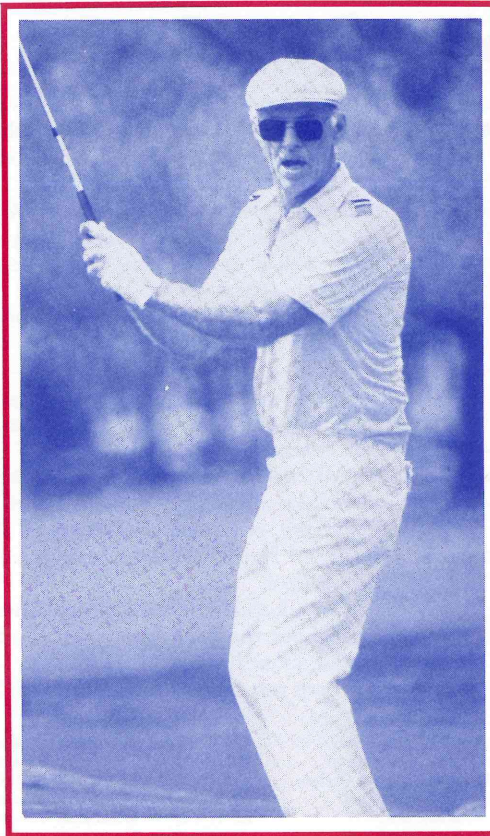
### Fifth

Lou Pavlakos, Satellite Beach, minus-6; Paul Bikowitz, Pembroke Pines, minus-8; David Rathburn, Palm Harbor, minus-9.

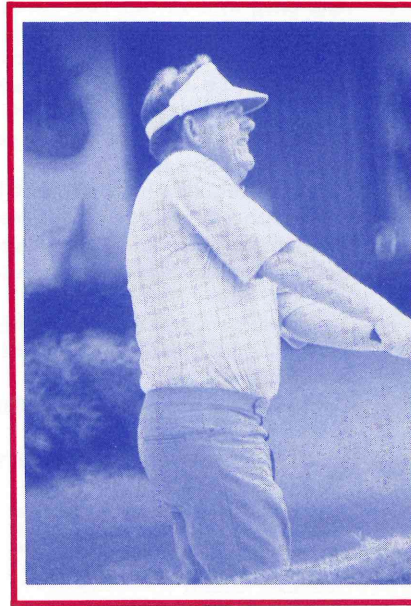
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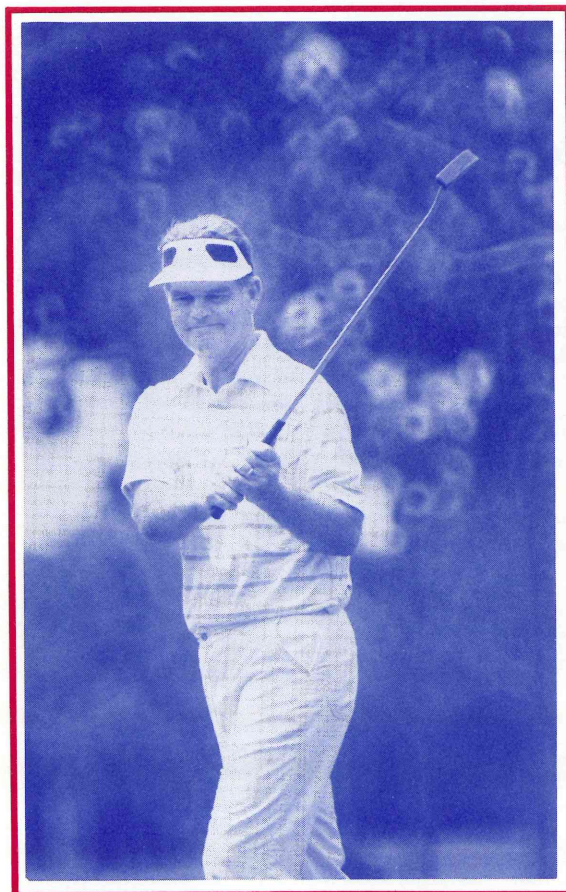
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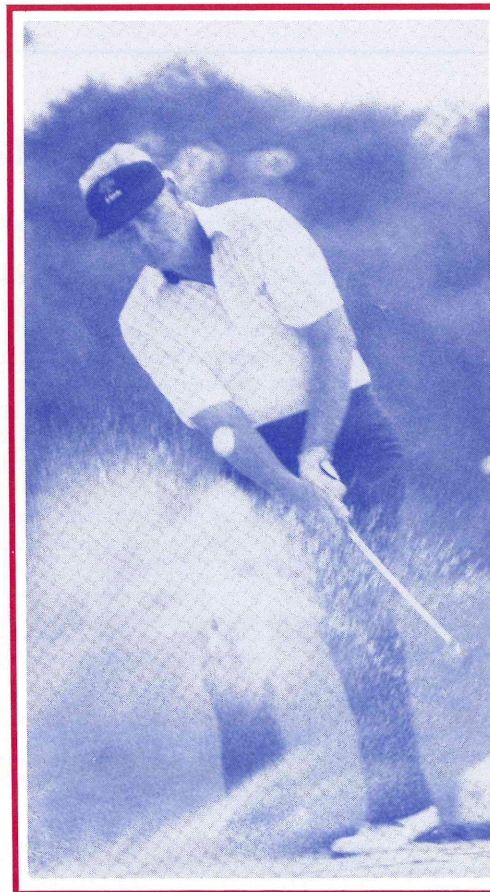
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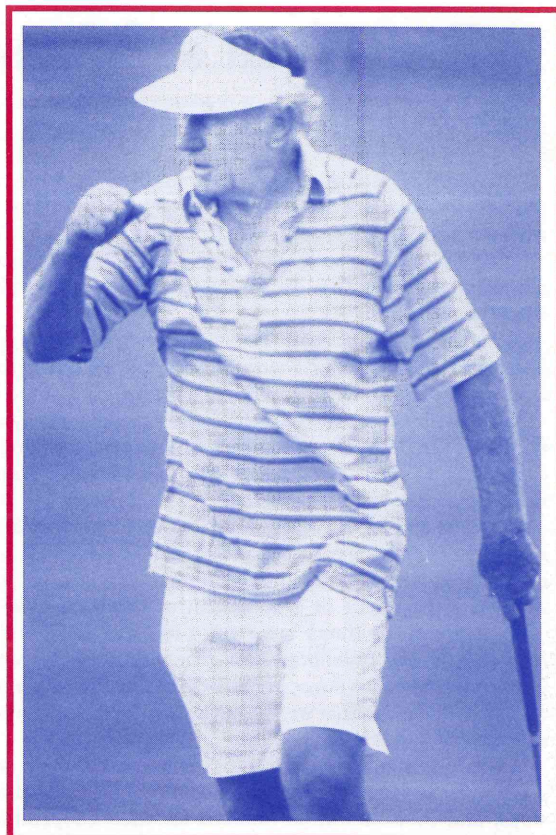
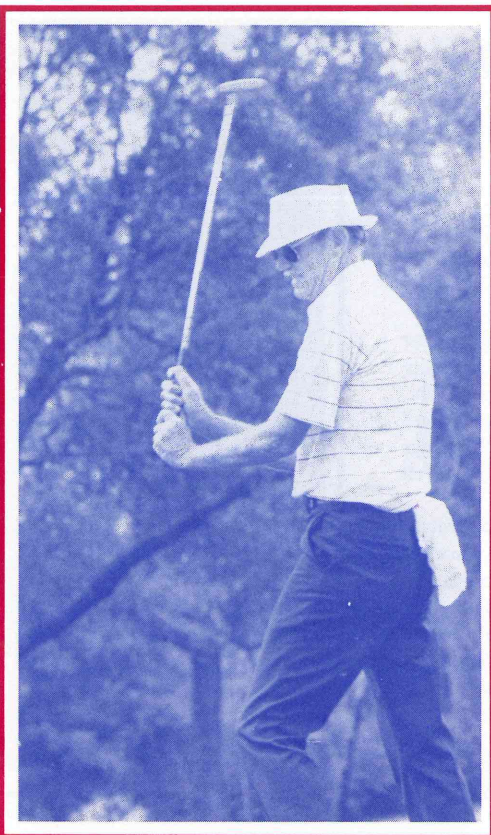


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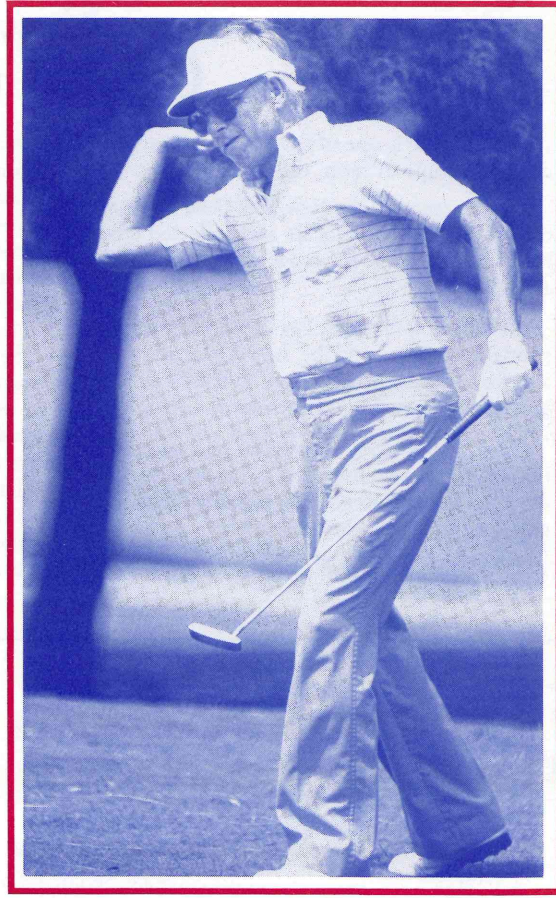
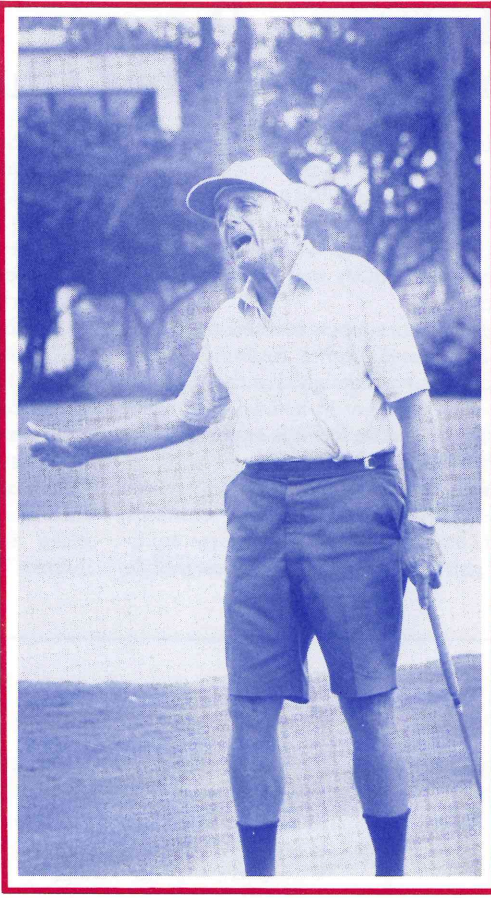
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# President's Message

The implementation of Slope is going very well, and the preliminary results from half a season show that this new handicapping system is working very well.

In Palm Beach County, smaller clubs are winning matches that they never could win before. There have been calls from bigger clubs, who are saying, "Hey, something's wrong, we're not winning."

There is nothing wrong. Slope has equalized competition, that's all. Just about all golfers want honest handicaps, and Slope is giving it to them.

I want to give Bill Baker the credit he deserves. He showed great leadership (with the course rating and measuring committee), and now that is continuing with Ray Rose. They've both done a great job.

Ray has been up in the New York and New Jersey area—where the Slope system has been in effect extensively—meeting with ratings captains and USGA officials. We want to be in line nationally, as well as being in line in our own state.

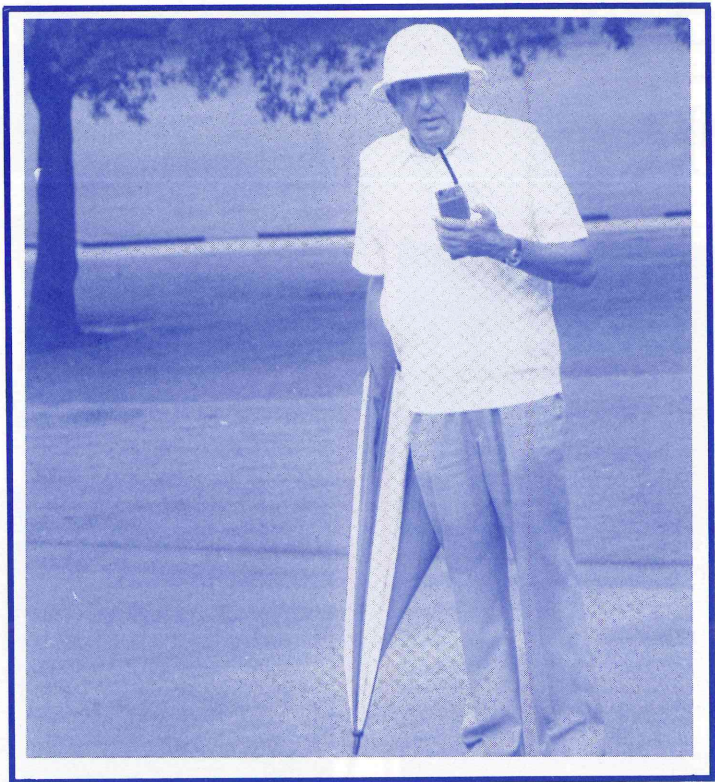
Other than Slope, I want to say that our championship committee has been working hard. Certainly by next year we'll have another tournament on our schedule. We're investigating the possibilities of a mixed tournament or a father-son or something like that.

Also I want to thank great clubs like Grenelefe and Bonita Bay for hosting our championships (the State Senior was played at Grenelefe, the State Amateur at Bonita Bay). It ought to be clear to all golfers in Florida that we are playing on courses that are very worthy of state championships.

It isn't easy to get these clubs. We couldn't do it without their interest in the Florida State Golf Association and our state championships, and they should be thanked for their cooperation.

We have been very fortunate to get top-notch clubs to hold the championships on. We conduct our championships on a very high quality basis, and people respect us for that.

People really love to attend a good quality tournament, and we will do everything we can to maintain the quality of the championships here in Florida.



FSGA President Sam Smidt

*Editor's note: FSGA President Sam Smidt is one of very few people to be certified as a rules official by the USGA, PGA and LPGA.*

*He has been an official at the Ryder Cup matches and the PGA Seniors Championship, but he politely declines all out-of-state invitations. "All my officiating is here in Florida," he says. "This is my home, and I have so many obligations right here." ■*

## New Insurance Program Offered to FSGA Member Clubs

Jack Veghte is one of few golfers to win state championships in more than one state.

Veghte captured the New York State Amateur title, then moved to Florida and collected three Florida State Amateur crowns—in 1968, 1970 and 1975.

Veghte is known as the consummate gentleman-golfer, and he has demonstrated a love for the game by serving as an FSGA director and as the association's president.

He has been just as gracious and successful in the insurance business, and now he has developed a property and casualty insurance program for FSGA member clubs.

"There are other golf associations around the

country that do this," explained Veghte from his insurance office in Clearwater.

"As it becomes more difficult for clubs to get the insurance coverage they need, this can be an extremely valuable service. We view it as another service that the FSGA can provide for its member clubs.

"It is an insurance program where the FSGA is the sponsor and Veghte Insurance is the administrator. But it is designed so that any club can work with an agent in its own area. We're coordinating it, and we feel it is important that clubs realize it is available."

The standard program includes several coverages: blanket building and contents, blanket income protection, golf course equipment and golf carts, comprehensive automobile,

comprehensive general liability, blanket crime, umbrella liability up to \$10 million, directors and officers liability, liquor law liability, and worker's compensation.

Other special coverages are available as well: hole-in-one for resulting celebration expenses, valet parking, vandalism to the greens, and theft of members' property at the club.

"It also has the potential of clubs getting a dividend at the end of the year," outlined Veghte. "They can get money back if the group has a good loss record.

"That really makes it special," he continued. "There are other aspects that make it attractive, such as a no interest payment plan. A club can make four quarterly payments with no interest." ■

### 1987 Schedule

Date	Championship	Location	Entries Close
August 22-23	State Team	Innisbrook, Tarpon Springs	August 15
September 24-27	State Mid-Amateur	Interlachen C.C., Winter Park	September 5
October 10-11	State Four-Ball	JDM C.C., Palm Beach Gardens	October 3
November 6-8	Life Begins at 40	Lehigh C.C., Lehigh Acres	October 31
December 5-6	State Senior 4-Ball	Naples Beach Club, Naples	November 28

# Mark Black Keeps Bonita Bay In Top Shape

Bonita Bay, located just north of Naples in Bonita Springs, has emerged as one of Florida's finest golf facilities. It hosted the Florida State Senior in 1986 and the Florida State Amateur this year.

Tom Knapp, the two-time State Amateur champion, walked solemnly off the 72nd green after failing to win his third title.

But Knapp, who tied for second, didn't stay quiet for long. "This golf course is manicured as well as any golf course I've ever played," he said. "This is really an incredible place."

Many golfers issued similar sentiments, and it is abundantly clear that Bonita Bay is no longer a secret golfing hideaway in southwest Florida.

"It is a marvelous golf course," said David Smith, the new State Amateur champion. "It tests every phase of your game. We played the course with the rough very short, and still only three guys broke par."

More than being a challenging and well-manicured layout, though, Bonita Bay is a tribute to the marriage of golf and nature. Winding through marshes and trees, it is a truly magnificent golf course.

And you can thank Mark Black for keeping it that way.

Black is the golf course superintendent at Bonita Bay, and he is a perfectionist of the greenthumb variety. "It is my goal," Black says casually, "to get this golf course tournament-ready every day of the year. If they called and said, 'Can you hold the National Amateur next week?' my answer would be, 'Sure, we're ready.' That's the way I see my job."

Bonita Bay was created by architect Arthur Hills, who also designed Eagle Trace, but Black was there virtually from the beginning to add his input.

"The club and the membership was very fortunate," he says. "They hired a superintendent in the early stages of development. I can assure you this course was built properly. You don't build a golf course from the top up—it's built right into the ground."

"We're environmentally sensitive," he adds. "For example, each hole has almost a custom design for irrigation."

Black has been known to refer to his golf course as "a piece of art," a term which qualifies him as a keeper of a masterpiece.

"There's a difference between maintenance and grooming," he says, "and we're mostly in the grooming business. It's really tough. A lot

of people don't realize we work seven days a week. So many people don't know we change the cup, move the tee markers and mow the greens every day.

"There are only three things that prevent us from mowing the greens—hurricanes, lightning and Christmas. That's it."

Along with assistant Randy Godfrey and mechanic Herb Carlson, Black has kept Bonita Bay among the elite clubs in the state since it opened in January, 1985.

At one time, Black was in the nursery business. Then, "just by accident, I fell into the golf business."

He was driving his car in Orlando one day, when he saw a sign for Arnold Palmer's Bay Hill Club. He decided to stop.

By the time he left, he had switched professions. He worked at Bay Hill for a short time, then enrolled in the golf course superintendents program at Lake City Community College.

"Now I have yet to get up in the morning and not want to go to work," he says. "Stopping at Bay Hill was the luckiest thing that ever happened to me." ■



*Proper club selection is crucial at Bonita Bay. Here is a typical challenge—sand guarding the front of the green, nature guarding the rear.*

# Smith Romps In State Am

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"I felt I had to set to 3-under after six to put some pressure on him," said Knapp, a North Palm Beach resident. "I couldn't do it and neither could anyone else. No one was able to put any heat on him. David is just too steady a player to expect him to fall back to the field."

Smith posted scores of 71-67-69-71 to break par in every round of the tournament. He actually was at his unsteady in the final round, stumbling with three consecutive bogeys at 8, 9 and 10.

"Sometimes a bogey is OK," he said, "If somebody had been closer, I would have used a different philosophy out there."

Smith played on the PGA Tour for a year and a half and was a close buddy of Floridian Andy Bean. "He didn't have a wife or a car back then," said Smith. "He used to catch rides with me all the time."

Meanwhile, Smith was somewhat intimidated by golf's big-name players, "I was too young," he said. "When I saw players like Arnold Palmer in the locker room, I would just try to get out of their way. I was worried about them and not myself."

Smith isn't getting out of anybody's way these days. After earning reinstatement as an amateur in 1985, he has now won both the Mid-Amateur and Amateur in impressive fashion.

In the 1986 Mid-Amateur—designed for golfers at least 25 years old—he qualified at 141 and proceeded to win four straight matches on the 17th green at LaGorce Country Club in Miami Beach.

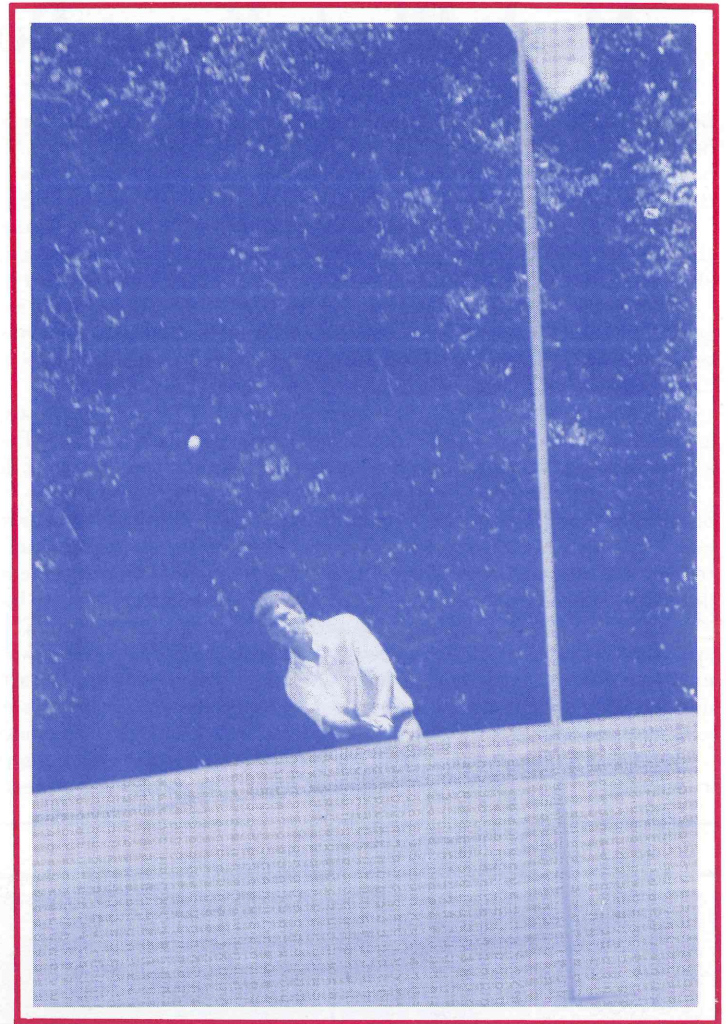
After the State Amateur, Knapp tried to put Smith's triumph in perspective.

"I don't think anybody could have beat him this week," said the 40-year-old Knapp, who won consecutive state crowns in 1983 and 1984. "He is playing very, very well."

It is interesting to note that veteran players such as Knapp and Smith have dominated the State Amateur in recent years and that only one collegiate golfer, Cary Splane, has won the title in the last five years.

Smith would like to see that trend continue, and he offered a challenge of sorts to the state's younger competitors.

"I'll play anybody that shows up," he said. "I hope they all come out and try to beat me next year." ■



Miles McConnell

## State Amateur Scores

David Smith, Longwood . . . 71-67-69-71 = 278	Ron Clayton, Sarasota . . . 75-75-68-79 = 297	Nick Franze, Miami . . . 77-76-73-80 = 306	John Lipari, Miami . . . 75-77-81-78 = 311
Tim Knapp, N. Palm Beach . . . 71-71-70-75 = 287	John Corzilius, Nokomis . . . 71-76-74-76 = 297	Randy Green, Miami Lakes . . . 82-69-77-78 = 306	Scott Little, Orlando . . . 74-80-74-83 = 311
Miles McConnell, Tampa . . . 68-70-74-75 = 287	Tom Nixon, Clearwater . . . 71-79-73-74 = 297	Freddie Mangum,	Mike Womble, Naples . . . 77-76-82-76 = 311
Scott Gump, Merritt Island . . . 78-69-72-72 = 291	Jim Shondel, Bradenton . . . 75-75-74-73 = 297	Mary Esther . . . 76-80-73-77 = 306	Jim Williams, Ocala . . . 77-79-77-78 = 311
Chris DiMarco, Heathrow . . . 71-74-78-69 = 292	Craig Morissette, Palm Bay . . . 71-78-69-79 = 297	Jim Patrone, Boca Raton . . . 74-77-76-79 = 306	John Harrell, III,
Robert Martin,	Mickie Gallagher, III,	Robert Hill, Lakeland . . . 80-74-78-75 = 307	W. Palm Beach . . . 74-78-78-82 = 312
Atlantic Beach . . . 69-71-74-79 = 293	Palm Beach Gardens . . . 75-76-71-76 = 298	Mark Leetow, Sarasota . . . 77-78-76-76 = 307	Bob Hughes, Ft. Myers . . . 81-74-76-81 = 312
Roger Rowland, Jacksonville . . . 75-72-74-72 = 293	Hiroshi Matsuo, Hollywood . . . 78-69-76-75 = 298	Shannon O'Neil,	John Nieporte, Boca Raton . . . 70-76-86-80 = 312
Joe Hamorski, Jr.,	David Boesel, Winter Park . . . 74-75-79-70 = 298	Wesley Chapel . . . 75-77-78-77 = 307	Daniel Owen, Ocala . . . 78-77-78-79 = 312
Ft. Walton Beach . . . 73-73-75-73 = 294	Joe Regner, Orlando . . . 71-78-78-72 = 299	Chris Berens, Mt. Dora . . . 77-78-75-78 = 308	John Brooks,
Dennis Postlewait,	Patrick Maloney, Plantation . . . 77-74-73-76 = 300	Chris Brooks,	Ponte Vedra Beach . . . 81-74-79-79 = 313
Winter Springs . . . 73-72-74-75 = 294	Gary Stickl, Lakeland . . . 80-72-71-77 = 300	W. Palm Beach . . . 76-76-81-75 = 308	Jeff Bonham, Coral Springs . . . 75-75-85-78 = 313
Bobby Grace, St. Pete . . . 74-73-71-77 = 295	James Maio, Valrico . . . 76-78-79-69 = 302	Britt Jones, Orlando . . . 76-76-88-68 = 308	Keith Keister, Winter Park . . . 82-75-74-83 = 314
Tom Hearn, Ft. Pierce . . . 74-79-71-71 = 295	Kevin Altenhof, Melbourne . . . 73-75-77-77 = 302	Donald Vintilla, Longwood . . . 76-74-76-83 = 309	Rick Collum, Palm Bay . . . 80-77-80-81 = 318
Leon Rowland, Jacksonville . . . 71-77-71-76 = 295	John Finster, Tampa . . . 71-77-79-76 = 303	Bret Voisin, Ocoee . . . 71-76-84-78 = 309	Mark McCabe, Naples . . . 76-80-83-80 = 319
Cary Splane, Middleburg . . . 72-73-73-77 = 295	John Tighe, Lake Worth . . . 78-73-76-76 = 303	Jeff Thorsen, Orange Park . . . 72-79-81-77 = 309	Ray Coay, Ft. Myers . . . 78-79-82-81 = 320
David Bishop, Plantation . . . 74-73-73-76 = 296	Jeff Bogan, Marco Island . . . 76-74-79-76 = 305	Eirik Kauppinen, II,	Glen Miciotta, Plantation . . . 79-77-86-80 = 322
Bill McDonough,	Bill Morlan, Largo . . . 75-79-76-75 = 305	Atlantis . . . 77-78-76-79 = 310	Jim Keedy, Leesburg . . . 73-82-88-81 = 324
Wellington . . . 69-74-73-80 = 296	Michael Wright, Sarasota . . . 72-76-76-81 = 305	Bobby Long, Jacksonville . . . 81-72-77-80 = 310	Daniel Hyde, Key Biscayne . . . 74-79-82-91 = 326
Jay McWilliams, Palm City . . . 72-77-75-72 = 296	Craig Briggs, Sarasota . . . 78-74-76-78 = 306	Corky Collins, Ocala . . . 74-79-78-79 = 310	Lewis Fogue, Jr., Plant City . . . 85-72-87-86 = 330

## State Amateur Champions

1914 A. C. Ulmer . . . Jacksonville	1932 Jack Toomer . . . Jacksonville	1952 Dub Pagan . . . W. Palm Beach	1970 Jack Veghte . . . Clearwater
1915 J. G. Harnett . . . Jacksonville	1933 Carl Dann, Jr. . . Orlando	1953 Don Bisplinghoff . . . Orlando	1971 Randy Sansing . . . Lakeland
1916 T. W. Palmer . . . Ft. Lauderdale	1934 Carl Dann, Jr. . . Orlando	1954 Don Bisplinghoff . . . Orlando	1972 Gary Koch . . . Temple Terrace
1917 A. C. Ulmer . . . Jacksonville	1935 Horace Williams . . . St. Petersburg	1955 Don Bisplinghoff . . . Orlando	1973 Steve Morgan . . . Orlando
1918 No Tournament	1936 Bobby Doak . . . Orlando	1956 Doug Sanders . . . Miami	1974 Jerry Pate . . . Pensacola
1919 W. A. Knight . . . St. Augustine	1937 Carl Dann, Jr. . . Orlando	1957 Frank Strafaci . . . Miami Beach	1975 Jack Veghte . . . Clearwater
1920 Gordon Gibbons . . . Tampa	1938 Carl Dann, Jr. . . Orlando	1958 Don Bisplinghoff . . . Orlando	1976 Glen Kirk . . . Jupiter
1921 A. C. Ulmer . . . Jacksonville	1939 W. D. Stark . . . Jacksonville	1959 Jim Kayser . . . Ft. Lauderdale	1977 Mickey Van Gerbig . . . W. Palm Beach
1922 A. C. Ulmer . . . Jacksonville	1940 George Bolesta . . . Tampa	1960 Al Kelley, Jr. . . Orlando	1978 Rick Pearson . . . Bradenton
1923 T. W. Palmer . . . Miami	1941 Earl Christiansen . . . Miami	1961 Ray Terry . . . Jacksonville	1979 David Peoples . . . Orlando
1924 Lee Chase . . . Miami	1942 Skee Reigel . . . Miami	1962 Al Kelley, Jr. . . Orlando	1980 Rick Pearson . . . Bradenton
1925 Gordon Gibbons . . . Tampa	1943-1945 No Tournament	1963 Ed Kirkland . . . Orlando	1981 David Pesacov . . . N. Palm Beach
1926 John Dailey . . . Tampa	1946 Jim Lee, Jr. . . Tallahassee	1964 Frank Mize . . . Panama City	1982 Lee Rinker . . . Stuart
1927 Tommy Aycock . . . Jacksonville	1947 Vasco Landrum . . . Ponte Vedra	1965 Bob Murphy, Jr. . . Nichols	1983 Tom Knapp . . . Jupiter
1928 A. C. Ulmer . . . Jacksonville	1948 Ward Rogers . . . Clearwater	1966 Bob Murphy, Jr. . . Nichols	1984 Tom Knapp . . . Jupiter
1929 Tommy Aycock . . . Jacksonville	1949 Ward Rogers . . . Clearwater	1967 John Darr, Jr. . . Ft. Lauderdale	1985 Cary Splane . . . Middleburg
1930 Jimmy West . . . Miami	1950 Jim Lee, Jr. . . Tallahassee	1968 Jack Veghte . . . Clearwater	1986 Barry Cheesman . . . Sarasota
1931 Jack Toomer . . . Jacksonville	1951 F. Borkovich, Jr. . . Lakeland	1969 Bob Rankin . . . Clearwater	1987 David Smith . . . Longwood