60TH STATE AMATEUR AT BAY HILL

The 60th renewal of Florida’s oldest, continuous sports event, the State Amateur Golf Championship, is certain to have a new caretaker for the historic Camp Bowl this year. The bowl, symbolic of The Championship, remains in the winner’s possession during his victory year. Glen Kirk, the 1976 winner, will not return to Bay Hill June 9-12 to defend his title. He abdicated the crown when he turned professional this year. This leaves a full field of Florida’s finest amateur golfers to start foraging for the championship when the flag goes up on the 72 hole, stroke play event at 7:30 a.m., Thursday, June 9.

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AUSTIN JONES NEW FSGA PRESIDENT

E. Austin Jones, Orlando real estate executive and one of Florida’s leading amateur players, was elected President of Florida State Golf Association at the organization’s annual meeting, April 21, at Ponce de Leon Lodge in St. Augustine. Jones took office May 1 and called the first meeting of FSGA’s new board of directors May 19 at Sarasota during the Gillespie Golf Week. Speaking at the Gillespie dinner that night which was hosted by Arvida Corporation and FSGA, Jones, in his first official remarks since moving in from the vice presidency of the Association, pointed to the historical significance of the occasion.

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HALL OF FAME AWARD TO DEXTER DANIELS, SR.

Dexter Daniels, Sr., of Winter Haven, acclaimed “Florida’s premier amateur golfer of the past 50 years,” has been honored as the first recipient of the FSGA’s Hall of Fame award.

Daniels, who won his first tournament 50 years ago at Temple Terrace, was presented his Hall of Fame award May 19 in Gillespie Golf Week ceremonies at Sarasota, by FSGA Executive Director Bill Carey.

The award ceremony was the highlight of a Gillespie Golf Week observance which marked the 91st anniversary of Florida’s first golf holes built by Scottish colony leader J. Hamilton Gillespie in Sarasota in May 1886.

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ARVIDA CORP.—FSGA STAGE GILLESPIE GOLF

Florida is the fastest-growing golf state in the nation, Don Rossi, executive director of the National Golf Foundation, told a Gillespie Golf Week audience last month at the Hyatt House in Sarasota.

Rossi was the featured speaker at the Arvida Corporation-FSGA dinner which climaxed a round of golf festivities that began Wednesday, May 18, with a costumed mixed pairs tournament at the Country Club of Sarasota.

Rossi said that Florida’s golfing growth was a major factor in shifting the headquarters of the NGF from Chicago — where it had been for 41 years — to North Palm Beach, a move that was consummated last November.

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THES DIRECTORS attended the first meeting of FSGA President Austin Jones’ new board during Gillespie Week in Sarasota. Seated, left, Rod Howard, Vero Beach; Gene Byrne, Orlando; Nate Schine, Tampa; Jack Smith, Bradenton. Standing, Dexter Daniels, Jr., Winter Haven; Immediate Past President; Ed Greene, Panama City; Al Tidrow, St. Petersburg; L.D. Daubenspeck, Satellite Beach; Austin Jones, President, Orlando; and Ron Garl, Lakeland.
60TH STATE AMATEUR
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The 1977 blue ribbon event will feature 184 strong competitors from all Florida. Bright juniors, sharp college players, veteran businessman-tournament amateurs, and for the first time, a section for seniors, will make up the varied field. All contestants were required to have a handicap of six or better as of April 30 to enter the State Championship.

The Challenger and Champion nines at Bay Hill will be used for the tournament which was first played at Tampa’s Rocky Point Golf Club in 1914. The course will play to its full 7,000 yards. This is the third time Bay Hill has hosted FSQA’s prestigious event and the big track has withstood the slings and arrows and Sunday shots of some fine players.

The two previous tournaments were won with over par performances. Bob Murphy, Jr., returned a two over 220 for 72 holes when he won in 1965 and Gary Koch shot 291 for victory in 1972. Both former winners at Bay Hill now are successful practitioners on the pro tour.

Three-time champion Jack Veghte, Clearwater, will be back for another go at the title. He won in 1975, 1970 and 1968. Bob Rankin, also from Clearwater, is another winner returning for the contest. Rankin's state victory came in 1969 at Longboat Key.

Young Frank Strafaci, Jr., Miami, will bring a heritage of state amateur competition to Bay Hill. His Dad won the event in 1957 when the championship still was contested at match play at Sarasota Bay Country Club.

A standout leader of the youth brigade is Rick Pearson the state Junior College Champion from Bradenton. Pearson recently wiped out a 123 man field of professionals and amateurs in the Central Florida U.S. Open qualifying at Sarasota. His one under par 143 for the two course, 36 holes in one day test, won the qualifying medal by three shots. Pearson will arrive at Bay Hill after seeking an Open berth in the Atlanta sectional qualifying June 7.

Austin Jones, Orlando; Kevin Butler and Mickey Van Gerbig, Palm Beach, FSQA’s Four-Ball Champions; Julian Arnold, Miami; Craig Scott, Orlando; Bob Michael, Sarasota all are threats in the bright field which includes Lt. Gov. Jim Williams, a sound six handicap, who would like to add the State Amateur crown to his credits.

FSGA INTRODUCTORY MEMBERSHIP $9
JULY 1, 1977
DEC. 31, 1977

THIS FAMOUS Clarence Camp Championship Bowl is awarded annually to the winner of the Florida State Amateur Golf Championship to keep in his possession during his victory year. Complete with silver ladle and carrying case from Tiffany, the award has been in circulation for more than 50 years. Present custodian is the 1976 Champion, Glen Kirk of Orlando.

Roll Of FSGA State Champions
(Through 1960 the Championship was at match play.)

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PAIRINGS AND STARTING TIMES

FLORIDA STATE GOLF ASSOCIATION
60th ANNUAL STATE AMATEUR GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP
JUNE 9-12, 1977, THE BAY HILL CLUB, ORLANDO, FLA.

Pairings and starting times will be for Thursday and Friday. If you start on first tee Thursday you will start on tenth tee Friday at a reverse time. Please check starting time carefully. Contestants late for their tee time will be penalized two strokes over par for each hole missed and join their foursome on the hole being played. New pairings and starting times for Saturday and Sunday. Championship flight will be low 32 and ties. Remainder of field will be flighted in flights of 16 players. The 72 hole stroke play event will be gross only. Prizes in each flight. Buffet Saturday night 7:30 at the club house. Reservations must be made at the tee Friday morning.

Bill Carey, Tournament Director

FIRST TEE THURSDAY TENTH TEE FRIDAY

7:30-12:49 — Michael Arbogast, Melbourne; Ronnie Tumlin, Palatka; Richard Straughn, Winter Haven; Ronald Ferguson, Apopka.
7:38-12:41 — Phil Galvano, Bradenton; Jay Allen, Lakeland; Frank Lombardy, Frank Strafaci, Miami.
7:46-12:33 — Kevin Heinicka, Largo; Bill Woodword, Pensacola; Ken Kotalik, Ft. Lauderdale; Anthony Wilds, Winter Garden.
7:54-12:25 — Rich Howard, Ft. Myers; Michael Healy, Sarasota; Rex Reese, Lakeland; Gene Heidt, Winter Garden.
8:02-12:17 — Robt. Lawrence, Tampa; Dan Simmons, Brandon; John Mooney, Tallahassee; Randy Briggs, Ocala.
8:10-12:09 — Tom Freemall, Lake Wales; Kenneth Brooke, Tampa; Ben Brown, Tallahassee; Rich Eaton, Stuart.
8:18-12:01 — Derrell Bailey, Orlando; Sanford Edwards, Jacksonville; John Coleen, Ft. Pierce; Ronnie Farrera, Kissimmee.
8:26-11:53 — Richard Knowles, Bradenton; Scott Smith, Jr., Orlando; Norman Field, Jr., Orlando; Scott Behl, Lakeland.
8:34-11:45 — Oscar Linder, Punta Gorda; James Champion, Orlando; William Stubbins, Fern Park; Rusty Payne, Winter Haven.
8:42-9:14 — Jack Collins, Sarasota; Bill Golson, Temple Terrace; Gary Holmes, Jacksonville; Bill McAnily, Naples.
8:50-9:06 — William Brownrigg, Palm Bay; Paul Jones, Orlando; Kye Scales, West Palm Beach; Ken Nielsen, Melbourne.
8:58-9:58 — RobertMcCullers, Leesburg; Geo. Bumgarner, Orlando; John Chazel, Ocala; Jack Couder, Orlando.
9:06-9:50 — Van Silver, Miami; Dean Spanos, Tarpon Springs; John Reger, Tampa; Bob Michael, Sarasota.
9:14-8:42 — Earl Gibson, Sarasota; Scott Clanton, Lakeland; Ronald Ruffer, Tampa; Steve Guttman, Pensacola.

TENTH TEE THURSDAY FIRST TEE FRIDAY

7:30-12:49 — Ryal Lancaster, Orlando; Ned Hogan, Vero Beach; Kenneth Rogers, Lakeland; Tom Fitzpatrick, Palm Bay.
7:38-12:49 — Julian Serles, Temple Terrace; Donald Chornak, Miami; Jim Hamilton, Orlando; Bill Stark, Tallahassee.
7:46-12:33 — T. L. Price, Melbourne; Chuck Morgan, Orlando; John McCue, Winter Park; Jack Keena, Longwood.
7:54-12:25 — Jack Matthews, Tequesta; Tom Grady, Winter Park; Billy Logins, Orlando; Robert Hughes, Ft. Myers.
8:02-12:17 — Richard Silverberg, Tampa; Joel Logins, Orlando; George Scales, Silver Springs; Wade King, Melbourne.
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8:58-9:58 — Joe Scales, Jacksonville; Kenneth Davis, Orlando; Billy Napier, Orlando; Gerald Grisson, Casselberry.
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9:14-8:42 — Tom Lane, Satellite Bch.; Jack Rountree, Lake City; Earl Morris, Naples; John Biggs, Orlando.

CROSS OVER FIRST TEE THURSDAY TENTH TEE FRIDAY CROSS OVER

11:45-8:34 — M. T. Mcinnis, Bradenton; L. T. Gove, Bill Williams, Tallahassee; Dexter Daniels, Sr., Winter Haven; Al Tidrow, St. Petersburg.
11:53-8:26 — Austin Jones, Orlando; Kevin Butler, W. Palm Beach; Dexter Daniels, Jr., Winter Haven; John Ward, Winter Park.
12:01-8:18 — Billy Myers, Kissimmee; Lee Huayth, Lehigh; Gary Solomon, Coral Gables; Kirk Stringfellow, Lutz.
12:09-8:10 — John Pratt, Winter Park; Jim Prim, Pensacola; Michael Egelberg, Tampa; David Ashmore, Tallahassee.
12:17-8:02 — Bill Belk, Lakeland; Kenneth Walsh, Miami; Lee Rinke, Stuart; Rusty Cappelen, Gainesville.
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12:49-7:30 — Tom Vaughan, Orlando; Jack Vehige, Clearwater; Jim Saunier, Ft. Lauderdale; Crig Scott, Orlando.
NEW PRESIDENT E. Austin Jones, wife Sandy and daughter Jaime and last of the ice carvings at Ponce de Leon dinner.

JONES NEW PRESIDENT
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"I think it particularly timely that FSGA recognizes Florida's golf beginnings. I hope this occasion of honoring the man who built the first golf holes in the state will become an annual affair, and that Florida State Golf Association will continue to lead the way in making our residents and visitors more aware of Florida's great golf heritage," Jones said.

Gillespie Golf Week, May 18-23, was organized in Sarasota by FSGA to formally observe the 91st anniversary of the building of the first golf holes in the state by pioneer Scot settler, J. Hamilton Gillespie.

The week featured a series of golf tournaments and social events climaxd by the Central Florida U.S. Open qualifying rounds at Country Club of Sarasota and Bent Tree Golf Club.

ANN AND RODNEY KARLSON, veteran FSGAers from Fort Pierce, were winners in the Gillespie Mixed Pairs competition and in the costume judging at Country Club of Sarasota.

CLUB TEAM WINNERS were from Lake Region C.C., Winter Haven. Dexter Daniels, Sr., Jet Thomas, Dexter Daniels, Jr., and Chip Parks. Their 609 total for 144 holes was 21 strokes ahead of second place Palatka.

ONLY 36 HOLES PLAYED

RON TUMLIN WINS RAIN-SHORTENED MEMBER INVITATIONAL AT PONCE

Ron Tumlin of Palatka carded scores of 72-75 to win the FSGA Member Invitational at Ponce de Leon Country Club in April, edging out Chip Parks of Winter Haven by two strokes.

Ron's victory came at the end of two days' play, instead of the scheduled three, because of a drenching rain Saturday night. The course was deemed too wet for play on Sunday.

Altogether, 52 prizes, counting team awards, were presented 89 players.

THE PRIZE WINNERS:

CHAMPIONSHIP
Ron Tumlin-Palatka-147; Chip Parks-Winter Haven-149; Austin Jones-Orlando-150; Ronnie Ferguson-Palatka-150; Jack Rountree-Lake City-150.

FIRST FLIGHT
Bill Cunningham-Naples-159; Joe Ingarra-Palm Beach Garden-160; Carl Johnson-Tallahassee-160; John Jacobs-St. Pete-160; Garland Grund- staff-Melbourne-162; B.D. Hedgecock-Satellite Beach-163; Bob Porch-Palatka-163.

SECOND FLIGHT
Burwell Jones-Sarasota-170; Norm Donnelly-Sarasota-170; H.H. Hedgecock-Satellite Beach-170; Lennie Tanner-Sarasota-171; Al Tesori-St. Augustine-171; Jack Clayton-Palm Bay-172.

THIRD FLIGHT

SENIOR DIVISION CHAMPIONSHIP
Dexter Daniels, Sr.-Winter Haven-152; Norton Harris-Key West-153; Ned Searcy-Jacksonville-154; Tom Grady-Winter Park-154; Rod Howard-Vero Beach-157; Ray Hendley-Sarasota-159.

FIRST FLIGHT
Tip Murphy-Ormond Beach-164; Joe Fulford-Palm Harbor-166; Clive Williams-Lehigh-167; Bill Stark-Tally-167; Jack Smith-Bradenton-168; Elliott Horn-Palm Bay-168; M.T. Payne-Palm Bay-168.

SECOND FLIGHT
C.J. Gunl-Jacksonville-174; W.B. Stevens-Barrow-175; John Mansfield-Lehigh-175; Frank Simpson-Jacksonville-176; Edd Williams-Cocoa-178; John LaRoche-Alamont Springs-179.

THIRD FLIGHT
E.C. Jones-St. Pete-185; Ed Potter-Palm Bay-186; Bob Head-Gainesville-187; Geo. Kavali-Sarasota-193; Al Breinhaut-Satellite Beach-193; Andrew Thalington-West Palm Beach-194.
FLORIDA STATE GOLF ASSOCIATION
WEST CENTRAL DISTRICT 4-BALL TOURNAMENT
CYPRESS CREEK GOLF CLUB, ORLANDO, JUNE 18-19, 1977

TEAM ENTRY
Name ___________________________ Date of Birth ___________________________
Address ___________________________ City ___________________________ Zip ______
I am a current member of ___________ handicap is ______
Name ___________________________ Date of Birth ___________________________
Address ___________________________ City ___________________________ Zip ______
I am a current member of ___________ handicap is ______
Home phone __________________ Office ph. __________________
( ) New Member ( ) Renewal ( ) Dues Paid

TEAM ENTRY FEE OF $70: Includes carts for Sat. & Sun., and merchandise prizes all flights. 6 months dues of $9 must be included if entrant is not a current member of FSGA or on FSGA Handicap System. Members and new members must belong to an FSGA member club. Tournament is 36 hole stroke play best ball of two man team. Teams will be flighted on Sun. based on Sat. gross score. 1st & 2nd overall team low net prizes on Sat. Prizes all flights on Sun. Starting times will begin at 9:00 A.M. each day and will be posted for Sat. at the Cypress Creek Golf Club Pro Shop Fri. June 17. Please call (305) 855-1485 or 884-0885 for starting times or for further information on the tournament.

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: FSGA WCD
MAIL TO: FSGA WCD 1720 Lakeside Dr. Orlando, FL 32803

1977 FSGA STATE JUNIOR GOLF TOURNAMENT
Conducted by Florida State Golf Association
July 21-22, 1977
COUNTRY CLUB OF MIAMI, MIAMI, FLORIDA

Name ___________________________ Date of Birth ___________________________ Age ______
Address ___________________________ City ___________________________ Zip ______
I am a current member of ___________ club. My current handicap is ______
Phone ___________________________ School last attended ___________________________
12-14 Division ___________________________ 15-17 Division ___________________________

ENTRY FEE OF $10 MUST ACCOMPANY THIS FORM AND MUST BE RECEIVED IN SARASOTA BEFORE JULY 8, 5 P.M. NO ENTRIES BY PHONE. NO REFUNDS ON CANCELLATIONS RECEIVED AFTER THIS DATE. IF YOU MUST WITHDRAW PLEASE BE COURTEOUS ENOUGH TO NOTIFY THE TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR AT (813) 958-6673 or call pro shop at (305) 821-0111. Entries are open to male amateur golfers who have registered in Fla. schools during the past year, have handicap of 15 or under and have reached their 12th birthday but not reached their 18th birthday by midnight of July 22, 1977. There will be divisions for boys 12 through 14 years old and 15 through 17. The tournament is 36 holes stroke play with 18 holes being played each day. All contestants must be members of FSGA member clubs. The low overall scorer will be the winner of the tournament regardless of age bracket. TROPHIES given in all divisions. Ties will be settled by matching cards starting on first hole, except for championship where there will be playoff.

Send entry to: FSGA, P.O. Drawer 1298, Sarasota, Fla. 33578
FIELD LIMITED TO FIRST 120 ENTRIES
PAIRINGS WILL BE MAILED JULY 15.

FLORIDA STATE GOLF ASSOCIATION
FOUR-BALL TOURNAMENT COUNTRY CLUB OF MIAMI
JULY 23-24, 1977

TEAM ENTRY
Name ___________________________ Date of Birth ___________________________ (For Senior Section)
Address ___________________________ City ___________________________ Zip ______
I am a current member of ___________ handicap is ______
Name ___________________________ Date of Birth ___________________________ (For Senior Section)
Address ___________________________ City ___________________________ Zip ______
I am a current member of ___________ handicap is ______
Home phone __________________ Office ph. __________________
( ) New Member ( ) Renewal ( ) Dues Paid

TEAM ENTRY FEE OF $70: Includes carts for Sat. & Sun. and merchandise prizes all flights. 6 months dues of $9 must be included if entrant is not a current member of FSGA or on FSGA Handicap System. Members and new members must belong to an FSGA member club. Tournament is 36 hole stroke play best ball of two man team. Teams will be flighted on Sun. based on Sat. gross score. Gross and net prizes all flights. Starting times will begin at 9:00 A.M. each day and will be posted for Sat. at the Country Club of Miami Pro Shop June 29.

Mail entries to: FSGA, P.O. Drawer 1298, Sarasota, Fla. 33578
Pairings will be mailed July 12.
Carey announced that the Hall of Fame award will become an annual affair held in conjunction with future Gillespie Golf Week events.

FSGA members from around the state plus local Sarasotans who have been prominent in furthering golf's beginnings in Sarasota, attended the award function sponsored by Arvida Corporation and FSGA and held in the DeSoto Ball Room of the Hyatt House Hotel.

The inscription on the award read:

"For the past 50 years, beginning in 1927 when he won the club championship at Temple Terrace, Dexter Daniels, Senior, of Winter Haven, has been the premier amateur golfer of Florida. His victories in national competition began in 1956 when, with Dexter, Junior, they won the Father-Son National Championship. Daniel's victory in the USGA's National Senior Championship in 1961 was the first time a Floridian won this distinguished event. He has continued until this day, to compile a monumental list of victories and titles in Senior Amateur golf competition. His golf prowess has earned him the right and distinction of being named the first nominee and entry into Florida State Golf Association's Hall of Fame."

AL AND AUDREY TIDROW, Sr. Petersburg, caught the Gillespie spirit in their late 1800s links attire.

TWO DEXTERS display Seniors Award. The Daniels family has been prominent in Florida golf for many years.

ROSSI REPORTS

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"There's more going on in golf in Florida than in any other state in the Union," Rossi said, noting that Florida is the only state that more than doubled its golfing facilities in the past decade, from 273 to 573.

Furthermore, he pointed out, Florida is the leader in golf course development for the third straight year, out-pacing its nearest competitor, Michigan, by more than half.

As executive director of the NGF, a position he assumed in 1970, Rossi spoke as one of the acknowledged authorities on golf activities in the U.S. Before joining NGF, he followed a diverse career as a sports executive, serving as chief of sports, worldwide, of the U.S. Air Force; as the first general manager of the Dallas Texans professional football team, and as a highly respected football and basketball official in the Southwest Conference.

Touching on current golf prospects and problems, Rossi said that women constitute "the brightest spot, the biggest growth factor in the game today." He noted that women's participation increased 16 per cent in 1976 — "and that's where we're looking to the growth of the game."

Rossi also touched on the NGF's junior golf instruction program, designed to counteract what he said was a lack of effective teaching of the sport in schools and colleges. "Golf is the worst taught course in the schools today compared to other sports," he said, and for that reason NGF had instituted a program of workshops and seminars to improve the quality of instruction.

In the area of problems, Rossi underscored soaring costs as a major obstacle to golf course development. He cited such factors as land, materials, services, taxes, green fees, food services and golf cart rentals as major items of escalating cost.

"All add up to making golf a tremendously costly enterprise," he said.
FSGA 1977 TOURNAMENTS

June 9-12 60th Annual State Amateur Championship, 72 holes, Bay Hill Golf Club, Orlando.

June 18-19 West Central 4-Ball, Cypress Creek Golf Club, Orlando.


July 30-31 Two-Man Best Ball, Full Handicap, Port Malabar Country Club, Palm Bay.

August 5-7 N.W. "Life at Forty," 54 holes, Bay Point Golf Club, Panama City.

August 21 Lone Palm Country Club, Scholarship Day, Lakeland.

August 27-28 Mixed Pairs State Championship, Port Malabar Country Club, Palm Bay.

Sept. 24-25 State Four-Ball with Senior Section, 36 holes, Longboat Key Golf Club, Sarasota.


Nov. 4-6 Lahigh "Life at Forty," 54 holes, Lahigh Country Club.

Dec. 3-4 Holiday Four-Ball, 36 holes, King's Inn, Sun City Center.

RICK PEARSON was low qualifier with one under par 143 for 36 holes.

RICK PEARSON WINS OPEN QUALIFYING MEDAL

Florida's hottest young golfer hopes to arrive at the State Amateur after having qualified for the U.S. Open at Atlanta June 7.

Rick Pearson, Bradenton, state Junior College Champion and veteran FSGA performer for his early years, became the first amateur since Gary Koch to win the Central Florida local qualifying medal. His one under par 143 for the 36-hole one day test at Country Club of Sarasota and Bent Tree Golf Club, was three strokes ahead of the 123 player field.

Next stop Atlanta.

"We'll drive up Sunday for the sectional qualifying, play a practice round Monday at Horseshoe Bend and hope for the best on Tuesday," Rick's Dad, Bud Pearson, Superintendent at Bradenton's Palma Sola Golf Club, reported.

Young Pearson departs the Atlanta scene after another 36-hole endurance run, Tuesday, June 7, heads for Bay Hill and a practice round Wednesday, before teeing-up for the four day Amateur Championship beginning Thursday, June 9.

Here's the order of finish for the 13 Open qualifiers at Sarasota which was conducted by FSGA:


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TAMPA — The widely heralded pleasures of camaraderie and competition in senior golf are true as previously reported.

Matter of fact, after playing in my first Florida Senior Golf Association event at Palma Ciea Golf Club here, I’m convinced the benefits are better than advertised.

Any male golfer who has reached the age of 55, still in pleasurable condition, should align himself with a senior golf organization. As one newcomer to the league observed:

“If I had known this bunch existed and that I was going to live so long I would have taken better care of myself.”

No matter how you score, the rewards are memorable in being with old friends, making some great new ones and playing three or four consecutive days in magnificent weather on a truly outstanding golf course.

Then, there is the membership attitude of the host club. And here, at Palma Ciea, it is tops in Florida. This club and its members have contributed greatly to Florida golf in terms of facilities, money and participation in the more than half century of the club’s existence.

Palma Ciea host professional, Gil Gonsalves, is one of the better practitioners when it comes to administering events at his home track. Gil and his staff in the shop, in the cart force, at starter’s table and scoreboard always are courteous, helpful and unusually charitable in posting large 18 hole numbers without comment.

The leadership at Palma Ciea from the beginning has had a strong sense of participation and a true feeling for the spirit of the game. George Edmondson, Harry Root, Jr. and Maynard Ramsey, during younger days provided the leadership for Florida State Golf Association. Now they continue in senior play.

The venerable Edmondson, guiding hand as executive secretary of the State Seniors Association, was honored during the 25th anniversary dinner in the club’s historic ballroom. George was stepping down after all those years of dedication to the hundreds of details which make up successful tournament golf and rewarding association activity.

However, Edmondson still will be aboard as a committee member to impart his expertise when needed and to regale all within earshot of his links prowess of yesteryear.

He can still recount the highlight shots and hole by hole descriptions, of the important matches of an illustrious amateur golf career.

“Like that Ske Beigle beating me in Miami in the finals of the 1942 State Amateur,” George recalled, “why he had no business even playing in the event. He was a professional, pure and simple.”

George Edmondson is one of a kind and the kind that was needed to forge and operate successfully the Florida Seniors for a quarter of a century.

Deference to the theme “the older they are the better they are,” is apparent in flight classification. Play is by age groups with the Class A section being the 75 year olds and over. Class B is 70 through 74; Class C, 65 through 69; Class D 60 to 64 with the last grouping, the 55 to 59 upsarts making up Class E.

The overall winner of the three day 54 hole stroke play event this year was the veteran Norton Harris of Key West whose finishing 75 the final day got him home one shot ahead of Tony Cuccinello and Dexter Daniels, Sr.

The tournament prizes, sets of sterling silver water goblets, all engraved the same, “FSGA Winner 1977,” are awarded to victors in the gross and net play in keeping with the dignified level of camaraderie and competition, a classic feature of the Florida Seniors.

Charles O. Foster of Vero Beach was elected President of the Senior Association during the Palma Ciea event, succeeding Robert B. Cole of Miami, who had the distinction of leading the organization through a distinguished 25th year.