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Randall wins Blaisdell Pro Am Invitational



IMAGE: George Duke (right), third generation owner of Bradford, PA based Zippo, presents pro golfer Dwayne Randall, of Peek'n Peak Resort in Clymer, NY, with the 2015 Blaisdell Pro Am trophy at the Pennhills Club on Monday.

Bradford, PA, July 27, 2015 – Dwayne Randall won the \$10,000 pro purse at Monday's Blaisdell Pro Am Invitational at the Pennhills Club in Bradford, PA.

Randall, of Peek'n Peak Resort in Clymer, NY, shot an astonishing score of 66 and was awarded his cash prize and trophy by Zippo owner and Chairman of the Board George B. Duke at the banquet following the tournament.

Jon Hoecker, of the Brook-Lea Country Club in Rochester, NY, took second with a score of 67. Hoecker's team composed of amateurs Troy Smith, Jeff Andreano, and Eric Smith, snagged the top team prize. Each took home a \$400 prize for their winning team score of 118 net.

The Blaisdell Pro Am, sponsored by Zippo, drew 30 PGA pros from the Western New York Section of the Professional Golf Association, along with 90 amateurs, competing for the \$30,000 in prize money available.

The invitational is named for the founder of Zippo, George G. Blaisdell, an avid golfer who was a founding member of the Pennhills Club. Blaisdell sponsored many Pro Am tournaments at the Pennhills Club throughout the 60s and 70s, proudly inviting top

golfers of the time to the Walter Travis-designed course. Blaisdell was recognized as one of the inaugural honorary members of the WNY PGA for his active sponsorship and participation.

"I'm very proud that we have rejuvenated the tournament in honor of my grandfather, George Blaisdell," said George Duke, third generation owner of Zippo. "We're going to keep growing this tournament every year. Just wait until you see what's in store for next year."

About the Pennhills Club

Founded in December 1937, from the merger of the North Penn Club and the Bradford Country Club, the Pennhills Club was designed by two of the top names of the day. Famed amateur golfer, golf writer and course architect Walter Travis designed a full 18 holes for Pennhills, and the club's brick and slate Tudor-style clubhouse was designed by American architect Clifford C. Wendehack, who designed the clubhouse at the elite Winged Foot Golf Club in Mamaroneck, New York.

In the past, the club has had the pleasure of hosting notable golfers such as Bob Eastman, Marty Fleckman, Gibby Gilbert, Rocky Thompson, J.C. Goosie, Sam Snead, and Gene Sarazan. Even MLB Hall of Famer Joe DiMaggio visited the club for the 1980 Zippo Open.

About Zippo

Zippo markets in more than 160 countries and is one of the most recognized brands in the world. Based in Bradford, PA, Zippo has produced over 500 million windproof lighters since 1932, each backed by an unparalleled lifetime guarantee. Zippo's diverse product line includes lighter accessories; butane candle lighters, fragrance for men and women, and a robust line of heat and flame products for outdoor enthusiasts. Zippo also owns the Bradford, PA-based Ronson brand of lighters and W.R. Case and Sons Cutlery Company, who marked its 125th year in business in 2014. For more information, visit zippo.com or follow us on Facebook and Twitter.