

## Tournament Wrap-Up

# Singh, Jacobsen, Harris and DalCorobbo Headline Summer Champions

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**V**ijay Singh won the state's only PGA Tour stop, Peter Jacobsen won Michigan's only Champions Tour stop and Michael Harris enjoyed a banner summer in Michigan's major tournaments. Here is a quick review of the summer of champions:

### Buick Open

Vijay Singh won his second consecutive Buick Open and his fourth PGA Tour victory of the season when he finished with a 24-under 264 at Warwick Hills Golf and Country Club in Grand Blanc.

Singh, who became the first three-time winner in the storied history of the Buick Open, won the



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Tom Izzo is getting a lot of recognition for his golf. He's the new pitch person for The Chief and Hawk's Eye courses, has his annual Izzo-Mariucci Golf Tournament in the U.P. and played in the Buick Pro-Am with Tiger this year.

Zach Johnson tied with Tiger Woods for 2nd.

\$828,000 winner's share of the \$4.6 million purse when he edged Tiger Woods and Zach Johnson by four strokes.

## Ford Senior Players Championship

Peter Jacobsen shot 6-under 66 in the final round to win the Ford Senior Players Championship at the TPC of Michigan in Dearborn. The victory was Jacobsen's second major title on the Champions Tour. Jacobsen, who finished with a 15-under 273, one stroke ahead of Hale Irwin and three strokes ahead of Tom Watson, collected the \$375,000 winner's share of the \$2.5 million purse.

## Michigan PGA Championship

John DalCorobbo fired a 7-under 65 in the final round on the Cedar River course at Shanty Creek Resort in Bellaire to claim the 2005 Michigan PGA Championship. He finished the 54-hole tournament with an 11-under 205 and edged Jordan Young of Grosse Ile Golf and Country Club by four strokes. Brad Dean of Crystal Mountain finished five strokes back.

DalCorobbo, 40, who is the Director of Golf Instruction at Michigan State University's Forest Akers Golf Club, lost the 2002 Michigan PGA Championship in a playoff with Ron Beurmann and eventual champion Ken Allard.

“What a wonderful feeling to match the names on that (Gilbert A. Currie) trophy and be a part of that legacy,” DalCorobbo said. “There are times in my life I don't feel like I've got game any more, and then there are times like this that I think, 'Wow, I can play.'”

## Michigan Amateur Championship

With seven birdies in the final 12 holes, Christian Voza of Traverse City beat Patrick Wilkes-Krier of Ann Arbor 5 and 4 to claim the 94th Michigan Amateur Championship at



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**Peter Jacobsen was the popular winner of the Ford Senior Players Championship at the TPC of Michigan.**



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**Mandi McConnell, a member of the MSU golf team, captured the 89th Michigan Women's Amateur Championship**

Muskegon Country Club. Vozza, 22, who beat Jimmy Chestnut of Grand Blanc 2 and 1 in the semi-finals, opened the championship match with a pair of bogeys but rallied with four consecutive birdies.

"I was a little nervous out of the gate but then I made a couple of birdies and got my rhythm going," Vozza said. "Today I felt like I could make anything I looked at from 20 feet in. I'm a feel player so if I start making a few, I get in a rhythm."

### Michigan Women's Amateur Championship

Mandi McConnell, a junior at Michigan State, won the 89th Michigan Women's Amateur Championship by defeating Western Michigan University sophomore Laura Bavaird 6 and 5 in the championship match at Radrick Farms Golf Club in Ann Arbor.

McConnell, 20, who was named Michigan's 'Miss Golf' in 2003 when she was a senior at Grand Blanc High School, won the first hole of the championship match with a birdie and won the next two holes with pars. "I stayed calm and tried to stay focused on what I was doing," said McConnell, who beat Rosemary Cassard of Grand Rapids 3 and 2 in the semifinals.

"It's exciting, really exciting," McConnell said of the championship. "I made some putts when I had to and I hit a lot of greens." *MG*

# U of M's Harris Wins 88th Detroit Newspapers Michigan Open

By Mike Shiels

**M**ichael Harris, a 27-year-old touring professional from Troy, shot 69 on

sional, collected \$8,4000.

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The Bear in Thursday's fourth and final round to win the 88th Detroit Newspapers Michigan Open Championship. With rounds of 67-67-65-69 (268) Harris finished the championship at 20-under-par - the lowest four round total ever shot on The Bear at Grand Traverse Resort and Spa. The record-setting performance allowed Harris to finish six strokes ahead of Colby Beckstrom, a Muskegon rookie professional who closed with a 69 for a total of 14-under-par. Harris's share of the \$110,000 purse is \$13,000. Beckstrom, a past Michigan Amateur champion competing in his first event as a profes-

sional, hit the right shots at the right time, you can get there. Still, I wouldn't have believed it," said Harris, who made the Michigan Open his first-ever four-round victory as a professional. "I started out today wanting to break 70 in all four rounds. It was a lot windier today and a lot tougher, and the pins were tough. You have to respect that on a tough golf course. I knew the putter was there and I knew my game was still there, I just had to have the patience to let it come through."

Harris, a three-time all Big Ten golfer has twice won the three-