

# Michigan Golfer's Second Annual New Year's Day Top 10 List

*Should auld acquaintance be forgot  
and never brought to mind?  
Should auld acquaintance be forgot  
and days of auld lang syne?  
For auld lang syne, my dear,  
for auld lang syne,  
we'll take a cup of kindness yet,  
for auld lang syne.*

- Robert Burns

## Top 10 Michigan Golf Stories of 2005 - Random Order

1. MGCOA Launches League Championship Series

**Video:** [http://michigangolfer.tv/2005 shows/ghf/](http://michigangolfer.tv/2005%20shows/ghf/)

2. Matthews, Garety, Roth and Aldridge Elected to Michigan Golf Hall of Fame
3. Launch of the Native American Cup
4. Loss of Farmer's Charity Classic and Futures Tournaments
5. V.J. Singh beating Tiger Woods

- at the Buick Open
6. Michael Harris Wins Tournament of Champions, Michigan Open, Bay Mills Open
7. Treetops Named Course of the Year by MGCOA
8. The addition of Greywalls, Macatawa Legends, The Mines, College Field and True North to Michigan's golf inventory
9. Calvin Peete and Leo Diegel Elected to the Michigan Sports Hall of Fame
10. Golf for the Gulf

## Top 10 Michigan Golf Tournaments - Random Order

1. Buick Open
2. Ford Senior Players Championship
3. Par 3 Shootout
4. Michigan Open
5. Michigan Amateur
6. Western Amateur
7. Bay Mills Open
8. Native American Cup
9. PGA Championship
10. Women's Open

## Top 10 Michigan Golf Courses - Golfweek

1. Arcadia Bluffs, Arcadia
2. Tullymore, Stanwood
3. Bay Harbor (Links/Quarry), Harbor Springs
4. Lakewood Shores Resort (Gailes), Oscoda
5. Treetops North (Smith), Gaylord
6. Wilderness Valley GC (Black Forest), Gaylord
7. Black Lake, Onaway
8. Belvedere, Charlevoix
9. High Pointe, Williamston
10. Treetops North (Fazio), Gaylord

*Source: Golfweek Magazine*

## Top 10 Most Influential People in Michigan Golf - Random Order

1. Rick Smith
2. Steve Kircher
3. Chris McInnes
4. Vartan Kupelian
5. Dave Richards
6. David Graham
7. John Dodge
8. Kevin Helm
9. Kate Moore
10. Carlos Monarrez

## Top 10 Views in Michigan Golf - Random Order

1. Clubhouse at Arcadia Bluff
2. Clubhouse at Shanty Creek
3. Clubhouse at Little Traverse Bay
4. The Tower at Grand Traverse Resort and Spa
5. The Cuppola at the Grand Hotel
6. The 6th hole at Treetops
7. Anywhere at Bay Harbor
8. Clubhouse at the Otsego Club
9. Clubhouse at Oakland Hills CC
10. The Clubhouse at Buck's Run

## Top 10 Instructional Golf Programs in Michigan - Random Order

1. Boyne Golf Academy with Brian O'Neil and Jim Flick
2. Grand Traverse Resort and Spa-Jim McLean Golf School with Jason Jenkins
3. Treetops-Rick Smith Golf Academy with Henry Young
4. Homestead-Dave Peltz Short Game School
5. Crystal Mountain Resort-Crystal Mountain Golf School with Brad Dean
6. Miles of Golf-Dave Kendall's Golf Academy
7. Fox Hills-Crystal Mountain Resort-Crystal Mountain Golf School with Brad Dean and Scott Wilson
8. Carl's Golfand Schools with Dick Bury
9. Treetops -Ladies Golf School with Judy Mason
10. Patti Butcher's Golf Academy

## Top 10 Teachers in Michigan

1. Rick Smith, Treetops Resort, Gaylord
2. Dave Kendall, Miles of Golf, Ypsilanti
3. Bradley Dean, Crystal Mt. Resort, Thompsonville
4. Henry Young, Treetops Sylvan Resort, Gaylord
5. Jeff Ferry, Franklin Hills C.C., Franklin
6. Steve Brady, Oakland Hills C.C., Bloomfield Hills
7. Charley Vandenberg, Kent C.C., Grand Rapids
8. Glenn Hall, Westbrooke G. Cse., Novi
9. Dick Bury, Carl's Golfand, Bloomfield Hills
10. Jack Seltzer, Insideswing, Burton

*Source: Golf Digest*

## Top 10 Michigan PGA Players on Money List

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|---------------------|-------------|
| 1. John DalCorobbo  | \$17,925.00 |
| 2. Scott Hebert     | \$12,750.00 |
| 3. Ron Beurmann     | \$11,328.52 |
| 4. Joseph Pollack   | \$11,045.00 |
| 5. Jordan Young     | \$10,550.42 |
| 6. Kenneth Allard   | \$9,367.08  |
| 7. Bob Ackerman III | \$7,527.50  |
| 8. Jeff Sobczak     | \$6,931.25  |
| 9. Robert Makoski   | \$6,452.50  |
| 10. Brian Cairns    | \$6,325.83  |

*Source: Michigan PGA*

## Top 10 Michigan Golfer Television Shows - Random Order

1. MGCOA Launches League Championship Series  
<http://michigangolfer.tv/2005shows/mgcoaleaguetournament/>
2. Matthews, Garety, Roth and Aldridge Elected to Michigan Golf Hall of Fame  
<http://michigangolfer.tv/2005shows/ghf/>
3. Celebration of the Ryder Cup  
<http://michigangolfer.tv/2005shows/irish/>
4. The Loon Golf Club  
<http://michigangolfer.tv/2005shows/Loon/>
5. Bay Mills Open Players Tournament  
<http://baymillsopen.com>
6. The Natural  
<http://michigangolfer.tv/2005shows/natural/>
7. The Majestic at Lake Walden  
<http://michigangolfer.tv/2005shows/majestic/>
8. True North  
<http://michigangolfer.tv/2005shows/truenorth/>
9. Michigan Open  
<http://michigangolfer.tv/2005shows/michiganopen/>

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10. Native American Cup  
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## Top 10 Golf Books of All Time

1. Bernard Darwin On Golf by Bernard Darwin, edited by Jeff Silverman (2003)
2. The Golf Omnibus by P.G. Wodehouse (1980)
3. The Story of American Golf by Herbert Warren Wind (1948)
4. Down the Fairway by Robert T. Jones Jr. and O.B. Keeler (1927)
5. Golf In The Kindom by Michael Murphy (1972)
6. Dead Solid Perfect by Dan Jenkins (1971)
7. The Mystery Of Golf by Arnold Haultain (1908)
8. Five Lessons: The Modern Fundamentals of Golf by Ben Hogan (1957)
9. Scotland's Gift: Golf by Charles B. Macdonald (1928)
10. Golf Dreams by John Updike (1996)

*Source: Travel and Leisure*

## Top 10 Reasons Why Golf is Better than Sex

10. A below par performance is considered good.
9. You can stop in the middle and have a cheeseburger and a couple of beers.
8. It's much easier to find the sweet spot.

7. Foursomes are encouraged.
6. You can still make money doing it as a senior.
5. Three times a day is possible.
4. Your partner doesn't hire a lawyer if you do it with some one else.
3. If you live in Florida, you can do it every day.
2. You don't have to cuddle with your partner when you're finished.
1. If your equipment gets old and rusty, you can replace it.

*Source: David Letterman Show*

## Top 10 Golf Videos

1. "Jack Nicklaus: Golf My Way"
2. "Phil Ritson Video Encyclopedia of Golf"
3. "The 8-Step Swing by Jim McLean"
4. "How I Play Golf" (Bobby Jones)
5. "Lessons with Leadbetter"
6. "David Leadbetter: Simple Secrets for Great Golf"
7. "Arnold Palmer: Play Great Golf"
8. "Fred Couples on Tempo"
9. "Butch Harmon DVD Series"
10. "Harvey Penick's Little Red Video"

*Source: About.com Website*

## Top 10 Classic Golf Instruction Books

1. "The Golf Instruction Manual"

2. "The Golf Handbook: The Complete Guide to the Greatest Game"
3. "Harvey Penick's Little Red Book"
4. "Practical Golf"
5. "The Golf School: The Tuition Free Tee-To-Green Curriculum"
6. "The Golf Swing"
7. "Five Lessons: The Modern Fundamentals of Golf"
8. "Golf Digest's Ultimate Drill Book"
9. "David Leadbetter's Faults and Fixes: How to Correct ..."
10. "The Scrambler's Dozen: The 12 Shots Every Golfer Needs to Score Like the Pros"

*Source: Brent Kelley-Your Guide to Golf.*

## 10 Toughest Golf Courses in the United States

1. Koolau Golf Course, Oahu, Hawaii
2. The International Golf Club, Bolton, Massachusetts
3. Whistling Straits, Kohler, Wisconsin
4. Ocean Course, Kiawah Island, South Carolina
5. Concord Resort and Golf Club Monster Course, Kiamesha Lake, New York
6. Lagoon Legend, Marriott's Bay Point Resort, Panama City, Florida
7. PGA West's Stadium Course, La Quinta, California
8. Renegade Course at Desert Mountain, Scottsdale, Arizona

9. Bayonet Course, Fort Ord, Seaside, California
  10. PGA West's Jack Nicklaus Tournament Course, La Quinta, California
- Source: Jeff Williams, Newsweek*

## Top 10 Golf Courses in America

1. Pine Valley G.C. 6,853 70 Pine Valley, N.J.— George Crump & H.S. Colt (1918)
2. Augusta National G.C. 7,290 72 Augusta, Ga.— Alister Mackenzie & Bobby Jones (1933)
3. Shinnecock Hills G.C. 6,821 70 Southampton, N.Y. — William Flynn (1931)
4. Cypress Point Club 6,509 72 Pebble Beach, Calif. Alister Mackenzie & Robert Hunter (1928)
5. Oakmont C.C. 7,279 71 Oakmont, Pa. — Henry Fownes (1903)
6. Pebble Beach G. Links 6,840 72-Pebble Beach, Calif.— Jack Neville & Douglas Grant (1919)
7. Merion G.C. (East) 6,852 70 Ardmore, Pa. — Hugh Wilson (1912)
8. Winged Foot G.C. (West) 7,229 72 Mamaroneck, N.Y. — A.W. Tillinghast (1923)
9. National G. Links of America 6,876 73 Southampton, N.Y. C.B. Macdonald (1911)
10. Seminole G.C. 6,836 72 Juno Beach, Fla. Donald Ross (1929)

*Source: Golf Digest*

## Top 10 Courses in the Upper Peninsula - Random Order

1. Wild Bluff
2. Timberstone
3. The Rock at Drummond Island
4. George Young Golf Course
5. Gladstone Golf Club
6. Keweenaw Mountain Lodge
7. Red Fox Run
8. Greywalls of Marquette CC
9. Sault Ste. Marie CC
10. Newberry Golf Club

## Top 10 Natural Rules of Golf

1. Since bad shots come in groups of three, a fourth bad shot is actually the beginning of the next group of three.
2. When you look up, causing an awful shot, you will always look down again at exactly the moment when you ought to start watching the ball if you ever want to see it again.
3. There are two things you can learn by stopping your back swing at the top and checking the position of your hands: how many hands you have, and which one is wearing the glove.
4. Golfers who claim they don't cheat, also lie.
5. It's surprisingly easy to hole a 50-foot putt when you lie 8.
6. It's not a gimme if you're still away.
7. If you want to hit a 7-iron as far as Tiger Woods does, simply try to lay up just short of a water

hazard.

- 8 Hazards attract; fairways repel.
9. The shortest distance between any two points on a golf course is a straight line that passes directly through the center of a very large tree.
10. Every time a golfer makes a birdie, they must subsequently make two triple bogeys to restore the fundamental equilibrium of the universe.

*Source: Jim McIntyre*

## Top 10 Golf Courses in Southeast Michigan

1. The Orchards, Washington Township — 18 holes, 7,036 yards, par-72
2. Salem Hills, Northville - 18 holes, 6,992 yards, par-72
3. Dunham Hills, Hartland 18 holes, 6,771 yards, par-71
4. Fieldstone, Auburn Hills- 18 holes, 7,002 yards, par-72
5. Shepherd's Hollow, Clarkston- 27 holes, par-72
6. Plum Brook, Sterling Heights- 18 holes, 6,300 yards, par-71
- T-7. Boulder Pointe, Oxford- 27 holes, par-72
- T-7. Carrington, Monroe- 18 holes, 6,871 yards, par-72
9. Lyon Oaks, Wixom- 18 holes, 6,837 yards, par-72
10. Twin Lakes, Oakland Township- 18 holes, 6,745, par-71

*Source: Carlos Monarrez, Detroit Free Press MG*