

Happy Holidays from Waggle.com



Ayce, Bogeyman, Lefty (shown prior to consuming eggnog) and the entire staff at Waggle.com want to wish you and yours a **Happy Holidays!** 2007 has been a great year at Waggle.com. We've had a blast meeting and golfing with all of you this season and look forward to even more fun in 2008. Thanks for reading the newsletter, visiting the website, shopping in our store, playing in our

tourneys and providing the feedback that helps us keep improving. Have a joyous, festive and safe holiday season and we'll see you again starting with the golf shows in 2008.

The Golf Shows are Coming...



It's time to start thinking about next golf season. Which new club is going to resurrect your game? Where should you go for a golf trip? What's new at the area courses? The answers to these questions and more can be found at the local golf shows. Did Santa not bring you what you wanted? Then get ready, because these shows offers super savings on equipment and apparel; information on all your favorite local courses; discount golf pack-

ages to travel destinations; instructional seminars and clinics; and indoor driving ranges for testing new clubs. Try your skills/luck in the long drive and putting contests. Be sure to stop by the Waggle booths and say hi!

Jan 4-6, Greater Baltimore Golf Show, Timonium, MD www.golfshows.net

Jan 11-13, Virginia Golf Show, Richmond, VA www.agievents.com

Jan 31 - Feb 2 Washington Golf Show, Chantilly, VA
www.northcoastgolfshows.com

Need Cash for the Golf Shows?



Who doesn't? Get rid of those unwanted golf clubs and put some money in your pocket with Quick Sale Golf. From now until the end of 2007, anyone who sells at least \$50 in clubs will receive a 2008 U.S.

Golf Pass (a \$40 value) from Quick Sale Golf. Simply mention the Waggle special when you contact Mike at www.quicksalegolf.com or 703-907-9518.

This Week on Tour

- **PGA TOUR**
OFF
- **CHAMPIONS TOUR**
OFF
- **NATIONWIDE TOUR**
OFF
- **LPGA**
WENDY'S THREE TOUR CHALLENGE
DEC 21 - 23, 2007
HENDERSON, NEVADA

Which Ball is Right for You (The ads don't help)?



A recent Titleist ad summarizing the successes of PGA pros with Titleist balls reminded us of a Waggle experience with a ball fitting. First, the Titleist ball stats for 2007: #1 in Worldwide players with 20,742 pros against nearest competitor with 2,521; #1 in worldwide wins with 169 vs 28; and #1 in worldwide money with over \$342 million dollars against \$58 plus million. So we concede it may be the best ball for them. For us it is certainly the most expensive at \$40 and up per box.

Recently, Bogeyman was fitted on a launch monitor for the proper ball for his swing and discovered it was not the mighty Titleist. Sure, last we checked Bogeyman was not on the Tour but maybe that is just the point. His fitter told him that probably 95% of people playing Pro V1s shouldn't be. Perhaps a less expensive pellet which produces different spin, etc is right for you. According to Butch Catone of [The John O'Leary Golf Academy](#), most people can't generate enough club speed or attain the proper striking angle to play the balls they way the were designed for. So do yourself a favor this winter (and maybe even save some money) by having Butch or someone at your nearby shop fit you for the right ball.

Never Lie About Your Handicap

A businessman, John Erickson, was attending a conference in Africa. He had a free day and wanted to play a round of golf. He was directed to a golf course in the nearby jungle. After a short journey, he arrived at the course and asked the pro if he could get on. "Sure," said the Pro, "What's your handicap?" Not wanting to admit that he had an 18 handicap, he decided to cut it a bit. "Well, its 16," John said, "But what's the relevance since I'll be playing alone?" "It's very important for us to know," said the pro, who then called a caddy. "Go out with this gentleman," said the pro, "his handicap is 16." John was very surprised at this constant reference to his handicap. The caddy picked up John's bag and a large rifle; again the businessman was surprised but decided to ask no questions.

They arrived on the 1st hole, a par 4. "Please avoid those trees on the left", said the caddy. Needless to say, John duck-hooked his ball into the trees. He found his ball and was about to punch it out when he heard the loud crack of the rifle and a large snake fell dead from a tree above his head. The caddy stood next to him with the rifle smoking in his hand. "That's the mamba, the most poisonous snake in all Africa. You're lucky I was here with you." After taking a bogey, they moved to the 2nd hole, a par 5.

"Avoid those bushes on the right," says the caddy. Of course, John's ball went straight into the bushes. As he went to pick up his ball, he heard the loud crack of the caddy's rifle once more and a huge lion fell dead at his feet. "I've saved your life again," said the caddy.

The 3rd hole was a par 3 with a lake in front of the green. John's ball came up just short of the green and rolled back to the edge of the water. To take a shot, he had to stand with one foot in the lake. As he was about to swing, a large crocodile emerged from the water and bit off much of his right leg.

As he fell to the ground bleeding and in great pain, he saw the caddy with the rifle propped at his side, looking on unconcernedly. "Why didn't you kill it?" asked John incredulously. "I'm sorry, sir," said the caddy, "this is the 17th handicap hole, you don't get a shot here."



That's why you never lie about your handicap.

Off Season Golf Action



There are some fun winter tourneys to be found in the area if you know where to look. The weather is always the variable but even a cold snowy round can be enjoyable. I am still kicking myself for missing the Thanksgiving morning 9-hole outing at Hilltop this year. The weather and timing were well planned for a quick nine while the turkey was baking. Even the rain held off until after the event. Hilltop is hosting another holiday funsy this month, as are several of the courses in the community. One of

the most popular is the New Years tournament at Herndon Centennial. Now this is one where the weather has really been a factor. Some years you see all varieties of propane heaters in golf carts, and even a small bonfire on the course. Call the course for details as this one really does draw a crowd. For upcoming events always remember to check the Waggle.com local events tab on our home page. And, if we've have missed one, let us know. **-Ayce**

Upcoming Local Events

12/21/2007 - Frosty Follies at Hilltop

Get out your most festive holiday outfit and join Hilltop Golf Club in Alexandria, VA for one last outing this year. Grab a partner or sign up as a single and let us pair you up for a 2 person scramble beginning at 1PM on Friday December 21st. Come at 12PM to register and enjoy light snacks while you warm up with complimentary range balls. The cost is \$20 per person and includes snacks, complimentary range balls, 9-holes of golf with cart, on course contests, and prizes. To register please e-mail brad@hilltopgolfclub.com with your name, phone number, and playing partner if you have one or call 703-719-6504.

12/29/2007 - Gauntlet Scotch Tournament

Saturday, December 29th, 2007 at the Gauntlet in Fredericksburg, VA. 9 am start. \$15 Entry Fee (+ green fees if applicable). To sign up call the pro shop at 540-752-0963 or email bshiflett@golfgauntlet.com.

12/29/2007 - New Years Open at The Manor Golf Club

Join us at The Manor Resort (aka Poplar Hill) in Farmville, VA on Saturday, December 29th for a 2 Person Better Ball Event. Gross & net prizes, on-course events, 10AM shotgun, entry fee is \$49 per person, includes golf, cart, food, prizes. Entry deadline is Sunday, 12/23. Call 434-392-2244 to sign up. For more info, visit www.poplarhillfarmville.com

12/31/2007 - New Year's Eve Scramble at Herndon Centennial

Tee it up in the New Year's Eve Scramble at Herndon Centennial Golf Course, Herndon, VA on Monday, December, 31, 2007 for a 10:00 a.m. shotgun Four Person Captain's Choice. Cost is \$60 per player. Entry fee includes; green fee, cart fee, range balls, prizes and lunch. Register your team with the pro shop, call 703-471-5769.

1/1/2008 - New Years Day Shoot Out at Hilltop

Start the New Year off right with a 2-person 9-hole scramble at Hilltop Golf Club in Alexandria, VA. Register as a single or with a partner for this annual 9-hole event. \$20 gets you a continental breakfast, complimentary range balls to warm up, on course contests and prizes. To register please e-mail brad@hilltopgolfclub.com with your name, phone number, and playing partner if you have one or call 703-719-6504.



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Quote of the Week

**"My golf is
woeful but I will
never surrender."**

-Bing Crosby



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