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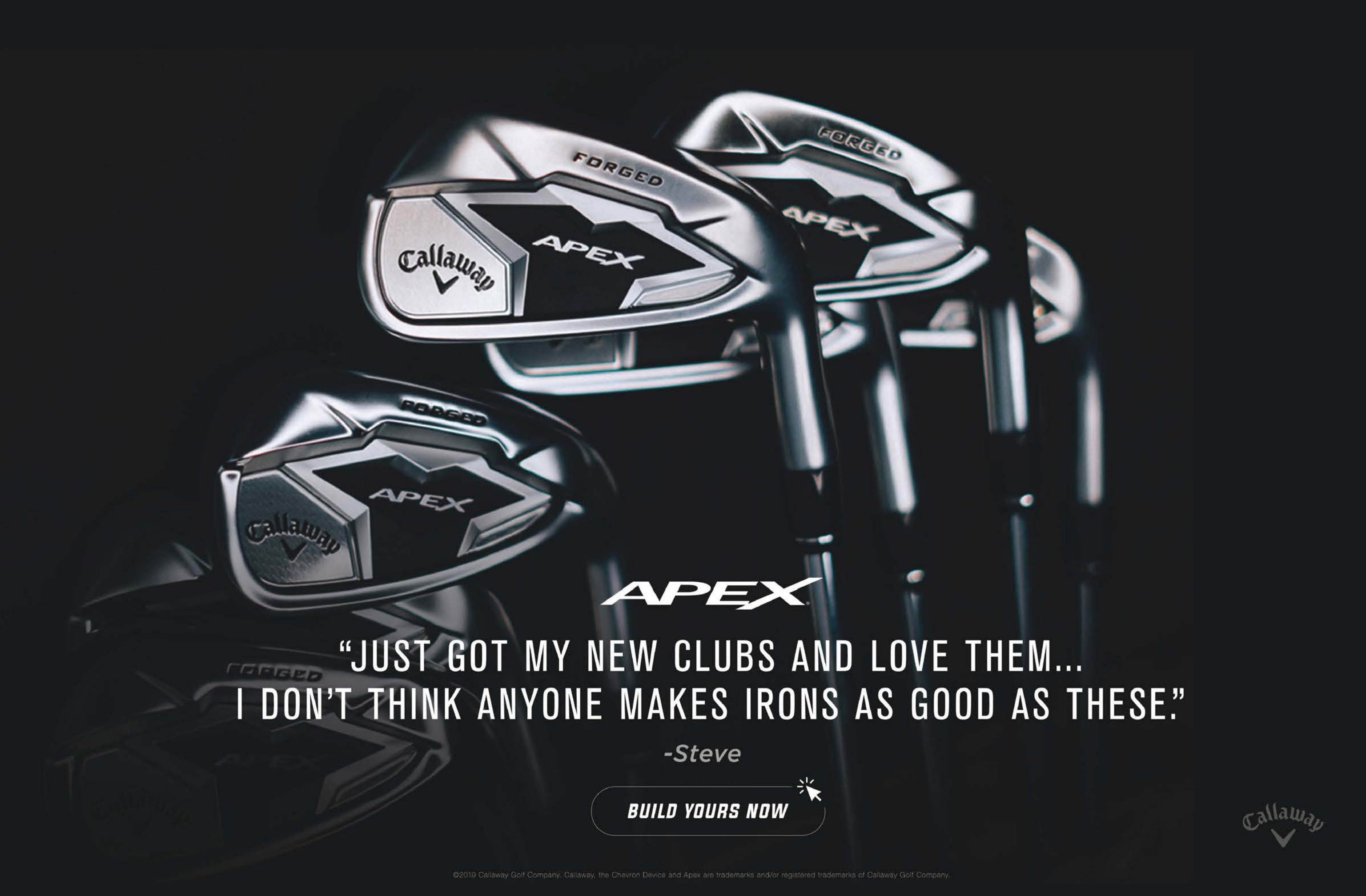
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-Steve

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Legendary Anguilla resort undergoes design transformation with enhanced golf and spa amenities and new culinary experiences

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Alan Larch joined the CuisinArt family as Executive Chef and in his new role, Chef Alan oversees a range of diverse dining venues at both CuisinArt Golf Resort & Spa and sister property, The Reef by CuisinArt, with global-influenced menus and experiences designed around island-sourced ingredients.

The Spa by CuisinArt relaunched with a renewed focus on whole body wellness and biodynamic treatments. The new Fitness Center has the latest in Technogym equipment including Spin bikes with Technogym Cycle Connect for virtual spinning.

CuisinArt's Greg Norman Signature Design 18-Hole Championship Course, the ultimate golf experience on Anguilla, completed major post storm projects including

an extensive bunker renovation. Enhanced maintenance programs brought the course back to its original glory while improving conservation efforts for a sustainable future. Guests enjoy several new enhancements including a fleet of new Yamaha golf carts and newly incentivized golf play rates. Guests of both CuisinArt and The Reef by CuisinArt enjoy full 18-hole games for just \$100 (\$299 for non-guests), as well as 9-hole and Twilight games for just \$75 (\$225 non-guests), with complimentary rental clubs.

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Here's to the 100th

The Westchester Amateur Championship hits a milestone next month when its 100th playing takes place at Winged Foot Golf Club (East), July 9-11. A field of 32 competitors will challenge for the title through match play, with players aiming to add their name to the list of winners to hoist the Paul Adler Trophy. Past champions of the historic regional championship include Winged Foot's own founding member John G. Anderson, Willie Turnesa, Jerry Courville, George Zahringer III, and record five-time winner Jon Saxton.

Titles will also be at stake in the Senior and Super Senior divisions, which begin with 16- and 8-man brackets, respectively. Qualifying for all three divisions was completed in June. Visit mgagolf.org/wga to follow all the action during the championship.



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SEASONS FULL OF SUCCESS

As the collegiate golf season wrapped up, Met Area players collected a number of notable honors and accolades thanks to impressive performances.



CHRISTINA PARSELLS
Georgetown University
Junior • Bernardsville, N.J.

★
Parsells won the Hoya Invitational and finished tied third in a pair of events—including the BIG EAST Championship—en route to collecting her fourth All-BIG EAST honors. She led her squad with a 75.7 scoring average on the season.



CAMERON YOUNG
Wake Forest University
Junior • Scarborough, N.Y.

★
Behind a 69.88 scoring average, Cameron Young claimed a pair of individual titles and tied for first in a third. Young earned All-ACC honors for the third time and after advancing to the quarterfinals of NAAs, qualified for the U.S. Open at Pebble Beach.



JAMES NICHOLAS
Yale University
Senior • Scarsdale, N.Y.

★
Nicholas earned three victories including taking top honors at the Ivy League Men's Championship. A 69.72 scoring average helped Nicholas earn All-Ivy honors as 2019 Ivy League Player of the Year, in addition to the Division I PING All-Region Northeast Team recognition.



AMI GIANCHANDANI
Yale University
Freshman • Short Hills, N.J.

★
Gianchandani notched a trio of victories during her first season of collegiate play, which led to both Ivy League Player and Rookie of the Year honors. She registered a 73.88 scoring average over her nine events, posting 66 as her season low.



JOHN PAK
Florida State University
Sophomore • Scotch Plains, N.J.

★
A school-record 69.56 scoring average and four victories—including the ACC Men's Golf Championship title—led Pak to PING First Team All-America honors, and his second-straight All-ACC recognition. Pak was steady all season, finishing inside the top 10 in eight of his 11 events.



CHRIS GOTTERUP
Rutgers University
Sophomore • Little Silver, N.J.

★
Gotterup registered multiple top-five finishes during the season, including a fourth-place finish at the Big Ten Championship. His play earned him Second Team All-Big Ten honors and a spot on the Division I PING All-Region Northeast Team.

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The Long Island Open Championship and the Westchester Open Championship took place in consecutive weeks early in June, both providing plenty of excitement with playoff finishes.



**Long Island Open Championship Presented by Stifel
June 4-6 | Hempstead Golf & Country Club**

Clutch putts from Andy Svoboda led the Engineers professional to a successful title defense in the Long Island Open. Svoboda sank a 33-foot birdie try on the 54th hole to tie Nick Beddow of Nassau Country Club at 7-under 206 and force a three-hole aggregate playoff. Svoboda then dropped a 72-foot bomb for eagle on the drivable par-four 1st hole, taking a quick two-shot lead and eventually claiming the playoff by a score of 9 to 12.



**Westchester Open Championship Presented by Callaway
June 10-11 | Country Club of Darien**

Frank Bensel of Century faced a six-shot deficit entering his final round, but his second consecutive round of 2-under 69 in blustery conditions led to a playoff with 36-hole leader Greg Bisconti of The Saint Andrew's Golf Club. Bensel made quick work of the sudden-death playoff, carding birdie on the par-five 18th hole to clinch the come-from-behind victory and etch his name on the trophy for the second time in his career.

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BY SCOTT KRAMER

Homing in on the precise distance to the flagstick or any hazard is a cinch these days, given you're armed with one of the many devices out there that are designed to do just that. But three new products go above and beyond the call of duty – providing you exact yardage to the pin while also giving you bonus features. **Garmin's Approach G80 (\$500)** is an extremely lightweight, handheld device that merges golf GPS with launch monitor capabilities. It instantly calculates accurate distances with colorful hole maps on a touch screen. But when you set it on the grass a foot from the ball, and then take your shot, it immediately displays ball and clubhead speed, smash factor, tempo and estimated distance. TAG Heuer's elegant **Connected Modular Golf Edition watch (\$1,850)** overlays GPS yardage on full-color 3D renderings of holes at 39,000 courses, while recording scores and showing helpful statistics and accurate club distances of your own golf game. And if rangefinders are your thing, the **Upside Golf model (\$179)** features a built-in LOCKON magnet system that snaps securely to most golf cart and pull cart frames – so you won't lose it. It's accurate to within 18 inches from 650 yards and sports high-definition 6X magnification.





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MGA Golf Leagues 2019 Sites:

Bethpage State Park	Tuesdays, 6 p.m.
Centennial Golf Club	Mondays, 6 p.m.
Hudson Hills Golf Course	Wednesdays, 6 p.m.
Willow Creek Golf Club	Wednesdays, 6 p.m.

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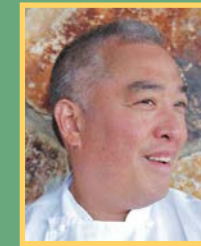
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—Ken and Debra Kawaller (New York)



The Epicurea event is such a wonderful combination of great food, wine, golf and a beautiful beach...how can you go wrong! This event surpassed our expectations. The food was truly superb. We were able to meet and mingle with all of the chefs. Niccolo from Antinori Wines did an excellent job of presenting their wines. The friendliness of the staff at The Reef, combined with the terrific staff from *PGA Magazine*, made this a most memorable vacation.

—Jim and Marsha Watson (New Jersey)

Visit EpicureaGolf.com for detailed information, updates and reservations.

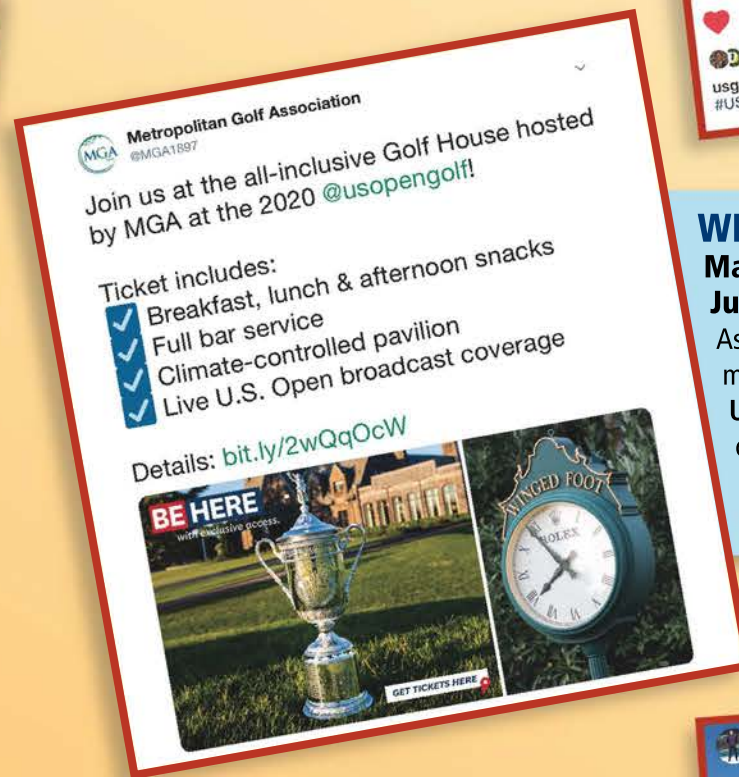
Social SNAPSHOTS

June has been a busy (and exciting) month of golf in the Met Area and beyond. Catch up on some of the can't-miss news items seen through social media!

WORLDWIDE

June 4

Golf's global community came together on June 4 to celebrate **Women's Golf Day**, an occasion that is dedicated to engaging, empowering and supporting women through golf. Facilities offer lessons, special events or discounts in celebration of the day.



NEW YORK CITY

June 17

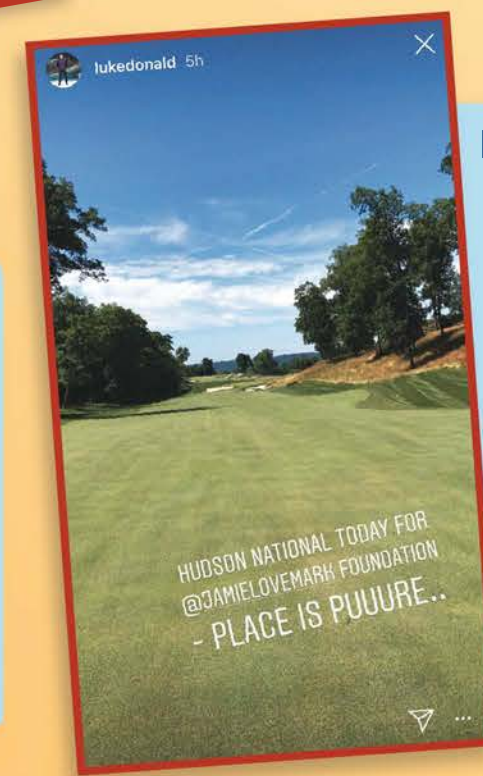
Following his first major championship title in the 119th U.S. Open Championship at Pebble Beach Golf Links, **Gary Woodland** brought the U.S. Open trophy to the Big Apple for a media tour.

WINGED FOOT GOLF CLUB

Mamaroneck, N.Y.

June 17

As soon as the final putt dropped at Pebble Beach, the excitement elevated for Winged Foot Golf Club's hosting of the **2020 U.S. Open Championship**. MGA Members have an exciting opportunity to attend the championship in comfort with the all-inclusive Golf House hosted by MGA ticket option! Visit www.mgagolf.org/usopen for complete details.



HUDSON NATIONAL GOLF CLUB

Croton-on-Hudson, N.Y.

June 24

PGA TOUR professionals gathered at the 2019 Met Amateur host site in support of the **Lovemark Foundation's 3rd Annual Charity Pro-Am**. The Lovemark Foundation—established by professional golfer Jamie Lovemark and his wife, Tiva—supports brain cancer patients and their families.

THORNBLADE CLUB

Greer, S.C.

June 9

Two-time MGA Player of the Year **Michael Miller** finished second in the BMW Charity Pro-Am on the Korn Ferry Tour. That wasn't Miller's only highlight of the month, as he and fellow former Met Area amateur **Ryan McCormick Monday** qualified for the PGA TOUR's Travelers Championship in Cromwell, Conn.



OLD OAKS COUNTRY CLUB & CENTURY COUNTRY CLUB

Purchase, N.Y.

June 4

Rounds of 68-69 earned **Cameron Young** of Sleepy Hollow medalist honors in U.S. Open sectional qualifying, punching his ticket to Pebble Beach Golf Links for his first major championship start.