

# GOLF DIGEST

## AUG '13

### NEWMAKERS

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#### ↑ EASY WIN FOR LAHIRI

**A**irban Lahiri posted a determined three-under-69 in the final round of the PGTI-Eagleburg Open to sail to an emphatic five-stroke victory at his home course, the Eagleton Golf Resort, near Bangalore. Lahiri totaled 20-under-268 for the tournament. S. Chikkarangappa, another local lad from Eagleton, finished second with a total score of 15 under-273.



#### ↑ LITTLE MASTERS JUNIOR GOLF TOUR

**L**ohit Samotra, Daksh Shokeen, Aryaman Mahant, Anmol Arora, Jai Bahl, Irene Kalra, Arshia Mahant and Rhea Jhu finished on top of their categories in the first event of the second season of the tour at Golden Greens golf course recently. The next leg of the tour will be played in Chandigarh this month. Two players emerging on top in the age group of 13-17 years will be given direct entry into the 13th Zhang Lian Wei Junior International Invitational tournament to be held in China from August 12-16.



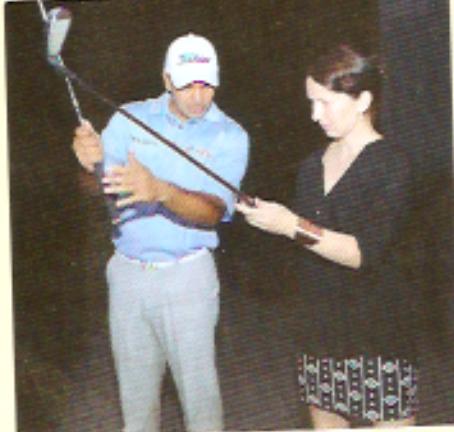
#### ↑ U.S. KIDS WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP

**I**n another fillip to the rising profile of Indian golf on the global stage, 11 junior golfers put in great performances at the Golden Greens golf course recently to qualify for the prestigious U.S. Kids World Championship at Pinehurst Golf Club in North Carolina, scheduled this month. The organizers of the Indian qualifiers, Ultimate Golf, have also undertaken the sponsorship of two juniors from this group — Anil Bedi and Hunar Mittal — to help them participate in the international event. The contingent will also include Vasundhara Thiara, Shubham Jaglan, Anmol Arora, Eshaan Sethi, Shobhit Gupta, Kshitij Kaul and Aniket Sawant.



#### ↑ AUDI QUATTRO CUP

**T**he duo of Anurag Chopra and Kanwaljit Sandhu beat 12 other teams last month to book a berth in the world final of the Audi quattro Cup. In the India final hosted by Audi India at the Kemper Golf and Country Club, Anurag and Kanwaljit (representing Audi Chandigarh) scored 43 points to qualify for the world final to be held at Los Angeles.



#### ↑ BHULLAR CONDUCTS GOLF CLINIC

**G**aganjeet Bhullar, the highest ranked Indian golfer in the world, recently hosted a golf clinic at The Westin, Gurgaon. Starwood Hotels & Resorts had officially announced a partnership with him earlier this year for Westin Hotels and Resorts. As part of the clinic, Westin Hotels & Resorts and Starwood Preferred Guest members got an exclusive opportunity to learn and improve their game with Bhullar.



#### ↑ AFTER HOURS GOLF

**A**live screening of the proceedings on the final day of the Open Championship, organized in Delhi, Bangalore and Chennai last month, was attended by senior corporate leaders, sportspersons, bureaucrats and celebrities in all three cities. The event was hosted by Taj Westend & ING Vysya in Bangalore, ITC Grand Chola and Mantri Developers in Chennai, and ITC Maurya and T&T Motors in Delhi. The attendees also participated in the 'closest to the pin' and 'guess the winner' contests on the sidelines of the event, apart from trying their luck in the indoor putting contest at all three venues. ♣