

TATA STEEL TAMIL NADU AMATEUR 2014

Simarjeet Singh scripted an exciting win on a cloudy final day at the Tata Steel Tamil Nadu Amateur 2014 at the Par-72 Coimbatore Golf Club recently. He carded a score of one-over-73 on the final day to beat Viraj Madappa of Kolkata by one stroke by finishing at thirteen-over-301 for the week. Reigning All India Amateur Champion Pratap Arwal finished with a score of even-par 72 on the final day to finish second with a score of sixteen-over-304.



LITTLE MASTERS JUNIOR GOLF TOUR

The third season of LMJGT kicked off recently at Tarudhan Valley GR and the inaugural event of this season saw distribution of the Order of Merit certificates and Player of the year awards for the 2013-14 season. Daksh Shokeen & Manjot S.Saini (Boys) and Khushi Hooda & Vaanya Gilhotra (Girls) were adjudged winners of the Player of the Year awards. Ivan Jolly won the "Most Improved Player" award for his performance in the 2013-14 season. The second event of the season last month at Phillaur was cancelled due to rain. In the Delhi-NCR leg of the tour, Mayank Thakur, Samika Sharma, Anmol Handa, Daksh Shokeen, Khushi Hooda, Arjun Bhati, Manjot Singh, Jujhar Singh, Aarav Shah & Ivan Jolly emerged victorious in their respective categories. Manjot Singh was adjudged the winner of the "Best Score of the day" competition, while Samika Sharma won the "Closest to pin" competition.



2014 PGA OF AMERICA DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD



The PGA of America recently announced it is awarding former American President Bill Clinton, Founder of the Clinton Foundation and 42nd president of the United States, its 2014 PGA Distinguished Service Award for his lifetime love of golf and his commitment to health and wellness. Previous honorees include Bob Hope, Byron Nelson, Arnold Palmer, Patty Berg, Jack Nicklaus, and former presidents Gerald Ford (1991) and George H.W. Bush (1997).



MARATHON EFFORT

Amateur golfers Brijesh Patel and Siddharth Naik recently played 182 holes (10 rounds) on a single day at Kalhaar Blues and Greens GC. They started the day at 5:35 a.m. and finished at 7:48 p.m. after a long day of golf. Naik is also a co-founder of TAEGA (The Ahmedabad Elite Golfers Association). The two golfers played in a two-ball stroke-play format and took 870 and 840 strokes respectively over 10 rounds of 18 holes, along with two more holes in 14 hours and 13 minutes. The fastest round of the day got finished in one hour and 13 minutes, while the slowest round recorded was one hour 50 minutes.

EASY WIN FOR VANI

Delhi golfer Vani Kapoor continued with her dream run in the Hero Women's Professional Golf Tour 2014, as she walked away with her fourth winners' cheque in the sixth leg recently at Liddar Valley Golf Course in Punalgam. She carded a final round score of one-over 72 to finish her campaign at the top spot with a score of two-under-211 after 54 holes. Chandigarh's Saaniya Sharma finished second trailing Vani by a single shot, while Smriti Mehra finished third carding level par 213 after 54 holes.



ANKITA WINS SEVENTH LEG OF WPGT

Ankita Tiwana emerged victorious against Shweta Galande on the second playoff hole to win the seventh leg of Women's Professional Golf Tour (WPGT) at the picturesque Royal Springs Golf Course recently. This was Ankita's maiden win on the domestic tour. Both Shweta and Ankita were tied for the first place with identical scores of 220 after 54 holes, before entering the play-offs. Neha Tripathi finished third with a total of 221 after the third and final round.

