

Michigan PGA
Fall Section Meeting / Board Meeting Notes
October 19, 2026

A. Year End Entry Numbers

- Thank you for all your participation this year. We had a great year hitting budget in 14 of 18 events
- Adidas State Pro Am had 135 teams – consistent with the big uptick we saw last year
- Assistants Championship had 52 players – most since 2013
- Pro Assistants Championship had 90 players – most since 2019
- Big year for the Women's Open with the full event of 135 players this year bring an official event on the Annika WAPT
- 77 Associate permits purchased - up 13 from last year
- Thank you to all of our host sites and host professionals for making it such a great season

A. 2027 Section Schedule

- We are working on the 2027 Section schedule and will have those sites updated on the website as we secure those as well as a tentative Section schedule up next week.
- Excited to announce that Tullymore Golf Resort will host the 2027 Michigan PGA Professional Championship on August 16-18.
- Excited to announce that the Michigan Open is moving right here to Eagle Eye Golf Course and will take place on a Sunday – Wednesday : June 13-16. Founders Brewing Company is back as the title sponsor and hoping to secure Hall Financial to return as the title sponsor as well.

B. 2026 Major Winners

- Hall Financial / Founders Brewing Company Michigan Open Championship– (Cameron Ruge)
- Michigan PGA Championship – (Tim Pearce)
- Tournament of Champions (James Piot)
- Match Play Championship presented by PGA Tour (Scott Hebert)

C. Fuller Cup Team

- Congratulations to the Michigan PGA Fuller Cup team on their 10.5 – 7.5 victory over the GAM at the Country Club of Detroit this fall.

D. Travel Pro Am – PGA National Resort

- The Florida Pro Am is moving this year and will take place at PGA National Resort and Spa in Palm Beach
- Excited for the new venue and the great reputation that comes with PGA National .They still host the PGA Tour event (formally the Honda Classic, now the Cognizant Classic) in February. We will play 3 different courses including the Champion Course
- Criquet will be the new sponsor and will be providing the tee gifts for the event
- Still have room for around 10 more teams

E. French Lick Pro Am

- We will also have our Spring Pro Am again next year and will be returning to French Lick Resort. The event will take place April 18-21.
- We had a lot of great feedback from all the teams that went last year – really enjoyed the golf, the hotel and the casino

F. 2026 Rolex Player of the Year Race Player of the Year

- Thank you to Rolex for sponsoring the Section Player of the Year and for providing \$10,000 for those PGA Members that finished in the top 10

2026 Rolex Player of the Year - Matt Thompson - Binder Park Golf Course

Matt's highlights included:

- 2nd place at the Michigan PGA Professional Championship
- 2nd place at the Tournament of Champions
- Semifinalist at the Michigan PGA Match Play Championship
- 2nd place at the Western Chapter Championship
- Member of the winning Michigan PGA Fuller Cup Team

G. Tournament Committee

The tournament committee will be meeting in the next couple weeks. If there is anything that you would like the committee to discuss or address please reach out to myself or Justin.