

Friends of Bobby Jones

2018 JONES LEGACY GOLF

Each year The Friends of Bobby Jones, the broad association of individuals and organizations preserving the memories and supporting the living legacy of Bob Jones through the Bobby Jones Program, hold events and celebrations near the date of Jones' birth anniversary, March 17, 1902.

This year, on the weekend of March 23-24, in coordination with Emory University and with current and alumni scholars participating, the Friends conducted the 2018 Jones Legacy Golf Tournament on the East Lake course where Bobby Jones and his friends learned to play. The weekend of celebration began on the evening of March 23rd with friends, scholars and



players gathering at Emory's magnificent Carlos Museum for a VIP opening reception. Participants came from six states in the US and four overseas countries. During the reception, guests were treated to a fascinating presentation on the impact and importance of sports by Pellom McDaniels, a faculty director of Emory's Library of Rare Books and Manuscripts which contains a wealth of Jones materials.

The next morning everyone was ready to begin a spirited and fun competition for the Jones Legacy title on the East Lake course. Last year this event drew a full field of 60 golfers, and the 2018 renewal was sold out early, with the field stretched to 72 golfers—18 teams competing. The winning team came out of a large contingent of 28 players who traveled from Phoenix and the Midwest to compete. The team of the "Scottsdale Scouts," led by Kris McCormick, nudged ahead of the defending champions from the "Evergreen Society" in the last few holes and won with an eye-popping score of 13 under par. Wow! Other prize winners were recognized for the longest drive competition captured by Derek Wu from the Alston Bird "Legal Eagles" team and by Dr. Liz McKenna of the "Medical Magic" team from Phoenix. The longest putt on hole number 18 was won by Bill Seigler of the "Golf Historians". Prizes for closest to the hole on the dangerous island green number 15 were claimed by Charles Anderson from the Atlanta Athletic Club and Mrs. Joanne Haag who showed off her winning ways after a long travel from Scotland to play in this event.



A celebration followed the golf and prize ceremonies with a fabulous dinner highlighted by the introduction to roaring cheers of each current Jones Scholar and those alumni Scholars who were present. In keeping with the long standing tradition of the "Bobbies," the Jones Scholars putting contest continued with Jason Sell from the newly selected 2018/19 Scholars winning the prize cup this year.

The Friends cordially invite you to compete in the 2019 Jones Legacy Golf Tournament. Please be aware that the 2018 event was an early sellout and places will be limited for 2019 in order to continue this successful competition at the East Lake course. So—call, register, send a deposit, whatever you can do now, to reserve your place. For sure, you do not want to miss this landmark Jones celebration in what will surely be another glorious day of golf to honor and support the Bobby Jones Scholars.

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Gene McClure, an Emory graduate and national lawyer in Atlanta and Washington, is the current Chairman of The Friends of Bobby Jones. McClure has served on the USGA Executive and Rules of Golf Committees, is a recipient of the USGA's recognition for service to golf and is a member of Georgia Golf Hall of Fame.