

Plan shots with creativity in mind

By Cory Gentes
Special to The IFP

The Players Championship is widely regarded as the fifth major in men's professional golf, so when a 21-year-old wins it as his second victory on the PGA Tour, the win is that more special.

South Korean Si Woo Kim won by three shots over the best field in golf after posting a bogey-free three-under-par 69.

The most impressive thing about his victory to me is that under that pressure he remained so calm and played his own game.

He played a couple shots that players would not sometimes try such as the driver from the rough on the 14th from 268 yards on Saturday to save par after an errant drive.

Or the hybrid putt from off the green on 18 to three feet for an easy tap in par and the victory.

The ability to think creatively and pull off the shot builds confidence. I always tell my students who are new to the game that there

are no rules for where you can use your clubs on the course.

You can use any tool, anywhere just pick the right tool for the job.

The ability to make a plan for the shot based on your lie and conditions and then pick the club that makes it all work will make execution easier.



From the
Ground
Up



It won't always work out perfectly, but planning and committing to it will start the process.

Oh yeah. Get out and practise. But practise with a plan and some creativity never hurt.

Cory Gentes is a 16-year PGA of Canada Teaching Professional and the Director of Instruction at The Old Pro Driving Range.
GentesFamilyGolf.com



IN-SYNC: The theme for this year's Halton Hills Synchro Showcase held recently at the Georgetown Indoor Pool was Rock n Roll and 34 girls from around the area demonstrated their figures and group routines. Above, Maria Srebernjak and Rachael Vieyra began their routine out of the water at the 21st-annual showcase. The Halton Hills club sent several athletes to this past weekend's Synchro Swim Ontario championships in Oshawa and came away with a first and two third-place finishes. The 16-18 duet won the championship for its routine, while the novice 11-13 team placed third with its routine and the novice advanced group also finished third. *Photo by Lee-Ann Jones*



TEAM OF THE WEEK: After dropping their first two matches of the tournament, Georgetown District High School's mixed doubles team of Katie Abrams and Bryn de Chastelain won the next four to earn gold medals in the C Flight of the OFSAA Badminton Championships held near Chatham recently. Also representing the Rebels at Pain Court was the girls' doubles team of Sarah Reid and Melanie Vanco, who went 3-4 at the tourney, advancing to the C-Flight quarterfinals.

Submitted photo

JUMPSTART BIRTHDAY GESTURE: Instead of birthday gifts, three members of the Halton Hills Minor Lacrosse Association's #1 Bulldogs asked their friends to make a donation to Canada Tire's Jumpstart Foundation. Colton D Amico, Vincent Ward and Nolan Witter all share April as their birthday month and held a joint lacrosse-themed birthday party with school friends and teammates. To date, the boys have raised close to \$800 for the foundation, which provides families in financial need the same chance to participate as others. *Submitted photo*



WHEELS
Benefitting The Darling Home for Kids

Presented by: **mattamy-ONES**

SUNDAY, JUNE 25TH, 2017

Mattamy National
Cycling Centre
2015 Pan Am Blvd, Milton, ON

Gallinger 50
SINCE 1957 LINCOLN
ONTO CYCLING ASSOCIATION

ATTENTION ALL CYCLISTS!

Looking for an affordable ride? Join us and help celebrate Ontario's 150th Anniversary!

- Choose your ride. Follow our suggested fundraising amounts or SET YOUR OWN FUNDRAISING GOALS!
100 km - \$250 | 50 km - \$175 | 25 km - \$125
- Help support The Darling Home for Kids, a local charity serving medically fragile children and their families. You can make a difference in their lives.
- Enjoy a complementary BBQ lunch, live entertainment, children's activities in the Family Fun Pavilion and exciting BMX demonstrations.

Sanctioned by Ontario Cycling Association

REGISTER TODAY AT WWW.RIDewithWHEELS.CA