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NICHOLLS WINS---TWO UP.

Donald Ross is Defeated in a Well Played Professional Match.

NEWS FROM THE LINKS.

The first professional match of the season was played over the Pinehurst links Wednesday. The game was a close and exciting one; the purse was \$100; the contestants were Donald J. Ross of Pinehurst and Bernard Nicholls of Boston; the course was in almost perfect condition; the weather was just the kind that is always advertised for Pinehurst—clear, bright and warm, the thermometer registering between 58 and 66 degrees throughout the day; there was little or no wind, and several hundred spectators followed the players over the entire course both morning and afternoon. I. C. Bates Dana was referee. Both players appeared to be in good form, Nicholls showing to best advantage in driving, while Ross did superior work on the greens.

At the end of the first 18 holes played in the forenoon, Ross was one up, but he lost this advantage in the afternoon on the first four holes. The last nine holes were most excellently played by both players, Ross making this section of the course in 37, one less than it was made in by Harry Vardon. Nicholls won by two up and one to play.

The medal play score was as follows:

FIRST 18 HOLES.

No.	Yds.	Ross.	Nicholls.
1	168	-	3
2	254	-	4
3	116	-	4
4	310	-	4
5	213	-	3
6	386	-	5
7	437	-	5
8	213	-	5
9	355	-	4
10	311	-	5
11	153	-	4
12	317	-	4
13	285	-	4
14	484	-	7
15	257	-	4
16	496	-	5
17	152	-	3
18	296	-	5
Totals		78	81

* Halved without putting.

SECOND 18 HOLES.

1	-	-	3	3
2	-	-	5	4
3	-	-	4	3
4	-	-	6	5
5	-	-	4	4
6	-	-	6	6
7	-	-	7	5
8	-	-	4	4

9	-	-	4	5
10	-	-	4	4
11	-	-	3	3
12	-	-	4	4
13	-	-	4	3
14	-	-	5	7
15	-	-	4	4
16	-	-	6	6
17	-	-	4	4
18	-	-	4	4
Totals	-	-	81	78
Grand totals	-	-	159	159

The handicap medal play tournament for the Frank Presbrey cup, open only to those who had never played the eighteen hole course in less than 100, was won on Monday last by John B. McDonald, with a gross score of 106 and



a net score of 86. The score in detail is given below:

	Gross.	H'cap.	Net.
John B. McDonald	106	20	86
J. F. Grace	115	21	94
C. F. Bates	117	20	97
G. D. Hasbrouck	126	27	99
Frank Presbrey	107	7	100
Samuel Stenson	135	34	101
Mrs. C. D. Little	141	40	101
George C. Clausson	142	40	102
P. H. Mayo	113	6	107
C. R. Forrest	123	16	107
L. W. Washington	135	27	108
W. N. Coler	124	15	109
Miss Valentine	148	35	113
L. H. Barker	128	15	113
S. H. Steele	118	5	113
S. H. Balfour	117	2	115
Miss N. F. Page	128	12	116
M. C. Hallett	129	12	117
Jno. Pierce	147	30	117
J. Henry Hentz, Jr.	141	20	121
E. M. Slayton	169	40	129
George McNeir	173	40	133

A handicap medal play open tournament will be held tomorrow (Saturday)

on the Pinehurst links. Two cups will be offered as prizes, one for the best gross and one for the best net score. All players who have not played in tournaments here before are requested to hand in their lowest scores over this course or their home club handicaps, not later than this (Friday) evening, in order that their handicaps may be fixed.

Bernard Nicholls, whose recent match play with our own Donald Ross attracted so much attention from local golfers, is one of the very best known professionals now playing in America, and has given his time entirely to golf since his infancy, playing his first match when only five years old at Sandwich, England, where he was born just 29 years ago. His career both on the continent and in America has been an inter-

H. R. H., the Prince of Wales, now King Edward VII; H. I. H., the Grand Duke Michael of Russia, Prince Radziwill of Russia and his wife, the Countess of Torby, as well as many others almost equally prominent.

Mr. Nicholls' first position in America was with the Lenox, (Mass.) Club, which he held for two years, going from there to the Philadelphia Country Club for several years. Since that time he has been in the business of manufacturing golf clubs and requisites, under the firm name of Nicholls Brothers & Co., of Boston, Mass.

Mr. Nicholls, however, finds time to devote to the game and makes several tours every season. He has just returned from a trip through Florida and Georgia, where he played several matches. In a match played with J. Norton, at Nassau, Florida, February 10, Mr. Nicholls won by 3 up and 2 to go; at Palm Beach, February 17, Mr. Nicholls, George Low and A. H. Fenn played a very close medal score contest which resulted as follows: Low 73, Fenn 74 and Nicholls 74. At Thomasville, Ga., last Thursday, Mr. Nicholls won from Walter Fovargue of Chicago, by 5 up and 4 to play.

From Pinehurst Mr. Nicholls goes to Boston to do some exhibition work at the Sportsman's Show, after which he intends returning to the south. He says that he expects to meet the well-known professional, George Low, in Pinehurst, about the middle of March and play several matches here. Replying to a query Mr. Nicholls said, "I think the Pinehurst links are unquestionably the finest in the south. I said the same last year and I believe the links this year is very much improved. The turf is much better and the addition of the new nine-hole course for beginners is commendable."

Holly Inn Notes.

Thursday, Feb. 20, was the occasion of the largest card party of the season at this popular resort, and elegant silver prizes from Starr's were awarded as follows: first and second lady's prizes, Miss Smith and Mrs. Maurice; first and second gentleman's prizes, Mr. Chanley and Mr. Gray. Ice cream and cake were served by Mr. Hyde and the evening closed with a hop.

Ping Pong is the popular game indulged in by the guests of the Holly Inn at present, and several exciting tournaments have been held. Among the experts at this game are Messrs. Adams, Butler, Kinney and Bancroft.

Special Sleepers.

On Feb. 18 the Seaboard Air Line will inaugurate a line of sleepers between Jacksonville, Florida, and Old Point Comfort, via Richmond, passing through Pinehurst. Passengers going to Richmond can remain in the car until 8 a. m.