

Old Chatham Golf Club Hosts U.S. Mid-Amateur Championship Sectional Qualifying

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DURHAM, NC, September 20, 2013 **/24-7PressRelease/** -- The course was in perfect condition with fairways playing fast and firm, and green speeds at 13.2 on the Stimpmeter as Old Chatham Golf Club, a prestigious Triangle-based golf club and home to some of the area's foremost business leaders, hosted the U.S. Mid-Amateur Championship Sectional Qualifying on Sept. 3. 104 competitors played for six spots with two alternates.

The course's conditions led to players' scores averaging higher than expected. Paul Tucker of Waxhaw, N.C., and Joe Jaspers of Huntersville, N.C., both shot four under par (68) to claim medalist honors. Jordan Byrd and Scott Patnode shot 69 each, earning the third and fourth positions.

The cut line fell at two under par at 70, with Sherrill Britt earning fifth spot with a birdie on the first playoff hole. Jonathan Jackson holed his birdie putt to win the last spot in the playoff. He is among the six qualifiers who will advance to the U.S. Mid-Amateur Championship Oct. 5-10 at the Country Club of Birmingham in Birmingham, Ala.

QUOTES:"We had a very exciting U.S. Mid-Amateur qualifier at Old Chatham," said Allen Wilson, Old Chatham Golf Club president. "The lengthy course, fast and firm fairways, and green speeds at 13.2 on the Stimpmeter provided quite challenging putting conditions. Needless to say, we are really proud to have had some of the top names in amateur golf attend and wish the finalists the best of luck in the Championship."

"As the overall scores indicate, our course can be a challenge for golfers of any skill level," said John Marino, Old Chatham director of operations. "We had a great tournament and the players put on an outstanding performance. We are already looking forward to next year's N.C. Mid-Amateur Championship."

ABOUT OLD CHATHAM GOLF CLUB:Established in 2001 by area business leaders, the Old Chatham Golf Club is a Triangle-based club with the charm and character of the classics. A Rees Jones design, Old Chatham Golf Club is nestled just minutes from the I-40 corridor with 400 acres of rolling hills rich in native pines and oaks. In this secluded yet convenient location, members and their guests can escape to the tranquility of an uncrowded retreat, characterized by gracious hospitality with an emphasis on quality and comfort. For more information, visit <http://www.oldchathamgolf.org>.