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Newsletter

THSCA - Coaching School

Another year of Coaching School is in the books and we felt like it was a great event! If you didn't attend, please consider coming next year. We had 40 people play in the golf tournament on Sunday and had anywhere between 80-100 coaches in attendance for the meetings. Also, if you are passionate about a certain area of the game and would like to be a speaker in January or next summer, please reach out. See the next page for an overview of all the speakers!

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iWanamaker

www.iwanamaker.com

Many of you used iWanamaker last Spring. For those that did or participated in events that did, thank you!! They have done an outstanding job of taking suggestions on what improvements need to be made and are working through those kinks right now. They have launched a test site with the new rollout but it should be user ready by December.

The UIL has been in communication with them on how to Live Score all of the playoff rounds for every division. This would really help this year since the State Tournament has been moved up earlier. With the quick turnaround from Regionals to State, this program would help the UIL out tremendously.

iWanamaker sends us back 20% of all ticket sales. Last year we made $4,029. We thought it was important for our players to see that immediately and used the money to purchase an alignment stick for every player 1A - 6A at the State Tournament as well as State Champion t-shirts for the team and individual winners from every classification.

What we need from you: Enter your Rosters!!! It takes 10 minutes to do. If you did it last year, it will automatically take your seniors off and so you only have to update it with any new players. If you have changed schools, please email support and they will get your account fixed. support@iwanamaker.com

If you have not hosted an event with it yet, please reach out for help or check out their videos online.

TAGC Coaches of the Year

Boys Coach of the Year
Hunter Fincher
Brock

Girls Coach of the Year
Brent McCuiston
Alamo Heights

Boys Assistant Coach of the Year
Mark Szafran
Katy Seven Lakes

Girls Assistant Coach of the Year
Crystal Schmalzried
Gladys Porter

TAGC Winter Clinic

January 5th & 6th
Waco, TX

We are working on our lineup of speakers right now. Hoping to have a few college coaches on the line up as well as a representative from the USGA to go over a mini rules clinic. Once our speaker line up is finalized we will publish it on our website as well as a link for registration. Below is a tentative schedule of events. Last year, we had a social at Buzzard Billy's on the second night with appetizers & drinks. If you know of anyone who would be interested in sponsoring this event, please send them our way!

January 4th: Hotel Check In - 4:30 p.m.
Optional Social at George's - 6 p.m.

January 5th: Speakers 9 a.m. - 11 a.m.
Lunch Break
Speakers 1 p.m. - 4 p.m.
Social at Buzzard Billy's (Included) - 6 p.m.

January 6th: Speakers 9 a.m. - 11 a.m.
Lunch - 12:00 p.m.
Golf Tournament - 1:00 p.m.

THSCA Coaching School Summary

Every speaker brought ideas that are applicable to every program no matter what the size. If there is a topic you would like to hear more about, reach out and we will try to make that happen for the clinics in the future.

Shawn Trousdale - El Paso Eastwood: Running Tournaments - Shawn walked us through setting up / running events on iWanamaker. He explained some of the new changes they are implementing next year and how valuable this tool can be for our kids and us. Contact Info: strousdale@yisd.net

Brent McCuiston - Alamo Heights (THSCA Girls Coach of the Year): Things I wished I would have known in Year 3 - Brent talked about finding what you are good at and living that truth instead of faking what you don't know. He shared how he has built relationships with swing instructors and how finding a mentor in the game is such a valuable piece. Contact Info: lmccuiston@ahisd.net

Bob Ellis - Texas A&M: Teaching Ball Flight Laws - Coach Ellis was the Coach at Texas A&M for 27 years and continues to work in the kinesiology department. He went over the 9 ball flight laws and connected the dots between ball flight and the club at impact. Contact Info: r-ellis1@tamu.edu

Kyle Butler - Trackman Teaching: Kyle connected old school to new school. He built off Coach Ellis' talk about the ball flight and explained what that looks like from a technology aspect. Contact Info: kbu@trackman.com

Callan Nokes - Westlake (THSCA Boys Coach of the Year): Building a Team Culture in an Individual Sport - Callan shared many of the ways he builds his team culture throughout the year, from team dinners to a JV - Varsity internal Match Play event. Contact Info: cnokes@eanesisd.net

Romi Farrell - Frisco Panther Creek: Coaching Mental Resiliency - Romi went over numerous ways to help build confidence and create a growth mindset within our athletes. She has great ideas on setting goals, reflection, wellness, visualization, building relationships, and knowing the game. Contact Info: farrellr@friscoisd.org / Presentation: bit.ly/3XM7HMT

Rich Ballinger - Sam Houston PGM Program: Rich gave us an overview of the PGM Program, one thing I wasn't aware of was that every student that goes through the PGM Program also will earn a degree in Business. They have a 100% job placement rate with their students. He is very interested in working hand in hand with us on developing and avenue for High School Coaches to work towards their Class A. Contact Info: ballinger@shsu.edu

Chad Handley - Conroe The Woodlands: Chad talked about https://thegolfcoaches.net This is a website that offers drills and lessons to use with your golfers. It has video descriptions to help you keep practice interesting while still getting some work done. Contact Info: chandley@conroeisd.net

Mike Booker - Texas Golf Hall of Fame, Author of The Tournament Golfer's Playbook: Mike was a member of the 1977 Houston National Championship Team. He still plays competitively, his most recent event was the West Texas Senior Amateur. He tied for 1st shooting -3. His book covers the differences in a golfer who plays tournaments and a tournament golfer. He passed out copies of his book while we were there and I'd highly encourage getting a copy if you missed out.

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