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TIM PETERSON AND JOHN BRELENTHIN
2023 MGA Senior Amateur Four-Ball Champions



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MGA Senior Amateur Four-Ball Championship

LAST YEAR’S CHAMPIONSHIP

WILLMAR, Minn. – A string of four consecutive birdies to begin their final round lifted defending champions John Brellenthin and Tim Peterson to a final-round 9-under 63 at Eagle Creek Golf Club to claim their second consecutive Minnesota Golf Association Senior Amateur Four-Ball Championship.

Entering the final round in a share of the lead with 2019 champions Jim Lehman and Jerry Rose, Brellenthin and Peterson dropped birdie putts early and often to pull away from the field for a six-stroke victory over Lehman and Rose.

“Tim and I have been friends for 40 years—playing against each other in junior golf and then together at [University of Minnesota], so it’s really a lot of fun,” Brellenthin said after collecting his fourth state victory.

“My second statewide win—it’s nice to be able to do it again, especially with him,” said Peterson.

Edging the team of J.T. Johnson and Tom Whaley in a playoff a season ago at The Jewel Golf Club, Brellenthin and Peterson won their first MGA Senior Four-Ball title, earning Brellenthin his first Player of the Year nod, a season after Peterson claimed the honor.

Rolling in three consecutive birdie chances from inside three feet to start the round, Brellenthin moved his team into the outright lead at 10-under before Peterson converted his birdie chance at the fourth.

“Very surprising, but it was great,” Brellenthin said of the fast start to open the final round. “I was a little surprised how low the scores were the first day. We shot 7-under, which is a great score, but I thought we’d have to go out and shoot the same score again today to have a chance to win.”

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LAST YEAR'S CHAMPIONSHIP continued.

"It sure looked like we were going to have to come out and shoot a low score because Jim and Jerry started out really strong today, too," said Peterson.

The only blemish at the 36-hole championship for Brellenthin and Peterson came at the fifth hole, carding their lone bogey of the week.

Peterson answered by carding birdie at the sixth, while Brellenthin rolled in a birdie chance at the ninth to put him and Peterson up by three.

Hitting a remarkable punch shot at the 10th, Peterson converted his birdie chance from 10 feet and rolled in an eight-foot birdie putt at the 13th to reach 14-under for the championship.

Brellenthin's birdie putt from the front edge of the par-3 16th essentially sealed the championship, sinking another birdie on the final hole to put him and Peterson into the clubhouse at 16-under 128 for a six-stroke victory.

"Everything today went right for us," Brellenthin said. "I don't know that we could've shot one or two shots better—that was probably the best we could've shot."

Lehman and Rose matched Brellenthin and Peterson early with back-to-back birdies at the first and second holes before running into trouble with bogeys at the fifth and seventh holes.

The two battled back with birdies at the eighth and ninth holes to pull within three of the lead at 9-under.

Unable to carry momentum to their final nine holes, Lehman and Rose couldn't convert a birdie opportunity until the 17th when Rose rolled in a short putt to momentarily move within five shots of the lead.

Finishing with a par, Lehman and Rose would card a 10-under 134.

Posting final a final-round 67, the team of Randy Jacobus and Tim Samuelson finished in a four-way share of third place at 9-under 135.

Also placing third was the pairing of Greg Buckingham and Bob Neuberger, as well as Bart Bradford and Rick Frieburg.

Winners in 2020 and 2021, David Haslerud and Matt Yeager followed an opening round 66 with a 3-under 69 to finish seven shots back at 135 and in a share of third.



Tim Peterson, Forest Hills GC, and John Brellenthin, The Minikahda Club, celebrating their second consecutive win at the 2023 MGA Senior Amateur Four-Ball Championship. The duo repeated as champions in 2022 and return to defend their title this year.

MGA Senior Amateur Four-Ball Championship History

1986-Present: One champion team recognized.

2023	Eagle Creek GC John Brellenthin/Tim Peterson The Minikahda Club, Forest Hills GC	2010	Island View GC Gary Johnson/Jon Empanger, Island View GC	1997	Northfield GC David Rovick/John Reichert, Interlachen CC
2022	The Jewel GC John Brellenthin/Tim Peterson The Minikahda Club, Forest Hills GC	2009	Brackett's Crossing CC Bill Anderson/Bob Anderson, Bent Creek GC	1996	Rolling Green CC Richard Anderson/Gary Thorp, Interlachen CC
2021	Southview CC David Haslerud/Matt Yeager Southview CC, Minnesota Valley CC	2008	Town & Country Club Larry Barnacle/Tom Smith, Sawmill GC, Brackett's Crossing CC	1995	Elk River GC David Rovick/John Reichert, Interlachen CC
2020	Southern Hills GC Dave Haslerud/Matt Yeager, Southview GC, MN Valley CC	2007	Black Bear GC Jerry Gruidl/Robert Leaf, Golden Valley CC, Hazeltine National GC	1994	Minneapolis GC David Rovick/John Reichert, Interlachen CC
2019	Windsong Farm Jim Lehman/Jerry Rose, Windsong Farm, Alexandria CC	2006	Elk River GC Mike Cleland/David Hanson, St. Cloud CC	1993	Indian Hills GC David Rovick/John Reichert, Interlachen CC
2018	Northfield GC Tom Heidrick/John Sexton, Valleywood GC	2005	Rum River Hills GC Clint Nelson/Lank Larson, Detroit CC	1992	Forest Hills GC Carson Herron/Roger Rovick, Wayzata CC
2017	Burl Oaks GC Leif Carlson/Greg Murphy, Valleywood GC, Keller CC	2004	Wayzata CC Larry Barnacle/Richard McArdle, White Bear YC, Olympic Hills GC	1991	Island View GC David Rovick/Bob Tickle, Interlachen CC
2016	Oak Glen GC Robert Harris/John Hawkinson, Detroit CC, Chisago Lakes GC	2003	Mille Lacs Golf Resort Jerry Gruidl/Robert Leaf, Golden Valley CC, Hazeltine National GC	1990	Rolling Green CC Rod Magnuson/Norb Anderson, Keller CC
2015	St. Cloud CC Leif Carlson/Greg Murphy, Valleywood GC, Keller CC	2002	Keller GC Jerry Gruidl/Robert Leaf, Golden Valley CC, Hazeltine National GC	1989	North Oaks GC Larry Perkins/Bob O'Neill, Bemidji T&CC
2014	Indian Hills GC Mike Cleland/David Hanson, Pebble Creek GC, St Cloud CC	2001	Indian Hills GC Ed Sauer/Ray Sauer, Tianna CC	1988	Stillwater CC Dick Barrett/Jim Blanchard, Braemar GC
2013	Bent Creek GC Richard Blooston/Tim Gonsior, Edina CC, Golden Valley G&CC	2000	Faribault G&CC Jerry Gruidl/Robert Leaf, Golden Valley CC, Hazeltine National GC	1987	Southview CC John Harrigan/Bill Feehan, Minneapolis GC
2012	Prestwick GC Larry Barnacle/Tom Smith. Sawmill GC, Brackett's Crossing CC	1999	LeSeuer CC Jerry Gruidl/Robert Leaf, Golden Valley CC, Hazeltine National GC	1986	Minnetonka CC Dick Kohlbray/Leo Spooner, Northland CC
2011	Highland National GC Randy Garber/James Price, University GC, The Wilds GC	1998	Detroit CC Carson Herron/Roger Rovick, Wayzata CC		

1974-1985: Two overall champions recognized, one in Senior and one in Master. (Senior—S, Master—M)

1985	Minnesota Valley CC S: Leo Spooner/Dick Kohlbray, Northland CC M: Jack Adams/Tom Hoak, Olympic Hills GC	1981	Hazeltine National GC S: Dr. Phillip Olson/Dick Massuch, Hazeltine National GC M: Gene Christensen/Neil Croonquist, Interlachen CC	1977	Town & Country Club S: Bud Chapman/Don Torey, Minneapolis GC M: Rey Meyer/Dr. Grover Webster, Minneapolis GC
1984	Golden Valley G&CC S: Don Mosher/John Harrigan, Minneapolis GC M: Don McGlynn/Jack Adams, Olympic Hills GC	1980	Rolling Green CC S: Chet Latawiec/Glenn Scholzen, Bunker Hills GC M: Roy Widstrom/Jim Kawczynski, Gross GC	1976	Midland Hills CC S: Gene Christensen/Neil Croonquist, Interlachen CC M: Bill Bielenberg/Ken Fladager, Southview CC
1983	North Oaks GC S: Leo Spooner/Dick Kohlbray, Northland CC M: Mike Rak/Howard Karkhoff, Columbia GC	1979	Mendakota CC S: Bud Chapman/Karl Dosen, Minneapolis GC M: Roy Widstrom/Jim Kawczynski, Gross GC	1975	The Minikahda Club S: Roy Widstrom/Jim Kawczynski, Gross GC M: Joe Hovanetz/Al Erickson, Hiawatha GC
1982	Minneapolis GC S: Dr. Phillip Olson/Dick Massuch, Hazeltine National GC M: John Biernat/Bob Fehling, Midland Hills GC	1978	North Oaks GC S: Gene Christensen/Neil Croonquist, Interlachen CC M: Paul Turner/Jim Lindsay, North Oaks GC	1974	Indian Hills GC S: Mike Kak/Howard Karkhoff, Gross GC M: Paul Turner/Mel Vollhaber, North Oaks GC

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MGA Senior Amateur Four-Ball Championship (DIVISION WINNERS) History

2008-Present: Two divisions are recognized, one in Master and one in Net. (Master—M, Net—N)

<p>2023 Eagle Creek GC M: David Anderson/Mark Alexander, Minneapolis GC, Stillwater CC N: Brian Patterson/Steve Pribyl, Twin Cities GC, Royal GC</p>	<p>2017 Burl Oaks GC M: Bill Anderson/Bob Anderson, Bent Creek GC N: Jim Siekmann/Sheldon Michaletz, New Prague GC</p>	<p>2012 Prestwick GC M: Tom Lindberg/John Wells, Hazeltine National GC, Olympic Hills GC & John Lieser/Terry McGee, Territory GC, Wapicada GC N: James Fazzino/Tim Gambonie, Keller GC, University GC</p>
<p>2022 The Jewel GC M: Robert Anderson/Bill Anderson, Bent Creek GC N: Brian Patterson/Steve Pribyl, Twin Cities GC, Royal GC</p>	<p>2016 Oak Glen GC M: Gary Johnson/Pat Vincelli, Island View GC, Brackett's Crossing CC N: Jim Overocker/Dan Watts, Bent Irons GC</p>	<p>2011 Highland National GC M: Steven Doole/Jerry Ficocello, Indian Hills GC N: Rob Johnson/Greg Knaeble, Olympic Hills GC, Ridges at Sand Creek</p>
<p>2021 Southview CC M: Mike Fermoye/Tom Smith, Southview CC, Brackett's Crossing CC N: David Gunderson/Eric Sisler, Theodore Wirth GC</p>	<p>2015 St. Cloud CC M: Gary Johnson/Pat Vincelli, Island View GC, Brackett's Crossing CC N: Ron Seagren/Sheldon Michaletz, Hiawatha GC, New Prague GC</p>	<p>2010 Island View GC M: Dennis Kowalski/Gene Parr, HiawathaGC, River Oaks GC N: David Haugan/Dennis Haugan, Hiawatha GC</p>
<p>2020 Southern Hills GC M: Bill Anderson/Bob Anderson, Bent Creek GC N: Jack Hughes/Larry Nobel, Braemar GC, Bunker Hills GC</p>	<p>2014 Indian Hills GC M: Jerry Gruidl/Robert Leaf, Golden Valley CC, Hazeltine National GC N: Ray Fosburgh/Laron Pinckney, Rosemount UMC G.O.L.F.</p>	<p>2009 Brackett's Crossing CC M: Dennis Kowalski/Gene Parr, HiawathaGC, River Oaks GC N: John Grzeskowiak/AI Pint, Sundance GC</p>
<p>2019 Windsong Farm M: Dennis Barr/Don Howe, Brackett's Crossing CC, Olympic Hills GC N: Steve Foster/Jim Overocker, Bent Irons GC</p>	<p>2013 Bent Creek GC M: Tim Anderson/Shammi Lochan, University GC, Meadowbrook GC N: Rob Johnson/Greg Knaeble, Olympic Hills GC, Ridges at Sand Creek</p>	<p>2008 Town & Country Club M: David Haugan/Dennis Haugan, Hiawatha GC N: Blanton Bessinger/Richard Fraser, Midland Hills CC</p>

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*2023 Master Division Winners:
David Anderson & Mark Alexander*



*2023 Net Division Winners:
Steve Pribyl & Brian Patterson*

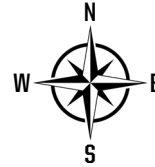
MGA Senior Amateur Four-Ball Championship (DIVISION WINNERS) History Continued

1986-2007: Two divisions are recognized, one in Senior and one in Master. (Senior—S, Master—M)

<p>2007 Black Bear GC S: Charles Thompson/Chuck Jacobucci, Highland National GC M: Larry Wicks/Tom Gray, Brackett's Crossing CC, Olympic Hills GC</p>	<p>1999 LeSeuer CC S: Sheldon Michaletz/Bob Buchholz, Deer Run GC M: David Raab/John Parrot, Interlachen CC</p>	<p>1992 Forest Hills GC S: Richard Anderson/Gary Thorp, Interlachen CC M: Peter Rowland/Bob Werness, Minnesota Valley CC</p>
<p>2006 Elk River GC S: Dave Bleyhl/Patrick Sweeney, Elk River CC M: David Haugan/Dennis Haugan, Hiawatha GC</p>	<p>1998 Detroit CC S: John Reichert/Bob Tickle, Interlachen CC M: Tom Gibbons/James Teeslink, Interlachen CC</p>	<p>1991 Island View GC S: Bob Stott/Len Jacobson, Hazeltine National GC & Larry Perkins/Bob O'Neil, Bemidji T&CC M: Dr. Bob Harris/Cliff Vegoe, Minnewaska GC</p>
<p>2005 Rum River Hills GC S: John Siedlecki/Terry Moorehead, Bunker Hills GC M: Sheldon Michaletz/Ron Seagren, Valley View GC, Hiawatha GC</p>	<p>1997 Northfield GC S: John Christopherson/Richard Blooston, Edina CC M: Dick Osgar/Jim Polson, University GC</p>	<p>1990 Rolling Green CC S: Tom Gray/George Peterson, Olympic Hills GC M: Bud Chapman/Karl Dosen, Minneapolis GC</p>
<p>2004 Wayzata CC S: Jim Kiefer/Raleigh Rose, Sundance GC M: Sheldon Michaletz/Ron Seagren, Valley View GC, Hiawatha GC</p>	<p>1996 Rolling Green CC S: John Reichert/David Rovick, Interlachen CC M: Bob Werness/Lyle Norman, Rush Creek GC</p>	<p>1989 North Oaks GC S: Rod Magnuson/Norb Anderson, Keller GC M: John Biernat/Al Kocur, Gross GC</p>
<p>2003 Mille Lacs Golf Resort S: Chip Schwartz/Bob Mattson, Cuyna CC, Olympic Hills GC M: David Raab/John Parrot, Interlachen CC</p>	<p>1995 Elk River GC S: Harvey Borseth/Edward Manderville, Hollydale GC M: Bud Chapman/Karl Dosen, Minneapolis GC</p>	<p>1988 Stillwater CC S: Bob Werness/Lloyd Freden, Edina CC M: Russ Dee/Len Bjorklund, Burl Oaks GC</p>
<p>2002 Keller GC S: Forrest Meyeraan/Jim Sutter, Albion Ridges GC, Chaska TC M: David Raab/John Parrot, Interlachen CC</p>	<p>1994 Minneapolis GC S: John Paulson/Richard Render, The Minikahda Club M: Bob Werness/Pete Rowland, Minnesota Valley CC</p>	<p>1987 Southview CC S: Ed Manderville/Dick Bolin, Columbia GC M: Jack Adams/Tom Hoak, Olympic Hills GC</p>
<p>2001 Indian Hills GC S: Jack Sieberlich/Herb Stumpf, Pierz Municipal GC, Little Falls CC M: Ronald Knoke/Herb Knoke, Hiawatha GC</p>	<p>1993 Indian Hills GC S: Dennis Kowalski/Gene Parr, Hiawatha GC M: Dick Osgar/Jim Polson, University GC</p>	<p>1986 Minnetonka CC S: Rod Magnuson/Norb Anderson, Keller GC M: John Biernat/Bud Kalina, Midland Hills GC</p>
<p>2000 Faribault G&CC S: Patrick Finley/Leonard Gaer, Braemar GC M: Louis Guertin/John T. Reynolds, Bent Creek GC, Hollydale GC</p>		



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CHAMPIONSHIP

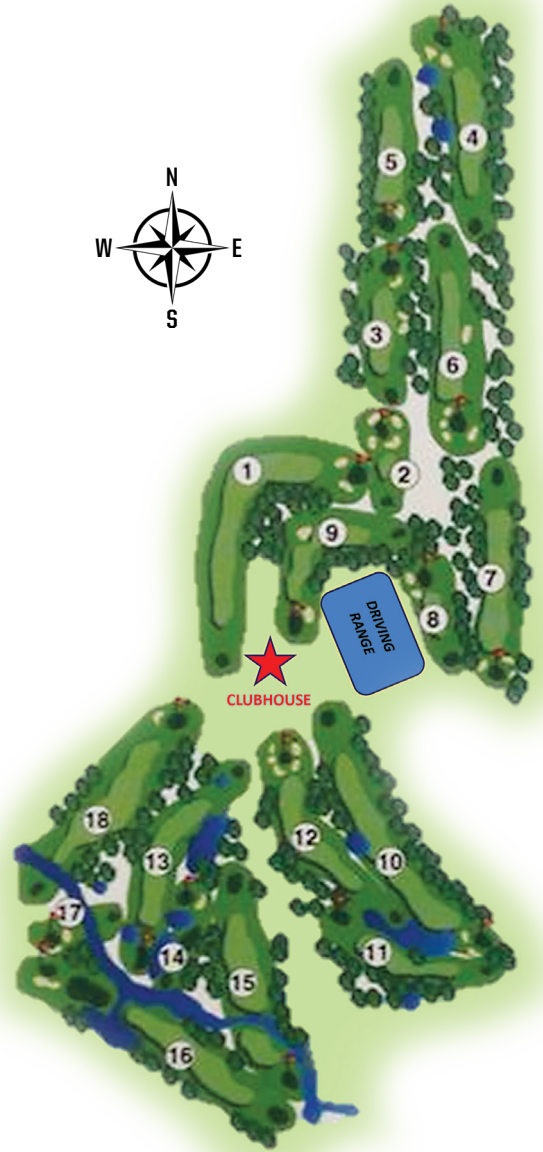
Hole	Yards	Par
1	520	5
2	145	3
3	360	4
4	435	4
5	332	4
6	382	4
7	405	4
8	186	3
9	390	4
OUT	3,155	35
10	500	5
11	335	4
12	410	4
13	400	4
14	212	3
15	438	4
16	520	5
17	160	3
18	435	4
IN	3,410	36
TOTAL	6,565	71

Course Rating & Slope: 71.9/136

MASTER/NET DIVISIONS

Hole	Yards	Par
1	495	5
2	116	3
3	345	4
4	400	4
5	310	4
6	365	4
7	370	4
8	165	3
9	355	4
OUT	2,921	35
10	493	5
11	320	4
12	380	4
13	385	4
14	162	3
15	400	4
16	492	5
17	137	3
18	410	4
IN	3,179	36
TOTAL	6,100	71

Course Rating & Slope: 69.7/131



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