

70th annual MACEDONIAN OPEN GOLF TOURNAMENT

1942 - 2012



First Annual Macedonian Open Golf Tournament





"Chronology, 1885-1993, Page 180." Multicultural Canada. n.d. http://www.multiculturalcanada.ca/node/340321



Origins of Tournament - 1942

• The Macedonian Open Golf Tournament was first established in **1942** by a group of young Macedonian businessmen who used to get together every Tuesday afternoon for a round of golf. At the end of the year they would have a tournament amongst themselves that they called the Macedonian Open.

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Origins of Tournament - 1942

 According to archivists at the Canadian Golf Hall of Fame, tournaments during World War II began as a form of fundraising for humanitarian assistance and to help in the war effort.

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Origins of Tournament



 In 1953, a young Macedonian by the name of Van Petroff joined the group, and the following year the tournament became a more formal event with Van Petroff as its president. Other members of the group included: Victor Paskaleff; Paul Phillips; Larry Geleff; Peter Geleff; Lou Velanoff; Chris Martin; Cuzo Tamo; Alec Evans; Cass Phillips; and Jim Floras.

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MACEDONIANS RAISE \$3,328 FOR RUSSIA Progressive People Express Loyalty to Canada

Macedonian and Bulgarian Progressive People raised \$3,328 which was brought into Toronto branch Red Cross headquarters for the Russian relief fund. Money was raised through collections among members and friends of this group. and by a concert at 386 Ontario St. A meeting, which was attended by fifty people at the same address. netted over \$1,000. There are not more than 5,000 Macedonian and Bulgarians scattered across the Dominion, and the immigration has come about very recently. It is their desire to express sincere loyalty to their new country, Canada.

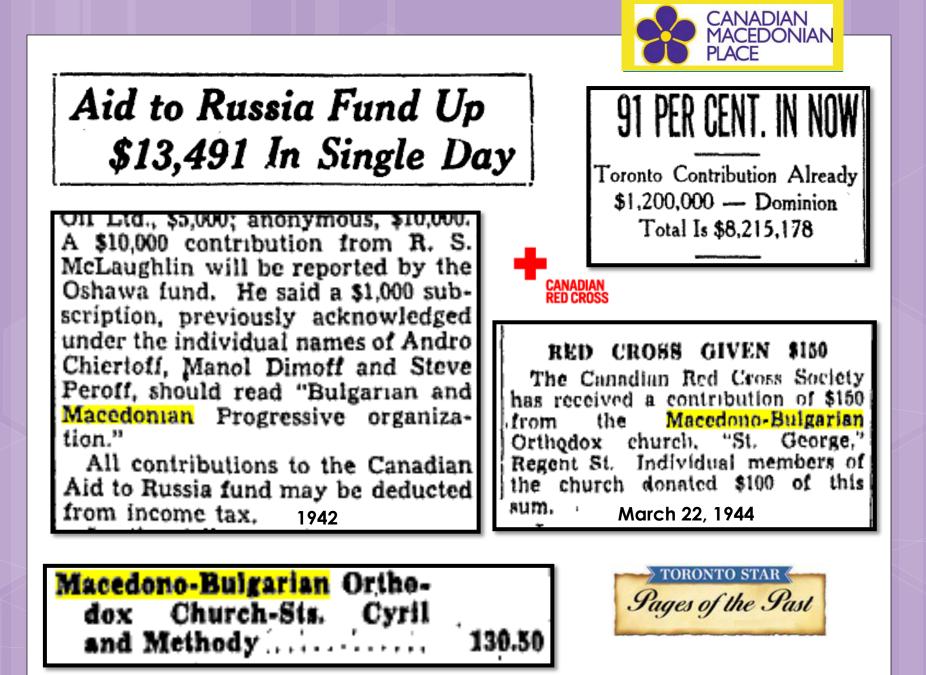
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HOCKEY PUCKS AND GOLF BALLS ON BANNED LIST

Ottawa Clamps Down on Future Production of Non-Essential Goods

CONSERVERUBBER

Ottawa, Dec. 24 (BUP). — Golf balls, tennis balls, and a wide variety of non-essential rubber articles joined the list of war casualties today.

They did so when Munitions and Supply Minister C. D. Howe announced that "without exception, no rubber will be released in future for the manufacture of non-essentials."



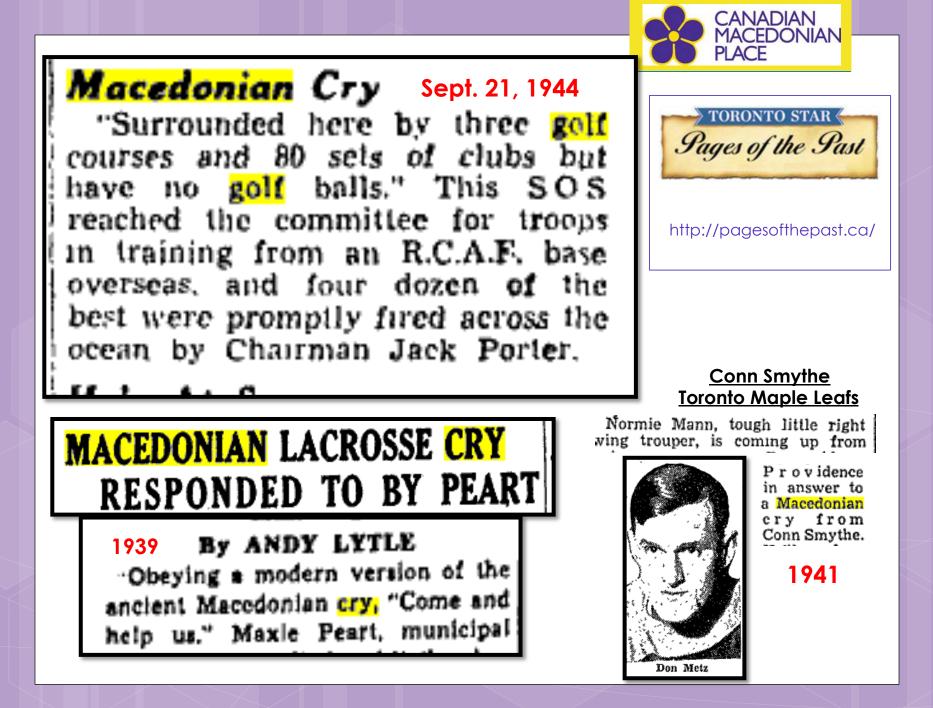
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Macedonian Cry

- The term "Macedonian Cry" came from the bible (Acts 16:9) wherein a man appeared to Paul asking him to go to Macedonia to help the people there.
- King James Bible (Cambridge Ed.) And a vision appeared to Paul in the night; There stood a man of Macedonia, and prayed him, saying, Come over into Macedonia, and help us. And after he had seen the vision, immediately we endeavoured to go into Macedonia, assuredly gathering that the Lord had called us for to preach the gospel unto them.
- The literal definition is an outcry for help.





Macedonian Cry for Help!





Macedonian Protest

Macedonian protest meeting against the terror and persecutions of the Macedonian people in both Yugoslav and Greek parts of Macedonia.

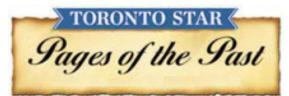
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Macedonian Cry for Help!





The Lakeview Golf and Country Club 1950's



One of the first golf courses to be used by Macedonians



The Lakeview Golf and Country Club 1957

After 17 years, the Lakeview Golf Course was once again opened to women. The Toronto Telegram headline was "Shirts back on, Gentlemen, the Gals are Here. Lakeview Golf Club ends Women Ban." Toronto Townships's male sanctuary had fallen by the wayside. The first hole in one was scored in the 1957 season by Marion Lynd. The annual membership rates were set at \$125 for men, and \$85 for ladies and \$200 for a husband and wife. For playing on a daily basis, it was \$2.50 for weekdays and \$3.50 for weekends. The course was open from mid April until mid November and the clubhouse was available during the winter months for various functions.

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Macedonian Pro-Amateur Open News Release! Sept. 11, 1959

Around the Green . . About 20 professionals, including host pro Larry Edwards, are expected to play in a special

match for a \$100 prize at the annual Macedonian "Open" golf tournament Tuesday, Sept. 15, at Lakeview The



Larry Edwards Host Pro



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Sept. 16, 1959

Ginou Wins Macedonian 'Open'



By GORDON CAMPBELL | ned to 94.

was no exception as 79 fair- received \$50 Host pro Larry way faddists attacked Lake-Edwards had 74 and Roseview in the 12th annual Mace-dale's Murray Tucker and doman 'Open'' tourney.

Rain or shine makes no dif. Lowest shooter of the day ference to golfers. Yesterday was Roy Romain. Scarboro's assistant pro, with a 72. He York Downs' Normie Smith Led by Van Petroff, who 77's.

imported a collection of pros In the net division. Nick to add distinction to the out- Martin won with 97-24-73. ing, the group composed George Sanoff had 96-22-74 mostly of restaurateurs gave and Mike Grayson 101-2612the 6.263-yard par-70 layout 7412. Most honest laurels went quite a workout but nobody to John Anthony, 187 Norm; defeated it. Scott paced the guests with

Stan Ginou with an 87 won 80.

 the championship and the St. Dick Wilson captured the · Cyril and Methody trophy, third annual Leaside Shrine · Paul Floroff was second with get-together with a 74 at St 1 88 and Nick Zolumoff Nick Andrew's. Don Drysdale had : Christie and Bob Andrews 79 and Jim Bailey 88. Top) each posted 89's Defending visitor was Doug Longborg; champion Phil Georgeff slip- with 77. A total of 70 teed off -



Sept. 13, 1960

Around the Green . . . Van Petroff. ye olde caterer, dropped in to remind that his annual Macedonian Pro-Amateur Open goes Friday at Whitevale, Ontario Open king George Knudson. Murray Tucker. Norm Smith. Larry Edwards. Gordon DeLaat and southpaw host Gus Maue are among the pros expected to battle for a \$200 pot, twice as much as last year when Roy Romain triumphed. Stan Ginow will defend his amateur laurels. Pages of the Past



In the early sixties the tournament name was changed to the Macedonian Pro-Amateur Championship and between 6 and 20 professional golfers including Ken Duggan, Alvie Thompson, Bobby Rose, and Joe Noble participated. In order to attract these professionals, Van Petroff put up \$250 in prize money. From its founding the tournament always had a "Macedonian" name and despite political pressure to change it, Van Petroff stood firm and assured the name of the golf tournament would never change.

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Courtesy of Phil Evans: (Dedo) Robert Pappas Note the 10 finger grip – surely a staple on the Macedonian tour

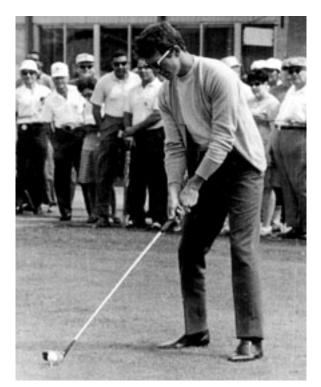




Sept. 13, 1960

Pros expected to battle for \$200 prize

George Knudson
Murray Tucker
Norm Smith
Larry Edwards
Gordon Delaat
Gus Maue



George Knudson – Winner 1960 Ontario Open http://www.cherryhillclub.ca/about_comingofage.asp



Whitevale Golf Club



Club House

http://www.whitevalegolfclub.com/Tradition/History.cfm



Took Lessons...Wins Title

By GORDON CAMPBELL , got a new set of clubs and, Sonny Laco won low net Who said golf is tough to took some lessons." learn? Not Dr. Chris Yankou. In grabbing the 13th an-The 31-year-old physician nual battle from a field of posted a 79 to win the Mace-90. Yankou edged Phil Geordonian championship at the geff by a stroke. Geor-Pro - Amateur Open tourna-geff, a former multiple winment vesterday at Whitevale ner, bet on himself to tri--and he only took up the umph again. He then proceeded to three-putt from 35 show spot. Most honest was game two years ago. It was the doctor's second feet on the 18th hole for a Danny Meloff with a whoptry for the title. He thinks double bogey-and an 80. he scored 110 in his initial Pando Markoff and Bill Federico tied for third, each were Johnny Jonhstone and bid in 1958. "I just started golf that with 83. Defending champion Gordon Brown with 75 apiece year," he said. "Played seri-Stan Ginou had to settle for and Wilf Sandall at 76-but ously last year and this year 86.

Macedonian Pro-Amateur Open Sept. 17, 1960



honors with 85-14-71, although he and Paul Phillips tied. Phillips had 84-13-71 but lost on the toss of a coin. Van Petroff, who sponsors the tourney, and Chris Martin had 85-13-72 and 90-18 -72, respectively to share ping 177.

Low amateurs for the day all were guests. Graham Stewart took handicap honors in this division with \$0-11-69.

Alvin Thompson, 24 - yearold Northwood assistant, fired a one-under-par 71 to whip 19 other pros and collect \$50. Mel Taylor of Aurora had 72, Gordon De-Laat of Weston 73 and Joe Noble of Thornhill and Bruce Murray of York Downs, each 74. 1

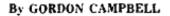


DR. CHRIS YANKOU



Macedonian Pro-Amateur Open - Sept. 13, 1961

Phil Georgeff Beats Par To Win Macedonian Golf



In the next 10 to 15 years golf will be completely mechanized Electric carts will have replaced caddles and the 3 time to play an 18-hole round ? will have been reduced by two to three hours

Vic DiMarco, pro at Forest Hills, made the above obser- - '85 vations during the 14th annual Macedonian Pro-Amateur championship yesterday the game would spoil it. Di- r as travelling distances to s respectively courses became longer

Georgeff was busy firing a 6.061-yard par 71 (36-35) championship

A designer and builder of restaurants. Georgeff previ-t Cedar Brae topped 15 of his ously captured the Van Pet- · compatriots with a five-underroff trophy in 1953, 1956 and f par 66 1958. This time he had a 10- ? Four other pros - Bobby shot lead over Robbie Zolu- r Rose of Pleasure Park Joe. moff who finished second b Noble of Thornhill, Glenn' with 80 Paul Floroff was - Philips of Forest Hill and third at 81 Defending Gordon DeLaat of Westonchampion Dr C Yankou had b all had 68

Low net honors-and the l'vale and Bill Baker of Up-Chris Martin trophy-went to 1 lands tied for low gross Alex Phillips with 89-17-72. He succeeded Alex Laco, 1960 Admitting mechanization of e winner Charlie Evans, 94-22 -72, and Peter Stevens, 86-Marco felt it was inevitable 2 14-72, were second and third

Low net honors-and the White Vic pontificated !| Chris Martin trophy-went to about the future Phil Alex Phillips with 89-17-72. He succeeded Alex Laco, 1960 one-under-par 70 over the winner Charlie Evans, 94-22 -72, and Peter Stevens, 86layout to win his fourth 14-72, were second and third respectively

Ken Duggan 25, pro at

Gordon Brown of White-

among the guests with 74s







Macedonian Pro-Amateur Open - Sept. 15, 1964



DR. CHRIS YANKOU Wins Macedonian Open

At Trafalgar. Dr. Chris Yankou carded 78 to best a field of 79 and win the 17th annual Macedonian Open and the Van Petroff trophy for the second time. He previously triumphed in 1960.

Ron Velanolf was runnerup with 82, Van Petroff and Mike Shunnock tying for third with 83. Alec Evans 146-77-69 took low net. followed by Phil Georgeff 91-21--70, Nick Goushleff 131-59--72 and Stan Ginou 91-19--72.

Low guest was Ben En-

right with 79. George Jackson and Sam Deans. each with 82, tied for second. Bob H a r w o o d 97-26-71 paced the visiting handicappers.





Macedonian Pro-Amateur Open - Sept. 15, 1964





Macedonian Cry for Help!





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For decades, Van Petroff presided over and organized this tournament and subsidized the cost of the tournament personally in order to maintain the highest standards. After his many years of managing the tournament Van finally handed it over to Canadian Macedonian Place in 1993. under the condition that net profits would go to help cover the costs of the Macedonian language course at the University of Toronto, and other charitable causes, with the remaining profits going to C.M.P.

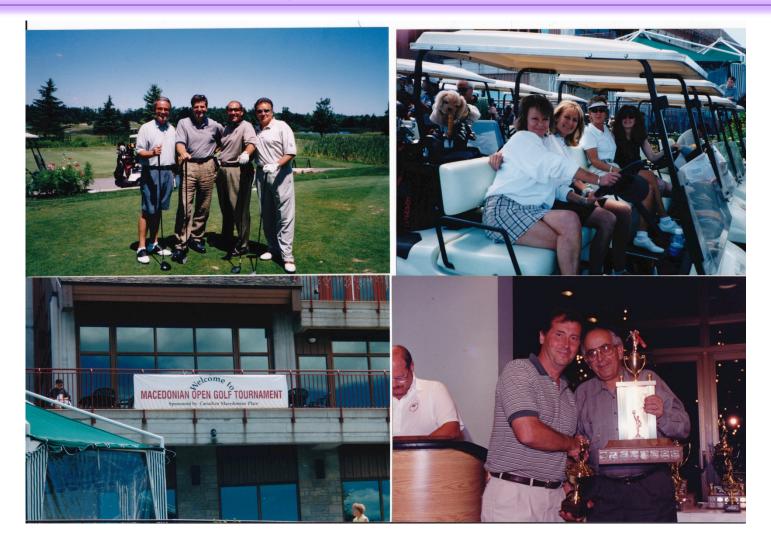
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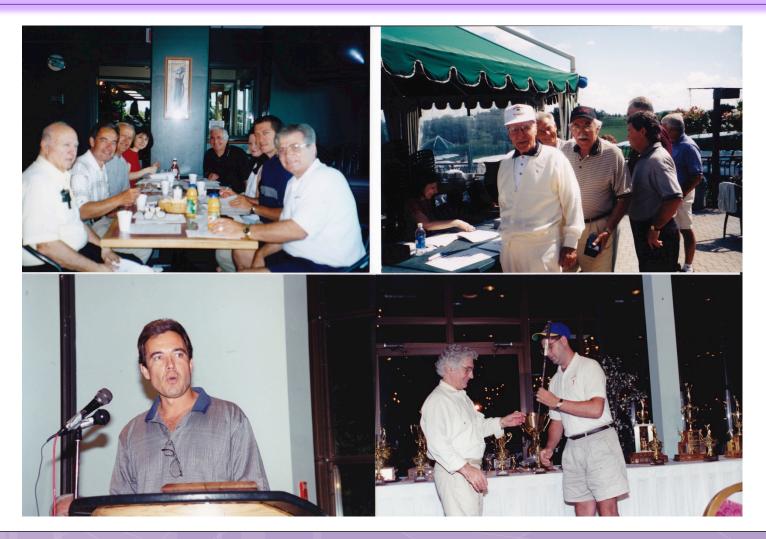




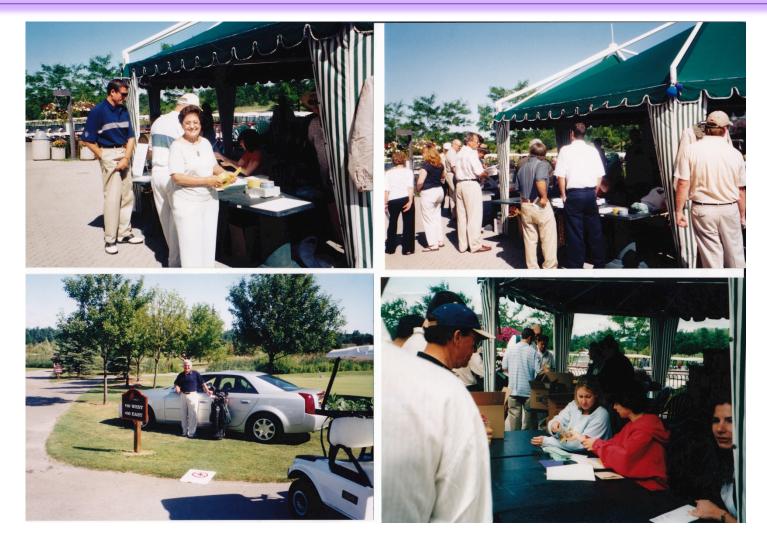






























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