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Athletic Institute Report

The Athletic Institute, Chicago, Ill., claims that the total number of golfers increased from 6.5 millions to 7 million between 1963 and 1964. The Institute's survey of participant sports ranks golf No. 15, behind volley ball, table tennis, shuffle board, water skiing and others. About 60,000,000 people are said to play volleyball.
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Teaching Methods (Continued from page 36)

swung from the heels first and picked up finesse later on. His great power and accuracy certainly show how successful this method was for him.

Obviously, Arnold Palmer is a person with much more than ordinary coordination and desire to excel. The feats of performers like Julius Boros, though, indicate that all-out power is not crucial to golfing success. But certainly we can agree that doing the skill at normal speed, even in the early stages, is important to efficient learning.

Principle: To be sufficiently motivated to learn, the learner must experience frequent success.

Application: In the early stages of working with beginners, this principle is the most easily used and yet most frequently violated.

Start with the Putter

Since the object of the game is to get the ball in the hole, you should begin your instruction with a putter and place the ball one foot from the hole. If you choose not to start with putting, good teaching indicates that a short, approach stroke would insure better chances of success than the use of a driver.

In working with beginners, don’t discount the effect of fatigue on a beginner’s ability to learn. This is usually a factor when your pupils are children or ladies, but remember, even husky men can tire when unused muscles are exercised.

Principle: Learning is highly individualistic. Each learner comes to the teacher with different motivations, different capacities and different past experiences.

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and yet he or she is different, too.

The fine athlete who is just learning golf may expect to excel very quickly. This may not occur. While general athletic skill will be helpful, golf presents a problem in coordinated movement which is as unique as the game is different from all others. The athlete may experience early success and then become discouraged when he is unable to shoot par golf. You must anticipate this and prepare him mentally for this possibility.

Needs Motivation

The person who comes to you with little previous athletic success presents a different problem. He may need constant re-assurance that he can master the fundamentals. And don't forget the power of great motivation. Often the degree of success will depend less on natural ability than on a great desire to become a golfer.

Remember, too, that not all pupils, even the young ones, have a burning desire to become champions.

Jean Mulkeen, golf professional, in describing the reason most ladies don't approach golf with the all-out dedication men show, stated in the August, 1964 issue of GOLFDOM: "Maybe they're playing golf for what it was intended — for the fun of it."

Now that you've read some of the principles of learning, pause a moment. Think about your own methods. Perhaps there's a principle or two you haven't been applying. Or, maybe there's a better application you could be making.

17th Amputee Tournament

National Amputee Golf Association has scheduled its 17th annual tournament for the week of Oct. 4. It will be played at the Ida Cason Callaway Gardens, Pine Mountain, Ga. A practice round is set for the 4th; a Pro-Am will be played the 5th; qualifying is carded for the 6th and 7th, and the championship is scheduled for the 8th and 9th. Complete information as to the tournament itself and housing accommodations can be obtained from George A. Campbell, Jr., 28 Ocean st., Marshfield, Mass.
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Swinging Around Golf
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bower GC, Colorado Springs (Junior) ... Bob Clark now pro at Monroe (Mich.) G&CC ... Augie Boyd named pro at Ledgemont CC, Seekonk, Mass. ... Fred and Murle Lindstrom will be Boyd’s assistants ... Mike Cavanaugh, formerly assistant to Manuel de la Torre at Milwaukee CC, now pro at West Bend (Wis.) CC.

Children’s Memorial Hospital $12,000 pro-am, to be played July 5, has been shifted from Onwentsia Club, Lake Forest, Ill., where it has always been played, to nearby Shoreacres Club ... Shoreacres is a tougher course ... Pro stars who gave Children’s Memorial invitations the brush-off last year had their goodwill ratings downgraded ... Chicago golfers, sportswriters and ad agency men made blistering comments when they failed to show.

Carol Sorenson of Janesville, Wis., 1964 British women’s amateur champion, named Wisconsin’s Athlete of 1964 ... She got 15 votes to 3 for the runnerup, Jim Taylor, Green Bay Packers’ back ... Art Yann, Pittsburgh, who retired after 40 years with U.S. Rubber, joins Earl Rubado, another retired U.S. Rubber golf salesman, in handling Graham Hood gloves and other imports ... Art is working in Pittsburgh and Cleveland territory ... Northern Ohio GCSA will hold its equipment demonstration Oct. 5 at Portage CC, Akron ... Supt. Nelson
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Some smaller clubs are getting great pro service from veterans who want to ease up from the pressure of the big jobs, but want to remain active . . . Henry Picard who resigned from Cleveland’s Canterbury to be pro at Blue Mountain Inn, Harrisburg, Pa., is one of those who has eased off . . . Allan Niederlitlz now pro at Springdale CC, Princeton, N.J. . . . Jim Kanavas, formerly assistant to Howard Kluth at Tuckaway CC, Milwaukee, now pro at Oconomowoc (Wis.) CC. Stan Dud-as now pro at Atlantic City (N.J.) CC.

Bill Haiyushi, supt. at Oahu CC, Honolulu and Mary Turner, wife of Bud, who recently went from Royal Kaanapali CC to back home in Indiana, arranged for the decoration with leis of GCSA officials at the supts’ annual banquet . . . Everybody liked the way the GCSA’s new president, Bob Shields, introduced his family — his wife, Bernice, sons Glen, 15 and Mark 11, his father, 82, his brother and two sisters.

Carl Smith who moved from PGA National course to become supt. at Lost Tree Club in North Palm Beach, has his members lauding him for the job he has done in getting the attractive new course in superb condition . . . American Society of Golf Architects, who met at Lost Tree for annual Conference, joined in the chorus of praise for Smith and the Lost Tree architect, Mark Mahannah.

Carl McKinney goes from Port St. Lucie to supt’s post at PGA National course . . .