Ruhoff, Meyer, Ramler and Deyak Repeat as Stodola Scramble Winners

The team of Jason Ruhoff and Jeff Meyer, Koronis Hills Golf Club; Brad Deyak, Wapicada Golf Club, and Tom Ramler, Boulder Ridge Golf Club, shot a 17-under par round of 55 to win the 2008 Harold Stodola Research Scramble at Wayzata Country Club on August 4. The foursome also won the Stodola Research Scramble last year at The Jewel in Lake City, along with this year’s Scholarship Scramble at Somerset Country Club in Mendota Heights. They are proving to be the team to beat each month.

Host Superintendent Bob Distel, his assistants Michael Cauley, Adam Beers and Mike Havens along with the rest of the grounds staff had the course in excellent shape. Players found the layout pleasing and fun to play. Perfect weather was a nice bonus, too.

Finishing one shot behind was the Stillwater Country Club team of Marlin Murphy, Ty Tollefson, Jordan Weigelt and Kevin Milbrandt. They shot a very respectable 16-under par 56.

Shooting 58 and winning a scorecard playoff for third place were Mike Brower, Steve Gilles and Wade Susee from Minnesota Valley Country Club along with affiliate member Dave Newinski of Herfort Norby Golf Architects.

The fourth place squad was made up of Dick Kolter, Mike Gostomski, Dennis Cleveland and Brian Paulson from Westfield Golf Club.

Jeff Pint, New Prague Golf Club, and Craig Hendrickson, Oak Ridge Country Club, hit the two longest drives. Kirby Schimke, Sauk Centre Country Club, sank the longest putt. The four closest-to-the pins were won by Charlie Miller, Goodrich Golf Club; Dick Kolter, Westfield Golf Club; Jordan Weigelt, Stillwater Country Club, and Ray Christensen, Baker National Golf Club.

Jim Wahl, Principal Financial Group, gave away framed prints of Wayzata Country Club’s 6th hole to each of the four members of the winning squad.

David Oberle, Excel Turf & Ornamental, sat at the 10th tee and spoke to players about Research being done in the past few years. He also gave away high-tech NASA glasses designed to detect turf damage to players who drove the ball between two lines in the fairway.

Judd Duininck, Duininck Bros., Inc.-Golf, ran a competition on the 13th hole. Participants were able to see the construction projects going on at Wayzata Country Club that DBI is involved with.

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REPEAT CHAMPIONS OF THE HAROLD STODOLA RESEARCH SCRAMBLE, from left to right are Jeff Meyer, Koronis Hills Golf Club; Jason Ruhoff, Koronis Hills Golf Club; Tom Ramler, Boulder Ridge Golf Club, and Brad Deyak, Wapicada. This foursome also won last year at The Jewel in Lake City and also this year’s Scholarship Scramble at Somerset Country Club in Mendota Heights.

HAROLD STODOLA RESEARCH SCRAMBLE RESULTS
AUGUST 4, 2008
WAYZATA COUNTRY CLUB

Jason Ruhoff, Jeff Meyer, Tom Ramler, Brad Deyak 55
Marlin Murphy, Ty Tollefson, Jordan Weigelt, Kevin Milbrandt 56
Mike Brower, Steve Billis, Wade Susee, Dave Newinski 58
Dick Kolter, Mike Gostomski, Dennis Cleveland, Brian Paulson 58
John Steiner, CGCS, Jamie Olsen, Tim Olsen, Mike Sullivan 59
Dan Dickinson, Kirby Schimke, Cliff Cline, Chad Hibs 59
Barry Provo, Jeff Pint, Jurt Ruehling, Ron Manske 61
Mike Kelly, Tim Johnson, Roger Stewart, Scottie Hines, CGCS 62
Ben Just, Grant Blumreich, Mitch Granholm, Mike Pappe 62
Scott Austin, CGCS, Dan Brown, Mike Hillard, Scott Melling 62
Josh Olson, Ben Walker, Charlie Miller, John Meyer 62
Paul Eckholm, CGCS, Scott Reuter, Brett Martinson, Mark Brown 62
Jim O’Neill, Doug Daniel, Geoff Jordan, Ken Young 62
Rob Adams, Greg Pautus, Paul Dognau, CGCS, Brett Wenzel 64
Dave Kazmierzak, Jamie Bezanion, Jakob Kosac, Dick Rieg 64
Craig Hendrickson, Shane Steve, Bruce Moss, Gary Singer 65
Mark Sullivan, Corey Brinkman, Jim Wahl, Jeff Turin 65
Marlow Hansen, Jeff Meridith, Tim Beutel, Jeremy Walker 65
Tom Proshek, Arik Hemquist, Bill Gray, Ken Adams, Jr. 66
Brian Boll, Brian Grill, Richard Carr, Steve Makowske 66
Drew Larson, Erin McManus, Larry Gorman, Joel Danielson 66
Mike Cohrs, Drew Ekstrom, Tim Wilhelm, Jason Mell 67
Matt Rostal, Brian Horgan, Jeff Johnson, Scott Kinkead 67
Tod Blankenship, Greg Bondy, Eric Nelson, Mitch Stewart 68
Eric Ritter, Chad Snuggerud, Dennis Salwe, Tim Bergum 68
Kevin Schneider, Adam Beers, Mike Havens, Michael Cauley 68
Paul Bauer, Gary Klingelhoets, Brady Scott, Ray Christensen 69
Jeff Ische, Jeff Girard, Matt Johnson, Larry Thornton 73

Bob Distel, host Superintendent of the Harold Stodola Research Scramble at Wayzata Country Club on August 4, along with Judd Duininck, Duininck Bros. Inc. Judd oversaw a contest on the thirteenth hole. Extensive changes are being made to the grounds at Wayzata Country Club and DBI is doing a bulk of the work.