

tee is the heart of golf ranges of the future. I've proven it on the world's finest golf proving ground coupled with 28 years in the golf business. People like to practice from an automatic tee. Instead of a bucket of balls being a bucket of work it's now a bucket of fun, as the fellow said.

Yes, the combination of attractive surroundings, automatic tees, fairway practice and putting facilities, good food and drink make me certain that there's a big future in golf ranges. It's the kind of future that takes capital and sound management combined. I know; I've seen it happen and I'm staking my whole future on the belief that it will happen over and over again from one end of America to the other.

It won't happen without work and capital and it certainly won't happen without cooperation. The editors of *Golfdom* have suggested a sensible means of cooperation and I'm all for it. Let's organize the American Association of Golf Range Operators to exchange ideas on golf range operation. We all have ideas on what will make golf ranges better. Let's get together and perhaps we can help bring golf into the heritage it so richly deserves.

GOLF EVENTS, New Booklet For Tournament Chairmen



Cover photo of new booklet of popular golf events for tournament chairmen.

Every tournament chairman will want a copy of **GOLF EVENTS**, a new publication issued by the National Golf Founda-

tion to assist in planning a club calendar of daily, weekly, monthly and season-long competitions which will increase attendance and build course patronage.

GOLF EVENTS lists 67 of the most popular club events in groupings according to play for individuals, twosomes, threesomes, foursomes, larger groups and novelty events and tells how to conduct each of them. Designed to satisfy the competitive urge of every golfer and avoid the monotony in the club golfing calendar, the booklet will help create a schedule of contests with plenty of sales appeal, novelty and sporting challenge to give members a different form of competition for every weekend.

In addition to the check-list of events the booklet tells How to Handicap; How to Allocate Handicap Strokes; How to Set Up Match Play Scoresheet; How to Make Pairings; How to Distribute Byes; How to Seed; Where to Locate Seeded Entries; Setting Deadlines for Play; Length of Matches and Duration of Tournaments.

GOLF EVENTS is a handbook every golf club and tournament chairman needs. Individual copies are twenty cents postpaid. You can get your copy by writing the National Golf Foundation, 407 South Dearborn St., Chicago 5, Ill.

1949 PGA Tourney to Richmond, Va.

The PGA has awarded its 1949 championship to the Hermitage CC, Richmond, Va. The tournament will be a \$30,000 event sponsored jointly by the Hermitage CC and the Sportsmen's Club and will be played May 25-31.

Award of the PGA championship to the Richmond club is the culmination of two years work on the part of Tom C. Utterbach, Hermitage Tournament Committee Chmn. and member of the PGA Advisory Committee. Charles E. "Chick" Wilkinson, Jr. is General Chmn. for the tournament.

USGA PLACES 1950 CHAMPIONSHIPS

USGA has awarded 1950 National Open to Merion Cricket club, Ardmore (Philadelphia dist.) Pa., and 1950 National Amateur to Minneapolis Golf club, St. Louis Park, Minn. Dates are to be announced later.

Merion was host to the 1934 National Open; 1916, 1924 and 1930 National Amateur; 1904, 1909 and 1926 Women's National; and 1919 and 1926 National Intercollegiate.

Minneapolis Golf club makes its debut in 1950 as a national championship club.