

SPORTS



Backus Rainy Lake Triathlon

Swimming, biking and running event Aug. 17 at City Beach

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QUICK HITS

FHS football meeting set for Thursday

There will be a registration meeting for Bronco football players in grades 9-12 at 6 p.m. Thursday in the Falls High School gym (following the volleyball registration meeting).

A parent should be at the meeting to fill out the paperwork, which must be turned in with current physicals needing to be on file to begin practice at 8 a.m. on Aug. 12. Schedules for the first three weeks of practice will be available at the meeting.

The Broncos have their first regular-season game scheduled for Aug. 30 at Eveleth-Gilbert.

FHS girls swim practices begin

Captains practices for the International Falls girls swimming and diving team are being held this week through Friday from 8-11 a.m. in the FHS pool.

The first formal practice for the 2013 season is set for Aug. 12 from 8-11 a.m.

For more information about the upcoming Bronco girls swimming and diving season, contact head coach Jill Herzig at 286-3366.

The Falls hosts its first dual meet of the season Aug. 29 against Hibbing.

Bronco Golf Scramble taking place Aug. 16

The Bronco Golf Scramble to benefit International Falls' boys and girls golf teams will be held at 4 p.m. Aug. 16 at the Falls Country Club.

The event costs \$35 per person and includes golf, a cart and a steak dinner. Proceeds will go toward purchasing equipment for the golf program.

To sign up, call the Falls Country Club at 283-4491.

Bass Dash 5K Run/Walk set for Aug. 24

There's still time to pre-register for the third annual "Bass Dash 5K Run/Walk" to start at Smokey Bear Park at 9 a.m. Aug. 24, the Saturday of the ninth annual International Falls Bass Championship.

The 5-kilometer course, which will finish inside the main tent at the park, is the same as last year.

The run/walk entry fee through Aug. 10 is \$20, which includes a T-Shirt. The fee increases to \$25 on Aug. 11.

Discounts of 15 percent will be available for groups of 15 or more and families of three or more.

Medals will be awarded to the top-three males and females in seven age divisions.

Registration forms are available at www.ifallsbass.com, where a PayPal link for online registration has also been set up, and at the Chamber of Commerce and Stride Fitness. Groups and families cannot register online with PayPal.

Registrations may be mailed with checks payable to: International Falls Bass Dash, P.O. Box 906, International Falls, MN 56649.

Registration/shirt pick-up will take place at the Smokey Bear Park Pavilion from 6-8 p.m. on Aug. 23 and from 7:30-8:30 a.m. on race day.

For more information, contact Betsy Brokaw at 324-0665, or email ifbassdash@yahoo.com.

PETE PETERSON SENIOR TOURNAMENT

Bill Hughes wins third title

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Bill Hughes



Bill Peterson of Cook tees off on hole No. 10 at the Falls Country Club in Thursday's Pete Peterson Senior Tournament. Bill Peterson, who is the son of the late Pete Peterson the tournament is named after, placed first in the ninth flight with an 18-hole score of 87.

In the 41 years the Pete Peterson Senior Tournament has been played at the Falls Country Club, Bill Hughes has won three times.

Hughes, who previously won the tournament in 2007 and 2009, placed first Thursday in the championship flight with a two-under par 70 for 18 holes, six strokes ahead of runner-up Rob Baduik.

Last year's overall champion, Greg Ross, came in third at 77.

Hughes, who is originally from Texas and has been a golfer since the 1960s, said not having any shots that got him into trouble and recording only one bogey had been key for him to win this year's tournament for players 50 and older.

"The greens were putting smoother than what they have been," he said. "I made a few putts and had a good day."

Hughes had also placed third in the seniors division in last month's Smokey Bear Golf Invitational after winning that tournament's inaugural seniors title a year earlier.

This year's Pete Peterson Senior Tournament had 92 golfers participate. They were placed in flights based on handicap and age with the top gross score in each flight winning. Ties were broken by age with the older player winning the tiebreaker.

Gift certificates at the Falls Country Club were awarded to the top-three golfers in the championship flight and flights 1-6,



Merlin Holm hits a chip shot on hole No. 18 during Thursday's Pete Peterson Senior Tournament at the Falls Country Club. Holm placed fourth in the eighth flight with an 18-hole score of 96.

and the top-four golfers in flights 7-10, as well as those golfers who were closest to the pin on holes No. 6, 11, 14 and 16.

Players with a handicap of 18 or higher used the closer gold tees, while those with a handicap of 17 or under used the white tees.



STAFF PHOTOS BY KEVIN BONESKE

Bill Mason watches a putt stop short of the hole on the 18th green during Thursday's Pete Peterson Senior Tournament at the Falls Country Club.

Senior Tournament prize winners

Championship Flight

1. Bill Hughes 70
2. Rob Baduik 76
3. Greg Ross 77

First Flight

1. Buzz Christensen 75
2. Ian McLennan 80
3. Tom Sutch 80

Second Flight

1. Doug Brown 76
2. Tim Anderson 78
3. Dave Green 81

Third Flight

1. Doug Dault 74
2. Jeff Porter 77
3. Harry Klyne 82

Fourth Flight

1. Bob Davis 81
2. Frank Calvelli 82
3. Brady Hupet 84

Fifth Flight

1. Gary Agnus 87
2. Greg Wilson 87
3. Ron Ruelle 90

Sixth Flight

1. Mike Bakke 85
2. Dennis Coleman 87

Seventh Flight

1. John Vedaa 81
2. Dave Wood 82
3. Earl Tweedie 93
4. Ed Vaughn 94

Eighth Flight

1. Larry Jacobson 89
2. Bill Gallant 91
3. Ken Noble 92
4. Merlin Holm 96

Ninth Flight

1. Bill Peterson 87
2. Bill Green 88
3. Steve Herr 97
4. Richard Olson 98

Tenth Flight

1. Jim Lissick 95
2. Rick Applebee 102
3. Glenn Witherspoon 104
4. Bruce McClellan 105

Closest To The Pin:

- #6 — Dennis Coleman
- #11 — Norm Curran
- #14 — Bill Peterson
- #16 — Norm Curran

VFW BASEBALL

Falls opens state tourney vs. Hutchinson

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2013 Minnesota State VFW Baseball Tournament

Thursday

Game 1, 9:30 a.m. — International Falls vs. Hutchinson at Ely
Game 2, Noon — Alexandria vs. Ely at Ely
Game 3, 2:30 p.m. — Maple Grove vs. Marshall at Ely
Game 4, Noon — St. Paul Ranview vs. Brainerd at Soudan
Game 5, 2:30 p.m. — Winner 1 vs. Perham at Soudan
Game 6, 5 p.m. — Winner 2 vs. Northfield at Ely
Game 7, 7:30 p.m. — Loser 2 vs. Loser 3 at Ely **
Game 8, 5 p.m. — Loser 1 vs. Loser 4 at Soudan **

Friday

Game 9, 9:30 a.m. — Winner 7 vs. Loser 5 at Soudan **
Game 10, 9:30 a.m. — Winner 8 vs. Loser 6 at Ely **
Game 11, Noon — Winner 3 vs. Winner 5 at Ely
Game 12, 2:30 p.m. — Winner 6 vs. Winner 4 at Ely
Game 13, 5 p.m. — Loser 11 vs. Winner 10 at Ely **
Game 14, 7:30 p.m. — Loser 12 vs. Winner 9 at Ely **

Saturday

Game 15, 1 p.m. — Winner 11 vs. Winner 12 at Ely
Game 16, 3:30 p.m. — Winner 13 vs. Winner 14 at Ely **
Game 17, 7 p.m. — Winner 16 vs. Loser 15 at Ely **

Sunday

Game 18, 12:30 p.m. — Winner 15 vs. Winner 17 at Ely
Game 19, 3 p.m. — Repeat 18 if necessary at Ely

** Indicates elimination game

tournament. (See the tournament schedule for more details.)

The tournament wraps up on Sunday with the two remaining teams playing for the state title at

12:30 p.m. in Ely. In the event both teams end up with one loss for the tournament after that game, a final championship game would take place that afternoon at 3 in Ely.



FILE PHOTO

At left, the Falls VFW's Wyatt Ulrich scores what turned out to be the winning run in the July 30 District 8 title game against Grand Rapids. The Falls opens the Minnesota State Tournament at 9:30 a.m. Thursday against Hutchinson in Ely.